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#### PIONEERING YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Over the past month or so, the SUP has engaged in a number of important events. On June 29, Stewart Radmall and Mark Walker, our monuments program directors, participated in the dedication of two monuments that replaced a single monument. The monuments stand in the Riverton City Park, 1452

West 12600 South. They tell about the history of Riverton and its contribution to Utah's history.

On July 11, the Timpanogos Chapter of the SUP dedicated a rebuilt log cabin grist mill and granite monument. Arza Adams constructed the original cabin grist mill. Chapter President Daniel Adams, a great-grandson of Arza Adams, dedicated the mill and monument. A number of members of the Timpanogos Chapter, Adams family members, and American Fork citizens including the mayor James H. Hadfield attended. Representing the national organization were Stewart Radmall and Mark Walker; AVPs Don Hawley, David Smith, and Ron Rhodes, and SUP President Tom Alexander.

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On July 21, the Salt Lake City Chapter rededicated the Little Mountain Summit monument. Bob Folkman, SUP past president spoke, and Michael Reed, Salt Lake City Chapter President offered the dedicatory prayer. The pioneer company crossed Little Mountain on July 21, 1847, 168 years before the dedication.

On July 24, the Pioneer Day celebration in Salt Lake City opened with a Sunrise Service at the historic Salt Lake Tabernacle. The Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter organized the service, and chapter president Guy Trawick conducted. The Mormon Battalion, a tribute organization formed in 1940, presented the flags of the United States of America and the State of Utah. A combined choir from LDS institutes in the Salt Lake Valley offered a number of stirring hymns. DUP President Maureen Smith introduced the Days of 47 Royalty.



Photo: Kristin Murphy, Deseret News

At the Sunrise Service, we heard inspiring talks by Elder Dale G. Renlund of the Seventy and Ruth Lybbert Renlund. Elder Renlund told of his grandparents, Oskar and Albertina Andersson who joined the LDS Church in Sweden in 1915. They emigrated to Utah where they noted that they had it so much better than the original pioneers. Elder Renlund emphasized that we can be pioneers in our own right by following the principles they espoused such as faith, hard work, and dedication. Sister Renlund told of her



second great-grandmother
Nettie Olsen who joined the
church in Norway. She walked
1000 miles to Utah, 700 of
them without shoes because
her only pair had worn out.
She also emphasized the
importance of viewing the
faith of these pioneers as
models for our lives of
dedication.

Photo: Rick Egan, Salt Lake Tribune

Following the Sunrise Service, a number of SUP members pulled handcarts furnished by SUP Past-President Dil Strasser and carried an SUP banner with our name and logo and an SUP flag. An article in the Saturday, July 25th *Salt Lake Tribune* featured the families of SUP members. The front page showed pictures of Anna, Ethan, and Linda Valentine, Bob Folkman's granddaughter, grandson, and daughter. You can see the upper part of Bob's face above the handcart. You can also see the picture on the SUP Facebook page. A page inside the newspaper shows Mark Folkman carrying the SUP flag and some members of the Ken Blair family pulling a handcart. Ken is the grandson of a pioneer. A number of others including David Smith and Mike Reed of the Salt Lake City Chapter and some of their family members pulled a handcart, and Jim Hurst and Tom Alexander carried the SUP sign. Pryor to the parade, SUP Past-President Bob Folkman represented the SUP officers in viewing the floats and selecting the SUP prize winner.

On July 21, Marilyn and I had the privilege of visiting at and speaking to the Cotton Mission Chapter at the chapter's monthly meeting in the Washington, Utah City Center. President Royce Griffin conducted the meeting, and the Golden Corral catered an excellent dinner. Sidney "Ski" Ingram gave an excellent vignette on ancestors who died in the work of the Lord, especially one who was murdered while on a mission in the South.

On Monday July 27 more than 672 members, family, and friends of the Sons of Utah Pioneers had a wonderful time at the This is the Place Heritage Park. Because of the kindness of Executive Director Ellis Ivory and his staff at the park we were able to sponsor the third annual SUP day at the park. Members enjoyed the already existing treasures such as the Brigham Young Farmhouse, the quilt display at the Deseret Hospital, and the Deseret News Printing office. In addition, many took advantage of the new treasure house, panning for gold, and digging for jewels. Hungry members had hamburgers at the Huntsman Hotel, and the really adventuresome ate Navajo Tacos at the Bowery.





We held a special service at the Garden Place. The This is the Place Heritage Singers sang "In Our Lovely Deseret." On behalf of SUP, Bob Folkman presented Ellis Ivory a lifetime membership in the SUP. Elder Neil L. Andersen of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and his gracious wife, Sister Kathy Sue Williams Andersen, spoke to us in a special service at the Garden Place. Sister Andersen recounted some events in

her life, and she told the story of Mary Goble Pay who came to Utah in a wagon company that accompanied the Willie and Martin Handcart companies. Elder Andersen told of his ancestry, of participation in Jerusalem in the conference of a Jewish family history organization, and of encounters with the Saints in Hawaii. He also turned to Charles Dickens's account of 800 Mormons aboard the ship Amazon in 1863. Dickens had gone aboard with the intention of telling shameful tales about the Mormons. Instead he found an exceptionally well behaved and well organized group of Saints who had not known each other previously, but who had joined together to emigrate to America. He emphasized that we are all linked together in one way or another to those who came before us.







As a highlight of the day, those who attended were able to view and read the new informational plaques on the Eyes Westward monument near the entrance to the park. Bob Folkman has been working on securing the new plaques (above, right) for some time. He hit a number of roadblocks on the way, and we are pleased that he was able to have the plaques installed for our SUP Day at the This is the Place Heritage Park. If you were not there, you should go up and see the plaques. The position of the new plaques and gold on black lettering make them much easier to read, (shown in two photos at left, above).

Cordially,

Tom Alexander, National President, 2015 Thomas Alexander@BYU.edu

#### NATIONAL CALENDAR

(Online Calendar available at <a href="http://www.sup1847.com/calendar/">http://www.sup1847.com/calendar/</a>)

August 22, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

September 17-19, 2015 SUP National Convention in Brigham City, Utah. (See pages 14-16).

September 26, 8 a.m. to noon, **Yard Cleanup at the SUP Headquarters**, 3301 East Louise Ave, Salt Lake City. All are invited to help.

October 24, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

November Area Training Meetings, Organized by AVPs and National Officers.

Locations, times, and other details about these trainings are on the National SUP website calendar

- November 7, 10:00 a.m. Cache, Ogden, Ogden Valley, Box Elder, (Regions: Utah North-Paul Riley; Utah Weber- Don Lee; Davis-Bob Brown), Ogden, UT
- November 7, **Idaho Area**, Blackfoot, ID
- November 14 **Salt Lake**, **Tooele**, **Grantsville** (Regions: Salt Lake East- Joe Goodman; Salt Lake South- David Smith; Salt Lake West- Brad Clayton)
- November 14, 10:00 a.m. noon, **Utah County, Wasatch County, Richfield, Sanpete, Escalante** (Regions: Utah County North-Don Hawley; Utah County South-Ron Rhodes; Utah East- Jim Weston; Utah East South-David Mower), Edgemont 11<sup>th</sup> Ward Meetinghouse, 3050 Mojave Lane, Provo, UT.
- November 21: **Washington County, Iron County** (Regions: Utah Central- Warren Woolsey; Utah South-Don Burton)
- Dates not yet set for Arizona, Eastern US, and California
- December 8, **SUP National Christmas Dinner**, National Headquarters
- September 22-24, 2016, SUP National Convention in Hurricane, Utah.

#### **SUP PAPERWEIGHTS**

Available at the National Office for \$20.



#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

Send National News submissions to <u>SUP1847@gmail.com</u>.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD TO 2016**

Although we were well represented in the Days of 47 Parade on the 24th, we are aiming at enhancing our SUP image at that event next year even more. There were over 200,000 folks who lined the street to observe us with our banner and flag and three handcarts, and even more watched on TV! However, one way to elevate the impression we leave on all those observers would be to have our SUP leadership in a buggy pulled by a horse or two! Wouldn't that be cool! Surely, somewhere in our SUP association there must be a member or at least a contact for someone who has a buggy and the horse(s) to pull it. If you have a lead please contact Jim Hurst, President-elect, at 801-876-3457 or jhurst@uwyo.edu.

Next year let's make an even bigger splash!

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

### ANNUAL MEMBERS CONVERTING TO LIFE MEMBERS

Ellis R Ivory – Holladay Chapter

#### **NEW LIFE MEMBERS**

Richard L Steed – Centerville Chapter Larry Smith – Sanpete County Chapter

#### **NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS**

**Dalton Ross** – At Large

### CONVERTING FROM FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO ANNUAL

Grant Davis – At Large

**Derek Rowley** – Dixie Encampment Chapter

Richard L Partridge – Box Elder Chapter

Vibert L Kesler – Mills Chapter

Mark Mangum – Hurricane Valley Chapter

#### **NEW FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS**

John E Bruns – Tooele, UT

John Peck – Tooele UT

Rod Pearson – Erda, UT

Michael J Hansen – Stansbury Park, UT

Mark Fosgren – Brigham City, UT

S Douglas Wood – Annabella, UT

LaMar Helquist – Orem, UT

Ron Gutka – Shelley, ID

#### **CHAPTER ETERNAL**

**Verl P Roundy** – Cotton Mission – 9/26/14 **Joe Kuchenmeister** – Sanpete County – 6/1/15 **William Topham** – Cedar City – 11/22/14

### The Mission of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

- 1. Come to know our fathers, and turn our hearts to them.
- 2. Preserve the memories and heritage of the early pioneers of the Utah Territory and the western U.S.
- 3. Honor present-day pioneers worldwide who exemplify the pioneer values and qualities of character.
- 4. Teach these values and qualities to the youth who will be tomorrow's pioneers.

#### **CHAPTER NEWS**

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Editor's challenge to EVERY chapter – Please send me news of your chapter. We would love to hear from you.

#### COTTON MISSION CHAPTER, (St. George,

Utah) – The June Dinner Meeting of the Cotton Mission Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers was



uplifting and Patriotic.
Our own **Leo Lyman**(left), a respected
historian and author
delivered an informative
address on explorer
Jedediah Smith and his
relationship with
southern Utah's Native
American tribes.

He spoke of the challenges of the Piute Indians of this St George area with the white men during the taming and settling of the area which consisted of peaceful interchange, fearful slave trading, and misunderstandings that started in warfare and ended in peace.

He told how in 1826 Jedediah made a trip through our area and found a very advanced tribe who had canals and a dam for irrigation. They gave him corn and a rabbit. Jed returned in 1827 and found the tribe had vanished. No one knew why. Through examination of Jed's recently published diaries, and other historical sources, Leo discussed fascinating new evidence that might provide the answers.

#### **NEW SUP WEBSITE**

We encourage members to use our new website at sup1847.com rather than the old one.

GROVE CITY CHAPTER, (Blackfoot, Idaho) – Spending the afternoon at Merlin Morgan's M-M farm was a real treat for the chapter.

The many wagons, handcarts and other old west items he has constructed, or collected, could fill a large catalog. Merlin has scoured the country side looking for pieces of equipment, wagons and even a funeral wagon that typifies the pioneer life style of early Idaho. Merlin handcrafted a covered wagon, seen in the picture below.



His collection includes utensils used in the home, tools used by blacksmiths, farming implements, saddles and many more items that frankly makes me glad I live in a day of modern conveniences.

All in attendance were treated to great Dutch oven lunch, including dessert, and were given a ride in Merlin's beautiful horse drawn wagon.

Merlin's family ran a large dairy on their property for many years. As time went by they were unable to expand their herd of dairy cows to make the operation profitable. After much thought they converted their operation to a place for the public to come and enjoy "days gone by" with all the atmosphere of the pioneer era.

The weather was perfect for our trek and the attendance was great. Merlin and his family provided a look into the past and provided hands on opportunities for us to ponder what our pioneer ancestors went through to provide for their families. Their willingness to break the ground, provide water to the desert and use their skills and knowledge helped tame the Southeast Idaho wilderness and left us with not only a wonderful place to live but a great legacy to remember and to be thankful for.

HURRICANE CHAPTER, (Hurricane, Utah) – What a marvelous night we had. These two cowboy poets with their spouses, came into our town last night, and regaled the audience with pleasure as they quoted lengthy stories in verse form they had created themselves. They were Sam Jackson (below, left) from Kanab, and Marleen Bussman (below, right) from Dammeron Valley.





They were "Purt-near" accurate about life in the west as they were growing up. Most of their poetry dealt with the areas here in the west, from Pioche, Nevada, to North Western Utah.

Their poetry brought in a different look at pioneer life, some serious, as we were reminded about the part "old barns" played in the lives of the pioneers. Some funny as we laughed at the difficulty one sheep herder had protecting his sheep from a coyote, only to trap him and have the coyote have the last laugh with the dynamite tied to his stomach.

#### THE PIONEER VALUES

We honor the pioneers for their faith in God; devotion to family; loyalty to church and country; hard work and service to others; courage in adversity; personal integrity; and unyielding determination.

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JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER, (Salt Lake Valley, Southwest) – What a delightful day we enjoyed at our trek held on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Several from our chapter visited the Fort Douglas Military Museum (above) adjacent to the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

**Su Richards** met us as she gave us a very interesting verbal introduction to the history of Fort Douglas. Did you know that Fort Douglas is still an active military fort? Did you know that during World War II this fort was the reception center for the ninth army of all new recruits from the Salt Lake region?

Our group then went a few blocks away to visit the Fort Douglas Cemetery. Again, did you realize that this is still an active cemetery? The most recent burial was just a week ago. There are 1,400 soldiers with some of their family members buried here.

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

- Mondays Thursdays 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Closed Fridays
- The library is open by appointment only due to staff shortage.

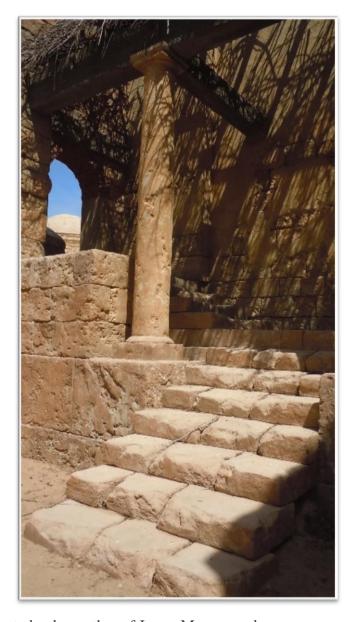
MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER (Mapleton, Utah) – What an interesting and inspiring visit the Maple Mountain Chapter had while visiting the Church's Motion Picture Studio set (below) near Goshen, just a few miles south of the new Payson Temple.

What has been built is not a replica of Jerusalem, but a re-creation of important locations in the city. It covers an area about the size of a football field and has been used to create the New Testament Scripture Library Project—a series of vignettes portraying important scenes from the life of Jesus Christ and the Apostles. Since filming at the site took place there have been close to 100 Bible videos made. These videos can be viewed by going to lds.org and clicking on Bible Videos.

As the members walked through the set what appeared very realistically as ancient stone walls, carved arches, and wooden beams were in reality Styrofoam, textured and artistically hand-painted.

The members found themselves visualizing the scene that was being portrayed as the senior missionary host and guide explained what took place at a particular place.

For example this picture was where Gabriel appeared to Mary and told her that she was going



to be the mother of Jesus. Many members were anxious to go home and view the online videos on lds.org to see if they could identify the scene where the video was made. In this case Gabriel was at the top of the stairs near the open entry and Mary was sitting near the bottom of the stairs looking up toward him. Other areas of importance—the Court of the Women, the pool of Bethesda, the inn where Mary and Joseph sought shelter, the house of Caiaphas—are represented and are also versatile enough to be used for other scenes.

We were struck with the simplicity of the sets, yet knew what the talented film makers had created would bring significant life to sacred events MORGAN CHAPTER (Morgan, Utah) – Brother Ed Watts was interviewed by Pres. Uchtdorf who told him he would be assigned to a Spanish speaking mission as a mission president. He had served a mission to Argentina and thought he might be assigned to go there, but also thought about Guatemala. His pondering also included a river in Guatemala that could be the River Sidon.

He explained that missionaries started serving in Guatemala in 1947 and that most of the missionaries came from the Mexican Mission. In 1984 a temple was built there, and they now have a 2nd temple as well. In addition, they also now have a temple in San Salvador. What started out small has expanded and progressed to where there are now 6 missions in Guatemala.

The area is unsafe, but the work is progressing in spite of these conditions. Bro Watts related a few short experiences from his time there. One was where 2 missionaries had an experience with a bad man. They kept talking to him over several weeks and were able to finally preach the gospel to him. They both were in a very dangerous situation, but they continued on their missions. He referred to them as real heroes.

Many local people were curious, but were shy at the same time, so instead of coming into the church building, they would just press their faces up against the windows and look in.

The members are important in the work. One sister, for example, was instrumental in helping to bring 35 people into the church.

He closed by relating the story of Enos. After his conversion, Enos pleaded with the Lord that according to the people's faith, he would preserve their records to a future time. We were told that these people came from Lehi's family

He did indicate that the language spoken there was is Ketchie, and that there are only 3 dialects that speak this language. He also explained that these people have their own Book of Mormon written in Ketchie.

#### TOLL-FREE NUMBER DISCONTINUED

We discontinued our toll-free phone number. To reach the Headquarters now, call 801-484-4441.

**MURRAY CHAPTER** (Murray, Utah) – On May 27, 2015, the Sons of the Utah Pioneers

National President
Thomas Alexander
(right) spoke by
invitation to the
Murray chapter on a
subject that we
requested—the History
of the Sons of Utah
Pioneers. Mr.
Alexander came with
copious notes from his
own research. All that
he interestingly



presented to us cannot be duplicated here, but following are some highlights.

The first known attempt to organize the Sons and Daughters of the Utah Pioneers was held in 1907. Unfortunately, this group's effort to organize was not successful. However, 26 years later in 1933 the Sons of the Utah Pioneers (SUP) was successfully organized officially with constitution and bylaws.

SUP soon organized a trek from Nauvoo, Illinois to the Salt Lake Valley; however, apparently most made the trek by car, and many of these cars on the trek were decorated with plywood sheets hung on both sides with oxen painted on them. This may have caused an interesting sight for the highway patrol and others. They also organized a Mormon battalion trek.

Local units were first called "camps" with the leaders called "captain." Later unit designations were changed to "chapters" with "presidents" as their leaders.

The organization went through difficult times during the Great Depression, World War II, and the Korean War. Each of these time periods saw a decline in membership.

Other interesting points made by Mr. Alexander include:

- The most recent chapter was organized in Modesto, California.
- SUP recently sold the Pioneer Village, located in Lagoon, to Lagoon.

- The piece of property where the SUP national headquarters now stands was donated to SUP by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
- SUP created a monument where the Mormon battalion discovered gold, and it has constructed several monuments throughout the country where significant events, relative to the pioneers, have occurred.
- The organization has faced challenges; including being taxed and having to prove its tax exempt status.
- Since its inception, honorary memberships were often given to LDS Church presidents. However, in more recent years it has extended honorary memberships to such prominence as people like Maurice Abravanel and John Huntsman Sr.

SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER, (Salt Lake City, Utah) – On Tuesday, July 21, 2015, 168 years to the day from when the Vanguard company of the Saints crossed the summit of Little Mountain pass, members of the Salt Lake City Chapter and other guests met to rededicate the SUP monument at the top of the pass.

The monument has been there for many years, but some years ago the brass plaques on the monument were stolen. The Salt Lake Chapter undertook the task of creating a new plaque to put on the existing stone pillar. The new plaque is on anodized aluminum which has almost no resale value and will stand up to adverse weather conditions for many years.

**Mike Reed**, the President of the chapter conducted the meeting and called on National Past President **Bob Folkman** to make some remarks.

Bob expressed his appreciation to the Salt Lake City Chapter for undertaking this restoration project and encouraged other chapters to look and see if there are other monuments that need restoration. This plaque commemorates the passage of the vanguard company on this, the most difficult portion of the trail. The Donner-Reed partly had come down the canyon in 1846 and roughed out a road that the pioneers then had



to improve to be able to get their wagons down through the narrow brushy canyon. He emphasized how they kept their goals in mind and persisted in the project even when they could not see the end of the canyon. We need to learn from them and keep our goals in mind when the going gets tough.



Mike Reed then offered the dedicatory prayer, giving thanks and asking for the Lord's protection of this site.

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#### TAYLORSVILLE/BENNION CHAPTER,

(Taylorsville, Utah) – We spent a delightful evening with **Lowell Hicks** (below), a retired music teacher, with many years of service in our valley. He plays vibes, marimba, xylophone and piano and just happens to be 101 years old. We were amazed at his speed and agility, and his memory of all our favorite tunes. He is a truly remarkable man and great entertainer. He is also a former SUP chapter president.



**TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER,** (Logan, Utah) – The speaker for the May meeting was **Glen Stringham**. He gave a history of his great grandmother, Mary Dunster Chittenden

Mary was born in London and liked to read scriptures. Her grandmother told her that "she would break bread in a different nation." Mary married William Chittenden and he told her that he would take her to America. However they stayed in England and had two daughters. They then moved to Australia..

Mary had a dream before the birth of one of her daughters. She saw a white building with towers. There were twelve men sitting around a table, and each one had a pen. She was told she should "come to be married." It was confusing to her because she was already married. The streets around the building were straight and clean, and there were nice homes there. She saw many people dressed in white going to the white building. Mary had another dream. She saw two men, each with a satchel and a cane.

she clearly saw, and remembered, their faces. They told her they "had power to preach" and gave her a book.

When William and Mary had been married for 18 years, they had nine daughters, two sons who had died, a successful farm, and had built a home.

In 1853 William went to Sydney to sell wheat. He went to visit a friend, and together they went to see some men from America and heard the gospel for the first time. Sometime later, two men with canes and satchels stopped at the farm. Mary recognized one of the men from her dream, but the other one was different. They were Elders who had been in Sydney. One

was Elder Eldridge and the other was Elder Graham. When they heard her story, Elder Eldridge said that Elder Fleming had been scheduled to come with him but was unable to. When Mary later met Elder Fleming, he was the second Elder in her earlier dream.

Chittenden's neighbors, the Davises, listened to the Elders with them, and the families of Davis and Crittenden were baptized at the same time. The spirit of gathering followed. They wanted to go to Utah, but Mary became ill. She could not work, but was not sick enough to go to bed. She was given a blessing and was healed.

Mary told William that he had said he would take her to America. Many of their girls had married non-Mormons but there were still two girls and a boy living at home. They decided to go to Utah. They settled near Provo. They couldn't get to the St. George Temple before William died, so Mary and her son went to St. George and did the temple work for them. Both William and Mary died and are buried in Provo.

#### TWENTY WELLS CHAPTER, (Grantsville,

Utah) – On Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, the Twenty Wells Chapter sponsored a trek and invited the Settlement Canyon (Tooele) and the Salt Lake Chapters to join them. There was a good turnout with all three chapters and a few others involved.



The first stop was the Benson Grist Mill (above). The mill is the only surviving building on the site that once had several other buildings. The mill has been restored and many of the other buildings reconstructed to form a wonderful historical park. The first building built on the site was the lumber mill built and operated by the Lee brothers to provide the sawn lumber for the mill and other buildings



Our second stop was the Hilda Anderson Erikson monument (above) in downtown Grantsville. This remarkable lady has been called the last pioneer. Her family was Swedish converts and crossed the planes in 1866 when Hilda was 7 years old. She married John Erickson and served with him for 15 years as missionaries to the Indians. Over the course of her life she served in many position, civic and religious. From 1908 to 1953 she traveled enough to wear out 11 cars before the State finally took away her driver's license. At the age of 104 she traveled by passenger jet over the same route that she covered as a girl almost a hundred years earlier. She died in Grantsville at the age of 108.

Next stop was the Donner-Reed Museum in Grantsville. This museum houses artifacts that were scattered across the southern edge of the Great Salt Lake mud flats by the Donner-Reed and other parties. The long distances between water and the depth of the soft mud took its toll from most of the wagon trains that attempted this crossing, but the Donner-Reed partly was particularly affected since they were heavily loaded and not well prepared. Reed's wagon, called the palace car, was extra-large and heavy — it became mired and had to be left. Remnants of It and other wagons have been recovered.

Twenty Wells was the original name of the colony since that is what the Indians called the area. There were 20, more or less, deep pools of water that always maintained the same level without an outlet, and hence they were called wells.

In Tooele we stopped at the DUP Museum. This is housed in the pioneer county court house built in 1867. Tooele was one of first settlements outside of Salt Lake City and has a great deal of history. Next door to the DUP Museum is the Tooele County Museum

administered by the SUP and between these two there is a great deal of history presented.

Our last stop was in the mining town of Ophir, where we learned about the mining in the area and had a wonderful dinner (below). The Oquirrh Mountain has been called the richest mountain in the world; with Kennecott on the north end and several rich mines on the south end, it may well be so.



### Sons of Utah Pioneers 2015 Convention

Registration Form						
Member name		Spouse/Guest name, if attending				
Phone ( ) email		SUP Chapter				
Address		City State /Zip				
Convention Prices listed are f	or one per	son				
Early registration (Before 1 Sept)	\$100.00	Member \$	Spouse/Guest	Total		
Late registration (After 1 Sept)	\$115.00					
Thursday only registration	\$ 35.00	Member \$				
Friday only registration	\$ 45.00	Member \$	Spouse/Guest	Total		
Saturday only registration	\$ 40.00					
			Convention total			
Each tour is a half day, either morning 8: The "two tour" package is \$40.00 per per One Tour per person (circle \$ amount \$2	rson. Circle	the correct total amo	ounts and list your tour selection	n.		
Enter the tour number: #			-			
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Your name badge will be your ticket	to all event	s. Inc	luded check number			
Please register before September as soon as practical, so we can plan for y						
Clip or copy and mail form and check to	SUP AI	Lemon 509 N	600 E Brigham City, U	Utah 84302		

#### Convention Schedule

Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>
1:00-5:30 pm Registration & Welcome
Box Elder Stake Center, 420 S 800 W
6:00 Opening Dinner & Entertainment
Box Elder Stake Center

Friday, September 18th

7:30-8:15 am Registration – Stake Center 8:30 Tours depart – Box Elder Stake Center 12:00 - Lunch Box Elder Stake Center 1:00 pm - Tours depart – Box Elder Stake Center 6:00 - Dinner & Entertainment -BE High School 8:00 - **Michael Ballam** - High School Auditorium

Saturday, September 19th

7:30 - 8:30 am Registration

9:30 - 11:00 National Business meeting

9:30 – 11:00 Spouses and Guest meeting

with Janice Kapp Perry

12:00 - 2:30 Closing Banquet - Lloyd Newell

Website: https://www.sup2015.com

#### **Tour Information**

#### Tour #1 Rails to Rockets

Visit the Golden Spike National Historic site (bring your Golden Passport), ATK (Thiokol) Rocket Garden that includes a Space Shuttle booster, a Minuteman, and a Patriot missile.

#### Tour #2 Buggies and Boom Town

View the largest collection of horse-drawn vehicles in North America and visit Corinne, the unofficial gentile capital of Utah in early days as well as the freight-transfer point for shipment of goods to and from mining towns in western Montana.

#### Tour #3 Brigham City Historic Sites

While visiting such historic buildings as the Brigham City Tabernacle, you'll learn about Lorenzo Snow, colonizer of Brigham City, Brigham City Co-op, the longest-running co-operative united order in the LDS Church, and WW II Bushnell General Hospital.

Information on other local points of interest will be available at the registration desk.

#### **Tour 1: Rails to Rockets**

A special symbolical ceremony was prepared to complete the finishing of the Transcontinental Railroad. The ceremony was held on May 10, 1869 at Promontory Summit in western Box Elder County. A special golden spike was used in the ceremony to represent the connecting of the two lines, thus tying East to West. Two companies, the Central Pacific and the Union Pacific, had battled hard to each complete as much of the rail line as they could. There are many stories of how they met challenges and overcame obstacles. We'll be treated to seeing the restored trains along with learning much about the efforts and the impact of the Transcontinental Railroad





Thiokol Chemical Corporation came to Utah in the late 1950's and within a few years was employing 15,000 workers. They became a leading contractor producing solid rocket fuel for America's space exploration efforts. Among other products the company built space shuttle boosters and solid fuel rocket

motors for ICBM vehicles which are still used today. We'll see many of the rockets and other things from our country's space efforts.

#### Tour 2: Buggies and Boom Town

From a very early age Eli Anderson was excited about history of the West. When he was in high school he acquired an old dilapidated buggy from a relative and spent much of his time repairing it. He even committed to spend \$500 to restore the wheels. In the process he learned about many kinds of buggies,





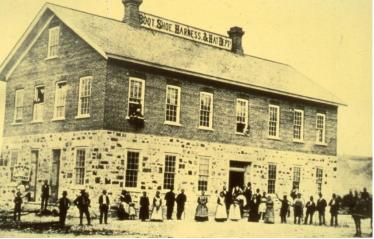
wagons, and other horse drawn conveyances. He committed to a lifelong drive to find and preserve hundreds of different horse-drawn vehicles. He has well over 300 vehicles, some fully restored and some in the original state when he obtained them. The collection is arguably the largest collection of its kind in North America. We'll visit Wagon Land where you can get up close and ask questions.

As the railroad was coming into Utah and the route was known, an anti-Mormon named Mark A. Gilmore with some of his associates began planning a "city" in northern Utah. The city was to be a "gentile" city, no Mormons allowed. The plan was to develop wagon transportation to go north to Montana and connect their new city with the railroad. Since it was planned on the banks of the Bear River they also planned to have a steam boat and river traffic to Salt Lake City. We'll visit Corrine and learn about this Gentile effort.

#### **Tour 3: Brigham City Historic Sites**

The Tabernacle was completed and dedicated in October of 1890, only to be gutted by fire February 9, 1896. The townspeople decided to rebuild it as quickly as possible, and a year later the building was finished with many improvements. The new structure had much beautiful woodwork, an impressive gothic-revival tower, and 16 pinnacles on the sides of the building. It was dedicated March 21, 1897. Through the years, the building has housed community events as well as religious services. It is a landmark building, one of the most photographed buildings in Utah, and annually attracts many tourists. We'll visit the tabernacle and learn about its unique history.





In 1865, Lorenzo Snow asked Brigham City merchants to unite their businesses for the common interest of the community. The purpose was to provide jobs for everyone and to make the people self-sustaining. Most supported the request, and on December 7, 1865, the cooperative enterprise was formed. They sold shares for \$5 using produce and labor as well as cash. In 1870 they incorporated as The Brigham City Mercantile and Manufacturing Association commonly called the Brigham City Co-op. Almost everyone in the community was involved in some way. We'll see many of the sites of the Co-op and learn about Lorenzo Snow and how this effort became the most successful effort to create a United Order Society within the church.



#### Application for Membership Enrollment National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Membership qualifications: Male persons of good moral character, principles and ideals, and desirous of perpetuating the Mission of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and its programs, may become members of the National Society upon the payment of dues to the national office.

We request that all members submit a personal history to the Sons of Utah Pioneers Library. This history should be at least one page in length.

Please mail this application with your fee to:

Sons of Utah Pioneers 3301 E. Louise Ave. Salt Lake City UT 84109 Email: supl847@gmail.com

We take these credit cards: MasterCard and Visa. Please indicate the account number, expiration date, and the 3-digit security code on the back of the card. You may make a credit card payment over the phone by calling (800) 484-4441. Please have your credit card available when you call.

For more information on membership, please call (800) 484-4441, Monday to Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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## "S.U.P. Family and Friends" New Membership Application

### National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers 82 Years and Still Growing! (1933 - 2015)

SUP Family and Friends Membership: Men of all ages, of good moral character, principles and ideals, and desirous of perpetuating the goals of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, may become NEW members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for a special promotional term ending December 31, 2015 upon payment of \$25 dues.

This new membership includes the quarterly "**Pioneer Magazine**," and all other membership privileges to participate fully in the activities of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Name:	Wife's Name:		
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Please read details of Family and Friends Membership on reverse page. Revised July 1, 2014

Please send your application with your check or credit card information to:

#### RULES OF THE ANNUAL FAMILY AND FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM Revised July 1, 2014

- The Sons of Utah Pioneers Family and Friends Program is an annual membership growth program that begins on July 1 of
  each year. All F&F Memberships received during the six months between July 1 and December 31 of any year will continue
  until December 31 of the following year. All F&F Memberships received during the six months between January 1 and June
  30 of any year will end on December 31 of the same calendar year.
- 2. The cost of a Family and Friends Membership is \$25. Any new member is eligible to join the F&F program. At the end of the F&F membership period, the member may renew as a regular S.U.P. annual member for \$50 for the next calendar year, unless he is age 55 or younger. If the F&F member is under 56 years old, he may renew his F&F membership for \$25 for the calendar year. If he is age 56 or older, he must renew as a regular member. A new member is defined as an individual who has not been a paid member of the S.U.P. in the last two calendar years.
- S.U.P Chapters normally have nominal annual dues to cover chapter expenses. A Family and Friends member may be asked
  to contribute chapter dues if he becomes active in his chosen chapter. If a F&F member affiliates with a chapter, the chapter
  leadership will notify the National office to correctly assign the F&F membership to that chapter.
- 4. Family and Friends members will receive the quarterly Pioneer Magazine and all membership privileges as a regular member.

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