

# 28<sup>th</sup> Annual OCTA Convention



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## Elko Convention Center, Elko, Nevada Conference Agenda

### Tuesday, August 10, 2010

8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Conference Registration*
8:00 am to 4:00 pm	OCTA National Board Meeting
5:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Reception & Authors' Night (no-host bar)

### Wednesday, August 11, 2010

8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Registration all day
8:00 am to 9:00 am	Chapter Presidents' Meeting/Breakfast (Red Lion Inn)
9:00 am to 10:00 am	General Membership Meeting
10:00 am to 10:30	Break
10:30 am to 11:30 am	KEY NOTE SPEAKER: <b>Dr. Donald Hardesty, University of Nevada – Reno</b>
11:45 am to 1:00 pm	Luncheon – Sandwich Buffet and Presentation by Frank and Mary Ann Tortorich (12:30 – 1:00)
1:15 pm to 4:30 pm	SPEAKERS: <b>Jim Hardee, "A River by any other Name- Mountain Men and the Humboldt" (1:15 - 2:15)</b> <b>Martha Voght, "Joseph R. Walker and the Opening of the Road to California" (2:15 - 3:15)</b> [Break, 3:15 - 3:30] <b>John Mark Lambertson, "The Ceaseless Agony of an Unspeakable Anxiety" (3:30 - 4:30)</b>
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Cocktail hour (no-host bar)
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Awards Dinner and Auction*

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<i>Thursday, August 12, 2010</i>	
8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Last day for Registration
8:00 am to 5:00 pm	<b>TOURS (Note – Tours C and F will be offered on Thursday only):</b> <b>A</b> – Wells/Ruby Valley, Trails East of Elko (Chuck Briggs, leader) <b>B</b> – Gravelly Ford/Humboldt Highroad, Trails West of Elko (Steve Feasel, leader) <b>C</b> – Newmont Mine Tour (1/2 day, 8:00 - 12:00) <b>D</b> – Tuscarora Mining Ghost Town (1/2 day, 1:00 - 5:00) <b>E</b> – Lamoille Canyon to Island Lake Hiking Tour (Larry Hyslop, leader, 50 max.) <b>F</b> – Greenhorn Cutoff Hiking Tour (Gary Koy, Curtis Calder, 25 persons max.)
5:00 pm -	Dinner on your own
<i>Friday, August 13, 2010</i>	
8:30 am to 11:45 am	<b>SPEAKERS: David Johnson, "The Bidwell – Bartleson Party" (8:30 - 9:30)</b> <b>John Krizek, "The Opening of the California Trail" (9:30 - 10:30)</b> <i>[Break, 10:30 - 10:45]</i> <b>Roy Tea, "The Hastings Cutoff" (10:45 - 11:45)</b>
12:00 m to 1:00 pm	Salad Bar Luncheon
1:15 pm to 3:00 pm	<b>WORKSHOPS: Historic Firearms – David Jamiel</b> <b>BLM Site Stewardship – Jill Jenson</b> <b>Digital Photography – Larry Hyslop</b> <b>OCTA Trails Mapping/Archaeology – Dave Welch, Terry del Bene</b> <b>Shoshone Perspective – Lois Whitney</b> <b>COED/Paper Trail – Sallie and Jim Riehl</b>
3:00 pm to 3:15 pm	Break
3:15 pm to 5:00 pm	Chapter Meetings
6:00 pm to 6:30 pm	Cocktails, Great Basin College Amphitheater (no-host bar)
6:30 pm to 9:00 pm	Dinner and John Sparks Chautauqua Presentation, GPC Amphitheater
<i>Saturday, August 14, 2010</i>	
8:00 am to 5:00 pm	<b>TOURS (Note – Tour G will only be offered on Saturday):</b> <b>A</b> – Wells/Ruby Valley, Trails East of Elko (Chuck Briggs, leader) <b>B</b> – Gravelly Ford/Humboldt Highroad, Trails West of Elko (Steve Feasel, leader) <b>D</b> – Tuscarora Mining Ghost Town (1/2 day, 1:00 - 5:00) <b>E</b> – Lamoille Canyon to Island Lake Hiking Tour (Larry Hyslop, leader, 50 max.) <b>G</b> – Walking Tour of Historic Downtown Elko, 9:00-11:00, Jan Petersen, leader
6:00 pm -	Basque Dinner (California National Historic Trail Interpretive Center)

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### *Pre-Convention Tours*

August 7 - 9 (Sat/Sun/Mon) Fort Hall Road/California Trail, guided by John Winner

August 7 - 9 (Sat/Sun/Mon) Hastings Cutoff, guided by Roy Tea and Roger Gash

### *Post-Convention Tours*

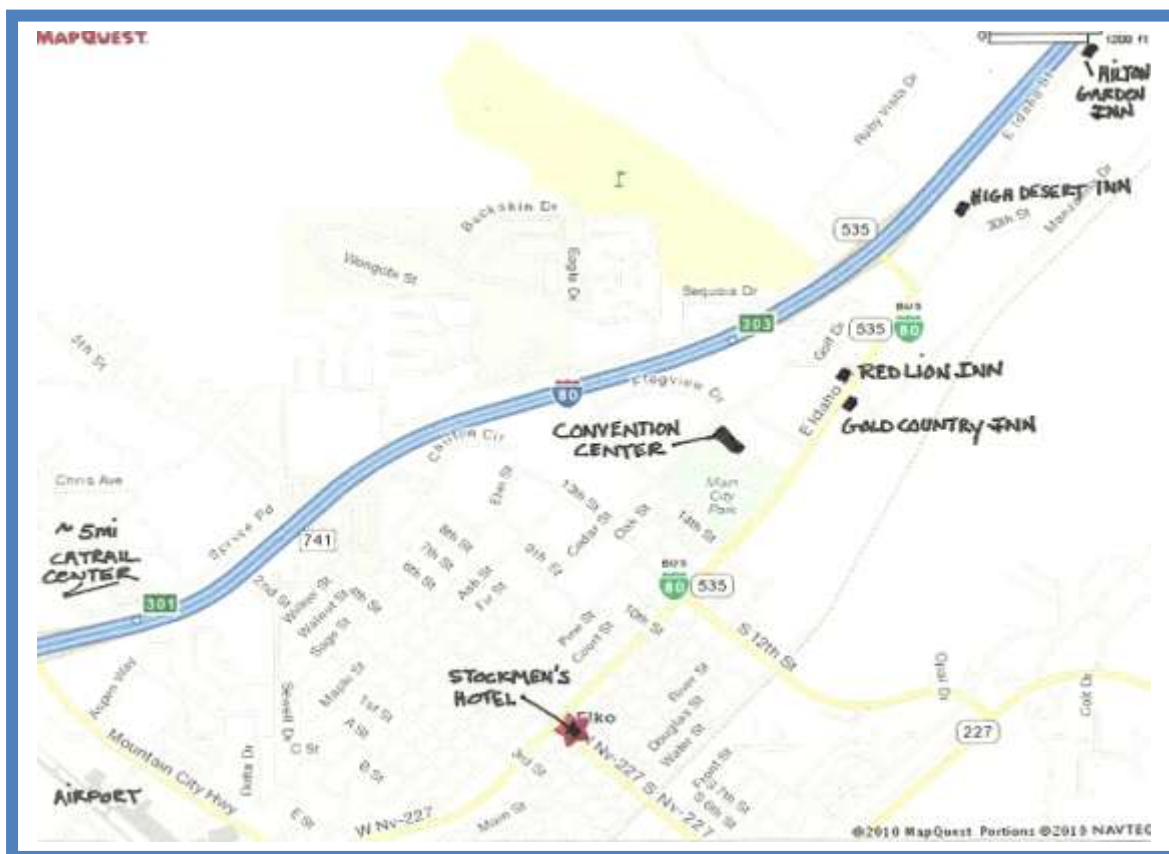
August 15 - 16 (Sun/Mon) The Simpson Trail, guided by Jess Petersen

August 16 - 19 (Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs) Applegate – Lassen Trail, guided by Chuck Dodd



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## Welcome to Elko, on the California Trail!



### Convention Hotels

#### A – Red Lion Hotel & Casino

The Red Lion at 2065 Idaho Street is next door to the Convention Center; 100 rooms; 50 standard @ \$69 and 50 premium @ \$89. Call 775-738-2111.

#### B – Gold Country Inn & Casino

Across the street from the Convention Center at 2050 Idaho Street, the Gold Country has 50 standard rooms @ \$79. Gold Country also has an RV Park and facilities. Call 775-738-8421.

#### C – High Desert Inn

The High Desert at 3015 Idaho Street has 50 executive rooms at \$69. Call 775-738-8425.

#### D – Hilton Garden Inn

The Hilton Garden Inn at 3650 E. Idaho Street has 35 rooms @ \$99. Call 775-777-1200.

#### E – Stockmen's Hotel & Casino

The historic Stockmen's Hotel at 340 Commercial Street in the heart of downtown Elko; 100 rooms @ \$39.50. Call 775-738-5141.

For the rates above, mention the OCTA convention when making reservations. In addition to the convention hotels, there is also a Super-8, 775-738-8488, and the Parkview Inn, 775-753-7747, a block away and within easy walking distance of the Elko Convention Center.

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## RV Parks

(See Gold Country above)

**Cimarron West RV Park**, 637 Cimarron Way, Elko. Call 775-738-8733, or visit [www.cimarron.com](http://www.cimarron.com)

**Double Dice RV Park**, 3730 Idaho Street, Elko. Double Dice also has camp sites. Call 775-738-5642, or visit [www.doubledicervpark.com](http://www.doubledicervpark.com)

## Getting to Elko

### **Miles from Elko to Major Cities:**

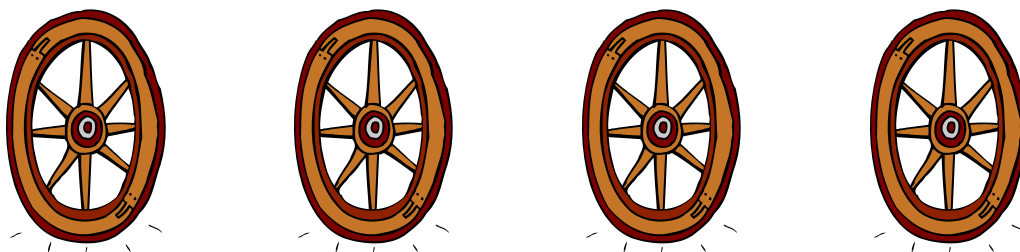
Reno, Nevada	289 Miles
Sacramento, California	427 Miles
San Francisco, California	512 Miles
Los Angeles, California	649 Miles
San Diego, California	764 Miles
Salt Lake City, Utah	225 Miles
Portland, Oregon	665 Miles
Seattle, Washington	735 Miles
Denver, Colorado	758 Miles

### **Miles from Elko to Nearby Towns:**

Carlin	21 Miles
Deeth	31 Miles
Jarbridge	102 Miles
Lamoille	20 Miles
Mountain City	90 Miles
Spring Creek	8 Miles
Tuscarora	52 Miles
Wells	51 Miles
West Wendover	108 Miles
Wildhorse	67 Miles

### **Air Service**

Not looking forward to the drive? Want to get to Elko quick? **Elko Regional Airport** is serviced by Delta Airlines and other carriers, preferred local carriers are Skywest Airlines (800-331-1212) and El Aero Services (775-738-7123). Recent round-trip airfares from western cities range from **\$160** (Salt Lake City) to **\$500** (Sacramento). Rental cars are available at the airport through **Avis** (775-738-4426), **Enterprise** (775-738-2899), or **Hertz** (775-738-5620).



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# 28<sup>th</sup> Annual OCTA Convention Program

## Pre-Convention Tours

### ***Fort Hall Road/California Trail, August 7-9 (Sat-Sun-Mon) – led by John Winner***

The Fort Hall Road was the first emigrant trail to California via the Humboldt River. It branched off of the Oregon Trail just after it crossed the Raft River in southeastern Idaho. With the addition of the Hudspeth Cutoff and the Salt Lake Cutoff, the Fort Hall Road evolved into the California Trail. The tour will visit the beginning of the **Raft River Road, McClenden Spring, City of Rocks, Pinnacle Pass, Granite Pass, Record Bluff, Little Goose Creek Canyon, the Emigrant Post Office, Rock Springs** and other landmarks along the trail. **Several short hikes** to visit trail locations or experience what the emigrants endured are also planned. The tour will end in Wells or participants may caravan into Elko.

The tour will take 2 ½ to 3 days of backcountry driving over some very remote bladed and primitive roads. **A high-clearance four-wheel drive vehicle in good condition with good tires is preferred. A CB radio is required.** Two nights will be spent **dry camping** along the way. Plan for hot days and cold nights, thunderstorms are a possibility. Participants need to bring **all** their own food, water, and supplies for the three day trip. This tour has a **10 vehicle limit!** Contact: John Winner, 530-622-5636, [swinner@dataentree.com](mailto:swinner@dataentree.com)

### ***Hastings Cutoff, August 6-8 (Fri-Sat-Sun)***

Follow the route of Lansford W. Hastings in his "The Emigrants Guide to Oregon and California" (1845) and experience the difficulties encountered by many, including the ill-fated Donner-Reed Party, as they crossed the Great Salt Desert and made their way west to meet the California Trail at Elko.

**DAY ONE:** Meet at 8:00 am at the Sinclair Gas Station just north of Utah I-80 Highway Exit # 4. The group will visit **Donner Springs**, mud flats, **Muncee's log cabin, Halls Spring**; take the trail to **Bidwell Pass**, and **Silver Zone Canyon**, then along the trail to **Big Spring**. End day at Wendover or Wells.

**DAY TWO:** Meet at the I-80 Oasis Interchange # 378 at 8:00 am. The group will proceed past the spring and on to the railroad for a short hike toward **Flowery Lake Springs**, then over Flowery Lake Pass and across **Independence Valley** to **Mound Springs**, and across **Spruce Mountain Pass on the trail** to Hwy 93. Visit **Warm Springs**, then continue on to the Ruby Valley Road and south to the trail. Backtrack for the night to motels at Wells or southward to Shanty Town for camping.

**DAY THREE:** Meet at 7:00 AM on the Ruby Valley Road opposite the Hot Springs. Proceed south to **Overland Creek, Rock House, Cave Springs, Harrison Pass Road, Shanty Town, Fort Ruby Monument** and **Overland Canyon** markers, then drive on the trail northwest and north to the County road, traveling a short distance to see **Huntington Creek**. Then on to Jiggs, following the stream north to Twin Bridges and on to the South Fork Reservoir Dam, then back to Dixie Creek and north to an overlook into the **South Fork Gorge**, then north to the Hot Springs and Elko.

This tour has a **12 vehicle limit** and is subject to minor changes dependent on varying circumstances. Participants **must** have a working **CB radio, high clearance, 4-wheel drive & good tires (4-ply minimum) including a spare**. Contact Roger Gash, [rcgash@gmail.com](mailto:rcgash@gmail.com) or 775-849-1864.

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## Convention Speakers:



Elko Convention Center (ECC)

### **Keynote Speaker:**

**Donald Hardesty. Chairperson, Department of Anthropology, University of Nevada, Reno.**

Dr. Hardesty is a historical archaeologist with particular research interests in early Nevada and historic mining. He will address the topic of the California Trail across northern Nevada.

### **Hardee, Jim. Oregon-California Trails Association.**

*A River by any other Name- Mountain Men and the Humboldt.* Wednesday, August 11. This presentation follows mountain men and explorers Walker, Carson, Meek, Work and others who traveled the Humboldt and knew the river by its earlier designations, including Unknown, Paul's, Mary's, Ogden, St. Mary's, Barren and Swampy.

### **Johnson, David. Oregon-California Trails Association.**

*The Bidwell – Bartleson Party.* The story of the this party's 1841 journey across the plains to California and the forging of the California Trail. Johnson will highlight members of the party that later rose to significance in California history, such as Elias Barnett, Josiah Beldon, John Bidwell, the Kelseys, and Charles Weber, as well as those who followed in the footsteps of the Bidwell-Bartleson Party.

### **Krizek, John. Oregon-California Trails Association**

*The Opening of the California Trail.* John will expand on the story told in the documentary "Forgotten Journey – the Stephens-Townsend-Murphy Saga," about the first party to get wagons over the Sierra Nevada, and the track they followed down the Humboldt River.

### **Lambertson, John Mark Lambertson. Director and Archivist, National Frontier Trails Museum; and Board of Directors, Oregon-California Trails Association.**

*The Ceaseless Agony of an Unspeakable Anxiety: A California Gold Rush "Widow" Searches for Her Husband.* In 2008, the National Frontier Trails Museum acquired an original 1851 letter written by a woman who was desperately seeking information about her husband who had gone missing in California. Beautifully written and heartbreakingly painful, the letter was penned by a well educated and refined lady, of great insight and religious devotion. It poignantly illustrates the worries and turmoil which was the fate of loved ones left behind when communications from the gold fields abruptly ended.

### **Tea, Roy. Oregon-California Trails Association.**

*The Hastings Cutoff.* An illustrated history of this difficult and short-lived route through the Wasatch Range and over the Great Salt Desert, advertised to emigrants as an easy route and a saving of several days wagon travel, yet most found it to be neither.

### **Voght, Martha. Writer, Bishop, California.**

*Joseph R. Walker and the Opening of the Road to California.* Chronicles the 1833-1834 journey of Walker on the California Trail and over the Sierra Nevada, through the Narrative of Zenas Leonard who traveled with Walker. Voght's interpretations of the *Narrative* show the powerful impact that Walker's journey had upon western travel in the 1830s and 40s, and how the Humboldt Trail evolved from Walker's first "road to California" to become a major route of travel.

## Convention Tours

### **Tour A – Wells/Ruby Valley, Trails East of Elko - led by Chuck Briggs** **August 12 (Thursday) and August 14 (Saturday)**

Traveling east to **Wells**, the tour will view the **California Trail** where it exits from Thousand Springs Canyon, and then travel north to the California Trail at **Thousand Springs**, where an **easy hike (2 miles RT)** to Trails West Marker C-27A (California Trail – Fork to Humboldt River) affords excellent views of the valley and the east side of Thousand Springs Canyon. Following lunch in Wells the tour heads south to **Snow Water Lake** (dry in August) and **Warm Springs Ranch** to where the **Hastings Cutoff** crosses Hwy 93 in view of Silver Zone Pass. Continuing west to Ruby Valley and Markers HN-14 and HN-15, wagon tracks show the way to Overland Pass. Buses return north through Ruby Valley and over **Secret Pass**. On the north side of Secret Pass the tour will stop at Marker PT-12 to view the location of the **1845-46 Secret Creek Pack Trail**. Continuing on to Halleck, Marker C-34 (California Trail Junction) identifies the routes of **Hastings/Clyman and Fremont/Walker**. This is also the site of the **Halleck Bar and Post Office** as well as a marker for Fort Halleck (not the actual fort site). As the tour returns along I-80, wagon tracks are visible over the last hill descending into Elko. Box lunch and beverages will be provided.

### **Tour B – Gravelly Ford/Humboldt High Road, Trails West of Elko – led by Steve Feasel** **August 12 (Thursday) and August 14 (Saturday)**

Known also as the **Carlin-Beowawe Loop**, this tour will highlight several reasons why the California Trail strayed away from the Humboldt River. It includes visits to **Carlin Canyon** and **Palisades**, and participants will view initials printed with axle grease, the **Gravelly Ford crossing** near Beowawe, the **Lucinda Duncan grave site**, and a section of the **George Chorpennig "Jack Ass" mail route**. There will be a **short, moderately-difficult hike** originating at Trails West Marker C-41-A at the ascent to **Emigrant Pass**. Box lunch and beverages will be provided.

### **Tour C – Newmont Mine Tour, August 12 (Thursday only, 8:00 am – 12:00 m)**

Tour a **modern gold mine** near Carlin. This operation works the soil to collect microscopic particles of gold, yet it is the **highest-producing gold mine** in the country and one of the top mines in the world today. Newmont Mines are not open to the public – Newmont is offering OCTA a unique opportunity to view the mine's internal workings as well as the massive equipment used in modern gold mining. Water and snacks will be provided on the bus trip; the tour will return to Elko before lunch.

### **Tour D – Tuscarora Mining Ghost Town – led by Russell Phillips** **August 12 (Thursday) and August 14 (Saturday), 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

This **ghost town** from the **silver mining** heyday in eastern Nevada is located on Mt. Blitzen northwest of Elko. Placer gold was discovered in the area in the 1860s, but it became a short-lived boom town in the late 1870s, and the population rose quickly to 1,500 with **saloons, a brewery, brothels and a large Chinatown**. Water and snacks will be provided, bring your own bottle of whiskey!

### **Tour E – Lamoille Canyon to Island Lake Hiking Tour – led by Larry Hyslop** **August 12 (Thursday) and August 14 (Saturday)**

Hike beautiful Lamoille Canyon in the **Ruby Mountains** to Island Lake at approximately 9,000 feet in elevation. Round trip is about **four miles** of gradual switchbacks, **easy to moderate** in difficulty. Hikers should dress appropriately and bring daypack, sunscreen and hat. A pack lunch will be provided and some water; however, participants should **pack their own extra water** supply for the hike. This trip has a **30-person maximum**.

### **Tour F – Greenhorn Cutoff Hiking Tour – led by Gary Koy, Curtis Calder, August 12 (Thursday)**

This hiking tour will begin at the start of the Greenhorn Cutoff just west of the California National Historic Trail Interpretive Center, and end north of Carlin Canyon. The **Greenhorn Cutoff** was used by emigrants traveling to California in **1849-1850** if they arrived early in the season when the Humboldt River was running too high to safely cross. Participants will be following the path of the emigrants along visible trail trace. Total hiking distance is **5.5 miles**. The level of hiking difficulty is **easy to moderate** for persons in reasonably good health. Hikers should dress appropriately and bring daypack, sunscreen and hat. A pack lunch will be provided and some water; however, participants should **pack their own extra water** supply for the hike. This trip has a **25-person maximum**.

### **Tour G – Walking Tour of Historic Downtown Elko – led by Jan Petersen**

Tour historic Elko with Jan Petersen, Convention Chairperson and a life-long resident of Elko. Visit the historic Stockmen's Casino, the Western Folklife Center at the historic Pioneer Hotel, and many other public, commercial and residential buildings significant in the history of the town. This tour takes approximately 2 hours.

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## Convention Workshops

### ***Historic Firearms***

David Jamiel of the California National Historic Trail Interpretive Center will demonstrate the manufacture and operation of black powder pistols and muzzle-loading rifles commonly used by weapon-toting emigrants for hunting food and for defense.

### ***BLM Site Stewardship***

Jill Jenson, archaeologist with the BLM in Elko, will present the BLM's program of involving volunteers in archaeological site management through stewardship activities. Learn how to monitor and report on a range of regional archaeological resources, including prehistoric sites as well as trails and historic sites.

### ***Digital Photography***

Larry Hyslop, convention tour leader and author of *Four Guides to the California Trail*, presents up to date information on using digital cameras to illustrate natural and historical subjects – bring your cameras!

### ***OCTA Trails Mapping/Archaeology***

Updated techniques for digital (GIS) mapping using Mapping Emigrant Trails standards, and collecting and using archaeological data from historic trails, will be presented by OCTA Mapping and Archaeology Committees Chairpersons, Dave Welch and Terry del Bene.

### ***Shoshone Perspective***

Shoshone elder Lois Whitney will present the American Indian perspective on the California Trail and other indigenous thoroughfares in central Nevada used for hunting and trade between tribes.

### ***COED/Paper Trail***

Sallie and Jim Riehl will demonstrate the intricate workings of the Census of Overland Documents and its web-based partner Paper Trail, an electronic database of more than 3,500 primary trail documents and their locations. A must for trail historians and genealogists.

## Other Convention Activities

### ***Entertainment, Auction, Books***

Wednesday, August 11 – "OCTAuctioneer" John Winner will host this year's Convention auction following the Awards Dinner.

Friday, August 13 – Dr. Michael Fischer, Chairperson of the Nevada Department of Cultural Affairs, will give a Chautauqua presentation as John "Johnny" Sparks (1843-1908), the 10<sup>th</sup> Governor of Nevada.

Saturday, August 14 – Cowboy poet/songwriter/wife/rancher/homeschooling mom Merilee Wright will perform for OCTA at the California National Historic Trail Interpretive Center.

The Convention Bookroom at the ECC will be open daily, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Wednesday through Saturday.

***For Auction/Raffle donations, special needs requests, and all other questions, please contact Convention Chair Jan Petersen at 775-324-6791, or [janpetersen@citlink.net](mailto:janpetersen@citlink.net).***

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Western Folklife Center



Historic Sherman Station

## Post-Convention Tours

**THE SIMPSON TRAIL IN EASTERN NEVADA AND WESTERN UTAH – August 15- 16 (Sunday-Monday)** – led by Jess Petersen (contact: 435-882-6581 or [jgpetersen@trilobyte.net](mailto:jgpetersen@trilobyte.net))

In 1859, Capt. James H. Simpson of the US Army led an expedition from Camp Floyd, UT to the settlement of Genoa in western Nevada. The Simpson Route was adopted as a mail route between Salt Lake City and Sacramento and was used by many emigrants attempting to avoid the rigors of the California Trail. Mail was carried over the Simpson Route by **Chorpenning's Mail Company**, **Overland Mail Company** and **Pony Express** and eventually became part of the **Central Overland Trail**. This tour will access the Simpson Trail near the south end of Ruby Valley and follow it east to Camp Floyd, about 40 miles south of Salt Lake City. Tour participants will assemble at the Northeast Nevada Museum in Elko at 9:00 AM on the 15<sup>th</sup> and follow SR 227 (Lamoille Highway) then SR 228 to the southern tip of the **Ruby Mountains** where **Simpson's Route** coincides with the **Hastings Road** and the **Pony Express Trail**. From there the group will head east across **Overland Pass**. End first day at Schellbourne on Hwy 93, where we will leave the trail and travel independently to Ely for the night. Re-assemble at Schellbourne on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM and continue east on Simpson's Trail across an 80-mile section through **Pleasant Valley**. The tour will rejoin the Pony Express Trail at **Boyd's Station** and continue to **Camp Floyd**. This tour has a **12 vehicle limit!** Participants must have **high-clearance vehicles in good condition with good tires and a CB radio**. Four-wheel drive is not required. Participants will make their own lodging arrangements in Ely (15<sup>th</sup>) and in Lehi area (30 min. from Camp Floyd) or Salt Lake City or Provo (16<sup>th</sup>). Participants need to **bring water and food** for both days and fill fuel tanks each day before starting. Fuel and food are available in Ely only.

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***Chuck Dodd's "Emigrant Experience" Tour on the Applegate-Lassen Trail  
August 16 -19, 2010 (Monday – Thursday)***

Chuck Dodd will lead participants on a tour of the Applegate-Lassen Trail, from where it branches off of the **Humboldt River** (near Imlay, Nevada) to **Goose Lake** (north of Alturas, California). Sites visited during the tour will include **Antelope Springs** and the **Susan Coon grave, Rabbothole Springs, Black Rock Desert** and **Black Rock Springs, Double Hot Springs, Mud Meadows**, the **Lassen-Clapper murder site, Bruff's "Descent into Fly Canyon," High Rock Lake, High Rock Canyon** (the **"Post Office" cave**, the **"Jaquith" emigrant inscription, "The Narrows,"** the **Fox homestead at Yellow Rock Canyon, Israel Lord's "Californian"), Upper High Rock Canyon, Bruff's "Singular Rock," Massacre Ranch, Painted Point, Little Mountain Pass, Surprise Valley, Fandango Pass**, and the descent to Goose Lake. The tour group will use readings from diaries and journals to focus on the emigrants' experience as they travel the route. The tour starts at Callahan Bridge (near Imlay) at 8:00 a.m., Monday August 16. It ends around 4:00 p.m., at Davis Creek, CA (20 miles north of Alturas), August 19. Instructions from Elko to Callahan Bridge will be provided during the convention. For those who are interested, on Sunday, August 15, Chuck will lead participants along I-80 from Elko and Imlay. **Co-leaders will be Alison Portello and Terry Hardwicke.**

The tour will run four days and three nights through a primitive area that offers no amenities, and no potable water along the trail. The group will camp each night on the trail, tentatively at Black Rock Springs, High Rock Lake, and Massacre Ranch. **Participants must have high clearance, four-wheel drive vehicles, and must provide all of their own food, water, and camping gear. Each vehicle must carry enough gas to travel about 200 miles; good tires and a CB radio are essential.** The tour will be **limited to 15 vehicles**. Dogs, trailers, firearms, and campfires are not allowed. Hats, insect repellent, and sun block are strongly advised. Email Chuck if your rig has a tall camper. Bring adequate clothing for very hot days and cold desert nights. Until the last day of the tour, there will be only one shade tree along the route, but the tour won't stop there.

**Important:** See Chuck's web site ([www.19thcenturypublications.com](http://www.19thcenturypublications.com)) for more information. **Contact** Chuck ([chuckdodd@19thcenturypublications.com](mailto:chuckdodd@19thcenturypublications.com)) if you have questions.