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REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held at the Associated Bank Building,
Room 103, 176 Snelling Ave. St Paul, MN 55104
This room is off the main hallway of the atrium, before you enter the inside bank.
The meetings start at 10 AM. All are welcome to attend.

February 20, 2010

March 20, 2010

April 17, 2010

Annual Membership Meeting - May 8, 2010

Annual Board of Directors Meeting - May 15, 2010



FAMILY RECIPES ARE STILL NEEDED!

See article inside for more details

Check out the Pioneer's Website for the latest information on the scholarship, recipes and pictures of our events!

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2009 Christmas Party

The party was held on December 5th at the former Cherokee Sirloin Room, now called the Cherokee Tavern. The event began with a social hour followed by welcome remarks by President Richard MacNabb and the invocation by Richard Sandeen. The 41 attendees then enjoyed the usual delicious food and good service. Lunch was followed by announcements including the very generous and appreciated donation of \$9000.00 by Wallace London, toward restoration of the MTP buggy. A request was made by Glenda Meixell, for more recipes for the new cookbook being put together by her and her committee. Entertainment was a sing-a-long of holiday music led by Richard Sandeen and the Board of Directors. This was followed by the gift exchange and door prizes.

A special thank you to every attendee who brought a donation for Toys for Tots. The response to that request was wonderful with a variety of toys for every age group included. These toys were taken over to the TV station Kare 11 by Richard MacNabb before Christmas. We also donated \$2.00 from each child's puzzle sold at the meeting for a total of \$16.00 to the food shelf in Pine City.

The spring Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon will be held May 8, 2010. Time and place will be announced in the next newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there.

Catherine Harrison, Social Chair

Suggestions for a New Year's Resolutions.



Get your genealogy to MTP!

Do we have your ancestor's portrait?

Get the genealogy to MTP!

Do we have your application?

Get your genealogy to MTP!

Oh, and may I suggest you

Get your genealogy to MTP!

Mary Vavrosky, MTP Researcher

BOARD NOTES

The Board of Directors would like to extend a Happy New Year to everyone. For all you snowbirds, it is **COLD** out there! We do not feel so bad since we heard that Florida was only in the 30s recently. We have exciting news for you, due to a very generous donation of \$9,000.00 by Life Member, **Wallace London**, in memory of his brother, former MTP President **Melvin London**; we were able to contract to have the Pioneer Studebaker buggy restored. Along with **A. D. LaFond**, we will be able to completely restore it back to its original splendor. This has been a wish of the organization for many, many years and will be a “star” attraction when it is completed. It should be ready for the 2010 State Fair.

The Christmas party was certainly interesting; it was great to see everyone there. The “Territorial Troubadours” have retired; we commend the members who so kindly listened to us. If you missed the event, please check out the website or YouTube! It has been pretty quiet for the Board since our last newsletter. The new computer arrived and has Windows 7 as its operating system and Microsoft Office 2007 on it. It has been a very interesting experience learning the ins and outs; the secretary and treasurer have been working on the new formats and maybe by the year 2020, may have figured everything out. It actually is pretty easy to use but the office printers do not like it. So, printing correspondence has been sporadic at best. Our IT person, Alex Casebolt, has gotten everything up and working but now the secretary needs to recreate some of our documents in the new format. If any of you email documents or other items to the MTP, please have it in MS Word. We cannot open MS Works documents. I understand there is a program associated with Google that can be used if you do not have MS Word. It is Google Docs; just type this into your search engine/line. You will have to create a Google account or just use your Google email name and password and then it will walk you through what you need to do. It is really neat.

Once again, all Annual Members will have an (A) after their name. **Only** if you have an asterisk after the (A)* do you owe **2009** dues of \$24.00. Please check your address labels. Thank You. Dues are due in May of each year. There will be a notice in the next newsletter.

E-mailing the Newsletter

The Postal Service has new requirements for mailing bulk mail, which is the newsletter. They are asking that we put “Change Service Requested” on every newsletter. This means that if you are away, moved or anything else where your mail is not being delivered to the address that we have, we get back a notice plus a charge of fifty cents (.50) per newsletter. This past mailing was almost \$10.00 in additional postage for these notices. **We are asking our members their opinions.** We are studying whether or not it would be beneficial to start emailing the newsletter to everyone that has email. While we realize that not everyone has email, we would still mail a hard copy to them. The newsletters are also posted on the MTP website. Thank you to the people who do let us know a winter address, it sure makes it easier. Please send us your email address, it will remain confidential.

We use bulk mail because the cost of mailing is about ¼ the cost of regular mail. Depending upon the weight of the newsletter, the individual cost could be up to \$1.25 per newsletter. The cost, via bulk mail, is up to .19 per each one no matter what the weight is. This is quite a significant difference. We send out approximately 500 newsletters.

If you go away for the winter, summer or anytime that you forward your mail or move, please let the MTP know. You can email us; send a postcard, note or call. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS. Thank You.

The Board of Directors

Recipes/Helpful Hints Needed!

You can send them in by mail, email, through the website or pony express! We are trying to accumulate your family recipes along with the stories that always go with them.

Whoopdedoo Pudding

1 cup of blah	3 ounces of lahdeedah
1 TB of hoopla	1 pound of yuppers
Set oven to 350 degrees	

In a large mixing bowl, mix together the blah and hoopla.

After browning the yuppers, add the mixture slowly and top with the lahdeedah.

Cook for 30 minutes, or until top is golden brown.

Recipe's History: My grandma used to fix this whenever it was someone's birthday. She came up with this after an evening of drinking wine at someone's birthday.

Of course, we need serious recipes but some lighthearted ones are good too. The Cookbook Committee has received many recipes, but we need more. *Please send in original recipes.* Such as:

Bakt Loks – Baked Trout

Clean one large fish. Sprinkle inside and out with salt and stuff with filling made of 4 cups bread crumbs, ½ cup melted fat drippings or sausage fryings, pinch of salt and one of sage. Bake about one hour.

Recipe from "Wagon Trails" written by Helen Joos Cichy about the life of her mother and father, Mary & Frederick Joos in Millerville, MN.

Currently, we are in the process of sorting and putting them into categories. Depending on how we decide to publish the cookbook, and how many people are interested, we are considering having sponsors/advertisers for it. If you have a business and would like to advertise it in the new cookbook, please call for more details. There would be a small charge for this advertisement, depending on the size. Thank You. The Cookbook Committee

Tidbits of History

Chatfield MN – Chatfield Pair Note 60 years of Marriage

Charles Hancock, grandson of the Cambridge, Mass., village blacksmith who was the subject of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's ballad, "The Village Blacksmith" written in 1839 and his wife quietly observed their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, in their home, near Cummingsville, a settlement near here. Though he never saw his grandfather, Hancock heard the story from his father, John Hancock, who came west to Olmsted county in 1856. Hancock's grandfather was Torrey Hancock.

Longfellow passed by the Hancock shop daily and on an October day was inspired to write the poem, first published in the Knickerbocker magazine in November, 1840. The famed chestnut tree was removed in 1876 – over the protests of Longfellow and others – because it imperiled drivers of heavy loads who passed under it, but a chair was made from the wood of the tree and later was presented to Longfellow. Charles Hancock and his wife, the former Cora Best were married December 12, 1866, at Chatfield. They have two children and

6 grandchildren and have lived in the same neighborhood since their marriage. Hancock is 84 yrs old and his wife, 80.

During the Christmas Party, I announced that **Wallace London** had given a donation of \$9,000.00 for the restoration of the MTP carriage in memory of his brother, **Melvin London**. What a surprise and a wonderful gift.

I had previously gotten three estimates for restoration so I was able to contact Steve Waddell of Chamberlain Hill Carriage Works, who came in the most reasonable. References were checked and it was arranged to pick up the buggy just before Thanksgiving. (Just after the first snowstorm) I met with Steve, along with Amy Jensen at the cabin on the fairgrounds, to pick-up the buggy and had to shovel the snow to get it out! Steve loaded it onto a covered trailer, and the buggy is now in Buffalo, MN, to begin restoration. Steve assured me that the buggy would be ready for the 2010 Minnesota Fair. I plan on going to Buffalo periodically to check on the progress of the restoration.

I have to apologize to **George Glotzbach** of New Ulm, MN, for not having his donation in the last newsletter. He sent an "Oktoberfest" button (2008), "Hermann's Victory" Medallion (2000), and also 25 postcards, for us to sell, depicting "Capitol Day" in New Ulm, MN, for the Sesquicentennial celebration of 2008. **Richard Bartz** gave 2 hand carved wooden spoons and a Mother of Pearl tatting shuttle. **Patty O'Gorman** of Scandia, Mn, brought us a family tree book "The Michel Houle Family of Centerville" All these items will be added to the collection.

During the Fair, **Denny Werner**, of St Paul, came to the cabin and talked with Mary C. about donating a piano. I met with him in October and he showed me the piano in question. It was an upright cabinet grand piano, dated 1891 (mahogany with carved designs and pillars). It is a "Starck Piano" from Chicago, Ill; he also included a piano bench (Trademark "Tonk Bench Manufacturing of Chicago Ill.) The piano was donated in memory of his wife, who played it for many years. He told the story that the instrument was used in a one-room schoolhouse until the 1950's. (Denny included a 3'x4' hand done plaque for this commemoration.) The piano and plaque will be on display during the 2010 fair. Alex Casebolt and his friend Chris Chavers transported the piano from Roseville and then moved it into the Log Cabin on the Fairgrounds.

Last October, Norma and Doug Mackey, and I participated in the "BIG MUDDY" Rendezvous in Winona, MN. The weather wasn't very cooperative. Set up was on Sunday and the weather was fine. Then it rained during the week, with the temperature only in the 40's during the day, and freezing at night. Saturday the sun came out and we had a good time talking with the public about the history of the MTP, and also presenting information on the MTP Scholarship. We introduced the new "Mississippi River Basin" map of the junction of the Mississippi and St Peter's rivers. What a good time we had.

February 13th and 14th, we will be attending a "Historical Faire" in Albert Lea, MN, This is the first time, so it will be a new adventure for us. We will bring the traveling exhibit and be able to sell. We also will be attending the New Ulm Trade Faire (March 13th and 14th) at Turner Hall in New Ulm. Please come and visit us. It is always fun to see familiar faces. Keep these dates open.

Keep those donations coming; they are what keep the history of Minnesota alive, through the artifacts, articles, and documents. I am still looking for children and men's clothing, along with toys of the earlier periods. So keep searching.

Richard MacNabb, *Curator*

MINNESOTA TERRITORIAL PIONEERS \$500 SCHOLARSHIP



The Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. will be awarding, in May 2010, a scholarship for use at an accredited college within the boundaries of the original Minnesota Territory. Applicants must submit a 750-1000 word essay on a Minnesota Territory- related topic chosen by the MTP Board of Directors.

A \$500.00 scholarship is available for the 2010-2011 school year.

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- be in 12th grade or above
- Have been accepted by an accredited junior or academic college or university located within the original boundaries of the Minnesota Territory, as designated by the U.S. Congress.

The essay must answer the following question:

What person played a significant role in the Minnesota territory and influenced the Minnesota territorial region today?

This essay should be submitted either on a CD-Rom, floppy or flash drive plus a hard copy to the MTP between January 1, 2010 and March 15, 2010. The scholarship will be awarded at the 2010 Annual Membership Meeting. The essay will be judged for accuracy, historical content, and interest. All essays must be typed using MS Word in 12 point Arial, Calibri or Tahoma and be double-spaced. All margins should be one inch. The winning essay will be published by the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. This scholarship will be paid directly to the school that the recipient will be attending and applied toward the second term tuition.

Please read the application for details. An application can be downloaded by going to www.mnterritorialpioneers.org or located in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact the committee by email at: mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com. **The Education**

Committee

Tidbits of History

Pioneer of State grazed by Bullet

W. H. Greenleaf, Founder of Village, once wounded by Pro-slavery Man

Hutchinson, Minn. May 5 – If the course of a bullet from the musket of a hot-headed pro-slavery man had varied by a hair's breadth the township and village of Greenleaf in Meeker County near here would not have received the name they bear.

For the founder, William H. Greenleaf, was a member of a militant Free Soiler unit in "bleeding Kansas" back in the stormy days of 1865. Desperate skirmishes took place, and in one of them the Minnesota pioneer escaped death when a bullet ploughed through his cap and neatly clipped a path through his tousled hair. He was then an adventurous youth of 22.

This incident in the career of the picturesque Minnesota pioneer was brought in light by researches in connection with the study of local history in the schools and women's clubs here.

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RECIPE/HELPFUL HINTS SUBMISSION FORM
(ONE RECIPE PER PAGE)

Recipe Category (please circle one)

Appetizers, Beverages, & Dips
Soups & Salads
Breads & Rolls
Vegetables & Side Dishes

Main Dishes & Meats
Desserts
Cookies & Candy
Miscellaneous

Recipe Title

Submitted by:

(PRINT EXACTLY AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR IN THE BOOK)

INGREDIENTS:

List of abbreviations:

C. = cup; tsp. = teaspoon; Tbsp = tablespoon; lb. = pound; oz. = ounces; pkg. = package; pt. = pint; qt. = quart

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DIRECTIONS: (PLEASE BE VERY CLEAR AND THOROUGH IN YOUR INSTRUCTIONS)

Any special history/notes on this recipe: _____

If necessary, continue on back of sheet. Please circle OVER

HELPFUL HINTS: _____



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2010-2011 Scholarship Application

Full Legal Name (printed) _____
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number (including area code) _____

School currently attending: _____

Anticipated College: _____

Address of College: _____

Scholarship Rules – Read Carefully

1. The topic of your essay must be **“What person played a significant role in the Minnesota territory and influenced the Minnesota Territorial region today?”**
2. You must be a senior in high school or older and accepted at an institution of higher education that is located within the original Minnesota territorial boundaries as described by the U.S. Congress.
3. Your essay must be a minimum of 750 words but no more than 1000 words, not including the bibliography. Essays will be judged for historical accuracy, interest and content. Answers.com and Wikipedia are not acceptable as sources. Bibliographies must be in a MLA format.
4. All essays must be typed using MS Word in 12 point Arial, Tahoma or Calibri. It must be double spaced. All margins should be 1 inch.
5. A paper copy of the essay **must** be submitted either along with a floppy, CD, flash drive or via email to: mnterritorialpioneers@yahoo.com along with this application.
6. The scholarship essay may be submitted beginning January 1, 2010 and postmarked no later than March 15, 2010. It should be mailed to the above address. The name of the scholarship recipient will be announced May 8, 2010. The winning essay will be published by the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc.
7. The scholarship of \$500.00 will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending and applied toward the second term tuition upon proof of attendance and passing grades.
8. Judges of the essays will be members of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc.
9. MTP Board of Directors and their immediate families are not eligible. Membership in the MTP is not required.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date

Disclosure: Failure to provide the above information makes you ineligible for this scholarship. All personal information will remain confidential. All essays submitted become the property of the Minnesota Territorial Pioneers, Inc. All applicants will be notified their status.

Wish List

As usual, we are looking to our members for donations towards some of our larger projects.

Portrait Project: As we continue to digitize and go through the portraits, we need funds to restore broken glass, which needs to be archival. A pane of glass cost is approximately \$40-\$175 per pane depending upon the size.

Scholarship Fund: We received enough donations so that we can award a scholarship for the upcoming year. Our goal is to continue to award this on an ongoing basis. Any help would be appreciated.

Pioneer Activities Past, Present & Future!

We collected toys for all ages at the 2009 Christmas Party for Toys for Tots. At the same time we were able to donate \$2.00 of each puzzle sold at that party to the Pine City Food Shelf. Richard and Norma attended a Rendezvous in Winona with authentic camping. We are also participating in Albert Lea at the "Historical Faire" in February. New Ulm in March. Of course the **Fair** is coming up; we will be having the 2nd Annual Picnic again before the Fair. It will either be the last weekend in July or the 1st weekend in August. Look in the summer newsletter for details.

2010 MN State Fair Dates:

August 26th through September 6, 2010

Donations

The Timothy Byrne Family
In memory of Seraphine Byrne
\$100.00

James Eckert
General Operating Fund - \$154.58

W. Thomas Jefferson
*In memory of his aunt,
Grace Jefferson*
Scholarship Fund - \$100.00

Gale Brothers
General Operating Fund - \$100.00

Wallace London
*In memory of his brother,
Melvin London*
Buggy Restoration - \$9,000.00

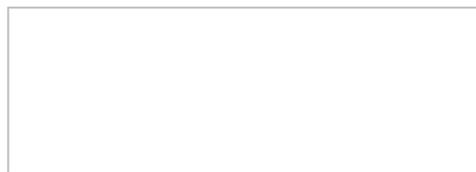
Please remember that all donations made to the Pioneers are tax deductible. I hope that I did not miss anyone. You are all too important!

Tidbits of History:

Michael Shiely, the founder of the family came to Minnesota in 1856. Joseph Shiely was born January 30, 1885 in St. Paul. His father, an old timer, was James Shiely, born in 1860 at Jessenland, MN (named after Jessie Cameron) and died in 1921. His mother was an Ellen Morrison of Belle Plaine. She died in 1922. Joseph's charming wife, with her lovely name "Rosemary Jerroy" was born in 1884. They were married in 1913. The firm of J.L. Shiely Co. consists of Joseph, Albert R., James M., Joseph L Jr. and for good measure, James Farrell.

Article from unknown newspaper, date unknown.

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WINTER!

A REASON TO LOOK FORWARD TO SPRING!!!

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