

President's Corner

Dear Members,

As this is our last newsletter until July, I will hand over the gavel to our new President, Catherine Jette, in June.

With my time as President about to end I want tell you ... oh my ... what a year this has been. The board was able to accomplish so much! Can't believe we are going to be "in the clouds" with our data. We have been invited back to the "Rose Parade". Even "Quick Books" and a new logo just to name a few!

For me, this past two years have been a learning session, a challenge, so to speak. I have learned so much with the help of so many. Thank you, to my board for allowing me to grow. It has been such an honor to be your President. I often think of all the past presidents that have served before me. Very notable people to say the least.

I will still be around to finish off our "Pioneer Cookbook", in fact, I am looking forward to it. ... it has been on the back burner way too long.

I hope to see everyone at the Annual Picnic back at the Pavilion! *Janet Wilson, President SDOP*

Calling all Members!

You are cordially invited to join us at our Annual Picnic on **Saturday, July 14, 2018** at the Pioneer Pavilion at Champoeg State Park!

The Board Meeting starts at 10:00 am, with the picnic and festivities from 12:00 pm - 3:00pm.

Please bring a potluck item of your choice to share with fellow members. (I always look forward to the delicious dishes members make for the potluck!)

We have a wonderful dynamic speaker, Greg Leo, whose topic is the historic vote that took place in Champoeg 175 years ago!

I am very excited to be back at the Pavilion, since my family is originally from Champoeg, and donated land for the current park. I'm also eager to meet with new & old members, and share pioneer ancestor stories that have been lovingly preserved and passed down.

Please RSVP to me at katie@snabulus.com or 503-601-6011, so we may have your nametag ready at check in.

The "Riverside Day-Use" and the "Townsite Day-Use" are the closest parking areas for the Pavilion. Please remember there is a \$5 day use fee.

Catherine (Katie) Jette, President-Elect

Champoeg 175 Years Ago



By Merle Miller

The following article was taken from the book "Champoeg" by J. Dean Butler of Oregon City Oregon dated 1936.

A land without law was Oregon prior to 1840. The Canadians gave fealty to the Hudson Bay Company. The Americans, few but virile, paid homage to none.

The treaty of 1818, between the United States and England, provided for the joint occupancy of the land west of the Stony (Rocky) mountains. This condition was renewed in the treaty of 1827, and thus was given the right for the first hardy pioneers to invade the domain of the powerful trading company already established.

At Champoeg, February 7th, 1841, was held a convention by the settlers, for the purpose of defining a government for the land lying south of the Columbia River.

The immigration of 1842, led by Dr. Elijah White, increased the American population to near two hundred fifty persons. A determined lot they were and not given to accepting the dictates of the Hudson Bay Company, or any foreign potentate.

The settlers' herds were increasing, but great loss was suffered by the depredations of wild animals and the resourceful settlers called meetings to arrange for bounties. From the second of these meetings, now called "Wolf Meetings," held March 6, 1843, grew the resolution to establish an American government as a protection to life and property.

The meeting was called for May 2, 1843, at Champoeg, and here gathered one hundred two determined men. The vote was cast and fifty two stood forth for the United States and fifty for England, and here in a lonely land, far removed from friends and help the little group of independent men build well, to long endure, a commonwealth in the great west.

COME AND JOIN US AT CHAMPOEG ON MAY 5, 2018 TO HELP CELEBRATE THIS GREAT EVENT.

**New July issue coming this year.
Submissions due July 18th.**

June 23rd Board Meeting
Fort Vancouver National Historic Site



Location: Ft. Vancouver, the Visitor Center,
 612 E. Reserve Street, Vancouver, Washington 98661

Time: 10:00 a.m. Conference Room at the Visitor's Center
 12:15 p.m. View the Video Tape (in the same room)
 12:35 p.m. Lunch suggestions are:

- * Bring your own lunch and have a picnic outdoors
- * Lunch at the Grant House on Officers Row (about 3 blocks from Visitor's Center)
- * Other restaurants in the area.

1:30 p.m. Start touring the National Historical Site:

- * The actual reconstructed fort: Buildings reconstructed to date include the Chief Factor's House, bakery, blacksmith shop, central stores and fur storage facility.
- * Pearson Air Field: Pearson Air Field is one of the oldest continuously operating airfields in the U.S. A great museum.
- * General Marshall's House: A beautiful Victorian style House
- * The Confluence Land Bridge: Reconnects the people, land and Columbia River at Fort Vancouver.
- * Walk along Officers Row
- * Walk the Vancouver Barracks –Established in 1849, the barracks was the Northwest's first U.S. Army Post.

Miss Pioneer Oregon Grace Irving



I am blessed to be both a daughter of a Philippine immigrant, and an original descendant of an Oregon Pioneer, in addition to having a strong school, church and work community. My "world" embraces diversity and unique personalities.

Being a child from two very different cultures, I've been given a sense of global awareness. My grandmother's house, located in Santa Catalina, Philippines, sits in a courtyard where 10 other immediate family members reside. Family supports other family and it is this history of a close knit community that the Filipino culture fosters.

Both sides of my family teach me about their own culture and histories. From my mother I've learned about cultural integration, tenacity and a giving heart. As a direct descendant of an Oregon pioneer on my father's side, I've learned about grit, genealogy, and family history.

I know that my ancestors fought for a better life with more opportunities and I want to do the same in mine. The Oregon pioneers took a chance on life to begin a new adventure. They gave up everything in their lives just to achieve something better. They crossed treacherous rivers, traveled through precarious weather conditions, and even fought through the deaths of loved ones to capture a dream of a higher quality life.

Over a hundred ago my ancestors were able to achieve this life and I'm hopeful that others will be able to achieve the same goal. I'm proud to come from a lineage of people who fought for what they believed in and did something to improve their life and their family's lives. I'm thankful for this opportunity to be Miss Pioneer Oregon this year. Similar to the lives of my ancestors, being a pioneer means dreaming of the future, living a life of adventure, experiencing a journey filled with hardship and success and fighting for what I believe in.

Thanks,
 Grace Irving

THE OREGON TRAIL
Artifacts and Tales of the Trail

JOIN THE CELEBRATION!
 175th Anniversary of the Oregon Trail

Saturday, May 5, 2018—9am to 3pm
 EOU's Huber Auditorium (*Badgley Hall*)
 \$15 at the door (*cash only, please*)
 includes deli lunch and live music

LIVING HISTORY: The Story of Ezra Meeker • Excerpts from Oregon Trail journals and tales from early Union County Settlers—brought to life by local actors • **SAVING THE TRAIL—THEN AND NOW:** Archaeology and the Trail above La Grande • Artifacts from the Trail • View the Meeker Monument—rediscovered after 50 years • **TREADING THE TRAIL RIGHT HERE:** Video and tips for visiting local Oregon Trail wagon wheel ruts and swales

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SDOP Board Meeting April 14, 2018

Polk County Historical Society / Rock-n-Rogers Diner

Officers Reports:

Presidents Report: Janet encouraged us to attend the Champoeg Founder's day events on May 5, 2018. Events start at 9:00 am. Janet is speaking about 1:00. Check out the website for the detailed agenda.

Introduction of new members present: Lee Odell, Judy McAllister, Greg Tompkins

Secretary's Report: and **Treasurer's Report** were given.

Immediate Past-President: Mel gave a presentation on the topic "What is our Legacy?" We have lots of historical and genealogy information in several different locations. Looking at bringing together the historical documents in digital form to create access for pioneer descendants and others to access the information and preserve our heritage, to memorialize the story of our Oregon Territory ancestors, their accomplishments, their struggles, and their vision. Goals based around this idea: First, we need to renovate our database to meet increased demands. Second, create a database which supports the digital documents and access through the internet; collect and digitize: Oregon Historical Society, Oregon Heritage, Oregon State Archives- Early Oregonians Database, SDOP Membership Applications and Reflections book.

Goal: that our website be the place to come to find out about Oregon Ancestors. Mel recommends that we use the cloud to be able to access information. Look at publicity- Secretary of State, Media outlets, Television. Advise members through newsletters, emails. Look at funding: Grants, Donations, Internal commitment, others. Financial Commitment to start: Monthly hosting fee- Caspio- \$70.00, Website domain- \$6.25, Webhosting- Weebly \$12.00. Motion to move forward, start with the financial portion, and research to go forward, get the website up for the input of information. Motion was amended to authorize to pay for 2 years of domain and a monthly fee to build 3 pages for the website, and the cost for state archives data. Motions passed.

Committee Reports:

Information Technology Committee: Database-Mel Webmaster-Cleve, Yesterday being Friday the 13th our Facebook page hit 500 likes! There has been one scanning get together since the last meeting.

Parade Committee: Mel -The carriage and Roy, the horse, are committed... settled on \$850.00. The Rose parade Association is requiring boots on all horses so we will help cover the cost of that. Flowers are \$600.00. Nancy Hersey, MPO 1946, will be riding this year, and our current MPO, Grace Irving.

Events Committee: Chris- June meeting at Fort Vancouver, we will meet at the Conference Room of the Visitor's Center (on Officer Row, above the Fort). 10:00 am. After the meeting we'll listen to a video tape to give us an idea of what to tour: Fort, Pearson's Airfield, Marshall House, Confluence Land Bridge, Officers Row, and Barracks. Lunch will be at Grant House on Officers Row. Chris asked Greg Leo to be our picnic speaker to speak about the 175th anniversary of the vote at Champoeg.

Newsletter Editor: Motion was made and passed to put out a summer edition of our newsletter, we have our summer events: picnic, parade, and it would give more room in the September newsletter for the fall information.

Awards and Scholarships Committee: Dawn- reported that she had sent information about the 4th grade essay contest to the state dept. of social studies, and her curriculum director had sent it out to the state curriculum directors.

Public Relations: Joy- contact with AM Northwest for MPO and Nancy Hersey to be interviewed, waiting to hear back.

New Business: Some people have requested a hard copy of our roster and ancestry information. Discussion was held and a motion was passed that we post in the newsletter.

Motion was made and passed for Marsha to purchase name badges, and restock ribbons.

Glen Jones announced that the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society has materials that will either be in storage or moved from the Salem Public Library as they passed a bond to upgrade the building. If you need something from the genealogical society to do so now before it will not be available for a while.

Chris brought up about MPO being in other parades- Aurora..., Brownsville has a big pioneer celebration with a parade. Donald parade is the same day as our picnic, perhaps she could walk in that one? Joy will check on the above parades and if our MPO Grace is available.

The meeting was adjourned to visit the museum.



CHAMPOEG FOUNDERS' DAY

*Celebrate Oregon's
journey to statehood*

Saturday May 5, 2018 | 10 am–3 pm
Champoeg State Heritage Area



At Champoeg on May 2 1843, 52 men voted to establish the first provisional government west of the Mississippi River, laying the groundwork for Oregon's statehood in 1859. **Join us to celebrate the 175th anniversary** of their historic achievement with a day of family friendly activities and exhibits.

FREE admission and FREE parking

- ▶ Visit a fur trapper's camp
- ▶ Imagine the historic Champoeg townsite via our building facades
- ▶ Watch and learn while blacksmiths, wood workers and other tradesmen work their crafts
- ▶ Participate in a live stagecoach mail run with your souvenir post card and official USPS memorial stamp



Special ceremony at 1 pm with guest speakers and rifle salute

Information: 503.678.1251 | oregonstateparks.org

Champoeg Founders' Day

The Event

10:00- 3:00 (All activity in the reenactment areas will stop for the main ceremony at 1:00pm)

Event open to public, participants in place. There will be a replica small town site located along service road consisting of wall tents with fake wooden facades. These will house the blacksmith, barrel making, wheel wright and post office. Post office will have the commemorative post cards with available custom post mark for the day. Nearby will be the stage coach used to make the mail run at the end of the day to collect and "deliver" the commemorative post cards.

A fur trapper's camp will be set up within the Sequoia Grove. All manner of activities and demonstrations will ensue.

A greeter's table will be set up along the edge of the pavilion where guest descendants will sign in and make their identifying familial button.

Costumed interpreters will be in attendance to give directions and answer questions.

The pavilion will be set up with a dais on the front steps of the building with chairs and tables under the portico. Refreshments for after the ceremony will be present off to the side.

Bunting and some decorations will be hung in the eaves. Also, photos and posters from previous events will be displayed.

Directional signage will be placed through the park and volunteers will help with overflow parking once Riverside has been filled. A table will be placed at the entrance to the trail from the parking lot where those who need handicap access can wait for golf cart transportation to the pavilion only.

Commemorative programs will be available at both greeter table locations.

All demonstrations and reenactments will stop at the 1:00 pm hour for the duration of the ceremony at the Pavilion.

After the ceremony there will be an opportunity for a group photo at the monument. Guests will be invited to refreshments, to mingle and greet family members and to enjoy the live demonstrations, trapper's camp and post office.

The day will culminate at 3:00pm with the gathering of the post cards in a mail bag, placed on the stage coach that will then leave, under much fanfare, depicting the mail run to St. Paul.

The Ceremony

(All activity in the reenactment areas will stop for the main ceremony at 1:00pm and will resume afterwards)

- 1:00 Color Guard
Police, Fire and VFW
- 1:10 Greeting
Park Ranger Dan Klug
- 1:15 Speakers to include Governor, State Director, Park Manager, President of the Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers, David Haralson CTGR, Dennis Wiley OPRD
- 1:45 A brief history of the vote of 1843
Park Ranger Dan Klug
- 1:50 The roll call with bell salute after each name.
We encourage descendants to stand when their ancestor's name is called.
- 2:00 Rifle Volley Salute
Forest Hills Brigade Mountain Man reenactors
- 2:00 Conclusion of formal program
Please stay for refreshments and a group photo in front of the Monument. Thank all in attendance.

-Dan Klug

Interpretive Park Ranger, Champoeg State Heritage Area





Calendar Events

Please Note all SDOP members are invited to all meetings, especially the meetings that take in historical tours and/or guest speakers.

May 5, 2018

Champoeg Founders' Day

Location: Champoeg State Park (free parking)

June 23, 2018

Board Meeting

Location: Vancouver with lunch at Grant House and tour of Marshall House

July 14, 2018

Annual Picnic

Location: Champoeg State Park

Family Reunion announcements due July 18th.



Memorial Day Monday, May 28, 2018

A Memorial Day ceremony will be conducted by the American

Legion at the Clackamas Pioneer Cemetery at 10:00 am. Following the ceremony, Becky Sands will give a tour of pioneer grave sites. This event is open to the public.

SDOP Roster and Ancestry Information

A hard copy can be obtained from Mel Fuller for \$70.00 or a CD can be made for \$20.00. Email Mel at melfuller@gmx.com or leave a message at SDOP General Voice Mail: (541)581-0378.

Dues for SDOP

New Members initiation fee: \$5*

Annual Dues [age 18-60]: \$20 [age 60+]: \$15

Junior New Member initiation [birth to age 18]: \$4*

Annual Dues: \$8

Life Member [birth to age 18]: \$450

[age 18-60]: \$300* [age 60+]: \$150*

*includes pioneer certificate and pin

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E-mail: JakeRootGraphics@gmail.com

- July submissions are due by July 18th. -

Photos and articles welcome from all members!

Pass the News:

1853 Pioneers to Congregate in June of 2018

Notification of United Brethren Train ("Preachers Train") Reunion to mark 165th Anniversary of the trip. Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Cuppy) Kenoyer descendants' plan All-Family Reunion in Corvallis, Oregon. If other descendants of this wagon train are interested in attending, please contact Chris Cowgill (info below).

Date: June 22, 23, 24, 2018

Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Tentative schedule:

Friday 6/22 - Afternoon arrival. Hotel check in.

- Dinner and Activities TBA Hilton Garden Hotel Mezzanine Level

Saturday 6/23 - Breakfast on your own

- Saturday morning Farmer's Market by the river:
<http://locallygrown.org/home/>

- Potluck picnic lunch at Avery Park, Lion Shelter; 12:30 - 3
- Afternoon tour and lecture at Philomath College which Jeremiah Kenoyer helped establish, currently housing the Lane County Historical Society (details TBA)

- Catered evening barbecue buffet to be held at the Philomath Scout Lodge, Philomath, served by New Morning Bakery Catering (adults: \$23.50, including soft drink, dessert, and tip. Child price TBA)

- Dinner program organized by the 5 Winn Kids

- Auction following dinner

- Dancing in the Great Hall (we promise many songs you will love to dance/listen to!)

Sunday 6/24 - breakfast on your own

- Church TBA

Accommodations: Use the Code: KR KENR

1. Hilton Garden Inn (\$159 per night +tax) 2500 SW Western Boulevard Corvallis OR 97333 Phone: 541-752-5000 or http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/C/CVOCHGI-KRi8-20180622/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

2. Holiday Inn Express (\$149 per night +tax) Corvallis-On The River 781 NE 2nd Street, Corvallis, OR 97330 Phone: 1-877-666-3243 or www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/corvallis/

3. Courtyard by Marriott (\$169 per night +tax) Courtyard Corvallis 400 SW 1st Street Corvallis, OR 97333 Phone: 541-753-0199 or <http://cwp.marriott.com/eugco/kenoyerwedding/>

For information and to register, please contact your Kenoyer Cousin Chris Cowgill. Chris can be reached at 951-313-5711 or email at ccowgill@mac.com.

Welcome New Members!

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

New Member

Hazen J. Jette (Reinstated)
 Charlotte Cupples Powell (Reinstated)
 Steven P. Russell
 Patsy D. Phillips Wegner
 Kelly Ann Wiggins
 William H. Wise

Ancestor

Josef LaRochburne – 1828
 George Miller – 1850
 William W. Buck – 1845
 Frances Emeline Geer – 1847
 Isaac Newton Miller, Jr – 1850
 Elizabeth (Betsy) Gilpin – 1852

Junior Member

Chihiro Hazen Jette
 Naoki Kenneth Jette

Ancestor

Lisette Walla Walla – 1811
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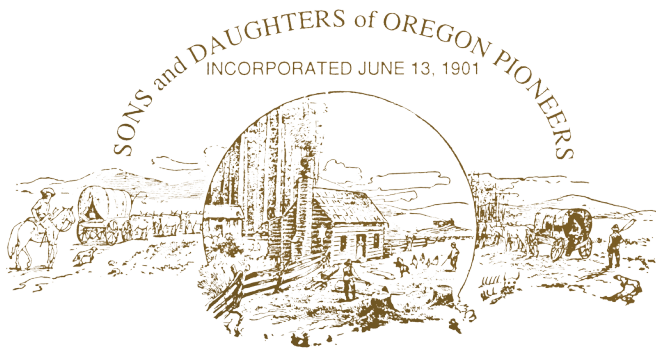
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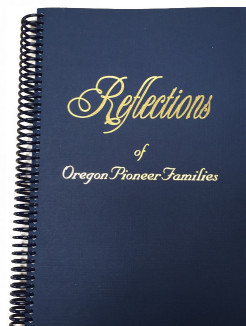
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