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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



My term in office as National President is rapidly passing, but what a Joy! The month of July 2017 has been unusually busy and a fantastic experience for me and for the Sons of Utah Pioneers!

We had a highly successful and very well attended Family Day at "This Is the Place Park" this year. Besides having a near record attendance with a whole lot of fun and food, we had a special speaker at our devotional, which was held this year in the Bowery. Elder Jeffrey R Holland of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, presented a personal and inside view of his pioneer heritage. We welcomed him along with Ellis Ivory of This Is the Place Park, President Maurine Smith of the International Society of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, and the charming Days of 47 Royalty who performed some delightful musical numbers. We were supported this year by the Official Days

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of 47 Committee, the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers as well as our own association, the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

On Monday morning, July 24, under the direction of the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter, the seats in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square were filled for our annual sunrise service. It was a remarkably moving and spiritual experience. The speaker was Elder Kevin R. Duncan of the First Quorum of the Seventy, who related touching stories of his family's pioneer heritage. Marvelous music was presented by the West Valley combined Institute choirs, which stirred our souls. Maurine Smith, of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, introduced the Days of 47 Royalty, who sang so beautifully, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

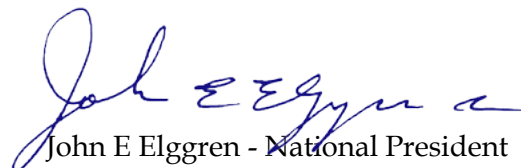
Our entry in the days of 47 parade again this year was 11 handcarts accompanied by 35 of our members, family and friends, and represented each of the pioneer handcart companies that came into Utah. It was a pleasant overcast day for the parade, and we were cheered on by a numerous and enthusiastic crowd.

For the first time in many years the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers was invited to participate in the Bountiful Handcart Days Parade on July 21st. As president of our association, I was provided with a sleek Mercedes convertible and driver, and was well received by a friendly crowd, which included President Dieter F. Uchtdorf of the First Presidency, who was enjoying the parade as a spectator. What a thrill and a privilege.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite every member of SUP to make your reservations and attend the National Convention in Centerville, Utah, September 14th through 16th 2017. I wish to impress upon each of you the importance of attending this function. It is a most enjoyable event, and includes your opportunity to participate in the election of new national officers, who will direct this organization through the coming years.

The convention committee under the direction of the Centerville Chapter, has been working hard to prepare programs and activities that will be of special interest to all. There is a wide variety of tours from which you may choose, wonderful meals, outstanding speakers, and our annual business meeting for members to influence the direction and future course of SUP. The spouses meeting is always a superior event, and our presidents banquet on Saturday is always an excellent finish to a great convention. Our keynote speaker this year is Brother Glenn Rawson, of the Joseph Smith Papers.

I would like to see every chapter in our association well represented at the convention! Please make your reservations early. Come join in the fun and festivities at your National Convention. It will be an event to remember.


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This section is for National or individual Chapter announcements. It may be a request for help or just letting the members know what is going on. All items must be SUP related and any costs involved must be clearly stated. Contact the Trail Marker editor, Don Lee, at donlee0938@gmail.com to place any request.

FACEBOOK

The SUP Office Staff has been cleaning up our National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Facebook group in anticipation of the Online Chapter Facebook group coming online soon.

Here are the email links so they are easy for you to find.

National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers:

<https://www.facebook.com/National-Society-of-the-Sons-of-Utah-Pioneers-115720288457938/>

And with the Chapter groups, we can see what other chapters are doing and share ideas. Here are two chapters who currently have active Facebook pages.

SUP Springville Chapter:

<https://www.facebook.com/SpringvilleSonsofUtahPioneers/>

SUP Pocatello Portneuf Chapter:

<https://www.facebook.com/portneufpioneers/>

I understand that many of you do not have Facebook accounts. You are welcome to use your wife's or kids' accounts. We hope you will find value in getting your own personal Facebook account.

This might even be a good Chapter Meeting theme Pioneering into the Future, to set up a workshop for all your chapter members to create their own Facebook accounts. It is a great forum to communicate with each other, share ideas and photos, and reach out to recruit your kids and friends.

The more we all get involved in these online groups, the more our At Large Members will feel welcome and included, and the more we can continue to attract new younger members.

NATIONAL DUES

In the past each chapter has been responsible for collecting the National dues and forwarding them to National.

Now, each of you who pay your National dues annually will be asked to pay them directly to National Headquarters. Refer to the letter sent in October for the coming year. This letter contained a form you can send in OR you can just go to sup1847.com, click on the "SUP STORE" tab and pay your dues right there. This should remove some of the workload from the chapter treasurer who will now only be responsible for the chapter dues and it will make it easier for you to pay your National dues. Those purchasing Lifetime Memberships should deal directly with National.

PIONEER STORIES

Our Pioneer Stories are going to become an active portion of our website again in the near future. While the programs are being worked on, we are introducing a new initiative that you can enjoy as a stopgap measure.

Instead of waiting for us to get the Stories portion of our website working again, you can start submitting your pioneer stories right now. These stories should be fairly brief, and should relate some faith promoting experience that will touch the heart the reader.

You can submit your stories online to: "LaRon Taylor" lrt68@justrawspeed.com.

Questions? Call LaRon at 801-616-3653, or the National Office 801-484-4441.

NATIONAL NEWS

(Send National News submissions to SUP1847@gmail.com)

ORSON D. WRIGHT, OBITUARY



Dr. Orson D. Wright, beloved husband, father, grandfather and friend passed away on July 5th, 2017 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

He was born March 13, 1928 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Orson Pettit Wright and Pearl Davis Wright. He attended Uintah Elementary, Roosevelt Jr High School, and East High School in SLC. He

was active in sports, school activities, and in the orchestra. He went on to study at the University of Utah receiving B.S. Degrees in Zoology and Chemistry.

There he was a member and officer of the Sigma Chi Fraternity and later of the Delta Phi returned missionary fraternity. Having nearly finished his college education, he accepted a missionary call from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to serve in Australia after which he returned to graduate from the University of Utah in 1951.

Orson met his eternal sweetheart, Patricia Anne Pearson, at the U of U and they were sealed in the Salt Lake Temple on March 16, 1951 and enjoyed a wonderful union for 63 years before she passed away in Dec, 2014. They left shortly after their marriage to attend Washington University School of Dentistry in Missouri, Graduating in 1955 with highest honors. Following graduation he served two years as a captain in the U. S. Air force at Francis E. Warren Air Force Base at Cheyenne Wyoming, where he increased his skills in many areas of dentistry.

Returning home to Salt Lake City, he opened his dental practice that extended nearly fifty years.

From 1960 to 1978 he served as the Utah State Dental Director. Orson was able to revitalize the Dental and Medical community positions in Emery County and he

brought dental care into Monument Valley by arranging with Loma Linda University Dental School to send students there to practice as part of their education. He was a member of the Monument Valley Hospital Board.

He served on two governors committees on health and assisted in evaluations of many dental schools and institutions. He organized and taught many classes with teachers in Utah and compiled a Teacher's Guide for Teachers of Utah and wrote a manual for dental care in nursing homes and for the handicapped.

One of the most rewarding was his service over 52 years as a member of the National Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers wherein he served as the National President in 1972-1973 and as President of the Past National Presidents for eleven years. As the Director of the SUP Pioneer Village in Salt Lake he managed the sale of the Village and its transfer to Lagoon in 1976. With the proceeds he was able to promote the building of the SUP headquarters office and Building at the mouth of Parleys canyon. He directed the placement of the Pioneer Memorial Monument ("All is Well") at the Brigham Young grave site for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

He was very active in Scouting. He served as high council member over scouting, district scouting leader, and vice president of GSL scout council. He attended Philmont ranch, received the Silver Beaver award, and served as president of the Silver Beavers.

Being very active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, he has served in many capacities as teacher, quorum leader, branch president, member of district presidency, bishopric member, bishop, high councilor, missionary, stake missions, mission president, SL temple ordinance worker, and temple square tour guide for 20 years.

Orson loved his wife, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. His most beautiful times were those spent with his family and loved ones.

He shares his testimony of the truth of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and its restoration.

SUPER DUPER DAY

AT THIS IS THE PLACE STATE PARK

On Monday, July 17, we held our annual pioneer days celebration at the This Is The Place park. Held in conjunction with the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, it was truly a SUPER DUPER day.

The day started out with a bit of stormy weather, but cleared up to a beautifully mild evening. We enjoyed all of the venues of the park, then gathered in the bowery, much as our pioneer ancestors did. There we were entertained by the Days of 47 Royalty singing and then listened to Elder Jeffrey R Holland speak.

The use of the Bowery proved a wonderful idea, being centrally located and spacious. The Bowery was full and many sat on the grass to hear the events.

Elder Holland told of his ancestry. "First, a comment about my Holland family, who clearly were not Utah pioneers," he said. "They were a rowdy, but loveable, bunch of Roman Catholic miners born in Ireland who made their way to Montana and Colorado, ending up in Park City at the turn of the 20th century."

Widowed at the age of 26 with two little boys, Elder Holland's father being the youngest, his grandmother eventually made her way to Salt Lake City, where she was blessed by the friendship of John Fetzer, the kindly bishop of the old Salt Lake City 8th Ward.

"The rest, as they say, is history," Elder Holland said. "My grandmother and my father, he by then a 14-year-old boy, joined the Church in 1924."

Stricken by smallpox, he was taken out of school by his stepfather, "a loss of opportunity and a blow to his self-esteem that he never fully overcame," Elder Holland related.

"But heaven had its hand on him when, as a Civilian Conservation Corps recruit, he found himself in southern Utah in the early 1930s during the Depression, where he met and married my mother.

"What a union! A gleeful, Irish dance hall piano-playing convert from Roman Catholicism who went through life with a smile on his face and a shine on his shoes marrying a very proper, stay-at-home, quilting and canning, canning and cooking, genuine and thoroughly domestic daughter of Utah pioneers. What a marriage!

"I am the product of that union!"



2017 DAYS OF '47

SUNRISE SERVICE

The Sunrise Service this year was in the Assembly Hall instead of the Tabernacle. The overall consensus was that the Assembly Hall was a “natural fit” for our group, and it was so nice to have a mostly full house. And the acoustics rang out through the hall very nicely with all of the music. We had the Days of 47 Royalty sing and the Combined Choirs that you see in the photo.



PARADE





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

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AUGUST

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - 6PM

National Headquarters.

September 14

NATIONAL CONVENTION: CENTERVILLE - 1PM

September 16

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - 8AM

October 14

PAST PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL COUNCIL - 11:30AM

October 17

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - 6PM

October 21

FALL LEADERSHIP TRAINING - NORTHERN AREAS

October 28

FALL LEADERSHIP TRAINING - IDAHO AREAS

November 4

FALL LEADERSHIP TRAINING - SOUTHERN UTAH AREAS

November 11

FALL LEADERSHIP TRAINING - SALT LAKE AREAS

November 14

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING - 6PM

UPCOMING NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

2017 - Sponsored by the Centerville Chapter September 14 - 16, 2017

2018 - Sponsored by the Cedar City chapter September 20-22, 2018

These are wonderful events, please plan now!

If your chapter would like to sponsor the National Convention in any of the coming years, please send your proposal to the National Office. All chapters are welcome to apply! We are looking ahead to facilitate scheduling.

PIONEER Stories



One pioneer story is going to be included in the Trail Marker each month, but all will be saved to be added to the Pioneer Stories page of the SUP website when the program is completed.

All of you probably have stories of your pioneer ancestors that moved you. Please submit them so we can be moved & inspired also. send to: "LaRon Taylor" lrt68@juststrawspeed.com.

HEARTS OF THE CHILDREN

BERNELL TAYLOR

The grieving father places the lifeless, frozen form of his ten year-old son in his mother's lap as she sits on the ground, in the snow. He picks up his broken shovel and a borrowed pick and steps off the trail a few paces to make a grave, the second in so many weeks.

The mother's face is the picture of pain as she softly caresses the boy's frozen face. It is not the face of one peacefully dead. The boy died in the night, frozen to death in the little tent, unable to endure the storms any longer. His jaw is pushed to one side, strangely askew, frozen that way since life left his body somewhere in the night. No peace in this death. His muddy hair is matted on one side with a flatiron of ice frozen in it. He looks more like an animal found dead on the winter plains than the mother's only remaining son, the second to die on this trail of tears.

The icy Wyoming wind whips about the family and a few friends strong enough to help with the burial. There is not much grieving left to share, really. Too many have lost loved ones in similar fashion. Too many crude little graves have been hastily dug along the way. Too many have died. This price seems far too high to pay. Why, begs the unanswered question.

Placing her knitted shawl around the stiff corpse, the mother hands her boy to his father who has chipped away enough of the ice and rocky dirt to form a little dip in the ground — a dip that is already filling with snow as it slices its cutting knife across the frozen land.

As the father and a friend finish casting up ice and rock over the boy, this man, toughened by years of persecution, farming, and now the trek west, crumples to the ground. He is all played out. There is nothing left. He clenches his face against the wind, squeezing out the tears, and sobs great body-shaking sobs.

"Take courage", my voice sighs in the wind, as I speak from the other side of the veil. "Open your eyes and see the

bigger picture, Grandfather!" As a second-great grandson of this pitiful form, sobbing in the snow, I call to him. "Your boy will live again! You will complete your trek to Zion and have more children. Your sons and daughters will grow strong in the Gospel and marry in the temple for eternity. All will be well after all, Grandfather..." My message swirls in the wind, a few words settling into the heart of this pitiful cipher in the snow.

Slowly, Grandfather gathers himself, takes a deep breath of resolve, and steels himself against the remaining trek ahead. Somehow he hears.

I sit in the darkness in my home in Zion. It is 3:00 A.M. and my heart is breaking. My sixteen year-old daughter is out in the night and I have no idea where. I fear the worst.

My wife sits silently in the darkness in the next room. Both of us are quiet. We are grieving for a death...for the spiritual death of a daughter. This is not the first night we have suffered. There have been far too many just like tonight.

Only a year ago, her testimony was alive and healthy. She held a leadership position in her young women class, attended seminary, and was active in our religious family activities. But then she began to stumble. The bright light dimmed by degrees as her testimony began to go out. Do what we may, we could not fan it back into life. She would not have it. And so we fasted and prayed and pleaded and grieved. But the light went out anyway.

She stopped saying her prayers about six months ago. She didn't tell us. We just knew. Then she began skipping church, sluffing seminary, and hanging out with different friends. It was as if her spirit suddenly began to suffer hypothermia. But she refused our warmth. Ran from it. And then the end seemed near.

As our wonderful daughter withdrew from the Church, and then our family, and eventually from anything that

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was “virtuous, lovely or of good report,” my wife and I had many long, serious talks. What might we do to help? Where had we gone wrong? Could we watch a second child turn a back to the bright truths we had taught so diligently?

I hear my wife begin crying in the dark. At first it is barely noticeable. But then the whimper turns to a sob and bursts forth without restraint. I step to where she sits and place an arm around her to give her comfort. My strength. The strength of a righteous husband and father in Zion. But the strength is not there to be given. I am at such a loss that my reassuring touch changes to a faltering grasp.

Together, we fall to our knees and begin to plead with the Lord once again. Pleading between the tears. Is this really what we must endure? Can we stand to see the spiritual death of our children? Surely, Lord, this price is too high. Surely there is a better way!

“Take courage!” a voice whispers in the darkness, a voice from three generations past. “Take courage and see the bigger picture,” it says. “Yes, your daughter may be

stumbling in the darkness. Yes, her testimony may have dwindled in unbelief. But it will revive. The light of the Gospel will burn bright once more. She is not dead to the truth forever! Be still, and know that she will eventually return. Stay true. Stay faithful. Stay the course and you will see,” the voice of my second great-grandfather whispers in the darkness of the night.

Our anguished voices soften. Together, we slump to the floor in an embrace as the Spirit stokes back our frayed nerves and soothes our aching hearts. Somehow, we hear.

The path that each of us is called to travel is strewn with tears and heartache of one kind or another. Trek well, my pioneer Latter-day Saint friends. Hear the encouraging cries of your ancestors. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Know that there are those on both sides of the veil that feel your grief. Stay the course. Keep the faith. The crown of victory will come, by and by.

Take courage!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NAME CHAPTER

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Tony Tidwell.....Mills

FAMILY & FRIENDS CONVERTED TO ANNUAL MEMBERS

Stew PaulickSettlement Canyon
Richard Hodson Brigham Young
David Lay Timpanogos
Gaylin Poulson..... Cotton Mission
Danny Campbell Hurricane Valley

CHAPTER ETERNAL

NAMECHAPTERDATE OF DEATH

Jesse N Udall..... Mesa06/08/2017
Arthur Bishop..... Murray06/10/2017
Richard W Moyle . . .Ogden Pioneer. .06/18/2017
Alan Wright.....Box Elder06/20/2017

NAME CHAPTER

NEW FAMILY & FRIENDS

DeRoy JensenAt Large Member
Andrew E ClarkSnow Horse
John (Jack) KinneyAt Large Member
Richard Deaton.....Eagle Rock
Myron Christensen Brigham Young
Bryce Redd Dixie Encampment
Bruce R Molen Dixie Encampment
Mike Muhlberger..... Dixie Encampment
R Chris Fee Dixie Encampment
J Dean HalesCenterville
Greg Kemp Cotton Mission
William Reeve..... Dixie Encampment

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In 1997, a Church committee created a marker to be attached to the graves of Pioneers who arrived in the valley prior to the coming of the railroad. These were sold to anyone who wanted to attach one to the grave of his or her ancestor, in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the arrival of the Pioneers in 1847. (\$15 EACH / \$13 EACH FOR MORE THAN SIX PIECES)



SUP LOGO MARKER

Recently a Modern SUP logo marker similar to the "Faith" marker has been provided for use by chapters and members to establish site numbers on monuments and other purposes for which attaching an SUP logo with an inscription is appropriate. The surface can be laser-etched for inscriptions at your local trophy shop. (\$15 EACH / \$13 EACH FOR MORE THAN SIX PIECES)

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Recommended for those under age 56 who would like to join

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*These are the local executive officers assigned to work with their chapters and be a liaison between them and National.
They will be glad to hear from you about concerns on the area level.*

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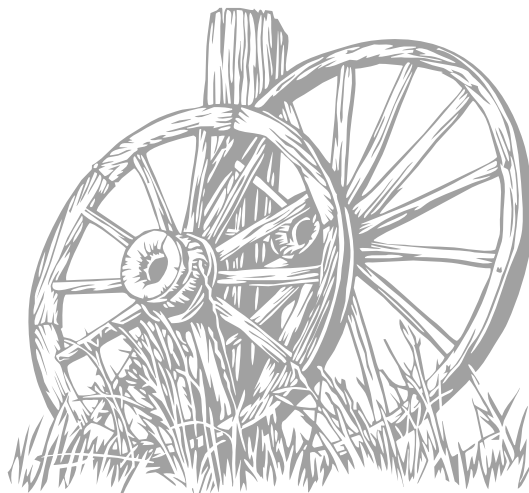
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THE MISSION OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS

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.

CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled by Roland Lee

Please send news about chapter meetings and treks, including pictures to Roland Lee at: rolandleefamily@gmail.com by the 25th of each month. We prefer submissions in the MS Word format, rather than a PDF file. If you can attach the original photos in jpg format, that would help as well.

Editor's challenge to EVERY chapter - Please send 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.

BOX ELDER CHAPTER - Brigham City, Utah

BOX ELDER SUP CHAPTER MEETING 12 JULY 2017:



Kathleen Bradford

The Box Elder chapter of the SUP has been a very successful chapter for a very long time. We have had some extremely interesting dinner meeting guest speakers arranged by **Jack Small** of the board of directors, and Past President.

Wednesday the 12th of July was no exception. **Mrs. Kathleen Bradford**, a longtime resident of Brigham City, was our guest speaker, talking about the settlement of Brigham City. Of course, it has to include the most successful co-operative program in the history of the LDS church, then called the United Order, organized by Lorenzo Snow in 1856, under the direction of Brigham Young. It included the most important trades and business for a fledgling community to continue to grow, i.e. coopers, carpenters, leather works, woolen mills and fabric

production, lumber mills, blacksmith shops, and a dairy in Collinston.

The first settlers arriving in Brigham City, then known as Box Elder Creek, was one William B. Davis in 1851, and soon others followed. Many of the early settler's names are still prominent in Brigham City to this day. They lived in a crude fort consisting of basically a sleeping room adjoined to each other forming a circle, with a small creek running thru the middle of the fort. They only needed a "room" at night as they were working their farm grounds during the day, trying to establish crops. They soon thereafter moved out of the fort, partly to escape the infestation of bed bugs, to build a better fort. The original fort was named after Davis who later became the first bishop. Many other little known facets were cited by Mrs. Bradford in her presentation.

It was a most interesting topic for the evening and I'm sure the chapter will want her back soon, as there is too much history of Brigham City to try to cover in thirty minutes.

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Box Elder Trek



Bear River Massacre Site

BOX ELDER CHAPTER JUNE TREK: A few of the Box Elder Chapter members enjoyed a trek June 26th as we went to the Bear River Massacre Site. **Suzan Hawkes** was called and she opened the museum in Franklin, Idaho, so we could enjoy seeing the multitude of artifacts they have there. We also heard about the Co-Operative Mercantile Institution, the Hatch House, and the Doney House. It was very interesting and we thank them for coming in on their day off to enlighten us.

The attack near Preston, Idaho, at the confluence of Bear River and Beaver Creek is considered the largest single-incident massacre of Indians in the American West - larger than Wounded Knee and Sand Creek. It

is often overlooked in history books because it occurred during the Civil War. Most descendants are spread out through Northern UT and Southeastern ID today.

The Indians were growing more troublesome, demanding food from settlers, stealing horses right from the corrals of the pioneers, robbing, and killing miners as they passed through the territory. The settlers were settling the land and disrupting their ability to live their nomadic life style. Treaties were broken by both sides. On Jan. 29, 1863, **Colonel Patrick E. Connor** and about 200 soldiers attacked the village. When it was over, 493 Indians were dead. 17 soldiers were killed and others died from wounds later.

HOLLADAY CHAPTER - Holladay, Utah

Our July meeting was held at the Pavilion of the South Cottonwood Stake where we enjoyed our traditional summer steak fry. Even though it was held at the "stakehouse" instead of the "steakhouse" and the meal was prepared by "Meiers chicken" not "Meiers beef," it was a wonderful meal and a delightful evening. Of course, it was a pioneer celebration but, that too was not held in the tradition of the "Days of Forty-Seven" manner but, rather to honor those that have been working behind the scene as pioneers in our time. We were honored to have **Frank Madsen Jr.** as our speaker. Frank has been an active member of the SUP from many years and currently serves as the Stake Patriarch of our neighboring Cottonwood Stake.

Those of you who know this quite, pleasant mannered man would not suspect him of being an undercover

agent. However, while serving as Chief of Staff of United States Senator Orrin Hatch he also was serving as a Bishop and other offices of the Church. That dual role caused foreign diplomats to assume he was a man of great influence in the U.S. government and led to a series of miraculous events that led to the Church being introduced in communist countries. Instead of delegations from these countries contacting high officials in the U.S. Government, they felt it would be more productive to use this man of "influence" so they contacted Frank and tried to charm him into getting the Mormon Church to send in missionaries. Of course, they saw no danger in doing so because they felt their subjects had been thoroughly indoctrinated in communism. What they did want was U.S. Currency, which they had observed had been freely spent building the Freiburg Temple.



"Steak Fry"



Frank Madsen

CHAPTER NEWS

HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER - Hurricane, Utah

JULY ACTIVITY: Our chapter prepared and served a delicious 24th of July celebration breakfast for the community of Hurricane and surrounding area. Members of our chapter arose early that morning, setting up cooking areas, serving tables, eating tables, and an area for meal preparation. Sausages were cooked the night before, and heated that morning to keep them hot for serving, and pancake batter prepared and cooked hot for our patrons. All in all, it was a wonderful event, and a time to have our name out to the public.

AUGUST EVENTS: On Wednesday the 8th, at 9:00 a.m., we will assemble at Dan Zaleski's home, and board a van to take us to the Northern Utah town of Clarkston, and there enjoy the pageant, "The Man Who Knew". It is really the life story of Martin Harris, and will be, besides entertaining, very educational in coming to learn of the life and trials of Martin Harris, one of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon.

LEHI CHAPTER - Lehi, Utah

Most recently we celebrated the dedication of the plaques marking the homes of **James, George, Joseph, and Hyrum Kirkham** followed two days later by the SUPer DUPER day at, This is the Place Heritage Park where we were treated to a devotional with **Elder Jeffery R. Holland** of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

At the Kirkham home commemorations there were about 60 Kirkham descendants and guests including SUP National President **John Elgren**. Historian **John Rockwell** recited historical information and **Melvin Kirkham**, a direct

descendant, shared family history accounts of the early days of the Kirkham family in Lehi including a description of one of the families living in a dugout in the banks of the Jordan river. In a fashion that would have made the Kirkham brothers proud, some wonderful musical numbers were presented by Cooper Tolbert who sang and played his guitar. Other than being showered by the lawn sprinklers which came on unexpectedly, the dedication service was a fitting tribute to the Kirkham brothers and their descendants. Special thanks are due to **Melvin Anderson** and all who served with him on the committee for their diligence in completing the project.

RED ROCKS CHAPTER - Kanab, Utah



Who in our Sons of Utah Pioneer's organization has not been richly blessed by the Relief Society of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints? Our grandmothers, mothers and wives have been part of this organization for years and our continued association with members of that sacred group of women means much to all of us. So we thought these "Relief Society Fun Facts" might be interesting to us all.

HOW WAS THE RELIEF SOCIETY MOTTO CHOSEN? "Charity Never Faileth" was] established in 1913 to help the Relief Society maintain its focus on its founding principles and the charge given by Joseph Smith.

WHAT IS MARCH 17, 1842? It's the day Sarah Granger Kimball and Margaret Cook's idea of a sewing committee to help the temple workers turned into a society that was organized after the pattern of the priesthood.

WHAT NEWSPAPER WAS OWNED AND RUN BY WOMEN? "Woman's Exponent" provided a voice for the sisters—it was a place where they could defend and find support for their beliefs through poems, stories, essays and news articles.

WHERE DID MANY RELIEF SOCIETIES MEET? Many ward Relief Societies raised money and built Relief Society Halls as a place to meet for business, cultural activities and worship.

WHAT CAN A PENNY ACCOMPLISH? In Nauvoo, Relief Society members contributed a penny a week for nails, glass and other items to build the temple. Eventually the \$2,000 collected helped save the temple when taxes were due.

WHO WERE THE SINGING MOTHERS? Wards and branches worldwide organized "Singing Mothers," bringing comfort and unity to those struggling to find relief during the Great Depression and WWII. Some groups sang with one another over the radio.

CHAPTER NEWS

MORGAN PIONEER CHAPTER - Morgan, Utah



Gerald Betournay

The Morgan Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers held its monthly luncheon on June 18, at Larry's Spring Chicken Inn. **Marvin Jensen** gave the Pioneer of the month report. Marvin is linked to the pioneers through his great, great grandfather, **Edwin Whiting**. Edwin Whiting was born September 9, 1809, in Lee Massachusetts. He and his family moved to Nelson Ohio where his father **Elisha Whiting** found work. He did receive a limited education and did note that he had a legible handwriting.

Edwin joined the Church in 1838 with his father, Elisha, and all his siblings. His mother had joined before his mother and father were married. Edwin came west in 1849 with the Ezra T. Benson Company. He then served a mission in Ohio and then came west a second time with the Philemon Merrill Company. He later told his granddaughter a story about a buffalo stampede on the prairie where he stood by the wagon train and cracked a whip for a lengthy period of time and turned the herd of stampeding buffalo. He later said he had a lot more help with him than was visible.

Our guest speaker was **Gerald Betournay**, who was born in Boise, Idaho, later moved to Billings, Montana, and finally to Salt Lake City.

Gerald began by describing an experience he and his wife had some 25 years ago at a church social. The Stake President handed each of them a piece of paper and asked them to write their goals for the next 20 years, including a specific date they would be prepared to serve a mission. The President gathered the papers and placed them in a piece of PVC pipe and buried them. Twenty years later, the Stake President dug them up and returned them. As a result, the Betournays have served three missions in recent years.

Their first mission call was to the Johannesburg South Africa Mission. Historically, South Africa had been colonized first by the Dutch who founded Cape Town, largely a farming community where they raised fruits and vegetables to ward off scurvy, which was a large problem on their trade

ships. Later the British obtained control and capitalized on a massive gold mine manned by slave labor, including Blacks and Muslims. Eventually the Dutch regained control and established a highly segregated society encompassing huge farms that even contained their own towns. With Mandela's rise to power, the segregation cycle was broken, resulting in a massive exodus of professional people from the country. The government confiscated land and dispersed it among the general populous, most of whom were ill prepared to manage their own farms; the result - widespread poverty.

The Betournays were first assigned to an area called Nelspruit, meaning Nels Spring, which is located east of Johannesburg near the border. There, two young Missionary Elders had requested permission from the Mission President to form a new Branch. They were granted permission provided they could find a place to meet, and serve as the Branch Presidency. After an extensive search they found a school building that would meet their needs. The school principal agreed that they could use the school provided they present a spiritual message to the student body every Wednesday morning, and pray with each student individually, which they agreed to do.

The missionaries were also given their own key to the school, which was never done in South Africa. As a result they established a strong relationship with families in the community. When the Betournays left they were asked what the people needed most their response was a water supply for the school. The Church responded positively, installing such a system. The Betournays taught school every day. For lunch the students ate the exact same thing each day, Pap (ground corn meal, boiled) mixed with beans, which they prepared over an open fire. The Betournays also served in a community called Bethlehem, located south of Johannesburg. On one occasion more than 81 people attended a convert baptism at the lake there.

Jerry concluded his remarks by challenging all members of the Morgan SUP Chapter to set goals, prepare, and establish a definite plan to service a mission for the Church. He emphasized that the blessings associated with missionary service far overshadow any sacrifice required. Due to changing demographics in Utah, a decline in the number of young missionaries is predicted, creating a growing need for more senior missionaries.

CHAPTER NEWS

SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER - Salt Lake City, Utah



Days of '47 Royalty

We were “royally” enchanted and entertained by the Days of ‘47 Royalty, Queen **Maren Cline**, First attendant **Tess Hanson**, and Second attendant **Brittney Millington**, at our meeting on July 6, 2017. They presented their prepared

program, then responded to a request to play the drums, which they had planned to leave out, but we were pleased that they relented and did an “impromptu” for us.

Elder Jeffrey R. Holland was the featured speaker at the SUPer DUPer Days at the This Is The Place Heritage Park, where members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, and Daughters of Utah Pioneers were hosted by the park (at reduced entrance fee rates), where the families gathered to picnic,

enjoy all the exhibits and amenities of the park, then listen to an address by Elder Holland at 8pm.

He had been asked by invitation to share his heritage, his ancestors’ stories. One of the first things he said was he was surprised at how many young children were present, that he expected an octogenarian crowd, but pleased to see the young ones there, and hoped that something he could say would be beneficial for them.

He recounted an impressive history of his ancestors back 3 and 4 generations, and some remarkable occurrences in their lives, and concluded with a personal expression where he said, essentially, that not he, nor any one of us, can expect to be granted credits for all that was noble that our ancestors did, but rather that we, each individually, must do as well in life as they did in their lives in order to merit anything like they do merit.

SETTLEMENT CANYON CHAPTER - Tooele, Utah



Hal McConnell

Harold (Hal) McConnell is the commandant of the Sergeant Rodney M. Davis detachment of the Utah Air National Guard, and has been a member of the Air National Guard from 1990 to the present. McConnell, a native of Texas tried to join the Air Force at age 17, but was disallowed because he hadn’t received his High School Diploma

yet. Undeterred in his burning desire to serve his country, he was accepted into the Marines in 1966 and has since been on a personal mission to further the cause and brand of freedom enjoyed only in the United States of America.

On Thursday evening July 6th at the pavilion in Settlement Canyon he gave many heart-felt urgings to the members of the SUP and their wives who were in attendance. A taste of the intense patriotism Mr. McConnell has can be felt in the following summaries from his timely presentation:

- We need to support the military and our President if we are to continue to enjoy the life-style that has made this country the greatest in the world.
- We seem to be losing the patriotism we all felt following the devastation of 9-11.

- If you don’t love our country and its flag then get out and find some place where you are more comfortable.
- When you see members of our military, go up and thank them. Without them we wouldn’t be free today, and may well be speaking another language here in the USA.
- God kept this country alive and free during all the conflicts the United States has been involved in.
- Teach your children and grandchildren about patriotism in this great country.
- The military and other missions give the young people of today the direction they so need in their lives.
- All who served in the military are veterans no matter the capacity served. Some want to believe that only those who served in combat are considered veterans, but that just isn’t so.

To a standing ovation, McConnell finished his address with the words, “LETS KEEP AMERICA FREE AND GOD BLESS AMERICA.”

Hal McConnell checks his notes while standing by the American Flag that he has so loved and fought for his entire life. His exhortation to members of the Settlement Canyon Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers was to return to the patriotism we all felt following 9-11

CHAPTER NEWS

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER - Logan, Utah



Senator Lyle Hillyard

At the June meeting, **Senator Lyle Hillyard** reported on some of the important events in the 2017 Utah legislative session.

The daily sessions usually last from 6:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. But the legislative session is not just 45 days. Senator Hillyard is on committees that meet regularly during the year. He serves on a screening committee for judges, and any time that the governor is looking for a judge, the committee has to meet. There are also intermediate meetings called, and he is going to attend one of those soon.

Senator Hillyard has been a member of the Senate for 12 years, and has served under three governors. He has served on the Budget committee, and there is never enough money to do what you want to do. He has also served on the Public Education Committee. About fifty percent of the budget goes to education. This year that amounted to about 300 million dollars.

The Utah Education Association (UEA) fights for the teachers, and they often have disagreements with the legislature. The legislature funds computers to be used in the schools, but they don't feel like the teachers use them effectively. There are many great programs out there, but there is no money to fund them.

Senator Hillyard met with the National Committee of State Legislatures recently. They discussed why foreign countries are doing better at having successful programs for students, when the United States spends more money. They believe that the key is that in these countries no teacher can teach until they have finished their education, and then they have a five-year internship.

There have been many studies done by the State School Board and by the governor. Senator Hillyard doesn't think we need another study. This year they had three recommendations suggested to work on, and hope that they will make a difference.

1. **KIDS SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR SCHOOL.** It is very important what happens in kindergarten through third grade. It is the responsibility of parents to prepare their children. Senator Hillyard is concerned that children today watch too much TV instead of learning basics like colors, etc.
2. **RETENTION OF TEACHERS.** Raising salaries doesn't always result in retention. The money the legislature gives to school districts are allocated by the districts, they can use the money as they choose. In Utah there are very few teachers who are not certified to teach in the area they are hired to fill.
3. **WHEN KIDS GET THROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOL, MAKE SURE THEY CAN GET A JOB OR GO ON TO COLLEGE.** There is concern about the amount of suicide in young people in Utah. There are counseling services available, and a 611 telephone line has been opened where young people can get help. Parents and grandparents need to be more involved in education.

Governor Herbert congratulated the committee on the great job they did for education this year. A resolution congratulating them was given from the UEA, State Board of Education, and the governor's office. A standing ovation was given the Senate by pro-education groups assembled in the Senate Chamber. This rapport between educators and the legislature is very important.

A question was asked concerning funds for education. Senator Hillyard said there were two funds used. One is WPU which is an amount given for every student by the legislature. Kindergarten students and handicapped students get a little extra. The second is Capital, which is given for buildings, computers, etc., and is received from local tax income.

There is a movement now to raise sales tax. However, the true facts are quite different than shows on the surface. As we raise sales taxes, it encourages internet buying. The legislature has tried to get taxes from internet shopping, but are limited in what they can do because of some federal laws that would need to be changed. Also some businesses say they will leave the state if they have to collect sales tax.

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There is some talk of taxing services. If this were done it would have the most impact on medical services, and that would raise the cost of medical care.

A question was asked about the school trust money. Senator Hillyard said that the trust money is not public, it belongs to children. A better job has been done of using it since 1990. Today we have 2.2 billion in trust funds. It must

be maintained for our children today and the children in the future.

Senator Hillyard completed his presentation with two thoughts. One of our problems today is that people feel entitled. And the legislature has to work within our state constitution which says Utah must have a balanced budget.

TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER - American Fork, Utah



Sculptor Angela Johnson

July 20, 2017 Chapter Meeting speaker was **Angela Johnson**. Sister Johnson is the founder/sculptor of "The Light of the World" at Ashton Gardens at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi, Utah.

Before she started sculpting in her late thirties, she had devoted her life to raising her children and pursuing a career as an operatic soprano. She was a member of the faculty at

Brigham Young University's Education Week for eight years. She taught the power of music and various topics centered around the development of gifts and talents. She performed dramatic presentations portraying woman of courage. She is a self-taught sculptor whose mission is to testify of Jesus Christ through her art.

Sister Johnson's presentation centered around six words, which were: remember, freedom, reverence, work, purpose and joy. Each word was expounded upon as it relates to success in life and the fulfilling of eternal values. Her life is a wonderful example of how one comes closer to the Godhead by listening and communicating with the Holy Ghost. In developing a career as an operatic soprano, the spirit whispered to her that she could not accomplish her

goals. Four hours later, she had made a sculptor of a little girl, which started her work towards bearing testimony of Jesus Christ through her art. She showed photos of various world-wide recognized art of famous sculptors, such as the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC and explained its power to move people towards noble causes. Sister Johnson stated, "True art is always filled with the Spirit of God". "Art is a gift from God and it has the power to plant a seed deep in our souls".

As Sister Johnson began her work for "The Light of the World", she had no vision of what would go in the garden or where it would go. She did not study with grand teachers, but rather received her inspiration from God. It took a full year to create "The Savior Walking On Water" and another year to bronze it. In her art work she did use some individuals for body form, but relied solely upon inspiration for each face in her works. Throughout her whole presentation, she showed photos of her work and the beauty and majesty which resulted in listening to the Spirit.

Sister Johnson also gave description of how a sculptor piece is done, beginning with working in clay and ending up with a bronze piece of art. She very well demonstrated the intricacies, detail and texture needed to create life like forms which portrayed the thought and inspiration desired. Those who she portrayed in her art were real people. Every particle of each work was done with love and all that Sister Johnson has done witnesses to the divinity of Jesus Christ as the living Son of God. Such is her testimony and the work in sculpture that she had created.

CHAPTER NEWS

UPPER SNAKE RIVER CHAPTER - Rexburg, Idaho



Speaker Allen Morton

On Thursday, 15 June 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Senior Citizen Center, we held our monthly membership meeting with **President F. Martell Grover** directing.

The historical moment was given by **Louis Clements**. He shared old newspaper clippings about reactions to the first cars to come to Rexburg.

President F. Martell Grover introduced the speaker for tonight, **Allen Morton**, who spoke on the upcoming eclipse of the sun. Brother Morton has had a lifelong interest in the solar system and has traveled to distant places to watch eclipses. He told how as a young man, he built an observatory in his backyard. Parley P. Pratt brought the first telescope to the Salt Lake Valley. As technology has advanced, the observations of the sun, stars and moon are more accurate and beautiful. Brother Morton also gave suggestions and guidelines on how to watch the upcoming solar eclipse. Brother Morton was very knowledgeable on this topic and it all was very interesting. The closing prayer was offered by **George Quarez**.

JUNE TREK

On Monday 19 June 2017 five of our chapter members and spouses car-pooled to Pocatello, Idaho, and joined with the Pocatello, Blackfoot and Idaho Falls chapters of the SUP in visiting the Fort Hall Replica and the Museum which is next door to the Replica. The museum with all its wonderful displays was enjoyable for all to see. There was a \$3.00 per person fee to enter both the Replica and the Museum.

Following the tour we met at the Ross Park for an SUP regional picnic about noon. The trek was hosted by the Upper Snake River Valley Chapter and provided the fried chicken and eating supplies. The other chapters brought assorted salads, desserts, and drinks.

Each Chapter leader reported on some of the outstanding events that had occurred during the past year. The time together was a special time to fellowship and renew friendships and build a togetherness among the members of the other three chapters!

Our Chapter extended an invitation to the other chapters to join us on our next trek to Salmon, Idaho on 17 July to tour the Sacajawea Cultural Center and local historical sights. Two seventeen passenger vans have been reserved for this trek.

LEGACY OF PIONEER VALUES

The SUP is a values driven Society based on our Pioneer Ancestors Legacy.

These values include:

- Courage in the face of adversity
- Unwavering commitment to a higher good
- Honoring covenants made with their God and promises made to each other
- Readiness to sacrifice for the welfare of others
- Foresight to choose the promises of the future over the security of the now
- To be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become



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Echo Canyon to Salt Lake City
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⇕ Lunch ⇕
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4 TOUR CHOICES

Guest speakers
Entertainment

Saturday Keynote Speaker

Glenn Rawson
 Host of the Joseph Smith Papers
 and History of the Saints

Antelope Island
 Great Salt Lake State Park

28,000 acres of natural wildlife,
 beautiful landscapes, and the historic
 Fielding-Garr ranch

Church History Museum
 Exhibits and programs tell the
 story of places, people, and events
 in the early days of the Church

Hill Aerospace Museum
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**ECHO CANYON
FORTIFICATIONS and
SACRED PLACES**

Cache Cave

www.expeditionutah.com/forum/showthread.php?t=2079

Retracing the Mormon Trail

www.expeditionutah.com/forum/showthread.php?t=2870

ANTELOPE ISLAND

Introduction to Antelope Island (4:12)

www.youtube.com/watch?v=OdCCR1pTLZO

**A Full Tour of Antelope Island State
Park, Utah (7:05)**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=TZIGftKnUbw

**LDS CHURCH HISTORY
MUSEUM**

**Interactive Exhibits at the Church History
Museum (0:31)**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALQK5SGVp0o

**Renovated Church History Museum
Reopens on Temple Square (3:27)**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=LR5nlgDkTs0

HILL AEROSPACE MUSEUM

**Hill Aerospace Museum at Hill AFB near
Ogden (3:55)**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRoPQ3AmrhY

**Hill Aerospace Museum, Utah - April
2016 (10:26)**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=aU2UPD4u2TY

If you'd like more information about the tours, go to the above listed urls (the bunch of letters, numbers and symbols beginning with www.) For even more information, go to www.YouTube.com and search by title. For help with this instruction, check with your children or grandchildren.

**TOUR #1 PIONEER TRAIL FROM ECHO CANYON TO
THIS IS THE PLACE MONUMENT.**

This is a half-day guided tour of significant, sacred sites along the mile of the Mormon Pioneer Trail starting at the Cave-in-the-Rock and ending at This is the Place Monument. On the tour we will visit four historical sites including Echo Canyon and the Utah War. We will have lunch with us and eat them in Henefer. **NOTE:** Only 36 can go on this bus; so the first 36 who register, and sign up for this tour will be able to go.

TOUR #1 SOLD OUT

TOUR #2 ANTELOPE ISLAND

This is a half-day tour. The tour starts soon after the bus leaves with a video of animals to watch for as you travel on the bus. A guide will tell you the history and use of the Island. You will see the Fielding-Garr Ranch and other significant sites. You will see bison and beautiful vistas.

Space for 56 persons per tour.

TOUR #3 CHURCH HISTORY MUSEUM IN SLC

This is a half-day tour of the newly redesigned Church History Museum. You will see the displays and artifacts depicted in the November 2016 Pioneer Magazine. There will be docents there to answer your questions and tell you things you won't be able to read. We will return to the SUP convention center for lunch.

Space for 56 persons per tour.

**TOUR #4 HILL AEROSPACE MUSEUM AT HILL AIR
FORCE BASE**

This is a guided half-day tour of exhibits of more than 90 military aircraft, missiles, and aerospace vehicles on the grounds and in two galleries. The collection includes a wide variety of ordinances and munitions, as well as aerospace ground equipment, military vehicles, uniforms and other artifacts. We will return to the SUP convention center for lunch.

Space for 56 persons per tour.

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Convention Schedule

Thursday, September 14

- 1:30-5:30 pm Registration at Convention Center
- 6:00 pm Opening Ceremonies, dinner, and entertainment

Friday, September 15

- 8:00-12:00 pm Registration
- 8:30 am Tours depart from Convention Center
- 12:30 pm Lunch at Convention Center
(All day tour will have lunch during excursion).
- 1:30 pm Afternoon tours depart
- 6:30 pm Dinner and entertainment

Saturday, September 16

- 8:00-9:00 Registration
- 8:00-9:00 am National Board Breakfast
- 9:30-11:00 am National Business Meeting
- 9:30-11:00 am Spouses Meeting
- 11:15-11:45 am Centerville Chapter Presentation
- 12:00 Closing Convention Banquet and Keynote speaker-
Glenn Rawson, host of Joseph Smith Papers

Area motels

- Comfort Inn & Suites** 2437 South Wildcat Way (7.3 mi away)
Woods Cross, Utah 84010 801-298-3900 \$85 per night*
- Cotton Tree Inn/Best Western** 1030 North 400 East (7.1 mi away)
North Salt Lake, Utah 84054 801-292-7666 \$95 per night*
- Country Inn & Suites** 999 North 500 West (4.2 mi away)
West Bountiful, Utah 84010 801-292-8100 \$89 per night*
- Hampton Inn** 2393 South 800 West (6.9 mi away)
Woods Cross, Utah 84087 801-296-1211 \$95 per night*
- Hampton Inn & Suites** 332 West Park Lane (3.4 mi away)
Farmington, Utah 84025 801-451-7999 \$99 - \$116 per night*
- Motel-6 #1205** 2433 South 800 West (6.9 mi away)
Woods Cross, Utah 84087 801-298-0289 Thurs. Night - \$47*
Friday Night - \$51*

- *1. Motel prices exclude Tax
- 2. Indicate you are with SUP when making Reservations
- 3. Make room reservations as soon as possible
- 4. All have free WiFi
- 5. All except Motel-6 include Breakfast

Questions contact:

- Alden Richins 801-296-1794
- Brent Schick 801-718-0673
- Bob Brown 801-916-3093

Registration Form: Please complete, clip out and mail to Centerville SUP at P.O. Box 1252, Centerville, Utah 84014

Name _____ Spouse/Guest name, if attending _____

Phone () _____ Email _____ SUP Chapter _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Convention.....Prices listed are for one person

Discount registration (Before Aug 15)	\$100	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Registration (After Aug 15)	\$125	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Thursday (9/14) only registration	\$40	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Friday (9/15) only registration	\$40	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Saturday (9/16) only registration	\$40	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____

Tour#2 am Antelope Island \$20 x _____ = \$ _____ Tour#2 pm Antelope Island \$20 x _____ = \$ _____

Tour#3 am Church Museum \$20 x _____ = \$ _____ Tour#3 pm Church Museum \$20 x _____ = \$ _____

Tour#4 am Aerospace Museum \$20 x _____ = \$ _____ Tour#4 pm Aerospace Museum \$20 x _____ = \$ _____

**Sandwich choices for Friday lunch
(Circle one for each person)**

- Member: Roast Beef Turkey Ham
- Spouse: Roast Beef Turkey Ham

Tour Total \$ _____

Conference Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Centerville SUP

LEGACY SOCIETY

The National Board, at their final meeting of the year on December 13, 2016, gave final approval by unanimous vote for the creation of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Legacy Society. The Legacy Society of the SUP is a planned giving recognition Society for members and friends who intend to make a bequest from their estate, trust or will to the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Upon the donor's passing and fulfillment of the bequest the SUP agrees to use it according to the wishes of the donor or as needed by the SUP. By creation of the Legacy Society the SUP provides the process by which such bequests can be made. The form defining this new option is provided here for your information and consideration.



The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Statement of Pledged Bequest for

_____, Donor

Benefitting The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Name _____, Donor

Address _____

This form confirms my expressed intent to make a bequest from my estate to augment *The Legacy Fund* for The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. I recognize that by signing this statement of pledged bequest I have qualified to be a member in the *Sons of Utah Pioneers Legacy Society*, which is the planned giving recognition Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. The following are the specific terms of my bequest arrangement as they stand to date:

_____ (Donor) Bequest Commitment: \$ _____ (approximate value)

or _____ % of his estate

- Upon fulfillment of the bequest, the Sons of Utah Pioneers agrees to utilize the gift to augment *The Legacy Fund* for the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.
- The SUP agrees to use the Legacy Fund in facility maintenance and improvement, student scholarships, monument construction and maintenance, publications, or other SUP approved projects and programs.

LEGACY FUND ENDOWMENTS

Should the bequest be made at or above the minimum endowment level of \$25,000 the donor may choose to establish The (Name) _____ SUP Legacy Endowment.

LEGACY SOCIETY CONTINUED...

- In support of the SUP's greatest needs the SUP agrees to make annual distributions either from the interest generated from the endowment or until the fund is exhausted.
- The SUP agrees to use the name of this endowment when reasonably possible in facility maintenance or improvement, student scholarships, monument construction and maintenance, publications or other SUP approved projects or programs.
- Good faith effort will be made to clear any press releases with each other (Donor and SUP) prior to any such media releases.
- The SUP is hereby authorized to comingle this gift, and any additions thereto, with the consolidated Investment funds of the SUP, provided that this fund be credited with its pro-rata share of net investment income in the same manner as other consolidated funds are credited with income.
- Should inadequate investment returns from the endowment fund necessitate invasion of the corpus of the fund, the SUP reserves the right to do so.
- If, as a result of changed conditions in the future, the income from this endowment shall not be needed for the purposes set forth above, then the SUP is authorized to use the endowment for such purposes as similar as possible to the original intent and which will serve to honor, in an appropriate way, the generosity of the donor.
- Should any of the above be violated by either party, or should it be mutually deemed appropriate, the name of the endowment fund may be changed.

JOIINT UNDERSTANDING

While it is the SUP expectations and the donor's intention that this pledged bequest be fulfilled, should unforeseen circumstances require cancellation or modification of these terms, the donor may do so in writing to the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

SIGNED:

Name of Donor

Date _____

Acknowledged:

President, The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Date

ACKNOWLEDGED:

Corporate Secretary

Date

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National **CHAPTER EXCELLENCE** Awards

Report Form for 2017 Year Due February 15, 2018

(Complete All Criteria Listed before December 2017)

1. PIONEER VALUES

- Recognize one (or more) Modern Pioneers from the local community each year.
- Recognize Tomorrow's Pioneers (Youth) through **ALL** of the following activities:
 - Frontier Life Essays written by youth at local schools
 - Pioneer Biographies written by youth at local schools
 - Pioneer Values Scholarships awarded to graduating seniors at local high schools.

2. STRENGTHENING MEMBERSHIP

- Accomplish 90% "NET" National annual membership renewals by February 28, 2017.
- Accomplish a "NET" increase in National membership, including Family and Friends, over the previous calendar year.

"NET" means paid memberships from the previous year, less deaths, move-aways, full-time missionaries, and other valid reason at the discretion of the Chapter President.
- Hold eight or more Chapter Meetings and eight or more Chapter Board Meetings during the year.
- Chapter Members participate in one or more Treks annually.

3. COMMUNICATION

- Publish a chapter newsletter 4 (or more) times each year.
- Submit details and pictures from chapter events to the Trail Marker 4 (or more) times each year.
- Submit at least 1 article about the Sons Utah Pioneers, Chapter or National, to local or nearby. news media for publication. The submission does NOT need to be published to qualify.
- Chapter or chapter members gave _____ Pioneer Magazine Gift Subscriptions during the year. The goal based on chapter membership is _____. (See scale)

4. HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

Chapters will accomplish at least **ONE** of the following criteria:

- Establish one approved new monument or historical marker, or major reconstruction of an existing monument.
- Clean, repair or improve two existing monuments or markers.
- Maintain or restore one Pioneer-era structure that is available for public view.
- Other Historical Preservation Projects with written permission from the National Executive Council.

2016 Gift Subscription Scale:

1-9 Members	1 Gift Subscription	60-69 Members	7 Gift Subscriptions
10-19 Members	2 Gift Subscriptions	70-79 Members	8 Gift Subscriptions
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40-49 Members	5 Gift Subscriptions	100+ Members	12 Gift Subscriptions
50-59 Members	6 Gift Subscriptions		

Gift Subscriptions Recorded by National Office

Chapter _____ Signed By _____

Revised: February 2017

2017 Chapter President

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National **CHAPTER RECOGNITION** Awards

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(Complete Each Category According to Instructions before December 2017)

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NATIONAL HERITAGE SUSTAINING MEMBER



AUTHORIZATION FOR AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

I authorize and request NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS to initiate debit entries to my account, by and through AUTOMATED PAYMENT SYSTEMS, hereinafter called APS, and to debit the same to such account as indicated below at the depository financial institution indicated below. This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until APS has received written notification from me of it's termination in such time and manner as to afford APS and depository financial institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Member Name: _____, Member Number: _____, Chapter: _____

Bank / Credit Card Account Owner if different from Member: _____

Bank or Institution Name: _____

Bank or Institution City, State: _____

Account Type: Checking Savings Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, AMEX)

Bank Routing Number: _____

Bank Account / Credit Card Number: _____

Credit Card Expiration Date: ____/____/____, Credit Card Billing Zip Code: _____

Bank / Credit Card Account Owner Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____.

Payment Amount: \$25.00 \$50.00 \$75.00 \$100.00 Other Amount: \$_____

Payment will be Monthly unless otherwise indicated here: _____

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