

## FEBRUARY 2018 LESSON, ARTIFACT, AND MUSIC

### **FEBRUARY 2018 DUP Lesson**

#### **PIONEERS WHO TRAVELED EAST TO THE TERRITORY**

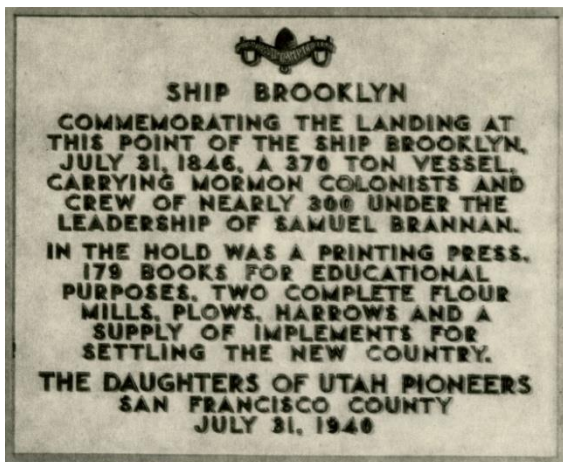
**Julie Nichols Thompson**

“Westward Ho” was often the mantra as thousands of hope-filled emigrants made the trek from the eastern and southern coasts of the United States toward a new home that held the promise of safety and prosperity. While some travelers were relocating to a country that had yet to celebrate its centennial, others crossed the ocean leaving behind thousands of years of history as well as family members who hoped to join them later or who had resigned themselves to the fact that they would never meet again in this lifetime. Many early converts to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints were disowned and disinherited by their loved ones in Europe and truly had nothing to lose as they left their homeland for the western frontier of the United States. Whatever their motivation, they were faithful in their pursuit of Zion and undaunted in the face of hardship on the sea, rivers, plains, and mountain passes.

While the majority of the Utah Pioneers traveled the route which began in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and ended as they emerged from Emigration Canyon on the east bench of the Salt Lake Valley, there were many adventurous Saints who entered through the southernmost reaches of the Territory, following a trail through the Sierra Nevada mountain range instead of the Rocky Mountains. Thousands of Utah Pioneers began their trek in Europe, choosing separate paths at the port in Liverpool. There were those who sailed across the Atlantic Ocean, landing in New York or New Orleans, and others such as the passengers of the ship Brooklyn who passed around Cape Horn, landing in Northern California. There were also groups who sailed to Sydney, Australia, working for a time before completing the journey. Among the Utah Pioneers who entered from the western United States were converts to the LDS Church from Europe, Australia, the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii), and California.

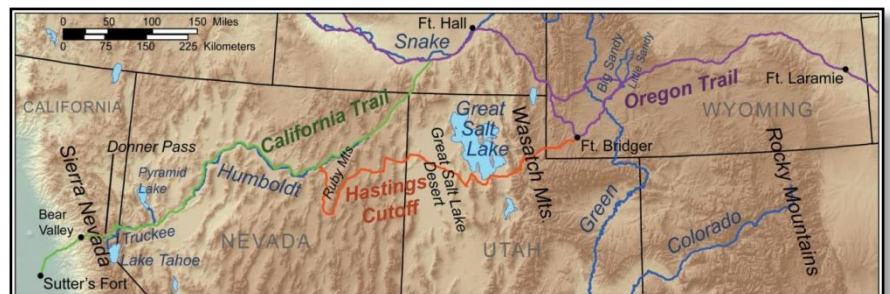


*1996 reenactment of the arrival of the ship Brooklyn, commemorating 150 years since the Brooklyn Saints docked in San Francisco, California, on July 31, 1846.*



*DUP Marker #60 “Ship Brooklyn Pioneers”, San Francisco, California. (DUP Photo Collection)*

This lesson will discuss individuals and families who separated from the other groups heading for Zion, choosing a route less traveled, with hopes of eventually crossing paths with their former associates. Among this highly revered group, we find those who narrowly escaped the fate of the Donner Party, survivors of a shipwreck who were castaways on a deserted island, and homesteaders in Southern California who were forced to abandon their homes and hastily make their way to the Salt Lake Valley where they hoped to find strength in numbers.



*Map depicting the route of the Donner Party through the Hastings cutoff and the Thomas Rhoades Group traveling north through Fort Hall. (Wikimediacommons.org. accessed Oct. 1, 2017)*

Lessons pamphlets are available for purchase by contacting the Pioneer Memorial Museum in Salt Lake City at 801-532-6479 ext. 200 or [info@isdup.org](mailto:info@isdup.org)

**FEBRUARY 2018 DUP Artifact**

**“BAND JACKET”**

**Where:** American Fork DUP Relic Hall  
50 South 100 East  
American Fork, UT 84003

**Open:** June through August  
Monday and Friday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm or by  
appointment  
Free Admission  
Phone: 801-756-3724

**This red band jacket of wool has brown cotton lining. The white trim is sewn in patterns of figure eights. The adornment is on the front, sleeves and back of tunic. Metal buttons complete the band suit coat. The jacket was worn by Albert S. Mott (1879-1947) when he played in the American Fork City Band in 1890.**



**Donated by Leah Sabey Grantsville DUP**



**FEBRUARY 2018 DUP Song**

**“GRANDPAPA”**

**Pioneer Song Contest Collection 2013  
Sung by Karen Bruestle on the 2017-2018 Music CD**

**Barbara McKeown is the composer of this song and writes the following: I can just picture my great-grandmother, Nancy Garr Badger singing this Bavarian waltz as she contemplates leaving her home on the trek westward. Her husband has gone ahead as a scout in the advance party leaving her with a new baby daughter and the responsibility of helping her widowed father and his young family. Her heart is troubled, but as she sees a picture of her grandfather, Andreas Garr, she is inspired by his courage as he left his German home to come to America because of religious persecution.**

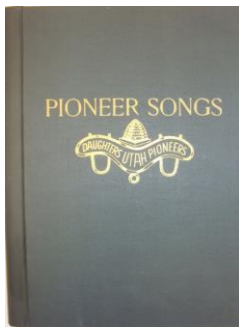
**LeeAnn Nelson, Music Chairperson, ISDUP**

**Dr. Morris F. Lee, Instrumental Accompaniment**

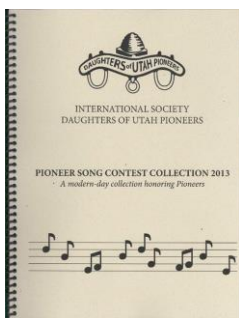


**Front cover:** The painting of pioneer women huddled near the handcart is by artist Julie Rogers. She has said, "I paint the stories for people to enjoy. I especially love the women of the trail." Her permission was graciously given to use this picture.

**Songs include:** Oh! Willie We Have Missed You; Rosy Neil; The Vacant Chair; I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day; Oh Dear! What Can The Matter Be?; Grandpapa; The Way We Crossed The Plains; Echo Canyon; Grandmother's Old Arm Chair; Salute To Our Utah Pioneers.



**Pioneer Songs music book:** compiled by Daughters of Utah Pioneers and arranged by Alfred M. Durham, was first published in 1932. Music for the pioneers served as a source of enjoyment as well as inspiration. The songs have a legacy, each one with a story that could be told about life's trials, hardship, and joy.



**Pioneer Song Contest Collection:** To commemorate Pioneer Day of July 24, 2013, ISDUP had a song writing contest of modern-day composers and lyricists. They wrote in honor of a rich pioneer legacy of faith, fortitude, courage, freedom and industry.

Eighty-nine entries, representing over eleven-hundred DUP Camps, were divided into six categories for assessment. The songs of all the winners and twenty "close contenders" entries are published in this collection.

This volume represents the first modern-day song collection ever printed in the history of DUP other than the original book of Pioneer Songs published in 1932.

The CD, Pioneer Song Contest Collection, and hardbound Pioneer Songs music book, are available for purchase at the Pioneer Memorial Museum in Salt Lake City or from our online shop at [isdup.org](http://isdup.org).