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PIONEERING YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CONVENTION 2012, three days (August 23-24-25) filled with SUP training, outstanding Symposium speakers, planned activities for the sisters, exciting tours and new adventures, business meetings, electioneering with two outstanding candidates, three great speakers (and music) at three banquets. What more could we ask for? **Convention 2012**, a resounding success!

We congratulate Bob Folkman, an Area Vice President from Brigham City, who was the voters' choice and now becomes President Elect in the new year. Our grateful thanks to two great men, Bob Folkman and Bill Tanner, who both exemplify great devotion, willingness to serve and strength of character for being our candidates this year.

We had some good training time, including a special hour long class for chapter secretaries and treasurers.

Convention 2012, the end result of many hours of work (and devotion) by many men and women representing the Brigham Young and Maple Mountain Chapters. Thank you to the planners, and achievers, who, together made it happen.

And we immediately have the planning team for **Convention 2013** at Rexburg, Idaho (August 22,23,24). Attending the conventions ought to become an automatic event for so many more of us. Team up with your fellow chapter members – make it an annual excursion. It grows on you, your circle of friends will grow, and you will catch more of the vision of why we serve and love to be part of the Pioneer Family. Bless you all for your love and support!

NEWS FLASH: Upcoming events:

- **Saturday, 29 September 2012**, dressed for work! 8:00 a.m. to noon. Headquarters cleanup day! Y'all come! **PLEASE!**
- **Thursday 6:00 p.m. 8 November 2012**, Veterans' Day Dinner & Program @ SUP Headquarters. More details later.

Work is progressing on the main floor veranda of the headquarters building.

FINALLY: What a truly great thing it is to associate with, mingle with, plan with, work with, and participate with dear friends, neighbors and associates in the Sons of Utah Pioneers. You all make me feel as though you are a very important part of our lives, our hopes and our dreams.

May the Lord bless you all,

Dick Christiansen
National President, 2012
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2012 National SUP Convention in Provo

SUP members enjoyed the National SUP Convention in Provo, Utah this year. It was a great success. The Brigham Young and Maple Mountain Chapters hosted it at the Provo Marriott Hotel Convention Center August 23-25. Approximately 280 registrants attended. The convention ran under the theme *Today's Pioneers on New Frontiers*.



NSSUP President Dick Christiansen, Roger Flick, Kent Lott, Reed Farnsworth, and others address chapter leadership at the Thursday afternoon leadership training session.

On Thursday, the first day of the convention, **Richard Christiansen**, National SUP President, conducted a Leadership Training Meeting (above). During that same time, member spouses participated in a wonderful humanitarian project, stuffing teddy bears intended for needy children. **Clive Romney** sang during that event. That evening the convention's opening ceremony took place, with a flag ceremony by the UVU ROTC Color Guard. The hotel staff served an excellent dinner, and the **Mississippi Mood** played for listening and dancing (below). **Dr. Ronald Walker** (right) spoke to us on "*Brigham Young, Courageous Frontiersman*".

Historian and Thursday night speaker was Ronald Walker (right), with Brigham Young Chapter President Thomas Alexander. Walker spoke on "Brigham Young, Courageous Frontiersman" and discussed the difficult days for the Saints in 1848 and 1849 when there were tremendous pressures on the Utah settlers to move on to California after early struggles in the Salt Lake Valley.





Dancing (above) to the music of Mississippi Mood (below), a great local jazz band that included several prominent Utah County men among its musicians. Dancing is a sight not frequently seen at SUP Conventions.



Nine-Mile Canyon tour guides Lee Nelson of the Maple Mountain Chapter, and Norma Dalton lead participants to what is considered the "world's longest art gallery", which includes pictographs, petroglyphs, pit houses and granaries.



West Desert tour participants with tour guide John Beck of the Brigham Young Chapter are shown above at Iosepa. The West Desert Tour included Camp Floyd, Clover, Johnson Springs, Skull Valley, Iosepa and Pony Express stations.

Members enjoyed tours on Friday. The amazing and engaging guides led members on bus tours to the Western Desert and Nine-mile Canyon (three photos above) near Price. Another tour took members to the sports facilities, broadcast center, and Museum of Art on BYU Campus (five photos below). At a luncheon, **Dr. Sandra Rogers**, BYU Vice President for International Relations, spoke to tour participants.



SUP members on the tour of the BYU Athletics Offices and Training Facility. The highlight of the Training Facility tour was hearing Assistant Head Coach Lance Reynolds (below) speak about BYU football and his

personal history in the program. He discussed how attitudes towards athletes serving missions has substantially changed in the nearly forty years that he has been part of the BYU program, beginning as a player. Coach Reynolds spoke for thirty minutes and would have gone on much longer if there had been time. BYU tour leader Angus Belliston is shown to the left of Coach Reynolds in the photos.

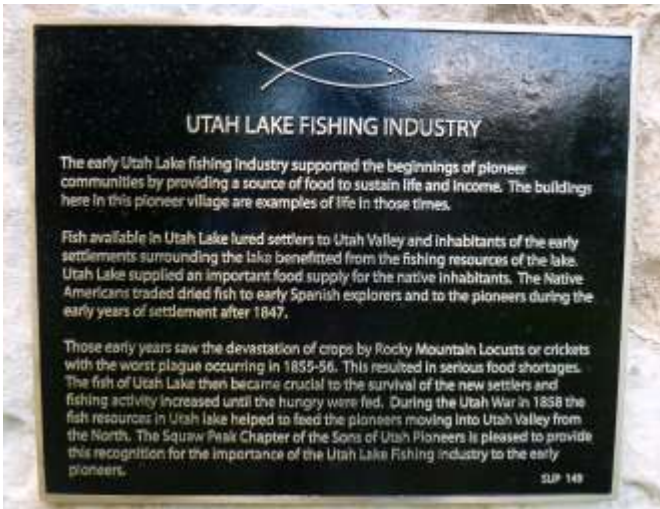


SUP members visited the Islamic art exhibit at the BYU Art Museum. With excellent tour leaders, we were exposed to the beautiful art and calligraphy of old Islamic texts, sculpture and holy building decorations. Most of us in the United States are rarely exposed to these types of artifacts, and to the ideas behind them. This is a must-see for anyone who appreciates beautiful and sacred works of art.



Part of the BYU tour included the new state-of-the-art BYU Broadcasting Building, where we visited control centers, television and radio studios, and many other parts of the remarkable new facility. Our very informative and animated guides made this a fascinating tour.

Some registrants chose to stay at the hotel and participated in a symposium. Approximately 80 people, including some non-SUP members, attended. Speakers at the symposium included **Dr. Matt Grow**, historian and author; **Emily Utt**, Church Historical Architect; **Brent Ashworth**, historian and collector of rare artifacts; and **Dr. La Mar Adams**, foremost scholar on Isaiah.



After tours and the symposium, some convention participants visited the **Provo Pioneer Village** (five photos above), sponsored and maintained by the Brigham Young Chapter. Later, Friday evening,

everyone enjoyed a fine dinner, accompanied by Dixieland Jazz music. The guest speaker, **Steven K. Peterson**, Managing Director, Church Welfare Services (left), spoke on *“Recovering the Stranded in Developing Nations”*.



Steven K. Peterson (left), Managing Director of LDS Welfare Services, who talked about the Church's efforts in Third World countries at the Friday night dinner session. His talk was titled, "Recovering the Stranded in Developing Nations."



Saturday's meetings began with a National Board Breakfast (four photos above) and a business meeting. During the business meeting, **Bob Folkman** (right) was elected as 2013 National SUP President-Elect. While the business meeting took place, many spouses heard about and tasted pioneer cooking and examined a display of pioneer quilts.



During the convention's closing luncheon (nine photos below), **Susan Morgan**, a local professional vocalist, shared her beautiful music. **Elder Steven E. Snow**, Church Historian, spoke on "*New Frontiers in LDS History*".



Above, left to right, are President Richard Christiansen and his wife, Marcia, Past President Larry La Mar Adams, President-elect David Wirthlin and his wife Anne.

Below, left to right, are Past President Larry La Mar Adams and National Managing Director Tess Clark-Rezendes with Jena Vee and Jay Smith, Treasurer.



Left to right above are Marilyn and Thomas Alexander, Brigham Young Chapter President and conference co-host, and 2013 President-elect Bob Folkman with his wife Iantha.



At left above, are Elizabeth and Bill Tanner, Area VP and candidate for 2013 President-elect. Above right, Wally Breitenstein presents SUP banner to Dee Risenmay, member of the Upper Snake River Valley Chapter and former National Board Member who is serving as chairman of the convention committee that will host the convention in Rexburg next year.

Left to right below are Gwenda and Wally Breitenstein, convention co-host, and Elder Steven E. Snow, Church Historian and keynote speaker at the closing banquet.



All those in attendance enjoyed the 2012 National SUP Convention. It was a convention to remember. The 2013 National Convention will be held in Rexburg, Idaho on August 22-24.



NATIONAL CALENDAR

- Sept. 29 **Headquarters Cleanup Day**, 8 a.m. – noon. *Bring family and friends. The more help we have, the more we get done, the faster we get it done, and the more fun we have doing it!*
- Nov. 8 **Veterans' Day Dinner & Program**, 6:00 p.m. **General Robert Oaks, USAF (Ret.)**, will be the speaker. He will be in uniform. Attendees are invited to be in uniform, as well.
- Dec. 11 **National SUP Christmas Social and Swearing In** 6:30 p.m. at National Headquarters.

NATIONAL NEWS

Send National News submissions to SUP1847@gmail.com.

Congratulations and thank-you to the SUP Chapters that had all their Chapter's Membership Dues paid by June 1st. Those Chapters are Mesa, Morgan, Settlement Canyon and Timpanogos Chapters.

CONNECTING TEDDY AND JOSEPH!

By Tom Powell

The 13th Article of Faith given through revelation to Joseph Smith states, "If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things."

The question then is, does the Sons of Utah Pioneers fit into this category? If it does, and it most certainly does, then we ought to use this active injunction to seek after it. Seek is not a passive word, but an active direction. As such, it is up to us to insure that others join with us to gain the same blessings that we receive by being members.

And how do we do that? That's where Teddy comes in. Said he, "Far better it is to dare mighty things than to take rank with those poor souls who neither enjoy much or suffer much." That is the key to our success. We have got to get out and dare the mighty thing. We have got to commit ourselves and then take action on strengthening our purpose and organization by inviting others to join with us. Daring the mighty thing is simply to bring others into fellowship with an organization that fits the description of the 13th Article of Faith. Let's do it!

NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

Jim Wilson — Timpanogos
Kenneth L Christopher — Taylorsville Bennion
Douglas R Holladay — Salt Lake City
Alan P Pettersson — Salt Lake Pioneer
Sergay Liston — Centerville
Scott D Bishop — Centerville
Brad Bishop — Centerville

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Mark Benson — Salt Lake Pioneer — 7/29/12
Dean L Tew — Maple Mountain — 3/23/12
Glayden Russell — At Large — 6/12/11
Ray L Russell — Mesa — 8/9/12
Dan Edwards — Morgan — 7/10/12
Kenneth Simper — At Large — 7/26/11
Lee G Dimond — Mesa — 9/27/06
Kenneth Madsen — Centerville — 11/28/11
Khalil V Hansen — Box Elder — 8/3/11

2012 HOLE-IN-THE-ROCK MEDALLIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE -- Silver medallions are \$60. Shiny brass medallions are \$10. There is still a limited supply of 2010 PONY EXPRESS & 2011 TELEGRAPH medallions available.

OFFICE HOURS:

- Mondays - Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Closed Fridays
- The library is open by appointment only due to staff shortage.

CONQUERORS OF THE WEST by Florence Youngberg are available for ordering. Full set of four books is \$220. Individual books are \$60 each. Call Tess at National to order.

CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled By Bob Folkman

Please send chapter newsletters and other chapter news, awards, information, pictures and upcoming events to Bob Folkman at bfolkman@hotmail.com, or 1485 N 675 W, Brigham City, UT 84302, as soon as they happen. Our deadline is ONE WEEK before the end of each month.

BOX ELDER CHAPTER (Brigham City, Utah) The interesting aerial photo (below) shows the new Brigham City Temple, and the still in progress new grounds at the Tabernacle across the street. The photo is by **B. W. Rex**.

Chapter members are involved in the events leading up to the dedication, including giving tours, taking friends with them on tours, and preparing for the dedication weekend

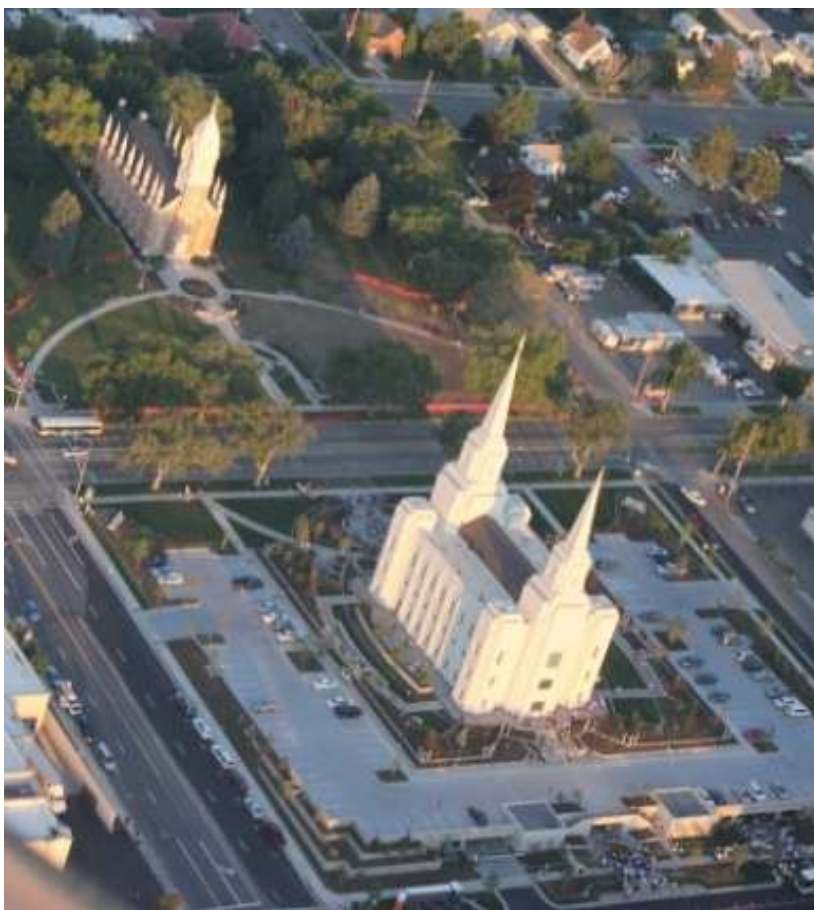
events on September 23. Tours for the public continue daily thru September 15, except Sundays.

CEDAR CITY CHAPTER (Cedar City, Utah) On August 16, members of the Chapter met at the **Happy Factory** to help oil the wooden toys that will be sent all over the world to children

who have never had a toy. **David Oliver** is the Service Project Chairman.



Shown above, Stan Shakespeare and David Oliver visit as they work.



The group worked for about 2 ½ hours on the project. **Donna Cooley**, from the Happy Factory, expressed appreciation for their help on the project.

The following article and photo appeared in the August 1st edition of the Iron County News:

"PIONEERS CELEBRATED WITH PROGRAM, PARADE. Residents and visitors in Cedar City celebrated Pioneer Day July 24 with a program, parade, and activities

in the park following the theme, "Honoring the Pioneer Spirit."

"The 8 a.m. program at the LDS Rock Church on Center Street honored Outstanding Citizens **Donna and the late Charles Cooley of the Happy Factory** and Modern Day Pioneer **Alva Leon Matheson**. Donna and Charles Cooley began making toys in a small

workshop at their home, and their efforts grew into the Happy Factory, which has made more than a million toys that have been distributed to children around the world.

"Matheson is a Vietnam veteran and is the Iron County Historical Society president, has served as Old Spanish Trail Association Utah director and Southern Utah Chapter President, SUP Cedar City Chapter trails director, certified trails steward, and is an active member of the Utah Rock Art and Research Foundation.

Elementary school winners of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Family Heritage Essay Contest were honored and the grand prize winning essay by **Catherine Chamberlain** was read. In addition, the school winners were **Shelby Brindley** of Enoch Elementary, **Marissa Taylor** of North Elementary, **Kenya Stapley** of East Elementary, **Karlie Lunt** of South Elementary, **Lainey Fullmer** of Fiddlers Canyon Elementary, and **Casadie Gunter** of Iron Springs Elementary.

"The SUP scholarship recipients were recognized as well. **Amanda Jones** of Canyon View High School and **Erik Gray** of Cedar High School each received \$1500 to attend Southern Utah University.

"The program was followed by a parade at 10 a.m. on Main Street and there were many pioneer-themed entries, including several families walking with handcars.



"Activities and entertainment took place after the parade in the Main Street Park. The Sons of Utah Pioneers sold hamburgers and other food to raise money for its scholarship fund, and people of a variety of ages entertained. Bounce houses and a few booths were also set up, including a fund-raising bake sale



booth for a Cedar City National Little League Team."

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are able to give a few hours anytime on Wednesday's and Thursday's when Marilyn is available, it would be a great load off of her back. Please call the office to schedule some time!

SUP PAPERWEIGHTS (shown at left) are now available at the National Office for \$20.

JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER (Salt Lake Valley Southwest, Utah) August was Picnic month for the Chapter, which gave them a chance to take this great group picture (below).



Also in August, **Booth and Eddie Maycock, Louis and Willy Pickett, Jan Treseder** and her granddaughter all participated in the "Family Fun Day" at the State Fair grounds.



LEHI CHAPTER

(Lehi, Utah) The Chapter held a fundraiser (right) in July for the move and restoration of the "Hunger Cabin" an original pioneer cabin. They have been

working on this project for several months, getting permissions, getting sponsors and preparing to make the move. The event, which included a Dutch oven dinner, cowboy poetry and a cookbook sale was successful, raising \$1800 towards their goal.

"More than ever I feel a need to teach anybody who will listen about our great pioneer heritage. As I looked into the faces of several hundred people along the parade route-- I couldn't help but wonder, just how much they know about the hard working, faith driven men and women who came to this valley in the [Nineteenth] Century.

Val Carter, Randy Lefler and Scott Macintosh provided the cowboy poetry.

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER (Richfield, Utah) President **Dave Ogden** (right) wrote a nice article in the Chapter's August newsletter, *Trail Bits*:



"The pioneer celebrations around the area were well attended. Lana and I were able to ride in the Monroe parade in **Calvin Curtis's** wagon with **Cindy and Kimball Poulson**. Cindy is a regional DUP director. We had a sign made that said "Sons & Daughters of Utah Pioneers."

"Brothers, teach your children and grandchildren the stories of the pioneers. This connection with our history and these dedicated Saints will inspire our families to do important, vital, work. You may think that they will never listen--they will. You may think your stories will bore them-- they won't. Simply choose an ancestor, read their story and share it. This is also a great time to testify of sacred feelings."

SUP MEDALLIONS WANTED If you have SUP Medallions from previous years that you would like to sell, especially in sets, please contact Scott Hardman at 801-557-6881.

“Faith in Every Footstep” Grave Markers

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.

For some time the markers have not been available, and we (the SUP) have had frequent requests as to how to get them. The National office of the SUP has made arrangements to have a number of them manufactured and are making them available to members or others who wish to honor their ancestors by attaching one to his or her grave marker.

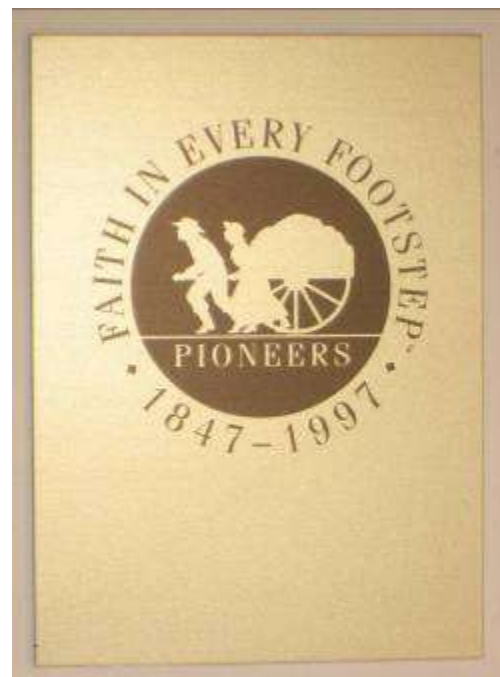
The markers are 2 ½ inches by 3 ½ inches of very durable metal. Those who attached them in 1997 say they have not deteriorated from weather.

The prices are as follows and includes the means of attaching them to a grave marker:

In quantities of 1 to 5, the cost is \$15.00 each, plus shipping (if needed). 6 or more would be \$12.00 each, plus shipping

Order blank is below to reserve yours.

Actual size >



Order Blank for “Faith in Every Footstep” Grave Markers

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

E-mail (optional) _____

Quantity ordered _____

Need shipping? Yes No (circle one) (shipping cost estimated to be \$3.00 each)

Amount Paid \$ _____ Cash, check or credit card (or debit) (Circle one)
(Visa, MasterCard, and Discover Card accepted)

Make check to Sons of Utah Pioneers

Include credit card information below.

Card Company and number _____

Expiration _____ Security number (on back) _____

Credit Card Billing Zip Code _____

Send to SUP, 3301 East 2920 South (Louise Ave.) Salt Lake City, UT 84109

Medallions

As of August 28, 2012



Design	Year	Metal	Cost Each	Qty	Total Medallion Cost	Shipping Cost**		Shipping Cost	Total Cost
						1-3 Med.	4-6 Med.		
Hole In The Rock	2012	Brass (Shiny)	\$10			\$4.00	\$6.00		
		Silver	\$60			\$10.00	\$15.00		
Telegraph	2011	Gold	\$60			\$10.00	\$15.00		
		Silver, Gold telegraph Key	\$70			\$10.00	\$15.00		
		Silver	\$50			\$10.00	\$15.00		
		Brass (Shiny)	\$5			\$4.00	\$6.00		
		Bronze (Antique)	\$5			\$4.00	\$6.00		
Telegraph Set*	2011		\$190			\$13.00	\$19.00		
Pony Express	2010	Brass (Shiny)	\$4			\$4.00	\$6.00		
		Bronze	\$5			\$4.00	\$6.00		
Display Case		Not Available							
TOTAL									

*Sets or multiple sets come in a display holder.

** Call 801-484-4441 for shipping costs for other quantities.

Payment

Check # _____

Amount \$ _____

Cash \$ _____

Discover MasterCard Visa Billing Zip Code _____

Card Number: _____ Exp _____ / _____

3 digit Security Code _____ [on back of card]

Name on Card: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ - _____ [If we have questions]

Chapter: _____

Shipping Information (If Different):

Name _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

2013 National Convention

August 22 – 24

at Rexburg, Idaho, on the beautiful
BYU-Idaho Campus



Pioneering In Idaho

Sponsored by

Upper Snake River Valley Chapter, assisted by the Eagle Rock, Grove City, and Pocatello Chapters

Friday tours you may choose from:

- Visit Ft. Lemhi, the first settlement in Idaho; the only settlement outside of Utah visited by Brigham Young, and where Lewis and Clark came over the Continental Divide on their trek.
- Tour EBR-1, the first reactor to generate electricity by nuclear power; guided by one of our SUP members who worked at EBR-1 in the early days of atomic research.
- Visit the community of Chesterfield, Idaho, one of the early settlements that has been preserved and restored, guided by one who lived the first 18 years of his life there.
- Visit the Teton Flood museum and dam site, along with the historic Teton Valley, guided by one who has spent much time learning of the history of this area.
- Other interesting sites in Rexburg and the Upper Snake River Valley will be available for self-guided tours.

Great meals, great entertainment, and great speakers, along with training and business of the convention. Get acquainted with the campus of one of the more innovative universities in the country.

Want to make a vacation of your trip here? Rexburg is within two hours drive of Yellowstone and Teton National Parks as well as Craters of the Moon National Monument. There are miles of great trails and forest roads for the ATV enthusiast. Also, the area offers great fishing, scenic drives, and other outdoor activities.