

Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum

Family Reunion Facilities and Activities

Facilities-

POD-A multi-purpose building with basketball hoop, cafeteria tables and a small kitchen.
Can be slept in, but has a hard floor.

Black Top Area-may use propane stoves, barbecue grills and dutch ovens

Lawn Area- with picnic tables and open grass

Museum-Tour Utah's Territorial Capitol built in 1852-1855.

Activities-Each activity lasts about 2-3 hours and includes museum entrance.

Fees:

POD Rental- Fees-\$20/hr, \$150/overnight, \$10/roller skating

Museum Entrance-\$2/person, \$1/kids, seniors & w/groups over 20

Pioneer Activities-\$100/activity- Each activity lasts 2-3 hrs and includes museum entrance.

Pioneer Tasks & Trades

Gain insight to the tasks and trades pioneer men, women and children performed. These hands-on activities allow everyone to dig in and get a taste of pioneer life, along with making a few souvenirs to take home. This program is a great activity for family reunions or other groups. The program includes museum entrance and is 2-3 hours long.

Reservations and \$100 fee are required. It is available upon request.

Stonework

Woodwork

Rope making

Rug Loom

Quilting

Wool Carding & Spinning

Schoolhouse

Spin toy

Candle making

Pioneer Games

Pioneers worked hard for sure, but they also knew that recreation was important too. Join in and play some pioneer games. These activities are great for family reunions or other groups.

Rounders is always a big hit. This early form of baseball uses homemade bats and balls, with no mitts. The rules allow for a crazy game, where any hit ball is fair. The runner gets out, by being tagged, pelted or when the ball is caught on the fly or first bounce. All batters on a team have to get out before the inning is over. This is fun for the young and old, the skilled and not-so-skilled players alike.

Croquet-In the 1850's, croquet was gaining popularity, especially with the youth, as it was the only game that young men and young women could play together. It is told that young men often hit a young lady's ball into the brush, so they could help her go find it.

Graces involves throwing and catching a hoop using sticks and gets fun as skill levels increase and the distance between partners increase.

Rolling Hoops is always a challenge, as the hoop rolls fast and the person has to keep up with it.

Stilts-These pioneer toys offer a challenge as the heights increase.

This fun program is 2-3 hours long depending on how intense the Rounders games get and includes entrance to the museum. Reservations and fee of \$100 are required.

Pioneer Challenges/Frontier Settling

This is a fun program that focuses on several challenges early settlers in Utah faced, building shelters/homes and obtaining water.

Cabin Building Challenge-Race, with a 2 man saw, to cut a log and build a log cabin with giant building logs, reminiscence of the pioneer's race to build cabins & shelters for their families before the bad weather hit.

Water-Always a Challenge in Utah. Play water games & relays while learning about the struggles pioneer faced while trying to take care of their daily water needs and help Utah to "blossom as a rose". Wear clothes that can get wet as water issues often lead to "fights."

This exciting program is 2-3 hours long and includes entrance to the museum. Reservations, warm weather and a fee of \$100 are required.

Old Time Dance

Youth Groups

Discover why dancing was so popular in pioneer times. Bring your youth group to one of the best dance halls in early Utah, the Territorial Statehouse Museum. Dance where Brigham Young and other pioneers danced. Wear sturdy shoes, because pioneers danced for exercise along with social reasons and your feet will appreciate good shoes. Dance instruction and music will be provided as you learn: reels, marches, polkas and schottisches, with dance instruction and music provided. Brigham Young thought that the waltz was risqué, but we'll dance a couple of those anyway, just like the youth of his day. We will use dance cards and games to choose partners. Water and cookies are provided. This 3 hour program is best in the evening. Reservations and a \$100 fee are required.

Family/Young Groups

This is also a fun interactive experience for family reunions. In pioneer times the whole family attended and they danced late into the night and sometimes even till breakfast. This program gives a glimpse into the past when dancing was a important part of life. Small children love to dance with a parent, grandparent, sibling or other family member. A dance isn't normally a family reunion activity, but an Old Time Dance isn't a normal dance and is a great activity were young and old alike can join in and enjoy each other's company. Dance instruction and music are provided, along with cookies and water. This 2 hour program for families or young groups is great anytime. Reservations and a \$100 fee are required.

Pioneer Activities

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Reservation Form (2010/2011)

Group Name _____

Name of Contact Person _____

Contact Person's Email _____

Contact Person's Phone Number(s) _____

Secondary Contact Person's Email _____ Phone _____

Approximate Number of Participants _____

Date(s) _____

Time(s) _____

Pioneer Tasks & Trades _____

Pioneer Games _____

Frontier Settling _____

Old Time Dance _____

Special Requests _____

Make checks payable to: Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum.

The fee will be paid on arrival.