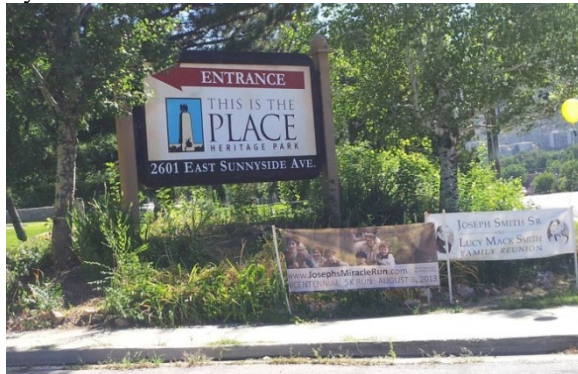


Joseph Smith Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith Family Reunion Miracle Run – August 3, 2013

By Frances Orton



The race and reunion banners out front at This Is the Place Heritage Park entrance



Race help and volunteers: Rebecca Egan, Preston Gudmunson, Sarah Gudmunson, Mariana Allan, Tyler Allan, Krista Donoho, David Donoho, Bob Donoho, Jeff Gudmunson, Julie Gudmunson, Steve Gudmunson. And below in front is Jack Allan.

Joseph's Miracle Run Smith Participants

489 registered to participate in Joseph's Miracle Run on August 3, 2013

- 106 Youth
- 393 Adults

Under the direction of Race Directors, Sarah and Preston Gudmunson, and Social Multi-Media Race Director, Mariana Allan the race registration began several days before the reunion. Different locations were set up to meet as many people as possible to get them their race packets. So many hours went into race preparation.



One of the Race Directors, Sarah Gudmunson, showing off the back of the race T-shirt



Race Coordinators within the Smith Family who had the experience necessary were found with Sarah and Preston Gudmunson, who had masterminded and carried out three successful races from beginning to end...for the deaf and friends of the deaf.



Daniel Adams, Sarah Gundmunsen, and Daniel Adams Jr. going over pre-race details



Elder M. Russell Ballard goes over the last minute instructions with Frances Orton before the race begins



Missionaries from the Salt Lake Mission came and helped provide directions during the race



Elder M. Russell Ballard covering details with Frances and Sterling Orton before the race began



Ellis Ivory, Executive Director of This Is The Place Heritage Park and Elder M. Russell Ballard before the race.



Frances Orton welcoming everyone on behalf of the Joseph Smith Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith Family Association to Joseph's Miracle Run at This Is The Place Heritage Park, August 3, 2013



Daniel Adams sharing some insights into the surgery Dr. Nathan Smith performed on Joseph's leg 200 years ago



Joseph's Miracle Run began with a prayer



The participants begin to gather at the starting line



Tom Rather played Praise to the Man on the bagpipes to begin the big event



Elder M. Russell Ballard instead of drawing a line in the dirt with a stick drew a line on the asphalt with chalk.



Elder Ballard preparing to draw the start line





Daniel Adams hands the microphone over to Elder M. Russell Ballard



Instead of drawing a line in the dirt with a stick like the movie clip, Elder M. Russell Ballard drew a line on the asphalt with chalk. He said a few words to the group and repeated what the actor playing Joseph Smith used in the film, "Ready, Steady, Go."



Joseph Miracle Run Winners



Cobrin Creery was the first-place winner



John Savage – 2nd Place



Melanie Bruce took second place for the women



Tyler Fullmer – 3rd Place



JD Quinn with wife Brescia Quinn - Brescia won first place for the women and they are standing with Elder Ballard



Arianne White, behind is David Adams, Marie Adams, Ruth White, behind Nathaniel White, and Todd White make it across the finish line

Joseph's Miracle Run - Children's Fun Run



Elder Ballard visited with many of the youth as he prepared to start the race.



They were off and running



Elder Ballard drew another chalk line at the start of the Children's Fun Run



#91 is Corbin Creery the youth First Place Winner



The youth gather to begin the race



#363 right in the center front is Josh Abbot who placed Second



The children and youth lined up at the chalk line



#475 Hunter Gardner took Third Place – he is in the center front



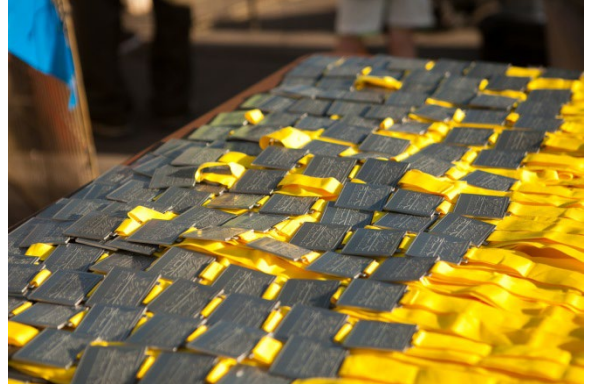
Nathan Smith descendants – Stephanie & David Longcope from Colorado participated in Joseph's Miracle Run



Stephanie & David Longcope



David & Stephanie Longcope with children: Nathan and Grace



The wonderful medals given to the participants continue share the message, "Run and not be weary, walk and not faint. – with gratitude to Dr. Nathan Smith."



Elder Ballard awarded the medals to the children

