

International Society Daughters of Utah Pioneers Bulletin

April 1, 2026

Presidents, forward this to Camp Captains. Captains, forward and share this in your Camp meeting.

“2026, A Year of Celebration”

Utah Legislative Honor

International Society Daughters of Utah Pioneers received a citation from the Utah State House of Representatives and Utah Senate honoring the Society for its 125th anniversary. Representative Ray Ward and Senator Todd Weiler sponsored the citation, inviting members of the International Board to the Legislature and Senate floor to receive the citation. In part, the citation reads:

“Now, therefore, be it known that on this 17th day of February 2026, the Utah Legislature expresses sincere appreciation to the International Society Daughters of Utah Pioneers for 125 years of faithful service in preserving Utah’s history and ensuring that the legacy of its pioneers endures for future generations.”

Let’s Celebrate 125 Years of Daughters of Utah Pioneers!

We are thrilled to be celebrating our 125th birthday on April 11, 2026, and we think we look pretty good for our age! Consider these ideas for use in your Company and Camp.

- Enjoy the history of DUP through looking at the 125 daily posts on social media.
- A commemorative pin is available for purchase.
- Beginning April 1 there will be a link on the website homepage for an entertaining 13-minute video celebrating the birthday and detailing the history, accomplishments, and vision of DUP accessible for Company and Camp events. **Two hints** for watching the video; you will need internet access and you can click on the bottom “CC” if you would like to have closed captioning.
- The May lesson for 2026 focuses on DUP today.
- Consider cleaning Markers and Monuments if you have one in your area as a birthday service gift and/or spreading the word to visit your local DUP Satellite Museum/Cabin.
- Continue inviting friends and family members to join DUP.
- Stickers depicting the picture on the new pin are available for purchase.
- Attend the International Seminar/Convention on June 20, 2026 where the history of DUP will be featured. (details below)
- Download clipart for your DUP invitations and correspondence. Find the clipart link: [ISDUP.org>homepage>DUP News>Celebrate 125 Years of Daughters of Utah Pioneers](http://ISDUP.org/homepage/DUP%20News/Celebrate%20125%20Years%20of%20Daughters%20of%20Utah%20Pioneers).

Points of Interest:

- **The Pioneer Memorial Museum will be closed:** May 25, Memorial Day.
- **Welcome** to the 109 new Members of Daughters of Utah Pioneers who joined in March.
- **Days of '47 Scholarship Competition**
The Days of '47 Royalty have been chosen. Visit the ISDUP website to see the names and pictures of the three winners and read their bios.
- **International Seminar/Convention – Save the Date!**
 - Convention will be streamed live.
 - Saturday, June 20, 2026 (flyer attached)
 - Woods Cross High School, 600 West 2200 South, Woods Cross, Utah
 - Officer Training Meeting, 9:00 a.m., for all Company Officers
 - Convention Meeting 10:30 a.m., for all Members, Associates, and friends of DUP
 - Musical Number – Rise Up Children’s Choir is the winner of several prestigious awards nationwide for vocal performances, the ensemble *Amplify* will perform a diversity of music by youth ages 13-18.
 - Speaker – Megan Weiss
Megan Weiss, as a PhD Candidate in US History at the University of Utah, spent a year at the Pioneer Memorial Museum researching the history of Daughters of Utah Pioneers. She read the minutes of Central, National, and International Board Meetings from the beginning of the Society in 1901 until the present day. Her dissertation, now completed, gives the first book-length, scholarly history of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. Megan has recently graduated from the University of Utah, and we are proud to note that a portion of her work was published in the *Utah Historical Quarterly* in the Winter of 2026 volume entitled “A History of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers.” Megan has worked for the Utah Historical Society (UHS), served a fellowship at Utah Humanities, hosted a weekly radio show called Beehive Archive, and is now employed on the Women's History Initiative Team for UHS. An engaging and motivational speaker, we are proud to host her as our speaker for the ISDUP Convention.
- ***New* Search Pioneer Histories**
The Pioneer History Index has been uploaded to the website: ISDUP.org > History Department > Search Pioneer Histories. Type in the name of the ancestor (several names may come up), choose the correct name from the database list, check to make sure the birth and death information dates are correct, and choose and click the history you want to view. Two pages of the history will be shown. You can click any or all histories, view them in the cart (icon) at the top right of the page, pay for them by completing the checkout fields, select to pay for PayPal, Venmo, or credit card. You will receive the order by email.
- **How to Order from the Shop**

When ordering items from the online shop, one must expect to pay shipping. The prices listed in the online shop include shipping. If ordering more than one item, do not order from the online shop. Instead, call the business office (801-532-6479, ext. 200). Items with shipping and handling ordered this way will be charged with the actual postage and must be paid with a debit or credit card.

- **Frequently Asked Questions**

What is my Company/Camp founding date? Where is my Company/Camp history? What is the series of Presidents/Captains? The answers should come from the minutes of the Company/Camp. We send out a plea that each Company/Camp finds and studies their minutes, notes, and scrapbooks for these important dates.

- ***Tales of Triumph Vol. 9***

Our new lesson book for 2026-2027 will be available for purchase in May. Hardbound books - \$25.00; spiral bound books - \$20.00. Lesson titles are:

September – Las Vegas Fort/Las Vegas Indian Mission

October – Pioneer Frontier Laundresses

November – Oregon Trail Cutoffs and the Donner Party

December – The Pioneer Celebration of Christmas

January – Native American Women, The Ute Indian Tribe

February – Downtown Salt Lake City, With a Walking Tour

March – The First Italian Mission, The Waldensians

April – The Salt Lake City Cemetery

May – Pioneer Era Medicine

- **Pioneer Memorial Museum**

Who visits the Pioneer Memorial Museum? February Museum statistics – total visitors 1,483, school groups 16, states 28, countries 19 including Egypt.

- **Camp Officer Elections**

Congratulations to all Camp Officers who were elected in March. Installation is to take place by May 31 by a Company Officer or Camp Parliamentarian. Report on new Camp Officers to the Company. **New Captains** are reported to International on the Company Annual Statistical Report.

- **Late Dues**

The default setting in the membership database changes May 1 each year. If late dues are received during April, they will be counted for the 2025-2026 current fiscal year. Anything received May 1 and after will be counted toward dues for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

- **Membership Applications**

Applications processed in April will reflect dues paid for the 2025-2026 current fiscal year. Anything received May 1 and after will be counted toward dues for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

- **Company/Camp Registrars**

A request to help us keep the readability of membership applications in good condition: Once an applicant is approved as eligible for membership in Daughters of Utah Pioneers, a copy of her application is made and it is scanned and added to her membership profile. All too often, when applications are printed front and back, especially if it has been filled out by hand, the writing bleeds through so that when it is scanned it can be difficult to read. Conserving paper is usually a good thing, but would you ask applicants to print each page of the application separately instead of just two pages front and back. Thank you!

- **April 2026 Focus Resource: Recognition Pins**

These are listed on the website under Forms tab > Award Pins & Applications > ISDUP Recognition and Award Pins and include DUP Logo Pin, Captain Pin, President Pin, Pioneer Woman of Today, Women of Faith and Fortitude, Outstanding Service, Distinguished Service, Years in DUP (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 years). See listed eligibility requirements. All pins listed on page 1 may be purchased at the Pioneer Memorial Museum Gift Counter (in-person) or the online Shop (prices there include shipping for a single pin; call the business office for shipping of multiple pins.)

Note: A resource to determine the number of membership years is found on the website: Forms tab > Other Forms > **Membership Number by Year.**

- **Phone Availability**

Please help us get through to you. If you are an officer, make sure your voice mail has been set up on your phone and that you empty the previous voice mails you have received so that new messages may be left for you.

- **Museum Donations**

A new feature is on the website for donations. Donations can now be made through Venmo and check, as well as PayPal and credit card.

- **Find Your Inactive Members!**

We encourage Company Presidents and Camp Captains to consider making a Company or Camp goal for 2026-27 to find and activate inactive Members on your Camp Roster.

- **The Ten-Year Camp Initiative**

The Ten-Year Camp Initiative was introduced in 2023 as a planning tool to assess the perpetuation of each Camp. Continue this effort and find resources on the homepage of our website under DUP News as well as under the Home tab > Outreach.

- **Company Annual Statistical Report**

Thank you to the Companies that have submitted their 2024-2025 Statistical Report due last June 30. We have 166 of the reports, waiting for 18 more. Please prepare and submit it if your Company has not.

- **Pioneer Memorial Museum Docents**

Calling out for new docents! We invite you to volunteer as a docent at our Museum.

- **International Board Positions**

We have several openings for volunteers on our International Board. We are looking for applicants who are Members of DUP and have qualifications in speaking, leadership, and computer skills. It is fun and rewarding! Interested Members should submit a resume by email to: President@isdup.org.

- **Virtual DUP Camps**

The list of Virtual Camps is available on the homepage of our website under DUP News.

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