

HISTORIC CHESTERFIELD SPRING NEWSLETTER

April 2018



2018 MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION Monday, May 28, 2018 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Make the most of the Memorial Day holiday as you meander up to beautiful Historic Chesterfield. See the majestically restored Meetinghouse, Livery stable, stately brick homes and humble log cabins and community buildings of Mormon pioneer settlers. Start the day off with the 5-K Run, "Running Back in Time!" Create memories with your family as you enjoy a wagon ride, tour the town-site, make some homemade butter, a horseshoe nail ring, visit an Indian teepee or enjoy the baby animals at the petting corral. Make sure to stop by the Red Brick Store and enjoy a cool soda or ice cream. Stay for the auction and purchase some unique items that will be auctioned off – with proceeds going to maintain the town-site. Enjoy the baked goods and hamburgers or hot dogs. There is something for everyone to enjoy.

Monday Schedule of Events

5-K Run/Walk
Opening Ceremony
Flag Raising Ceremony
Bakery Opens
All Buildings open for tours
Lunch Available
Activities & Wagon Ride
Auction – South of Food Tent

Activities

Butter making, rope making, prairie diamond rings, Indian artifacts, wagon rides, vintage sewing machine display, dolls, hats and aprons, candy and ice cream at the Brick Store. A petting corral for the little ones and don't forget the Auction! Each home will have someone there to tell you about the home. Fill your day with fun and educational learning about your ancestors.

FREE DANCE ON SATURDAY NIGHT - MAY 26th

Fun for ALL ages – Live Band – Don't miss it! Bring the whole family and enjoy all the fun and friendship that has been here at this dance for years! 8:00 pm at the Amusement Hall

DUP LESSON ON CHESTERFIELD

Local DUP Camps and Companies are expected in Chesterfield the last two weeks of May .

The International DUP Lesson for April is on Historic Chesterfield. We are suggesting to the local camps and companies that they switch their May Lesson to April and come to Chesterfield the last two weeks of May and let us do their lesson for them on site, which is a very rare thing to be able to do.

We have set aside the last two weeks of May as DUP Weeks on the Historic Chesterfield town site. The Caribou County Company of 4 camps will start it off on Monday, May 21 at 1 p.m. The rest of the groups will be on site by 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 22 we will have a camp come from Ammon. Wednesday, May 23 will have at least two camps from the Snake River Area. Thursday, May 24 is Franklin County's day. Friday, May 25 and Saturday May 26, the 7 camps from Lincoln County, Wyoming will be on site.

We are not open on Sunday, and of course, Monday, May 28 is the Opening Day for the Town Site on Memorial Day.

Tuesday, May 29, the Pingree area will be on site. Wednesday, May 30, the Bear Lake Company will be in Chesterfield. As of this printing, Thursday, May 31 is still open for a camp or company to schedule to come out, so call 208-648-7177 and schedule it with Pearl. Friday, June 1, the Arimo DUP Camp will be here and we would like to invite any others from the Marsh Valley area that would like to come to call. Saturday, June 2, the Bonneville DUP Company from the Idaho Falls area will be on site.

This means that 350 to 500 ladies will probably be on the town site during these two weeks, meeting first in the Amusement Hall where Pearl Mickelsen will welcome them and give the lesson. Tour guides will then break the group up for tours of the other buildings. There will be a set of scrapbooks available for those that cannot physically do the tours, so they can sit at tables in the Amusement Hall and see photos of the before and after shots, construction photos, interior photos, and information about each of the homes and buildings.

DUP Continued

These scrapbooks will then be available in the DUP Museum throughout the summer for those that cannot physically do the tours.

There will be tables and chairs set up in the Amusement Hall for them to enjoy a picnic lunch that they will bring with them if they would like.

If all goes well, and these ladies enjoy their time at Chesterfield, they could very well bring their families back during the summer and help our attendance. This means the town site will be open a week earlier than normal, but the rewards should be well worth the effort to get it ready early.

By Pearl Mickelsen

PROJECTS FOR THE 2018 SEASON

Our goals for the 2018 season on the town-site include:

Planting the trees early in the spring from the grant money we received. There should be from 30-35 trees that will be planted in various locations across the town-site.

Repairing and painting the Little Yellow House – Loveland-Simons Home. There is extensive repair needed on the west side and the rear door. RoLene Arvanitas has donated two transom windows for the north door and is having someone install them.

Repairing the west side of the Tithing Granary by replacing the ship-lath siding and other repairs then painting the granary.

Repairing the deteriorated bricks on the Red Brick Store and possibly other buildings.

Oiling the cedar shingles on several homes to preserve the roofs.

Finishing the restrooms at the camping area so they are ready to use as youth groups come to do treks or Youth Conferences.

ANY AND ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND ASSIST – LET US KNOW WHEN YOU WANT TO COME, AND WE WILL HAVE THINGS READY FOR YOU TO DO!

2018 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

This summer the Chesterfield Foundation will again be hosting concerts for your entertainment. The concerts will be held in the Amusement Hall at the Historic Town Site. These concerts are open to the public and will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. This is a great time to come early and bring your family and enjoy a tour, a family picnic, shop at the Brick Store and end the day with entertainment and refreshments. We have some great entertainment scheduled this year and hope that you will circle these dates on your calendar and plan to join us. The entertainment is sure to please young and old alike. We will accept a donation of \$5.00 a person or \$12.00 a family. Donations go to help with the upkeep and maintainence of the townsite and buildings.

Saturday - June 16th

Jann and Kathy

Jann and Kathy have been bringing music and fun to people for many years. Their style of Country, Gospel and Show Tunes will keep you clapping and singing along for the whole show.



Jann was born and raised north of Ogden, Utah with four brothers and one sister and a love of music that goes back generations of family in Southeastern Idaho. Jann taught herself to play old cowboy songs, country and pop using her dad's old Martin guitar that he played with his brothers Bob and Monte Treasure. Jann has performed professionally by herself and with a five piece band on the road never losing her love for all sorts of music and all kinds of people



Kathy started singing when she was five years old and hasn't stopped since. Kathy has been a professional square dance caller for over 47 years and traveled and called in all the Western States, Hawaii and Australia. She has performed in many areas for banquets, county fairs, state fairs and parties. She was recently married to her sweetheart of three and a half years, Aaron Beans. Her connection to Chesterfield comes from her late husband, Dave Racine, whose mother, Minnie Jeannette Jensen, was born in Chesterfield.



July - 14th

Rocky Mountain High

This barbershop harmony group will thrill you with their close harmony and amazing voices. They are from the Idaho Falls/Rexburg area. They have performed all across the state as well as Wyoming, Utah and Montana. Come and spend the night with them and leave with a song in your heart.

August – 18th

Talent Show

Tune up your voice, your guitar or your piano and get ready to share your talents. There will also be a display of non-performing talents – sewing, quilting, boot or saddle making, woodworking or any other talent you have. We want lots of people involved. There is a multitude of talent in this valley. Come and let us see your talents.

THE BLACKSMITH SHOP IN CHESTERFIELD

The blacksmith shop was one of the most important places in a new pioneer village such as Chesterfield. By the time Chesterfield was settled in 1880 and people began to move here, farming implements were readily available from stores and machinery dealers in the Salt Lake Valley or through mail-order catalogs.

The blacksmith in Chesterfield was mainly used to repair broken implements and wagons, not so much as to engineer and build new machinery. He must have been used to sharpen and repair broken plow shares, but new parts were somewhat available albeit far away in Logan or Salt Lake City, Utah.

A blacksmith's tools consisted of several hammers of differing shapes and weights, several pair of tongs, chisels, stamps, several files and rasps, and stakes or hardies. He had at least one anvil and one or more vises, used to hold iron for bending, riveting, filing or polishing.

The role of the blacksmith was very diverse; not only was he called on to repair and fix broken machinery, he acted as dentist, doctor, undertaker and veterinarian. In

Chesterfield, most ranches in the area had their own small forge, anvil, vise and drill press and could repair small and minor breakdowns.

The village blacksmith-dentist was Lamoni Tolman. James Yancey remembered how one of his front teeth was broken in a fall. His father sent him to Uncle Lamoni to have the tooth pulled. Lamoni, mowing hay at the time, examined the tooth and sent James to the house for the forceps. Then he had James sit up on the mower seat, and "out came the tooth regardless of the pain."

By Craig Crandall

If you have paid your yearly sustaining membership dues, <u>thank you so very much</u>. If not, please consider doing that today. These dues help to maintain and restore the buildings and keep the town site running smoothly. Thank you so much for your support in the past. Chesterfield is here for everyone to love and enjoy. Thanks for being a part of this great heritage. There is a membership form included with this newsletter.

> If you would like to receive your newsletter through E-mail, that would be great! Copying and mailing is very expensive. Please send a response to: racineka@gmail.com





Three Treasured Friends Have Left Us Glenn Schenk, Alberta Tolman and Gerald Tolman. Many years of dedicated service were given to Chesterfield by these three wonderful people. Glenn served as the treasurer for 12 years and Gerald as president for two years. Alberta wrote books and helped out in so many other ways. Chesterfield would not be the great place it is today without the help of these three dedicated people. We will miss them and all they gave to the community and to us individually.

TREES FOR THE TOWN SITE

We are so excited for the new trees that we have ordered from the grant money. We should be able to get about 30 to 35 trees. We will be getting some Maple, Ash, Hackberry, Poplar, Linden, Service Berry and Chokecherry.

These trees will be placed at the Davids', Tolman Loveland, Loveland Simons', Perkins, Jensen, Butterfield, Chester Call Homes and the Rugar Dugout, and between the Brick Store and the Log Museum.

This should be a stunning addition to the town site. The trees are scheduled to arrive the first part of May and should all be planted before Memorial Day. Thanks to Brian Stanger who will provide the equipment to dig the holes and help plant the trees.

