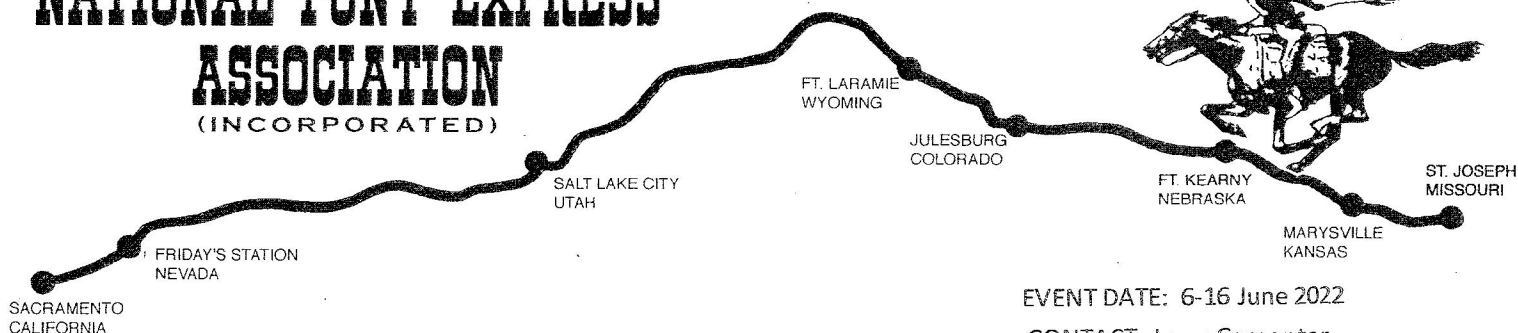


NATIONAL PONY EXPRESS ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)



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NEWS RELEASE

PONY EXPRESS RE-RIDE

The Pony is Coming. The Pony is Coming! Shouts will be heard across the Pony Express Historic Trail soon. Riders of the National Pony Express Association will carry Express Mail June 6-16.

Commemorative Letters and Personal Mail will be carried by horse and rider relays from The Missouri River to the Sacramento River. The first Rider departs the Patee House in St Joseph, Missouri, June 6 at 3:00 PM, with the last Rider riding into Pony Express Plaza in Old Sacramento, California, June 16th at 4:30 PM.

The route will be over the Pony Express National Historic Trail, a component of the National Trails System administered by the National Park Service. The mail will travel 1966 miles from Missouri, through Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and Nevada, to California.

600 Riders from the eight State Divisions will ride in Relays of 1 to 5 miles each, taking turns carrying the mail in a mochila---a leather square with four cantinas (pockets) sewn in the Corners. Prior to riding each will take the Pony Express Oath and be issued a Bible.

The Reride is a 10-day, 24 hour event honoring the Central Overland California and Pikes Peak Express Company which carried letters and telegrams from April 1860 to November 1861. Founded to prove the Central Route through Salt Lake and Placerville passable year-round and win a proposed mail contract.

The Commemorative Letter this year will be a vignette of Pony Express History in Utah Territory. The Cachets can be purchased at 1860 prices--- \$5.00. A great Souvenir of the event Letter Applications can be Purchased from the NPEA's Website.

Information and Updates can be found on the NPEA's Website "nationalponyexpress.org," and during the Ride on "facebook.com/expressrider/". A GPS Unit in the mochila will transmit real-time location of the mochila, and be found on "nationalponyexpress.org/annual-re-ride/follow-the-ride/." A Telephone Hotline (855-809-8589) with recorded reports will be available June 6-16 courtesy of Churchill Communications. Additional information can be obtained from the National Pony Express Association, PO Box 236, Pollock Pines, CA 95726, or (916) 332-8382

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