

Official Releases from the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers
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Occasionally, we have urgent information that can't wait for the next publication of the *Trail Marker*. In order to distribute this information in a timely manner, we will use *The Telegraph*, which will be sent on an as-needed rather than a regular basis. The fallowing is our first piece of urgent information.

## TREK TO HISTORIC IBAPAH, UT, SEPT 7TH

The Salt Lake City and Twin Peaks Chapters are sponsoring a trek to historic Ibapah, Utah (an early pioneer settlement and pony express station in the Western Utah desert) on Thursday, September 7. The SLC chapter president, LaVon Day, will be the guide. He wrote his thesis on the settlement and is THE expert on the area. The tour leaves at 7 a.m. from the Ensign Stake Center, 135 A Street, and will return at about 8 p.m. Participants should bring own lunch and dinner will be served in Wendover. Cost is \$20 per person. (Bus cost is covered by a sponsor). Contact LaVon Day, 801-521-0777, or David Horne, 801-583-1776.)

## **NATIONAL CONVENTION, SEPT 14-16**

Its not too late to register for this years National Encampment in Heber City, UT. Remember, all delegates must be registered at the Convention in order to vote. There will be drawings for prizes from among those registered. Registration is now over 300.

If you are not yet registered, you can sign up by sending \$125 per person to: The Mountain Valley Chapter, SUP P.O. Box 441 Heber City, UT 84032

## HANDCART REENACTMENT, SEPT 26TH

You are all invited to participate in this historic reenactment celebrating the 150 anniversary or the arrival of the first handcart company in 1856. Bring your handcart or just walk, but don't miss this once in a lifetime event on September 26, 2006. Be part of our unique history being brought alive. Be part of the 100 handcarts & 499 walkers -- The largest number of handcarts gathered since the 1800's. Represent those heroic people who "pulled they're way to the valley of the Great Salt Lake!" Everyone Is Invited - No Charge - Free Event

For details contact: <a href="mailto:mormontrailnews@hotmail.com">mormontrailnews@hotmail.com</a> to receive an email flyer with info & register to participate or <a href="mailto:wagontrainwalker@net.zero.net">wagontrainwalker@net.zero.net</a>
SugarHouse Chapter, SUP- Known for historical reenactments

## "ARRIVAL-FIRST HANDCARTS DAY OF CELEBRATION 150 YEARS"

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

- 7:30am Sign in begins parking lot area "This Is The Place Heritage Park"
- <u>9:00am</u> Music provided by "Firewood" pioneer string band, Mormon Battalion Flag Ceremony, Words from Matthew Dahl, Director of This is the Place Heritage Park
- 9:30am Depart This Is The Place Heritage Park under supervision of Salt Lake Police
- 11:00am Arrival at Historic 10<sup>th</sup> Ward 400 South & 800 East, Salt Lake City Mormon Battalion Bugler & Flag Ceremony, Nauvoo Band, historian recounts stories of the trail, Algie Powers sings her "Teachings Of The Trek" and introduction of "Last living Sons of Utah Pioneers"
- 11:30am Depart 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, church bells toll along route announcing that handcarters have arrived in the valley. Nauvoo Band will lead company. Special Guest Robert Johnson, American Flag Carrier, '97 wagontrain flag carrier, 25 Young Men & 25 Young Women carrying American Flags.
- 12:10pm Arrival at Downtown ZCMI Center area (lunch hour)
- 12:20 pm Arrival at Plaza Area of Conference Center. Proclamation to be read by Governor's Office proclaiming September 26, 2006 "Arrival of the First Hand Carts into the Valley Day of Celebration 150 Years" Greeted by General Authority (tentatively President Gordon B. Hinckley) and Church Historian, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Sing 'Come, Come, Ye Saints' with "Nauvoo Brass Band." White Handkerchief wave and "Hip-Hip-Hooray for the Handcarter Cheer"
- 1:00pm Trek Completed, depart area.