The Descendants and Travelers of the Trail Chapter is initiating an ongoing project this year. We intend to build a data base containing summary information about each of our ancestors and other travelers of the Old Spanish Trail. Therefore **we are extending an invitation to OSTA members to join us in building this data base. We ask that people submit information on an ancestor or person who traveled the Trail by April 15, 2018.** It will eventually be made accessible to the public on the Old Spanish Trail Association website or our Facebook page and become a reference for all OSTA members, historians, teachers, students and other interested parties.

We have put together a form whichshould make it easy to send in your submission along with any attached photos, maps, illustrations or additional information you can provide. **Handy instructions and tips to help you fill in the form are also provided.** The officers of the Descendants and Travelers of the Trail Chapter will edit them as a group.

**SUBMISSION FORM FOR PROPOSED DATA BASE PROJECT**

**Please send your form by April 15, 2018 to our email address at:** [**ancestortraveler@gmail.com**](mailto:ancestortraveler@gmail.com)

**SUBMITTED BY: DATE:**

**Email: Phone:**

**OSTA Chapter:**

**Please first answer these specific questions and then include a short bio about the person. Your answers will be very important in compiling our data base.**

1. NAME OF PERSON WHO TRAVELED THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL:

2. YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE PERSON. ARE YOU A DESCENDANT?

3. WHAT INTERESTS YOU ABOUT THE PERSON?

3. WHAT PART OF THE TRAIL DID HE/SHE TRAVEL AND WHAT YEAR, IF KNOWN?

4. WHERE DID THE PERSON LIVE? IF THEY IMMIGRATED VIA THE TRAIL, WHERE DID THEY SETTLE AND WHEN?

5. UNIQUE STORY OR FACT ABOUT THAT PERSON:

6. SOURCES FOR THE ABOVE. *[Did your information come from a book, newspaper or is it part of your family oral history? Did some of your information come from the census or a family bible etc*.? Please be a specific as possible.]

7. WHAT ARE YOU SUBMITTING ABOUT THIS PERSON IN ADDITION TO YOUR SUMMARY? *[Suggestions: photos of person, letter, page from diary, photo of place settled (town, house, adobe, etc.).* Please indicate what you are sending and identify each item sent.] We will compile 1-2 pages on each ancestor or traveler.

NOTE**: If you are unable to send us the photos and information by the deadline, please let us know when you can send them.** It would be best to scan photos as a JPEG at 300 dpi and please send them as individual files. If the file is too big to send via email, let us know and we will instruct you how to access a Dropbox folder where you can send us large files. You can also send us copies of your photos via regular mail. Just email us and we’ll send out an address where items can be sent. Please only send copies and NOT originals as we don’t want anything lost in the mail.

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