



Washington County Historical Society
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To Whom It May Concern,

The Daughters of Utah Pioneers was originally organized in Washington County in 1921 for the purpose of promoting the history of the early settlers of Washington County. Its beautiful McQuarrie Memorial Museum was built and donated in 1938 and has been preserved through the efforts of volunteers these many years.

During the last five years, there have been many positive changes made inside the Museum to give a fresh look. Rooms have been rearranged, new displays have been created, interpretive stories have been written, collections have been fully inventoried, an online system for retrieving information has been developed and made available to the public, tours have been expanded, lectures have been presented, and much more. In addition, the outside has been freshly painted and a new roof caps the top. All of this has been organized by volunteers and through donations.

As part of the desire of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers to expand their influence in promoting the history of the area, members have supported the opening of the Pioneer Courthouse next door. The Courthouse opened in late 2019 as a historic landmark. McQuarrie Memorial Museum Board members set up a display and supported all the activities held in the building. It has been a great partnership with the Washington County Historical Society in teaching the history of the area, especially during this period of tremendous growth.

As President of the Washington County Historical Society, I support the Daughters of Utah Pioneers for the DAR Historic Preservation Recognition Award.

Sincerely,

Loren Webb
President, Washington County Historical Society