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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to 2021. I have great hopes that this year will be better for each of you than 2020 was. Look back and see what 2020 brought to you. COVID-19, a 5.7 magnitude earthquake, a wind storm with winds over 120 mph, a severe drought and a Mormon cricket infestation across western Utah. 2020 also gave each of us an opportunity to reflect on what is most important, family, writing our personal history and drawing closer to our Father in Heaven. The year was a tough one, but each of you are pioneer strong.

I hope everyone had a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I also hope that each of you were able to, on December 21st, take time to look into the night sky and see the great conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter. Many called this the Christmas Star. Of course it was not the star that signaled the Saviors birth, never the less it was a spectacular event to see. An event that no one had seen in 800 years. If you saw it tell your family about it and pass it on.

On December 3rd the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter re-dedicated the restored monument in Pioneer Park in Salt Lake City. This was a wonderful event with speakers, music and the dedication by Elder LeGrand R. Curtis Jr. of the Seventy. Pioneer Park was the first settlement established in the valley when the pioneers first arrived. The area has been, over time, the gathering place for emigrants and settlers from around the world and all walks of life. There is so much history in this part of Salt Lake City that is exciting to learn. You can read about the history of this area in a series called "West Side Stories". They can be found at: <https://heritageandarts.utah.gov/salt-lake-west-side-stories/>

Thanksgiving found me in south of Tucson Arizona. The weekend after Thanksgiving I took two of my sons in law on a trek across southern Arizona looking for monuments that are on the SUP web site. Two monuments were listed on the map. We could not find the first one, however we found the second

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one 30 miles away from where it was supposed to be. This was a Mormon Battalion monument and told the story of the battle of the bulls. By the end of the day we had found two other Mormon Battalion monuments and had visited the new wall being built on the Mexican border. The next day took us to Tucson where we found a large statue and monument depicting the Mormon Battalion. On one of the plaques it said that the Battalion had raised the first American Flag in Tucson. Think about that for a minute. The Mormon Battalion carried the American "Bear Flag" with them on their march, the same Bear Flag that is now on display at the headquarters building of the SUP. I think we can assume with almost certainty that the flag raised in Tucson by the Mormon Battalion is in fact the Bear Flag that we display. This find got me excited for my next trek and adventure, to see what I can find and learn. Any time you are looking for something to do go to: [sup1847.com](http://sup1847.com) or [suponline.org](http://suponline.org), then look at the interactive map and find a monument to visit. Take a family member with you and make some memories.



The Sons of Utah Pioneers is alive and well. There is hope for the future with COVID-19. There is light at the end of the tunnel. Remember your pioneer family in your chapters and share the pioneer spirit. Be safe and be PIONEER STRONG.

Brad Clayton  
2021 National President



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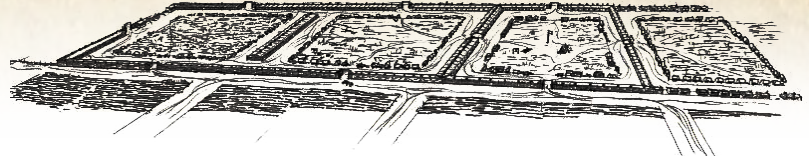
# NATIONAL NEWS

## PIONEER PARK MONUMENT RE-DEDICATION

The 10-acre Pioneer Square was considered Utah's "Plymouth rock." This is the site of the Saints first settlement, houses, and organized government in what was called "The Old Fort." Even the reorganization of the First Presidency took place here in October 1880. The Fort was ordered to be torn down by April 1851 and became a railroad depot.

In July 1898 it was dedicated as Pioneer Square Park, even though the grounds weren't completed until 1903. Emmeline B. Wells recorded in her diary on Monday, July 25, 1898, "Prest. Woodruff who is ninety one years old was present and spoke so everyone around him and all the people could hear him." President Woodruff was only one of two members of the original pioneer Vanguard Company present and took the opportunity to recount the events of their first day in the Valley. Utah Congressman William H. King spoke, "Nothing which we can say upon this occasion will more fully dedicate this spot. The act of consecration occurred 51 years ago, when the pioneers ended their memorable and perilous journey, and determined that here a city should be built." The closing address was made by Judge Charles C. Goodwin, "As we meet to rededicate this spot made sacred by their first consecration of it; we can render to their memories no higher honor, we can do nothing higher for ourselves, than to resolve to adopt the course which they adopted—to perform each our daily duties, under such lights as may be given us, and to leave the rest to God." The dedicatory prayer was then offered by President George Q. Cannon.

On December 3rd, 2020 the SUP Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter held a ceremony to the newly restored monument. Val Parish, Chapter President conducted. Brad Clayton, SUP National President spoke, with Elder LeGrand R. Curtis Jr. of the Seventy offering the dedicatory prayer.



*The Original Dedication of Pioneer Park. This photo of President Woodruff was the last known photograph of him in a public setting. The following month he departed for San Francisco and passed away that September.*



# Calendar of Events

- JAN 5 NATIONAL PAST PRESIDENTS COUNCIL MTG | 1:30PM
- JAN 5 NATIONAL BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM | 6PM
- FEB 27 CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL VIA ZOOM
- APR 24 NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM | MORE DETAILS COMING SOON



CELEBRATING *125* YEARS  
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 SUP NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM  
 April 24, 2021

## NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

NAME .....CHAPTER

### CHAPTER ETERNAL MEMBERS

F Charles Graves ..... At Large Member  
 Richard Hunter..... Cedar City  
 Bernell Loveridge..... Centerville

### NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

Douglas Dean Mayne .....Holladay  
 Blaine Nay..... Cedar City

NAME .....CHAPTER

### NEW LIFE MEMBERS

David Richey .....Ogden Pioneer

### NEW FAMILY & FRIENDS

J Burke Hamilton ..... Cedar City  
 Avard Hart ..... At Large Member  
 Logan Sisam ..... Temple Quarry  
 Norman Randy Smith..... Portneuf Pioneers  
 Daniel Smith..... At Large Member

# PIONEER Stories

All of you probably have stories of your pioneer ancestors that moved you. **All members of the SUP are encouraged to submit to our database at: [suponline.org/pioneer-stories](http://suponline.org/pioneer-stories).**

## A PIONEER CHRISTMAS

by Delia Ina Winters Booth

In the year 1860, three little girls lived in a pioneer cottage. Their cottage had but one room with a big fireplace, and a loft where the girls slept was reached by a ladder. It was Christmas eve. Delia was six, Gusta four and Susie, the baby was almost two. It was the first time they had ever been told about Christmas and there was great excitement in the little home in Pleasant Grove, Utah.

It was very hard for the little girls to go to bed but finally they were forced to do so; up the ladder to bed went the three little girls. It was sometime before the girls quieted down and went to sleep. Then father, mother and grandmother started to hurry.

More love than anything else was put into the preparations, for there was little to be had. Father had whittled three dolls out of wood and grandmother had knit dresses for each doll. These were brought out and put in the tops of each stocking.

For the first time since they left their homes in the east they had some molasses. Mother had made a cake and best of all, on father's last trip to Salt Lake City he had brought some lump sugar.

There were new little stockings and caps knit for each youngster and bright wool dresses which mother had made. Finally everything was quiet and ready, the little home was spick and span and the fire burned low.

In the early dawn of the next morning Gusta opened her eyes then she woke the others. It was Christmas morning and surely by now Santa had been there. They began getting dressed when a shout came from below.

"The first one down gets a prize," called father.



Delia Ina Winters Booth

What a scramble! Delia reached the ladder first and started down with Gusta nearly on top of her, then came little Susie crying because the big girls pushed and got ahead of her. She pushed and screamed and in her struggle fell through the hole in the roof where the ladder was placed. Down through the hole she went and with a bump landed on the hard bare floor.

What an uproar, it looked as though the carefully planned Christmas was spoiled. Father picked up the baby.

"Well, well," father said, "it looks as though little Susie beat you all. She was the first one down and she gets the prize."

The tears changed to smiles like magic. The prize was a lump of sugar, the first the children had ever seen. While Susie ate hers, the other girls were just as delighted to think that little Susie could beat them.

The girls were all happy, especially with their dolls, the first ones they had ever had.

Later, they had a big dinner with baked apples, chicken and many other things such as the pioneers had. That night as the girls went to bed Delia said, "I wish it was Christmas every day, even if little Susie did get the prize."

This story came from the book *Delia Ina Winters Booth* compiled by Elsie Delia Adams Florence, Holladay, Utah, 1987, p. 167-168.

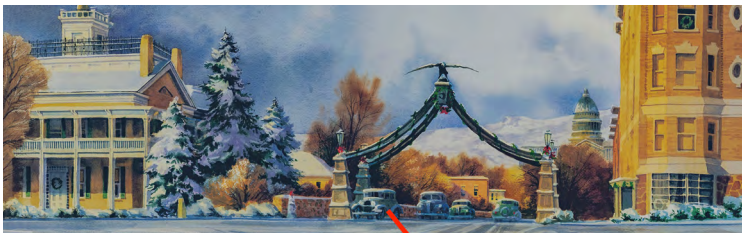
Delia became the wife of Judge John Edge Booth, prominent church, legal and business man in Provo, Utah. Susie became the wife of Heber Bennion, prominent church and business man in Taylorsville, Utah. Gusta became the wife of Heber J. Grant, seventh president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah.

# Monument Trek



## Monuments Database @ Book

### HOW TO DOWNLOAD THE SUP MASTER FILE OF MONUMENTS



The SUP Master File of the monuments can be found as a pdf download available by accessing the [sup1847.com](http://sup1847.com) website.



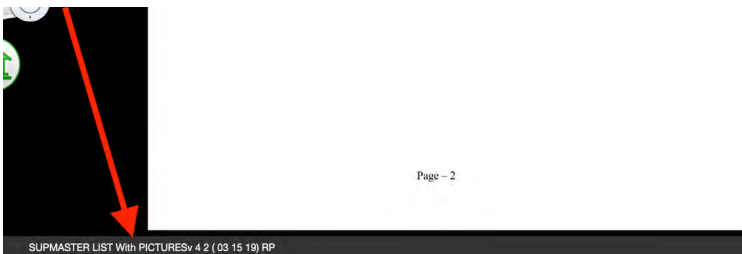
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For decades, The Sons of Utah Pioneers have established historical monuments and markers. These markers commemorate trails, events, buildings and persons of historical significance of the pioneers. Additional markers were established by the Utah Pioneer Trails and Landmarks Association, and these are now overseen by the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

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A geographical listing of monuments honoring the Utah Pioneers including pictures (if available) maintained by the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers (NSUP) including those earlier maintained by the Utah Pioneer Trails and Landmarks Association (UPTLA). This document version is an update/replacement of the January 2, 2017 (v4.2) version.

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# CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled by Roland Lee

**If you would like to have your chapter news printed in the Trail Marker please do the following:**

1. Write up a one- to three-paragraph article in MS Word (or as the text of an email)
2. Attach 1 or 2 quality photographs as jpgs to your email (Do not include them in the body of the document)
3. In the email subject line just put your "Chapter name" (nothing more)
4. Email to: [rolandleefamily@gmail.com](mailto:rolandleefamily@gmail.com)
5. News must be received by the 25th of each month

**We cannot use PDF files** nor can we extract and re-write information from your own chapter newsletters. Please have your secretaries/ publicity chairmen provide the information we need in the manner requested above. Thank you.

**Note: Most of the chapters have canceled their chapter meetings due to the Corona Virus situation. Some have reported on other events and service projects, while some have been meeting via "Zoom" technology.**

## CEDAR CITY CHAPTER - Cedar City, Utah



*Daniel & Joann Jones*

On December 4, the Cedar City Chapter of SUP was privileged to hear a presentation by our recently released Cedar City Temple president, Daniel Macfarlane Jones. President Jones was born and raised in Cedar City Utah. He attended the College of Southern Utah, now Southern Utah University. He married Joann Duncan and began his career in the Church Educational System, working in the Seminary and Institute programs. That career took them throughout Utah and California for a time. They raised five children and have given distinguished Church service.

President Jones and his sweet wife Joann were recently released from service as the first Cedar City Temple President and Matron. At the time of his calling to be Temple President he was serving as a regional public affairs specialist. He is a former Area Seventy, counselor in the St. George Utah Temple Presidency, temple ordinance worker, temple sealer, president of the Australia Perth Mission, stake president, bishop and patriarch. He retired as an administrator of the Church Educational System.

The title of President Jones' presentation was "Jesus Christ and His Temple." He pointed out that whenever Christ comes to the earth, he comes to His temple, whether in the meridian

of time or in the latter-days. The temple is a place of learning and some of the insights we gain from a study of the temple and its ordinances are the following that President Jones elaborated upon.

- The temple is a testament to the prophetic calling of the Prophet Joseph Smith.
- By holding a temple recommend we can stand recommended of the Lord.
- The endowment narrative assures us of the reality of the creation.
- God our Father was personally involved in the creation of man.
- The temple gives us a complete understanding of the reality and role of Satan in God's plan.
- Men and women stand as equals before God and receive the same blessings and priesthood power through temple ordinances.
- The temple is a reminder of the watchful kindness of our Heavenly Father. When we are clothed in the garment it is a loving act of protection and a reminder of our covenants.
- The temple is a House of Learning.
- The temple reminds us of the crucial role of apostles in the Lord's church. We should give strict heed to their counsel.
- In the temple we learn the meaning of the phrase "Endowed with Power."

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President and Sister Jones were beloved leaders of the Cedar City Temple and we all benefit from their powerful testimonies that the temple is truly the Lord's House.

During November and December we were also privileged to participate in virtual tours of the Mormon Battalion

museum in San Diego and church sites in Kirtland, Ohio, thanks to the efforts of the missionaries serving there. This has allowed us to sponsor meaningful activities while still observing all the guidelines to keep our members safe from the Covid19 pandemic.

## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER - St George, Utah

On December 7, 2020 the board members of the Cotton Mission Chapter SUP met in the upstairs meeting room of Cache Valley Bank. Outgoing chapter president Dan McArthur conducted the session which was attended by Ralph Atkin, Rick Bentley, Rex Jensen, Don Burton, David Humphrey, Mel Duehlmeier, Lloyd Carter, Brent Miner, Roland Lee, Bill Chapman, and area vice president David Hinton. David Hinton conducted the swearing-in ceremony for the new 2021 leadership and photos were taken of the new board by Bill Chapman.



*Board taking Pledge*

We were also joined later by Bob and Sally Thornley. Bob was honored by receiving a "Modern Pioneer" award. Ordinarily that presentation would be done at a chapter meeting, but the Covid distancing requirements have prevented our having a meeting this month.



*Dave Hinton giving Pledge to New Board*

Robert K (Bob) Thornley is recognized as a Modern Pioneer for his many contributions to his family and ancestors, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the community of St. George, and the Cotton Mission Chapter of the National Sons of the Utah Pioneers organizations.



*New Board*

Bob has served in four Bishoprics both in Nevada and Utah as a Counselor or as Executive Secretary. He has also served as a Ward and Stake Missionary. He also is as a member of the Stake High Council. Bob was ordained to the Office of Seventy by Marvin K. Ashton.

Bob's service in the Cotton Mission Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneer's spans thirteen years. He and Sally first became involved in the Cotton Mission Chapter when they attended the National Convention held in Richfield. They have been dedicated attendees of the National Convention since then. Bob served as the Community Involvement Director in 2008 and 2009. This assignment included 4th Grade Essays, High School Scholarships, St. George Live, Government Relations and Celebrations. He was selected to serve as Chapter President in 2011.

Bob serves in a silent, even anonymous manner that no one even knows about. He is to be commended for doing much more than he has ever been asked to do without seeking any recognition or reward of any kind. He is truly a living example of "Christ-like" service and a modern day pioneer.



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## JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER - South Jordan, Utah



*Gaylan Gallacher*

Our December 10 chapter meeting was once again done virtually using the Zoom software. We had 15 households participate this month.

Our Chapter president, Ken Buzard, gave a wonderful Christmas message on individuals who historically have had an affect upon us. Jesus Christ was the

most renowned of all. We celebrate both His birth and His life during this sacred season.

Crystal Lund performed a solo on the harp playing the Christmas Carol, "Silent Night." Her rendition was magnificent and inspiring.

We then watched two videos relating to the Christmas Season. The first video was on the 2020 "Light of the World" campaign. It teaches us that the light of Hope shines bright in our lives.

The second video taught that the first Christmas gift was not wrapped or purchased. It was a simple sacred gift – a gift of Love and Peace to all of His children. God gave his Son – He is the gift this Christmas season. We should embrace that gift and we should share that gift.

Gaylan Gallacher was awarded the 2020 "Modern Day Pioneer Award." Gaylan is shown holding his Modern Day Pioneer Award for this year given by our Chapter. He became a member of the SUP In May of 2012. He served as our Chapter president for the year 2013. He serves as our Chapter editor preparing our newsletter and other communications within our Chapter.

He and his wife recently celebrated their 64 th wedding anniversary. They are the parents of six children and have several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Gaylan is a retired Certified Public Accountant and worked not only in public accounting but also in private industry. He retired in 2002 after working for 25 years with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

## PORTNEUF CHAPTER - Pocatello, Idaho

The December meeting was held by Zoom. By this time the covid pandemic had been present in south eastern Idaho. We felt we needed to do a zoom meeting instead of trying to meet together. We wanted to recognize Ed Holt. He was one of the original founding members of the Pocatello, Portneuf Pioneers, Chapter in 2010, and served as President for three years. We shared Christmas stories, flute and piano duet, reading and music rendition by the Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square.

New officers were inducted into the board.

During August SUP National President Wayne Hinton was scheduled to come to Pocatello to dedicate a National SUP Historical Marker at 902 S. First Street, the location of the ZCMI Cooperative here in Pocatello. That event was postponed until we can have an appropriate chapter and community gathering. In place of that event, we invited Wayne to meet with us virtually by Zoom. Wayne discussed the history of ZCMI and explained how an innovative plan for self-sufficiency warped into 'good old American capitalism'.

In June 2020 our Chapter had a trek to Malad, Idaho for the annual Welsh Festival, even though the formal event had been cancelled due to COVID-19. We met at the Museum in Malad and listened to the curator speak and had some folk singers entertain us. We all went to Dude Ranch Cafe and enjoyed a home cooked meal together! Due to the Covid-19, Some of group chose not to go. We travelled individually, instead of in car pools. It was early in the covid cycle for eastern Idaho. We took precautions and felt it a reasonable risk.



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## SALT LAKE PIONEER CHAPTER - Salt Lake City, Utah



Tom Alexander

Val Parrish, president of the SUP Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter is pleased to invite you to the January luncheon meeting of the chapter January 13, 2021 at noon. Thomas Alexander, well recognized historian and author, will be our guest speaker. This will be a virtual Zoom Meeting.

Thomas G. Alexander is Lemuel Hardison Redd Jr. Professor Emeritus of Western American History (Brigham Young University) and author, co-author, editor, or co-editor of

twenty-seven books and monographs and more than a hundred fifty articles. He has served as officer in many historical organizations. His prizes including the Evans Biography Award, the Western History Association Honorary Life Membership. Writings include: Things in Heaven and Earth, the Life and Times of Wilford Woodruff, A Mormon Prophet (2nd ed. 1993); Utah, the Right Place (3rd ed. 2003); Brigham Young and the Expansion of the Mormon Faith (2019).

## TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER - American Fork, Utah

On December 10, 2020, the Timpanogos Chapter held their first ZOOM Chapter Meeting. The meeting was designed to accomplish the following:

1. 2020 Chapter President Richard Matson gave a report of Chapter activities during the 2020 year.
2. New Officers for 2021 were introduced and installed by Area Vice President Dan Adams
3. 2021 Chapter President Frank Mills and his wife Annette spoke to the Chapter
4. Chapter Members "mixed and mingled" electronically by setting up random break out session rooms of 6-8 to visit and get acquainted.

2020 President Richard Matson began his remarks by quoting British author Charles Dickens in the beginning of his novel "A Tale of Two Cities" with the words "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." Richard related this to the worldwide COVID 19 Pandemic which has changed the lives and activities of peoples around the world and even with members of the Timpanogos Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Richard suggested that each of us should write something for our own posterity about how we have coped through this period-of-time. It may "be just as important and revealing to our descendants as the stories we revere about our pioneer ancestors are to us."

Timpanogos Chapter held regular dinner meetings in January and February. Then in March the meetings were suspended because of the Pandemic. Our Chapter Newsletter was sent every two weeks, which helped keep our chapter

together during these difficult times.

A great scholarship program continued with over \$9,000.00 made available to worthy students to help them continue their education. During the summer months, many of our chapter members and leaders worked hard in support of chapter member Larry Gibson who became our national SUP president elect. Also during the summer, the Timpanogos Chapter, under the direction of Allen Christensen, completed a historic service project in the American Fork city Cemetery by placing three headstones on the unmarked graves of members of the Johann and Mary Tillack family, which were unmarked for 130 years.

Despite that worldwide pandemic has forced limitations on our activities this year, we have still achieved noteworthy accomplishments of which our chapter can be proud. Richard then thanked all for the opportunity to serve as the Timpanogos Chapter President and then commended Frank Mills as a great leader who will lead us out of this pandemic and back to more normal activities.

Dan Adams installed the officers of the Timpanogos Chapter.

Frank Mills was installed as the 2021 Timpanogos Chapter President. Frank's wife spoke first, followed by Frank, who spoke on his association with and vision for the Timpanogos Chapter. His chapter goals include: to increase our membership, continue to work on our history, and continue to work on saving monuments and Pioneer Historic Sites.

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Frank noted, “We need to make sure that we let our grandchildren, our great-grandchildren and any others that read our histories realize the experiences we went through. They need to know that we were here when temples were closed when we could not go to church, when missionaries were called home, when people were not allowed to meet as groups. We need to let them know how we

got through, what we did and how we did it. This will give them the same benefit that we have had from our ancestors as we have read their histories of their early pioneer days.”

After the benediction, the ZOOM program allowed our Chapter Members to be randomly divided into smaller groups of 6-8 people to visit and become better acquainted. The Electronic Chapter Meeting was a great success.



*Frank Mills*

## UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER - Rexburg, Idaho



*Janet Timothy*

Our Upper Snake River Valley Chapter enjoyed a Zoom Christmas program on December 19. The program included a medley of Christmas hymns by Janet Timothy. The program was broadcast live from her front room so she could play on her grand piano.

Steve Parkinson, Chapter President, then gave a very informative summary of the Nativity in the Holy Land, including some interesting insights from an 1995 Ensign article, “The Road to Bethlehem,” by D. Kelly Ogden, former instructor and administrator in the BYU Jerusalem Center. If you would like to review this article, here is the link: <https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/ensign/1995/12/the-road-to-bethlehem?lang=eng>

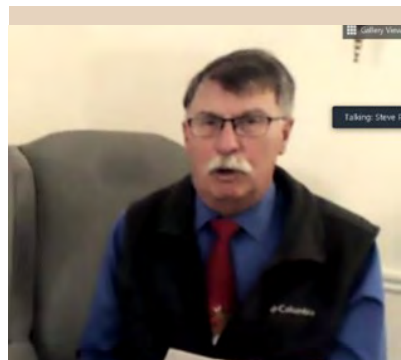
Here are some interesting insights and quotes he shared:

- “[The] journey would have taken Joseph and Mary at least four to five days.”
- “The last leg of the eastern route would have been the hardest of all. Jericho is the lowest city on the globe, and Jerusalem and Bethlehem are situated right in the top of the hills. From Jericho’s desert to Bethlehem is an uphill hike of 3,500 feet.”
- “[The] announcement of a Savior might have come as no surprise to the shepherds, or other Judaeans, because many were awaiting a Savior to deliver them from Roman oppression. Nor would the announcement of a Christ have greatly surprised them. The word Christ is the exact Greek equivalent of the Hebrew Messiah—meaning “the Anointed One.” Jews had long awaited their Messiah.

But the word Lord may have caused those shepherds solemn reflection. Lord was a title for Jehovah, the Creator, the One who gave the law to Moses on Sinai, the God who was worshipped in the temple just five miles away.”

### Historical Plaque Presented by the Upper Snake River Chapter at the 100th Anniversary of the Madison County Courthouse.

Under the leadership of Bill Eckersell, Chair of the Monuments Committee, a beautiful plaque was prepared and presented at the 100th Birthday Anniversary of the Madison County Courthouse. With this plaque, the Madison County Courthouse is recognized as a historical building by the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Steve Parkinson, Chapter President, made the presentation on December 20 on the steps of the Court House to the Madison County Commissioners, John Weber, Todd Smith, and Brent Mendenhall.



*Steve Parkinson*



*Court House Anniversary*

# WOULD YOU STILL LIKE A TAX DEDUCTION, OR BETTER THIS YEAR (AND NEXT?)

As the year heads towards its close, many people consider donating funds to non-profits, like the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Members and friends would really be helping out the Sons of Utah Pioneers at this time, since our revenue, especially from building use donations, is far short of normal years, but our fixed costs of operating and providing everything National does for Chapters and their members have not shrunk....

So please consider a year end, or just after year-end donation.

If you itemize your deductions, then you can donate to the SUP that way before the end of this year and get the 2020 tax benefit therefrom.

Next, what do I mean when I also mention another idea, a “just after the year-end donation?”

**You may have heard of the “QCD” as a way to donate.** If you have ever seen Ed Slott ( the “reformed CPA” as he describes himself, speak on PBS—where he is their largest fund-raiser each year), the QCD, or Qualified Charitable Distribution is the superlative way to help a non-profit.

**How does a QCD work and when do I make one?** You direct money to go straight from your Qualified Retirement Account, your IRA, to the Sons of Utah Pioneers. It’s that simple...but there’s one important rule. The QCD must be the first money out of the IRA in any given calendar year. So, making this donation just after the end of the year is ideal.. So, don’t take your RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions) or any other withdrawals from your IRA until after your QCD withdrawal is processed if you want to get the tremendous tax benefit of having a charitable donation excluded from your income (since exclusions are better than deductions).

**Who is eligible to make a QCD?** This one is a fun one to answer. More people than you probably think! The QCD was set into law to provide people that wonderful tax exclusion once they attain age 70 ½. That was when RMDs had to be taken beginning at age 70 ½. Guess what? In recent legislation when they changed the RMD starting age for many Americans to begin those RMDs at age 72, they did not raise the QCD age! So, every IRA owner age 70 ½ and above can make QCDs.

**Is there a limit to the size of QCDs?** There is no limit on the downside, and each IRA owner can contribute up to \$ 100,000 per calendar year

Wait, I almost forgot!

**Are you one of those people who did not take a Required Minimum Distribution in 2020 because the tax law said you didn’t have to do that this year? Well, if so, and, if you did not take any distribution from a particular IRA you would like to make use for a QCD, then you could still qualify for that great tax benefit in 2020!**

**Who should I contact for help making a QCD or any other donation to the Sons of Utah Pioneers?** This educational article was prepared at the request of one of our AVPs and is not specific advice on donations for everyone, as people’s ability to donate and optimal strategies are different for different people. Please contact Steve Kruman at (435) 867-0900 or (215) 369-1554 to review the options discussed here, how to make them work for you, as well as other charitable giving strategies to help Do Something Monumental and keep this great organization going and growing! Thank you!



# SUP Family and Friends New Membership Applications

National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers  
Since 1933

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 upon payment of \$35 dues.

1. All F&F Memberships received by National SUP during the year will continue until the member's membership anniversary of the following year.
2. The cost of a Family and Friends Membership for the 1<sup>st</sup> year is \$35. Any new member is eligible to join the F&F program. At the end of the F&F 1<sup>st</sup> year membership period, the member may renew as a regular S.U.P. annual member of \$60 for the next fiscal year. If the F&F member is under 56 years old, he may renew his F&F membership for \$35 for the new fiscal year. If he is age 56 or older, he must renew as a regular SUP annual member.
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.
4. This membership includes the quarterly "Pioneer Magazine," and all other membership privileges to participate fully in the offices and activities of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

**Please enroll me in the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers:**

Date of Application:   /  /  

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ (Mandatory)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Wife's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Wife's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

SUP Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor will pay yearly dues Y / N

You may join and pay membership fees on-line at [www.sup1847.com/store](http://www.sup1847.com/store). You may make a Visa or MasterCard payment over the phone by calling the SUP office at (801) 484-4441. Or send a check payable to Sons of Utah Pioneers to the following address:

Sons of Utah Pioneers  
3301 E. Louise Ave.  
Salt Lake City UT 84109

**I would like to receive the monthly newsletter, the Trail Marker, and other SUP updates by the above email. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

### 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.

**JOINT 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**

*The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers  
3301 East 2920 South Louise Avenue  
Salt Lake City, UT 84109*

## ***Do Something Monumental!***



Universities and non-profits across the country develop a sound financial footing through the generous donations of their friends. One of the most special ways to do something monumental is through the gift of life insurance. Extra, unneeded life insurance can be donated. Alternatively, a new policy can be started, allowing a person to make a modest monthly donation to pay the premium and, in return, getting themselves a charitable deduction while insuring the Sons of Utah Pioneers of a generous donation that was multiplied many times.

Life insurance donations are just one way to do something monumental. Below, is a larger list. Let us know which you would like to learn about. Please consider each of these ways:

- Life insurance donations (existing)
- Annuity donations (new or existing)
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Donations of appreciated stock or other assets
- IRA donations
- Something else you would like to consider: \_\_\_\_\_

To find out how you can do something monumental, please return this form to SUP headquarters, or contact our charitable giving specialist, Steve Kruman, at (800) 992-2778 or (435) 463-2778.





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### **IRA Charitable Rollovers Are Extended Permanently**

Support the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers in a simple and highly efficient manner!

If you have reached age 70 ½, you can roll up to \$ 100,000 from your IRA to the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

- ✓ To qualify, the transfer must go directly from your IRA to the SUP
- ✓ Gifts made from your IRA (up to the \$100,00 annual calendar year limit) are not reportable as taxable income
- ✓ The gift cannot be used for any income producing Planned Gifts
- ✓ The gift will qualify toward your Required Minimum Distribution Obligation

Contact our Planned Giving Specialist, Steve Kruman, today at (800) 992-2778, or email [wiseradvisor@reagan.com](mailto:wiseradvisor@reagan.com) to learn more!



## The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

# National **CHAPTER EXCELLENCE** Awards

Report Form for **2020** Year Due February 16, 2021

Complete All Criteria Listed before December 31, 2020 and Check Boxes Upon Completion

### 1. PIONEER VALUES EXCELLENCE

- 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/LEADERSHIP EXCELLENCE

- Chapter Executive Council will attend Chapter Presidents Council, February 2020.
- Chapter Board Members and Chapter Executive Council will be represented at the 2020 Fall Training in October or November.
- Accomplish a "NET" increase in National membership, including Family and Friends, over the previous calendar year.  
(“NET” means paid memberships not including deaths, move-aways, missionaries, and other valid reasons to drop away)
- Hold eight or more Chapter Meetings and eight or more Chapter Board Meetings during the year.  
OR (may **not** conflict with National Events)
- During Pandemic months Chapter Board will maintain **monthly** contact with Chapter Members.**
- Chapter Members participate in one or more Treks annually. (may include National Events)  
OR **During Pandemic months 50% of Chapter Members belong to SUP Online.**

### 3. COMMUNICATION EXCELLENCE

- Publish a chapter newsletter 4 (or more) times each year. **During Pandemic months publish a chapter newsletter every month.**
- 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)

**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
20-29 Members	3 Gift Subscriptions	80-89 Members	9 Gift Subscriptions
30-39 Members	4 Gift Subscriptions	90-99 Members	10 Gift Subscriptions
40-49 Members	5 Gift Subscriptions	100+ Members	12 Gift Subscriptions
50-59 Members	6 Gift Subscriptions		

### 4. HISTORICAL PRESERVATION EXCELLENCE

- 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, **Or create historical information for the public.**
  - Maintain or restore one Pioneer-era structure that is available for public view.
  - Organize Members to accomplish a specific project in SUP Library in cooperation with Library Directors.
  - Other Historical Preservation Projects with written permission from the National Executive Council.

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Signed By \_\_\_\_\_

Revised: March 2020

**2020 Chapter President**

3301 East Louise Avenue \* Salt Lake City, Utah 84109 \* 801.484.4441 \* supnatloffice@gmail.com



## The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers National **CHAPTER RECOGNITION** Awards

Report Form for **2020** Year Due February 16, 2021

Complete Each Category According to Instructions before December 31, 2020 and Check Boxes Upon Completion

### 1. PIONEER VALUES RECOGNITION

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

- Recognize one (or more) Modern Pioneers from the local community each year.
- Recognize Tomorrow's Pioneers (Youth) through **ONE** (or more) 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/LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION

Chapters will accomplish **BOTH** of the following criteria:

- Chapter Executive Council will attend Chapter Presidents Council February, 2020.
- Chapter Board Members and Chapter Executive Council is represented at the 2020 Fall Training in October or November.

Chapters will accomplish **TWO** of the following criteria:

- Accomplish a "NET" increase in National membership, including Family and Friends, over the previous calendar year.  
(“NET” means paid memberships not including deaths, move-aways, missionaries, and other valid reasons to drop away)
- Hold eight or more chapter meetings and eight or more Chapter Board meetings during the year.  
**OR** (may include National Events, and may not conflict with National Events)

- **During Pandemic months Chapter Board will maintain monthly contact with Chapter Members.**
- Chapter Members participate in one or more Chapter Treks annually. (may include National Events)
- **During Pandemic months Members participate in personal Treks.**

### 3. COMMUNICATION RECOGNITION

Chapters will accomplish any **THREE** of the following criteria:

- Publish a chapter newsletter 4 (or more) times each year. **In Pandemic months publish chapter newsletter every month.**
- 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.
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Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Signed By \_\_\_\_\_

# National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

3301 East Louise Ave, SLC Utah 84109

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACH VOIDED CHECK / CREDIT CARD IMPRINT  
HERE**