

# PIONEER PRESENCES

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## Picnic Menu

Baked salmon w/mango or tarter  
Fresh fruit  
Roasted red potatoes w/rosemary  
Green beans almondine  
Rolls and butter  
Fresh blackberry cobbler  
Lemonade  
Decaf coffee and tea

## Meeting Schedule

10:00 am Welcome and  
introductions  
by Bob Teague

10:05 am Business Meeting

10:30 am Election of Officers

10:45 am Building renovation  
briefing by architects  
Steven Lee and  
Richard Glassman

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presentation by  
members of  
Southwest Seattle  
Historical Society

12:00 pm Salmon bake in  
Madison Park

*Pioneer descendants mark 130th year!*

## Annual Meeting Saturday, June 23

The Pioneer Association of the State of Washington will hold its annual meeting and salmon bake on Saturday, June 23. The business meeting will begin at Pioneer Hall at 10:00 a.m., followed by a salmon luncheon in Madison Park (weather permitting) at 12:00 noon.

The main agenda item of the meeting will be a presentation about Pioneer Hall by Steven Lee and Richard Glassman of Bumgardner Architects, who have examined the Hall for its structural integrity, as well as its status as a National Historic Site. The architects have also designed a plan for better utilization of space, upgrades of electrical and plumbing systems, and increased accessibility as part of a "Phase I" renovation of the building. Steven and Richard will also share plans for a "Phase II", which would include expansion throughout the building for use by the current residents of the Hall: the Daughters, the Pioneers, and the Fiske.

We will also hear from members of the Southwest Seattle Historical Society about their work on the recently completed Log Cabin Museum. Their insights could prove very useful as renovation on our Hall begins. An election of Pioneer officers is also on the agenda for the day.

Served again this year by Torentino's Cafe & Catering (we received so many positive comments after their work last year), lunch will cost \$20.00 per member. The menu for the day, and a full schedule of events, appears at left.

Come out and enjoy visiting with fellow Pioneers, as well as members of the Daughters of the Pioneers and the Fiske Genealogical Society! Reservations must be made by Saturday, June 16. Mail the enclosed registration form, with your check payment, to Pioneer Hall (1642 43rd Avenue East, Seattle, WA 98112).

## Officers to be elected, continue to serve

The Pioneer Association will elect several new officers at the annual meeting. Continuing their terms as Trustees for the organization are: (July 2000-June 2003) Jackie Cedarholm, Bettie Kinsman, Barbara Krohn and Pamela Hillman; (July 2000-June 2002) John Gayton III, Robert Leurquin, Margaret Pareitti and Claire Raam.

## A message from the president

My two years as president of the Pioneer Association have passed much more quickly than I would have thought possible when I first assumed office. I feel very fortunate to have had such an outstanding Board of Trustees to work with. Because of the relentless efforts of these people, we have a lot to show for those two years.

Thanks largely to David Fauver and Gary Zimmerman we have entered into the 21st century as a computer-supported organization that has its own web site, as well as professional museum software to enhance our ability to improve our operations and efficiencies. Carol Hawkins has arranged for guest speakers, family histories and entertainment this year, all of which have been simply outstanding. Bette Palo has done a wonderful job of organizing and improving our open houses. Virtually all of the Trustees spent time at extra meetings and work sessions, hammering out our Strategic Plan and beginning its implementation. I want to personally thank all of the Trustees for the hard work they give to you and the Association.

The last few months have been unique for Pioneer Hall. The Master Plan for upgrading Pioneer Hall was completed by Bumgardner Architects, and it was introduced to the governing boards of the Daughters of the Pioneers, the Fiske Genealogical Society and, of course, our own Pioneer Association of Washington at a joint meeting on May 11. Architects Steven Lee and Richard Glassman will also be on hand at our annual meeting to outline our intentions for all of you, and answer any questions which might arise. The plan is to make seismic

improvements (see article on page 4 about how the last earthquake affected us), install an elevator, renovate and upgrade the restrooms and make long-needed improvements to our electrical, heating and humidity-control systems.

Carol Hawkins has invited members of the Daughters of the Pioneers and the Fiske Genealogical Society to join us at our annual salmon bake, as well as arranged for the food, music and sunshine (we hope) necessary to making this a great day of fun for all. Hope to see you there!

*Robert Teague  
President, 1999-2000*



*Pioneer Trustees (l to r) Muriel Winterscheid, JoAnn DeWitt and Edith Johnson consider plans for the future of Pioneer Hall*

## In the next issue of *Presences*

The next issue of *Pioneer Presences* will include an article by Catherine Spedden illustrating the Oregon Trail movements of her ancestors. Also featured will be photographs and an article about the recent cultural excavation by Dr. Dale Croes and Rhonda Foster at Mud Bay, west of Olympia, south Puget Sound.

We will also publish a review of the annual meeting and a complete list of elected Pioneer officers.

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# 130th Annual Meeting Pioneer Association of Washington

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*Pioneer Association Picnic, 1642 43rd Avenue East, Seattle WA, 98122*

Reservations must be received by Saturday, June 16 2001
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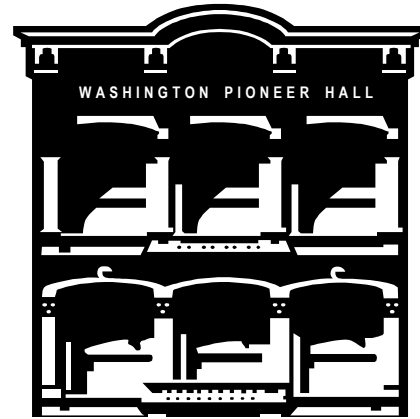
## Pioneer Hall survives quake

The 6.8 magnitude earthquake that hit the greater Puget Sound area on February 28 was the third large quake that Pioneer Hall has seen in the last 52 years. When the shaking was over, the Hall was still standing, although a little worse for the experience.

"There are numerous cracks in the walls and basement floor that pre-dated this earthquake, which we had documented photographically a couple of years ago. Some of them grew in size and length during this quake, and quite a few new cracks developed, but the good news is that the building did not sustain major damage," according to Bob Teague who, along with Muriel Winterscheid, was standing in front of the building when the quake hit.

As part of the building upgrade the Pioneer Association has been planning, a structural engineer was brought in last November to make a thorough evaluation and analysis of the Hall's ability to withstand earthquakes. The engineer was immediately brought back in to evaluate the new damage. While he indicated the building appeared to have survived in reasonably good shape, he concluded in his report that: "the building requires that many elements be added or strengthened for (it) to resist a current design-level earthquake without collapsing in whole or part."

While that makes things sound ominous, it is important to keep in mind that the current Strategic Plan for Pioneer Hall calls for such improvements, and efforts are underway to make them in the relatively near future.



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