

Here's a Rare Opportunity to **Experience The Panguitch Quilt Walk***



***without the starvation and the waist-deep snow**

Panguitch Quilt Walk Sesquicentennial Commemorative Trek

On June 11-13, 2014, in conjunction with the Annual Quilt Walk Festival in Panguitch, you and your family can commemorate the 150th Anniversary of this amazing event by walking in the footsteps of those seven brave men who set out across the snow-covered mountains in the winter of 1864 in a desperate effort to save their families and their town from starvation.

Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts, in collaboration with the Panguitch Quilt Walk Festival Committee, is conducting a 19-mile, two-and-a-half-day trek along the historic Old Spanish Trail through Lower and Upper Bear Valley and down Little Creek Canyon to Paragonah.



This educational and entertaining journey will be led by Clive Romney, storyteller-musician-historian, Certified Interpretive Guide and executive director of Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts. He will be joined by Certified Professional Guides and veteran tour operators, Mary Ellen Elggren and Debi Brady. They will not only acquaint you with the geology and history of southern and central Utah, there will be stories and songs about the Quilt Walk and those seven brave pioneers; Jesse Lowder, Thomas Jefferson Adair, Alexander Matheson, John Lowe Butler, Jr., Thomas Morgan Richards, William Talbot, and John Paul Smith. A video rendition of their story can be viewed at http://youtu.be/DVC_loFKYY0, but this Commemorative Trek will be an experience you will never forget.



We'll meet at 8:00 PM on the 11th at the Quilt Walk Park in Panguitch for an Equipment Check, to make sure we all have everything we need for the Trek.

Following equipment check on the 11th, we'll load the support vehicle to be ready for the morning departure. We have secured discounts from two motels in Panguitch for your stay on the 11th (see detail below) and you are on your own for dinner with many choices available in town.

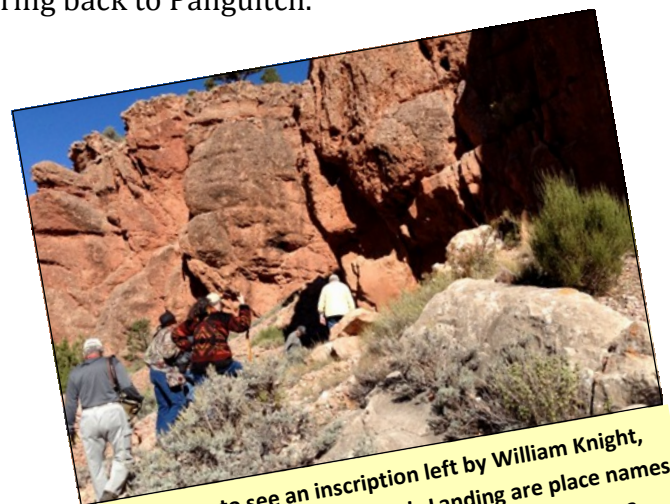
The trek will begin at 7:30 a.m. on the 12th with breakfast at the historic Foy's Country Corner Restaurant at 100 North Main St. in Panguitch.



We'll walk the Old Spanish Trail and hear the stories of this trade and travel "highway" that is so rich in history and folklore.



The Old Spanish Trail



We'll hike up to see an inscription left by William Knight, whose Knight's Ferry and Knight's Landing are place names in the gold country of the Sierras. We'll also examine a petrified dinosaur track in the red rock formations.

Tents and sleeping bags will be required for the night on the trail, but a support vehicle will accompany us, so you will not have to carry anything heavier than a water bottle and snack pack. June weather in Central Utah is unpredictable, so cold weather and rain gear will also be required.

Tim Smith of Panguitch will provide the support vehicle, and will add guitar with Clive on string bass and D.J. McClaren on fiddle, playing and singing songs about the Quilt Walk and southern Utah history.



The Trek will begin at the junction of Hwy 20 and Little Creek Road and head up to the summit

You must be in good physical condition, as we will be walking twelve miles ascending to the 8,100 ft. summit on the 12th. Lunch and a hot dinner will be provided and we will camp on the trail that night after a rollicking pioneer style dance with music provided by our traveling trio. After a hot breakfast on the 13th, we'll walk seven miles descending and will have lunch on the trail to Paragonah. We'll hear stories all along the route and visit the site of the mill in Parowan where the Quilt Walk pioneers got sacks of flour to bring back to Panguitch.

The City of Panguitch will provide van transportation between destination stops and the return trip from Parowan.



We'll hike through Lower Bear Valley



And take photos along the way to Upper Bear Valley



And hear stories and songs as we enjoy the view from the top

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Price includes the trek, all meals, transportation from Panguitch to the trek site on June 12th and from Paragonah back to Panguitch on the 13th, porta-potties along the way, the support vehicle, your storyteller-singer-songwriter-guide and professional tour guides, (one serving as head chef), an EMT (just to play it safe), all Forest Service permits and a videographer/photographer who will document the trip. And, as a special *bonus*, you will receive a CD of the stories and music related to the Panguitch Quilt Walk and a souvenir DVD of the videotaped trek events.

We recommend this trek for ages 10 and up

Space is limited: Only 36 slots available — Only \$125 per person

CALL NOW to reserve your slot: 801-706-1997

Two motels have offered discounted room rates on Wednesday night for trek participants:

Color Country Motel - 1-800-225-6518; 7 rooms available with two queen beds each for only \$62 plus tax

Adobe Sands Motel c/o Katerina Kish - 435-676-8874 or 702-341-8762; Studio Rooms for only \$45; Single Queen rooms for only \$50; rooms with two Queens or two Doubles are also available for only \$50.

Call NOW for best availability.

And be sure to stick around after the trek for the Quilt Walk Festival.

Summary of required items: Tent and sleeping bag; Good walking/hiking shoes; Water bottle/canteen; Cold weather clothes and rain gear

