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Lucy Mack Smith
Reunion
August 1 - 4, 2013

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August 3, 2013

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Families Needed
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Joseph Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith Largest Reunion Ever! August 1 - 4, 2013, Salt Lake City, Utah

Help our family set a world record!

- This is the Place Heritage Park.
- Historic buildings to explore.
- Youth & Children's activities:
panning for gold, pony rides, petting
corral, train rides, etc.
- Admission to the park included with
reunion registration.

Fri Aug 2 - Smith Descendant Gatherings

- Strengthen the bonds in smaller family
groups.
- See ideas at reunion website.
- Friday night event for the whole family.

Sat Aug 3 - Joseph's Miracle Run

Our 5K run honors Dr. Nathan Smith,
who saved Joseph's leg from the severe
bone infection he suffered when he was
just 7 years old. Dr. Smith founded
Dartmouth Medical College in Hanover,
NH. Proceeds from the run will provide a

scholarship in Joseph's name as a gift of
gratitude from our family.

Race registration is already open at
www.JosephsMiracleRun.com. What an
incredible opportunity to have Joseph's
name be known for good!

The Miracle Run is not just for our
family, so invite your neighbors, friends,
and associates to participate. There is even
an option to not have to run! Think of the
legs and feet of your ancestors who have
provided you with such a wonderful
heritage. It is time to give a payment of
gratitude. Participate, invite, and sponsor!

Sat Aug 3 - following Our Family footprints

The hills surrounding This is the Place
will help us remember experiences of our
Smith ancestors. Did you know that our
family traveled nearly 2,000 miles from
Palmyra to Harmony, Kirtland and Far West
before building beautiful Nauvoo?

(See Largest Reunion Ever p.3)

Gift of Gratitude: Joseph Smith Scholarship Honoring Dr. Nathan Smith

The year 2013 marks the 200th anniversary
of Joseph Smith's life-threatening typhoid
fever and the experimental and successful
surgery performed by Dr. Nathan Smith,
founder of Dartmouth Medical School
(1811). The 1813 surgery blesses millions yet
today. As a thank you, the Joseph Smith Sr.
Family Association is working to establish a
scholarship of gratitude on behalf of Dr.
Nathan Smith to the Geisel School of
Medicine at Dartmouth Medical College.

Dr. Nathan Smith was the only physician in
the United States who had the skill and
ability to successfully treat Joseph's
infection. His personal preparation, life's
work, timing, and placement converged to

(See Gift of Gratitude, p.2)



*Dr. Nathan Smith, founder of Dartmouth Medical
School, saved Joseph Smith's life with a surgery
that was 100 years ahead of its time.*

*Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College,
Hanover, NH. Gift of Edmund Randolph Peaslee,
class of 1836.*

Gift of Gratitude

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allow Dr. Smith to operate on Joseph, saving his leg and his life, fully 100 years before this life-saving surgery became accepted as standard procedure.

Dr. Smith was one of the great men of the 19th century, who worked tirelessly to improve medical education. He helped establish 4 medical institutions, including Dartmouth and Yale. At the 200th commemoration of the founding of Yale, Dr. William Henry Welch stated that Dr. Smith, "did more for the general advancement of medical and surgical practice

than any of his predecessors or contemporaries in this country."

To honor Dr. Nathan Smith, the Joseph Smith Sr. Family Association is hosting the Joseph's Miracle Run to create a scholarship endowment in behalf of Joseph. This annual scholarship will be granted to a deserving medical student at Dartmouth, and will be a reminder of the great good that charitable contributions like Dr. Smith's can be in the community. To join with us, or to learn more, please visit:

www.JosephsMiracleRun.com

We need volunteers and host families for the 2013 Joseph Smith Sr. Reunion. Please contact Frances Orton at f.orton@digis.net if you are available.

Joseph Smith Jr. Reunion

Aug. 1-4, 2013
Salt Lake City, Utah

Family Unity Creates a Power and Strength That Makes Even the Impossible Possible



Eternally Bound by Julie Rogers

As part of the Joseph Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith family, you are invited to gather in Utah with us and the descendants from each of Joseph Smith Jr.'s brothers and sisters' families to celebrate our family's rich ancestry.

Please reserve these dates on your calendar. Reunion details will follow, but feel free to contact

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Let's Celebrate Katharine Smith Salisbury's 200th Birthday This Year!

By Gracia N. Jones

Katherine Smith Salisbury, born 28 July 1813, in Lebanon, New Hampshire, was 17 when she married Wilkins Jenkins Salisbury, in Kirtland, Ohio 8 January 1831. She died, 2 February 1900, at Fountain Green, Hancock, Illinois. A gravestone for Katharine and her husband stands in the Webster Cemetery in Hancock County.

After the martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum, and the exodus of the Latter-day Saints to the west, the Salisburys remained in Hancock County. Jenkins died in 1850. Katharine and her family settled at Fountain Green where she had a small farm. In the simmering, politically charged, post-martyrdom atmosphere of Hancock County, they endured much persecution, but Katharine held onto her house and land, and even added to it, using money given her by Brigham Young, with whom she kept up a cordial correspondence up to the time Brigham died. Despite poverty, persecution,



Alexander Hale Smith and Aunt Katharine Salisbury ca 1886.

and tragedy, Katharine outlived all of her siblings.

Of their eight children, three died young. One daughter, Lucy, married Samuel Duke. Four of her sons grew to adulthood: Solomon, Alvin, Don Carlos, and Frederick. Katharine and Jenkins Salisbury had 23 grandchildren and 46 great grandchildren.

She has numerous posterity, represented by farmers, educators, businessmen, scientists, musicians and artists. In her later years her family always gathered to celebrate her birthday. Nearly every branch of her family has been well represented at the Joseph Smith Sr., Family Reunions since 1972.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have a photo display of Katharine and her family? If you can contribute pictures or artifacts for this display, let us know. Visit www.josephsmithsr.org. We hope to have a great crowd to honor this year.

I Dig Nauvoo

You Can Help Make History in Nauvoo!

May 27 - June 28, 2013

The Joseph Smith Historical Site is sponsoring an archaeological dig at the

possible location of the home built for Joseph Smith Sr and Lucy Mack Smith in Nauvoo (south of the Mansion House across Water Street).

Descendants and friends of Joseph Smith Sr. can help literally uncover the Smith family's roots

in Nauvoo. "It's been many years since we had an active archaeology program in Nauvoo," says Lachlan MacKay, descendant of Joseph Smith, and Joseph Smith Historic Site Coordinator, "so seeing people excavating brings the research part of the story to life." All tools and training will be provided.

"It really is a remarkable opportunity to make history in Nauvoo, to connect with your ancestors and dig with your children and grandchildren," says Bob Smith, one of the hosts for the dig and descendant of Samuel H Smith.



A BYU Student digs at the Joseph Smith Family Homestead, Nauvoo, IL, 2012

The Joseph Smith Sr. Family Organization, Samuel H. Smith Foundation, Hyrum Smith Family Association, and Joseph Smith Jr. Historical Society are supporting the dig. MacKay explains, "I'm just incredibly excited to see us working together for this common heritage."

Paul DeBar, who has been involved with many digs, including the home of Don Carlos Smith and the Joseph Smith Mansion House, is overseeing the dig. Initial research suggests that the current site is the home where Father Smith called his family to his bedside and gave final blessings to his children before his death in September 1840.

The dig runs Mondays through Fridays, May 27 to June 28, 2013. Dig helpers can register online for a four-hour shift, morning or afternoon. Up to 25 people will be assigned to a team during a shift, so your whole family can work together. "It is a family friendly

opportunity," says Smith.

Participants can also experience history by staying in the Nauvoo House—a dormitory sleeping facility--until June 24, 2013.

For more information on the idigNauvoo project and to register, see www.idignauvoo.org.

Largest Reunion Ever

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Children ages 3 - 11 can participate in group activities to honor Smith family members. Experience walking with crutches like young Joseph, training for Zion's Camp, and more!

Youth ages 12 - 18 will learn from the Smith's faith and blessings that followed in a fun morning activity.

Adult meetings will include updates to Smith family research and interesting perspectives surrounding the miracle of Joseph's leg surgery. We'll honor descendants of Dr. Nathan Smith and hear from our cousin, Elder M. Russell Ballard.

Stay Connected! Visit today at www.josephsmithsr.org and update your contact information.

We invite you to join us! Your \$25 donation helps

Maintain and update our family database (www.josephsmithsr.org)
Encourage and publicize grandfather reunions and other news
Explore projects that teach about our ancestors.

Please send address corrections and donations to:

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Donation Amount Enclosed

\$_____ (\$25 Membership: Newsletter, family outreach, activities, etc.)

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Please circle which grandchild of Joseph Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith you descend from

Hyrum	Joseph	Samuel	William	Katherine	Lucy
Lovina John Jerusha Sarah Joseph F. Martha Ann	Joseph III Alexander David H.	Samuel	Thelia Hyrum W. William E. Edison DC Louie	Elizabeth Lucy Solomon Don Carlos	Florence Charles



RUN BICENTENNIAL 5K

Come Run With Joseph! Join with us in celebrating the 200th anniversary of the first miracle in the life of Joseph Smith.

An experimental surgery that wouldn't become accepted practice for over 100 years saved 7-year old Joseph's leg and gave him the fortitude to bear up the Restoration. That work would have been insurmountable had Joseph lost his leg.

On August 3, 2013, thousands of Joseph Smith family and friends will be celebrating this event with a 5K run at This is the Place Heritage Park.

Come run, volunteer, or lend whatever help you can to make this one of the most memorable celebrations of Joseph's life and sacrifice.

- August 3, 2013 This is the Place Heritage Park, Salt Lake City, UT
- \$5 Discount for Early Registration
- To register, volunteer or donate:
www.JosephsMiracleRun.com

- Free Admission to This is The Place Park (Included with registration)
- Commemorative T-Shirt and Medal

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