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Message from your President, David McKinny

This is my favorite meeting of the year, the one where we spotlight our Annual Essay Contest and its winners. We received a good variety from a number of schools and adults this year --12 papers. Helen McCarthy put together a distinguished selection committee including: herself, Pat Loomis and Charles Sullivan. Come out and hear from the Award winning essayists. Find out which topics they have researched this year.

For our September meeting, we are going to have a different kind of program. We are going to honor our Past Presidents, so come out the First Saturday in September and help us recognize these people.

David

Pioneer Presidents and The Trailblazer

The first issue of *The Trailblazer*, Vol 1, was published in Summer, 1961, although we were **Organized in 1875**. The editor was *Arthur M. Fisk* until Winter of 1974 (13 years) and the President, was Austen D. Warburton. The forerunner of the *Trailblazer* was called *The Pioneer*. In 1962, the President was Minnie L. Clark. Volume 3, 1963, finds the President, Alice M. Vetterle. Winter of 1963, lists as President, Minnie L. Clark but Spring, 1964 it is again, Alice M. Vetterle. In the summer of 1965, Minnie L. Clark takes over again. Summer of 1966, it is passed to Jessie E. Black then back to Minnie L. Clark in Winter, 1966, then back to Jessie E. Black through Spring, 1968. Summer and Fall, 1968 was Lawrence Bulmore, then back to Jessie E. Black for winter, 1968 and in Spring, 1969, back to Lawrence Bulmore. Leland M. Boruck serve as

President Summer and Fall of 1969, then back to Lawrence Bulmore for Winter, 1969. Boruck served again until Summer of 1971 when Lynn L. Vermillion took the job for Summer and Fall of 1971 before Boruck served for Winter, 1971, then back to Lynn Vermillion through Spring, 1973. C. Kelly Canelo, M.D. took over as president in the summer of 1973 but by the Winter issue, Lynn L. Vermillion was again listed.

The editorship passed to Henry J. Calloway in the fall of 1974, with his able assistant, Laura Calloway. They continued through November, 1990. (16 years) The President was listed as O.I. Schmaelzle. The next two issues, listed C. Kelly Canelo, M.D., then back to Schmaelzle for Spring, 1975. Anthony R. Sapena is listed for Summer and Fall, 1975 then back to Schmaelzle for Winter and Sapena for Spring, 1976. Clyde Arbuckle served for Fall, 1976, then Sapena for May and back to Clyde Arbuckle through Spring, 1977.

Carolyn de Vries seems to have served 4 consecutive meetings, from Fall, 1977 through Spring, 1978. Donald de Mers, Jr. succeeded her through May, 1980. The next President was Leonard McKay from August, 1980 through May, 1981. Fall, 1981 John Clark took over through August, 1984 when Victoria Malatesta became President through May, 1986. Wade Brummel took over through May, 1987. Edward Allegretti took up the reins in August, 1987 through Winter, 1988. David McKinney served as president for the March and June meetings, 1989, then James O'Connor was next, for the September and December meetings of 1989 and March, 1990. Bryan Millar, June through December, 1990. Nestor V. Wahlberg did The Trailblazer for March, 1991; Sarah Millar and Mary Wahlberg for June, 1991. Vanley Batchelor took over The Trailblazer from December, 1991 through December, 1994. (3 years) Ruth Patton served as President from December, 1991 through June, 1993. Miriam Clark became president from September, 1993 to June, 1995. Mary Lou Lyon agreed to take over The Trailblazer until someone else was found in March, 1994. (7 years to date) Robert G. Fisher was President from September, 1995 through June, 1998 when David McKinney took over.

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REGISTRATION FOR SPRING TRIPS begins at the June 2 luncheon. Checks are preferred, or exact cash. Preference is given to Pioneers members to register at the luncheon and through the following week. Non-members and guests may sign up starting June 11. If you do not get a trip flyer at the luncheon meeting, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Pauline's address above. Our pick-up point (unless otherwise indicated) is at Valley Village, 390 N. Winchester Blvd., Santa Clara, on the Dolores Street side.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2001

PAC BELL PARK and BAY CRUISE

A behind-the-scenes tour of Pac Bell Park, home of the San Francisco Giants baseball team, takes us to see: the dugout and batting cages, luxury boxes, press box, visitors lounge and the Giants' store, plus beautiful views of San Francisco and the Bay. We then ride along the Embarcadero to Pier 39. Enjoy free time and lunch on your own. Everyone will have a discount coupon book for the restaurants and shops, as well as a description of the various restaurants. From Pier 39 we will take a one-hour cruise on the Bay sailing under the Golden Gate and Bay Bridges, by Alcatraz and Angel Island, and viewing San Francisco and Pac Bell Park from the Bay. This trip is filled. You may place yourself on the waiting list.

Leave: 9:00 A.M. Return: 4:00 P.M. Price: \$ 34

TUESDAY, JULY 17 2001 BONFANTE GARDENS and OPTIONAL GILROY OUTLETS MALL

The unique circus trees created by farmer Axel Erlandson in the 1920's live on at Bonfante Gardens in Gilroy. Developed by Michael Bonfante, former owner of Nob Hill Foods, the 75 acre horticultural gardens feature thousands of plants, flowers, and trees sculpted into fantastic and whimsical shapes. Several rides take us around to see the attractions in comfort using vintage autos, train, aerial tram, or a boat on the lake. Other attractions include a beautifully restored 1927 carousel and a panoramic Ferris wheel. Five theme gardens focus on tropical

plants, colorful annuals, edible plants, camellias and other shade plants, and trees. At 2:00 p.m., our bus will take those who want to spend an hour and one-half at the Gilroy Outlet stores. You will receive a coupon book, senior discount, and a store directory. Otherwise, you may stay longer at the Gardens. Leave: 9:00 A.M. Return: 4:30 P.M. Price: \$ 35

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2001

SAN FRANCISCO WORLD FAIRS

San Francisco was the host to two World Fairs: the 1915 Panama-Pacific International Exposition, celebrating the opening of the Panama Canal, and the 1939 World Fair at Treasure Island. To learn about the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, we travel to the Society of California Pioneer's new home near Yerba Buena Gardens to have a guided tour of their exhibit. We will see and hear a montage of music, speeches, and interviews with World Fair attendees, original souvenirs, scrapbooks, diaries, photographs, and art. The 1915 World Fair attracted 18 million visitors in one year and boosted the economy of the city after the devastation of the 1906 earthquake. You will also have time to view other current exhibits. To learn about the 1939 World Fair and World War II history, we go on to Treasure Island for a guided bus tour of the site, and what plans the city has for its development. Our included luncheon will be at the Treasure Island Culinary Academy. This is a National Job Corps program to train future chefs.

Leave: 9:00 A.M. Return: 3:30 P.M. Price: \$ 26.00
or need membership applications. Please help us make all our new members feel welcome. Melita Kelly 408-292-2385

SEPTEMBER 11 - 14, 2001

MAMMOTH LAKES AND YOSEMITE

Registration is in progress. At press time, we had 5 openings. A beautiful fall ride into the Eastern Sierra takes us to Jagerhof Lodge for a three-night stay. We will explore the Five Lakes basin with visits to the rustic Twin Falls Forest Chapel, Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, Devil's Postpile National Monument, and the Minarets. We then devote a day to a guided tour of Yosemite National Park, entering over Tioga Pass and Tuolumne Meadows. Following luncheon at the Ahwahnee Lodge, we will go to the Visitors' Center, the Indian Village, and the Ansel Adams Studio. Cost is \$495 and \$195 single supplement. This includes: motor coach transportation; three nights lodging; daily breakfasts and five lunches or

dinners; evening entertainment; driver and guide tips and baggage handling. Registration deposit is \$200 with final payment due July 13. No penalty for cancellation before July 13th. Brochures are available.

SEPTEMBER 29–OCTOBER 11, THE ERIE CANAL

See the Northeast as never before on a 13-day cruising tour of Long Island Sound, the Hudson River, the Erie Canal, and the St. Lawrence Seaway -- with a bonus of fall colors! We board the M.V. Grand Caribe from Rhode Island. Sights along the way include: the sky-line of Manhattan with a shore excursion - the forests and estates of the Hudson River - a tour of West Point Academy and FDR's estate near Hyde Park - the Erie Barge Canal locks - Fort Stanwix from the French-and-Indian War era - Lake Oneida and the Oswego Canal across Lake Ontario to Kingston for a visit to Fort Henry - a paddlewheel cruise through the Thousand Islands - the St. Lawrence River to Montreal. After a city tour of Montreal, we fly home. At press time, three cabins remain at \$3795 and \$3895. Deposit is \$500 per person with a full refund policy for cancellations before June 8, 2001. The cost includes: transfer to and from San Francisco; round trip air from San Francisco to Boston, and return from Montreal; a 12-day cruise; all meals on board; all shore excursions; all tips on-board and to the guides, drivers, and tour manager. Final payment is due June 8th, 2001. Current passports are required. Brochures are available.

DECEMBER 29, 2001 – JANUARY 2, 2002,

NEW YEAR'S CALIFORNIA WINE COUNTRY CRUISE

Your escape from the trauma of the Holidays! Experience all the beauty and flavors of our Wine Country for five days and four nights aboard Cruise West's "Spirit of '98." Our chartered bus takes us to the San Francisco pier to board the "Spirit." A gourmet dinner and wine tasting awaits us. Day touring includes - the Benzinger Family Winery tasting and tour - hilltop Tuscan luncheon under the grape trellises at Viansa Winery - tour of Buena Vista Vineyards established in 1857 - old Sonoma, the original capital of the Bear Flag Republic - Sonoma Mission - Schramsberg Champagne Winery with a maze of arched caverns where the champagne is maturing candlelit luncheon and sampling in the under-ground Cask Room at Merryvale in St. Helena - RMS Distillery, producer of Cognac style brandy. On board we celebrate New Year's Eve with an evening of extravagant food and champagne. Later, we cruise the Sacramento Ship Canal while enjoying a special New Year's breakfast aboard as we dock. We

explore the historic Old Town District of Sacramento. Your admission is included for the California Railroad Museum and the Discovery Museum. A shuttle will take you to the Crocker Art Museum or the State Capitol. Tonight is the Captain's festive farewell dinner as we cruise back. Misty dawn reveals a view of the Golden Gate Bridge and our San Francisco skyline before we dock. After breakfast, our motor coach returns us to San Jose. The cost per person is \$905 for a double bed cabin; \$1150 for two-twin bed cabins; or \$1350 for a larger twin cabin. Single occupancy rates are in the brochure. All cabins have large view windows. For reasonably priced optional trip cancellation insurance, check your nearest AAA office. Rates are approximately \$5.00 per \$100.00 coverage. Early deposits will assure the cabin category of your choice. A brochure is available. Please call Rose Crimi, (408) 293-0896. ***For New Year's, we share the "Spirit of '98" with two other groups. The cabins are assigned on a first-come-first-served basis, so there is a competition for the cabin of your choice. If you are at all interested, we urge you to register early. There is no penalty for cancellations before September 29. See you aboard! Rose Crimi

ARGONAUTS TRIPS

We are invited to participate in the following trip. For details please call Margaret Allvey, (408) 997-7507.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, SAN FRANCISCO FLEET

WEEK S.S. Jeremiah O'Brien Liberty Ship tour, including morning refreshments, lunch, Big Band dancing, Blue Angels fly-over, and open house on other Navy ships in the harbor. Car-pool transportation. Price: \$100.

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A REMINDER FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

There are still 80 of our members who have yet to remit dues for the year 2001. If you have forgotten, check the number after your name on the address label. Dues are \$10 per member annually. Life Memberships are \$100 or \$175 for a married couple. Give me a call if you have any questions or need membership applications. Please help us make all our new members feel welcome. -6- Melita Kelly 408-292-238

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