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### We want to thank all of you that are supporting the Linnell Family Association (LFA)by renewing your 2013 LFA Annual Membership Dues.

We also want to recognize our new LFA Life Time members. Greg Smith, Grand Marais, MN Gail Wahlstrom, Roseburg, WA Robert Tonkin, New Hartford, CT Brad Johnson, Mounds View, MN Virginia Hayes, Andover, MN Karen Linnell Mize, Tucson, AZ Ann Weaver, Mobile, AL

# Thank You



If you are currently an annual member of the association, Please do not forget your dues!!

All support is greatly appreciated.

## Did You Forget?

We need your help.

We've only received a few pictures from the 2012 LFA Reunion held in Grand Portage, MN last June.

<u>PLEASE</u> check your camera/computers for any pictures you took while attending the 2012 LFA Reunion that you would be willing to share with the rest of us.



All pictures should be high-quality JPGs. Email your pictures to <u>newsletter@linnellfamilyassocation.com</u>. If you are unable to submit your pictures via email, please send regular post to the membership chairman, Brian Linnell.

## THE LINNELL FAMILY ASSOCIATION IS JUST A CLICK AWAY!!



## The LFA OnLine Store is Now



Check out our great selection of Polos, Sweatshirts, Pajama Pants and more. The store will be open year round with scheduled deliveries three times a year!

Visit the store for complete details: <u>WWW.TINYURL.COM/LINNELLFA</u>

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## Vital Record Updates

Florence Ruth Johnson 118,731,932,11

Died 8 March 2013.

Aaron Neil Bochsler 11a,b15,515,623,1

Is NOT dead as listed in the book!

Married 2 October 2011. to Brooke Nehrkorn

Trace Neil Bochsler 11a,b15,515,623,11

Born 19 November 2012

Daniel Jared Reed 11a,b15,515,641,1

Married 9 April 2011 to Wendi Lee Cone.

#### Reunion 2012

#### A Financial Success

Reunion 2012 brought the Linnell Family Association not only a renewed sense of kinship but also a financial shot in the arm. While expenses for the reunion itself essentially matched the income from registration fees and meal tickets, and apparel sales basically offset apparel expenses, the Association's general fund benefitted from a boost in membership payments. We typically see this sort of positive effect during reunion years, and it helps the LFA to continue operations during the relatively lean years in between reunions. Reunion 2012 also helped to replenish the LFA Scholarship Fund with proceeds from the Silent Auction.



Summary of the income and expenses for Reunion 2012.

#### Income:

Registration fees	\$ 4,407.50
Banquet	4,453.50
Box lunches	627.00
T-shirts & aprons	895.00
DRL books	390.00
Eagle Wing prints	140.00
Silent Auction (Scholarship Fund)	901.00
Gifts	42.50
TOTAL	\$11,856.50

#### Expenses:

Facility rental	\$ 575.18
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Meals	7,712.10
Lapel pins & other reg. materials	416.58
T-shirts & aprons	946.75
Shipping	61.01
Silent Auction reimbursements	249.86
Band, bus, ad, magnets, cards, etc.	417.48
Travel stipends Steering Comm.	200.00
TOTAL	\$10,578.96

Membership dues for the year 2012 totaled \$1,410. This compares favorably to payments for 2011 (\$1,200) and 2010 (\$900), which were the years that followed Reunion 2009 in Rockford, Illinois.

As of the start of 2013, the Association was reasonably well funded to carry on its operations.

General Fund: \$5,828.61
 Scholarship Fund: \$3,465.33
 Gravestone Fund: \$1,089.62

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## All High School Seniors & College Students

#### You could be our next \$1,000 LFA SCHOLARSHIP winner!

If you are a current high school senior or student of an accredited higher education program and a descendent of Robert Linnell, consider applying for our \$1,000 scholarship award!

Start researching your Linnell history and planning your essay.

### The deadline for the scholarship application is April 15th!

Information about the scholarship and application can be found on the LFA webpage:

www.linnellfamilyassociation.com

Questions about the scholarship can be emailed to: scholarshipfund@linnellfamilyassociation.com.



# Letter from the Chairman

Dear Cousins.

Memory Lane is going to be my catch phrase as I write to you to start the year 2013 and remember a little bit about where we have been in the last year and highlight where we might go this year.

Of course, nothing we did last year can top our fantastic Grand Portage/Grand Marais/Mineral Center reunion. I wrote lots about it in the last newsletter but I must again give credit to all our great cousins who helped put together such a magnificent weekend. We all owe you another great big THANK YOU for an excellent effort.

Associated with the reunion was our use of steering committee conference calls, an endeavor we had not tried in the past. It helped us tremendously in the planning process throughout the months leading up to the reunion. It is surely a tool we will continue to use in the future to bring about further successes in our attempts to stay connected with cousins.

We also started talking about the use of Facebook to keep cousins in touch with each other and with the association. Also, we worked some and will continue to do more to allow all of us to purchase online LFA store items for any special family celebration.

Please refer to the article in this newsletter for more details!!

This year of course the LFA is again looking forward to our youngsters putting fingers to the keyboard and hopefully writing the prize winning scholarship essay for the year 2013. \*I might note that the bylaws of the association have been amended by steering committee action so that any previous scholarship winner may only win a second scholarship if they have received a degree and are going on to do post-graduate work.\*

As I often walk down memory lane and think about my good ol' days in Minnesota, oh, how I so remember as a kid loving my visits to my Aunt Rae's cabin on Shultz Lake, my week at the Bockovich farm, my trips on Saturdays to the Hedstrom Lumber Yard and Sawmill with my dad, the dances in Colville, Hovland, and wherever else the Linnell band was playing, our parties at Dixie's, our card playing at the Malner's, and on and on. I only mention this in hopes that maybe some of the students trying to win the \$1,000 scholarship prize might also tell us about some of their memories of visits with family and what it meant to them to be building memories and having fun with their cousins.

Also, I wanted to challenge all of our parents and grandparents of past scholarship contestants to write about and send to Lynne some stories of the accomplishments of these youngsters as they attempt fame and fortune. I am sure we older folk would love to hear what is going on in the lives of these scholarship participants.

As always, we want to thank all of you who responded to the special dues mailing. It bears repeating that with your dues and donations our association remains healthy and vibrant. As a result of your timely action, our treasurer Scott tells us that we are not, as was the Federal Government, facing the "fiscal cliff." We will continue our gravestone and cemetery work in the coming year and hopefully we will have more to report to you in the near future.

Last but not least may I issue an invitation to all of you who are Minnesota bound this August to plan to drop into our music party on Pike Lake at the Featherstone cabin. "Memories," I am sure, will be one of the songs on the list. August 9th is the date.

Safe travels, my dear ones. God bless.

# Liniel Cousina world Champion Ironnan



In the great Linnell tradition of "Going the Distance"
22-year-old Allison Linnell of Miami, Florida
(117,612,123,225,1)
WON her 18-24 year age group at the 2012 Kona Ironman World Championships in Hawaii last October.



We can now say that we have a world champion cousin!

The Ironman competition consists of three events: swimming, bicycling and running. Each stage tests the limits of an athlete's endurance. The swim portion takes contestants on a 2.4-mile out-and-back course along the west coast of the main island. As they emerge from the briny deep, they peel off their wet suits, find their bikes among the 2,000 parked, and start pedaling. This Polynesian version of the Tour de France sweeps riders along a 112-mile course that features endless lava fields and wicked crosswinds. Once back in the bike corral, athletes who still have the guts change into running shoes and venture into the sweltering mid-day sunshine to pound out a 26.2-mile marathon.

Most participants qualify for Kona by placing among the top 3 age group finishers in other half or full Ironman races throughout the world. Allison bought her ticket to Kona by winning her age group at a half-ironman meet in Texas last summer. She was in fact the top amateur finisher in the Texas race, and she was beaten by only two professional women tri-athletes. There was of course much fiercer competition at the world championships in Hawaii. Nevertheless, Allison prevailed over the 26 other

women in her 18-24 year age group. She completed the course in 10 hours and 16 minutes, 6 minutes ahead of the second place young female, who came from Russia.

As a high school senior, she won the 2008 state championship in the mile in 4:54.

Allison attended the University of Washington in Seattle, graduating with bachelor's degrees in Aquatic and Fisheries Sciences and Economics. She also ran for the school cross country and track teams.

Allison is currently enrolled in the MBA program at the University of Miami in Florida and she plans to compete in half Ironman events this year.



Allison is the daughter of Susan and Scott Linnell of Colts Neck, New Jersey.

# Linnell Family Association MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION & RENEWAL

Please register me as a member of the Linnell Family Association in the following category:

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MEMBERSHIP

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### **Unfortunate News**

It does not appear we will be able to commission any more prints of The Eagle Wing painting.



SHIP "EAGLE WING", CAPTAIN EBENEZER HARDING LINNELL, MASTER

The LFA has been notified the artist, Milton Welt, passed away last year at the age of 98. His wife followed him shortly thereafter. It has come to our attention that Milton had the original from which the prints were made. We have not been successful in obtaining access to the original painting needed to create more prints. We will, however, keep trying to work with Milton's heirs to find the original.

We have sold all of the Eagle Wing prints originally commissioned. We will keep you informed on our efforts to find the original painting to make more prints.



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