



Phineas Wolcott Cook Newsletter

Phineas W. Cook Family Organization

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Cook O Rama Presentation Will Provide Information On Using Technology

Building family unity through networking will be the topic of the annual Cook-O-Rama on Thursday, October 2 at 7 p.m. in Bountiful, Utah. The annual “fireside” will follow a 5:30 soup and salad dinner

This year Brad G. Porter, an antenna engineer and member of the board of the Phineas W. Cook Family organization will be the featured speaker.

In his presentation, Brad plans to identify and demonstrate various tools on the Internet which can be used to strengthen families and increase unity. In talking about this upcoming presentation, he said he hopes it will help “improve communications between family members” and help facilitate and increase family history research.

In addition, he explains, he will present information on how members of the Cook Family can collaborate on family history research on a dedicated PWC website.

Brad will explain current social networking tools which families can use to build their own websites, how to keep them private while at

the same time permitting individual family members to contribute and how this will help in the larger goal of family unity. Some of the tools he will present will include how to establish web based photo albums, family newsletters, family journals, recipe books, and calendars.

For the larger Cook family, he will explain how the collaborative website can be used, the information which can be found on it and the methods for contributing to it. It also will contain photos, biographies, journals, a calendar and an interactive family tree.

“Children who know their heritage have higher self esteem,” says Brad.

Brad, an antenna engineer, has recently taken up website development

President’s Message

**Cook O Rama – Learn How
to Use Internet Technology to
Strengthen Your Family – Please
Call 857-232-0155/ code 576972
Join us at 7 pm Thurs, October 2.**

Dear Members of the Cook Family, We

live in exciting times. Changing technologies not only impact our personal lives in numerous ways, but it

also presents unique opportunities for families – both the nuclear family and the extended family. Changing technologies are not only catching the imagination of our youth, but people of all ages are benefiting from and finding ways to use new technologies for the benefit of man.



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Goshen Papers: Land of Goshen: Repeated Fits and Starts

By Janet Porter

Phineas Wolcott Cook, upon finding the location of a townsite, which he subsequently named and dedicated as the land of Goshen, obtained permission from Brigham Young and his bishop in Payson to notify others of the new town. In the early spring of 1857, knowing there were other settlers in his same situation, who were unable to find land for their farms in existing towns, he set out to find settlers for the new town.

He stopped at wards along the road from Lehi to Nephi, finding many people interested in obtaining new land at the Goshen settlement. Unfortunately, when he returned, his bishop had changed his mind, and asked Phineas not to follow through with his promise to join with others at the new location. Phineas was obedient, even though he knew he would have no land to raise crops for his family, and that it would be another year for them.

Phineas may have been willing to obey counsel, but the other men who had camped with him at Goshen were not. They pleaded with him to go back to Brigham Young to see why he had been so willing for a settlement to be made and whether he still felt that way. They needed land and didn't know where else to go.

Phineas again went to Salt Lake city, and on June 1 arrived at the Office of the President. Immediately Brigham Young asked how the new settlement was going. Upon hearing what had happened, Brigham wrote another letter, making sure bishop Hancock understood his intent this time.

President's Office
GSL City 2 June
1857

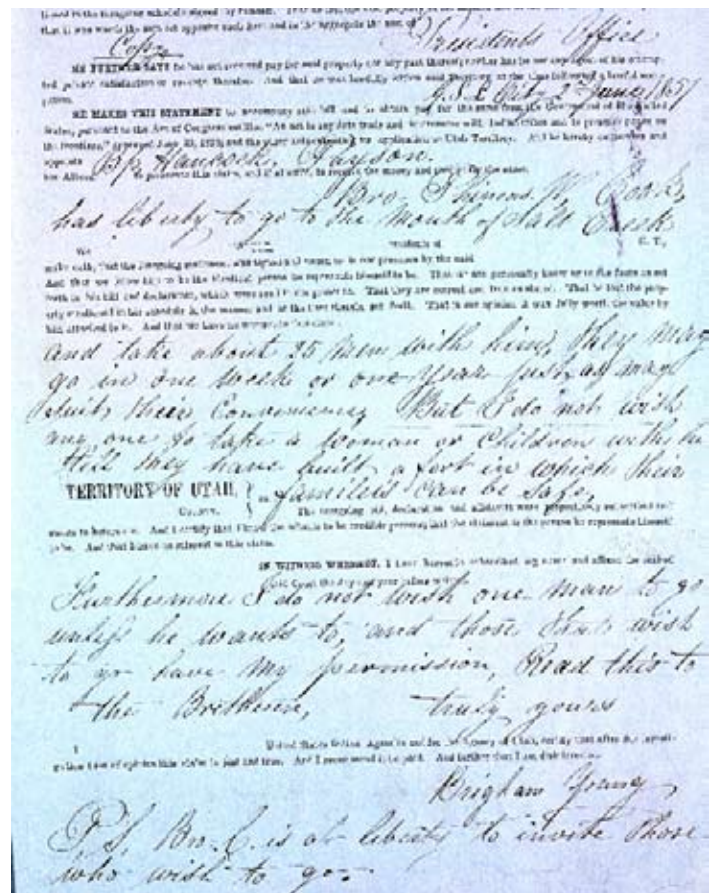
Bishop Hancock,
Payson

Bro Phineas
w. Cook has liberty
to go to the mouth
of Salt Creek and
take about 25 men
with him. They may
go in one week
or one year just
as may suit their
convenience. But I
do not wish anyone
to take a woman
or children with
him til they have
built a fort in which
their families can be
safe. furthermore,
I do not wish one
man to go unless
he wants to and
those that wish to
go have my permis-
sion. Read this to
the brethren

Truly

Brigham Young
PS Brother C is at liberty to invite
those who wish to go.

Bishop Hancock read the letter with irritation, and made certain the men in town knew he did not agree with the Prophet's counsel; nevertheless when Phineas went to Salt Creek a week later, three men from Payson went with him.



A copy of the letter written by Brigham Young and Sent to Phineas Wolcott Cook

On June 15 they dedicated land for a dam and began the process of creating a dam across Salt Creek. Within a week they had 35 men working on the dam. In the course of their planning, these Yankee colonizers decided to organize themselves as their ancestors had done in England.

They elected Phineas as their president and under his direction said group prayers every morning and every evening.

Come to the Cook O Rama

Thursday, October 2

Dinner 5:30 p.m.

Fireside 7 p.m.

“Building Family Unity Through Networking”

Bountiful 28th Ward Church Building
2285 S 200 W
(across from the cemetery)
Bountiful, Utah

To participate by phone 7 p.m. fireside
call 857-232-0155/576972
For more information contact Yvonne Peterson
801-472-5862

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As wonderful as many of these new technologies are, they are still only a tool. They have no character. They have no conscience. They have no will. Like any tool, they require an operator. Depending on the skill and judgment of the operator, these tools may be used to bring amazing benefits to mankind or they may be used to accelerate depravity and destruction. So, the real and most urgent need of our society is the creation, growth, and training of those who operate these new and ever more powerful technologies and ensure that they are used to bless mankind.

Thus, the most important work that we can ever do is done in our families. That is where positive habits are taught, education is begun, character developed and the foundations of faith are laid. The work performed in families may sometimes seem tedious or unimportant but it is the bedrock upon which our society is built.

The Cook Family Organization is here to support and bless families. We

want to be a significant resource to all Cook Family members to: (1) remind all of us of the marvelous heritage that we have been given, and (2) act as a resource in the great work of strengthening families.

The Cook O Rama this year will be featuring changes in the Cook Family Organization and especially our effort to use recent changes in technology and internet to better communicate with and serve Cook Family Members. We will be broadcasting this event and will have call-in capability for Cook Family Members who would like to call in and listen. We may be able to web broadcast this event as well.

We will be hearing from our Vice President of Communication and Technology, Brad Porter, who will share our vision on how Cook Family Membership can: (1) use the internet to benefit from our new upgraded Cook Family website, and (2) benefit from ideas on how they might use internet tools to strengthen their own nuclear families through such things as communicating better and preserv-

ing powerful family memories. We are excited about this event and we look forward to having you join us.

The Cook-o-Rama dinner begins at 5:30 followed by the fireside at 7 pm on Thursday, October 2. To participate by phone, please call at 7 pm 857-232-0155, code 576972, to join us in person at the address above or call in for what promises to be a great event.

**Check out the PWC website
at www.cookfamily.org**

***Cook O Rama to Focus
on Family Technology***

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for family history work.

Dinner will begin at 5:30 the evening of Thursday, October 2, followed by the fireside at 7 p.m. It will be held at the Bountiful 28th Ward Church Building, 2285 S 200 W in Bountiful, Utah, across from the cemetery.

Questions can be directed to Yvonne Peterson at 801-472-5862.

The Desire for Freedom *Henry Cooke Series*

Great Britain was the birthplace of America's modern principles of individual rights and liberty. The government persecuted religious groups because they were afraid of being overthrown, but every Englishman felt he had the right to his own opinion. They brought that desire for freedom with them when they came to America. Other groups coming to America later brought some of those same principles.

Henry Cooke may have come to the new world from one of the big cities in England because he was very confident in expressing his right to free speech. The record still stands:

"Henry Keney and Henry Cooke of Salem brought to court for striking each other. Cooke was fined and Keney admonished."¹



"Phillip Crumwell, plainant and Henry Cooke, defendant court case. Henry is accused of defamation for saying he (Phillip?) was a base fellow and if he had not had Mr. Kenyston's money he could not have paid his debts."²

"Henry Cooke vs. Capt. Hathorne and Mr. Henry Bartholomew, administrators of the estate of Richard Hollingworth."³

Henry Cooke deposition in Court about the good wife of Oliver who preached in church, then threatened people who were critical."⁴

To Henry Cooke and others in Salem, freedom meant more than just having the opportunity to have one's own land and possessions. To Henry it was the right to say things as they really were with no fear of being put in jail without a trial. It meant helping someone who believed her inheritance was not being fairly judged. It meant defending someone without fear of retribution. Henry had confidence in this new land and his place in it.

1.Court records, 25:9:1651) The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 1, p. 83.
3.Court records 27:4:1654, The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 1, p. 83.

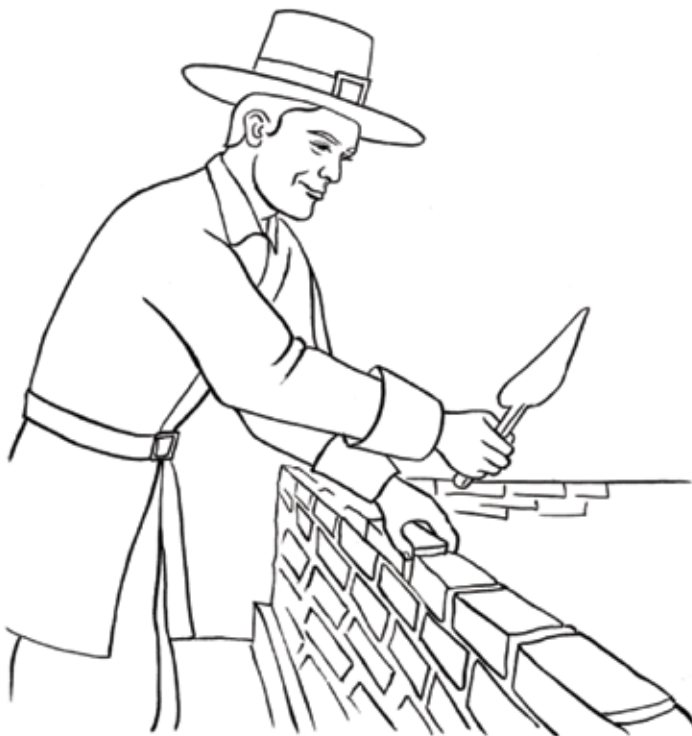
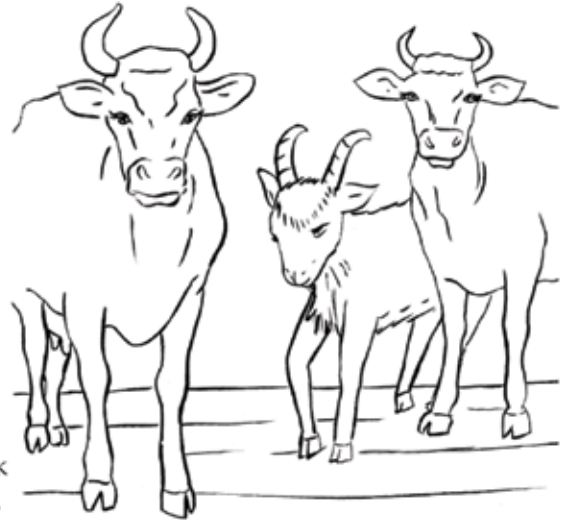
2.Court records 1:5:1652, The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 1, p. 130.
4.Court records 27:4:1654, The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 1, p. 78.

Helping Those in Need *Henry Cooke Series*

Being in a land of freedom and opportunity meant Henry Cooke and every other citizen had to account for the well-being of all the others. Freedom is hard work and personal restraint. It is accepting obligation and responsibility. It means helping other people, especially the poor and those without opportunity. Amazingly, Salem records of over 370 years ago record how Henry accepted his obligation as a free man in this land of opportunity.

Henry was willing to defend others who needed help: "Mary Oliver presented in a case about stolen goats. Witness was Henry Cooke. John Alderman vs. Henry Cook about 14 goats."¹

He did his fair share of community work: "Henry Cook and Samuel Ebourne apoynted to be surveyors for the North Neck and all the fields about the glaff house and for about Mr. Tho. Gouldtwaight field and up to Michele Shafflin." Decided at a meeting of Select men, (14 January 1660)."²



He and his father-in-law served on juries: "Henry Birdsall in the jury for court cases (25 January 1639)."³

It meant he received fair treatment himself: "Henry Combes acknowledged judgment in favor of Henry Cooke of Salem."⁴

Henry Cooke was willing to help others become independent and gain an occupation: "Agreed with Henry Cooke: that Jno. Talby shal be his servant for one whole yeare: and the towne to provide apparel suitable for him: and the said Cooke according as Talbey hath need to come to the townes men for supply. In the meane tyme to provide to shirts and cloath to make him a Coat: and a cou'linge for a bed and som things to make a bed and the said Cooke to have 8 bushl of Indian Corne: yet he is indebted to Jon Talbey. For his care of him." Signed by Henery Cooke at a towne meeting of Select men, dated 29th day of the 11th month, 1655."⁵

1. Court records 6-5-1647; 11:1649, The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 6, p. 24, 161.
2. Town Records of Salem, Massachusetts, The Essex Institute of Historical Collections, FHL book 974.45/S1 N2e, Vol. II, p. 5, 14:1:1659/60.

3. Court records, 25:1 month, 1639. The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 3, p. 85.
4. Court records, 27:4:1649, The Essex Antiquarian, Vol. 6, p. 159.
5. Town Records of Salem, Massachusetts, Vol. 1 p. 189.

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PAF CD with complete Cook and Porter genealogy and documentation	\$6.00	\$4.80	
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I would be willing to work on one of the following committees:			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Typing Histories - Word Processing	<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrator		
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/Mailing Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee		