Dan Ditto, Cook A-Rama October 4, 2013

The first thing I want to do is pay tribute to Guy Cook. He has been president of the fam org for 11 years. We need to give him a round of applause. Guy has contributed not only time butr also substantial financial resources to the organization. Thank you for all you’ve done. It’s been a pleasure working for you. There have been many sacrifices. That can be said of all..

Lamar. I grew up in Montana. I am the 3rd gg son of PW and I come thru Harriet Teeples. I grew up in Montana. We hadn’ been to Utah much but we got these newslatters. We read them. Lamar Day was a kind of icon. The first time I met Lamar like meeting one of the 3 nephites. Lamar day in the flesh. I was awed. I’m still awed. Lamar has done so much for this organization. Thank you Lamar for all you do and continue to do. I was talking to him last night and he straightened me out on a couple

I have long been int. in fam hist and the fam org. I felt when I took a class from Stevenson. It was kind of brutal. He made you work. To get an A in that class was just plain a lot of work. Just 2 credits. I learned to love history & fam hist. I had to write some stories. I used some of my fam his. I wrote stores about HB Teeples and some of her exp. In Pima as a young wife. She then lost her husband and made the trip back by herself. Those stores are an awesome heritage of sac & serv & fam. I feel honored to be a part of this great fam. I want to thank you for giving me this opp.

We have a lot of exciting things going on. The cook fam is a leader in a lot of respect. We’ve decided to expand that. We want to take advantage of tech . We announced today a new responsibility, tech Communication and. Many have already contributed to that. We need to go forward and take advantage of that. In 1977 Pres Kimball said I’m convinced the Lord has all these tech. to give us if we’ll take adv. Of them. Actually that has happened. Who would have thought of facebook, let alone tweeting and twitter. There are some th we can to to take adv of tech to touch, involve more people. All of us need to be more dil. Involved. Get the whole next gen. involved and see if we can take the org to a deeper level with the next gen. A lot done, more we can do. A lot of th. We can do to str the organization. There’s a reunion coming up in 2019 which Bryson is managing. Well wee what we can do to make that a success

My telephone number 801-295-3000 home. When we moved back to Hawaii I asked for a number I could rem. The man said, “I’ve got one.” Then someone called and asked if we 801-554-4847 were an inn. Call me and I’m happy to chat and listen to your ideas. We’re looking for a VP of tech & comm. We look forward to your ideas and thoughts & sugg. Where you live now doesn’t make much diff. You can partic. We meet by phone now and it doesn’t matter where you are. Critical that we have Fam rep. Had varying degrees of success on that. My e-mail is dlditto@msn.com.

I look forward to your thought, input, advice, participation. Thank you for being part of the Cook Family Organization. We’re really excited . There’s been such a solid foundation laid by many who have helped and served. We have some good opportrunities to make progress. Encouraged by what we can do in Fam hist & geneal. We have more tools for getting infor on line. Documentation is astounding. I look forward to working with you.