

Delta Marsh History Initiative, Steering Committee Meeting

9:00 am, 29 May 2007

Home of Shirley Christianson, Portage la Prairie

Present: Barry Bills, Shirley Christianson, Denzil Gamble, Heidi den Haan, Gordon Goldsborough (sec), Bob Jones, Cynthia Jordan, Winnie Pauch, Glen Suggett

1. **Minutes** of the last meeting (23 April 2007) were approved by consensus.

2. **Business**

- a) *Campbell memoirs* – Goldsborough told the group that the University of Manitoba's History Department has the memoirs on tape. It would be good for copies or transcriptions of the tapes to be acquired for the Campbell House at Fort La Reine Museum. Goldsborough will contact Alex Wright (tape in her basement) and the University to see about gaining access.
- b) *Breakwater memories* – Still to do.
- c) *Long-time fishers award* – There is another eligible fisher at St. Ambroise with 49 years of experience – Wilf Flamand. Pauch will prepare a nomination form.
- d) *Bison bones* – Tom Shay gave Goldsborough the name of a contact person for ¹⁴C dating of the bones, if desired.
- e) *Manuscripts* – More feedback has been given to Suggett.
- f) *Rice meeting* – Suggett and Goldsborough looked through photos acquired by the Oakland history project at the home of Darlene Rice. We identified photos of potential interest to us, and Darlene agreed to contact the people who donated them to solicit permission for her to provide us with a scanned copy. As an aside, we were informed that the Oakland book is in "limbo" as they are waiting to receive submissions from some people. Goldsborough and Suggett were asked to contribute articles in a few topic areas.
- g) *Ethel Kinley* – Goldsborough reported that a commemorative plaque in the Education Faculty at the University of Manitoba indicates that Ethel Adams Kinley (1887-1967) taught at Delta before 1913. She may have been among the first teachers there.
- h) *Information sheet* – We should provide information on our Delta history project for distribution at Campbell House on Canada Day. Goldsborough will provide about 30 copies to Christianson.
- i) *Thank you* – A copy of the Wildlife Branch's canvasback print was presented to Shirley Christianson for her support of this project.

3. **Next meeting:** The next meeting will be held at the home of Shirley Christianson (118 Wilkinson Crescent, Portage la Prairie) at **9:00 am on Monday, 25 June 2007.**

4. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.