

# International Society Daughters of Utah Pioneers

## Bulletin

May 1, 2026

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

## *“2026, A Year of Celebration”*

### Let's Celebrate 125 Years of Daughters of Utah Pioneers!

We were thrilled to celebrate 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 daily posts on social media.
- A commemorative pin is available for purchase.
- Use the link on the website homepage for an entertaining video celebrating the birthday and detailing the history, accomplishments, and vision of DUP.
- 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, magnets, bookmarks, and bags depicting the picture on the new pin are available for purchase.
- Attend 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](http://ISDUP.org) > homepage > DUP News > Celebrate 125 Years of Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

### Points of Interest:

- **The Pioneer Memorial Museum will be closed:** May 25, Memorial Day.
- **Welcome** to the 50 new Members of Daughters of Utah Pioneers who joined in April.
- **International Seminar/Convention – Save the Date!**
  - Convention will be streamed live. Find the link on the homepage under NEWS.
  - Saturday, June 20, 2026
  - Woods Cross High School, 600 W 2200 S, 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
  - Days of '47 Royalty will be presented

- Musical Number – *Rise Up Children’s Choir*, winner of several prestigious awards nationwide for vocal performances. Their ensemble *Amplify* will perform a diversity of music by youth ages 13-18.
- Speaker – Dr. Megan Weiss (see attached flyer), as a PhD Candidate in US History at the University of Utah, spent 2 years 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 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 ISDUP Convention speaker.

- ***NEW* Search Pioneer Histories**

The Pioneer Index has been uploaded to the website: [ISDUP.org](http://ISDUP.org) > History Department > Search Pioneer Histories. Type in the name of the ancestor, choose the correct name from the database list, check to make sure the birth and death information dates are correct, and choose the history you want to view. Two pages of the history will be shown. You can choose any or all histories, view them in the cart at the top right of the page, pay for them, and receive them by email.

- ***NEW* Tales of Triumph Vol. 9 is AVAILABLE!!!**

Our new lesson book for 2026-2027 is now available in the Museum or online. 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

- **Outreach**

As we look toward celebrating 179 years since the arrival of the first pioneers and the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of American Independence, consider being part of your community celebrations with booths, etc., for outreach. Find suggestions on the website.

- **Annual Statistical Report & Annual Financial Review**

As we complete our DUP fiscal year, Camps report to the Company by June 15, and Companies report to International by June 30 the statistics and finances of the 2025-2026 year. International receives only the Company version. The Statistical Report is in three parts: Part 1 is statistics, Part 2 lists key Company Officers, Part 3 lists Camp Captains.

- **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? 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/history elements.

- **Pioneer Memorial Museum**

Who visits the Pioneer Memorial Museum? March Museum statistics – total visitors 3,424, school groups 34, states 34, countries 25 including Lithuania, Venezuela, Paraguay, and El Salvador.

- **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.

- **Company/Camp Registrar**

A request to help keep the readability of DUP membership application is good condition: Once an applicant is approved as eligible for membership, 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 ask applicants to print each page of the application separately instead of just two pages front and back. Thank you!

- **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 after May 1 will be counted toward dues for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

- **May 2026 Focus Resource: Kinship Award**

The Kinship Award Pin is earned by a DUP Member who facilitates the joining of two new Members to DUP who are related to her by blood or marriage within a one-year period. An application may be found on the website: Forms tab > Award Pins & Applications > Kinship Pin Award Application. Price: \$3 if picked up, \$8 if mailed.

- **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 a new message 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.

- **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. It is fun and rewarding! We are looking for applicants who are Members of DUP and have qualifications in speaking, leadership, and computer skills. Interested Members should submit a resume by email to: [President@isdup.org](mailto:President@isdup.org).

- **Virtual DUP Camps**

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