

# Who has been to Branson, Missouri?



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Would you ever revisit Branson? Why?

Why is it important for our kids to know history?

On 1/3/2024 3:03 PM, Jenifer Terry wrote:

Hi, Roice, this is Jenifer Terry from the Cedar City Rotary Club, I got your information from Brittany Fisher our club president.

Each Tuesday we hold a weekly meeting. We have lunch and a guest speaker. If you are available on 1/16/2024 we would love to have you come and share with us more about you and the Southwestern Heritage Center.

We meet at Southwest Tech on the first floor at 12:00pm.

Please let me know if you are available on that date and time.

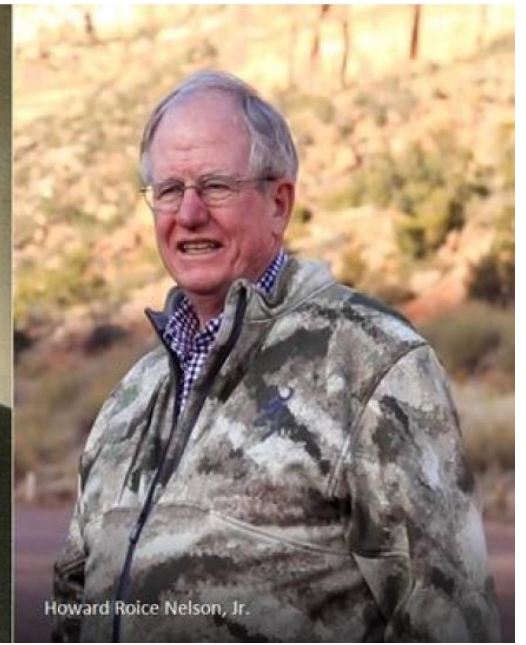
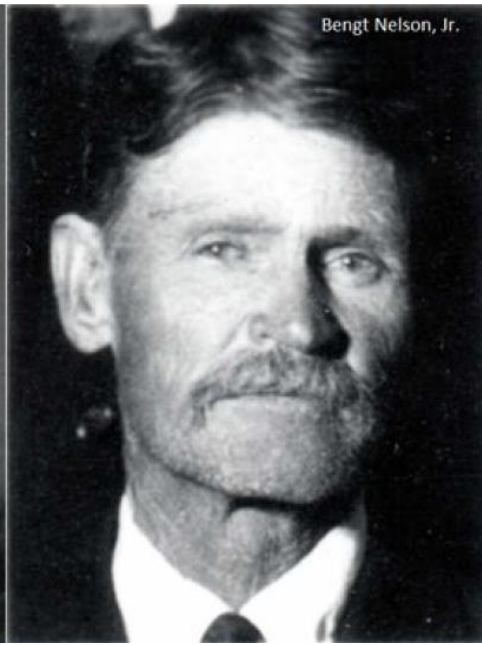
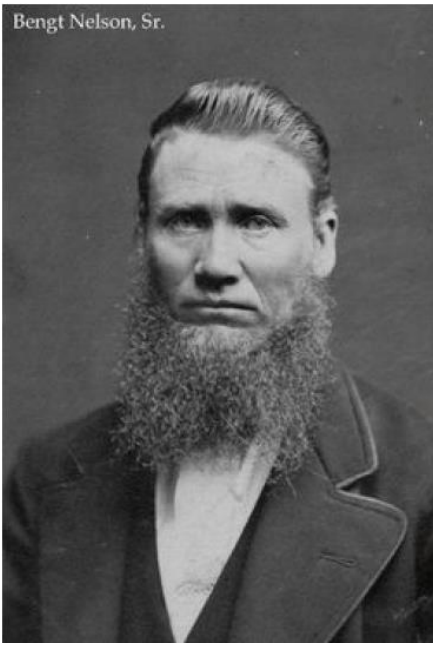
Thanks so much,

Jenifer Terry  
435-477-2229

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**Topics: 1 More about you & 2 The Southwestern Heritage Center**





# **Bengt, Bengt Jr., Roice Bengt, Howard Roice Nelson, & Jr.**



- Howard Roice Nelson, Jr. grew up on the back-end of a shovel on the Star Ship Enterprise.
- Boyd Fife complemented me when working on an SUP Monument: “It’s good to have someone move to Cedar who knows how to use a shovel.”



# H. Roice Nelson, Jr.

- Born in the Old Cedar Hospital at 200 West & 200 South, Cedar City.
- Age 3-19: lived on the farm where Gateway Academy is - **Valley Rat**.
- Age 15-18: guitarist for The Keynotes & The Mydknight Hour; written 441 Songs.
- Age 19-21: University of Utah with Raymond S. Gardner, Architect ( $\Phi\Sigma K$ ).
- Age 21-23: Last group called to the British Mission (renamed England East Mission).
- Age 23-24: University of Utah, B.S. Geophysics.
- Age 24-30: Mobil Exploration & Production Services Inc. (MEPSI) – MBA SMU.
- Age 30-32: University of Houston Seismic Acoustics Lab – UH SAL & formed AGL, on-going industry consortia.
- Age 32-44: Landmark Graphics Corporation – 1<sup>st</sup> stand-alone 3D seismic workstation; \$1B+/year division of Haliburton.
- Age 44-47: HyperMedia Corporation – UNIX, X-Windows, Motif, Client-Server hypermedia tool pre-Mosaic & Netscape.
- Age 47-50: Continuum Resources International Corp. – 1TB real-time VR on ISDN London, Perth, & Houston 1999.
- Age 50-58: Geophysical Consulting – Including 4.6 TCF Dabai-3 gas field, 3.25 MMB oil/year Bohai Bay Field, PRC.
- Age 59-74: Dynamic Measurement LLC – Lightning Analysis, including Newcastle Geothermal & Cedar water.
- Age 64-Present: Moved Home – InterLeeV LLC; InterLeeV 8° of Indexing; **Leigh Hill Snob**.





# Pins & Awards

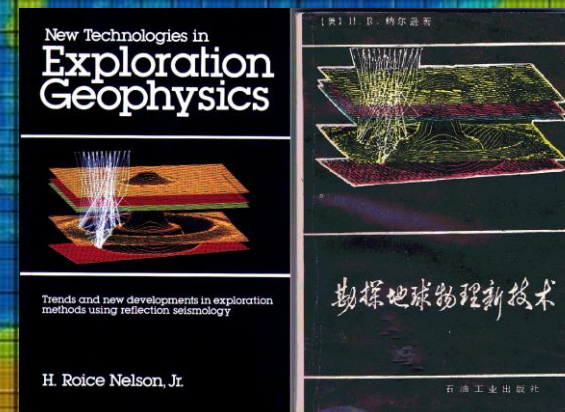




# HRN Interpretation Project Locations

## Resume Includes:

- 3 U.S. Patents
- Organizer 8 SEG Research Workshops
- Taught 30+ Geoscience Schools
- 300 Professional Presentations
- GSH Honorary Life Membership, 1990
- SEG Enterprise Award, 1999



On-Line Resume at <http://www.walden3d.com>





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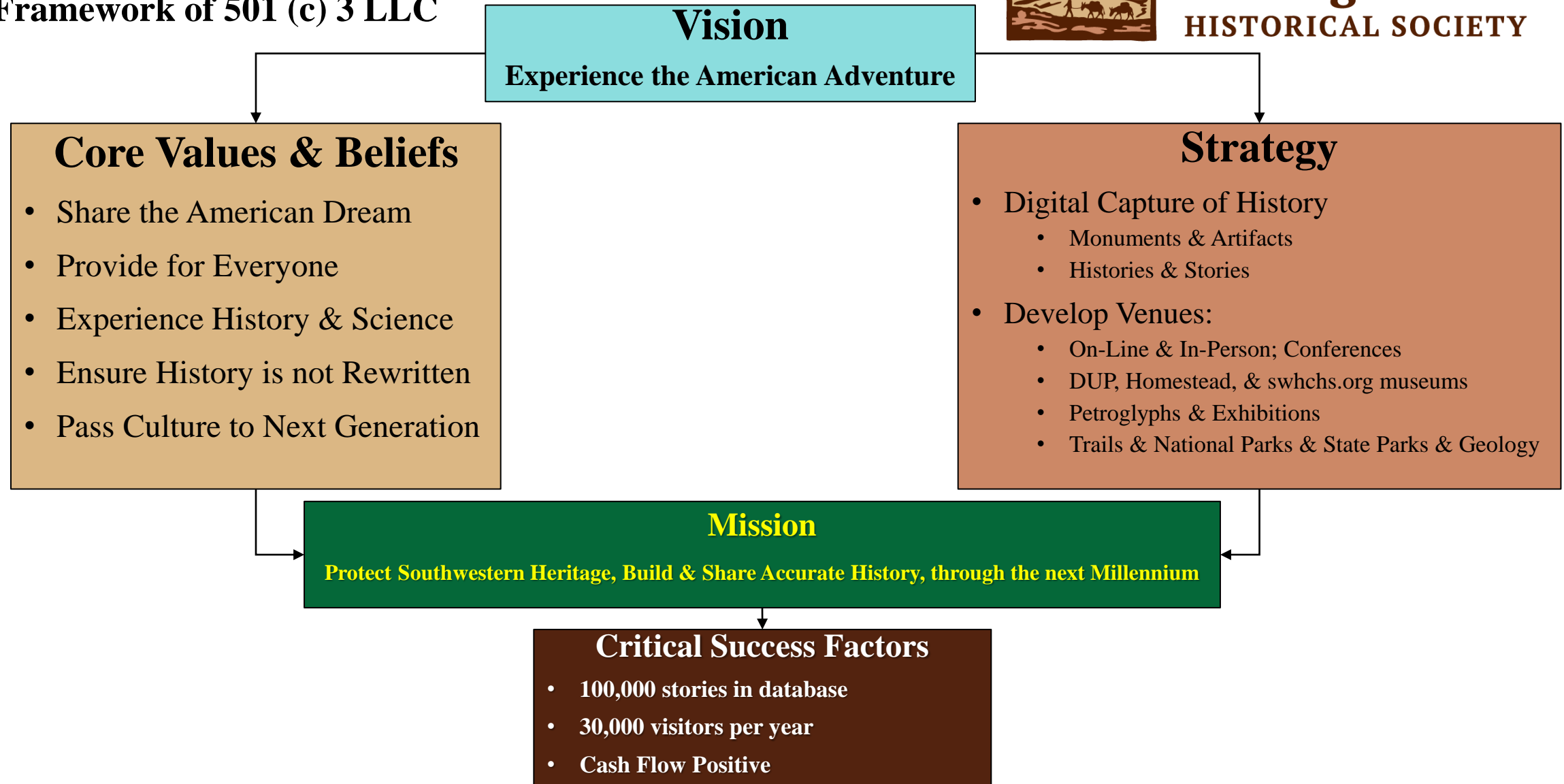


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# SUP documented 109 Monuments currently documenting 50 more



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Old Spanish Trail Markers Summit, Cedar City, Newcastle; Enoch, Utah Silhouettes:



Old Spanish Trail Silhouettes at Iron Springs and Antelope Road and Utah Hill looking east:





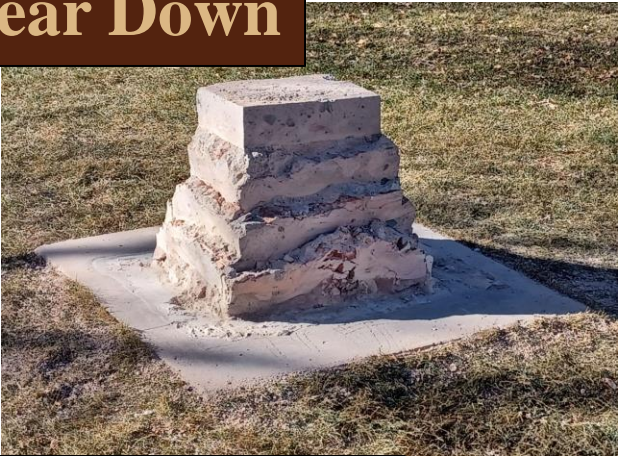
# Parowan - John C. Fremont - Monument

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Before



Tear Down



Re-Build Soon

Iron County volunteers achieve

## MONUMENTAL TASK

by John Byron Turner  
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

It's not every day in Parowan that you catch a glimpse of a bunch of guys apparently vandalizing one of the many monuments throughout the town, so I had to stop and check it out.

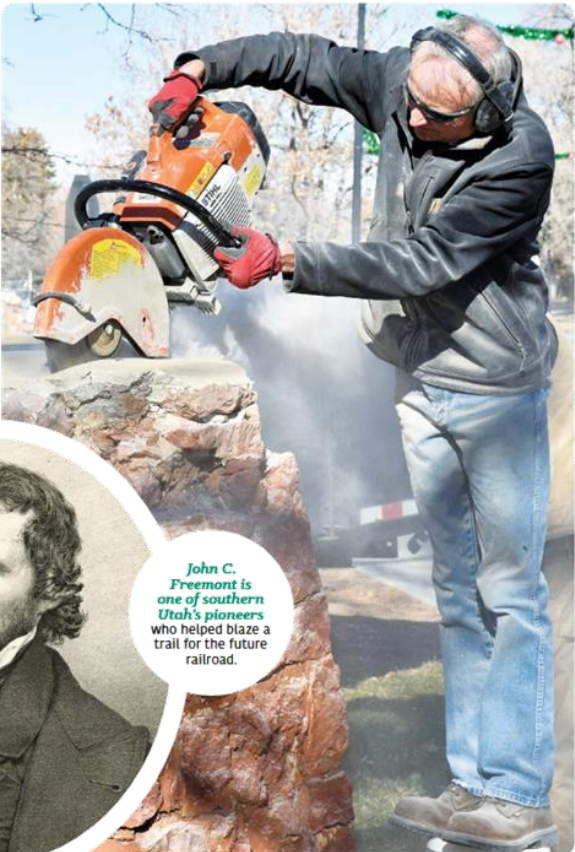
I introduced myself to a guy with a sledgehammer in his hand. He turned out to be Mr. Roice Nelson of the Cedar City chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers (SUP), and Chairman of the Monuments and Treks Committee, who was there working with a group of volunteers from

around Iron County.

Mr. Nelson explained to me that every year, the national chapter of the SUP challenges them to identify one monument that is in dire need of repair, and to carry out those repairs, and I had, in fact, crossed paths with them as they were demolishing this year's monument that honors the explorer John C. Fremont, and which was crumbling away on Main and 100 South.

Freemont explored the West between 1842 and 1853, making three treks into Utah, primarily to find a

see **MONUMENT** » 20



PHOTOS BY JOHN BYRON TURNER





The following images and links alphabetically highlight Southwestern Tourist Attraction



Arches National Park (290 miles)



Cedar City Red Hill Back-Thrust (11 miles)

# Integrating Access to Nature & Petroglyphs



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Brian Head Ski Resort (41 miles)



Fremont Indian Utah State Park (206 miles)



Lake Meade National Recreation Area (137 miles)



Bryce Canyon National Park (101 miles)



Grand Canyon National Park (161 miles)



Lake Powell National Recreation Area (194 miles)



Canyonlands National Park (300 miles)



Grand Staircase National Monument (71 miles)



Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park (278 miles)



Capitol Reef Nat. Park (158 miles)



Great Basin National Park (151 miles)



Snow Canyon Utah State Park (64 miles)



Cedar Breaks National Mononument (32 miles)



Kolob Canyons - Zion National Park (22 miles)



Zion Canyon National Park (61 miles)



Parowan Gap Petroglyphs



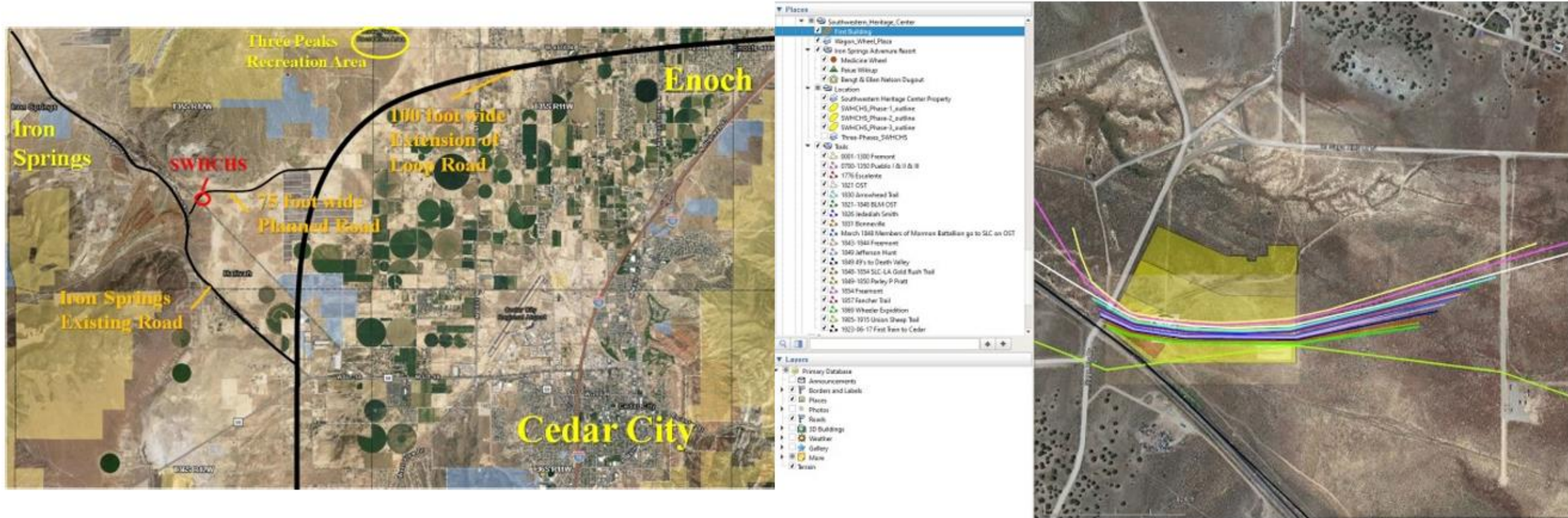
Kokopelli Petroglyph - Walmart Rodeo Man



# Possible Location of Museum



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Located on planned extension of 3200 North at Iron Springs, 28 Historical Trails cross property, including The Old Spanish Trail, the only National Trail in Southern Utah



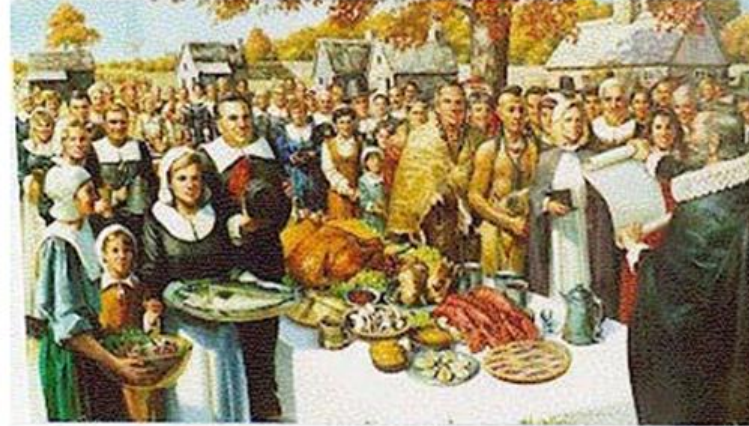
# Sharing the American Adventure



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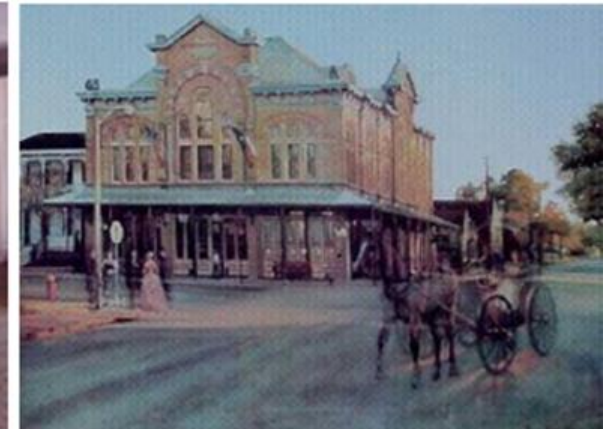
Noon 12 October 1492



The First Thanksgiving



The Light of Freedom



Washington's @ Valley Forge - Message from the Alamo - From These Honored Dead - Safford Bank & Opera House





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21	2022-07-02	Roice	Nelson	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Work, Changing the World, Home	Farm, Imagination, Seismic, Travel, Oil & Gas, Workstations, Lightning	Nelson Farm Enoch, Utah, USA	0	10-18	3671	I grew up on the back end of a shovel on the Star Ship Enterprise. ...	Back End of a Shovel I grew up on the back end of a shovel, on the Star Ship Enterprise. The Nels ...		Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
22	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Socially Inept Communication	grunt, point, words, work, phone, multiprocessing, offended	Ft. Collins, Colorado, USA	1974-09-13	12+	391	I remember my sister's comments after watching Dad and I load the pickup in Ft. Collins after Marti ...	Socially Inept Communication (grunt, point, words, work, phone, multiprocessing, offended) 2015 H. R ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
23	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Nature and Taking a Leak	bathroom, pee, nature, leak, hullabaloo, scared, unintentional, police	Houston, Texas, USA	1990-12-15	12+	562	One of the problems with getting old is when I stop running I have to go to the bathroom. Being a fa ...	Nature and Taking a Leak (bathroom, pee, nature, leak, hullabaloo, scared, unintentional, police) 19 ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
24	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Truth and The Internet and Stories	truth, absolutes, science, eternal, Internet	Houston, Texas, USA	1987-09-15	12+	1149	We have so much information available to us today. I could write for hours about the Internet. After ...	Truth and The Internet and Stories (truth, absolutes, science, eternal, Internet) 1987 H. Roice Nels ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
25	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Taking Grandma Hafen to China	weekly call, China, St. George, song, honoring parents	Beijing, China	1985-08-15	12+	523	more consistent the last few years of her life. These calls helped me to be very close to Grandma Ha ...	Taking Grandma Hafen to China (weekly call, China, St. George, song, honoring parents) 1985 H. Roice ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
26	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Urban Planning Dreams	England East Mission, British Mission, new prototype city, urban planning	London, England	1971-09-15	12+	417	In presenting context for my dreams, it is critical to describe my first day in London as a full-tim ...	Urban Planning Dreams (England East Mission, British Mission, new prototype city, urban planning) ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
27	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Work in Denver, Summer of 1970	Denver, Pan American, seismic crews, Red Barn, Quentin Reed, songs	Denver, Colorado USA	1970-07-04	12+	904	As part of the Pan American Scholarship, I was able to obtain an Internship in Denver for the summer ...	Work in Denver, Summer of 1970 (Denver, Pan American, seismic crews, Red Barn, Quentin Reed, songs) ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
28	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Summer Work and Snakes	travel, rattlesnake, water snakes	Enterprise, Utah, USA	0	10+	566	I would saddle a horse, put my 22 in a saddle rifle holster, and ride up in the mountains to fix fen ...	Summer Work (travel, rattlesnake water snakes) 690700 H. Roice Nelson, Jr. -113.6958029 37.5079812 1 ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
29	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Fraternity Sneak	university, Fraternity, steal, rules, plan, poor execution, carp	Salt Lake City, Utah, USA	0	12+	595	I was in a fraternity. To give you an example, one of the rituals of being a pledge was to see if th ...	Fraternity Sneak (university, Fraternity, steal, rules, plan, poor execution, carp) H. Roice Nelson, ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
30	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	 Honesty	lime jello, honesty, death	Enoch, Utah, USA	0	12+	679	Big Roice (Roice Nelson Krueger and I stole some Lime Jello from Grandma's cupboard. Grandma was poo ...	Grandma Nelson (lime jello, honesty, death) H. Roice Nelson, Jr. 37.751092, -113.058690 1960 I ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>
31	2022-07-02	H. Roice	Nelson, Jr.	rnelson@walden3d.com	Yes	Yes	Urban Planning	Gene Autry, underground city, red ants, working together, urban planning, Archology	Enoch, Utah, USA	0	10+	499	Looking back over decades of thinking, it is very interesting to me how a Saturday matinee serial mo ...	Urban Planning Idea Roots (Gene Autry, underground city, red ants, working together, urban planning. ...	Yes	Pending	<a href="#">View story</a>





# Grandma Nelson and Lime Jello



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Submitted by: H. Roice Nelson, Jr.

[rnelson@walden3d.com](mailto:rnelson@walden3d.com)

Subject: Honesty

Grandma Nelson (lime jello, honesty, death) H. Roice Nelson, Jr. 37.751092, -113.058690 1960 I loved Grandma Nelson and she loved me. I saw Grandma Nelson almost every day. There were cattle to feed every night, and I often saw her in the evenings. A couple of examples. Big Roice (Roice Nelson Krueger - Aunt Marie and Uncle Bill's second son) and I stole some Lime Jello from Grandma's cupboard. Grandma was poor. Her cupboard was bare. Grandma recognized the jello was gone and came out to find us. She asked us about the lime jello, and we both denied knowing anything about it. Grandma had us look at each other and stick out our tongues at each other. Big Roice had to explain to me we had been caught. I didn't even know I had fallen down. This certainly was not the only time I have fallen down and not known it. I remember when I had my pet owl in Grandma Nelson's chicken coop, and was having a hard time keeping it fed. My baby barn owl could not eat raw meat from the meat packing plant because there was no fur and bones to keep it down. I got very good at catching mice in the hay stacks. Wasn't enough. So I started shooting birds in Grandma's trees. I remember she questioned the validity of me killing the little birds, and so I let the owl loose. Memory is a funny thing. I was at the High School when I had the owl, and Grandma died on March 11th of 1965, when I was in 9th grade. Yet I remember her asking me about killing the little birds. I believe she has been one of my guardian angels. Maybe this is just mixed-up memories. Grandma Nelson's death was hard for me. It was the first time I was a pall bearer. All of the pall bearers were grandsons. It was harder for some than others. It was easier for me because when Grandpa Hafen died two years earlier, Grandma Nelson had comforted me, explaining I would see him again. I knew she knew what she told me was true. To Me, My Farm Is (a poem by Emma Lambson Nelson) 1. My farm to me is not just land Where bare, unpainted buildings stand To me my farm is nothing less Than all created loveliness 2. My farm is not where I must soil My hands in endless, dreary toil, But where, through seed and swelling pod I've learned to walk and talk with God 3. My farm to me is not a place Outmoded by a modern race, I like to think I just see less Of evil, greed, and selfishness. 4. My farm's not lonely, for all day I hear my children shout and play, And here, when age comes, free from fears I'll live again, long joyous years. 5. My farm's a heaven - here dwells rest, Security and happiness, Whate'er befalls the world outside Here faith and hope and love abide. 6. And so my farm is not just land Where bare, unpainted buildings stand, To me my farm is nothing less Than all God's hoarded loveliness. Grandma Nelson was born on December 7th, 1890, about 7 months before Grandpa Nelson. She did not like it known she was older than Grandpa, and she lied about her birth year to hide the fact. It is hard to realize even a person I thought was perfect, and who taught me the importance of being honest, had fallen down. I knew she did not like to be teased about Leroy Parker (i.e. Butch Cassidy), whom she knew from her youth in Circleville, Utah. Her father was Almon Marion Lambson and her mother was Anna Maria Stohl. She was a first cousin once removed from Julina Lambson Smith one off two sisters who married Joseph F. Smith and Julina was the mother of Joseph Fielding Smith. Joseph Fielding Smith was the prophet who called me to serve as a missionary in The British Mission. For song of this poem as music see <http://www.psalmscountdown.net/?p=4607>





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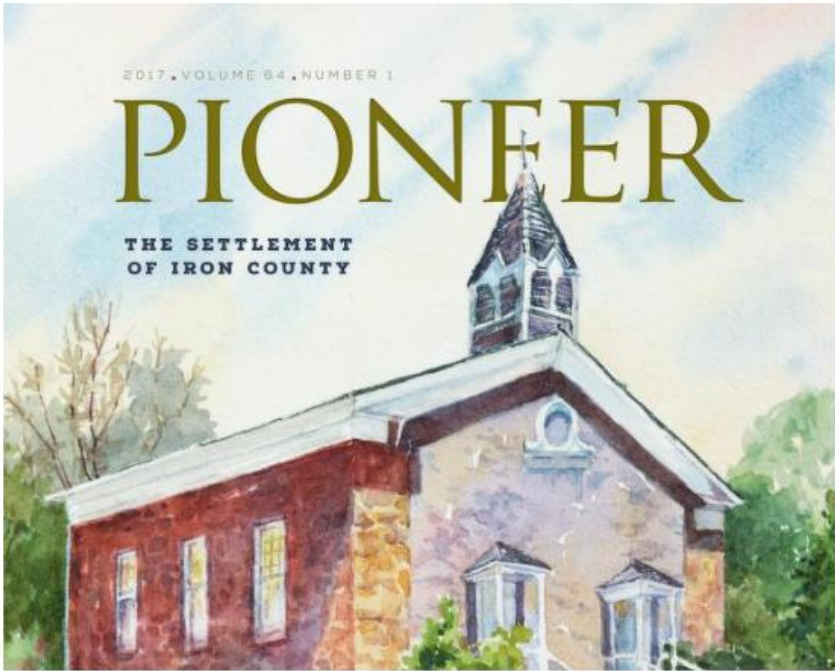
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- Learn about SUP (Sons of Utah Pioneers) and [Pioneer Magazine](#), Cedar City Chapter Vision: Extending the Utah Pioneer Heritage into the Present and the Future.
- Learn about DUP (Daughters of Utah Pioneers) [local DUP Museum](#) & planned satellite museum.
- Learn about and visit Iron County & surrounding area [Monuments](#).
- Look at and rebuild an [antique early 1900 engine](#).
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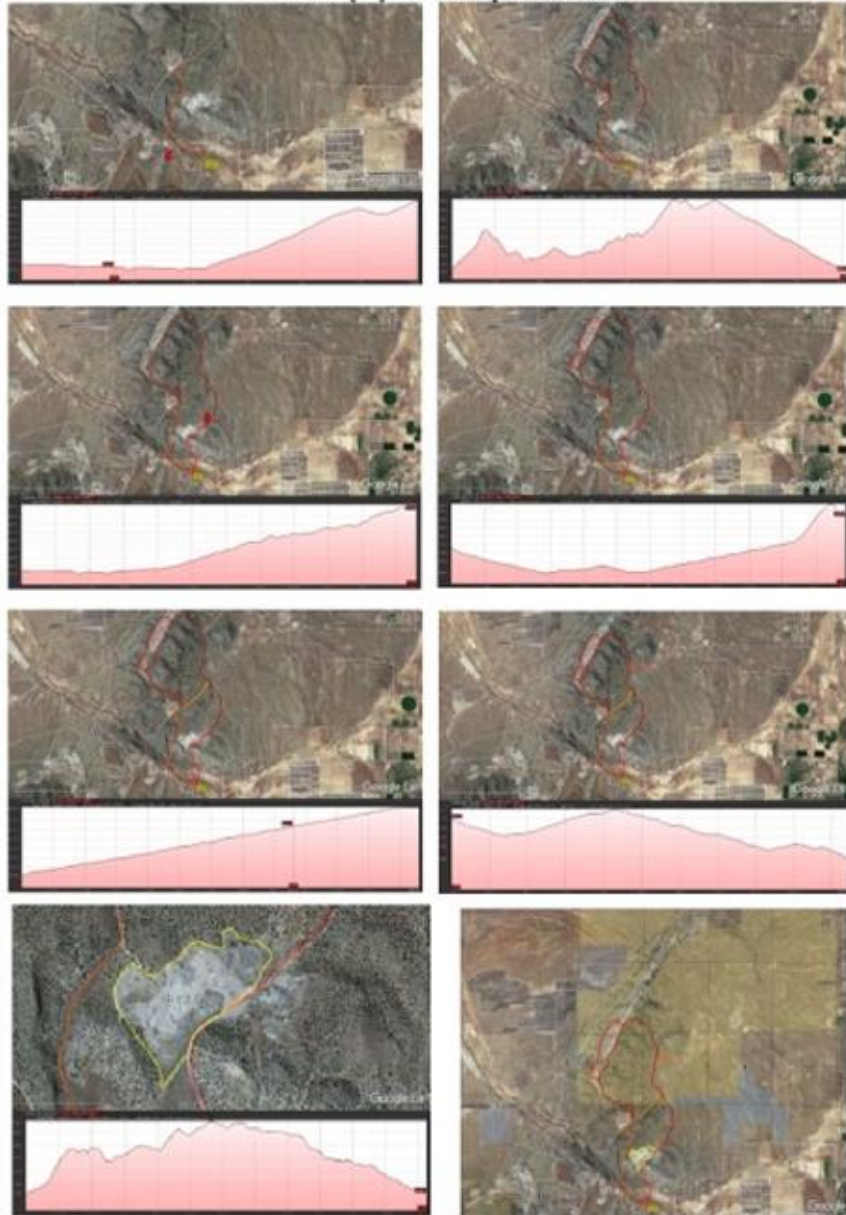
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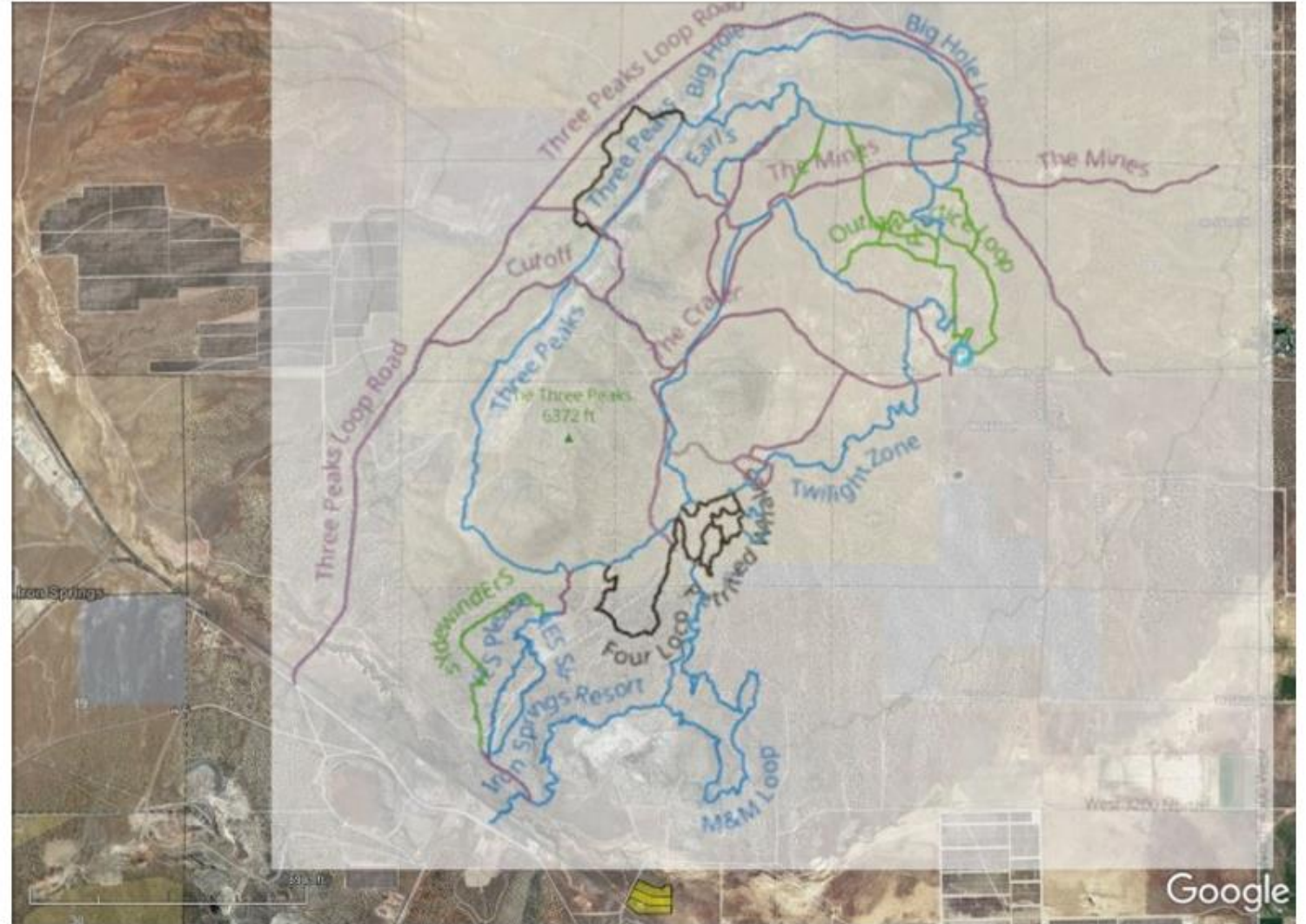
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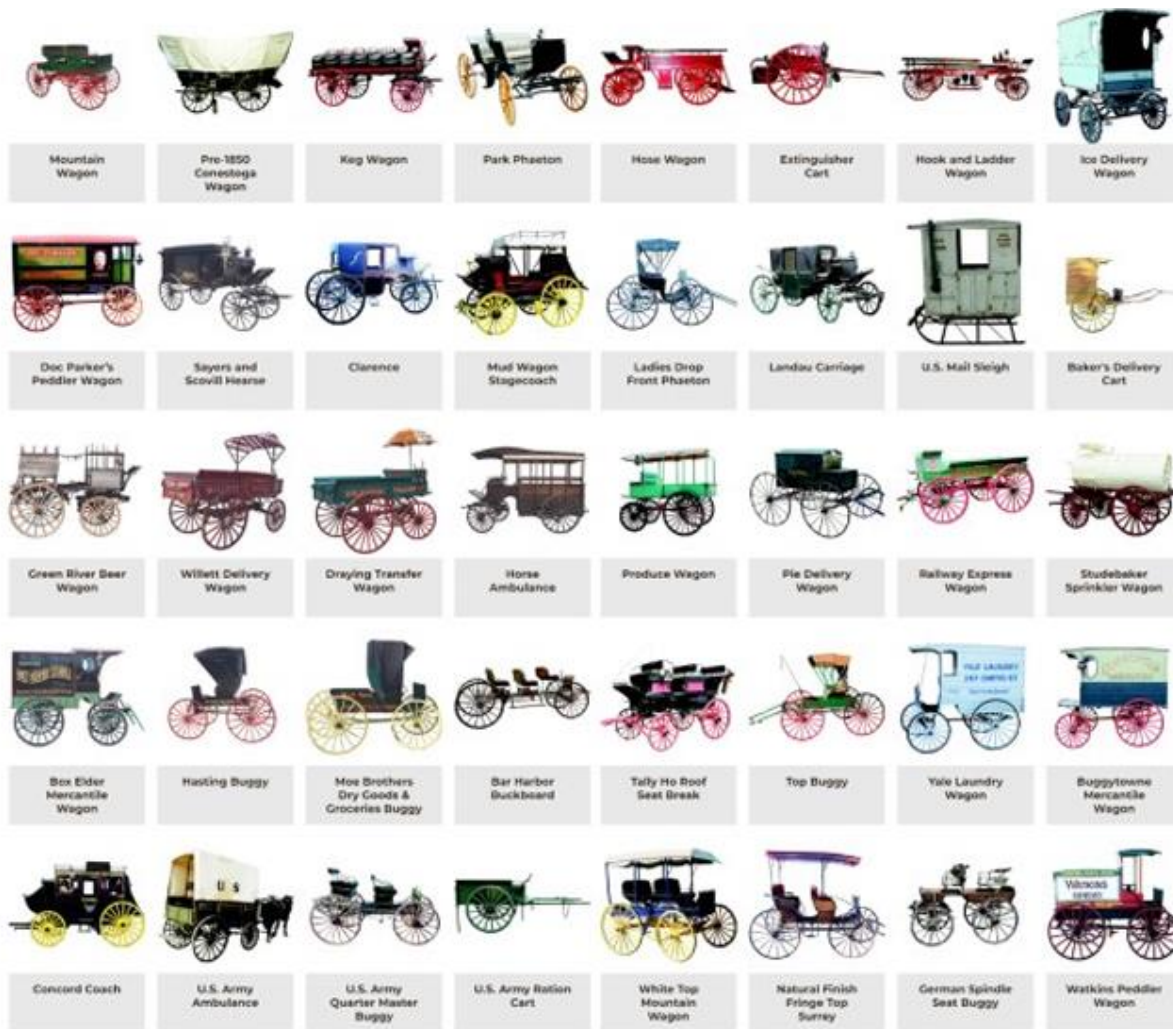


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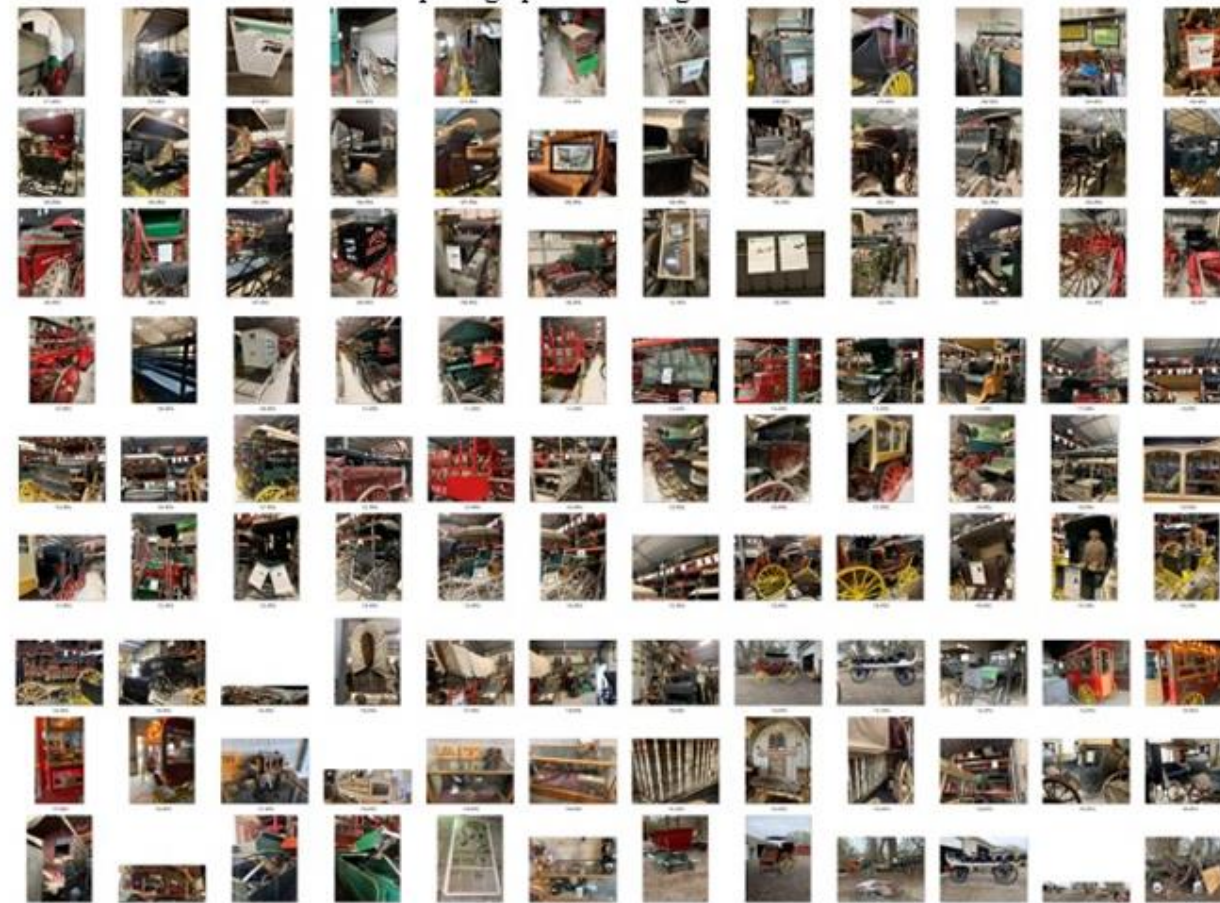
## currently Tremonton, UT



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Some photographs of the wagons in Tremonton:



We believe this collection deserves to and needs to be available for the public to see and to use.





## DUP Museum is Full

- Storage Area is full currently at Frontier Homestead Museum
- Interested in a Satellite Museum with [swhchs.org](http://swhchs.org) at Iron Springs
- Need in permanent storage space
- Both Frontier Homestead State Park and DUP Museum see synergy with [swhchs.org](http://swhchs.org)

**Iron County Historical Society &  
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Top Floor of Wray Mineral Collection:



Bottom Floor of Wray Mineral Collection:



- Monthly Rock Hounding in Area
- Rock Saws & Polishing Wheels
- Need place for Monthly Meetings
- Connections to world class Wray Collection in Milford, Utah (only larger mineral displays are in Moscow, Russia and Vienna, Austria)

3 examples of displayed mineral, Aquamarine:





Historic Gun Collection:



Pistol Collection:



Lost Treasures on the Old Spanish Trail:



Engine Collection (1 of 3):



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# Matheson Family Donations to the [swhchs.org](http://swhchs.org) museum



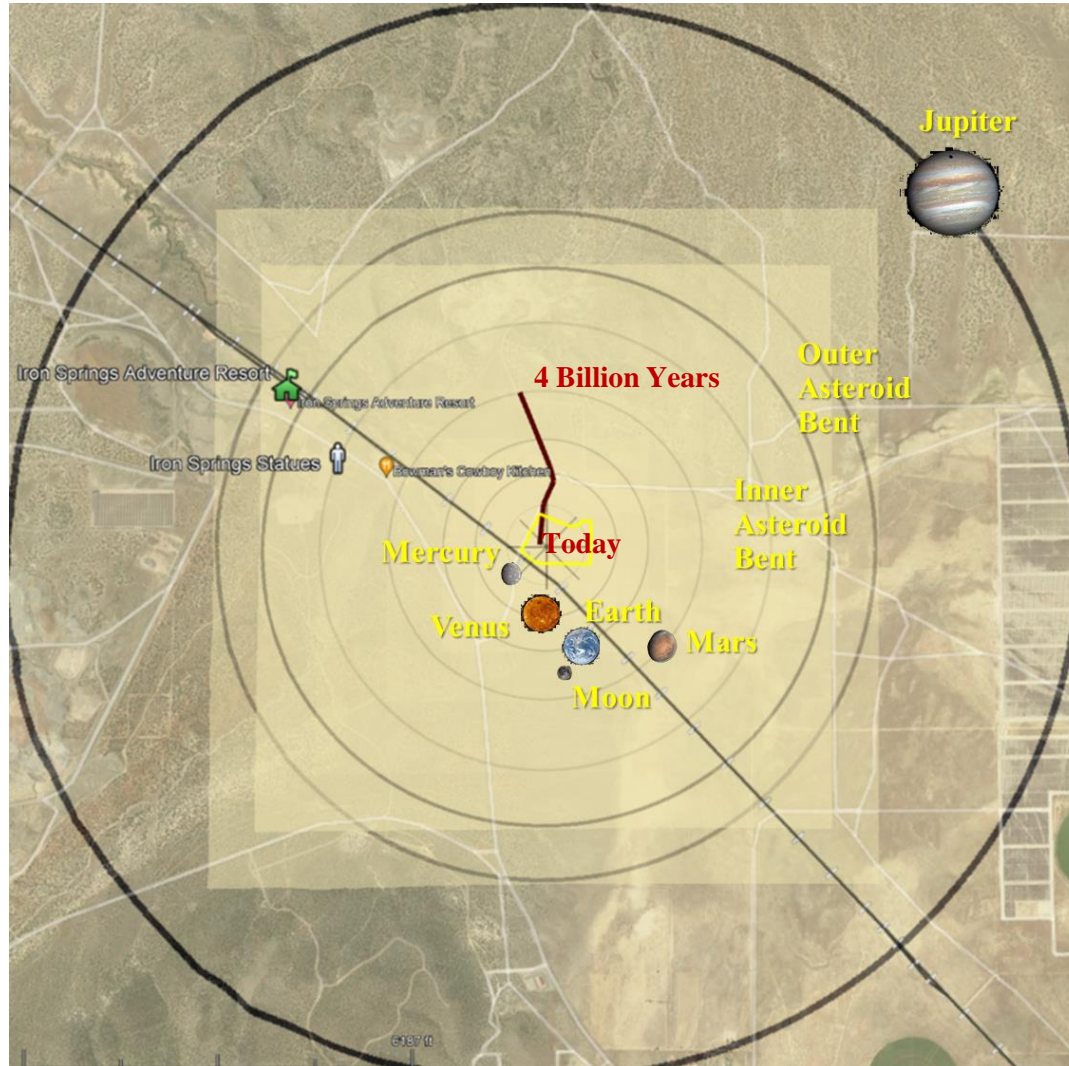


# One Investor's Idea of a Western Town





# Teach Relative Scales of Time & Space





# Family History Stories - Roots & Values



William Palmer wrote  
Francis Webster's  
account of coming to  
know God as a  
handcart pioneer  
(both Cedar City Pioneers)

swchcs.org is “cultivating  
our garden,” the heritage  
of pioneers & farmers &  
soldiers & business  
people & teachers &  
others we want our  
children to be like when  
they grow up


(<http://www.psalmscountdown.net/?p=5063>)






# Make No Small Plans


- This introduction is a long-term plan.
  - We (Frank & Al & Roice) recognize plans will not be realized in our life.
  - This project is a focus for rest of my life.
  - Enjoy, Learn, & Become Better!
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- Planners & Logistics.
- Historians, to capture/edit stories.
- Docents & Marketing Experts.
- Fund Raisers & Grant Writers.
- Web Developers.
- Designers, Cowboys & Cowgirls
- Local & On-Line Sales:
  - Calendars & Rocks.
  - Sweatshirts.
  - Etc.