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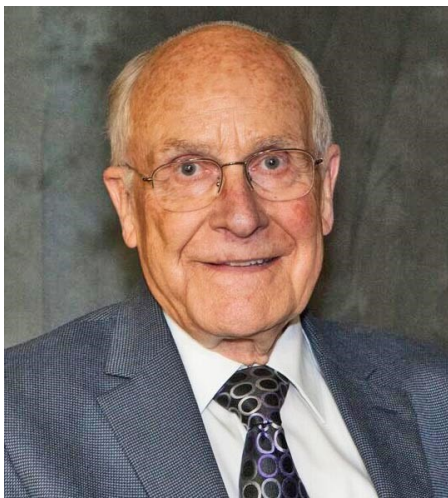
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## **PIONEERING YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW**

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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



I feel deeply honored and fortunate to have been elected to serve you as your President for the 2016 year. A year ago I began my term as President-elect which included attending weekly Executive Council meetings at our SUP Headquarters in Salt Lake City. My professional career had me involved with

executive councils at three major universities, as well as in church callings, but none of those matched the quality of my experience this year with the SUP. Tom Alexander, a professor of history at BYU and historian of national esteem, has been the perfect choice as our 2015 President with his rich knowledge of pioneer history and experience at the executive level. Bob Folkman, retiring as Past President, has a detailed grasp of SUP events, decisions, and leadership. Retiring National Treasurer Jay Smith's competence and devotion to SUP are legendary. Our new President-elect, John Elggren, speaks with knowledge and authority based on his extensive experience at the Chapter and National levels. John Smith is the newly appointed Treasurer who already knows the job, as he previously served as SUP Treasurer. The dynamic duo of Heather Davis, Office Manager, and Linda Sorenson, Building Manager, rounds out our leadership team for what promises to be a new year of continued progress. Our Executive Council deliberations and decisions will continue to be based on mutual respect, affection and total commitment. The coming year looks bright indeed!

In early June of 1953 I graduated from high school at a time our nation was at war in Korea. Both of my brothers had served in the armed forces during WWII, one in the South Pacific and the other in the storied 82nd Airborne Division. I had always assumed that in time of war I too would step forward to serve my country. Accordingly, I volunteered to have my name placed first on the induction list at our local draft board. Shortly thereafter I received my notice. I had only seen my mother weep two times in my life, once when my older brother had departed for his military service and the second time when my other brother had departed. She was

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now softly weeping for the third time as I gave her a departing hug. My father embraced me and whispered in my ear, "Son, give 'em the best you've got!". I was deeply touched because his words reflected the deep love I felt from him and the devotion he had for our Country. I resolved in that moment to do exactly as my father had advised, to give my unqualified best effort in service to our Country, and beyond. Several days later I stood along with other inductees, raised my right arm to the square, and took an oath to protect our country "against all enemies, foreign and domestic". I have a vivid memory of that moment because raising my arm to the square and taking an oath reflects all that I am and aspire to become.

My father's advice served me well in the mission field as a young man when I was called to serve as 2nd Counselor in the Mission Presidency. It served me well in my education at Weber College, The University of Utah and again at BYU and Duke University for my Ph.D. in Psychology. It served me well in my professional career in higher education both in the classroom and administration. I retired as a Vice President and Emeritus Professor of Psychology. It served me well in a variety of Church callings including twice as Bishop, a Stake Presidency and two senior missions. Most important, it served me well in my eternal marriage to Joan Rees and with our four beloved children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom I love more than life itself.

Tuesday, December 8th I stood together with other newly appointed officers at the Sons of Utah Pioneers National Headquarters and again raised my right arm to the square and listened carefully to the Oath of Office:

"I do solemnly swear that I will fulfill to the best of my ability the responsibilities and spirit of the office to which I have been elected or appointed. I will support and sustain the heritage and traditions of the Pioneers in a manner that will enhance their honor and legacy. I pledge my support to the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers in this position."

As I responded with my sincere "I Do" my mind went back to the day my father embraced me and charged me to "Son, give 'em the best you've got". I was again touched with the solemnity of the Oath and of my silent promise to my father that day. I will indeed during this coming year in my service as President, Give the best I've got! That is my pledge to one and all in our National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers!

Jim Hurst  
National President, 2016  
[jhurst@uwyo.edu](mailto:jhurst@uwyo.edu)

**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/>)

- February 20, **Regional Symposium** in Ogden. See [page 5](#)
- February 27, Chapter President's Meeting, National Headquarters, 10:00 a.m.
- February 27, National Board meeting, National Headquarters, 1:00 p.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
- July 25, Sunrise Service at the Salt Lake Tabernacle, 7:00 a.m.
- September 22-24, 2016, **SUP National Convention in Hurricane, Utah.** [See page 17](#)

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

### New Annual Members

Karl Snow                      Brigham Young Chapter  
Nick Scholzen                Hurricane Valley Chapter

### New Annual Members converted from Friends & Family

Ray Andrus                    Brigham Young Chapter  
Tarry Barker                 Portneuf Pioneers Chapter  
John C Carmen II            Squaw Peak Chapter  
Donald B Holsinger         Brigham Young Chapter  
J Craig Ord                    Brigham Young Chapter

### New Life Members Converted from Annual

Amos Cook                    Salt Lake City Chapter  
M. Garfield Cook            Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter  
Richard Kirkham            Portneuf Pioneer Chapter

### Chapter Eternal

Don Denney    Upper Snake River Valley  
12/10/2015

### New Family & Friends Members

Richard Cardall	Brigham Young
Jeffrey Niven	Brigham Young
Robert Standing	Brigham Young
M Wesley Cox	At Large
Aaron Elggren	At Large
Christian Elggren	At Large
Jay Ben Elggren	Holladay
Matthew Elggren	At Large
Kyle R Golightly	At Large
Steven J Hurst	At Large
Richard T VanOrden	At Large
Bruce Ackerman	Harmony
Peter Garg	Harmony
Ed Parent	Harmony
Anthony Rombola	Harmony
David Ware	Harmony
Kelly Lundeen	Hurricane Valley
Eric Johnson	Red Rocks
Randy Merrell	Red Rocks
John D Tisdale	Red Rocks
Spencer Young	Red Rocks
Donn S Williams	Cotton Mission
Steve K Riley	Portneuf Pioneers

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*2016 officers being sworn in at the Christmas Party*

## **NATIONAL NEWS**

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[SUP1847@gmail.com](mailto:SUP1847@gmail.com).

### **Creation of Speakers' Bureau**

Just a reminder that our chapters are always looking for good speakers and that we have created a Speaker's Bureau on our website.

We need your help to populate it, so 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](mailto: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](http://sup1847.com). To see the Speakers' Bureau now, click [HERE](#).

### **The Idaho Medallion**

A new Idaho Pioneer Medallion was recently announced. This medallion is to commemorate the vital part that Idaho played in the settlement of the west.

Sales have been very good, so there are only a few copies left. If you want one, act fast.

Information on this and an order form can be found on page 6

### **The National Christmas Party**

On Tuesday, December 8 The annual SUP Christmas party was held at the National Office. A wonderful time was had as we rejoiced in good comradery and also swore in the officers for the next year. See the pictures on page 5

With that action we gained a new National President. Jim Hurst is now the President of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for the next year.

Best Wishes Jim!

### **The National Symposium**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7 for the National Symposium. Details on this will be coming soon.

### **Thanks from Tom Alexander**

Thanks to all of the members and supporters of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for your generous contributions to the *Pioneer* magazine. As past president of the SUP, I really appreciate the contributions. You contributed far more this year than in any previous year.

Thanks again,

Tom Alexander

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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)

REGISTRATION FORM:

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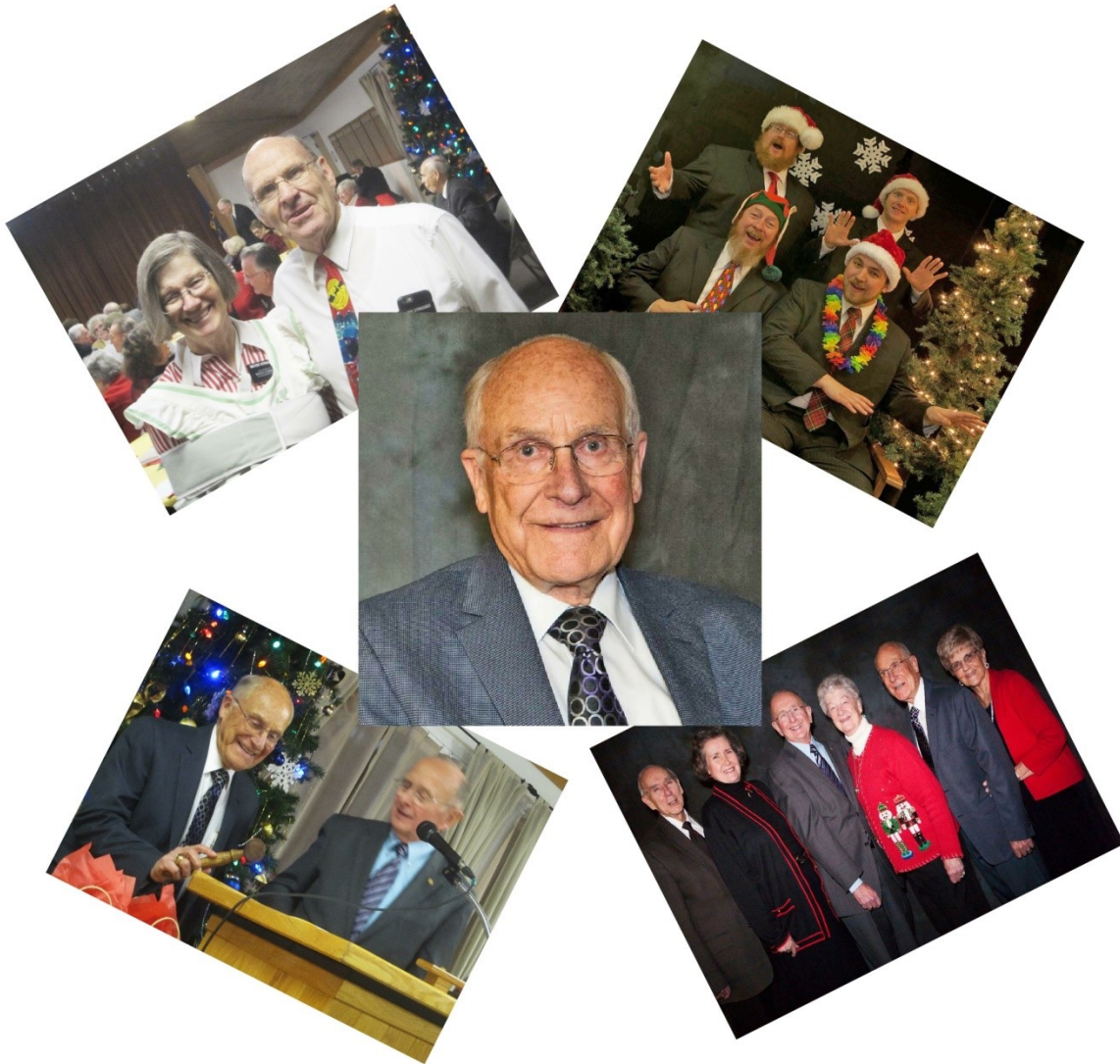
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Annual Christmas Party  
Was held Tuesday, December 8



A wonderful dinner was served, catered by Dil Strasser and his wife. Top left

We were entertained by The Deck of Bards, a barbershop quartet who regaled us with Christmas songs. Top right

With the passing of the gavel from Tom Alexander to Jim Hurst, we have a new National President. Bottom left

The New Executive Committee, John Elgreen, President Elect, Tom Alexander, Past President and Jim Hurst, National President – each with their wife. Bottom right

Our new National President, Jim Hurst. Center

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## CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled by Roland Lee, [rolandleefamily@gmail.com](mailto:rolandleefamily@gmail.com)

Please send Chapter Newsletters and other news, information, pictures and upcoming events to Roland Lee at [rolandleefamily@gmail.com](mailto: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)

At the November dinner meeting **Barbara Morgan**, an associate professor of Church History at Brigham Young University, discussed the impact of the Mormon Colonies in northern Mexico on the growth and the strength of the LDS Church since the colonists arrived in Mexico in the 1880s. The title of her paper was "The impact of the Mormon Colonies in Mexico on the spread of the Church". Barbara comes to the topic well prepared. Although her graduate degrees specialized in educational technology and international education development, she applied these disciplines to education in Mexico, with particular focus on Mormon achievements and accomplishments in furthering literacy and educational opportunities for young church members.

The remarkable ripple effect from the origins of the Juarez Academy in 1895 is not only significant on the educational front but on the meteoric rise in LDS church membership in Mexico in the 20th century. Although some have made this argument before, she provides additional perspective on the hows and whys. She made a compelling argument that these early pioneers provided the necessary impetus to provide a solid foundation, which the church used in teaching and baptizing thousands, then tens of thousands, and eventually hundreds of thousands of Mexican converts. From mere hundreds of members in the 1890s, the Church today numbers well over a million members.

Her research, in addition to the use of records in libraries and archives, consisted of a number of oral

histories conducted in both the United States and Mexico. She discussed the evolution of Church policies and philosophy on the educational goals the Church wanted to implement for the benefit of the Saints in Mexico and why changes were made. Although difficult decisions were required and adjustments necessary, the current situation in which the Church finds itself indicates that these changes have rebounded to the benefit of all. --  
*Harvard Heath, Chapter Historian*

#### Summary of November Pioneer Vignette presented by Dick Hodson

**Dick Hodson** of Orem gave the vignette of his pioneer past by juxtaposing two rather opposite family lines. He spoke with pride and a sense of honor from having descended from **President Hugh B. Brown**, (which line has Brigham Young as its most well-known forebear). He gave a brief account of President Brown's achievements and the sanguine affects his life had on his family in particular and on the Church in general. His opposite line was more infamous than famous, with some notoriety but more notorious for the affect this line has had on the LDS Church. This was the **Jeffs family**, whose outrageous conduct and apostate beliefs have not only caused the Church national embarrassment but for followers of some of the members of the Jeffs family, untold suffering and abuse for years.

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## CENTERVILLE CHAPTER (Centerville, Utah )

At our November, 2015, dinner meeting **Kenneth H. Beesley** (age 89) was given a *Modern Pioneer Award*. Kenneth has been a member of our chapter since 2007. He is married to **Donna Deem**. They are the parents of five children. He was born in Salt Lake City Nov 14, 1926. He attended BYU, U of U, and Teachers College at Columbia University where he received an Ed.D.



*Kenneth and Donna Beesley*

Kenneth served as an assistant provost and an assistant professor at Columbia University in New York City. He later served as the executive dean at Fresno State College. In 1970 Commissioner **Neal A. Maxwell** asked him to serve as an associate commissioner of education over Church schools, including the Church College of Hawaii, Ricks College, LDS Business College, and all elementary and secondary schools. He served ten years in that position, and then he served in the International Materials Management Division of the Church.

In 1986 he was asked to serve as the president of LDS Business College. He served there until his retirement in 1991. From 1991 to 1993 Kenneth and his wife served as the first missionary couple in Mongolia. As a young man he served a mission in Northern States. Kenneth and Donna are valuable members of our Centerville SUP Chapter.

### Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening Robert Frost

Whose woods these are I think I know. His house is in the village though;  
He will not see me stopping here To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer To stop without a farmhouse near  
Between the woods and frozen lake The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake To ask if there is some mistake.  
The only other sound's the sweep Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep, But I have promises to keep,  
And miles to go before I sleep, And miles to go before I sleep.

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER (St George, Utah area)

The Cotton Mission Chapter enjoyed a wonderful Christmas dinner and musical program during their December meeting. In addition, we were introduced to our new chapter officers for 2016.

Music for the evening was provided by “**The Master Singers**” from St. George. They described themselves as a group of men who are young and young at heart. They entertained us with a series of Christmas songs that warmed our hearts and our spirits.



*The Master Singers*

Afterwards **Don Burton**, our area vice president swore in the new chapter leaders. They include: **Bunk Robinson**, president; **Ralph Atkin**, president-elect; **Royce Griffin**, past-president, **Kevin Jenkins**, secretary; **Mel Duehlmeier**, treasurer; **David Summerhays**, communications; **Bryan Johnson**, community involvement; **Lloyd Carter**, member services; **Leo Lyman**, pioneer history; **Durant McArthur**, trails and landmarks; **Dean Terry**, development; **Russ Bateman**, technology.



*The 2016 Chapter Officers*

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## GROVE CITY CHAPTER (Blackfoot, Idaho)

Our November meeting was an overview of the National convention held in Brigham City, Utah. **Dick Lindsay** presented a video of the collection of old buggies that was part of one of the tours provided. The collection was amazing--everything from surreys to funeral wagons. Something for you to consider as a family outing in the future.

**Rulon Hillam** gave an overview of **Lloyd Newell's** presentation concerning the Tabernacle Choir and

how it has evolved over the past 85 years. As the oldest continuous broadcast in the world the Choir has touched the lives of many people and is a powerful missionary tool.

**Michael Ballam** delivered a powerful program in music and the spoken word. His talent has thrilled people worldwide for many years and we were fortunate to be able to witness this special event.

A tour to the site of the joining of the railroads provided an insight to what it actually took to construct the transcontinental railroad at a time in history that all the work was accomplished through manual labor and the sweat of the brow. A great place to help your children understand and appreciate our forefathers.

The tour highlighting the missile industry at Thiokol Brings back the country's emphasis on protecting our nation during the cold war and also the powerful rocket engines that took our astronauts to the moon. Many of those rockets and engines are on display for the public to see.

The national conventions are the highlight of the year to SUP members and spouses. Coming together with fellow members from many states and sharing ideas, successful programs and just enjoying the company of those interested in preserving our heritage is a blessing to us all.

Looking forward to a new year I want to thank those who have accepted to serve as Chapter

officers for 2016. **Bob Siebers** has been selected to serve as President. Bob has served faithfully during past assignments and will do a great job. He has the experience to lead us to greater things. **Joel Robinson** is a fairly new member but he has a ton of leadership abilities and will add to his knowledge of SUP as President Elect. Joel has offered his encouragement to me this past year and I look forward to his leadership. Rulon Hillam will continue on as Secretary. I can't say enough about his dependability and experience. **Nolan Mecham** has accepted the assignment to plan for our treks for the year. **Dean Kirkpatrick** will head the committee to work on projects for the year. Dick Lindsay will be working to put together some great programs for our upcoming member meetings. **Noel Johnson and Dave Williams** will head up our publicity committee. – *Merlin Wright*

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## HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER (Hurricane, Utah)

November 19 will long be remembered by those who attended the Hurricane Chapter dinner meeting. Those who came to the dinner, about 74 of them, brought with them a wide array of sumptuous food. When Del Parson and his wife Lynette arrived, they brought with them an aura of anticipation.

After the dinner, we all retired to the chapel at the stake center, where others had come to listen to Del. In all we had about 120 people in attendance. Del told about his experience painting the famous "Red Robed Christ" and dispelled the myths surrounding this painting. Although much of the story that has been circulated about the miracle of the painting is indeed myth, the actual story was wonderful. Del talked about several of his paintings, and questions were asked by members of the audience. All in all, the evening was well spent, and much was learned about this wonderful man and his wife, Lynette.

We would like to give special thanks to all who

helped set up for the meeting, and who helped in taking down and clean-up. It was a huge job, and the help was much appreciated.



*Artist Del Parson shows some of his paintings*

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**JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER, (South Jordan, Utah)**

Those attending the December 2 Jordan River chapter meeting enjoyed a wonderful evening with the **West Jordan High School Madrigal Choir**. What wonderful youth! What a beautiful presentation they performed for us of songs for this Christmas season. Thank you so much! Come again soon! Their piano accompanist was **Marla Hintze**.

We thank the following guests for coming to our meeting. And, we hope to see you again: **Guy** and

**Sharon Moore, Joan Bentley, and Christine Sander**, wife of the late **Richard A. Sander**.

Thank you, again, Jan and Shauna Treseder for the wonderful delicious dinner. We really appreciate all you both do along with some help from David and Stephen Treseder.

Next month, January 2016, we will welcome our new Chapter President, Allan Schmidt. He is married to Colleen Schmidt. Our new president-elect for 2017 will be Jay Ostler. His wife's name is June Ostler.



*The West Jordan High School Madrigal Choir*

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## MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER (Spanish Fork, Utah)



*Elder Kent D. Watson*

The Maple Mountain Chapter's last meeting was held on December 10.

Our special speaker for the evening was **Elder Kent D. Watson**, Emeritus member of the Quorum of the Seventy. He is a native of Cedar City where he now resides.

Professionally he was a certified public accountant and worked as a partner for the international accounting firm of Price Waterhouse. Besides working in Utah and then California, he became CEO and Chairman of the Board of Price Waterhouse Coopers in China.

After serving as the mission president in Taiwan, he was called to the Second Quorum of the Seventy in 2008 and served in the Asia Area Presidency until 2013. Our outgoing president, **Jay Smith** and his wife, **Jena Vee**, worked with him as they served as welfare specialists in Hong Kong from 2009-2010. He is currently in a Church leadership position as head of the Church Audit Committee. Elder Watson's topic dealt with the pioneering efforts of the Church in Asia and the prospect for further growth in the years to come.

The Asia Area includes 25 countries containing 3.5 billion people. Only eighteen of those countries have Church units. There are 2 temples, 10 missions, 29 stakes and 42 districts.

His first remarks centered on how the Church functions in China where the government has no restrictions on expatriates forming branches and districts. There are even virtual expatriates branches where members, living in remote areas in small numbers, meet in on-line meetings. Speakers

in Sacrament Meeting or teachers in classes could be in any one of 60 cities. It has proven to be very successful.

There are severe restrictions in China on proselyting or baptizing local people, though there are no restrictions on an individual joining the Church out of the country and then coming back to China where they meet in small home groups.

The Church is well established in several of the countries, such as Hong Kong where it has been organized for 50 years and is multigenerational. Two general authorities have been called from Hong Kong and are a part of that multigenerational Church. Hong Kong has a temple and four stakes. There has been phenomenal growth in Taiwan where Elder Watkins served his first mission. He called it the "engine of the Church" in the Asia Area. There are now fourteen stakes there. Over half the full time missionaries in Taiwan are local.

Other countries that are developing a strong member base are Singapore and Cambodia. India now has two missions and two stakes, yet the number of members is miniscule when compared to the 200 million Muslims and over a billion Hindus in the country. Both Pakistan and Bangladesh have over 150 million Muslims each. There is one branch in Bangladesh with 25 members. Pakistan has three districts and only local missionaries serving in the country due to governmental restrictions.

Because of the strong Hindu, Muslim, or political influence a number of the countries limit proselyting. However, some countries have innovative efforts to encourage growth such as Sri Lanka and Vietnam. Local members called "branch builders" are used much like missionaries.

He concluded with the fact that in all the countries in the Asia Area the Lord is doing His work in His way and His time as the Gospel is being carried to all the world. The Chapter members came away with a realization of how daunting that effort is in the Asian Area, yet, knowing it will go forward with acceptance and growth.

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## SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER (Salt Lake City, Utah)

Our guests in December were the Taylorsville Institute Choir of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They were superb, under the direction of **Marshall McDonald**. There were 50 choir members performing to an audience of 100 with a Christ-centered program which was very entertaining, uplifting and edifying. We thank **David Smith** for arranging their visit, and all those

who provided a huge assortment of cookies that led to a mix and mingle of all who attended including the choir (which continued for a least an hour after the performance.) It was mentioned that they can come again next year.



*Taylorsville Institute Choir*

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## TAYLORSVILLE/BENNION CHAPTER (Taylorsville, Utah)

Our guest for the November Chapter meeting was **Mike Rose**, an American Education Scholar, Guggenheim Fellow in Social Studies, and a graduate of UCLA and Loyola Marymount College. He spoke to us about the “Salina Massacre.”

This event took place in Salina, Utah in 1945 where 350 German prisoners of war were interred. A U S Army soldier took over a machine gun in a guard tower and strafed the camp. Nine soldiers died and many others were injured. They were cared for in local hospitals, the camp was closed and the prisoners were transferred to other locations. The event was covered up. Before the incident, the prisoners were well treated by the townspeople and even produced some at which was given to them. The pictures show a small jewel box and a portrait painted of the man in the picture.



*Mike Rose*

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## TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER (Logan, Utah)

The speaker for the November meeting, **Richard Brown**, is a long-time member of the chapter and has been Chapter Historian for several years. He worked at Deseret Industries, and after retirement began working at the Logan Family History Center.

Richard's presentation was on the history of the local Sons of Utah Pioneers Chapter. He said that in the past, scrapbooks were kept of events that people wanted to remember. Now there are new methods of keeping records. He has started a digital record of the history of the Temple Fork Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

It can include photographs, but also short videos of the events that happen. The videos would not cover the entire programs, but would show significant clips of the programs. The digital record can be easily duplicated, so that any member of the group who wants a copy could have one, which is



*Richard Brown*

not possible with scrapbooks.

His digital record contains the following categories: Past Presidents, Board Officers, Board Minutes, Dinner Programs, Scholarship, Modern Pioneer Awards, Monuments, Treks, and Obituaries.

The group enjoyed viewing excerpts from some of these categories. The Past Presidents section was viewed. Some of the board members were shown, and a video was shown of the officers currently serving being sworn in last January.

Pictures of a few programs, some scholarship winners, one Modern Pioneer and two obituaries were shown.

A video was shown of members of the group on a trek that took the Front Runner from Ogden for a tour of the roof-top garden of the Conference Center in Salt Lake.

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Why do we work so hard to remember our ancestors and to write their stories?

2 Nephi 25:23

23 For we labor diligently to write, to persuade our children, and also our brethren, to believe in Christ, and to be reconciled to God; for we know that it is by grace that we are saved, after all we can do.

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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!

<p>Thursday Evening Entertainment</p> <p><i>John Houston's Gospel Choir</i></p>	<p>Friday Evening Entertainment</p> <p><i>Western Singer Eric Dodge and his Band</i></p>	<p>Saturday Morning Women's Meeting</p> <p>Premier Utah Author &amp; Historian</p> <p><i>Paul Reeve</i></p>	<p>Saturday Convention</p> <p><i>A Speaker of Prominence</i></p>
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<p>TOUR 1</p>  <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> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">For future information: <a href="http://www.hvsup.org">www.hvsup.org</a></p>	<p>TOUR 2</p>  <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>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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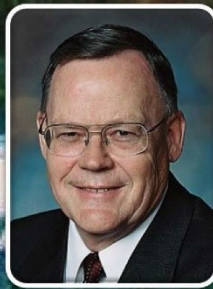


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*Our Keynote Speaker for the 2016*

*S. U. P. Convention Will be:*

*World Class*



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*Gerald N. Lund*

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