



# Pioneer Press

WEST SIDE PIONEER ASSOCIATION AND TRACY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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## President's Message

*The storage container arrived just a few days after I sent out the last Newsletter. Not much in it so far, however it gives us lots of planning for the future. Thanks to Pat and Dale who did the arranging and helped with the set-up. The driver got it in place like a pro.*

*This issue is later than I planned, but needed to have the slate presented by the Nominating Committee at the October Board meeting. It was decided at the last Board meeting that the election will be held at the Museum from 2 to 4 p.m. on Monday, November 11th. That is Veteran's day and also a Board meeting at 1. It was also decided to allow mail-in balloting for those who would rather do so. The ballot is included in this issue (two if a couple). There is a place for a write-in if anyone is interested. I ask that ballots be sent to P.O. Box 117 so they are received by the 11th. The Newsletter will have a double \*\* on the mailing label to show you are a member in good standing. Should you need to renew to become current, please either send that with the mail-in ballot or when you stop by to vote at the Museum.*

*The Board also set a Holiday Open House for Sunday, December 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. I'll be reminding you of this date, but wanted to get it out there early. There are so many things going on the last couple months—I hope you'll consider stopping by to visit with friends.*

*Again, we hope to restart the 3rd grade tours of the Museum beginning in January. If you or a friend has a four-hour availability on Monday mornings, we'd love to have you be a part of this great learning activity for our third grade students! Call the office/leave a message/be a part of Tracy history for the next generation!!*

John McVey  
209-407-9314

~ *Renewing Member* ~ Chuck Honodel

~ *New Member* ~ Shelley Layne-Thompson

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As mentioned in the last issue, the Tracy Historical Museum/WSPA was recognized/honored for the work we do to preserve Tracy's history. The Tracy Mayor's Gala on September 7th was a very nice affair. Those representing our group were Pat and Dale Brandes, Sue Brozstowski, Sandra and Preston Bayhi, David Castro, and yours truly. Pete Mitracos was also in attendance. Pictures and info are in the display case in the Museum. Stop by to see our memories. We are very pleased to have been chosen for recognition. Thank you, Mayor Young!

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We were saddened to learn of the passing of longtime Lifetime member Ruth Sanford. Ruth served on the Board for many years and was active prior to declining health.

We were also saddened to learn of the passing of Char Bisbee. Many knew Char as a favorite teacher at Central. Our condolences go out to both families and friends!

**West Side Pioneer Association Board of Directors**  
**for 2023 - 2024**

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|------------------------------|--|
| * President                  | John McVey   |
| * Vice President             | David Lee  |
| * Program Chair              | Dale Brandes   |
| * Recording Secretary        | ~ OPEN ~   |
| * Treasurer                  | ~ OPEN ~   |
| * Elected-at-Large Members   | Dennis Maddix<br>David Castro<br>Richard Clinton                 |
| + Corresponding Secretary    | - OPEN -   |
| + Lammersville School Chair  | Pat Brandes  |
| + Museum Archivist           | ~ OPEN ~   |
| + Historic Landmark Chair    | Pete Mitracos  |
| + TAGS Representative        | Virginia Mynatt  |
| + Appointed At-Large Members | Marie Patterson<br>David Middleton<br>Ruth Sanford<br>Gwen White |

Immediate Past President

( \* -elected positions on the Board + - appointed by the President )

### West Side Pioneer Association Membership Application

The West Side Pioneer Association of Tracy, Inc., operates the Tracy Historical Museum and TAGS, working to document and preserve Tracy's history—including such projects as the Historic Lammersville Schoolhouse and Historic Landmarks in and around Tracy. If you would like to join the WSPA and the THM, or make a donation to our historical preservation efforts, please fill out the form below and return it to the address below. Membership also allows members to use the Tracy Area Genealogical Society, a part of WSPA. Members receive our periodic newsletter. We also provide for memorial donations for remembrance of loved ones. Should you have questions or comments, please contact us.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # : \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Please make checks out to West Side Pioneer Association. Return to WSPA, P.O. Box 117, Tracy, CA 95378**

Please circle the type of membership you are selecting. Thank You very much!!

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| <u>ANNUAL DUES</u> — ADULT — \$10 | SPONSOR — \$100                      |
| COUPLE — \$15                     | LIFETIME MEMBER — \$150 (individual) |
| STUDENT — \$5                     | PATRON — \$250                       |
| ORGANIZATION/COMMERCIAL — \$20    | SUSTAINER — \$500                    |
| SUPPORTER — \$50                  | BENEFACTOR — \$1000                  |

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## *Coming Events*

Sat. Oct 5

Mon. Oct 7

Sat. Oct 12

Sun, Oct 13

Mon. Oct 14

**\*\* Mon, Oct 14**

Sat. Oct 19

Mon. Oct 21

Sat. Oct 26

Mon. Oct 28

Thu. Oct 31

Tracy Museum Open

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2nd Sunday @ TAGS

Tracy Museum Open

***Board of Directors Meeting***

Tracy Museum Open

Tracy Museum Open

Tracy Museum Open

Tracy Museum Open

~~ ***Halloween*** ~~

10 am—2 pm

10 am—2pm

10 am—2 pm

1—5 pm

10 am—2 pm

***1 pm \*\****

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***BOO!!!!!!!!!!***