

Oregon-California Trails Association

**Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention
August 6 – 11, 2018**



Convention Booklet

**Theme: Rails and Trails - Confluence and
Significance at Utah's Crossroads of the West**

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Ogden-Eccles Conference Center
2415 Washington Blvd. Ogden, Utah 84401

An Invitation to OCTA's Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention

On behalf of the Utah Crossroads Chapter, I invite you to the 2018 OCTA Convention at the Eccles Convention Center in Ogden, Utah.

Northern Utah was in many ways a Crossroads long before the emigrants, settlers, railroad and military came here. As early as pre-Fremont Native Americans, we find evidence of trails and trade routes across this geographic area. The trappers and traders, both English and American, knew the area and crisscrossed it following many of the Native American trails. They also establishing new routes. Explorers sought additional routes to avoid natural barriers such as the mountains and the Great Salt Lake. As emigrants and settlers traveled west, knowledge of the area spread. The Crossroads designation was permanently established once the Railroad spanned the nation. Thus, the theme of this convention is Trails and Rails – Confluence and Impact at the Crossroads of the West.

So much history has occurred in this northern part of Utah, but it is less well known compared to routes through Central and Southern Utah. We seek to give attendees the opportunity to learn about the history of the area through in-depth experiences. OCTA's online convention registration is available on the OCTA website, www.octa-trails.org. Convention information is available at our chapter website, utahcrossroadsocta.org. Please visit the chapter site and email or text chapter Officers to help you gain the maximum experience possible from the 6 short days of Convention events.

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Convention Registration Information

Online Registration

- Online registration is available at OCTA's national website: www.octa-trails.org
- Convention Registration Confirmations will be sent out by the Chapter Registration Committee.
- Register before June 30, 2018, to avoid the late fee of \$20 and to assure yourself a place on the tours.
- Tours have both minimum and maximum limits. Registration is first come – first served.

(While there is a \$10 fee for registering each child under 18, they are charged the same as adults for tours and meals and must be accompanied by an adult on tours and at meals.)

Mail-in Registration

- Mail-in Registration Instructions are on page 6 at the end of the Registration Form

Cancellation Policy

For a refund, contact OCTA Association Manager Travis Boley at OCTA headquarters. (816) 252-2276

- Requests received prior to **July 6, 2016**, full refund.
- Requests received **July 6 – July 20**, full refund of cost of meals and 50% of tours.
- Requests received after **July 20**, no refunds.

Special Needs Reminder

If you have special needs or dietary requests, please attach a letter outlining your requirements and complete the ** No. of people needing **special dietary choices** during the Convention: in the **Meals and Special Events** section of the in the **Registration Form**. Please address the letter to Kathy Conway. If you are registering online, mail your letter to OCTA headquarters by **July 22**. It is up to you to make any special needs known to your hotel, motel, or campground staff.

Medical Information

Please bring your medical information with you. A medical form will be provided to you to complete and place in your name badge holder with the following information:

- Your local address (hotel, motel, or campground)
- Your primary physician's name and telephone number
- Name and telephone number of an emergency contact (someone not attending the convention)
- Your list of medications
- Your medical insurance company information
- Your known medical problems and allergies

OCTA Acknowledgement of Risk Form

For your information: Before receiving a Convention Packet, each Adult must sign this Form at the Convention.

VISITOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS

In consideration of the services of the Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA) their officers, agents, and employees (hereinafter collectively referred to as "OCTA") I agree as follows:

Although OCTA has taken reasonable steps to provide me with appropriate equipment and skilled guides so I can enjoy an activity for which I may not be skilled, OCTA has informed me this activity is not without risk. Certain risks are inherent in each activity and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the activity. These inherent risks are some of the same elements that contribute to the unique character of this activity and can be the cause of loss or damage to my equipment, or accidental injury, illness, or in extreme cases, permanent trauma or death. OCTA does not want to frighten me or reduce my enthusiasm for this activity, but believes it is important for me to know in advance what to expect and to be informed of the inherent risks. The following describes some, but not all, of those risks:

Possible inclement weather including heat and sun exposure, uneven terrain, animals, snakes, and other potential hazards of nature which could come with an outdoor activity.

I am aware that hiking can entail risks of injury or death to any participant. I understand the description of these inherent risks is not complete and that other unknown or unanticipated inherent risks may result in injury or death. I agree to assume and accept full responsibility for the inherent risks identified herein and those inherent risks not specifically identified. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, no one is forcing me to participate, and I elect to participate in spite of and with full knowledge of the inherent risks.

I acknowledge that engaging in this activity may require a degree of skill and knowledge different than other activities and that I have responsibilities as a participant. I acknowledge that the staff of OCTA has been available to more fully explain to me the nature and physical demands of this activity and the inherent risks, hazards, and dangers associated with this activity.

I certify that I am fully capable of participating in this activity. Therefore, I assume and accept full responsibility for myself, including all minor children in my care, custody, and control, for bodily injury, death or loss of personal property and expenses as a result of those inherent risks and dangers identified herein and those inherent risks and dangers not specifically identified, and as a result of my negligence in participating in this activity.

I have carefully read, clearly understood and accepted the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon myself, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate and for all members of my family, including minor children.

Print Adult Participant Name	Signature	Date
Print Names of Minors (under 18 years of age)		
Signature of Parent or Guardian:		

MENU

Delicious Food Prepared by Chef Fuentes and His Kitchen Staff



Dinner



Monday

Western Cookout Buffet

\$31

Ranch-Hand Green Salad served with Ranch and House Dressing, Herb Roasted Chicken and BBQ pork Ribs, Chef's Potato Salad, Old Fashioned Cole Slaw, Corn and Baked Beans, Corn Bread and Honey Butter, Chef's Homemade Fruit Cobbler

Tuesday

Breakfast

Nile

\$15

Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of: Freshly Baked Cinnamon Rolls Breakfast Pastries Assorted Muffins Chilled Orange, Cranberry Juice Premium Brewed Coffee Hot Chocolate Selection of Hot Teas

Lunch

Soup & Salad

\$18

Chef's Choice of Two Hearty Soups, Potato Salad, Tossed Green Salad with Chef's choice of salad toppings, Two House Dressings, Rhodes Rolls, Brownies

Dinner

Taste of Italy Buffet

\$31

Caesar Salad & Roasted Vegetable Salad, Seasonal Vegetables, Fettuccine & Penne Pastas, Homemade Marinara & Alfredo Sauce, Meatballs, Chicken Parmigiana, Breadstick, Tiramisu

Wednesday

Breakfast

Healthy Start

\$19

Seasonal Fresh Fruit Homemade Granola Skim Milk Assorted Individual Yogurts Scrambled Eggs with Peppers, Onions and Cheese Chilled Orange, Cranberry Juice Premium Brewed Coffee Hot Chocolate Selection of Hot Teas

Tour Lunch

Box Lunch

In Tour fee

Check your Choice: Turkey & cheddar Wrap or Ham & cheddar Club with choice of Apple or Orange, bag of chips, bottle of water and snacks.

Dinner

Greek Island Buffet

\$31

Garden Salad with Greek Dressing, Athena Salad, Beef Gyro with Grilled Pita Bread, Chicken Souvlaki with Grilled Pita Bread, Served with Accompanying Condiments and Tzataiki Sauce, Lemon Rice, Roasted Red Potatoes, Steamed Vegetables, Chef's Choice Lemon Cake



Thursday

Breakfast

Nile

\$15

Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of: Freshly Baked Cinnamon Rolls Breakfast Pastries Assorted Muffins Chilled Orange, Cranberry Juice Premium Brewed Coffee Hot Chocolate Selection of Hot Teas

Lunch

Baked Potato Bar

\$18

Garden Salad with House Dressing Selection, Our Chef's Homemade Chili, Rhodes Rolls and Butter, Baked Potato with Butter, Sour Cream, Bacon Bits, Grated Cheese, Green Onion, Broccoli Cheese Sauce, Freshly Baked Assorted Cookies

Dinner

South of the Border Buffet

\$31

Southwest Salad of Fresh Greens, Tomato, Green Onion, Cheese & Crispy Tortilla Strips, Served with Ranch and House Dressings, Cheese Enchilada Pie, Beef Tacos with Hard Shell, Flour Tortillas, Served with Lettuce, Tomato, Shredded Cheese, Salsa & Sour Cream, Chili Verde, Served with Spanish Rice & Refried Beans, Cinnamon Crisps



Friday

Breakfast

Healthy Start

\$19

Seasonal Fresh Fruit Homemade Granola Skim Milk Assorted Individual Yogurts Scrambled Eggs with Peppers, Onions and Cheese Chilled Orange, Cranberry Juice Premium Brewed Coffee Hot Chocolate Selection of Hot Teas

Tour Lunch

Box Lunch

Included in Tour Fee

Check your Choice: Turkey & cheddar Wrap or Ham & cheddar Club with choice of Apple or Orange, bag of chips, bottle of water and snacks.

Dinner

Western Cookout Buffet

\$31

Ranch-Hand Green Salad served with Ranch and House Dressing, Herb Roasted Chicken and BBQ pork Ribs, Chef's Potato Salad, Old Fashioned Cole Slaw, Corn and Baked Beans, Corn Bread and Honey Butter, Chef's Homemade Cookies



BON APPETIT!

Instructions: Please print or type to fill out this form. This form may be filled out for up to two (2) adults.

- I would like to volunteer during the convention. Yes No
- I am an author and would like to sell my book(s) in the convention book store. Yes No (See separate Vendor application)

Name as you want it to read on your Name Tag:	OCTA Member?	First Convention?	List any OCTA Chapter memberships:
Person A:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Person B:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Names of minor children attending: _____

Address _____ City: _____

Email _____ State: _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

General Registration Details about the Tours and Meals are in the online Convention Booklet: www.octa-trails.org	Fee	Running Total
Couple	\$95	
Individual	\$65	
Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult	\$10	
Single-day Registration per person	\$30	
Late Registration (after June 30 th) additional per registration	\$20	

Pre-Convention Auto Tours Monday, Aug. 6, 2018 \$10 per person *Example: Vehicle with 3 persons = \$30*
Note: These are by personal vehicle. If going, select only ONE.

7:30 am: Native American Cultural Tour <input type="checkbox"/> 10 vehicle/30 person limit	Central Overland Trail Tour <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	\$10	Only 1
8:00 am: Retracing the Bryant Russell Route <input type="checkbox"/> 12 Vehicle limit	8:30am Transcontinental Rail Road <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	\$10	
9:30am Hastings Cutoff <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	8:30am Hensley/Salt Lake Cutoff <input type="checkbox"/> 12 vehicle limit	\$10	
9:00 am: Bike Ride Down Echo & Weber Canyons (30 person limit - your bicycle) Monday only <input type="checkbox"/>		\$10	

Post-Convention Auto Tours Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018 \$10 per person *Example: Vehicle with 3 persons = \$30*
Note: These are by personal vehicle. If going, select only ONE.

7:30 am: Native American Cultural Tour <input type="checkbox"/> 10 vehicle/30 person limit	Central Overland Trail Tour <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	\$10	Only 1
8:00 am: Retracing the Bryant Russell Route <input type="checkbox"/> 12 Vehicle limit	8:30am Transcontinental Rail Road <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	\$10	
8:30am Hastings Cutoff <input type="checkbox"/> 15 vehicle limit	7:30am Hensley/Salt Lake Cutoff <input type="checkbox"/> 12 vehicle limit	\$10	

Convention Bus Tours (\$70 each. Tour price includes Lunch: choice of Wrap or Club sandwich, chips, fruit, bottled water, and snacks)
 Please select your lunch type for person A and person B:
Turkey & Cheddar Wrap or **Ham & Cheddar Club Sandwich** **Orange** **Apple**

Wednesday a.m., August 8

7:45 Echo Canyon Pre-Mormon Routes to Wasatch Front	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Following the Transcontinental Railroad	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Bidwell/Bartleson Route	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Bear River Shoshoni Native American <small>Incl. Bear River Massacre site</small>	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70

Please select your lunch type for person A and Person B:
Turkey & Cheddar Wrap or **Ham & Cheddar Club Sandwich** & **Apple** **Orange**

Friday, August 10

7:45 Echo Canyon Pre-Mormon Routes to Wasatch Front	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Following the Transcontinental Railroad	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Bidwell/Bartleson route	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70
7:45 Bear River Shoshoni Native American <small>Incl. Bear River Massacre site</small>	choice	1 st		2 nd		\$70

Meals and Special Events *Important Note: We have arranged for buffet breakfasts, lunches, and dinners, but tickets must be acquired in advance. Be sure to sign up for them, so we can provide the chef an accurate count.*

Monday, Aug. 6th Welcoming Reception
 5:30-7:30pm No Host Bar

7:00-9:00pm Dinner: Western Cookout Buffet	\$31
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Tuesday, Aug. 7th

7:00 -8:00am Breakfast Buffet <i>Nile</i>	\$15
12:00-1:00pm Lunch: Soup and Salad	\$18
6:30-8:30pm Awards Dinner: Taste of Italy Buffet	\$31

Page 1 Total Fees:

Meals and Special Events continued Please print your name:

Wednesday, Aug. 8th

6:00-8:00am Breakfast Buffet <i>Healthy Start</i>	\$19		
Tour lunches (total number of lunches for Bus Tours)	No. of persons:		
6:00-8:30pm Author's Night Reception (No charge, but we need a count).	No. of persons:		
7:00-8:30pm Author's Night Dinner: <i>Greek Island Buffet</i>	\$31		

Thursday, Aug. 9th

7:00-8:00am Breakfast Buffet <i>Nile</i>	\$15		
12:00-1:00pm Lunch <i>Baked Potato Bar</i>	\$18		
6:00-6:30pm No Host Bar			
6:30-9:00pm Dinner and Live Auction <i>South of the Border Buffet</i>	\$31		

Friday, Aug. 10th

6:00-8:00am Breakfast Buffet <i>Healthy Start</i>	\$19		
6:00-7:15pm Dinner <i>Western Cookout</i>	\$31		
7:00-9:00pm Demonstrations at Fort Buenaventura: No. people needing transportation from Convention Center to Ft. Buenaventura and back:	No. of persons:		
**No. of people needing special dietary choices during the Convention:	No. of persons:		

Page 2 Total Fees:	
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Total Fees:	

Mailing Instructions:

- Mail your registration form with payment for the Total Amount due.
- You may pay by check or MasterCard, VISA or Discover.
- To pay by credit card, complete the form below.
- Mail to: OCTA, PO Box 1019, Independence, MO, 64051-0519.
- You may register for the convention **online** at <http://octa-trails.org> and pay by MasterCard/VISA/Discover.

PAYMENT: Check MasterCard VISA Discover

Please Charge my Credit Card: \$ _____ Card #: _____

Exp. Date: ____/____

Signature: _____

Convention Schedule & Daily Events

August 6 – Aug 11, 2018

Pre-Convention Tours require registration by June 30, 2018 to facilitate ride sharing. The tours provide opportunity to learn about trails within Utah, but some pre-convention tours do not relate to the theme of the convention. Those provide an opportunity to have a field tour on some of the many trails across Utah.

Participants in the Pre and Post -Convention Tours will assemble at the designated location and time for the tour chosen. These tours will be by private vehicle and ride sharing will be encouraged with at least 4 persons per vehicle to accommodate as many as possible and reduce cost and risk.

Pre and Post Private Vehicle Tour Schedule

Please see the [Pre and Post-Convention Private Vehicle Tour Descriptions](#) for more detailed information.

***Monday, Aug. 6th and **Saturday, Aug. 11th** (Each tour has its own meeting place to begin.)

- 1) 7:30am **Native American Cultural Tour** Mark Stuart, Nina Bowen and Keith Fessenden.
- 2) 7:30am **Central Overland Trail Tour** Jesse Petersen and Oscar Olson.
- 3) 8:00am **Retracing the Bryant Russell Route** (to the mouth of the Weber River) – John Eldredge
- 4) 8:30am **Transcontinental RR Original Grade Tour** Ray Kelsey & Chris Merritt (4x4, good tires, check spare tire!)
- 5) **Hensley/Salt Lake Cutoff** Bryce Billings & Connie Bauer
 - a. 8:30am Monday, **Hensley/Salt Lake Cutoff**
 - b. 7:30am Saturday, **Hensley/Salt Lake Cutoff**
- 6) 9:00am ***Monday only - Bike Ride Down Echo & Weber Canyons** - Lee Kreutzer. & Jill Jensen. (Bring your own bike)
- 7) **Hastings Cutoff** T. Michael Smith.
 - a. 9:30am Monday, **Hastings Cutoff** (Eastward tour)
 - b. 8:30am Saturday, **Hastings Cutoff** (Westward tour)

Monday Aug 6th

8:00am-5:00pm OCTA Board of Directors Meeting

9:00am-8:00pm Registration Desk and late signup for convention tours if space is still available, and meals changes.

Noon-1:15pm Lunch: Board and Chapter Presidents

4:00pm Freshen up time at hotels.

4:00pm-8:00pm Book Room, Raffle/Silent Auction

5:30pm Welcome Reception, No-Host bar, live music

7:00pm Dinner Western Cookout Buffet

Tuesday Aug 7th

7:00am-8:00am Breakfast Buffet: Nile

7:00am-5:00pm Registration and Information Desk

8:00am-9:30pm Book Room

8:00am-8:20am Welcome, Introduction & Review of Convention Schedule (2nd Floor)

8:20am-9:30am Membership Meeting

9:35am-10:20am Keynote Speaker **Dr. Leo Lyman**, The theme: Trails & Rails Confluence and Impact at the Crossroads of the West.

10:30am-11:20am **Mark Stuart**, First Occupants of the Northern Utah Area, Always the Crossroads of West

11:20am-11:30am Break

11:40am-12:30pm **Daniel Davis**, Rails west - Construction of the Transcontinental in Utah

12:35pm-1:20pm Bear River Massacre - Getting the Account Correct, Cooperative effort of the NW band of Shoshone and Archeologists. **Darren Parry** – Vice Chair, North West Band of Shoshone & **Ken Cannon** – Geomorphology

1:30pm-2:30pm Lunch Soup & Salad Buffet

2:00pm-5:30pm Activity Stations, Workshops, and Displays

(See **Activity Stations and Workshops** at the end of this schedule.)

6:00pm-6:30pm No-Host Bar

6:30pm-7:30pm Awards Dinner: Taste of Italy Buffet

7:30pm-9:00pm Awards Presentation & Honor Recognitions

9:05pm-9:30pm Live Music / Silent Auction

Wednesday Aug 8th

6:30am-5:00pm Registration and Info Desk

6:00am-8:00pm Breakfast Buffet: Healthy Start

Field Bus Tours (1 for each track)

1- 7:30am Assemble “Bear River Shoshoni Native American Tour” (250-270 miles)

2- 7:45am Assemble “Bidwell/Bartleson” Terry Welch (140-160 miles)

3- 7:45am Assemble “Following the Transcontinental Railroad” Daniel Davis & Beau Burgess. (150 miles)

4- 7:45am Assemble “Echo Canyon Pre-Mormon routes to Wasatch Front” Connie Bauer. (150-170 miles)

5:00pm-6:00pm Book Room, Exhibit Tables, Raffle & Silent Auction, Live Music

6:00pm-7:00pm Dinner: Greek Island Buffet

7:00pm-8:30pm Author’s Night Reception with No-Host Bar

Thursday Aug 9th

7:00am-5:00pm Registration and Info desk

7:00am-8:00am Breakfast Buffet: Nile

8:00am-8:50am **Jay Buckley**, A Fur Trade Crossroads: Trailing the Mountain Men and their Trails through Utah and the Intermountain West.

9:00am-9:50am **Lyndia Carter**, Emigrants into northern Utah Pre-1847.

10:00am-10:15am Break

10:20am-11:10am **Chris Merritt**, Workforce on the Transcontinental Railroad.

11:20am-12:20pm **Beau Burgess**, New West Through the Lens of Photographers.

12:30pm-1:20pm **Laura Anderson**, The Risk of Ignorance: The Richness of Lesser Know Collections

1:30pm-2:30pm Lunch: Baked Potato Bar

2:00pm-5:00pm Activity Stations, Workshops, and Displays. (See **Activity Stations and Workshops** at the end of this schedule.)

4:00pm-6:30pm No-Host Bar / Music

5:00pm-6:00pm Book Room, Exhibit Tables, Raffle & Silent Auction

5:30pm-6:00pm Chapter Meetings

6:30pm-9:00pm Dinner (South of the Border Buffet) and Live Auction

Friday Aug 10

7:00am-5:00pm Registration and Info Desk

6:30am-8:30pm Breakfast Buffet: Healthy Start

Field Bus Tours (1 for each track)

- 5- 7:30am Assemble "Bear River Shoshoni Native American Tour" (250-270 miles)
 - 6- 7:45am Assemble "Bidwell/Bartleson" Terry Welch (140-160 miles)
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 - 8- 7:45am Assemble "Echo Canyon Pre-Mormon Routes to Wasatch Front" Connie Bauer. (150-170 miles)
- 6:00pm Dinner (Western Cookout) and Brief Evening Overview

7:00pm-9:00pm **Activities and Demonstrations at Fort Buenaventura**

Clothing	Knife and hoc
Primitive archery	Shelter, Fires and Cordage
Fire Arms	Buck Skin tanning using brains
Plants, medicinal and edible	Music, drums and Ukulele
Beading	Pottery
Canadian fur trapper influence	

Activity Stations and Workshops

- Where: Convention Center Main floor.
- When: **Tuesday** and **Thursday** from 2:30-5:30 pm.
- How: Wander through at **your** own pace.
- Note: Attendees can enjoy three or more Stations each on Tuesday and Thursday.
 - **Dixon Ford**, History of Oxen Use & Training
 - **Craig Anderson**, Grantsville Museum Dir., Native American tool making - Which Rock For Which Tools with Dar Butcher of Grantsville, discussion and demonstration.)
 - **Rob Sweeten**, Experiencing History, things to attract Attention to National Historic Trails & New Members
 - **Chris Merritt**, Resources of the State Div. of History – discussion of artifacts from the Salt Desert
 - **Patti Madsen, & Paula Watkins**, Northwestern Shoshone Aboriginal Territory Place Names, Putting Shoshone place names on maps.
 - **Beau Burgess**, Marketing the natural beauty of the West, uses of early photographs and processes.
 - **George Ivory**, Un-driving of the Golden Spike & Other interesting facts about the Transcontinental Railroad
 - **Laura Anderson**, Where do I look for my emigrant ancestor story?
 - **Marie Erickson**, Using the Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database for General Trail Research.
 - **Patrick Hearty**, Pony Express Board and Publications
 - **Ray Kelsey & Lee Kreutzer**, 50th Anniversary Partnership for National Trails System Act.
 - **Ken Nelson**, The Westward Movement - Tracing your ancestors as they moved across the continent - their paper trail.
 - **Nina Bowen & Keith Fessenden**, Rock Art of various cultures and anthropological periods in

northern Utah. Purpose of URARA

- **Ephraim Dickson**, United States Army and Overland roads.
- **Gina Sifers**, How to make your OCTA Chapter web site look wonderful and useful.
- **Mike Nielson**, Wood Working of the 1800s and practical skills for living.
- **Eli Anderson**, Wagons: Preserving and restoring horse-drawn vehicles for future generations.

Displays

- **Ron Anderson**, Trail Variance of Mormon Emigrants, via Monitor
- **Laura Anderson**, Hand Cart route, 8 x 32 panel display
- **John Hiscock**, Old Spanish Trail
- **Sarah Singh**, Early Ogden Display, Curator of Special Collections Weber State University Library.
- **Crossroads Chapter**, "Utah Historic Trails" Display

Speakers

Laura Anderson, Major Laura Kay Anderson is the Senior Historian for the Mormon Battalion Association, and secretary for the Crossroads Chapter of OCTA. Laura is a founding member of the Early Saints Research Group. Laura started doing genealogical research at the age of 10, by 16 she was working as a volunteer consultant at the Oakland Family History Library. She has spent the last 9 years working as a Church Service Missionary at the LDS Church History Department. Laura has worked on the [Overland Trails Project](#), a recently released book "[The First Fifty Years of the Relief Society](#)" with an associated web page and the "[Early Mormon Missionaries Database](#)" to name a few. Laura is an avid scouter having received both the Silver Beaver award and The Great Salt Lake Council's Influential Women's recognition award. Laura is now a Cub Master. She is the Mother of four children and 6 grandchildren. paffanatic10@yahoo.com

Jay Buckley is an associate professor of History at Brigham Young University, specializes in research related to exploration, migration, the fur trade, and Indian-white relations. He is the author of numerous articles and seven books including: [William Clark: Indian Diplomat](#); [Historical Dictionary of the American West](#); [Zebulon Pike, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West](#); and [Explorers of the American West: Mapping the World through Primary Documents](#). Jay is a past president of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. jay_buckley@byu.edu

Beau Burgess is the curator at the Ft. Douglas Military Museum in Salt Lake City, Utah. The mission of the museum is to bring together those people interested in military history, and particularly the military history of the Intermountain West. Beau Burgess has an extensive collection of post cards relating to the Transcontinental Rail Road. beau.j.burgess@gmail.com

Ken Cannon is a Research Assistant Professor, Archaeology Director, Archaeological Services, at Utah State University. USUAS is a cultural resource management firm developed by the USU anthropology program and affiliated with the university's Technology Commercialization Office. He will share information about specific archeological investigations, what the findings reveal about the broader history of the peoples and places of northern Utah and be a subject specialist for the Native American track of the convention. kenneth.cannon@usu.edu

Lyndia McDowell Carter is a former history teacher. Since leaving the profession in 1993, Carter has spent much of her time researching and writing about the history of the westward migration across America, particularly the Mormon handcart parties. Carter was among the earliest members of the Utah Crossroads Chapter of OCTA. She has spoken at previous OCTA conventions and gatherings of other groups interested in trails and westward migration history. In addition, she has written several articles on various topics of Utah and trail history. She will examine documents and research conducted by prominent historians to analyze migrant traffic through Utah in the early to mid-1840s. She will chronicle and summarize the migration

entering and leaving the area, allowing her listeners to understand the *who* and *when* of those who passed through Utah on their way to somewhere else.

Daniel Davis is an adjunct history instructor and the photograph curator in the Special Collections Division of the Merrill-Cazier Library at Utah State University. He is the author of a forthcoming book, *Across the Continent*, about Union Pacific Railroad photographer Andrew J. Russell, and is a co-author on another forthcoming book, *Race to Promontory*, which will commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the completion of the original Transcontinental Railroad. In 2010 Davis spent the summer traveling along the original route of the Transcontinental Railroad re-photographing Russell's images. Davis received Bachelor's and Master's degrees in history from the University of Wyoming. He has worked at Utah State University for 18 years and currently lives in Nibley, Utah with his wife Ashlee and daughter Emilee. daniel.davis@usu.edu

Leo Lyman, Dr. Edward Leo Lyman, is an educator, historian, and author. He taught history for the 50 years and published books and articles on the history of the western United States. He has written 2 books about wagon travel: [The Arduous Road, the most Difficult Wagon Road in American History and Overland Journey](#), and the [Wagon Road from the City of the Saints to the City of Angels](#). He has written articles published in Utah, Nevada, and California historical quarterly journals about the arrowhead trails highway, the first automobile highway from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles. Lyman is currently writing a book on the Southern Paiute Native American tribe, including the history of Moapa Paiute head chief Tosho, whose home village was in the Mesquite area from 1850-1870. His next book entitled, "Finally Statehood! Utah's Struggles 1849-1896," will be available in October by Signature Press. He will keynote speaker at the Convention setting the stage for our theme and our 4 tracks. lionman011@gmail.com

Christopher W. Merritt received his Ph.D. from the University of Montana in Anthropology in 2010, focusing on the archaeological and historical investigations of the Overseas Chinese. Before that, he received a Master of Science in Industrial Archaeology from Michigan Technological University where he studied the trade and consumption of Mormon-produced pottery in Utah. Since 2004, Merritt has worked in a variety of professional archaeological settings including the United States Forest Service in Utah and Nevada, private archaeological contracting in Salt Lake City, and finally as the Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for the Utah Division of State History for Antiquities. In addition to his full-time employment with the State of Utah, he is an Adjunct Faculty in Anthropology at Weber State University and Salt Lake Community College where he teaches one course per semester at each institution. Finally, he has published articles on LDS-produced pottery, Chinese railroad workers, and the development of hydroelectric power in Nevada. In addition, his book from the University of Nebraska Press, details the archaeology and history of the Overseas Chinese Experience in Montana. In 1869, thousands of Chinese workers came to Utah during the waning days of construction for the Central Pacific Railroad. Many stayed on in Utah until the early 1890s, leaving behind a historical and archaeological legacy. Over the past few years State History and the BLM have worked to discover more of this history and to build towards the 150th Anniversary of the Transcontinental Railroad in 2019. cmerritt@utah.gov

Darren Parry is the Chairman, of the North West Band of Shoshone. Earned a bachelor's degree in education from Weber State University and is a strong advocate on Native American issues. For his untiring efforts to raise awareness of his people's story, in 2017 Darren was awarded an Esto Perpetua award. Bestowed by the Idaho State Historical Society, the award is given to people who have either exemplary accomplishments in the preservation of Idaho's historical assets, demonstrated commitment to the education, protection and interpretation of Idaho's historical assets, and the integration of these assets into community life, or for innovative, creative, and responsible approaches to showcasing Idaho's historic resources in their communities. He was nominated under all three categories and is the first non-Idahoan to ever receive the award. Parry has spoken before countless civic, historic, educational, religious, and public events. He has lead efforts to preserve the massacre site, and helped his tribe obtain ownership of 550 acres they consider sacred

for the number of their relatives whose remains lie there. This was finalized in January 2018.
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Mark Stuart earned a BS Weber State University, MA Brigham Young University and is president of the Promontory chapter of Utah Statewide Archaeological Society. He has participated in many archeological excavations in Utah and particularly in the 4 counties of Northern Utah. He has conducted numerous tours. He retired from teaching after 44 years and continues to substitute teach. For many years he worked part-time for the State of Utah Division of History. Some of his published articles include: *An Unusual Cache of Painted Bison Bone from Box Elder County, Utah. Salvage Excavations at the Burch Creek Site 42WB76 Weber County, Utah. An Obsidian Cache from the Great Salt Lake Wetlands, Weber County (One of three Contributors.)* In addition, Mark has published over 50 articles in *Utah Archeology. Journal* and in other scientific journals and popular magazines. 2054stuart@comcast.net

Activity Station Presenters

Ron Andersen has done lots of field work on trails in Utah and routes of the groups which explored Weber River options to the Salt Lake. He has also studied the variants of the Hasting route over Big and Little Mountains. He also did extensive work on the military support road from the mouth of Echo Canyon to Camp Floyd. For many years, he conducted walking tours of historical locations in Salt Lake City. He and Nancy spent many years working with the LDS Church History Museum to help preserve, explain and share the history of Utah after the Mormon emigrants settled in the Utah Territory. His knowledge will be shared with the display on Trail Variance of Mormon Emigrants. ron-andersen@comcast.net

Eli Anderson, A love of history and wagons has resulted in a one of a kind Wagon Collection. Eli and his collection have been featured in films, documentaries, news stories, and parades throughout the West. He has worked very hard to preserve and restore horse-drawn vehicles for current and future generations to enjoy. Anderson has been collecting and restoring wagons for over 50 years. His collection is recognized for both its size and diversity and now exceed 350 wagons. Eli was a Wagon Master for the 1966 Utah Centennial Wagon Train and is President of the Wagon Land Adventure. He is acknowledged for the quality and accuracy of his restoration work. He will share information about the collection and kinds and uses of wagons at the OCTA Convention. The collection is located at his farm in Tremonton, Utah. To make an appointment to see the collection call Eli @ 435-279-6422.

Laura Anderson, see Speakers page 12

Marie Erickson, received her Master of Library Science at Clarion University of Pennsylvania and has been a reference librarian at the Church History Library in Salt Lake City for fifteen years. She focuses the majority of her time managing the Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel database, which is a dynamic, ever-evolving database of Mormon pioneers who emigrated to the Great Salt Lake Valley between 1847 and 1868. She enjoys finding examples of fun, adventure, and humor on the trail. EricksonMD@ldschurch.org
Her power point presentation will show the scope of the information in the data base, ways to search for info which might not appear with the first search request. The Overland Travel Database project can help people better explore and understand the experience of those who crossed the plains to the Great Basin. The project includes a tutorial page which covers the different search capabilities of the database and more. It also includes important points along the trails through place descriptions, maps, and journal entries.

Dixon Ford, has owned and exhibited his oxen at several OCTA and other history conventions. Dixon will discuss why 70% of the Pioneers came West using oxen; 20% used mules, and 10% used horses. He will share accounts about oxen and their use in the history of many nations. He owns an exact replica of a Red River Cart, and Ox Harness, used by the Metis Indians of Canada for hauling goods west, and furs east. Some Western Pioneers also used these Ox Carts, (I found some diaries). At any time, during the Canadian Fur Trappers experience, over 5,000 Red River Carts could be found on the plains of Canada. One Metis Indian drove the

lead cart, and 9 followed. The wheels had to be ungreased to prevent dirt from collecting, but screamed horribly, as a result, a company of 200 Red River Carts could be heard for 5 miles. oxen00@yahoo.com

Patrick Hearty is a charter member of OCTA, also a member of Utah Westerners and a past president of the National Pony Express Association. He is a 40-year veteran of the annual Pony Express Association re-rides. With Dr. Joe Hatch, he has co-authored two small books on the Pony Express in Utah. The National Pony Express Association Utah Division story board tells about the historic Pony Express mail service, and highlights some of those who carried Pony Express mail in Utah Territory in 1860 and 1861. It also describes the trail through present-day Utah, and shows some of the events and activities, particularly the annual Re-ride, conducted by the Association in their on-going effort to keep the history alive. p.hearty10@yahoo.com

George Ivory has traversed the full length of three of the National Historic trails: the Mormon Trail from Nauvoo, IL to Salt Lake City, UT, the Oregon Trail from Independence to Willamette Valley, Oregon and the California Trail across multiple routes to the Gold discovery sites. He served as the Utah Crossroads Chapter President 1995-1997. He was an OCTA Board member after that. As he explored the trails he discovered a great grandfather, Matthew Ivory, who was in the Brigham Young Pioneer Group of 1847 and found Matthew's initials were in the Cache Cave at the upper end of Echo Canyon. George will present facts and information about the "Un-driving of the Golden Spike." Which began at the same location as the golden driving of the golden spike, George will use maps to show the original 43-mile route around the north end of the Salt Lake and the new route across the Lake. Which began in September of 1942, removing the rail and ties. The rails were used to build the Army depot on First Street and Navy depots in Clearfield, Utah. rutnutgi@comcast.net

Patty Timbimboo Madsen is the Cultural-Natural Resource Director of the North West Band of Shoshone Nation at the Brigham City Offices. Among many projects she participates with, she is working to preserve the songs and poetry of this group of Shoshone peoples.

Paula Watkins and Patty Timbimboo Madsen will take us on a Google Earth tour to locate, document, and provide translations of Shoshone names of landforms, resource areas, settlements, routes, and trading sites of the North Western Shoshone aboriginal territory and the hunter-gatherer resource areas of western and northern Utah, southern Idaho, northeastern Nevada, and southcentral Wyoming. Shoshone place names used in this prototype tour will be gathered from Great Basin ethnogeographies and a recent contemporary Shoshone oral history interview project funded by Utah Humanities. Visitors to the activity booth will have an opportunity to engage in discussion with Patty Timbimboo Madsen, Paula Watkins, and project participants.

Mike Nielson was a professional photographer for 35 years, teaching photography at BYU and UVU in continuing education. Because of his avid interest in old photo processes, he was able to do gum bichromate, cyanotypes, but has so far not learned wetplate. His hobby/avocation was learning wood working as practiced in the 1800s and has collected an impressive set authentic tools. He made a handcart and does re-enacting. Using those tools, he has made Trestle tables, Windsor chairs, dovetail chests, candle lanterns, and is continually working on filling in missing capabilities. wmnilson9@gmail.com

Gina Sifers, Bella Media Services, LLC, Gina is the owner and leads a skilled professional team in mobile and web technology creation and production. She has done work for a number of OCTA projects, most recently developing a new website for Utah Crossroads Chapter of OCTA and a new website for National OCTA. The emphasis of this station: How to create dynamic websites and social media to share preservation/history with a modern, attractive, and easily navigable structure. Secondly, discover the power of online *SEO/SEM to reach the most people. (*Search Engine Optimization / Search Engine Marketing) gina@bellamediaservices.com

Rob Sweeten, works with BLM Utah State Office. He is the administrator of Old Spanish Trail and Utah Historic Trails. The activity station will show the Salt Flat trek by student interns across the route of the Donner-Reed party and other emigrants who used the Hastings route to California. The video presentation illustrates ways to help the public appreciate the heritage of this great country and to make western migration real for future generations. rsweeten@blm.gov

Paula Watkins is the Northwestern Shoshone Tribal Library consultant (2008-2017) and works under the direction of Cultural Director Patty T Madsen in the Northwestern Shoshone Tribal Library Special Collections to gather and manage NW Shoshone historical interviews, journals, correspondence, article collections, maps, photographs, and artifacts. She is project director of the activity station, "Gathering Shoshone Place-names." Paula is an assistant working with Patty Timbimboo Madsen on the Shoshone Place Names Project and helping to collect and preserve songs and poetry for the Northwest Band of the Shoshone Nation.

Tour Guides, Assistants & Subject Specialists

Connie Bauer was born and grew up in Idaho in towns adjacent to the Oregon Trail. One of her strongest family memories is of her mother and grandmother telling the stories of their early colonial ancestors and early pioneer settlers in Utah and Idaho. She has often been accused of having an over-developed sense of history. One of her oft-repeated phrases is: "Can you just imagine who walked here?" She graduated from Brigham Young University in Piano Performance, did graduate work in the field of Sports Psychology, is nationally certified as a teacher of music and adjudicates for several national organizations. She currently serves as a docent and supervisor at the Museum of Church History (Latter-day Saint) in Salt Lake City and when possible, conducts one-day history and/or art tours of Utah. She assists on trails research for the Church Historic Trails Committee. She has done research on the history of Echo Canyon and has given tours of the canyon for ten years. She loves sharing its history and geology. conniekbauer@hotmail.com

Bryce Billings' active interest in the trails began in the spring of 2003 during Kristin Johnson's enthusiastic presentation about the Donner Party and the Hastings Cutoff. On his first Crossroads trail tour led by Roy Tea from Aragonite (west side of Hastings Pass) to Donner Springs, using the Donner Party chronology from Kristin's website, and extending over several excursions, he found and recorded most of the springs and campsites from Bidwell Pass to where the cutoff re-joined the California Trail SSW of Elko NV. He was hooked after purchasing Roy Tea and Charlie Burkhalter's 2006 GPS compilation "*Kiosk and Rail Post Markers, Marking Emigrant Trails in Utah and Feeder Trails from Idaho & Wyoming*" because he could compare his recordings and fill in all the places he had missed. He has participated in several Utah Crossroads trail marking projects. He especially identifies with the Salt Lake Cutoff since as a youngster he often swam in the big indoor pool at Salt Lake City's Wasatch Plunge (hot springs - trail beginning). The City of Rocks ID (trail-end) fascinates him too. He has helped to get accurate GPS readings of all locations where Utah Crossroads has placed T-Rail Markers. He has collected GPS data on interpretive panels partnering with National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Forest Service, and private land owners. He also has an extensive photo collection of many trail sites. mmbgbill@centurylink.net

Nina Bowen has actively studied rock art since 1983, when she joined the Utah Rock Art Research Association. She has focused on styles pertaining to northern and southwestern Utah. Among the articles she has published is Rock Art Styles of the Great Salt Lake and Utah Lake Area, which can be found on the web in URARA's, *Utah Rock Art* Vol. 25. She has taught about rock art in Utah's public schools and led dozens of field trips. ninadbowen@gmail.com

John Eldredge, has spent many years researching the history of all groups using Echo Canyon. He is an expert on the Railroad sites, the Mormon pioneer camps in the Canyon, and the pack trains and other groups which headed west down Echo Canyon and various routes they pursued. john@trailbuff.com

Keith Fessenden was born in Glenwood Springs, Colorado, and grew up in western Colorado and northeastern Utah. Shortly after Keith retired the end of December 2011 he began a new "career" serving as the Historian/Archivist for the National Western Stock Show in Denver. The 112th National Western Stock Show which ended last month was his 24th year as a volunteer at the show.

Keith is active in several Westerner groups in Colorado and Utah and has served as president of two. He is active in the protection of our western antiquity, serving on the boards of two Colorado and Utah rock art groups.

Keith has written articles and spoken on many topics of western history including the Gilsonite Industry of the Uintah Basin, the Denver Union Stock Yards, the National Western Stock Show, When Two Parishes Became One, the story of two East Denver Parishes, the Danites and the Mormon War of 1838, the last killing in a sheep and cattle "war" in Colorado in 1918, and the tourist cable inclines of Colorado. khfessenden@gmail.com

Jill Jensen Jill's first exposure to historic trails came when she worked for Elko Nevada BLM on the California National Historic Trail. Working with trail partners in northeastern Nevada was easily one of the most fulfilling experiences of my career so I was thrilled with the opportunity to join National Trails Intermountain Region in 2015. Jill is a Daughter of Utah Pioneers and earned her undergraduate degree in archeology from Utah State University and her Masters Degree from Sacramento State University. Jill now serves as Archaeologist at National Trails Intermountain Region, National Park Service in Salt Lake City. Jill_Jensen@nps.gov.

Ray Kelsey has served as an Outdoor Recreation Planner in the BLM Salt Lake Field Office for 14 years. Having a keen interest in Western history, his primary area of experience and expertise lies with the Pony Express Trail, Hastings Cutoff, and the Transcontinental Railroad. He is a strong supporter of the Oregon-California Trail Association and Utah Historic Trails Consortium. rkelsey@blm.gov

Lee Kreutzer As a youngster Lee lived right on the Pony Express and Oregon Trails through northeastern Kansas, and when she was 10 her family moved to The Oregon Country in a "covered wagon" of our own -- an Oldsmobile station wagon. She hold graduate degrees in archaeology from the University of Washington and joined the National Park Service historic trails office in Salt Lake City in 2003 and serves as Cultural Resources Specialist/Archeologist, Lee_Kreutzer@nps.gov.

Jess Petersen is a trail coordinator for the Utah Crossroads Chapter on the Overland Road and has researched the expeditions which crossed the western Utah desert. From this research he has published: [A Route for the Overland Stage](#), co-authored a book on [The Lincoln Highway](#) with Gregory Franzwa, and published articles in the Utah Historical Quarterly, and Overland journal. He served as president and treasurer of the Lincoln Highway Association. jesspetersen@comcast.net

T. Michael Smith has been an OCTA member for many years serving as Chapter President and Trail Coordinator for the Hasting East portion in Utah. He has been the preservation officer and helped OCTA with a number of projects. As a professional archeologist for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints History Museum, he has done work across Utah and may other states and collaborated on a number of projects including the BLM Salt Desert project to film and document the experience of three interns who walked and biked a goodly portion of Hastings route to Pilot Spring. rkologytms@gmail.com

Mark Stuart - See Speakers page 13

Terry Welch is the Chapter President and the Coordinator for the Bidwell- Bartleson route. He has conducted numerous tours along various trails from Nebraska to the Nevada jgfdsaborder. thtwelch@msn.com

Douglas Williams, has conducted tours along the Mormon Pioneer Trail between Scotts Bluff and Salt Lake City. Consequently, he is very knowledgeable, and the short info sentence hides a man, who in addition to knowing a lot about more than one National Historic Trail, has obtained private tours of locations many of us dream about. williamsdg45@msn.com

Pre and Post-Convention Private Vehicle Tour Descriptions

- The Pre and Post-Convention Tours are private vehicle tours.
- Each tour has a vehicle limit, some tours require high clearance vehicles.
- The tours begin at set times at locations described in the tour narrative. This will require planning to accommodate travel time to the meeting place of each tour.

- Participants are responsible for their food, and drinking water, and being at the stating location at the appointed time and must have a signed Acknowledgement of Risk Form (forms will be available on site).

Monday only, August 6, 2018: Echo & Weber Canyons bike ride (is this day only)

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Where to meet: Memorial Park in Henefer, E. Canyon Rd., Memorial Park Rd.

Bicycle type: Any good bike will be fine. The frontage road is paved.

Bicycle limit: Thirty (30) bicycles.

Guides: **Lee Kreutzer** and **Jill Jensen** (Bicycle Transport: Steve Allison) See Tour Guides page 17

Description: This tour will assemble at Memorial Park in Henefer with bicycles being transported on a trailer and participants in small bus from Memorial Park to the start point in Echo Canyon. The tour will be downhill the whole distance! Stops will be made at multiple locations to review the many uses of the Canyon. Stops will be at marked sites with brief discussions about events such as the rock walls and trenches erected to confront Johnston's Army, railroad worker camps, geologic features mentioned in diaries (The Witches). The route crosses under the I-84 through a narrow tunnel to the west side frontage road. Other points of interest will be noted as the group proceeds to the Memorial Park in Henefer for lunch and a rest stop.

A review of historical events in this area will be shared over lunch. There will be a discussion of the routes of emigrants in 1846 and later to Salt Lake City compared to route used by emigrants and explorers pre-1846 which went down multiple canyons to the Weber River. The difficulties of each route will be discussed. The Canyon was used by many groups over many centuries. Those traversing thru the canyon included Native Americans, emigrants in pack trains and wagon trains, and three of the National Historic Trails: The California trail, the Mormon Pioneer Trail, the Pony Express route. Other trails passed through Echo Canyon too. They include the Overland Trail, later the US Army and explorer expeditions, the transcontinental telegraph line, transcontinental railroad route, the Lincoln Highway and finally the national freeway system. It is historically rich, scenically attractive, and geologically interesting. Time permitting, hikes to The Witches kiosk might be possible.

Monday August 6, 2018 and Saturday, August 11, 2018

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Native American Culture tour.** (will return to the Convention Center)

Where to meet: The parking lot west of the Ogden Eccles Convention Center, Ogden, Utah.

Vehicle type: 2-wheel drive. The entire tour as it is on hard-surfaced roads.

Vehicle limit: 10 vehicles and only 30 participants including leaders. Carpooling is required.

Guides: **Nina Bowen**, **Keith Fessenden**, and **Mark Stuart** will be the guides and share information at the sites.

Description: This tour will visit two primary Rock Art sites with pre-historic and historic rock art: the Connor Springs that has two portions and the Coalville Ridge. There will be explanation of archaeological investigations at sites in the 4 County area and what has been learned about the Native American Cultures at these sites. This tour will visit two primary sites with pre-historic and historic rock art: Coalville Ridge and Connor Springs (which has two portions).

The tour will follow I-84 to Echo then I-80 to the town of Coalville. Upon arriving at Coalville, the tour will regroup at the Summit County Courthouse, 60 N. Main Street. The petroglyphs and historic inscriptions are on the ridge north of the Courthouse. This stop will be about an hour and a half and will entail some hiking to get to the ridge where the inscriptions are located.

This ascent is moderate but will require sturdy footwear. The ridge faces south and will be hot.

After this location the tour group will then travel on I-80 to Echo and on I-84 west to merge with I-15 north. Continue north on I-15 to Exit 365 turning west on SR-13 (Promontory Rd) through Corrine (SR-13 becomes SR-83) to SR-102 and turn right and travel about 2 miles to Connor Springs parking. The tour will spend about (2) hours between both portions of Connor Springs petroglyph sites. Return to Convention Center for evening events.

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Central Overland Trail tour Monday August 6, 2018 and Saturday Aug 11, 2018

Where to meet: Camp Floyd State Park 24 miles west of Lehi, Utah on SR 73 at the town of Fairfield at 7:30am.

Vehicle type: 2 Wheel drive cars are fine. Make sure your spare tire is in good shape. Gravel roads.

Vehicle limit: 15 vehicles

Guides: **Jess Petersen**

Description: Tour will see Camp Floyd then follow the Pony Express Road to Simpson Springs Station.

This will be a one-day tour that is designed to allow the participants to get back to Ogden in time to attend the convention events that are scheduled for that evening.

Participants will travel the route of the 1859 Simpson Expedition which opened the central route between Salt Lake City and California. This trail was also the route of the Overland Stage, the Pony Express, and a significant number of covered-wagon emigrants between 1859 and 1869.

This tour is **limited to 15 vehicles**. Four-wheel-drive vehicles will not be required but much of the roads are gravel and will be dusty and frequently washboarded. A family sedan would be satisfactory, but any type of SUV would be better. Good heavy-duty tires are an absolute necessity. Citizens Band radios are not an absolute requirement but are highly recommended. Participants will need to provide their own food and water. The lunch stop will be at Fish Springs but picnic tables are limited so it would be a good idea to bring folding chairs. Following lunch we will return along the same route about halfway to Camp Floyd then turn north through Skull Valley and follow a section of the Hastings Cutoff. Contact: Jess Petersen, 435-882-6581 or 435-840-5941 or jesspetersen@comcast.net

Post-Convention Tour Saturday, August 11th Camp Floyd to Schellbourne, NV

Description: Same as Monday except, The conclusion of the tour will be at the Schellbourne rest stop on US Highway 93, about 80 miles south of Wendover and 50 miles north of Ely.

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Retracing the Bryant Russell Route to the mouth of the Weber River. (will return to the Convention Center)

Where to meet: Wahsatch, about 60 miles east of Ogden on I-80 Exit 191 on the north side. (Echo Canyon)

Vehicle type: High clearance SUVs and pickups will be needed.

Vehicle limit: 12 vehicles: Ride sharing of at least 4 people per vehicle is needed to accommodate more people.

Guides: **John Eldredge**

Description: The private land owners will meet us on the north side of the Wahsatch exit and then accompany the tour to open and secure gates. The original group sold their wagons and purchased horses and mules. The route proceeds from Wahsatch to Lost Creek traveling in the canyons which the pack train took to the Lost Creek Reservoir, then follows down Lost Creek to Croyden, down Weber River to Devil's Slide, on to the Mountain Green Rest Stop and then return to Convention Center. Participants will see the route which was used to get to the mouth of the Weber River. Along the way interesting features include: the shearing sheds, defensive walls constructed during the confrontation of Johnston's Army and Mormons, Elephant Rock and Devil's Slide. We will stop at the rest room at Mountain Green and see the interpretive panels about the confrontation between Peter Skeen Ogden and the American trappers. Time permitting, we may include Trappers Loop into Ogden. This is one of the alternate routes used to get to the Wasatch Front and proceed around the Great Salt Lake. The area is much as it was in 1840s. Guaranteed to be dusty, beautiful mountain scenery.

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hastings Cutoff Monday [Different starting times and points on *Monday and **Saturday]

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hastings Cutoff Saturday

Where to meet ***Monday 9:30am:** Wendover, NV at the Chevron, Wendover NV exit 410 near Florence Way and Wendover Blvd (I-80 Business Route) (Next to the Burger King). [This is an East-bound tour].

Where to meet ****Saturday 8:30 am:** Meet in Salt Lake City, at **This is the Place Heritage Park**. (Enter at 2601 East Sunnyside Ave. (sign on East Sunnyside Ave.) and drive east 0.6 miles past the This is the Place Monument

to the east parking (also known as the Zoo North Lot). The tour will proceed west to Wendover & Enola Gay commemorative site. [This is an West-bound tour].

Vehicle type: 2-wheel drive, high-clearance, vehicles.

Vehicle limit: 15 vehicles

Guides: **T. Michael Smith**

Description: Arrive a little early to get checked-in. This is a car day-trip and not a 4x4 adventure. Pack your lunch, check your spare tire, and carry extra water. The trip will conclude at **This is the Place Monument** in Salt Lake City (about 190 miles).

After an orientation to the trip we will travel east to the Bonneville Speedway for a walk on the salt and comments on crossing it via the Hastings Cut-off. We next drive I-80 to the rest stop at the east side of the flats for views of the trail from the other side of the salt flats. This will be a bathroom rest stop. Moving to Horseshoe Springs we will enjoy lunch and a short trail walk among the ponds and on the trail. Rejoining the freeway, we will pass Timpie Point and exit to follow the trail past Twenty Wells, the Donner Museum, and Old Benson Mill before rejoining I-80 near the Flying J Truck Stop (a bathroom stop). Approaching Salt Lake City, we exit I-80 and travel to the North Temple historic north Jordan crossing near a Central Overland Trail T-Marker. Then we cross into the heart of the city past our Washington Square T- Marker to make our way to **This is the Place Monument** at the mouth of Emigration Canyon for our final reflections. End of Tour. Participants may then spend the evening in the city or travel on to Ogden and the Convention Hotels, as they desire. Guaranteed to be extremely dusty.

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hensley Salt Lake Cutoff Monday [Different starting times and points on *Monday and **Saturday]

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hensley Salt Lake Cutoff Saturday

Where to meet ***Monday:** at an electric substation site on SR 42 and junction of Kelton Rd., approximately 24 miles west of Snowville, Utah. SR 30 goes west from Snowville and becomes SR 42 at Curlew Junction. The meeting place is about 6 miles west of this high way junction. or about 3 miles east of the Utah & Idaho border.

Where to meet ****Saturday:** Convention Center west parking area

Vehicle type: High clearance, 2-wheel drive.

Vehicle limit: 12 vehicles

Guides: **Bryce Billings** and **Connie Bauer**

Description: Will visit Cedar Creek Spring, Emigrant Springs, Pilot Spring, Crossing of Deep Creek, Dilly Spring, Rattle Snake Pass on I-84, Blue Creek Spring, Salt Wash Spring, and back to Ogden. Most of these springs were part of the Native American trails and gave Hensley a good way to reach the Applegate Road near the City of Rocks. It is also why it became preferred to the Salt Desert route. The sites are now on private land and closed to the public except when scheduled with Utah Crossroads sponsored tours. Ruts clearly visible in many locations, good diary entries attesting to the route and locations. A major route from Salt Lake City to the City of Rocks after 1849, where this cutoff merged with the Applegate trail to California.

8:30am - 6:00p.m. 1869 Transcontinental Railroad Backcountry Auto Tour

Where to meet: Flying J in Snowville, Utah (I-84, Exit 7)

Vehicle type: 4x4 wheel drive required, good tires, check spare tire!

Vehicle limit: 15 vehicles

Guides: **Ray Kelsey & Chris Merritt**

Description: The BLM will lead an auto tour of the most remote and scenic portions of the Transcontinental Railroad Backcountry Byway in Box Elder County. Travel back in time with knowledgeable guides as they take you through the heart of the longest continuous segment of the original 1869 Central Pacific Railroad Grade. Abandoned in 1941 and acquired by the BLM in 1992, the entire byway is over 90 miles in length and takes you

through a dramatic desert landscape largely unchanged since the mid-19th century. For a majority of the time, you will drive on the actual original grade and will stop at numerous locations to marvel at the engineering features created entirely with Chinese immigrant labor, hand tools, and dynamite. The tour will visit historic town sites and view examples of the various culverts, wooden trestles, cuts, fills, sidings, and artifacts found along the grade.

The Transcontinental Railroad Backcountry Byway is a gravel surfaced road passable with 4-wheel drive, high clearance, vehicles in good weather. Please ensure your vehicle is in proper working order with good tires and a functional spare. Be prepared for August temperatures that can easily top out in the upper 90s or low 100s. The tour will travel west along the railroad grade from Kelton to Bovine and return to Snowville at approximately 5 pm. CB radios will not be necessary.

Convention Bus Tours

The bus tours provide a day to sit back, enjoy the scenery and learn from the subject specialists which will be on each bus. The tours are all-day bus journeys to historic travel routes, and places of historic or scenic interest. No strenuous hikes are planned. Lunch is provided as part of the bus tour.

Each bus tour will:

- Be between 6 and 7 hours long (7:30am – 4:00pm)
- Have a tour guide, a tour assistant on the bus, and be followed by a "chase" vehicle and usually two specialists whose backgrounds are relevant to the tour.
- Provide snacks, water and lunches
- Wear sturdy shoes – **no sandals or flip-flops**. Be prepared for rain or intense sunshine and heat.

Bus tours are on Wednesday and Friday of the convention. They repeat on Friday to allow attendees to do two tours. For both days, if a first-choice tour fills, attendees will likely be able to get their 2nd choice tour. Each bus tour will have two or more specialists to share additional information about the tour topics. At about the half way point, the specialists will change buses, so all participants will get the full advantage of interacting with the specialists.

“Bidwell/Bartleson” - Terry Welch & Doug Williams (maybe 140-160 miles)

“Stay on the west side of the Bear River. When you get to the Great Salt Lake, turn west and go to California.”

With these bare instructions from experienced mountain man, Thomas Broken Hand Fitzpatrick, the Bidwell/Bartleson left the main company of Oregon travelers to seek a short-cut from Soda Springs, Idaho to the Humboldt River.

No one had ever tried this route with wagons. The tour will follow the portions of the route this party travels in northern Utah and review the saga of this intrepid group as they make their way along this “living on the edge” adventure. (In addition to the B/B Trail we will parallel significant miles multiple other early routes.) As we travel we will review history of numerous early settlements, including “The Burg of the Bear” – Corrine, an important early crossroads hub of rails, trails and a river – a true western town vital to commerce from Montana of local history, including Corinne, an important early hub of rails, trails and a river—a true western town vital to commerce from Montana to Salt Lake as well as a section of the transcontinental railroad. On our way past Tremonton we will stop at a most interesting museum—the most extensive collection of wagons in the world. Placed end-board to tongue they would stretch for a mile. We will be interested in looking at early travel and freight wagons. (Including Mark Hopkins’ wagon—one of the Big Four early RR builders). Rest stops Logan, Tremonton and Corinne with other possibilities if needed.

“Following the Transcontinental Railroad Tour” – Daniel Davis & Beau Burgess (maybe 150-170 miles)

Travel I-80 to Echo Canyon and proceed east on the frontage road to Castle Rock pointing out Railroad camp sites and interesting uses by other groups which traversed Echo Canyon, Turn onto I-80 going west and stop at the rest stop; while there see the Golden OX Statue, follow I-84 west pointing out the difficult cuts to take the railroad through Weber Canyon, continue to the merge with I-15 and proceed north to exit 346 - Pioneer Road, turn left & cross under I-15 to the west to SR 126 also designated 2000 West, turn right and proceeding north to 1800 North turn right & go under I-15 proceed to the east until the road makes a slight bent to the right and stop at the small park with Rail Road monument. Return to 1900

West and turn right to the Farr West City Park with lunch at the Pavilion with good restrooms. (If we have permission the tour will then travel to Promontory Point Sawmill to see how the trees and large timbers from the lake crossing are being salvaged and reused.) If this request is rejected, the tour will follow the grade from Ogden to Golden Spike National Historic Site visitors center, see the Big Fill and double grades, if time permits visit wagon museum at Eli Anderson's in Tremonton. Return to Conference Center in Ogden.

“Echo Canyon Pre-Mormon routes to Wasatch Front” Connie Bauer & Laura Anderson (maybe 150-170 miles)

Tour will be a view of the Native routes, pre-1847 Emigrants routes, early explorer routes and explorers. Travel will be up Weber Canyon to Echo. At exit 115 turn east to the frontage road on the east of the freeway, turn right and follow frontage road. Then take the frontage road toward Castle Rock viewing the markers along the way. At Castle Rock enter I-80 going west, exit at the rest stop and to see the valley view and the new Golden ox, which is an attractive monument honoring the canyon travelers. Continue on west and exit at Echo and look at the monument to the history of this location. Drive along the frontage road to the Three Witches and let those wish to hike to them. Then point out the Weber River Ford and have lunch at Henefer Memorial Park. Then proceed to Croydon, Devil's Slide, Mountain Green Rest stop, and review the panels about the confrontation between the British trappers and the American trappers. Time permitting, take Trappers Loop Road back to Ogden.

“Bear River Shoshoni Native American tour” Ken Cannon & Darren Parry on excavations on the massacre site, along with Patty Timbimboo Madsen, Paula Walker, & Scott Christensen (maybe 250-270 miles)

This tour will include Native American travel routes, a stop at the Anthropology Museum at Utah State University (a restroom site and possible presentation by a faculty member). Then continue north pointing out Fremont mounds & little mount cave near Franklin, Idaho with discussion of archeology findings. Lunch will be at Preston Park and while there, visit the old post office to see mural in entry. Then on to the Bear River Massacre site north west of Preston, Idaho to the bottom valley monument near the Bear River, and then to the north bluff panels. They will discuss the recent public announcement of the North West Shoshone Band's purchase of a section of land at this location. Time permitting, we will visit Hampton Ford crossing of the Bear River and possibly –Gravelly Ford on the Malad River, both Native American crossing points. (Rest room breaks at other sites yet to be determined.)

Special Events

Monday

Welcome Reception 2nd Floor Ballroom

Meet and greet old OCTA friends and new people and get the feel for the convention building's layout. For your enjoyment, there will be a No-Host Bar prior to a Dinner and music from OCTA member music groups.

Tuesday

Awards Dinner

Begin the evening with a stop at the No-Host Bar followed by dinner in the Upper ball room and honor those selected for special recognition with OCTA Awards.

Wednesday

Author's Night

Everyone is invited to visit with authors in person and have books signed – purchase them in the book room or bring them from home. There will again be a No-Host bar and the event will be followed by a lite supper - Potato Bar. Please use the Registration form to let us know you will be attending.

Thursday

Live Auction / Dinner

John Winner, as auctioneer, will continue his tradition of auctioning special items donated by folks like you. See Page 23 for donation collection information.

Friday

Fort Buenaventura

Following dinner, you get to enjoy a leisurely evening at the reconstructed Fort which was done as accurately as possible using archaeological evidence and written accounts. The reconstruction was done using construction in use at the time of its original construction, mortise and tenon joints. Fort Buenaventura was the first permanent settlement by people of European descent in the Great Basin. It was established by the trapper Miles Goodyear in 1846 about a mile west-southwest of the present-day Ogden municipal building. The fort was located east of the Weber River, at a bend in the river. The purpose of the fort was to serve as a trading post for trappers and travelers.

Book Room, Exhibits, and Authors Night

The **Book Room** is a good place to shop for books, new, used and rare, from dealers or publishers and single book sellers. There will be a number of tables of OCTA Book Store books and other store items. The Book Room is open to the public on certain days. Hours of operation are listed on Page 3 - 4. If you know of a book dealer or publisher who would like to have a table in the **Book Room** during the convention, contact Marie or Drew Wanosik: tel. 801-595-6902 or email "dwanosik@xmission.com.

There is a \$75 fee per table for book sellers and exhibitors.

The Book Room is in Ballroom B on the 2nd floor.

We are inviting **Exhibitors** (vendors, businesses, and commercial enterprises) to display and sell their wares at the Convention. The cost for an exhibitor table is \$75.00. Contact

For other information or to reserve a table for any of these areas, contact Marie or Drew Wanosik: tel. 801-595-6902 or email "dwanosik@xmission.com.

Raffle and Silent and Live Auctions Donations Requested

If you have items to donate for the live and silent auctions and raffles, please contact Marie Wanosik 801-595-6902. Raffle and Auction items may be viewed in the Book Room on the 2nd floor, Ballroom B.

Book Room Schedule

Located on the 2nd floor Ballroom B

August 6, Monday	4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
August 7, Tuesday	5:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
August 8, Wednesday	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
August 9, Thursday	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Hotel Accommodations

The OCTA Convention has a block of rooms at two hotels within walking distance of the convention center.

Bigelow Suites (Convention rate: \$99.00 + taxes) 2510 Washington Blvd, Ogden, UT 84401
(801) 627-1900

Hampton Inn (Convention rate: \$109.00 + taxes) 2401 Washington Blvd, Ogden, UT 84401 (801) 394-9400 is connected to the convention center.

To obtain the convention rate, you must register by contacting the Hotel **by Friday, July 20th** and identify yourself as attending the OCTA convention.

Reservation Procedure:

- Call your choice of hotel and identify yourself with the OCTA Contention Group to receive the special group rate.
- A credit card deposit for the first night's room and tax is required to guarantee the reservation and will be charged at the time of the reservation.
- Specific room requests are not guaranteed; however, the hotel will make every effort to honor each request.
- Rooms unconfirmed on the cutoff date of **July 20** will be released back to the hotel.

Transportation from Salt Lake International Airport to Ogden

- **Shuttle & Taxi Services** offered by many companies. Express Shuttle serves a 60-mile radius from the Airport 801-596-1600. Service Desk in both Terminals near Baggage Claim.
- **TRAX Train** (Public Transit) from Airport South end of Terminal A, to **Front Runner Train Station “North Temple”** where you must transfer to the **Front Runner** train on the lower level, west side of platform to Ogden. The Ogden Station is 2-3 blocks from each of the Hotels. Fees to Ogden one way are and for a Senior over 65 the fair is \$2.75, under 65 the fair is \$5.50.
- **Rental Vehicle: Salt Lake City Airport (SLC)** – Take I-80 East (2 miles) to I-215 north, to I-15 N 41 miles to Ogden 24th Street Exit – 344, go east to your hotel or the Ogden Eccles Conference Center (2415 Washington Blvd, Ogden, UT).

RV & Campground Information near Ogden, UT

There are no fully equipped RV parks in Ogden City, but there some with dry camping within about 20 miles. Here is a description of the ones closest followed by those further out.

Sites less than 10 miles from Convention Center

Full Hookup

Century Mobile Home & RV 1399 West 2100 South West Haven, Utah On I-15 use exit 343 west. 801-731-3800. 3 miles from the Convention Center. Choice of full hookup to electricity only.

Pull thru on concrete \$40.45 per night, on gravel \$39.32 per night Weekly rate of \$242.68 and with Good Sam, AAA, military and other RV Club membership there is a 10 % discount. Near highway so some noise.

Dry Camp sites

Weber County Fair Grounds campground. 1181 Fairgrounds Dr. Ogden, Utah. 801-399-8491. about 5 miles from Convention Center. Lot of grass, no hookup. I-15 take 12th St. Exit and go East. (Part of County Park System)

Ft Buenaventura, 2450 A Avenue, Ogden, Utah 801-399-8491. (Good Sam Club) (1 mile from Convention.)(Part of County Park System) no hook ups, 25 dry camp RV sites. \$20 per night. I-15 Exit 24th St. go east to A Avenue turn south. 25 tent sites. There is a pond where children under 13 years of age and younger may fish, and it is next to the river where adults can fish. There are flush toilets and potable drinking water is available. For more information or reservations visit their Website or call (801) 399-8491 or (800) 407-2757.

Sites more than 10 miles from Convention Center

South Perry KOA 1040 W 3600S. Brigham City, Utah. About 60 sites for units 28 feet or less @ \$40 per day. And 8 sites with pedestal connections for over 28 feet @ \$45 per day plus taxes.

Online KOA Kampgrounds of America. 800-562-0903, or 435-723-5503. brighamcitykoa@brigham.net. Tents, cabins and RV sites. Can accommodate big rigs and up to 120 feet in length w 30/50 amps. 16 miles from Convention Center, about 20-minute drive. Pool, Grass and trees with good view of mountains.

Willard Bay Marina Campground 435-734-94904. I-15 exit 357. Choice of full hook up in the Cottonwood campground at \$30 per day. Or dry camp, but generators allowed until 10:00 p.m. at \$20 per day. Right on Willard Bay a fresh Water reservoir. (Part of the Utah State Park System) about 16 miles From Convention Center. Entrance Gate closes at 10:00 p.m. Near freeway so noise is part of location and repellent is required. Stay up all night and fish for catfish.

Golden Spike RV Park, 905 West 1075 South Brigham City, Utah. (Good Sam Club) 435-723-8858 and Reservations@goldenspikerv.com. I-15 exit 362 and east 1 mile to 775 West /Medical Dr. Drive North 300 ft to 1075 South. It has 23 hook ups and WiFi. \$34:50 per day. 60 sites, all ages, tents sites: 22, 70 ft max RV length. Accepts big rigs, 38 pull-thurs, 38 full hookups, 22 electric-water hookups, 20/30/50 amp, 24 50 amp sites, tables, water, toilets, showers, dump, Clubs-GSC, propane, laundry, internet, cable tv, pet friendly, playground. 20 miles from Convention Center.

State Parks

There is a wide choice of campgrounds at the State Parks, both developed and undeveloped. All can be reserved on **ReserveAmerica.com**. Developed campgrounds typically have parking, toilets, tables, water, barbecue grills or fire rings, and daily fees ranging from \$7.00 to \$14.00.

Willard Bay and Antelope and are the two State Parks closest to Ogden. Willard Bay is listed above. Antelope is listed here because it is more than 20 miles from the Convention Site. The major drawback is gates close at 10:00 p.m.

Antelope Island In the middle of the Great Salt Lake, this campground is located on the beach. This is a great beach where you can walk out 200-300 yards and water is only waist deep. The neat thing about the lake is that it is so salty that it is almost impossible to sink. You can also take a drive to the other side of the island and see the Buffalo herd that lives there. About 23 miles from Convention Center. Entrance Gate closes at 10:00 p.m. 40-50 minute drive to Convention Center.

The Forest Service and Weber County have many dry camping sites on the North Fork and South Fork of Ogden River. A brief summary is given below, but distance/drive times (more than 30 minutes) from the Convention Center makes these less feasible. They can be researched online.

North Fork This campground is run by Weber County and has 189 individual campsites and 5 group campsites. It is located in the north arm of the Ogden Valley and equipped with flush toilets and running water. There are accommodations for horses and plenty of places to ride them. Individual and group reservations are available. Pristine mountain forests. Sites: 170, No Hookup. Group sites: 8. Recreation: Trails for hiking and biking.

For more information or reservations visit their [website](#) or call (801) 399-8491 or (800) 407-2757. Rates: \$18.00 per day. First come first serve. Group sites require reservations. Local Phone: 1-801-399-8491.
<https://utah.com/campgrounds/north-fork-park>

South Fork of the Ogden River. There are a number of National Forest Services campgrounds located along the South Fork of the Ogden River. These include Maples, Magpie, Hobble, South Fork, Perception Park, Botts, Upper Meadows, Lower Meadows, and Willows. These campgrounds are all next to the river and can be reserved for individual use. Perception Park can also be reserved for groups. Call (800) 280-2267 for reservations.

Places to Visit in the Greater Ogden area

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge lies where the Bear River flows into the northeast arm of the Great Salt Lake and protects the marshes found at the mouth of the Bear River. These marshes are the largest freshwater component of the Great Salt Lake and have always been an oasis for water birds and wildlife and provide critical habitat for the migration as annually over 250 species move through this area by the millions to rest and feed. (Approximate distance and time from Eccles Convention Center 47 minutes (38.7 miles))

2155 W Forest St

Brigham City, UT 84302-4426

Open 24 hours

Admission to the Refuge is FREE, but the auto tour area is open from sunrise to sunset only.

Phone 435-723-5887 / FAX: 435-723-8873

http://www.fws.gov/refuge/bear_river_migratory_bird_refuge/

Antelope Island State Park

Antelope Island is the largest of 10 islands located within the Great Salt Lake. Hike, mountain bike or horseback ride the park's backcountry trails for spectacular views of lake and island or step back in time by visiting Fielding Garr Ranch. The island is home to free-ranging bison, mule deer, bighorn sheep, pronghorn (antelope), and many other desert animals. Millions of birds congregate along the shores surrounding the island, offering unparalleled opportunities for birding.

(Approximate distance and time from Eccles Convention Center 38 minutes (28.4miles).)

4528 West 1700 South

Syracuse, Utah 84075

801-773-2941 Entrance Booth / 801-725-9263 Visitor Center

Open Daily 6:00 am - 6:00 pm

Visitor Center

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Fielding Garr Ranch

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Antelope Island Entrance (includes causeway and wildlife fees)	
up to 8 people	\$10.00/vehicle
Senior (Utah residents over 62 years)	\$5.00/vehicle [8 people]
Bicycles and Pedestrians	\$3.00/person

<https://stateparks.utah.gov/parks/antelope-island/>

Hill Aerospace Museum

Hill Aerospace Museum is approximately 30 acres in the NW corner of Hill Air Force Base. The museum collection, which opened in 1986, consists of over 4,000 objects, including aircraft, vehicles, missiles, ordnance, uniforms, artwork and many other historical items. Exhibits are in five eras corresponding with our timeline: The Beginnings, World War II, Dawn of the Jet Age, The Cold War, and Keeping the Peace. (Approximate distance and time from Eccles Convention Center 12 minutes (6.4 miles))

Hill Aerospace Museum (Bldg. 1955)

0900 - 1630 Monday - Saturday

7961 Wardleigh Rd.

Hill AFB, UT 84056-5842

General Information 801-825-5817

Admission is FREE

<http://www.hill.af.mil/Home/Hill-Aerospace-Museum/>

Treehouse Children's Museum (Open Monday - Saturday and closed Sunday)

Treehouse Children's Museum opened its doors in 1992 and has been providing unique educational exhibits and programs to more than 175,000 visitors each year. The Elizabeth Stewart Treehouse Museum, their signature building on 22nd Street, opened in 2006. At the center is an amazing, 30-foot tall tree, built by the staff. (Approximate distance and time from Eccles Convention Center 4 minutes (0.90 miles – 2 blocks north))

347 22nd Street

Ogden, UT 84401

801-394-9663

<https://www.treehousemuseum.org/>

Admission Policies

All Children must be accompanied by an Adult & all Adults must be accompanied by a Child. Adults wishing to visit without children or families with special needs, are most welcome, but we request that you make arrangements by calling 801-394-9663. Treehouse is often busy and strollers can block walkways, limiting wheelchair access and even damage exhibits. Because of this, all strollers must be parked in the locker lobby area. Exceptions are made for grown-ups with physical issues, twins and sleeping babies. Treehouse has small baby slings for loan.

Tree House Admission	
\$7.00	Children (1 – 12)
\$5.00	Youth (13 – 17)
\$5.00	Adults (18+)
Free	Babies (Under age 1)
Treehouse Members Free	

Hours	
Monday	10 am - 3 pm
Tuesday	10 am - 5 pm
Wednesday	10 am - 5 pm
Thursday	10 am - 5 pm
Friday	10 am - 8 pm
Saturday	10 am - 5 pm

Union Station Museums

Approximate distance and time from Eccles Convention Center 3 minutes (0.50 miles – 2 blocks west)

Admission includes entrance into all four museums at Union Station:

Utah State Railroad Museum (includes Spenser S. Eccles & Dolores D. Fox Rail Center and Wattis-Dumke Model Railroad)

Union Station Museum Admission	
\$5.00	Adults (18 - 61 years)
\$4.00	Seniors (62 plus)
\$4.00	Student (18 - 28) [w/ valid ID]
\$4.00	Teens (13 -17)
\$3.00	Children (3 - 12)

John M. Browning Firearms Museum
 Browning – Kimball Classic Car Museum
 Utah State Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum
 2501 Wall Avenue
 Ogden, Utah 84401
 801-393-9890
 Monday – Saturday 10:00 am – 5:00pm
<http://theunionstation.org/>

FREE	Babies (0 -2)
\$15 Family Day Pass [2 adults +2-8 children (under 17)]	

OCTA Convention Suggested Reading List

Extensive reading lists for each of the 4 tracks of the convention are listed on the chapter Web site.
utahcrossroadsocta.org

Northern Utah Area: Sun and Altitude

The four-county area is geographically diverse with the northern arms of the Great Salt Lake providing some of the best bird refuges of the western states. There are varieties of caves with usage dating back 8,000 plus years. The mountain valleys are not only scenic, but rich with wild game. The lakes and reservoirs provide water sports and fishing. The small communities with historic homes and public buildings make great day trips.

Clothing Code: Dress according to your activity. Attendees usually wear casual clothes for events at the convention, although some people dress up for the Awards Dinner. At the Friday night dinner, you are invited to wear period clothing if you wish.

Footgear: All tours require you to wear sturdy shoes – no sandals or flip-flops.

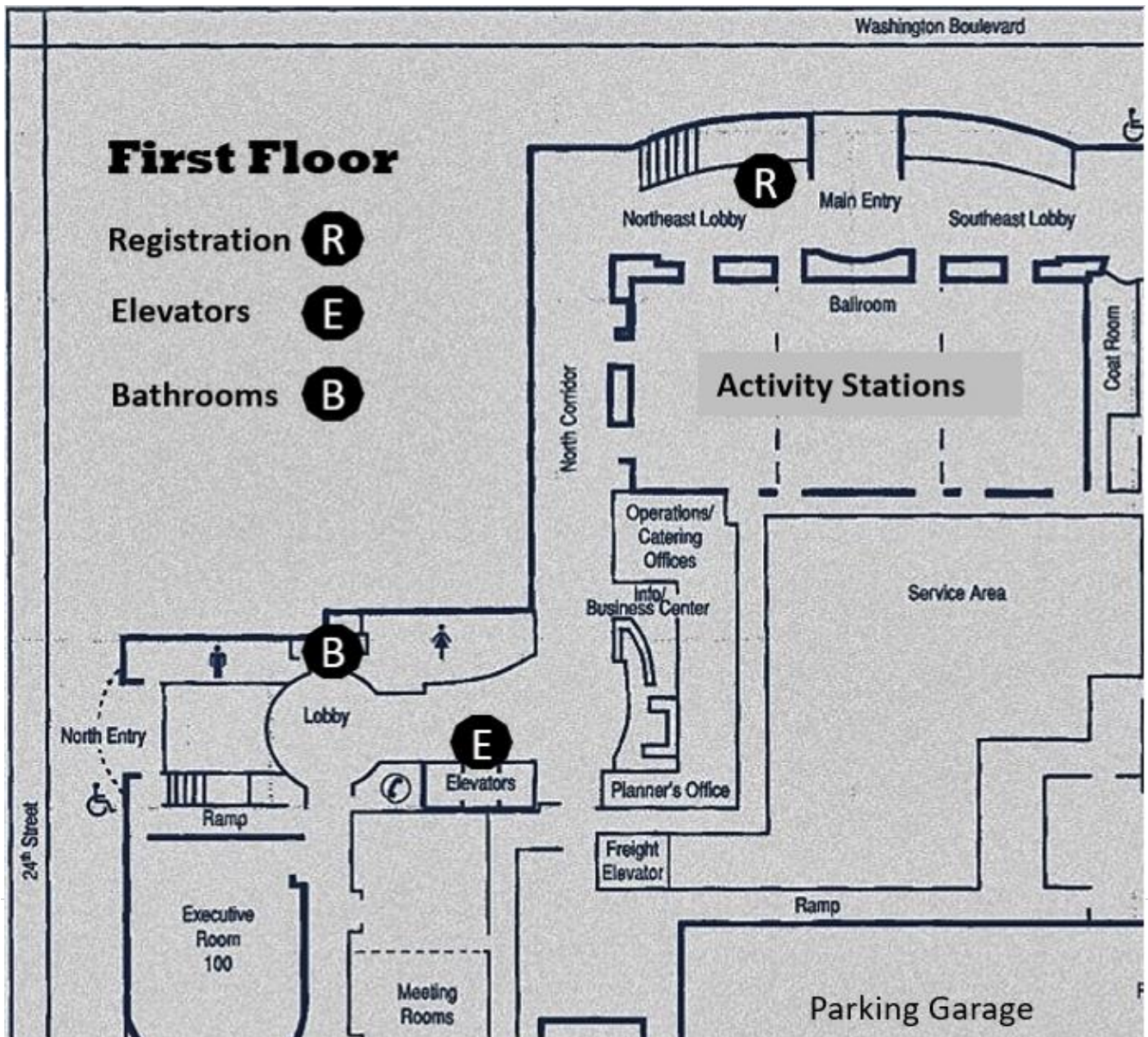
Pre-Convention and Post-Convention private vehicle tours (on your own)

The pre-convention and post-convention self-drive tours call for high clearance private vehicles. Check each pre-convention tour for leader contact information for any questions and further details.

Lost and Found: Bring any items you find to and check for lost articles at the **Registration/Information Desk**.



Ogden Eccles Conference Center



Second Floor

Elevators **E**

Bathrooms **B**

