



# SOUTHERN ALBERTA PIONEERS

## AND THEIR DESCENDANTS NEWSLETTER

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June 2005

### *President's Message*

A group of eleven Southern Alberta Pioneers accepted an invitation from the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel to have lunch at their hotel. The drive to Banff was very enjoyable with sunny skies and clear dry roads. We had a great time, the lunch was delicious and the service excellent, all for twenty-six dollars; not bad. The stories will be unforgettable. We hope this little get together can become a frequent occasion. Our original group was 22 but for one reason or another, the final total ended up at 11.

Mrs. Joyce Viccars, one of our long time members, from Cruise Ship Centers, is setting up a bus tour to Edmonton to see the Provincial Legislature Building and the Government while they are in session. We will make this one an overnight stay in Edmonton and while there, we will try to set up a visit with the Northern Alberta Pioneer group. The date is still to be set. Here is the scoop

- 15 paid passengers (if 20 people the price goes down)
- Transportation luxury motor coach.
- Services of a professional driver.
- Services of a professional tour guide.
- One night at the Sutton Place in Edmonton (based on availability).
- City tour of Edmonton with step-on guide in 1905 period

costume.

- Guided tour of the Alberta Legislative Building and Grounds.
- Free time at the West Edmonton Mall.
- One Breakfast.
- Based on Double occupancy – \$262.10 plus gratuities driver and tour guide.

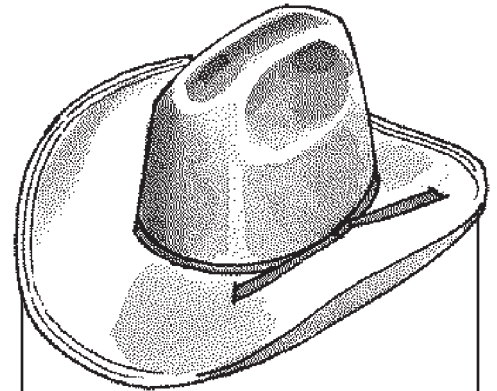
We have eight people who have requested a seat on the bus. The tour can have a number as low as 15 people and as many as 45, then start on a second bus? I made out a file to accommodate 60 names!!!! If you would like to go please give me, Billy Murphy a call 252-6565.

Perhaps in the 2005/2006 winter we could organize two or three CURLING TEAMS and enter them into a league somewhere. The Ogden Seniors have a league and I am sure there are others. If you are interested, same guy, same number.

The Memorial Tree plaques have been ordered and should arrive toward the end of June. We will have the plaques mounted or placed in the ground before the Memorial Tea, July 10, 2005.

Plans for the Stampede are progressing with not much to add... The Round Up display, all 10 days, The Parade, July 8th, The Barbeque, July 9th, The Memorial Tea and the dedication of the Memorial Tree Plaque, July 10th, Rotary House Tea, July 12th, The Men's Pancake Breakfast, July 16th.

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## THE STAMPEDE BARBECUE

**Saturday, July 9/05**

### **Memorial Building**

Cocktails 6:00 p.m.

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

**\$20.00/person**

Convenor – Moyra Ferguson

Tickets must be purchased by  
July 2/05. To order call:

**Gwen Hanna**

**279-5621**

**Pat Rodriguez**

**279-6435**

# Memorial Building Fund

The following have donated to our Memorial Building Fund since my last report in December 2004:

Mrs. Olive Blain (in memory of Mr. & Mrs. George Godlonton & family)

Mrs. Lucille Togstad (in memory of Mrs. Flora Eagleson & Mr. Ted Lee)

Mrs. Alice Huggard

Mrs. Gerald Halford

R.H. (Bud) Vine

The Southern Alberta Pioneers' Foundation is a registered charity.

Contributions to the Memorial Building Fund and for the Memorial Trees are income tax deductible. Cheques should be made payable to The Southern Alberta Pioneers' Memorial Building Fund. At March

31, 2005, the Fund stood at \$176,965 compared to \$139,350 one year ago.

In addition to donations from individuals and bequests from estates, The Southern Alberta Pioneers' Association contributes \$50 to the Fund in memory of each deceased member.

— John L. Hutchings

## Pricilla Rowland's 100th Birthday

Pioneer Building  
Sunday, June 26th, 2-5 pm  
RSVP Mary Kenny 281-4540

## President's Message

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In the "did you know" category—The Southern Alberta Pioneers have two separate and distinct Incorporated Societies. The Southern Alberta Pioneers and their Descendants is a Benevolent Society, Act Chapter 159 of the Revised Statutes Chapter S-18. In addition, The Southern Alberta Pioneers Foundation, Act, R.S.A. 1980 is a Charitable Society, pursuant to section 149.1(1)(b) of the Income Act.

On July 1, 1985, with the permission of the City of Calgary, the Pioneers transferred the property lease to the Foundation, and on the same date made out a bill of sale transferring ownership of the Memorial Building to the Southern Alberta Pioneers Foundation.

The lease is a renewal 20-year certificate signed October 24, 1990, expiring in October 2010. To renew, an application letter is sent to the City of Calgary six (6) months prior to the expiration of the term applying to the City for a further twenty (20) year term.

Something to think about.

October is the month for the AGM and a time to re-elect an executive board.

If you or someone you know has a desire to be elected to the Board of Directors please let us know. The selection committee will include this person, if qualified, for nomination at the Annual General Meeting.

— Billy Murphy

## Membership Report

This Newsletter can be read at [www.pioneersalberta.org](http://www.pioneersalberta.org). If you would prefer to not receive a paper copy in the mail and read the newsletter online, please e-mail [sap.membership@shaw.ca](mailto:sap.membership@shaw.ca) and let me know your wishes.

### In Memoriam:

Anne Hommel, Betty Elkins, John Ryan, Joyce McNeill and Edna Walker.

### Welcome New

### Gold Card Members:

Lois Bullough, Don Lougheed, Carmen Cook and Jeanette Sunderland.

### Welcome Reinstated Members:

Barbara Talbot, Brenda McMahon, Nancy McDonald and Marjorie Westermarck.

### Welcome New Members:

Tim McTaggart, descendant of Adam Baptie, Calgary, 1888.

William McCambly, descendant of William Parker, Fort Macleod, 1874.

Gerald, John & Craig McDougall, descendants of George McDougall, Morleyville, 1872.

Ann McDougall, descendant of Thomas Birnie, Fort Macleod, 1883.

Carol Neufeld & Jeffrey Neufeld, descendants of William Niddrie, Morley, 1890.

John Dutton, descendant of William Lineham, Okotoks, 1883.

Mary Louise Dawkins, descendant of Duncan McBean, Medicine Hat, 1889.

Ro Riley, descendant of Thomas Riley, Calgary, 1883.

Lorraine Toews, descendant of Neil Beaton, Calgary, 1885.

Sheila Evans, descendant of Helen Alicia Julia (Shaw) Millar, Midnapore, 1885.

### Welcome New Associate Members:

Joan Trimble and Maureen Rice.

Thanks again for keeping me informed of address/phone changes. Call me at 271-5483 or e-mail me at [sap.membership@shaw.ca](mailto:sap.membership@shaw.ca).

— Maureen Peckham  
Membership Secretary

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their Descendants.  
Lionel Singleton 202-1206

## Volunteers Needed for our Stampede Events!!!

We need some enthusiastic volunteers to help us make our Stampede week events successful. Thursday afternoon, July 7th, we will be doing the BBQ food prep at Lord Shaughnessy High School and need 5 or 6 volunteers. We have lots of open jobs for the BBQ on Saturday, July 9th that need filling, including: tables and chairs set-up, bar tenders, ticket taker, ticket seller, buffet line servers, general helpers and take down. Our Pioneer Tea at Rotary House on Tuesday, July 12th also needs many hands to lighten the load. The call is out for two shifts of table servers, coffee and tea servers (the men do great at this job), and kitchen help.

If you can help out at any of these events, please call Moyra Ferguson at 249-9989 or Pat Rodriguez at 279-6435.

– Social Committee

## 2005 Centennial Dinner

Plans are underway to celebrate both the long history of Southern Alberta Pioneers and the 100th anniversary of the Anglican Cathedral Church of the Redeemer with a special dinner and entertainment. The menu will be reflective of food from the period and will include items from the first SAP cookbook as well as from the original Women's Auxiliary Cathedral cookbook. This special dinner will be held on Saturday, Sept. 3, 2005 at the Pioneer Memorial Building. Arrangements are being finalized. Please call Joan Davis at 251-4915 or Nancy Townshend at 282-8782 for additional information and tickets. Tickets are limited, so please call prior to the August 1, 2005 cutoff.

## Historic Calgary Week 'A Century of Firsts'

Presented by Chinook Country Historical Society. Mark your calendar for July 22-31, 2005. This is the week to learn more about your city's history. Join walks, talks and programs of historic buildings, sites and communities in Calgary. Look for brochures at the Libraries and in the newspapers closer to the event.

## SAP Board of Directors



### MEMBER NAME TAGS

Cost: \$8.50 (including GST)

The name tags will be 1" x 3", gold color with black lettering.

**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION**

Southern Alberta Pioneers

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YOUR NAME HERE

Your Pioneer Family Name:

YOUR PIONEER FAMILY NAME HERE

(Last name only)

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## **Volunteers Required** **STAMPEDE EXHIBIT 2005**

Volunteers pick up your passes June 20, 2005  
2:00 - 5:00 pm OR 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
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Lionel Singleton 202-1206 or David Wake 288-5545



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## **2005 Gentleman Pancake Breakfast**

**T**his year's Annual Stampede Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Saturday, July 16, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Memorial Building.**

There will be plenty of coffee, juice, pancakes and ham for all to fill the ole feed bag. Some country music will be in the air and who knows—maybe even a line dance or two.

Price is \$3.00 per family. Half of the proceeds will go to the Food Bank. Any questions contact Danny Copithorne at 271-1972.

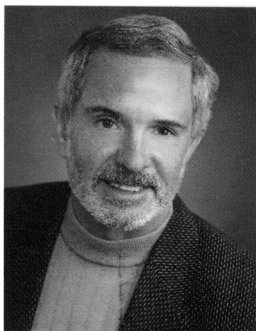
## **Wine Tasting Night a Success**

**T**he Eleventh Annual SAP Wine Tasting Night took place on Saturday, February 19th at the Memorial Building. Once again it was a sold out event. Sixty people enjoyed a fine selection of red and white wine, served with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres from Greece, France and Chile.

It was unfortunate that our host, Neil Brown had a last minute medical problem and missed the event. We all missed him as well as he is such a great host.

Thank you to all the cooks and all who helped in any way; it was appreciated. See you all again next year.

Lost – cheese knife with bird house on the handle. Please contact Joan Hutchings at 255-4211.



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Clarence Davis

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# Grace Godlonton's Birthday Celebration

Grace Evangeline (Burton) Godlonton along, with her family and friends, celebrated her 90th birthday at Nilgiris Tea House in Three Hills, Alberta on September, 18, 2004.

Grace Evangeline Burton was born September 14, 1914 in Cairns, Alberta and married Cecil Claude Godlonton in Calgary, Alberta in 1935.

Cecil and Grace Godlonton have been longtime Members of the Southern Alberta Pioneers and their Descendants and loyal participants at many Pioneer Social Functions, including as outriders in the Stampede Parade.

Grace's husband Cecil passed away in August of 2001.



*Back left to right: Grace's son Eddie Godlonton & his wife Lorna Godlonton. Eddie's daughters - Christine Godlonton & Lisa (Godlonton) David. Grace's daughter Carolyn J. (Godlonton) Scott & her daughter Taralee (Scott) Gall.*

*Front left to right: Grace Godlonton & Taralee's children Sydney Gall and Tate Gall.*



*Grace Godlonton.*

## Casino

The event everyone has been waiting for is our casino on October 10 and 11, 2005 at Stampede Casino. This major fund raising event requires 35-40 volunteers. The day shift is from 11:00am to 6:30pm, the evening shift is from 6:00pm to approx. 2:30am and the count room shift is from approximately 9:30pm to 2:30pm. Experience is not a requirement, as our advisers will provide any training needed on the job. If you can help, please call me at 279-6435 and I'll arrange for the necessary form to be sent out.

— Pat Rodriguez,  
Casino General Manager



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# EVENTS

**Saturday, Jul. 9** – Stampede BBQ, 6:00pm. Convenor: Moyra Ferguson, 249-9989.

**Sunday, Jul. 10** – Memorial Service/Tea, 2:00pm. Convenor: Gwen Hanna, 279-5621.

**Tuesday, Jul. 12** – Pioneer Tea, Rotary House, 2:30-4:00pm. Convenor: Moyra Ferguson, 249-9989.

**Saturday, Jul. 16** – Pancake Breakfast, 9:00am-Noon. Convenor: Danny Copithorne, 271-1972.

**Sunday, Aug. 28** – Family Day/Stampede Volunteers Thank You/Pot Luck, Champion Park, 2:00pm. Convenors: Danny & Fran Copithorne, 271-1972.

**Saturday, Oct. 15** – Annual General Meeting & Luncheon, 12:00-3:00pm. Convenor: Kerri Fipke, 271-9581.

**Saturday, Nov. 5** – Round-Up Dinner, Palliser Hotel, 6:30pm. Convenors: Danny Copithorne, 271-1972; Shirley Siddon, 271-1118; John Douglass, 641-2562.

**Saturday, Dec. 3** – Christmas Dinner, 6:00pm. Convenor: Moyra Ferguson, 249-9989

*Note: Games/potluck events; potluck dinner starts at 5:00pm.*

*All events are held at the Memorial Hall, except where otherwise noted.*

*Relay any updates or changes to Pat Rodriguez, 279-6434.*

## THE NOTICE BOARD

### Historical Committee

Please submit Family Histories to be entered in our archives. We would like to feature a family history for each newsletter publication. Contact Pat Cox, 252-4220.

### Deadline

Deadline for newsletter copy and photos to be submitted in writing at monthly Board Meetings or left at SAP office. Newsletter printed January, May and September.

### Historical Committee

Resumes regular weekly meetings on Monday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Contact Jim Mackie, 228-4046.

### Sick and Visiting

Please notify Alice Schwieger (287-0995) of any illness or death in your family or if anyone has need of a hospital visit.

### Board Meetings

1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (except July). Members welcome.

### Card Night

3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (except July, August and December). Everyone is invited, members and friends. \$2.00 per person. Contact Fern Dorsch at 278-2793.

### Advertising

To place an ad in this publication, please call Beryl Sibbald, 932-5584. Deadline to place a classified ad – SAP Board meeting prior to publication.

Members are encouraged to support the businesses advertised in our newsletter.

### Memorial Building

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