



SDOP NEWS

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President's Note

Saturday, October 19, 2013 – Philip Foster Farm tour and Board Meeting

Sunshine and a pioneer family greeted SDOP members at the Philip Foster Farm, a National Historic Site, located at the end of the Barlow Trail. Philip Foster and his family arrived in Oregon by ship in 1843. When Sam Barlow arrived in Oregon in 1845, the two men entered into a partnership to develop a road around Mt. Hood. The road became known as the Barlow Road. The Fosters moved to Eagle Creek from Oregon City in 1847 to help maintain the road and their home became a resting spot for the pioneers after the terrible trip over Mt. Hood. The board meeting took place at Cazadero Inn in Estacada. We had a great turn out for both the tour and the SDOP board meeting.

SDOP roots go back to 1875 when the original pioneers would have reunions which resulted in the establishment of the Oregon Pioneer Association. In 1897 this group took on the name of Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers (SDOP) since many of the original pioneers were beginning to die and their children wanted to keep the Oregon Pioneer Spirit alive. SDOP was incorporated in 1901. Not many organizations have such a long history. SDOP remains financially stable but it became apparent during the SDOP Board meeting on October 19, 2013 and the review/approval of the budget for SDOP through June 30, 2014 that the cost of mailing and printing the newsletters is putting a financial drain on SDOP. If you can received the SDOP Newsletter via email it would help reduce our costs. Plus when receiving the newsletter by email you'll receive a wonderful color version. Please see the enclosed flyer on this subject. The next SDOP meeting is January 11, 2014 from 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM. We hope to be done with the business part of the meeting around noon so we can enjoy lunch together. This meeting is a Potluck at my house. All members are invited. Please bring a food item to share with everyone. Drinks will be provided along with plates and silverware. We'll be putting the final plans together for our annual Oregon Birthday banquet to be held February 16, 2014 at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, Oregon.

My address is: 18805 N.W. Illahe Street
Portland, Oregon 97229
Phone: 503-645-3124

From Hwy. 26 (Sunset Highway – the road to Seaside Oregon) you take 185th exit. Turn right on 185th then pass Westview High School on the right and a grade school on the left. After the schools, make the first left onto Adrian, then right on 186th, then the next left, then the next right onto 188th, drive down the hill and into my driveway. You don't come to Illahe Street until you reach my driveway. Hope to see you at the next SDOP meeting.

President,
Chris Meinicke



seated L-R: Cleve Parker, Chris Meinicke, Glen Jones, Ellie Nelson, Mary Laws, standing L-R: Noel Nelson, Donelle Firth, Gary Firth, Marie Harvey, Pat Miller, Nancy Parker, Merle Miller, Mel Fuller



The original Philip Foster Farm barn which holds a variety of antique equipment.

October Meeting Held in Estacada

Members of SDOP enjoyed a tour of the historic Philip Foster Farm in Eagle Creek. It was followed by lunch and the meeting at the Cazadero Inn in Estacada. Twenty-two members and guests attended the meeting.

The Secretary's and President's reports were given. Chris Meinicke clarified and apologized for the confusion regarding newsletters and the possibility of increased costs of printed copies. She stated that the insert sent in the emailed newsletter will be revised and sent in all newsletters in November.

Treasurer Mary Laws gave the Treasurer's Report. She also presented the Budget Report. It reflects a financial need in SDOP. The main expense is the newsletter. Options for adding revenue were discussed. Discussion was held on withdrawing some of the interest from the Blackerby gift to help fund this year's expenses. A motion passed on removing part of the Blackerby account interest for expenses this year. The budget was approved. Discussion was held on increasing the life membership amount. Finance committee will meet in November to discuss other revenue options.

President-Elect Drew Ackerlund asked for banquet speaker suggestions. The Monarch Hotel has been reserved.

Merle Miller reported on membership. There are nine new life members and 11 regular members who have changed to life members. Discussion was held on the history of the web page.

Mel Fuller presented the Roster Committee report. He presented a detailed power point presentation on the database he has developed. Cleve Parker recommended that it be accessible in an internet cloud or drop box. Discussion was held on the new reasonably priced computer for Merle.

Maryjane Davey reported on the committee for scholarships, junior awards and Miss Pioneer Oregon. Contests will remain within budget parameters.

Marsha Ackerlund noted that we need more information on design, quantity, etc. for SDOP fund raising items in her Marketing and Fundraising Committee report.

Diane Root passed out the new SDOP brochure with the new revisions. Cleve suggested putting our new brochure in as many historical societies and museums around the State of Oregon and State of Washington for marketing and membership outreach.

Under New Business, Drew spoke on benefits to our organization of endowments, donations from wills and other sources. He suggested ideas like a "Pioneer Package" offered to families who wish to join SDOP.

Meeting was adjourned.

-Rachel Janzen and Diane Root

SDOP Annual Banquet: Save the Date!!!

Greetings! Please mark your 2014 Calendar for our next SDOP Annual Banquet on February 16, 2014. We will circle our wagons at the Monarch Hotel and Conference Center in Clackamas (same location as last year) to commemorate Oregon's 155th Birthday and enjoy a afternoon together celebrating our pioneer spirit and heritage.

The program will feature guest speakers and entertainment that will set an informative and delightful tone for this special afternoon, highlighted by a Salmon and London Broil buffet, the presentation of Miss Pioneer Oregon 2014 and our 2014 Scholarship recipients as well as historical antidotes and current information on our organization. Cost for the event is \$34 for adults and \$24 for children under 13.

If you have interest in volunteering or would like to have an announcement made at the banquet regarding family history and the Oregon Trail, please contact me at (503) 628-0917 or by email: drew@madeinoregontwice.com.

See you at the Celebration! *Drew Ackerlund, President-Elect*



Jim and Mary Laws at Foster Farm

Updates Needed - Help Us Save Money

Dear SDOP Members:

We need to update information for our membership roster and mailings. Please fill out the information below and send it to us. Some addresses have not been updated for many years, but we have found that even newer members have changes too. Rosters are not public and are only purchased by members. Also, it costs us about 50 cents or more for each newsletter returned if the address is incorrect.

The sad fact is that newsletter printing and mailing costs are exceeding our yearly income. Fifty-five percent of our members are life members and life membership does not generate new revenue. We considered discontinuing the printed newsletter in favor of the electronic newsletter, but at this time are working on the budget and are continuing printed newsletters.

If there is any way that you can change from printed newsletter to the electronic newsletter, it would be very much appreciated. Perhaps you have family who could receive and print the newsletter for you if you do not have a computer. Emailed newsletters are in color and arrive faster. Also, we are going to be able to send information between newsletters to those who have email addresses.

☞ The newsletter is emailed in easy to view.pdf format. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader, ☞
☞ it is a free, quick download from <http://get.adobe.com/reader> ☞

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PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY:

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I want to receive the newsletter electronically Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

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Phone number: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please email the information to mel\_fuller@att.net

-or- mail this form to : Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers  
P.O. Box 6685  
Portland, OR 97228-6685



Thank you for your help.

Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers  
Junior Awards Program 2014

Rules:

1. Applicant must be a Junior Member and in good standing with SDOP.
2. All entries must be postmarked by **December 31, 2013**, or delivered to the Chairperson by the same date.
3. If applicant wins once in a category, they are ineligible to win again in that age group.
4. Judges ruling will be final.
5. Winners will be presented at the Annual Banquet in February 2014, but need not be present to win.
6. Must be entirely the work of applicant. A **picture** of applicant **must** accompany entry.
7. Any judge who has a family member applicant must abstain from voting in that category.
8. There will only be one winner in each category.
9. Work must be neat and legible--neatness counts.
10. Winner will receive an award of cash money in the following categories:

Criteria and awards:

- Grades 1-4 \$50 cash Art project depicting scene from the migration to Oregon.
- Grades 5-8 \$100 cash Essay of at least 200 words telling something you have learned about the migration to Oregon that you would like to share with us.
- Grades 9-12 \$200 cash to further your education Essay of at least 500 words telling what being an Oregon pioneer descendant means to you.

Please mail submissions to:

Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers  
 ATTN: Maryjane Davey  
 Junior Awards Program - Selection Committee  
 P.O. Box 6685  
 Portland, OR 97228-6685

Any questions?  
 phone 503-657-3045  
 e-mail m2davey@msn.com  
**Must be received by December 31, 2013**

Application for SDOP Junior Awards 2014

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your pioneer ancestor: \_\_\_\_\_ Year arrived in OR Territory: \_\_\_\_\_

Your interests and hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Skills and talents: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

8-13 *Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers does not discriminate on race, religion, or creed.*





## Miss Pioneer Oregon 2014

Applications are now being accepted for Miss Pioneer Oregon 2013. Here is an opportunity for young women with Oregon pioneer ancestry to be selected as an official representative of Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers. The successful candidate is rewarded with the honor of being selected and monetary benefits.

### Requirements:

1. Open to any single woman, age 16 - 21, who is eligible for membership in SDOP as a direct descendant of an Oregon pioneer. The pioneer ancestor must have arrived and settled in the Oregon Territory before statehood, Feb. 14, 1859.
2. If selected, she is required to attend the SDOP Annual Statehood Banquet in February and give a five minute speech on Oregon history or her pioneer heritage. She also is required to attend the annual SDOP picnic in July.
3. Unless unavoidable conflicts exist, she is expected to attend the Founders' Day celebration at Champoeg State Park in May and the SDOP annual meeting in June. She may also volunteer to take part in festivals, celebrations, fairs, and parades sponsored by other organizations.
4. She is required to appear at all official functions in pioneer costume with the special "Miss Pioneer Oregon" sash furnished by SDOP.
5. She is required to have a studio portrait made for programs and publicity purposes. Two 8x10 portraits will be paid by SDOP (up to \$100) with one copy given to Miss Pioneer Oregon. The newsletter/banquet portrait needs to be sent electronically to Jake Root at jdrooter@yahoo.com .

### Selection Criteria:

Applicants will be judged by the selection committee based on (1) poise; (2) appreciation of Oregon pioneer heritage; and (3) willingness to represent SDOP at official functions during the calendar year of 2014. Decision of the judges is final.

### Benefits:

Miss Pioneer Oregon will receive a cash award of \$500 paid in two payments, a Life Membership in SDOP with the hopes of participating in the organization in the future as a board member or officer, and the privilege of officially representing SDOP for one year.

### To Apply:

Write a brief statement entitled "Why I Would Like to be Miss Pioneer Oregon 2014." Fill out and send the application below with your statement and a recent photograph to:

Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers

ATTN: Maryjane Davey

Miss Pioneer Oregon Program - Selection Committee

P.O. Box 6685

Portland, OR 97228-6685

Any questions?

phone 503-657-3045

e-mail m2davey@msn.com

**Must be received by December 31, 2013**

## Application for Miss Pioneer Oregon 2014

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School (Attending or Attended): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your pioneer ancestor: \_\_\_\_\_ Year arrived in OR Territory: \_\_\_\_\_

Your interests and hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Skills and talents: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_





## Calendar Events

**Saturday, January 11, 2014 from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm**

Business Meeting at Chris Meinicke's House

18805 N.W. Illahe Street, Portland, Oregon 97229

Phone: 503-645-3124

Email: [chris.meinicke@frontier.com](mailto:chris.meinicke@frontier.com)

Lunch: Potluck

**Sunday, February 16, 2014 from 12:30-3:00 pm**

Annual Oregon Birthday Banquet

Place: The Monarch Hotel

**Saturday, April 26, 2014 at 10:30 am**

Tour: Fort Dalles Museum and Anderson Homestead

500 S. 15th Street & Garrison, The Dalles, Oregon 97058

Cost: \$3.00 per person

Lunch: Casa El Mirador (fine Mexican dining)

1424 W. 2nd Street, The Dalles, Oregon

**Friday, June 13, 2014**

Founders' Day: Champoeg State Park

**Saturday, June 14, 2014 at 10:00 am**

Annual Meeting

Location/Lunch: High Cliff Restaurant, Oregon City

**Saturday, July 19, 2014 from 12:00-3:00 pm**

Annual Picnic

Location: Pavilion at Champoeg State Park

Meeting prior to Picnic at Rebecca's Tea Porch

### Matthews & Lucier

Decendants of F. X. Matthews and Etienne Lucier, please call 503-299-1031 for a small gathering.



Philip Foster farmhouse. This is the second house Philip Foster built at Eagle Creek.

## SDOP COMMITTEES 2013-2014

**Banquet Committee** Drew Ackerlund, Chris Meinicke, Ellie Nelson, Nancy Parker, Diane Root, Maryjane Davey

**By-laws, Policy and Procedures Committee** Nancy Parker

**Finance Committee** Mary Laws /Treasurer/ (& Jim!)  
Reggie Burke, Nancy Parker, Chris Meinicke, Diane Root, Drew Akerlund, and Marsha Ackerlund

**Historian Committee** Merle Miller, Nancy Parker

**Membership** Merle Miller (& Pat!)

**MPO, Scholarship and Awards Committee**

Maryjane Davey,  
Nancy Parker, Diane Root, and Nancy Hersey

**Nomination Committee** Drew Ackerlund, Mel Fuller

**Picnic Committee** Drew Ackerlund  
Ellie Nelson, Dolores Egger

**Roster Committee** Mel Fuller

**Public Relations/Fundraising** Marsha Ackerlund

**Volunteer Coordinator** Ellie Nelson

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### NOTICE

Deadline for submissions of articles, stories, pictures, and information for the January SDOP NEWS will be

**Friday, December 20, 2013**

**Welcome New Members!**

We are proud to have you in our growing pioneer family!

**Life Member**

Daniel D. Ederer  
David Mark Irving  
Michael John Irving  
Linda K. Cornutt Sindt  
David E. Thompson  
Joanna K. Vanderwilt  
Terry G. Waller

**Ancestor**

Emmor Jefferson Stephens – 1845  
William Lewis Wilson – 1845  
William Lewis Wilson – 1845  
Alfred Cornutt – 1853  
Joab & Anna Powell – 1852  
Thomas Monteith – 1847  
Alvan F. Waller – 1840

**Member**

Janet M. Knudsen Annal  
Matthew R. Annal  
Jodeen Le Jeune Henderson  
James Leon Foster Humphrey II  
Debra K. Walker Ketchum  
Loren T. Kohler  
Donna J. Le Jeune  
Leta J. Lovelace Neiderheiser  
Ella Mae Powell Thompson

**Ancestor**

Thomas Monteith – 1847  
Thomas Monteith – 1847  
William McBean – 1833  
Philip Foster – 1843  
Catherine Abbott – 1852  
Thomas Cox – 1847  
William McBean – 1833  
Jesse Applegate – 1843  
Joab & Anna Powell – 1852

**Junior Member**

Preston James Humphrey  
Abigail R. Walker  
Johanna R. Walker

**Ancestor**

Philip Foster – 1843  
Catherine Abbott – 1852  
Catherine Abbott – 1852

**In Memoriam...**

Our sympathy is extended to the families of the following named members who have passed:



*Ella Mae Powell Thompson*

**FOR SALE**

A New 2013 SDOP Membership Roster is for sale to the membership only.

You may buy one for \$10.00 at a meeting or \$13.00 with postage.

Send check to: SDOP, PO Box 456  
La Grande, OR 97850-0456.

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**SDOP Merchandise Available by Mail**

**SDOP 2013  
Membership  
Roster**

\$13.00 (includes S&H) This roster lists about 1000 current members and pioneer families (available to members only).

**Reflections  
of Oregon  
Pioneer  
Families**

\$4.50 (includes S&H) This book is a compilation of 130 stories written and submitted by SDOP members.

**SDOP  
Cloisonné Pins**

\$5.00 (includes S&H) This is the SDOP membership pin and is in the shape of the state of Oregon in dark blue with a white mountain and gold trim (available to members only).

**SDOP Woodcut Logo  
Note Cards**

\$5.00 each set (includes S&H) Each set contains ten parchment note cards with the SDOP logo and matching envelopes.

**Please make checks payable to  
*Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers.***

**Send with a written request to:**

***Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers  
P.O. Box 6685  
Portland, OR 97228-6685***

**Save shipping and handling costs!** Purchase the merchandise in person at major SDOP functions, such as the Annual Statehood Banquet in February, the Annual Membership Meeting in June, and the Annual Picnic in July. SDOP volunteers will operate an information table at these functions and will sell the books for \$3 each, pins for \$3 each, note cards for \$3 a set, and the roster for \$10.

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