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SOUTHERN UTAH CHAPTER OF THE OLD SPANISH TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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Meeting Schedule

Meetings are generally held at 7PM on the second Wednesday of each month in the Enoch City Office Building, 900 East Midvalley Road, Enoch, UT. The next chapter meeting will be April 9 at 7:00 PM.

In addition, the chapter plans regular field trips to Old Spanish Trail sites. These field trips will be announced at the chapter meetings, local newspapers, and this website. See the chapter website for dates and times.

World Premier of Video Enhancement for the Spanish Trail Suite

The Old Spanish Trail is perhaps the oldest trail in the American West. Native American tribes, Hispanic explorers, and pioneers used this trial, or portions of this trail, for literally thousands of years. Today, modern highways trace many sections of the original Spanish Trail, including I-15 from Parowan to Cedar City, Utah, and Las Vegas, Nevada, to San Bernadino, California. The rich history of the Old Spanish Trail will come alive in April, thanks to a remarkable film by Video Ideas Production of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and the Orchestra of Southern Utah. Video Ideas has stunning time-lapse video of storms unfolding, moon rises, sunsets and recreations of trail scenes that will serve as a backdrop to the OSU performance the Spanish Trail Suite. This world premiere, multi-media event will take place during the OSU Halversen Concert on April 10th at the Heritage Center in Cedar City, Utah at 7:30 p.m. Adults are \$10 and students are \$5 with groups of six at \$30.

For more information: (435) 865-2882 or www.orchestraofsouthernutah.org

15th Annual OSTA Conference

June 6-8, 2008

For more information: http://tinyurl.com/3qag54

Special Reprint Book Offer

by Lorraine Carpenter (Forwarded by Leon Matheson)

By now you have all received your issue of Spanish Traces and noted the insert advertising the reprinting of the Crampton/Madsen classic, *In Search of the Spanish Trail*. We [OSTA] have worked for about a month with Gibbs Smith Publishing to convince them to reprint this out-of-print book. It will be reprinted with only one addition, that being a "Preface to the Reprint" by Steve Madsen. Also, the cover now looks more like the Trail days.

On behalf of OSTA, we have agreed to be part of the process of obtaining "pre-orders" for copies of this reprint among our partners and contacts, other than bookstores. Gibbs Smith Publishing will handle the usual book store contacts and orders. In order to justify the cost of a reprint, Gibbs Smith wishes to get promises for approximately 6,000 orders in total before going to press. Our share of this number is half - 3,000.

What do we get out of this? A lot! If we can get enough promises for orders from our museums, libraries, visitor's centers, members, national parks and monuments, etc. to get the reprint to press, Gibbs Smith will handle this arrangement as a fund raiser for OSTA. We will receive 40% of the proceeds from the sale of our 3,000 copies. That could amount up to about \$34,000 to OSTA for our efforts on behalf of this OST classic!

We would like to enlist the help of all of you in reaching this goal. Step 1 is to identify the museums, libraries, visitor centers, etc. locations/partners for your state that should be contacted. In other words, make and email me a list. Don't worry about duplicating what someone else puts on their list; the database will eliminate duplicates. We know you will rise to the challenge. We thank you in advance.

Information on ordering your copy is available at http://www.oldspanishtrail.org/news.php

Links to Articles Related to the Old Spanish Trails

(Submitted by Leon Matheson)

The Domingues-Escalante Expedition by Edward Leo Lyman http://tinyurl.com/4tq2v4

Parowan Gap Trails Exploration by Garth Norman http://tinyurl.com/4j7ah7

Parowan Gap Trails Exploration (Petroglyph Diagrams) by Garth Norman http://tinyurl.com/4nsgl4

Western Message Glyphs by James Guymon http://tinyurl.com/4mwap3

Interpretation of National Historic Trails by Douglas Knudson http://tinyurl.com/3ttzgn

Native Context of the Old Spanish Trail in California by David Earle http://tinyurl.com/3tbbxa

The Spanish in Utah Prior to 1776 by Lyman D Platt

http://tinyurl.com/4ro57t

Writing Along the Trail by Carolynne Merrell http://tinyurl.com/4jpzak

Writing Along the Trail (Figures) by Carolynne Merrell http://tinyurl.com/3tzko2

Spanish Trails Navigation Part I by Alva Matheson

http://tinyurl.com/44vr2s

Spanish Trails Navigation Part II by Alva Matheson http://tinyurl.com/54mdkw

The Writing The Wall: The Battle to Preserve Glen Canyon Inscriptions http://tinyurl.com/23l2q5

Hidden History on the Old Spanish Trail http://tinyurl.com/2pzvfw

Hidden Treasure on the Old Spanish Trail http://tinyurl.com/36yud6

Area is rich with ancient history and discovery http://tinyurl.com/2h9re6

Back issues of Spanish Traces and an index to the articles is now available on the OSTA board website

http://tinyurl.com/2pmjrs



Arizona Cross: A newly discovered engraving



Water Glyph: One of the banjo glyphs discovered in the same area