

NIWOT GAZETTE

Newsletter of the
Niwot Historical Society
Spring 2010

YOU SHOULD'A BEEN THERE!

It was a beautiful day for our annual NHS meeting – a delightful program, delicious goodies, and an enthusiastic crowd.

The major business items discussed were volunteer opportunities, finances, membership, and the election of the new board of directors. Details follow later in this newsletter.

RECENT ARTIFACT DONATIONS

Members Earl and Barbara Bolton have donated two more items from Earl's pioneer ancestors for our collection. Earl's grandparents Clyde and Eunice Bolton farmed north of Dodd Lake. We're grateful when descendants of pioneer families share their heirlooms with future generations. It helps us keep Niwot's unique history alive.



This oil painting of the Bolton family barn was painted by Alice Bolton Sollenberger. Drive by to see if it's still there.

NEW DUES SCHEDULE

Membership chairman Donna Sinor announced that the NHS is launching a membership drive in memory of Jim Martinsen, a valued member of the society who passed away in 2009. If you haven't already been contacted, please take the time to mail in your 2010 dues to NHS, P.O. Box 354, Niwot, 80544. Because we have broadened our outreach in the past few years, which means more materials and supplies, we have raised our dues for the first time since we organized in the 1970s. The new rates are:

Individual:	\$15.00
Family:	25.00
Youth (18 or younger)	5.00



The Boltons milked cows on their farm on Niwot Road. Still in good condition, this bucket weighs 4 pounds - empty. Chores anyone?

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in getting involved in any of the NHS outreach or preservation projects, please contact membership chairman Donna Sinor for more information. jesinor@infionline.net

Firehouse museum care & mtc
Exhibits planning and/or host
Archive artifacts
Digitize old photos for our collection
Help create website
Historic Old Town walking tour guide

SPECIAL THANKS TO ...

Biff Warren for filing our 501(c)(3) forms to the State of Colorado.

Left Hand Grange for the use of the grange hall for our annual meeting and for providing the NHS with storage space for our growing artifact collection.

The NBA Historic Projects Fund for their \$100 donation toward expenses for next year's Niwot exhibit at the Longmont Museum.

NHS PHOTO COLLECTION IS IN DEMAND

The Society's collection of historic photos continues to be an important resource for genealogists, local newspapers and county government. Recent requests included:

Boulder County Parks and Open Space requested grange photos for an upcoming awards presentation,

Descendents of Juan Apodaca wanted reprints of their great-great-grandfather,

The *Longmont Ledger* asked for a print for a recent historical article, and

The *Left Hand Valley Courier* needed a print to illustrate their article on NBA history.

MYSTERY INGREDIENT

The most popular recipe prepared for our annual meeting last month was taken from a vintage cookbook in our artifact collection. It was a surprise when "baker" Connie Herbst revealed its secret ingredient. For those who requested it, here is the recipe:

SODA CRACKER PIE

3 egg whites 12 soda crackers
1 c sugar 1 c chopped walnuts
2 tsp baking powder 1 tsp vanilla

Beat egg whites until stiff. Combine sugar and b.p. and add to eggs. Beat until very stiff. Crush crackers until very fine, mix with nuts, and fold into egg mixture. Fold in vanilla and pile into a buttered, floured pie pan. Bake 35 minutes at 325 degrees. Refrigerate 5 or 6 hours before serving. May be served with whipped cream.



Connie Herbst and Laura Skaggs prepared two tables full of goodies for the annual meeting.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2010-2011

The following NHS board members were elected at the March annual meeting. The various office positions were decided at the first board meeting.

President: Laura Skaggs

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Vice-president: Rob Gordon

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Secretary: Connie Herbst

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Members-at-Large:

Anne Dyni, 303-665-6932
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MISSION STATEMENT

The Niwot Historical Society exists to preserve, collect and protect the history of Niwot, the surrounding area and Chief Niwot, through the preservation of artifacts, documents, photos and other documentary sources relating to their history. It also encourages the conservation of these resources through publications, programs and other related activities, and brings people together who are interested in the history of Niwot;