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Subject: Washington City Historical Society September Meeting

Hi to all,

I hope all of you have had a great summer. It is time to start our meetings again with a guest speaker. Our meeting will be held this Thursday evening September 19th at the Historic Relief Society Building on 100 West Telegraph in Washington City. Our meeting will start at 7:00 PM.

The program will feature three speakers who will highlight the lives of early settlers in Washington City. Below is a message from Terrill Clove describing a little bit of what they will be talking about:

Terrill Clove will discuss the life of Peter Neilson Senior who was born in Denmark in 1813. The missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saint taught him the Gospel of Jesus Christ and he was baptized. He emigrated to America, taking with him his son Israel and his servant girl. They had many hardships on the journey to America and then to Utah. Brigham Young called him to to help strengthen the Dixie Mission and he located in Washington in 1861. His faith was strong and he never faltered in serving the Lord and his fellow man.

Mayor Kenneth Neilson will discuss the life of Israel Neilson, the son of Peter Neilson Senior. He was also born in Denmark in 1848 and made the journey with his father to America and across the plains to Utah. He married and had a family of eleven children in Washington. He was a cattleman and left a strong legacy for us to follow.

Kathy Staheli will discuss the life of Peter Neilson Junior, the second son of Peter Neilson Senior. He was born at Fort Ephraim, Utah in 1856 and moved to the Dixie Mission with his father. He married and had a family of fourteen children in Washington. He was a freighter between Salt Lake City and the Southern settlements and also had a great faith and endured to the end.

Peter Neilson Senior is the Great Grandfather of all three speakers. Israel Neilson is the Great Grand Father of Terrill Clove and Mayor Kenneth Neilson. Peter Neilson Junior is the Great Grand Father of Kathy Staheli. Peter Neilson Junior and Israel Neilson had different mothers as Peter Neilson Senior's first wife had died in Denmark.

We invite the public to attend the meeting and hear about these stalwart people.

This will be a great meeting please plan on being there,

Thank you,

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