

## **Timeline of the City Park Becoming The Rodeo Grounds**

**In July 1900, the Lehi City Fathers purchased a piece of ground where the Rodeo Grounds are today and called it the City Park. Baseball Fields, a Pavillion for Sports and Dances, and a Bike track became a part of the facilities. This is where a lot of cultural and civic events were held.**

**In 1921, rodeoing/cowboying was established at the City Park.**

**In 1930, the Black Hawk Rodeo Days was established and the rodeo was moved to Israel Evans ranch just west of town, but it was soon changed back to the present location.**

**In 1933, Bleacher, chutes, corrals were moved to what then called the City Park. It was moved for the Sugar Days Rodeo.**

**On February 20, 1941, under the direction of Mayor Dean Prior, some civic minded businessmen and citizens of Lehi met to organize a committee to be responsible for the annual city celebration. The Civic Improvement Association was formed with the following officers:**

**Alva Wing, President**  
**Thomas Powers, Vice President**  
**George Lewis, Director**  
**Roy West, Director**  
**Daryl Fowler, Director**  
**J. Ferrin Gurney, Secretary-Treasurer**

**From then on Rodeo Royalty were chosen and Professional Rodeo stock was obtained for the annual event. Prize money was increased and professional cowboys came to Lehi.**

**Since, this day, the Civic Improvement Association has maintained a tradition of the highest quality celebration and rodeo. They have exemplified service and have given to their community and served the citizens of Lehi.**