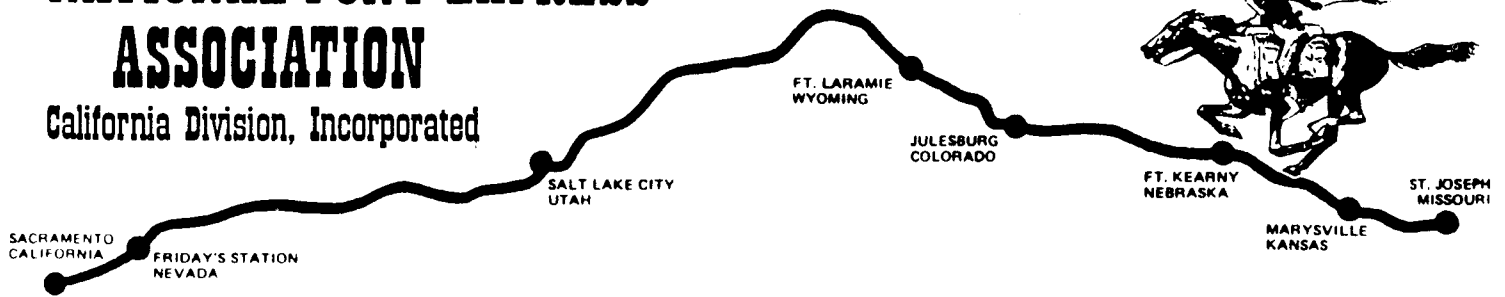


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## NEWS RELEASE

### PONY EXPRESS STOPS IN FOLSOM

The Pony Express stops in Folsom, June 18th, at 12:44 PM and the Palmer Day Building (Folsom History Museum) becomes a Remount Station again. The 148th Anniversary commemorative Pony Express will make a change of rider and horse at the Museum, 823 Sutter Street.

A Welcome Ceremony starts at 12:14 PM on the steps of the Museum. Bob Cullifer, President of the Folsom Historical Society, will welcome the incoming rider and administer the Pony Express Rider Oath to the outgoing rider. Larry Carpenter, of the National Pony Express Association, will give a short history of the Pony Express and the 2008 Re-Ride.

The Re-Ride begins June 18 in Pony Express Plaza, 2nd and J Street, Old Sacramento, at 9:00 AM. Over 550 riders and horses will be stationed at intervals on the Pony Express National Historic Trail to take turns carrying a mochila. In the four cantinas (pockets) of the leather square will be commemorative letters and personal mail. The 1,966 mile route from California, across Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, and Kansas, ends at St. Joseph, Missouri. The last rider will gallup up to the Patee House, 1860 headquarters for the Pony Express at 11:00 AM, Saturday June 28.

Folsom played a unique role in the Pony Express of 1860-61. It was a Transfer Station where incoming mail from St. Joseph was taken from a horse and placed on the cars of the Sacramento Valley Railroad, across from the museum, for the trip to Sacramento and the final leg to San Francisco by boat.

The museum will be open to the public. A Pony Express exhibit, books and video will be available. Museum docents, pony riders and horses will be there to tell the role the museum played in the history of the Pony Express.

The Pony Express Home Station, [www.xphomestation.com](http://www.xphomestation.com) will have real time coverage and photos of the 2008 Re-Ride. Information on the Folsom event can be obtained by calling the Museum at (916) 985-2707.

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