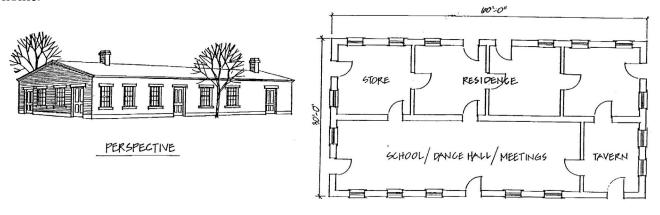
## Tour Sites in Salt Lake City Associated with John Pack

Early in the morning on July 22nd, 1847, John Pack in company with Orson Pratt, George A. Smith, John Brown, Joseph Mathews, Porter Rockwell, Erastus Snow, and J. C. Little went forward on horseback from their camp in upper Emigration Canyon to seek a suitable place for planting crops. The group of men selected a sight near the mouth of City Creek Canyon, which was a fraction of a mile from where the Salt Lake Temple stands today.

Later that evening, John Pack and Joseph Mathews were chosen to return and inform President Young what had been done. President Young's party entered the valley on the celebrated day of the 24th of July. Below is a recommended site tour created to help you begin your own Trek on the Trail of John Pack's life. You can discover for yourself the heritage and history that is yours. Even if you are not a direct descendant of John Pack, you will gain a sense of heritage and understanding of the legacy that continues on even today. Lasting events such as the founding of the Great Salt Lake Valley and the founding of the University of Utah which began when forty students enrolled and met for classes in John Pack's Home. The information listed below will be of some help to you as you try to locate a few of the sites associated with John Pack.

- 1. This is the Place Monument: Located at the Mouth of Emigration Canyon on Sunnyside Avenue is the well known "This is the Place" state park and monument. The monument commemorates the arrival of the Mormon Pioneers into the Salt Lake Valley. It is also dedicated to early explorers, Indians, and other pioneers who made their mark in the history of the Great Salt Lake Valley. On the west side of the monument is a plaque with the names of individuals who's statues are on the monument. John Pack's name is easy to locate as it is the last name mentioned on the plaque. To the right of the plaque on the south side are the figures of men on horseback. The figure of John Pack is the horseman on the far right.
- 2. **John Pack's Future Home Site**: This is the Place state park is also the site set aside for the reconstruction of John Pack's Home.
- 3. **Main Company Campsite**: On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1997, as part of the sesquicentennial events the First Encampment Park was dedicated by Elder M. Russell Ballard. This park is kitty corner from the actual sight at 17<sup>th</sup> South and 5<sup>th</sup> East. This is the site where John Pack and others camped before returning to report to Brigham Young who was still on the Trail. See if you can locate the rock with John Pack's name on it. Other famous names are also found etched in stone.
- 4. **Chase Mill**: The famous Chase Mill and Chase home are located at Liberty Park. John Pack helped build the mill.
- 5. **John Pack's Original Home Site**: John Pack's home was located at 2nd North and West Temple. His home was originally made of adobe. A plaque attached to a granite rock remains on the comer of this location. As you visit this site and read this plaque you will discover some interesting information that you may or may not have known before. At any rate, it is worth the visit. Show below is a perspective of John and Julia Pack's home:



- 6. **Church History and Art Museum:** The museum is located at West Temple and 45 North. At the museum there is a model on display of the layout of Salt Lake City back in the early pioneer days. Looking at the model you will see the location of John Pack's home in reference to the historic tabernacle and what was an unfinished Salt Lake temple.
- 7. Family History Library: Located next to the Church History and Art Museum is the Family History Library. A whole day could be spent here looking through the many records and maps that have reference to John Pack and his family.
  - U.S. Flash can 979.225 E7man. This map contains the listing of John Pack's Lot Block 95, Lot 6).
  - Ask to see the map case and a map referenced as US Flash Can # 979.225 E7rnan. The map displays John Pack's Lot. On the second floor of the library ask to be directed to US/CANADA film #27. This is a microfilm containing numerous Pack Family documents. On page 62 is an account of Julia and John Pack's experience with a Mob. The film also displays the name John Pack in a place that is more important than any monument or plaque. John Pack was a temple sealer and had the authority to seal families together for time and all eternity, and his name appears on the records of sealings performed during his ministry. The film contains many other church and personal documents as well. This library is also a good location to look up John Pack's name on the Ancestral File computers.
- 8. **Daughters of the Utah Pioneers**: The next stop on the John Pack trail is at the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Pioneer Memorial Museum which is located next to the State Capitol Building at 300 North Main. This building is packed full of pioneer history and memorabilia. On the third floor of this building is a display case labeled John Pack Camp. This display case contains the Pack family bible and items that belonged to those who were in the John Pack Camp. More information may be obtained about this from a tour guide. On the second floor in an area marked Pioneer Clothing we find John Pack's hat. The hat was donated to the museum by Kelvin H. Pack. A picture of John Pack used to hang in the building, but there is some uncertainty as to where the picture was placed once it was removed from the wall. A person could easily spend the day at this museum looking at the interesting pieces of history. Perhaps you might even find items that belonged to some of your other ancestors.
- 9. **State Capitol Building**: After stopping at the Council Hall, you will want to visit the State Capitol Building and the Pioneer Memorial, which can be seen from the Council Hall. Also located inside of the State Capitol Building in the rotunda area is a plaque displaying the name of John Pack and the names of other pioneers.
- 10. **Council Hall**: As you visit these sights, a great place to get more information is at the Council Hall, which is located across the street from the State Capitol Building. There you can find some maps directing you to these locations and other information about pioneer sites.
- 11. **Salt Lake City Cemetery**: Here is the site of another important stone where the name of John Pack is inscribed. It is his gravestone, located in the Salt Lake City Cemetery. John Pack's death occurred on April 4th, 1885. This gravesite is located in the cemetery at 270 North 850 East (Grand Avenue). By using this address, the large headstone is not hard to find. It is also the gravesite of others dear to John Pack. While visiting this site, be sure to look at the reverse side of the headstone and see the names of others in the Pack Family who also deserve much recognition and praise.
- 12. **Ensign Peak**: From Ensign Peak you can see in the distance the Towering West Temple Apartments (where the John Pack home used to be located).
- 13. **University of Utah**: In the fall of 1850, the University of Deseret began its career, later to become the University of Utah. See the plaque by the horseshoe area. Also, visit Kingsbury Hall were there is a seat plaque in honor of John Pack.