



SDOP NEWS

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President's Article - Chris Meinicke

I officially became President of SDOP at the Annual meeting in June which started off the very busy summer. The picnic was held at the Pavilion in Champoeg Park in July. It was a beautiful day for the picnic and we all enjoyed sharing stories about our Pioneer ancestors. Miss Pioneer Oregon, Bethany Janzen, shared one of her Pioneer stories and Judy Van Atta shared information on the Newell House Complex and the Pioneer Mothers Memorial Cabin. Judy also provided a brief history on Robert Newell who built the Gothic Revival house in 1852 and lived there with his second wife until 1866. Robert Newell was very prominent in Oregon's early history. SDOP presented Judy Van Atta, the Director of the Newell House Complex and Pioneer Mothers Memorial Cabin, with a donation of \$100.00 for "Save the Cabin" fund. Be sure to see the pictures of the picnic in this newsletter.

Also in July was the Oregon California Trails Association (OCTA) convention and several members of SDOP are also members of OCTA. Jim Tompkins, Past President of SDOP (2010-2012), is currently president of the Oregon Chapter of OCTA, the host chapter of the OCTA convention. Jim asked several members of SDOP to participate in the Convention. Ellie Nelson and Chris Meinicke represented SDOP at the Heritage Fair. The fair included Oregon museums and other organizations involved in preservation and education of Oregon history, and Miss Pioneer Oregon, Bethany Janzen, was there to greet convention attendees. There was a SDOP Descendants Panel with Jim Tompkins, Champ Vaughan, Diane Root and Chris Meinicke who fielded questions from a moderator about their pioneer ancestors and what it means to be a descendant of Oregon's earliest residents. It was extremely successful and we received lots of compliments. Many SDOP members attended all or part of the convention which included wonderful speakers and two days of tours of Oregon Historical sites and ruts along the Barlow Trail over Mt. Hood. The convention came to a fitting end at the "End of the Oregon Trail Museum in Oregon City with a great salmon dinner.

The SDOP board has all the dates and meetings planned for the coming 2013-2014 year. We hope you can join us at all or some of these meetings. Two meetings will be at historical locations. Our first meeting, October 19, 2013, is a tour Philip Foster's Farm in Eagle Creek, Oregon. The farm and home of Philip Foster played an important role in the history of the Barlow Road. The lunch and board meeting will be held at Cazadero Inn in Estacada, Oregon after the tour.

I am looking forward to an exciting and historically rewarding year as the President of SDOP.



Members and Guests Attending the SDOP Champoeg Picnic 2013

Andrew Ackerlund	Rachel Janzen
Marsha Ackerlund	Tim Janzen
Jolene K. Bean	Glen Jones
George Brune	Bob Koeber
Reggie Burke	George Koeber
Tony Burke	Jaci Koeber
Charles Byers	Mary Helen Himes Koeber
Virginia Byers	Jim Laws
Maryjane Davey	Mary Laws
Miranda Davey	Chris Meinicke
Dolores Egger	Pat Miller
Carl Emmert	Merle Miller
Irene Helvey Emmert	Dick Mort
Francie Fessler	Ellie Nelson
Jerry Fessler	Noel Nelson
Mel Fuller	Cleve Parker
Minka Fuller	Nancy Root Parker
Iris Fuller	Cora Fix Portwood
Sherry Fuller	Diane Root
Wayne Fryer	Gary Salyers
Judi Helvey Gregory	Jeanie Salyers
Nancy Hersey	Sandra E. Stone
Andrew Janzen	Shannon M. Stone
Bethany Janzen	Judy Van Atta
Merilee Janzen	

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE 2012-13 SDOP YEAR

Co-Presidents Diane Root and Nancy Root Parker

Presented at the June 2013 Annual Meeting

Diane and I would like to take a few moments to share with each of you the accomplishments of the 2012-13 SDOP organization. Leaders often like to take credit for the goals reached during their year, often forgetting a very important factor. If they were good leaders, they did not do it alone. Diane and I did not do this alone. Without your support, your participation, your time, your ideas and your energy none of this would have happened. It did happen and I want to share with you how much we all did accomplish!!

NEWSLETTER

- * Began the year with a new newsletter designer and a new format.
- * Began sending the newsletter electronically in addition to the printed and mailed format.
- * Created a Communication Officer position for newsletter distribution.

Special thanks to our editor Diane, our graphic designer Jacob and the Miller family for the distribution and thanks to all of you that contributed content.

FINANCIAL

- * Hired a professional accountant (L.T.C.) to replace our volunteer bookkeeper. This accountant updated our State and Federal Corporation standing, changed our banking account from a personal to a business account and updated and saved our non-profit status.
- * Reinstated the budget process and reporting on same as part of our Financial Committee duties.
- * Increased out fund raising effort by renewing our appeals to the membership and adding SDOP logo mugs to our inventory of sale items.

Special thanks to Reggie for creating the mugs for us.

MEMBERSHIP AND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

- * Co-Presidents traveled to LaGrande to assist the Membership Chair with sorting materials that had been collected from past officers and members. Decisions were made as to what needed to be kept as historical records and those photos and documents that were best preserved as SDOP scrapbooks. (This trip was followed by a LaGrande trip by Cleve & Nancy Parker to assist Merle with the computer system.)

- * Began the process of scanning meeting minutes and membership documents. This will be a very long term on-going project.
- * This summer we plan to complete the research and purchase of a new SDOP computer, printer and scanner that will be utilized by our Membership Chair.

Special thanks goes to Merle and Pat for all of their work in this area.

ORGANIZATION

- * Rented a storage space in Clackamas to have a central place to store banquet items, picnic supplies, sale items and historic paperwork.
- * Began the creation of a Policies and Procedure document which will include expanded job descriptions for the Officers and Directors and a calendar of tasks with deadlines so that all business of SDOP can be done in a consistent and timely manner. This will also be an on-going project.

OUTREACH TO MEMBERS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

- * Donated to the McLoughlin House and to the DAR's campaign to move the Pioneer Memorial Mother's cabin.
- * Initiated new name tags and a ribbon system for the picnic and banquet.
- * Created a Miss Pioneer poster and State Seal Happy Birthday posters for use at the banquet and picnic.
- * Revised the SDOP brochure. We also plan on revising the Membership application.
- * Participated in the Lineage Society workshop at the Hillsboro library.

Thank you Diane, Chris and Nancy.

- * Participated in Founders' Day with an information table where we sold Reflection books and SDOP mugs. We also shared our scrapbooks and historical notebooks which were popular with the participants. Miss Pioneer Oregon assisted by lending her presence at one of the activities in Champoeg Park.

Thank you Bethany, Diane and Nancy.

- * This summer SDOP will participate in the Oregon-California Trails Association's National Convention in Oregon City.

Thank you to Jim, Diane, Chris, Rachel, Champ, Glen, Charles and any other members for your participation.

- * Created a Public Relations Committee which Rachel

graciously volunteered to serve as our chair. She has already placed us in the spotlight by setting up an interview with the Boomer and Senior News. Our Co-Presidents and Board Member Ellie Nelson were interviewed and a front page article appeared in the May 2013 issue. This has already resulted in new members for SDOP.

Diane and I are proud of each or you and proud to have been a part of all of this. Thank you!!

-Nancy Root Parker

SDOP College Scholarship Program

Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers want to help further the education of our members. Up to \$1,000 has been budgeted per calendar year to assist up to two members with tuition, books, and mandatory fees, as they pursue their first bachelor's degree. Please save this material to be used in the future by yourself or a family member who is a member of SDOP. We are pleased to extend this service to our membership and hope you will consider completing an application if you meet the application requirements. Complete application must be received by December 31, 2013.

To get the complete policy and procedures to be used for this new program contact:

Maryjane Davey, 503-657-3045, m2davey@msn.com

Junior Awards Program 2014

Criteria and awards:

▶ Grades 1-4 \$50 cash

Art project depicting scene from the Oregon migration.

▶ 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.

See the attached application for full rules.

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.

SDOP Minutes Summary

May 2013 Meeting Summary

The May Board Meeting took place at the Caples House in Columbia City, Oregon. Perched on a hillside above the Columbia River, the historic home of the Caples Family is a time-capsule in history. There is a tool shed, a country store, Knapp Center & children's attic. It is a beautiful historic setting overlooking the magnificent and mighty river! Imagine the many Pioneers who traveled down this river on rafts on their way to Oregon City.

1925 First Street, Columbia City, OR 97018.

Museum open: March 1 through October 31

Nancy Parker handed out the rough draft of the new SDOP brochure that she and Diane have been working on for the Board to read and contribute additions and suggestions. The Root Sisters gave a report on their trip to LaGrande to help Pat and Merle Miller sort through the historical files to start work on digitizing for future generations research work. There were close to 80 members who attended the celebration annual banquet in February. Fundraisers were discussed. Mugs, stationery, and short story books are still for sale.

June 8, Annual Meeting Summary

The June Annual Board Meeting was held at the High Cliff Restaurant in Oregon City, Oregon. The retiring officers gave their reports and a review of the accomplishments of SDOP in 2012 were reviewed. Elections and Installation of Officers was conducted. The annual board meeting to be held on July 14 was discussed as well as the picnic following. The OCTA Convention was discussed and all were encouraged to attend.

July 14, 2013 Meeting Summary

The member meeting was held at the Newell House Museum Complex – Rebecca's Tea Porch. It was a nice facility right next to Champoeg Park where the annual picnic followed. The officers gave their reports. During Old Business Merle Miller discussed the challenges of the membership roster. New Business included the Calendar and Date Selection for meetings next year. They are as follows: [See page 6]

Fundraising and marketing committees are working on researching refrigerator magnets, clings, and license plate frames. The coffee mugs and stationery continue to be popular.

-Rachel Janzen



Miss Pioneer Oregon Bethany Janzen with Chris Meinicke and Ellie Nelson at the OCTA Heritage Fair.



Nancy Parker greets SDOP member Tracy Brown from Atlanta, GA. All four Founders' Day visitors pictured are descendants of Charles McKay (1841).

Pictured: Mark Warren, Sharon Palmer, Pattie Miller & (hidden) Doug Miller



OCTA National Convention Descendants Panel



Long time SDOP member, Mary Helen Himes Kober, was honored at the Champoeg Picnic for her 100th birthday. Family members attending the picnic, L to R Front Row: Diane Root, Jaci Koeber, Mary Helen, Cora Portwood, Virginia Byers. 2nd Row: Nancy Parker, Mary Laws, George Koeber, Charles Byers & Bob Koeber



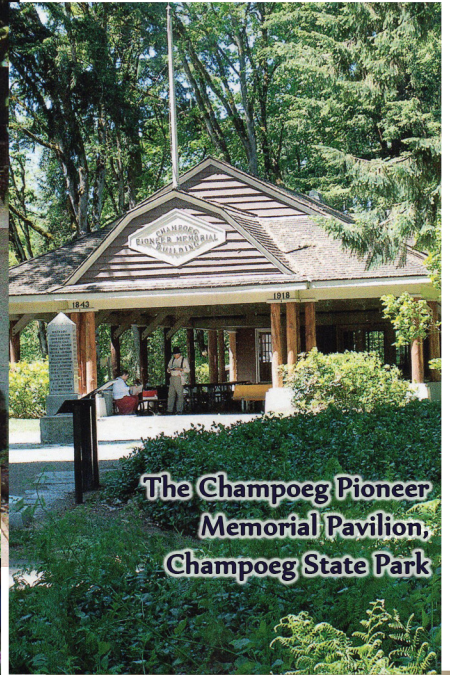
Miss Pioneer Oregon, Bethany, supervises the bowling activity.

Descendants of the United Brethren Wagon Train of 1853 who attended the Annual Meeting: Andrew Ackerlund & wife Marsha, Mary Laws & husband Jim, Margaret Pritchard, Nancy Parker, & Diane Root.





Caples House Museum
Columbia City



The Champeog Pioneer
Memorial Pavilion,
Champeog State Park



SDOP Annual Meeting and Picnic
Champeog State Park



Speaker Judy Van Atta



Miss Pioneer Oregon Bethany Janzen with
her parents Jim and Rachel,
and siblings Merilee and Andrew.



Calendar Events

Saturday, October 19, 2013 from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Tour: Philip Foster Farm (end of the Barlow Trail)
29912 S.E. Hwy 211, Eagle Creek, Oregon 97022
Lunch: Cazadero Inn Arrive between 12:00 PM & 12:30 PM
352 S.E. Hwy 211, Estacada, Oregon 97023

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
Lunch: Potluck

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

Annual Oregon Birthday Banquet
Place: TBA

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

Champoeg State Park Founders' Day

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

DO WHAT YOU DUE

Did you remember to pay your annual dues?
Dues were due 6/15/13 to 6/15/14. If you haven't sent them in yet, please remit your \$15.00 if 18 to 60, \$10.00 if over 60, and \$3.00 if under 18:

Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers
P.O. Box 6685

Portland, Oregon 97228-6685

Any member 60 and over can buy a Life Membership for \$75.00.

Regular Life membership is \$150.00.

Your membership is important to us and we Thank You!

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), Reggie Burke, Nancy Parker and Chris Meinicke

Historian Committee Merle Miller, Nancy Parker

Membership Merle Miller

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 Volunteers needed

Volunteer Coordinator Ellie Nelson

SDOP Newsletter Jacob Root: Designer
Diane Root: Editor
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NOTICE

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

Friday, October 25, 2013

Welcome New Members!

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

Life Member

Patty K. White Adams	Anthony & Isabella Whitaker – 1846
Judith A. Sanders Chapman	Samuel Cable Ritchey – 1853
Wayne Fryer	Peter Smith – 1841
David Glenn High	James Alfred Masterson – 1854
Jack D. Hillman	Thomas Findley Galloway – 1854
Kay J. Mannion	Mahala Susan Huntley – 1851
Ann Mendenhall McCann	George Washington Lee – 1845
Larry G. Miller	Isaac & Elizabeth Miller Sr – 1848
Viola Catherine Randall	Frederick Thomas – 1845
Alice Elizabeth Reichle	Thomas Hartness – 1852
Timothy R. Salyers	Thomas Henry Umphrey – 1853
Catherine E. Wilson Underbrink	Thomas Donica – 1848
Sharon P. Oglesby Vachal	Samuel R. Oglesby – 1852
Joan B. Kelley Walker	Keturah Ballinger Abbott – 1852

Member

Claudia M. Thompson DeLoff	Emmor Stephens – 1845
Frances A. Manning Fessler	Joseph & Caroline Manning – 1849
Charles E. Hauntz	Nancy Scott Wisdom Smith Hunt – 1847
Jennifer J. Wilson Lundberg	Harriet Elizabeth Millsap – 1852
Peggy J. Kephart Morrow	John Carey Barney – 1853
Lisbeth A. Russell Philliber	William & Ruth Morgan – 1852
Savannah Jayne Taylor	Jared Michael – 1847
Betty O. Lane Trump	James & Nancy Howard – 1844
Walter D. Weaver	Robert Martin Gurney – 1853

Junior Member

Faith C. Allen	Benjamin Simmons – 1853
Ella Maguddayao Irving	William Lewis Wilson – 1845
Gabriel Oak Irving	William Lewis Wilson – 1845
Isaiah Conifer Irving	William Lewis Wilson – 1845
Danial W. Lundberg	Harriet Elizabeth Millsap – 1852
Lyle W. Lundberg	Harriet Elizabeth Millsap – 1852

In Memoriam...

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



Wilma E. Brown
Margot B. Dewart
Ramona Nadine Peterson
Winston H. Russell, Sr



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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
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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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A Whiter Shade of Pale

Do not adjust your monitors- the electronic news has gone white. The ivory background mimicked the printed version which emulated old parchment. This was a great look, but now that many people are printing at home, it was also heavy on ink usage. This white background is much more printer friendly.

