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Migration Routes Shared By Linnells



THE MINNESOTA LINNELL STORY

At the Linnell Family Reunion June 21-23 the centerpiece of Saturday evening celebration at the Maranatha Hall theater will be the story of the Linnell Minnesota pioneers. They were part of those hardy folk who followed the migration routes from Massachusetts and Maine through New York and Ohio and finally hewed out their homes in the Minnesota-Wisconsin-Dakota area that we celebrate in this Reunion. There many of them settled in the "Arrowhead Region" from which we have received many a gripping story.

Not only will the stories include family lore but also pictures of our ancients and their families. Dick Linnell, who has been putting all of this together, says that the cousins have provided wonderful data and pictures to bring to us the reality of those early experiences.

Narrating the story of migration will be Dennis Linnell who will also introduce other cousins to tell their family stories. There will be Laura Linnell and Carol Anderson telling the story of Malcolm Linnell, the first settler to open up the Mineral Center area of Minnesota. Hal Bockovich has been exploring that north country area and will enhance our appreciation with pictures of sites we may never see in person as he tells the story of Peter M. Linnell.

Althea and Don Tremewan will help us appreciate Samuel who was born in Belgrade, Maine and crossed the country in 1860 by covered wagon with a wife and two children.

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A Letter From the Chairman

Dear Linnell Cousins,

Our second family Reunion comes up in just a matter of weeks. The preparations our Minnesota cousins have been making promise the kind of warm and exciting event we experienced in Cape Cod three years ago. The local program committee (you'll find their names on the reverse side of the enclosed registration form) is doing a wonderful job of organizing events for all ages. A shining highlight will again be the opportunity to get acquainted with our own connections just as it was at Cape Cod in '88. Do detach the registration form, fill in the blanks and mail it to Althea Tremewan today! We eagerly look forward to seeing you all June 21-23 in St Paul.

Expectantly yours,
Larry Linnell, M.D.

Friday, June 21

- 12 Noon Registration opens at Robertson Student Center, Northwestern College, St. Paul, MN.
- Afternoon Family Room gathering (Please bring family photos, crafts, memorabilia, for display).
- Dinner Box suppers will be available.
- Evening Orientation, informal gatherings getting reacquainted.

Saturday, June 22

- Morning Registration continues; settling in, regional gatherings, refreshments.
- 12 Noon Luncheon in the Blue Room: The opening program, introductions.
- 1:30-2:45 p.m. Business meeting, election officers for the Linnell Family Association, reports of the past three years.
- Afternoon Guided tours, computer search for genealogical lines, canoeing, swimming, visits to family room.
- 6 p.m. Banquet and theater program.

Sunday, June 23

- 8 a.m. Continental Breakfast on the Veranda.
- 10 a.m. Prayer and Praise: an ecumenical Sunday service. The Children's feature.
- 12 Closing luncheon in the Blue Room

REUNION PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

SLEUTHING FOR FAMILY GEMS

To the genealogist, the gems of the family are those hidden stories that come from delving into the cemeteries, the historical societies, the old histories in town libraries and reading the old newspapers of the era. We Linnells still have much to learn about our family. A chance to get involved in this sleuthing operation will come on Saturday afternoon, June 22, at the Reunion (time to be announced). Instruction about how to proceed on your own lines will be given; and the research procedure for Linnell genealogy will be discussed.

Dick Linnell is asking for additional information about John Linnell, 118,241,11 and his sons Rodney, Libius, Judson and their Mormon connection. Can anyone help with information?

The ancestry of Alford (or Alfred) Linnell of Anna, IL and his wife Amanda has yet to be discovered and connected to our Robert Linnell family.

Many other lines await researchers. But we can all help immediately by checking our own lines in Descendants of Robert Linnell to make sure all data are included and correct. For each person we seek:

Full name
Birth date: day month, year; and place
Marriage: day, month year; to whom?
Parents of spouse, date of birth, place
Death, date and place
Burial: place and date
Any 2nd, 3rd marriages and their dates
Names of all children in birth order 1,2,3,
birth dates and places, marriages, deaths

All the corrections and additions from the past five years are now incorporated into The Descendants of Robert Linnell and will be available for viewing at the Reunion. Bring your information and stories to Reunion!

OPERATION DESERT STORM

Names of those who have served in Operation Desert Storm are requested for Reunion recognition and Linnell Family documentation. Information should include unit in which they serve, time of service, parentage and family names, and other information of interest. Please send this data to Rachel L. Wynn, 5663 Columbia Rd. #102, Columbia, MD 21044 as soon as possible.

The Linnell Family Association

The purposes of the Association are to promote fellowship among the Linnell family members through reunions and publication of "The Linnell Family Newsletter" and to preserve the records of the family.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Ethelyn Pearson, 118,241,145,121, has been telling stories to her children ever since her daughter was bedridden with scarlet fever when 10 years old. That winter she not only told stories, she also wrote them and shared these with Linda's classroom. Word of the stories got around and she was soon into the publishing business. Her stories have appeared in magazines, book form, newspapers.

In December, her story, "A Funny Santa," appeared in the "Prime Time" paper of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.

Rebecca Donner 117,612,123,221,2 ran a creative campaign for an Assembly seat in California last fall on the Libertarian ticket. While she did not unseat her opponent, incumbent Democrat Tom Hayden running for his fifth term, it was a great experience opening up future opportunities in politics.

When Robert Linnell Tonkin sent in his family line to be added to D.R.L. he enclosed a copy of the letter his grandfather Charles E.C. Linnell had received from A.E.Linnell in 1904. Tribute is paid to the work of A.E.Linnell in D.R.L. It made that volume possible.

Robert also enclosed a news article about his career change at age 50. He apprenticed himself to a master craftsman in clock and watch repair and was finding great joy in being able to work on articles of artistic and mechanical genius.

Robert's wife Helen is librarian at New Hartford, CN. Here she not only works with books but finds good homes for orphan plants. And she provided hospitality for stranded travelers on a recent icy night of terrible road conditions. A news article recognized her hospitality and graciousness.

YOUR OWN FAMILY PRINT-OUT AT THE REUNION

Have you ever wanted to trace your ancestry to validate an application to the D.A.R.? Or perhaps to some other patriotic society, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Grand Army of the Republic, or maybe the War of 1812? You may wonder if you are a Mayflower descendant, or whether you're eligible to associate among the Colonial Dames or the Founding Fathers of America.

If you answer yes to any such ideas as the above, a new feature at the Reunion will be good news. Any cousins seeking information about roots and identity can request a print-out to track their descendancy from our common progenitor, Robert Linnell, or search out such collateral lines as the fate of your grandfather's brother and his clan. For many lines of Linnells, that will be possible. Try it.

All this comes through the technical research and computerization accomplished over several years by Eric and Joan Linnell. Now assisted by Glen Roberts, they are entering important data about ancestry that makes this service available. Stop by their computer station at the Reunion and inquire about your family line.



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Linda Baum, Judy Spelde, Marvel Soderlund, Juanita Linnell Moore, Bonnie Featherstone, Eve Bockovich, Lori and Tom Linnell, Doug Linnell and Emily Baker, Bonnie and Roger Hansen have all been helping to round out the stories.

The story of Abby Linnell will be portrayed by Pam Dimlich in costume. It was this story of Abby and her family that was celebrated by our cousins at the Ponsford Centennial last year.

Setting the tone of pioneer life for this gala event will be Dick Linnell's retelling of the love story of David and Hannah Linnell. With a costume created by Linnell Esler, Dick's portrayal will bring to life a period of 200 years ago when social customs were different and community standards strict.

Have You Paid Your Dues? ✂-----

Membership Registration (July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1991)

Name _____ 612
Last Middle or Maiden First
Address _____
Street or box no. City State Zip
Phone _____ Spouse _____

Please check type of membership: 1990-1991	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Life Time	<input type="checkbox"/> Couple Life Time
\$125.00	\$250.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Single yearly	<input type="checkbox"/> Couple yearly
\$10.00	\$20.00

Please make all checks payable to the Linnell Family Association, Inc.
Mail to: Althea Tremewan 9048 Taylor St. NE, Blaine, MN 55434-3368
Eligibility: "A descendant of Robert Linnell or family member 18 years of age or older"

612 784-4181

THE TWIN CITIES' SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

It's no secret anymore: every experienced conventioneer knows that the attractions at any meeting include not only the official sessions, but also interesting side trips and local color. Our June 21-23 Reunion will be no exception.

The Saint Paul/Minneapolis area is rich in attractive spots to visit. Here, in the Minnesota state capital district, we find a river-bluff town overlooking the mighty Mississippi with its reconstructed Fort Snelling and old time paddleboat cruises. The fort offers pageantry and rousing musket drills. The river boats bring back another era of calliopes, cotton bales, and steam whistles.

A fascinating skywalk makes it possible to stroll through downtown shopping areas without exposure to rain. Bandana Square, reconstructed from an old railroad car repair shop, still encloses full size rail cars among its offerings. Minnesota Seasons is the name for shops with alluring specialties ranging from Indian moccasins to cassette tapes of loon calls. The West Bank offers its covey of shops and cafes; and Nicollet Mall is the modern, glitzy collection of stores you'd expect to locate in an up-to-date yet historical city. In and near these alluring neighborhoods you'll spot eateries with delicious offerings for those snacks and meals you don't eat at the Reunion.

For kids of all ages there is the Science Museum of Minnesota, famed for its educational exhibits, a state-of-the-art Omnitheater, and a Dinosaur Lab. And the Children's Museum of Minnesota offers hands-on features; one popular trick there is the do-it-yourself operation of a child-scaled crane. Little ones thrill to the museum "Hobbitot" with climbing and crawling space for tots from six months to three years.

Other fun spots include the model railroad club at Filberts, the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Reserve of 7,000 acres, a free zoo at Como Park, and the Walker Art Center. So come early or stay later to take advantage of a beautiful area for touring.

Add These to Your Family Records

Deaths

Ashcroft, Sarah (Linnell) 118,241,231,153
on 2 June 1990 Meadow Lake, Sask., Canada

Derewenko, Joyce (Anderson) 118,241,112,872
on 21 April 1990 Duluth, MN
bur. Maple Hill Cem. Grand Marais, MN

Linnell, Arthur W. 118,552,154,3
on 20 October 1990 Belleview, FL
bur. Florida National Veteran's Cem.
Bushnell, FL

Linnell, Ernest (Mickey) 118,241,231,155
on 13 July 1990 Battleford, Sask. Canada

Linnell, Lee W. 118,552,154,65
on 29 December 1990

Marriages

Daniel Mark Anderson, son of Murray and Lindyce
Anderson, p. 289 D.R.L. to Carol Fisk
on 17 October 1988

Gary Dale Grant, son of Patricia (Perry) and Carl
Grant, p. 188 D.R.L. to Sheila Dawn Parkman,
dau. of Wesley and Connie Parkman of Milo, ME
on 3 December 1988

Todd William Heilig, son of Bruce and Pauline
Heilig, p. 273 D.R.L. to Deborah Lynne Olson
on 6 September 1986

Troy Allen Heilig, son of Bruce and Pauline
Heilig, p. 273 D.R.L. to Roxanne Elizabeth
Poulter on 1 October 1988

Births

To Dan and Carol (Fisk) Anderson 118,241,112,875,1
a son, Eric Daniel Anderson on 17 Apr. 1990

To Gary and Sheila (Parkman) Grant 118,241,21-11,423
a son, Jonathan Dale Grant on 12 May 199

To Kevin and Kristl Linnell 118,241,112,646,3
a son, Shaun K. Linnell on 19 Sep. 1985
a daughter, Kodi Lee Linnell on 30 Mar. 1988

BUREAU OF LOST COUSINS

Can you help with these addresses? We have lost
communication with these cousins. Send the current address
to Newsletter editors JC and Rachel Wynn, 5663 Columbia
Rd. #102, Columbia, MD 21044.

Ahlgren, Gail	Linnell, Keith C.	Ponting, Pamela
Ambrose, John	Linnell, L. Sue	Smith, Janet
Anderson, Joan	Linnell, Mildred (NH)	Smith, Patricia
Benson, Dave	Linnell, Nancy	Smith, Leonard
Brickner, Denise	Linnell, Norman (WI)	Smith, Wesley
Davies, Anita	Linnell, Otto F. Sr.	Soderbeck, George
Embretson, Cheryl	Linnell, Pearl (MT)	Jr. Volgamore, Eldon
Fishel, Marguerite	Linnell, Richard F. (NH)	Wedge, Freda
Holappa, Jackie	Linnell, Donald R. (OR)	Westness, Helen
Klaus, Beverly	Linnell, William M. (MT)	Westerlind, Nelda
Linnell, Bud	McLean, Dixie	White, Jean Ann
Linnell, Gilbert	Mills, Lisa	Wickham, Velma
Linnell, James A.	Nelson, Laura	Wilkes, Betty
Linnell, John (NYC)	Olson, Bob	Wisner, Mark
Linnell, John H. Sr (CA)	Olson, Joanne	Zeller, Ione
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