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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As we look forward to Christmas, we should all be grateful for the blessings we enjoy. We thank God for the gift of His son and for the blessings he pours out on us. We thank our families for the joys we experience each day. As I look out my window, I see the mountains and trees. My wife, whom I love dearly, had me put the Christmas lights on our eaves. It is a job that I really don't like to do. Imagine an 80 year old getting on the roof to put up the lights. Nevertheless, I do it because I love and respect her.

We have just held training sessions with our Area Vice Presidents, Chapter Presidents, and local Board Members. I have to say after attending four of those training sessions that The National Society of The Sons of Utah Pioneers remains in good hands. We have an excellent cadre of local officers. They keep the organization spirited and vibrant. Our Chapter Presidents and Area Vice Presidents are among the best men in the world. The Chapter Presidents offer inspired leadership, and the AVPs provide both excellent service and vital links between the national organization and the local chapters.

I am pleased also at the excellent relations that the SUP has with our sister organization, the International Society of Daughters of Utah Pioneers. We owe an eternal debt to Bob Folkman and Maurine Smith for keeping that relationship alive. On November 11, we had the opportunity to attend a dedication of a monument sponsored by the DUP to Lt. Henry Wells Jackson, a Utahn who died in the Civil War. After the dedicatory service in the lecture hall at the DUP pioneer museum, I had the opportunity to walk with DUP President Smith to the Utah capitol grounds to view the monument. President Smith has accepted an invitation to write a message in our future *Pioneer* magazines.

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At the end of December, I will leave the SUP presidency in the capable hands of Jim Hurst. Over the past two years I have appreciated the dedicated service of our SUP national officers. Jay Smith, our national treasurer, provides an institutional memory for the organization. We will be sorry to see him leave the national leadership. John Smith, his replacement, will, however, provide excellent service. John Elggren, our office financial assistant and incoming president elect, is currently developing a relational data base which will allow us to keep better track of SUP members by integrating all of the information on each member in a single place. Bob Folkman, our outgoing past president has agreed to serve as Publicity Director on the national board. He has been the conscience of the organization over the past couple of years. Heather Davis provides excellent service as our Office Manager/Secretary. She is always on top of everything that goes on in the national office. Linda Sorensen, our building manager, gives topnotch service in maintaining and renting our national building. Pat Cook has provided super service in keeping the membership and *Pioneer* magazine data bases up to date.

On December 8 we will hold our annual SUP Christmas Party at national headquarters. All SUP members are invited, and we have sent special invitations to our Chapter Presidents, National Program Directors, Area Vice Presidents, and Past Presidents.

We also thank Daniel Zappala for designing our excellent SUP website and David Mower, our website editor for the great work he has been doing in keeping the website up to date. Our Chapter Presidents and chapter program officers should use and add to the new Speakers' Bureau on the website. We enthusiastically encourage chapter presidents to email David with additions to the Speakers' Bureau. Please, however, send in only the names of speakers whom you have personally heard and whom you can recommend as excellent speakers. Be certain to provide contact information so the Speakers' Bureau can be a resource for our local officers to find first rate speakers for their chapter meetings.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year to all of you.

Tom Alexander,
National President, 2015
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**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.

NATIONAL CALENDAR

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

2015

- December 8, **SUP National Christmas Dinner**, National Headquarters, 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Heather in the National Office.

2016

- February 20, **Regional Symposium** in Ogden. [See page 19](#)
- February 27, Chapter President's Meeting, National Headquarters, 10:00 a.m.
- Spring, SUP Building Clean Up – watch for further details!
- May 7, National Symposium, National Headquarters
- July 18, SUP Day at This is the Place Heritage Park
- September 22-24, 2016, **SUP National Convention in Hurricane, Utah.** [See page 21](#)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Annual Members

Michael V Webster-Morgan chapter
Russell M Deputy-At Large
Heman T Smith-Portneuf Pioneers chapter
Ronald G Taylor-Red Rocks chapter

New Annual Members Converting from Family & Friends

Kenneth F McAllister-At Large
Bradley Brinkerhoff-Maple Mountain chapter
William Skinner-Upper Snake River Valley chapter
Lee A Workman-Upper Snake River Valley chapter
Jack Bollwinkel-Mills chapter
Howard L Edwards-Mills chapter
Merrill Gee-Mills chapter
Bruce Gundersen-Mills chapter

New Life Members

Scott Parker-Washington DC Area chapter
Karl Blake-Porter Rockwell chapter

New Life Members Converting from Annual Members

Bruce H Winegar-Portneuf Pioneers chapter
David E Humphrey-Cotton Mission chapter

Chapter Eternal

Ortho Fairbanks-Canyon Rim chapter-6/2/15
Mark Redd-Murray chapter-12/19/14
Lee Blaine Boyle-Upper Snake River Valley chapter-11/13/15
A Kent Christensen-Squaw Peak chapter-11/17/15
Marion Francis-Grove City chapter-11/9/15

New Members of Family & Friends

Steven McNeil-St George, UT
Melvin Lund-Mapleton, UT
Mark P Allred-Orem, UT
Shawn Milne-Tooele, UT
Stew Paulick-Tooele, UT
Max W Turpin-Washington, UT
Melvin Alexander-Clinton, UT
Garrett B Arnado-West Yellowstone, MT
Douglas J Simkins-Washington, UT
Lynn Cleland-Murray, UT

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NATIONAL NEWS

Send National News submissions to
SUP1847@gmail.com.

Creation of Speakers' Bureau

Our chapters are always looking for good speakers.

In order to help with this the webmaster has been assigned to create a list of SUP program presenters whose presentation is top-notch and who are willing to travel to other chapters for repeat performances. This information will be posted on our website in the Speakers' Bureau. Just go to the website (sup1847.com), put your cursor over "About" and one of the options will be the Speakers' Bureau. If you are looking for a good speaker, go there to see what is available.

If you have a speaker that you want to recommend, be sure that they are willing and then send the information to the webmaster. (david.mower@gmail.com) He will then add that to the list.

The Speakers' Bureau will reside permanently in the *About/Forms and Documents* section of sup1847.com. To see the Speakers' Bureau now, click [HERE](#).

SUP National Christmas Party

The annual National Christmas party will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 6:30pm at the SUP Headquarters. All are welcome with a special invitation to all of the following with spouses/partners: Executive Council, Area Vice Presidents, Program Directors, Office Staff, and Chapter Presidents. Cost will be \$13 per person or \$25 per couple. Please RSVP to Heather at 801-484-4441 before December 1.

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A musical program will be presented by the Barbershop Quartet *The Deck of Bards* whose members are "Diamond" Jim Davis, Chris Wiggins, Charles Archibald, and Ted Pierce.

A scrumptious meal will be served. The caterers are Dil and Diane Strasser.

After the meal a brief ceremony will be held to administer the oaths of office to the new National SUP officers.

The SUP Website

The website continues to undergo improvements and enhancements. To stay in touch with what is going on in the SUP; go to the website at sup1847.com

The Idaho Medallion

A new Idaho Pioneer Medallion has just been announced. This medallion is to commemorate the vital part that Idaho played in the settlement of the west. Information on this and an order form can be found on [page 5](#).

Project 60

The National Executive Council has decided to put the Project 60 on hold for the time being due to a lack of response. Although there has been great interest shown in this program through discussions and inquiring phone calls, but in all of these months we have only received 4 submissions. The Executive Council will be in contact with each of these 4 people individually to discuss the next step for their materials.

Announcing the Idaho Pioneer Medallion



ACTUAL SIZE



MINTED IN BRIGHT .999 FINE SILVER
EACH MEDALLION WEIGHS 1.0 TROY OZ.

ALSO AVAILABLE IN BRIGHT BRASS

The rich history of the Idaho Pioneers is a vital part of the Utah Pioneer story. The Sons of Utah Pioneers are proud to honor our Idaho brothers and sisters with this medallion.

These medallions will be available from the four S.U.P. Chapters in Idaho, as well as from S.U.P. Headquarters at the address shown below. See also www.sup1847.com.

ORDER FORM

<u>Qty</u>		<u>Each</u>	<u>Total</u>
___	Idaho Pioneer Silver Medallion 1 oz. Fine Silver	\$40.00	\$ _____
___	Idaho Pioneer Bright Brass Medallion	\$ 5.00	\$ _____

Name _____ \$ _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Credit Card Information

Mail to: S.U.P., 3301 East Louise Ave., Salt Lake City,
Utah 84109 Telephone (801) 484-4441

Card # _____

Exp Date ____/____ Security Code ____

The *Trail Marker* will no longer include the membership application forms, since these can be readily obtained from the website where you will always get the latest version. Hence the following:

WANTED

New Members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Good Friends, Good Food and Good Programs

Two membership options:

Regular membership

Pay annual dues or become
a life member

Click [HERE](#) for an application form

Family and Friends

Recommended for those under age 56

For those with limited time

Click [HERE](#) for an application form

WANTED: HISTORICAL MATERIALS

It is the experience of the editor that some of you have books or manuscripts – published or not – that have historical value. These materials may well be of interest and value to other members of the SUP if they were aware of them.

It is my intent to advertise these in the *Trail Marker* to allow interested people to contact the provider of them. They will not be offered for sale on the *Trail Marker*, but contact information will be provided so that transfer of materials can be arranged between the interested parties.

If you have such materials and are willing to share or sell these items, please contact me at donlee0938@gmail.com.

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CHAPTER NEWS

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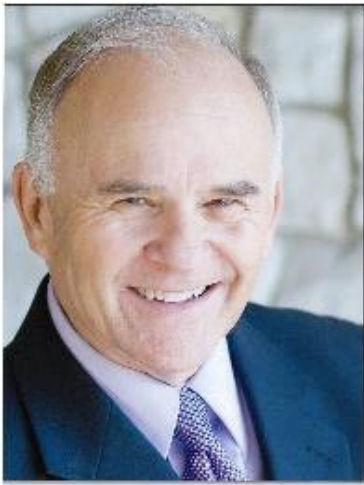
Please send Chapter Newsletters and other news, information, pictures and upcoming events to Roland Lee at rolandleefamily@gmail.com before the end of each month.

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

One of the functions of this section is to provide suggestions for speakers and activities. With that thought in mind we will be including contact information as it is made available to us. See also the Speakers' Bureau on the website.

BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER (Provo – Orem)

The October chapter meeting was held October 15 at the UVU Culinary Arts Institute. The speaker was **David K. Jacobs**. Born and raised in Ogden, Utah, he received an MA in Theatre from BYU, and a PhD from the U of U.



David K Jacobs

He joined the administrative staff at BYU in 1961 as Casting Director for five years, casting such films as "Man's Search for Happiness," "Windows of Heaven," "Johnny Lingo," and the first two temple films, in color, produced at the BYU Studio.

He taught theatre at Church College of Hawaii for three years, directed the productions and then returned to the BYU Studio and was Senior Director/Producer upon the retirement of Judge Whitaker. His films include "The First Vision," "The Mailbox," "Uncle Ben," and ten years of "The Church in Action, the filmed documentary history of the Church for that decade.

Later he worked nearly fifteen years as Producer/Director for Nu Skin Enterprises beginning when they were just in the US and Canada and leaving when they were operating in over forty countries. He traveled extensively to many of those countries making films, videos, and commercials.

The BYU Library requested his Church Film collection and it is now housed in the L. Tom Perry, Special Collections, section. He still is actively engaged in depositing the written materials that support the nearly fifty films in the collection, and other historical family documents.

He served a mission to the West Central States and was a Counselor in the Mission Presidency. He and Gail have served over a quarter of a century in BYU and UVU Wards and Stakes, he as Bishop, Young Men's Stake President, on High Councils and for a time on three general church committees. Together they served as Guest Services Missionaries on Temple Square. They have lived in their Orem home for over forty years. They have three children and four grandsons who are their best productions by far.

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CENTERVILLE CHAPTER (Centerville, Utah)

At our dinner meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2015, **Richard C. Edgley**, former First Counselor in the Presiding Bishopric addressed us. He served as a general authority from 1992-2012, a period of twenty years. He and his wife Pauline are the parents of six children. He was born and raised in Preston, Idaho. In addition to serving a mission in the Eastern United States, he has been a bishop in the Boston area, a counselor in the Minneapolis Minnesota Stake, and the stake president of the Centerville, Utah North Stake where he now lives.



Richard C Edgley

Africa, and told us the changes that took place after the revelation to President Kimball allowing all worthy men to receive the priesthood regardless of

As a member of the Presiding Bishopric he had many responsibilities throughout the world. One of the places where he had responsibilities was Africa. He chose to share with us some of his experiences in

their race. The Spirit was strong during his presentation making it a very enjoyable evening.

The guest speaker at our November dinner meeting was **Tom Alexander**, our National SUP President. He spoke on the most interesting subject of, *The Challenges Brigham Young faced from 1847 to 1858 as the Governor of the Utah Territory, and President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.*



President Tom Alexander

Instead of centering on specific events he helped us understand the challenges of survival the pioneers had during these years in obtaining the food and clothing then needed, and also the constant problems they faced in keeping peace with the Indians while settling on more and more land they claimed as theirs.

President Alexander's approach in his talk helped us to increase our empathy for the Saints as well as the Indians. It was an evening well spent.

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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.

COTTON MISSION CHAPTER (St George, Utah area)

A very large crowd was on hand for the November 17 dinner meeting of the Cotton Mission Chapter. The event was held at the Washington Community Center and catered



St. George Temple president Dale Larkin

by Golden Corral restaurant. We enjoyed a holiday ham and turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

President Dale Larkin, current president of the St. George Temple was the after-dinner speaker. President Larkin told a number of interesting stories about the history of the temple and its past presidents. He also passed around photos of his visit to the church history department where he had the opportunity to handle an original copy of the Book of Mormon, Brigham Young's cane and other historic relics.

Long-time chapter member **Larue Winget** was honored with a "Modern Pioneer Award." Born in

1921, he is the great-grandson of 1847 pioneers who helped build the Nauvoo Temple and settle Salt Lake City, Springville, Cedar City, and Monroe. He served five years in the Army during World War II and was in one of the first forces to enter Hiroshima after the atomic bomb was dropped. He went on to earn a doctorate degree and served in many capacities in the education field. He and his wife served as temple missionaries in Australia, and he was an ordinance worker and sealer in the St. George Temple for 27 years.



Larue Winget (center) receives modern pioneer award

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GROVE CITY CHAPTER (Blackfoot, Idaho)

This year's Modern Pioneer Award was presented to **Bob Acevedo**, long time resident of Moreland, Idaho.

Bob was born in Zacapa, Guatemala to **Lisandro and Otilia Acevedo** June 25, 1936. Bob's parents

were industrious people who valued education. After Bob's education was complete in Guatemala his parents sent him to the Idaho State University where he completed a degree in design and drafting.

When Bob and his brother arrived at ISU neither of them spoke a word of English. After his first year of school he worked with an English-speaking friend in a mine in McCall, Idaho where he obtained a good grasp of the English language by conversing with his fellow workers.

Bob worked at State Hospital South in Blackfoot, Idaho where he met **Marlene Stoll**. They were married in May of 1959. Bob graduated from ISU in 1961 and began a 37 year career with Basic American Foods, where he designed potato processing equipment and general layout for potato processing lines. He was soon promoted to project engineer position. With team members he designed the first fresh pack operation for the company. His expertise led to many other positions, including assignments in Mexico and Spain.

At the time BAF asked him to go to Mexico Bob was serving as Bishop of the Moreland 6th ward of the LDS Church. After consulting with his Stake President he was advised to accept the assignment in Mexico.

He recently accepted a job at Basic Vegetable, who asked Bob to join them as Senior Project Engineer in King City, California and will be leaving us in the near future.

Bob also lent his talents to the community and his Church. He designed and helped construct the outside facilities for the Blackfoot Northwest Stake



Robert Acevedo receives Modern Pioneer award from President Merlin Wright

athletic field and facilities. Bob has served in many positions with his Church including Bishop and a member of the Stake High Council.

Bob and his wife Marlene are the parents of 5 children, each of whom have excelled in their chosen occupations. Bob is truly a Modern Pioneer and example to us all of how determination and a good work ethic can help us to succeed in life.

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There once was a man of Nantucket
Who kept all his gold in a bucket
Then his daughter, named Nan,
Ran away with a man
And as for the bucket Nan tuck et

He followed that pair to Pawtucket
The guy and the gal with the bucket
Said the man, "As for Nan
You can keep her."
But as for the bucket, Paw tuck et

HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER (Hurricane, Utah)

On October 10, 25 of our group went to the Parowan Gap. We were met there by **Nancy Dalton**, our guide who talked about the Indian Cultures and possible meanings of the petroglyphs.



Don Burton

We then visited Parowan's Heritage Park, near the spot where Parley P. Pratt's Southern Expedition camped, and to the Old Rock Church where we toured the building and had lunch. We also visited the Jesse Smith Home, an

original building in Parowan, and learned of its history. All in all, our trek was very successful! Thanks to **Dan Zaleski** for his extraordinary planning.

Chapter members united on October 15, at the Legion Hall for a very enjoyable presentation by our Area Vice President, **Don Burton**. Don is a member of the Cotton Mission Chapter but admitted that he moved to St George only because of its warm climate, and was near to Parowan, his boyhood home and where his heart continues to remain. He has served in the SUP as an officer and

leader in the Cotton Mission before becoming the Area VP.

Historically, Parowan is the mother town to all communities of Southern Utah. He explained that it was founded before any other community south of Nephi. One of the first acts of those settlers, called to the community by Brigham Young, was to build a fort for protection. Homes, community buildings, and farms followed the construction of the fort.

Many settlers left from Parowan to settle neighboring communities to the East, including those of Piute County, Kane County, and Sevier County. Washington County settlers to Toquerville, Virgin, and St George, also either came from Parowan or used Parowan as a way station, camping and receiving protection and relief from the Indians, harsh weather, and other perils of the journey.

Parowan was first used by Mormon Apostle Parley P Pratt in his exploration of the area south of Salt Lake as mandated by Brigham Young. Clear water running from a spring from the foothills was used by travelers and the first inhabitants.

In his soft spoken and gentle presentation, Don shared with us his love for Parowan and gave us appreciation for the valiant early settlers of this "Mother Community".

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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.

JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER, (South Jordan, Utah)

David Ridges (djridges@yahoo.com) spoke to us on the subject of *Honoring our Pioneer Heritage by Passing it Forward*. His wife, **Janette**, accompanied him.

He spoke of his Great Grandmother **McCann** who was with the Willie Handcart Company. She rode



Janette and David Ridges

in a supply wagon. He also spoke of his Great Grandfather **Joseph Ridges** who built the first tabernacle organ.

Both of these individuals experienced opposition and some persecution in their lives. That is what David Ridges spoke to us about. He asked, “what is the role of opposition and persecution in our lives”? How do we make it beneficial in our lives? After much discussion, the conclusions were that it:

- Teaches us kindness and patience.
- Teaches us qualities like those of our Father in Heaven and His Son.

- Helps us to develop Christ-like love for all. Thank you David for sharing these thoughts and of sharing experiences of two of your ancestors.

Outstanding Service Award:

Louis Pickett received the *Outstanding Service Award* from our Chapter in recognition of his many years of service to his Family, his Church, his Community, and the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Louis joined the Sons of Utah Pioneers in 1993. His service is unequalled for these many years. He has also served as the SUP National President.

It was grand that many of his family members could be present for the bestowing of this recognition to Louis. They included his wife, Willy; their daughter Lori; their son Steven and his wife Rose; and their daughter Marsha and her husband Steve Wright.



Jim Crane, chapter awards chairman, is shown presenting Outstanding Service Award to Louis Pickett with members of his family in the background.

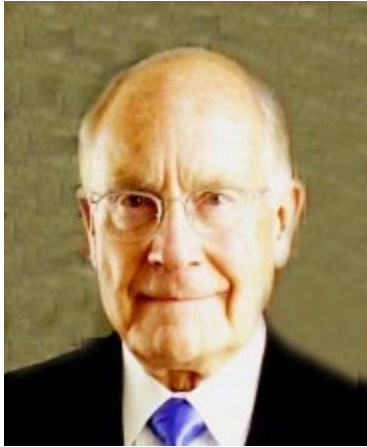
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MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER (Spanish Fork, Utah)

The Maple Mountain chapter members were blessed to have **Jim Hurst**, 2016 National President Elect, as our November 19, 2015 dinner speaker. His remarks were entitled “What Would You Have Done”. He masterfully shared with us the story of his pioneer ancestor, **William Hurst**, who joined the LDS Church in England and immigrated with his wife, Susannah, and three children to America in 1849.

His mother-in-law, **Jane Danby Webley**, had joined the church before William and Susannah did and emigrated by herself in 1843 at 77 years of age as a widow. Her encouraging letters back to England created the incentive for William and his wife to follow this brave

woman. Would we have had the courage to do the same? Jane followed the Church leaders west from Nauvoo, but died on the way from cholera and was buried in the Mt. Pisgah cemetery. William and his wife had many trials getting to Utah, and ended adding 7 children from Susannah’s sister’s family when the parents both died from cholera on the way up the Mississippi from New Orleans to St. Louis. One of their sons, **Philip Hurst**, settled in Utah until the pressure over polygamy led him to travel to Dublan, Mexico with his families. Jim shared with us the challenges he faced there, including his death in 1901.



Jim Hurst

The remaining family returned to Utah when the Mexican Revolution made living in Mexico impossible. Again we were asked, “What would you have done?” Jim then switched to a more modern challenge he witnessed when he was in the military during the Korean War. A very close friend was taken prisoner with two other soldiers. The men were trained to not give vital information to the enemy if they were captured. Two of the men were killed when they would not share information. His friend succumbed to the pressure, and later, when he was released, became very depressed because of what he had done.

Jim then joined the two stories by reminding us that we all have challenges in our lives, and the decisions we make affect not only us, but our descendants and those of people around us. We owe much to our pioneer ancestors who had the courage and fortitude to make the decisions they did when it was not easy for them to do so. Chapter members left with a better appreciation for the pioneers and the examples they left for us.

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MILLS CHAPTER (Salt Lake City and Mill Creek, UT area)

October Meeting:

Paul Edwards, after being introduced by his father, **Howard Edwards**, gave us a sterling report of his experience at the Humanum: An International Interreligious Colloquium held in Rome, Italy, 18 November 2014. It brought religious leaders from all over the world, including Catholic, Evangelical, Anglican, Pentecostal, Eastern Orthodox, Anabaptist, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, Jain, Buddhist, and Hindu delegates. Brother Edwards, as editor of the Deseret News, was placed in the press section of the hall. Pope Francis led the remarkable

conference with a theme of “The Complementary Relationship between Man and Woman”.

He set the tone in his plea: “May this colloquium be an inspiration to all who seek to support and strengthen the union of man and



Father & son Edwards

woman in marriage as a unique, natural, fundamental, and beautiful good for person's families, communities and whole societies".

President **Henry B. Eyring** spoke of his relationship with his wife and family. He referred to "The Family: A Proclamation to the World", and interjected some of the Church's doctrine of eternal marriage, parental responsibilities in raising children, and ended his remarks with, "As we work to build, and encourage faithful, loving marriages in which men and women become as one and nurture their families, the Lord will multiply our efforts. As we join in this work, I promise progress toward that happy result. In the name of Jesus Christ, whom I serve, and whose witness I am, Amen." Brother Edwards reported that contacts made at the colloquium are continuing with global religious leaders today.

November Meeting:

Joseph Goodman and his wife, Joyce invited **W. Herbert Klopfer** to speak to us this month. Herbert Klopfer was born in Berlin Germany in 1936 when the German National Socialist Party (Nazi) was rising to power. His parents were converted to the Church 14 years before he was born. His father was a missionary who was called as acting mission president in 1939 at the outbreak of the war, but he was also drafted into the German Army in 1940.

His father was stationed in Denmark and was captured by the Russians, and interned into a POW camp. He died in prison from starvation.

His mother was called as a missionary to serve in East Germany but managed a daring escape from the east with her two sons in 1950. Five months later they arrived in Salt Lake City.



Herbert Klopfer

In Salt Lake City Herbert served for 30 years as counselor in three bishoprics, bishop, and stake president to three Church presidents. He is a member of the General Music Committee (since 1983); coordinates music at Church headquarters, and supports satellite stake conference broadcasts worldwide.

He also serves on the Musical Instruments Selection Committee, which approves organs and pianos in Church meeting houses. He and his wife authored hymn #298, "Home Can Be a Heaven on Earth." Currently, he serves as branch president of 200 senior missionaries on Temple Square in the Family & Church History Headquarters Mission. His life is filled with many tender mercies from the Lord.

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MURRAY CHAPTER (Murray, Utah)

We enjoyed a remarkable program with Emma Smith (aka **Sharon Daniels**) on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. Sharon is a very talented historian, story teller, and portrayer. For 40 years she has told the life's story of **Emma Smith**, bringing with it an increased understanding of all that Emma endured and her love for Joseph, Joseph's family, and the restored gospel.

True, Emma has puzzled members of the LDS Church by her actions after the death of the Prophet. Actress Sharon speaking for Emma asks, "Can you tell me where things changed for me?" We will not



Sharon Daniels as Emma

know the answer to this and other similar questions until the next life, but Sharon's one-woman enactment leaves the audience hoping/believing that Emma is back with Joseph, and feeling that this is what both she and Joseph would want.

Sharon pulled her script from the book *Judge Me*,

Dear Reader by **Erwin Wirkus**. Deseret Books' endorsement of this book states: "By showing Emma in a more sympathetic light, the author reminds each of us that Emma—and everyone else—will be judged according to the desires of their heart by the only one who can see things clearly: the Lord." This feeling and understanding comes out so beautifully by the gifted story telling of Sharon Daniels.

Many years ago, Sharon's Relief Society president asked her to put together an enactment of the Emma

Smith story, so Sharon did. The result of that assignment was the story we saw and heard at our chapter Thanksgiving meeting, and we came away thinking deeply about Emma Smith and appreciating all she went through—much more than any of us will go through—in her support for her husband, Joseph the Prophet.

If you want a real treat, convince Sharon to present to your chapter. She also has other reciting that she does, including *Mary* and *Pioneer Women*.

SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER (Salt Lake City, Utah)

The Salt Lake City Chapter will present a wonderful Christmas Concert featuring Marshall McDonald conducting the Taylorsville Institute Choir Thursday December 3, at 7pm in the old 10th ward chapel. The chapel is located at 400 South 800 East Salt Lake City.

The Taylorsville Institute Singers is a group of 48 young adults. Their objective is to help others come unto Christ through music. Marshall McDonald is a renowned composer and arranger for groups like

The Piano Guys, Studio C, Tabernacle Choir, and 17 Miracles and more.

Everyone is invited to this free annual Christmas concert now in its 14th year.

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SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER (Richfield, Utah)

October's chapter meeting featured our own **Mayor Dave Ogden** presenting an outstanding program on the life and times of **Jedediah Smith**. These early explorers were amazing and endured many hardships as they traveled throughout the west. We have benefited many times over from the work and information gathered by these early explorers.

The territory in the west changed many times before the United States was finally colonized and became the country we now know. We thank Mayor Ogden for his willingness to present this information to us.

November's meeting was held November 23 at 11:00 a.m. We had a presentation on the life of Porter Rockwell. **Keith Redford** from Spring City

shared his knowledge of and love for Porter Rockwell with us. Mr. Redford has a dinner theater which celebrates Porter Rockwell in Ephraim Utah.



Mayor Dave Ogden

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER (Logan, Utah)

Scott Bushman gave the stories behind the Sioux Wars in Montana, using a Power Point presentation with pictures and maps. Scott attended the University of Utah and holds degrees in both Cultural Geography and History. He studied Forest Science at Utah State University where he received his Professional Forester Certification. He pursued a career in public land management and fire administration for the U.S. Forest Service. He retired from the Cache National Forest as Fire Staff Officer on the Logan Ranger district in 2009 after 35 years of service. Scott and his wife, KC, live in Hyrum. They have two children, a son and a daughter.

The Wars: In the 1840s there were about 13 people who traveled through Indian Territory to the west. By the 1850s, the number had increased to 52,500. People traveled on the Oregon Trail from Independence, Missouri, to Oregon in 1845. Mormons traveled on the Mormon Trail from Winter Quarters near Omaha, Nebraska, to Utah Territory in 1847. They followed the same route, except the Oregon people traveled on the south side of the river, and the Mormon people traveled on the north side of the river. A treaty was signed at Fort Laramie in 1851 to provide safe passage for the pioneers, and the Indians were promised food in exchange.

In 1854 a settler's escaped cow wandered into a Sioux camp. The Indians were waiting for supplies from the soldiers, so they butchered the cow. On investigation, one of the soldiers accidentally fired his gun, and killed the chief. The Indians then killed the soldiers. General Haney was sent to "teach the Indians a lesson." He asked the Indians to turn in everyone who had killed the soldiers. When no one

came forward he shot every man, woman and child that they could. Thus, a Sioux War began.

James Gammell ran freight travel from Cache Valley to the Montana gold fields causing problems with the Shosone Indians in 1863; so Patrick Conner brought a group of soldiers north from Fort Douglas and led an attack against the Indians in

northern Cache Valley. That battle became known as the Bear River Massacre. Later an alternate route was found that went through Wyoming territory, the Bozeman Trail.

In 1869 the railroad was completed. People did not travel by wagon train as frequently, because they could go by railroad.

In 1874 gold was discovered in the Black Hills. This was sacred country to the Indians. However, in 1875 miners were allowed to go to the Black Hills and President U.S. Grant said the Indians would have to leave the Black Hills.



Scott Bushman

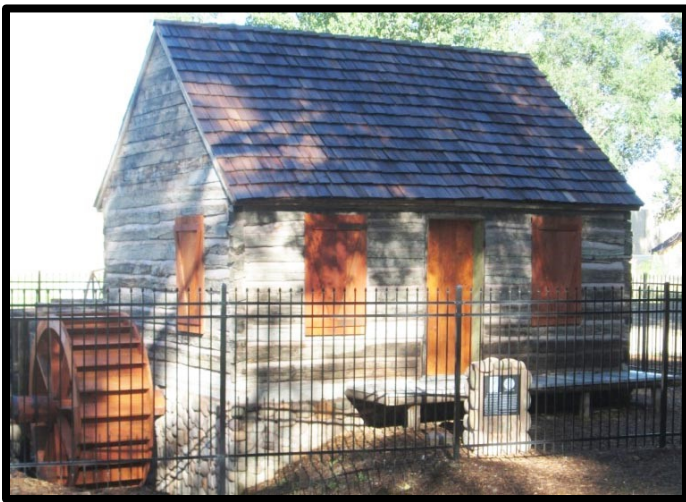
The Sioux War of 1876 began. The Sioux Chief was Crazy Horse, and he led the Indians in the Battle of the Rosebud on June 17, 1876. Washakie led the Shoshone into the Sioux warriors which bought the army time to prepare for the attack. This Sioux War included what became known as the Battle of the Little Big Horn. Custer went to the area to defeat the Indians, but it turned out that he and all his troops were killed.

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TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER (American Fork, Utah)

Reflections of Chapter Events in 2015

Log Cabin Grist Mill Monument dedicated: On July 11, 2015, the SUP Monument # 189 was dedicated in American Fork, Utah. A Log Cabin Grist Mill was built by chapter members and other volunteers in recognition of the first flour mill built in American Fork in 1851. This monument is a replica of the grist mill built by Arza Matson Adams, Pioneer Millwright and one of the city's co-founders.



Log Cabin Grist Mill Monument

During the dedication ceremony, Clive Romney, Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts Director, performed a musical number he had composed called "Arza's Axe". Speakers for the dedication were Tom Alexander, SUP National President, Allen Christensen, SUP Chapter Officer, Mayor James Hadfield of American Fork City, and Ken Adams, Volunteer and an Arza Adams Descendant.

Daniel Adams, Timpanogos Chapter President conducted the dedication ceremony and dedicated the monument. President Adams is a great

grandson of Arza Adams and directed the construction of the Log Cabin Grist Mill. The project was paid for with \$11,000 of donated funds.

The Log Cabin Grist Mill Monument #189 is located at 300 South Center Street in the Centennial City Park of American Fork City. A stone marker located in front of the mill gives a brief history of Arza Matson Adams. The original mill was built across the street east of this replica.

Historic Sites Trek: On Saturday, August 29, 2015, The Timpanogos Chapter organized a local Trek of Historical Sites in American Fork City. The Trek was organized by Chapter leaders, **Carl Ingersoll and Raymond Harris**. Chapter members visited four buildings and enjoyed a lunch in the park. Our first stop was at the American Fork DUP Museum where we enjoyed seeing pioneer relics and artifacts of early American Fork City. **Gene Ingersoll** played an antique pump organ for the group. Next we walked to the Historic Presbyterian Church, rang the bell in the bell tower, and enjoyed the history of the building and the beautiful stained glass windows.

The Trek Group walked to the Historic Alpine Stake Tabernacle in American Fork where our tour guide was **Allen Christensen**, Chapter Officer. The Tabernacle celebrated its centennial year in 2014. Mr. Christensen wrote a book about the tabernacle history for the Centennial Celebration.

After lunch in the Robinson City Park, the Trek Group traveled by car to the Bigelow Organ Factory that is located in the Historic Second Ward Church in American Fork. **Michael Bigelow** and his employees build pipe organs for clients all around the United States.

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UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER (Rexburg, Idaho)

The Chapter met October 18, 2015 at 6:30pm.

President Max Brown welcomed over 52 members, spouses, and guests. **Kenneth Brown** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Kathy Gibb** led and **Francene Hart** accompanied us in singing “How Firm a Foundation”. The opening prayer was given by **Bill Eckersell**.

A musical number, “Ashokan Farewell” by Jay Unger was played by the string quartet of **Richard Ferguson, Carolyn Ferguson, Ryan Dabell and James Gordon**.

Jerry Sanders introduced guests and listed those with October birthdays and anniversaries and led a celebration song for them. We had a dinner. **Alton Wilde** was elected as President for next year.



Lynn Bradshaw and son

The speaker was **Lynn Bradshaw**, a modern pioneer with Idaho Steel Company. He showed slides of the modern equipment they have created and told of the accomplishments of their work.



Quartet: Richard Ferguson, Karalyn Ferguson, James Gordon, Ryan Dabell

“
If we ever forget that we are *One Nation Under God*, then we will
be a nation gone under.”
Ronald Reagan

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REGIONAL HISTORY SYMPOSIUM



Sponsored by the Ogden Pioneer Chapter

SATURDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2016

1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Theme: Early Pioneer History of Northern Utah

Cost: \$25 per person (Early Registration, before 15 January 2016)

\$30 per person (After 15 January 2016)

Lecture Series: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Dinner & Keynote Speaker: 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

The speakers will be:

Audrey Godfrey: Prominent women of the Church in early Utah

Richard Sadler: The Railroad and its impact on Northern Utah

Kenneth Alford: Impact of the U.S. Civil War in the Utah Territory

Dr Gene A Sessions: The Mormon Reformation

The keynote speaker for the evening will be **Elder Marlin K Jensen**, an Emeritus Member of the Seventy, and a former Church Historian and Recorder

Location: Weber Heights Stake Center

1401 Country Hills Drive

Ogden, UT 84403

(North of the WSU Dee Events Center)

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The Sons of Utah Pioneers
National Convention
 September 22 – 24, 2016
 Hurricane Utah
 Hurricane Community Center
 63 South 100 West

Moving our Heritage Forward

Come to Zion, Come to Zion!

Thursday Evening Entertainment <i>John Houston's Gospel Choir</i>	Friday Evening Entertainment <i>Western Singer Eric Dodge and his Band</i>	Saturday Morning Women's Meeting Premier Utah Author & Historian <i>Paul Reeve</i>	Saturday Convention <i>A Speaker of Prominence</i>
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<p style="text-align: center;">TOUR 1</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Come and visit the stunning red and white cliffs of Zion, a site that was held as sacred to the Paiute Indians when the pioneers first settled the area. Also visit the pioneer ghost town of Grafton which was flooded out so many times pioneers moved to other places to survive. It is one of the sites used for the making the movie, "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid."</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;"> For future information: www.hvsup.org </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">TOUR 2</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Join with us as we visit the grandeur of the Kolob Fingers area of Zion National Park. It is the western most boundary of the park. It's spectacular red cliffs towering high into the sky. They are called the fingers because of the five cliffs that work together to form the landscape. We will also visit the old Fort Harmony which was one of the many forts along the southern trail the pioneers took refuge in as they came south!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TOUR 3</p>  <p>Visit the legendary Hurricane Canal Trail Head, and peruse the monument built in honor of the courage and dedication of our rugged and determined pioneers. They built a canal that was thought to be impossible to build, because they had "grit" and a "never quit" attitude. Walk along a portion of the canal, then travel to the head of the canal and see why it was thought to be impossible to build.</p>
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