

*Your respect for*  
**MILO ANDRUS,**  
OUR GREAT PIONEER ANCESTOR,  
AND **HIS WIVES**  
*will generate respect in  
your descendants for you.*

*I promise this: if you will learn more about the people  
who share with you a common ancestry, your life will  
be richer, and more satisfying.*

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Dear Fellow Descendant,

When your life nears its end, you will want your children and your grandchildren to appreciate the effort you put forth to meet the challenges of the 21st Century. In the eternal worlds, this respect among the generations of specific families will be a source of great strength, increased capability for individual accomplishment, and personal satisfaction.

For all the good things in our lives today we must recognize the importance of our pioneer ancestors and the sacrifices they made. In this season of Thanksgiving we need to consider how many of our present advantages grow out of the efforts put forth by those who have lived and passed away during the past 175 years. Respect by you for those past generations will cause respect to flow to you personally when you want it the most.

Let's review what we are doing as the Milo Andrus Family Organization in the 21st Century.

We have passed 1,300 on our mailing list. Yes, each of the wife-line representatives has added to their list of descendants of the children of Milo Andrus. **Why is this important?** Look on page 2.

Nearly 100 of the Milo Andrus descendants paid the modest dues to the Milo Andrus Family Organization. That is great, but not enough. These dues pay the postage for these mailings and pay for the free CDs we use for inducement. This year, each dues payer received a CD containing in electronic form ALL ISSUES of **THE ANDRUS RECORDER.**

**There ought to be at least 500 or more dues-paying members of this great organization.** If you haven't already, why not join yourself and give memberships to some of those on your Christmas list. Then you all would all have **THE ANDRUS RECORDER** CD, given as a FREE gift to all who pay their dues in this fiscal year of 2004-2005. See the order sheet enclosed.

Contributions totalling over \$1,000 were made to the Research Fund of the Milo Andrus Family Organization in response to our mailing in July. Thank you to all who contributed. **We really need \$10,000.00 per year to pay JUST THE EXPENSES of our genealogists who give their time freely.** See page 2 for an assessment of what they are doing and the general plan for future work.

The great blessings that we enjoy and are thankful for today have foundations in what took place many years ago. For example, it was 150 years ago right now that Milo Andrus was in St. Louis, Missouri as the new Stake President with the responsibility of persuading thousands of Latter-day Saints living there that they should go to the Salt Lake Valley. We want all of Milo's descendants to be aware of that significant effort and its consequences. **What will happen in the 2005 Sesquicentennial Celebrations in Kansas and St. Louis?** You need to keep up on the news of these events by reading further. More in our mailing in Spring 2005.



## FOR 1ST TIME READERS

This fourth letter of this type sent to descendants of Milo Andrus continues concern for a number of activities in which we invite you to participate.

### 1. Search for Milo's Ancestry

We know Milo Andrus was the son of Ruluf Andrus and Azuba Smith, but the parents of Ruluf and Azuba are not proved. Much hard work has been expended in following leads on their ancestry. **The Milo Andrus Family Organization intends to get fully proved ancestries for Ruluf and Azuba.** Professional genealogists who are members of the Family and other interested and experienced Family members investigate the known information about Ruluf and Azuba and the people they knew in Ohio in the early Nineteenth Century. The information they have accumulated will lead them to solid proof in Vermont and other New England locations.

### 2. Uniting Descendants: Web Site

Learn more by logging in to [www.miloandrus.org](http://www.miloandrus.org) Be sure to check Laura's Corner often to be brought up to date on current ancestry research.

### 3. ANCESTRY of Milo's wives

We have a working representative of each of Milo's wives who had children except Francena Tuttle. See the list on page 4 of this letter. Through the communication of these letters and the Web Site, we hope to find people who will assist in this important ancestry research. Can you help?

### 4. CDs for you

CD # 1. Milo's Mission to St. Louis family group sheets of each of his wives and their children

CD # 2. All past issues of the *Andrus Recorder*

### 5. Sesquicentennial of the big project when Milo Andrus was assigned to move thousands of Latter-day Saints from St. Louis to Salt Lake Valley in 1855.

## Expand the Mailing List!

As of the meeting of the Board of Directors on 16 October 2004 there were 1,329 verified addresses on the Milo Andrus Family Organization mailing list. Totals for each wife line:

Daley	108	A. Brooks	36
Miles	349	Munday	408
L. Tuttle	36	Covert	66
Webster	104	Boyce	101
Alexander	80	F. Tuttle	0
E. Brooks no children		Unknown wife	41

These numbers represent significant increases over the numbers in the letter sent out in July. **Let's expand our mailing list! Let's try to have over 2,000 well before the end of 2004 so that we can properly promote the Research projects and the the Sesquicentennial events in 2005.** Use the contribution form to include new addresses. Put additional verified names, regular mailing addresses and email addresses on the reverse side of the form, or copy the form.

## Milo Andrus Research LOOKING IN OHIO

West of Cleveland Ohio, south of Lake Erie, are several towns that figure in to the early life of Milo Andrus, his parents, and his siblings. These towns require attention in our search for Milo's ancestry. The Ruluf Andrus Family settled in this area before 1820. They were not alone. Other families of their acquaintance from Vermont moved first to northern New York State in about 1800 and then on to "the Ohio."

The place they settled was in what is now western Lorain County in a place west of Oberlin now called Henrietta Township. See the map on the next page. This is still mostly a rural area which I have marked with an encircled "H."

I have also encircled the names of the towns Norwalk, Huron County and Florence, Erie County which became important in the lives of this family and their associates. We mention associates because it is evident that a number of people in Lorain County came from Vermont, having spent some years in northern New York state. These settlers intermarried and kept track of each other. For example, Uriah Hancock married Polly (or Mary) a sister to Milo's mother, Azuba. Uriah was a cousin to Levi Hancock, an early member of the Church mentioned in Doctrine & Covenants 52:29.

Parley P. Pratt was a resident of Lorain County in early 1830 when the Spirit moved on him powerfully to travel to New York State. On his journey he obtained a Book of Mormon, became converted, and was sent on a mission to the Lamanites. On his way to the West in the Fall of 1830 he stopped in Kirtland and converted Sidney Rigdon and many of Rigdon's following in the Kirtland area. Elder Pratt also stopped in his old home area of Lorain County and baptized, among others, Simeon Carter. It was Simeon Carter who baptized Milo Andrus a couple of years later.

The Vermont-New York group in Henrietta, Lorain County, a dozen or more families, mostly stayed in that general area for the next 50 or more years. Present research involves getting acquainted with the records of these families and checking their interrelationships.

Laura Anderson is in the Lorain County, Erie County, and Huron County—parts of Ohio directly west of Cleveland—as this letter is being written. She is not charging the family for her time as a professional genealogist. She is not yet being adequately compensated for her expenses.

What is Laura looking for? She digging for the roots of about a dozen families who moved from Vermont to New York and then to Ohio about the same time. This is the most thorough way of tracing the exact ancestry of Ruluf and Azuba

When all that can be learned in Ohio is obtained and organized, then research in Albany, New York and in the villages of Vermont will be more productive. From that research, we expect to go on to the older settlements in Massachusetts and other New England locations to get extensions of Ruluf's ancestry and Azuba's ancestry.



## Can you help with research on RULUF AND AZUBA?

Would you like to work with a pro in family history research? Ray B. Andrus, Research Coordinator, and Laura Anderson, professional genealogist, would appreciate the help of 8 or 10 people living along the Wasatch Front. These people would meet with Ray and Laura each month in Salt Lake City or Provo and would accept assignments such as the following"

- \*Tracing the descendants of Ruluf and Azuba
- \*Tracing the descendants of Uriah and Polly Hancock
- \*Helping to put items of interest on the Web Site
- \*Putting important data into an official PAF file
- \*Keeping track of LDS ordinance work completed
- \*Typing assignments and answering email
- \*Preparing items for the web site

GET IN TOUCH WITH RAY. SEE HIS ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS ON PAGE 4. **THIS HELP IS NEEDED**

## ANCESTRY OF WIVES

Difficult and important as the research into the ancestry of Ruluf and Azuba may be, it must not keep us from learning of and proving the ancestry of Milo's wives:

Abigail Jane Daley	Ann Brooks
Sarah Ann Miles	Jane Lancaster Munday
Lucy Loomis Tuttle	Emma Covert
Mary Ann Webster	Margaret Ann Boyce
Adeline Alexander	Francena Tuttle
Elizabeth Brooks	

At our recent meeting on 16 October 2004 of the Board of Directors the wife-line representatives were charged with the responsibility of finding people descending from each of the above named wives to perform research. The importance of learning all we can about the ancestry of these fine women is an obligation we all share. **We expected that each person who reads this will consider what they can do.**

## ELEVEN WIVES!! ??

The notable facts that Milo Andrus had eleven wives and that ten of those wives had multiple children makes it possible to envision a huge Milo Andrus Family Organization. One hundred years after the last of those original members of the family passed from this Earth there are now tens of thousands descended from those unions.

We have to realize that, measured by our personal standards of marital companionships, none of those wives would have felt that they were fulfilled. Each of them must have had their own set of difficulties and disappointments.

Some of them complained with considerable justification. Others must have shrugged their shoulders and agreed that the "time had come" when the passage from Isaiah 4:1 was quoted in the Sacrament Meetings they attended.

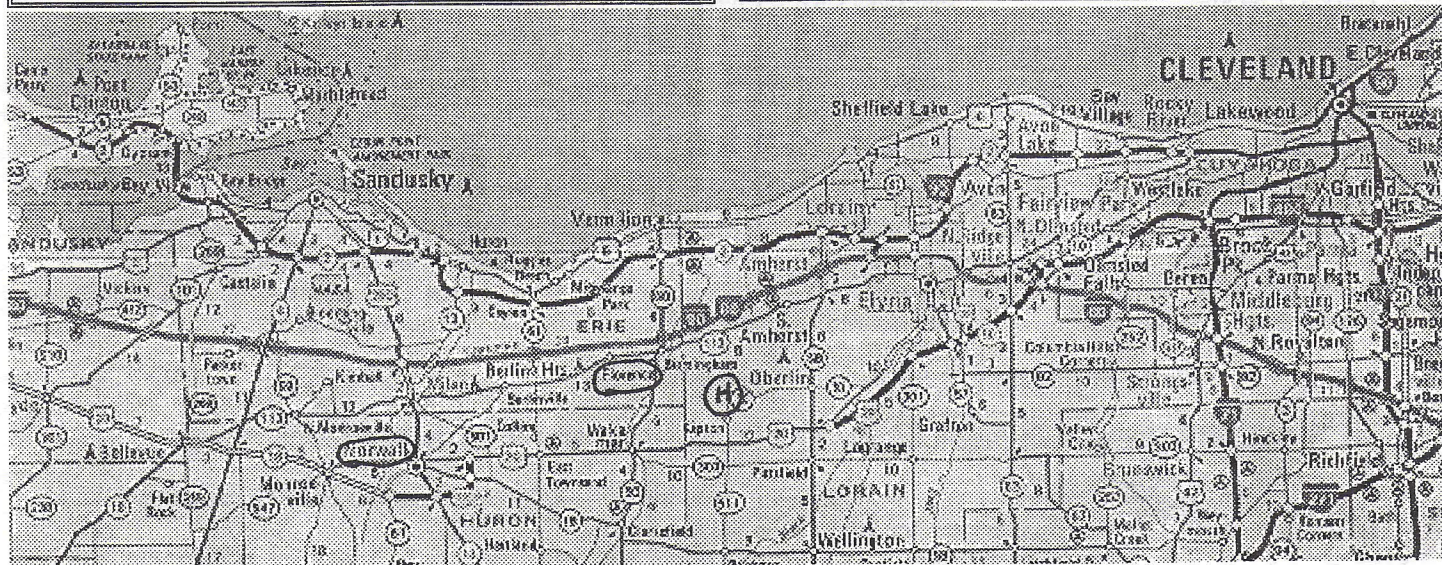
And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach.

Those great women raised their children in poverty, making the best of whatever cooperation they could work out with each other and their neighbors. Each took responsibility at some time or another, often all the time, for getting the bread and apparel, not only for themselves, but for their brood.

We, their descendants, have a substantial responsibility for seeing that they have no "reproach." We have responsibility for seeing that their children are honored for being the strong pioneers and parents that they were.

I will state again, as I have before, that some day we will meet those folks and with them engage in great and marvelous works. We will be closer to them than to the friends we had in the sixth grade or at any other stage in our lives, excepting our companions, our parents and siblings, and our children.

I am sure that Milo, himself, has spent the last 100 years getting reconciled in some way or another with those 11 great women and their 50-some children, so that their status is certainly elevated above the picture set forth in Isaiah. 4:1.





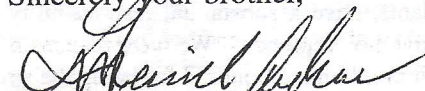
## what are the things you can do?

### You can participate and benefit in a number of exciting ways!

- ⇒ You can pay your dues and receive FREE your new CD of the **THE ANDRUS RECORDER**.
- ⇒ You can contribute to the Research Fund to pay THE EXPENSES (not the professional fees) of those who are striving to provide positive and unassailable identification of Milo Andrus's grandparents. Both your dues and your Research Fund contributions are tax deductible.
- ⇒ You can join the research team and learn valuable research skills while you help find the true identity of Milo's grandparents. SEE THE LIST OF NEEDED HELP ON PAGE 3.
- ⇒ You can help augment the Milo Andrus Family Organization mailing list.
- ⇒ You can help with the research on the family history of the wife from whom you descend. See p.3
- ⇒ You can participate in further development of **www.miloandrus.org** as a means of conducting an on-going family reunion operated the modern way.
- ⇒ You can learn more about the Sesquicentennial Commemoration of the movement of the St. Louis Stake to Deseret in 1855.

**All this and more can be done, if YOU and the other recipients of this letter pay your dues and make your tax-exempt donations for RESEARCH to the Milo Andrus Family Organization..** Will you be able to do this? EVEN A SMALL AMOUNT WILL BE HELPFUL. Please use the enclosed form **OR** use our web site, **www.miloandrus.org**

Sincerely your brother,



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**P. S. Earned respect, a gift of priceless value, accrues to the respectful.**

P. P. S. Your participation in Milo Andrus Family Organization activities will provide significant satisfaction.

P. P. P. S. Your feedback on your interests and abilities to help in the work of the Milo Andrus Family Organization will be appreciated. Enclose your comments when you send in the form enclosed.