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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



If this is November can chapter leadership training be far behind? The answer, of course, is a resounding No! At the training sessions we will meet with Area Vice Presidents (AVPs), chapter presidents, and other chapter officers in a significant enterprise that will help all of us officers meet the needs of our chapters and promote the work of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Perhaps most important, we receive information from the trenches on what we can do

at the national office to improve our performance and help the chapters. Our talented AVPs are planning the training, and a delegation from national headquarters will participate in each of the training sessions.

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We have five training meetings scheduled so far. Training for the four Idaho chapters will probably be over by the time you see this. It will take place on October 31. On November 7, we will meet in Ogden with AVPs and chapter officers from Cache, Weber, Box Elder, and Davis Counties. Training on November 14 will include AVPs and officers from Salt Lake and Tooele Counties. On the same day (November 14) AVPs and officers from Utah, Wasatch, Sevier, Sanpete, and Garfield Counties will meet in Provo. On November 21, AVPs and chapter officers from Iron, Washington, and Kane Counties will meet in Hurricane.

I would emphasize again. Please come with suggestions for the national office and officers. We need your help to do our jobs better and to help you in the chapters!

Last month we asked Life Members to assist by making a donation to the Pioneer magazine. Needless to say, we found them exceedingly willing to help. All of our members are very generous in their support of and work for the SUP.

We expect that all members will receive the Pioneer magazine. If you do not receive it, please let Heather know at the national office [(801) 484-4441, ext. 1]. We will do our best to solve the problem. We don't want any of our members to miss out on the magazine.

We have an excellent Pioneer magazine staff led by our publisher Bill Tanner and our editor-in-chief Susan Lofgren. They have published two exceptional issues this year. The third issue on Parley P. Pratt should reach you soon. It is a bit delayed because of a breakdown at the printer. The fourth issue on Joseph Smith and Liberty Jail is in production.

I should also mention that after ten years of service, Linda Hunter Adams is leaving the Pioneer magazine staff. We will miss her and the excellent contribution she has made. We know she will continue to find ways to contribute in her many fields of interest.

On another matter, we always try to keep the web site up to date. Daniel Zappala, David Mower, and Bob Folkman do an exceptional job keeping items on the site up to date. If you have not gone to visit the web site, please look at it on the internet at sup1847.com. You will find a wide range of information about the SUP. If you see a problem with the web site, please let us know. We want to have it as accurate as possible.

All of us are enthusiastic about the SUP. We know also that our friends will cherish membership if we just invite them to join. In October, we finally convinced a friend we have known since high school to come to our chapter meeting and to bring his wife. The dinner meeting immediately impressed him, and he joined. I am convinced that if you invite your friends to your excellent meetings they will join as well.

For those of you who might have forgotten, we will sponsor our annual Christmas party at national headquarters on Tuesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m. A special invitation will go out to: Executive Council, Area Vice Presidents, Program Directors, Office Staff, Chapter Presidents, and their wives. We also invite any member of the SUP who wants to join us in the festivities. We need all who plan to come to make a reservation with Heather at the national office so we can plan for the right amount of food. The cost is \$13 per person or \$25 per couple. Dil and Diane Strasser will prepare and serve the meal for the event. Any of you who have eaten the Strasser's food know you are in for a treat. The event will also include a musical program, the swearing in of new officers, and a farewell to retiring officers.

We should remember that in November we celebrate Thanksgiving. As Americans we should be thankful for the freedoms and relatively prosperous lives we enjoy. Our country is not without its problems, but it is perhaps the most blessed nation in the world. The Book of Mormon calls this a promised land. That alone ought to make us thankful.

Tom Alexander, National President, 2015 Thomas Alexander@BYU.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/)

2015

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

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

- November 7, Cache, Weber, Box Elder, and Davis Counties (Regions: Utah North-Paul Riley; Utah Weber- Dave Jacobs & Don Lee; Davis-Bob Brown)
- 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 11th Ward Meetinghouse, 3050 Mojave Lane, Provo, UT.
- November 21: **Washington County, Iron County** (Regions: Utah Central- Warren Woolsey; Utah South-Don Burton)
- December 8, **SUP National Christmas Dinner**, National Headquarters, 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Heather in the National Office.

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- February 20, **Regional Symposium** in Ogden. <u>See page 15</u>
- February 27, Chapter President's Meeting, National Headquarters, 10:00 a.m.
- May 7, National Symposium, National Headquarters
- September 22-24, 2016, SUP National Convention in Hurricane, Utah. See page 14

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Annual Members

John Merzlock – Pocatello chapter

John W Reynolds, Sr – Ogden Pioneer chapter

Axel M Nelson – Ogden Pioneer chapter

Noel M Johnson – Grove City chapter

Kelley Cook – Centerville chapter

Dennis Randall – Centerville chapter **Alma Timothy** – Upper Snake River Valley

Chapter

Don Denney – Upper

Don Denney – Upper Snake River Valley chapter **George C Jensen** – Upper Snake River Valley

chapter

Gary R Swenson – Ogden Pioneer chapter

New Life Members Kent B Petersen – Ogden Pioneer chapter Grant Weller – Ogden Valley chapter **Chapter Eternal**

Gale C Hamelwright – Cotton Mission chapter—9/10/15

Lewis R Livingston – Squaw Peak chapter—8/15/15

Garth Kendall – Holladay chapter—10/4/12 **Byron Meader** – Upper Snake River Valley chapter—10/12/15

New Members of Family & Friends Troy Smith-Grantsville, UT Ronald Halterman-Hurricane, UT Bill Conway-Rexburg, ID

NATIONAL NEWS

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

Trail Marker Logo

When the early pioneer companies were crossing the plains, they would mark the trail by placing various items along the trail, showing those following that they were on the right path. Often the marker was the skull of a bison or other large animal. Thus the logo for the Trail Marker is a bison skull. With this issue, I have used a larger, picture for the logo than previously so that it stands out more clearly to remind us of its significance.



Elder Christofferson at Fort Moore, with him are: his brother Greg, Margaret Bruning, Director, Clare Haggarty, LA Arts Mgr and his brother Tom

Fort Moore

In the heart of Los Angeles, at 430 North Hill Street, sits the largest military monument in the country honoring U.S. Soldiers and pioneers, including the Mormon Battalion who built Fort Moore atop the spot and there, raised the first American flag in Los Angeles on the 4th of July 1847.

During a recent visit to the city on Oct. 16, Elder D. Todd Christofferson of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles took a side trip to the monument to see the 45-foot tall and over 400-foot wide memorial.

The monument is scheduled for restoration and expansion in the near future. For the complete text of the Deseret News article, go to http://tinyurl.com/p8mxtxl

CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled by Roland Lee, rolandleefamily@gmail.com

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.

Note the modified two column format, each chapter is a separate entity as you move down the page. This should make for easier reading. Let me know if you like it. donlee0938@gmail.com

BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER (Provo – Orem)

Dr. Kristian S. Heal was the speaker at the September 10 dinner meeting. The presenter was born and raised in the County of Suffolk in eastern England. After serving a mission in his native land, he received his bachelor's degree from University College, London. His major was Jewish history and Hebrew. He then opted to obtain a Masters in Syriac studies from Oxford University. He went on to University of Birmingham for a PhD degree in theology. His superb training was a perfect fit for a position on the staff of the Neal A. Maxwell Institute where he arrived in 2000. Four years later he became the Director of the Center for the Preservation of Ancient Religious Texts. During his tenure at BYU, his research has focused on pre-Islamic history and on the Syriac speaking Christians of the Middle East.

His presentation highlighted the significant contributions being made at the University in ancient studies. BYU has become, through the research and scholarship of him and his colleagues, one of the leaders in the world in translating, digitizing, and making available texts for wide public distribution and allowing scholars the opportunity heretofore unavailable for further research in this field. BYU has become one of the principals in Dead Sea Scrolls research and digitizing. Dr. Heal related the interesting way in which the University was allowed to participate in accessing the Syriac manuscripts that had resided for centuries in the Vatican Library. The Vatican Project, with so many others, has pushed the

historical frontiers of early Christian research to horizons that were thought to be impossible just a few years ago.

Craig J. Ord discussed his pioneer past by choosing to outline the many coincidences of his personal life that intersected with his pioneer Ord family. These coincidences were powerful events in his life that re-enforced and underscored the power of the past influencing the present. The first of five coincidences was his call to serve a mission to England. One of his initial transfers was to the very town where his progenitor was taught and baptized. The second was his time spent at dental school in Lincoln, Nebraska. In Lincoln, his family traveled over part of the trail the Martin Handcart Company had previously trod over a century before. (Members of both sides of his family were in the same company). His third was the empathy he experienced toward those in that company while on his honeymoon in Wyoming. His ancestors were married in Wyoming under the harshest of conditions while he and his bride were in the same locale under much more pleasant circumstances. The last coincidences dealt with the serendipity that subsequent ancestors experienced in finding and marrying each other in rather miraculous ways. -- Harvard Heath, Chapter Historian

COTTON MISSION CHAPTER (St George, Utah area)

Prominent local business and community leader, **Sidney J. Atkin** spoke at our annual scholarship fundraising dinner held September 22 at Dean and Carol Terry's Twin Springs Ranch near Enterprise. The meal was paid for by **Dean and Carol Terry**, so all proceeds could go toward our scholarship fund for deserving students. **Charles L. Clayton** was honored with a plaque for his contributions of thousands of dollars to the fund over the past few years.

After dinner, Sid Atkin, a founder of SkyWest Airlines, described the history of the airline from its humble St. George beginnings in 1972 to its current status with over 10,000 employees nationwide and over 1800 departures daily. Sid is a member of our chapter and has served as chairman of the Washington County Republican Party, and for eight years as a member of the Utah House of Representatives. He also served on the boards of Dixie College Foundation and the Dixie Regional Medical Center.

This summer's treks took us to the towns of Gunlock and Pine Valley in August where we learned the history those towns for **Ed Bowler**.

In October we visited the historic town of Silver Reef, which grew out of the silver boom and toured



Sid Atkin, founder of Sky West Airlines

the old Wells Fargo building and museum. We also visited the pioneer town of Harrisburg, learning about the history of that area. Our trek included a stop at the monument previously placed by our chapter, as well as the Harrisburg cemetery, where we had placed another plaque honoring the pioneers. – *Roland Lee*

GROVE CITY CHAPTER (Blackfoot, Idaho)

Bob Sidebars and **Rulon Hillam** have been working hard to complete the "Blackfoot Land Office" commemorative plaque and can now rest



Tish Dahmen receives the plaque from Rulon Hillam and Lynn Bradshaw

easy knowing the plaque is finished and in the ground. The plaque was constructed by Idaho Steel under the direction of **Lynn Bradshaw**, president. Being constructed of stainless steel the plaque contains a brief description of the importance of the Land Office to the citizens of Idaho. All the deeds for land obtained in the land rush of 1902 had to be recorded at this historic office.

Rulon Hillam presented a more in depth story of the land rush and the role of the land office to **Tish Dahmen**, executive director of the Blackfoot

Chamber of Commerce. The framed narrative will be on display at the Potato Museum and Chamber office, on West Main Street in Blackfoot.

HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER (Hurricane, Utah)

Donald Lee Beatty is our new modern pioneer! On an evening that was not our usual time of meeting, we met to honor a man who has been of service to his community all of his life. His life, like most of us, has had its sorrows and struggles, and in spite of the challenges, Lee has found time to help others. He has been a member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers for many years, and has been a "monumental" blessing to us.

Shortly after joining the Sons, he entered the presidency, and after serving for those three years, he stayed on the board working as our monuments representative. He is best known for the monuments erected overlooking the Confluence Park, and the one placed at the Ghoul's Shearing Corral. However, he played a huge part in numerous other monuments and signs we have erected.

We owe much to his efforts. His family was there to pay honor to him. Tony created a video honoring



Donald Lee Beatty (left) receives Modern Pioneer Award from David Hinton

his father, and Wade began the presentation, with Robin finishing. His granddaughter Cami, Hurricane's own 2015 Miss Hurricane, sang an emotional song honoring him. Thank you Lee, for your love of our pioneer heritage, the city of Hurricane and the surrounding areas, and your dedication to the Sons of Utah Pioneers!

SUP PAPERWEIGHTS

Available at the National Office for \$20.



JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER, (South Jordan, Utah

On Wednesday, October 7th, we all had a most delightful presentation from **Lynn "Doc" Cleland**. Lynn's great-grandmother, **Sarah Goode Marshall**, is the first Mormon handcart pioneer to reach the Salt Lake Valley. Lynn decided to re-create her pioneering handcart journey of 1856. Hence, in the summer of 2009, "Doc" began his 109-day journey from Iowa City. He traveled the 1330-mile journey walking the pioneer trail and pulling his handcart for 88 of those 110 days.

"Doc" told of several times during his travels of feeling the presence of his great-grandmother. A little history:

- A handcart weighed between 60 and 65 pounds

 unloaded. His weighed over 200 pounds
 loaded.
- During the period when the pioneers came, there were ten handcart companies.
- Approximately 3,000 pioneers pulled handcarts.
- About 250 handcart pioneers died on the trail.
- It took them 110 days to make the journey.

Nearing the end of his journey in Wyoming, Lynn met **Martin Harris**. Martin is a direct descendant of one of "The Three Witnesses" to the Book of Mormon. Lynn asked Martin to share his testimony of the Book of Mormon with him by writing that testimony in the back of his personal copy. After several days, Martin did that and gave permission to print it here:

This book is true. It is the most perfect and true piece of printed word on the face of the earth. The Spirit that comes into the hearts of those who read it with an open mind, cannot be denied or dismissed as anything but personal revelation and confirmation of it's divinity. I have read it multiple times and I understand why so many early members of the church were willing to sacrifice worldly goods, comforts, monies, friendships, and even their



Lynn "Doc" Cleland

very lives for the gospel principles contained herein. This book clarifies and expounds the doctrines of the Bible, and fulfills all of the laws, the prophets and the prophecies concerning the restoration of the gospel. All the great

questions in life, the questions that really matter, are answered by the doctrines in this marvelous book. Nowhere else can a person who earnestly seeks the doctrines of salvation, find them so readily, so easy to understand, and in such a spiritual format, as to make the reader feel spiritually feed, emotionally comforted, and loved by his or her creator. I love my God with all my heart and my Savior Jesus Christ. The Book of Mormon is the best resource that I know of for the confirmation of the love of His people, and His tender mercies. May the content of the marvelous book weave a tapestry of faith into the hearts of all those who read it. -- Martin Harris, 19 Aug. 2009, Douglas, WY

Lynn has authored a book about his trek entitled *Faith Greater Than Pain*. He has a favorite saying he learned from an Indian tribe that he shared with us. It is, "We will be remembered forever by the tracks we leave behind."

Contact: Lynn "Doc" Cleland can be contacted at www.FaithGreaterThanPain.com; lugeman 13@gmail.com; or his cell phone 425 788-5146.

MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER (Spanish Fork, Utah)

Our speaker/singer for our October chapter meeting was **Clive Romney**. Clive wears many hats, and is widely sought after for his informative and entertaining presentations. He is recognized for his round brown hat and beautifully trimmed grey mustache.

We knew we were in for a delightful evening when Clive performed two of his songs prior to dinner, accompanied by his banjo, including *Grandpa Had a Grandpa* and *Don't Let Them Be Forgotten*, his own compositions.

The first story he told was that of John Moyle who pulled a handcart all by himself to Utah and settled in Alpine. He was a stone mason and walked the 22 miles from Alpine at the beginning of the week to work on the construction of the Salt Lake Temple. And at the end of the week he walked the 22 miles home. The story is a familiar story to most in that John lost his leg in an accident with a cow. But when it had healed enough he made a sophisticated stump with a foot. With that rudimentary leg he once again walked the 22 miles back and forth and climbed the ladders of the temple to apply his trade. The story was illustrated with a tender song about the commitment and fortitude of John Moyle.

Another story he told of the problems that the early settlers of Panquitch had because of the early frost and snow that prevented the Saints from food for the winter. The story is about seven of the men from the community who attempted to go to Parowan on the other side of the western mountains to obtain flour to sustain the people. The snows were too deep and too difficult to traverse by them or their oxen. After getting out a quilt, kneeling on it and offering a prayer they realized that the quilt kept them from sinking deep into the snow even with all of them kneeling on it. So they used quilts

spread out before them to make the trek, without their oxen, with success to Parowan and back. The song Clive sang was about getting over the mountain by "quilt walking". Today, in that part of Utah, the citizens have an annual "quilt walking" celebration the second weekend in June.

Clive continued through the rest of the evening to



Clive Romney

tell wonderful and interesting stories with songs that enhanced them. He completed the evening by letting us know that we owed it to our descendants to tell them our stories and the stories of our ancestors He encouraged us not just to write them down, but to tell them, so that children will know that the themes of the stories are in their DNA. He said, "Learn how to tell them! Look into their eyes!" We were not only entertained but inspired by the stories that could have been about any of our pioneer ancestors. The songs after each story helped us remember them and their importance to our heritage. Truly, the evening was an exhibit of how the Sons of the Utah Pioneers fulfill its mission.

Not Clive Romney poetry, but.....

There was a young lady named "Bright" Whose speed was much faster than light She set out one day in a relative way And returned the previous night.

MURRAY CHAPTER (Murray, Utah)

The Murray chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers met on Wednesday, September 23 in our first meeting of the 2015-2016 season. After a delicious dinner, we were privileged to hear from **Kirk Erekson** who shared with us some of the rich heritage of the Murray area. He knows this history well because his ancestors played a large part in establishing this area.

The Erekson's have been in the valley since 1849—only two years after the original pioneers. Henry Sabba Erikson, immigrated from Norway to Mission Township, LaSalle Co., Illinois. Henrik (Henry) could speak very little English and when asked his name he said Henrik from Sabo. Sabo means farm by the sea. Thus he was often called Henry Sabbe or Sebey. While in Illinois they were among the first Norwegian converted to the church. They left Illinois to go west on the 19 of May 1849 with the Amos Neff company, he was assigned to be the captain over about 50 members. After arriving in the valley he homesteaded the area known as "Big Cottonwood" which latter became known as "South Cottonwood".

Jonas Erekson the son of Henry Sabba Erikson went to California for the gold rush then returned in 1850. He then homesteaded the land where the Erekson Dairy was. In 1852 he built a five-room adobe home.

He then married **Mary Jane Powel**. She was very ambitious and studied medicine, becoming first a nurse and then a doctor. From her medical studies and practices, she was able to cure several who had diphtheria. In 1869 Jonas built a second home. That home still stands and Kirk Erekson lives in that house.

Jonas had the first mercantile in the Murray area, and the mail kept getting mixed up between the store and the farm so he changed the spelling from Erikson to Erekson. Another glimpse into the history of the Erekson homestead is that **Orin**

Porter Rockwell often stayed in their barn. Apparently he preferred that over staying in their house.

Kirk showed us a very interesting historic document—a framed land grant certificate, authorizing the Erekson's to own that property, and it was signed by United States **President Ulysses S. Grant.**

James Theodore Erekson then inherited the homestead. He married Janet Brown McMillan October 22, 1890. One day his wife lost her wedding ring, as they studied where it might have gone, they expected that their family rooster had eaten it. The family rooster was a prize possession, and they didn't want to kill the rooster to search for the ring. So, they patiently waited. A year later they bought a new rooster, and then they "retired" the old one. Inside the old dead rooster they found a small oblong piece of gold, which they concluded was the only remnant left of the wife's wedding ring.

James had a son named James Theodore. They called him **Jay Theodore** to distinguish between father and son. Jay Theodore gave distinguished service in the area as a bishop and patriarch.

The Erekson family Holstein dairy grew to the point that they had over 500 head of cows, and it had the distinction of being the largest dairy herd west of the Mississippi River.

The name of the area changed from Big Cottonwood to South Cottonwood and finally to Murray. Originally, the whole area was one ward, which ran from 4500 South to the Point of the Mountain and the width of the valley. The property is no longer a farm. It was a very interesting presentation, and we are grateful to Kirk for sharing his family history that coincides with Murray's history.

OGDEN PIONEER CHAPTER, (Ogden, Utah)



Christina Myers giving her presentation

The Ogden Chapter recently enjoyed a guest speaker, **Christina Myers** who spoke of her life experiences and charitable work.

Christina Myers was an exchange student from Sweden as a teenager, and came to live in Utah. It was an amazing experience. She learned about the church and was surprised to see that the church was filled not just with old people but young people as well.

Christina was baptized in 1977 and served a 23-month mission to Ecuador where she was blessed with leadership experiences and worked in both the most impressive and humblest circumstances.

Following her mission she returned to Ogden where she met and married **Shaun** in the Ogden Temple in 1983. Children didn't come immediately but eventually they were blessed with 4 children. They eventually adopted two children from Kazakhstan from the former USSR. The children in the orphanage were afflicted with all manner of challenges. There were no diapers and feeding all 150 children at the same time presented many

difficulties. Most of the children had various sicknesses.

On August 4, 2003 her youngest daughter **Annika**, age 9, woke up unable to walk, paralyzed from her legs down. They rushed to Primary Children's Hospital where they discovered a large tumor growing on her spine. She was treated with chemo and radiation. Her daughter was always willing to submit and do everything that was placed before her. On April 24, 2004 her young daughter returned to her Heavenly Father.

After her daughter's death they traveled to Ecuador to bring items for those

living in the humblest circumstances. Her son's eagle project included fund raising for items to be donated; clothes, school supplies, hygiene, and scholarships to help aid the education of these needy children which was named after their daughter Annika. In addition, they did a home makeover for a local family.

A favorite quote Christina shared; "If you want to leave your footprints in the sands of time... wear work boots."

Later they had another opportunity to provide a different kind of service, this time to Guatemala. They were able to introduce a new Hymn book to the locals with hymns translated into the local native dialect. Here they were able to teach the locals how to sing the various parts.

They were excited to see the many churches that dotted the land as beautiful beacons of light. These churches were gathering places for the people to come to from miles around. They were able to return again to Ecuador do another home makeover. Again they received tremendous support from many volunteers. – *Kenneth Richey*

RED ROCK CHAPTER, (Kanab, Utah)

October's dinner meeting was held at the Kanab Stake Center on October 1 at 6pm. The speaker was **Dennis Allen** from Cedar City who spoke about carriages and wagons of the pioneers.

The following pioneer story was submitted by **Marlin Brown**:

Phoebe Draper Palmer Brown, the daughter of William and Lydia Lathrop Draper, was born in Rome, Oneida County, New York, October 9, 1797. The Drapers originally came from England to America in 1645, locating near Boston. The family spread through the New England States. In 1800, Thomas Draper and wife moved to Canada. His son, William, had left New York and settled in Pennsylvania.



Ebenezer and Phoebe Draper Brown statue in the Draper City Park.

Phoebe married **George Palmer** in 1815 in Canada, when she was eighteen years old. To them were born seven children, **Lovina, Osahel, William, Eliza, Lydia, Zemira and Rhoda**. They joined the Church in 1833 and gathered with the Saints in Kirtland, Ohio. He died in 1835, leaving her with these small children. In the year 1836, Joseph Smith, Sr., gave her a blessing of comfort and promise. He told her if she was faithful and wise she would be blessed with a companion who would be a man of God, and that she would be able to bring up her family right; that she would have good, happy days.

She suffered the hardships of the Saints, being driven from Kirtland to Missouri, and from Missouri to Nauvoo, Illinois, where the one promise of her blessing was fulfilled by her marriage to **Ebenezer Brown** in 1842, his wife having died leaving him with a family of four children. They were driven from their comfortable homes into the wilderness, where they were camping in the year 1846.

Phoebe went with the Mormon Battalion, being chosen as one of the laundresses. She was a kindhearted woman and throughout the entire journey many of the burdens of the soldiers were lightened by her sympathy. She was one of the women selected to make the trip to San Diego, California, as her husband was a 2nd Sergeant of Company A. He was not mustered out of service until March 14, 1848.

She, with her husband, traveled north where they participated in the search for gold in and around Sacramento, California. She helped wash gold to aid them on their journey to join the Saints who had gathered in Utah. She rode a mule (whose name was Ginny), all the way from California. In 1849, Ebenezer settled in Draper. Phoebe moved from Salt Lake in the spring of 1850 with the children, they being the first family to settle in Draper.

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER (Richfield, Utah)



Chapter members in front of the Silver Reef Wells Fargo building which now houses a museum

Saturday September 12th we took a trek to Silver Reef and Frontier Heritage State Park. We met at Walmart Parking lot at 7:45 arranged rides and left at 8:00am. At Silver Reef we were met by our tour guides and we split up into two groups for a tour of the museum and ghost town. We were shown through the old Wells Fargo Building, which now houses the museum to look at and learn about some of the items that were use in the community during the silver chase of those days.

Outside we continued to see larger items used in silver production and heard some great stories of early life in Silver Reef. We even watched the reenactment of a famous gun fight that took place in the main street of Silver Reef where both men died.

We then attended a presentation about the Buffalo (American Bison) that I found very interesting and informative.

We then went to the Leeds Town celebration where we listened to music, purchased and ate our lunch and did a little crafts shopping.

Next we drove to Cedar City to visit the Frontier Homestead State Park (formerly the Iron Mission State Park.) What a wonderful experience that visit was. For 10 years my office was right next door to this State Park, but even in my most grandiose vision I did not imagine what the park manager with the help of the community has achieved.

We saw what **Dave Ogden's** vision of what we could do in Richfield to celebrate our heritage. (Restored building and Homes replicas of working Sawmill and kiln. Farm implements and restored wagon and yes Utah's first snowmobile) This was a wonderful day that could only have been made better if more of our member would have been able to attend.

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER (Logan, Utah)



Lex Baer, left, receiving a Modern Pioneer Award from Glen Stringham, president of the Temple Fork Chapter of Sons of Utah Pioneers

The speaker for the August meeting was **Darrin Smith**. Darrin said he has always had an interest in old photographs. His father was a photographer and he appreciated the work his father did.

Darrin attended a meeting where **Nolan Olsen** gave a talk about the Logan Temple, which stimulated his interest in the Temple. Darrin read the book, "Logan Temple, The First 100 Years," written by Nolan and enjoyed it. However, he was disappointed that there were no pictures of the numerous people who worked on the temple.

Darrin undertook the task of locating photographs of the workers. This was in the late 1990, before internet made it easier to find information. He tried to find names of people who had the same last name as the names of workers given in Nolan's book. He would contact them to see if they might be related and might have photographs of these people.

While searching for photos of the temple construction, the workers who built it and the temple's early years, Darrin published his first book in 2000. The book contained photographs that his father had taken of the Cache Valley area. On the book's facing pages were photographs that Darrin had taken at the same spot to show the changes that had taken place.

Darrin's next book was published in 2011, and was titled "How Beautiful: A Pictorial History of the Logan Temple." It was the result of the research he had done trying to get photographs of the Logan Temple during the early construction years, and of the people

who worked on the temple construction.

Darrin later made a DVD on material from the first section of the temple book, and is currently working on a second DVD which covers the book's section about the Temple Sawmill.

Darrin showed a stereo view photo of Logan Temple that he purchased for \$300.00. He saw a collection owned by a man, and the man didn't know the location of the photo. Darrin recognized the Logan Temple and purchased it. He brought it home, digitized it, and then sold it to the Church.

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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.

SAVE THE DATE:

SATURDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2016

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

REGIONAL HISTORY SYMPOSIUM



Sponsored by the Ogden Pioneer Chapter

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.

Speakers will include:

Richard Sadler: The Railroad and its impact on Northern Utah Audrey Godfrey: Prominent women of the Church in early Utah Kenneth Alford: U.S. Civil War impacts in the Utah Territory One more speaker and the Keynote speaker are still to be confirmed.

Location: Weber Heights Stake Center 1401 Country Hills Drive Ogden, UT 84403 (North of the WSU Dee Events Center)

More information to follow.

2016 National Convention







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."

For future information: www.hvsup.org

TOUR 2



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!

TOUR 3



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.

Application for Membership



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.

Please enroll me as a member of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Date: 20	
Name:	Wife's First Name:
Address:	
City:	State Zip Code
Tel:Em	nail:
I desire to join the	Chapter. My birthdate is
are expected to be paid by January 31 for Life Membership Options: Life membership	rithin 12 consecutive months.
We request that all members submit a personal hibe at least one page in length.	istory to the Sons of Utah Pioneers Library. This history should
	r fee to: h Pioneers 3301 E. Louise Ave. T 84109 Email <u>: supl847@gmail.com</u>
	at www.sup1847.com/store. You may make a credit card

For more information on membership, please call (801) 484-4441, Monday to Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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have your credit card available when you call.

Family and Friends Membershi Application



Members "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, 2016 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.

Please enroll me in the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers:		
Name:	Wife's Name:	
Address:	Birthdate:	
City:	ST Zip:	
Tel: () E-mail:		
I may affiliate with this SUP Chapter (optional):		

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

Sons of Utah Pioneers 3301 E. Louise Ave. (2920 South) Salt Lake City, Utah 84109 Email: sup1847@gmail.com (801) 484-4441

Please read details of Family and Friends Membership on reverse page. Revised September 1, 2015.

RULES OF THE ANNUAL FAMILY AND FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

- 1. 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.
- 3. 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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