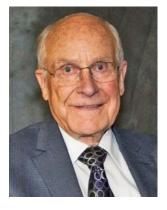
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



KUDOS TO THE HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER FOR HOSTING A SUPERB CONVENTION!

From the moment we arrived at the Stake Center in Hurricane we were warmly greeted and pointed in the direction of a registration area organized according to alphabet sections for "no wait" efficiency. A look into the cultural hall revealed walls that had been adorned with pictorial histories of the communities in

Hurricane Valley. Tables were set and beautifully decorated for the evening meal. The food throughout the convention was tasty, especially the delicious prime rib served at the concluding banquet on Saturday. Rave reviews were received from patrons of all three tours that were offered with the transportation organized to function in perfect sequence. Hosts on the buses entertained with stories of pioneering development in the local communities. Evening entertainment was of Broadway quality and had us as the audience clapping hands and tapping feet in rhythm with the music. The talent displayed on both nights was jaw dropping! Elder Gerald Lund's concluding address was masterfully tailored to the Convention theme: "Moving Our Heritage Forward." Conclusion: The folks in Hurricane really know how to host a memorable National Convention! Congratulations Hurricane - You do us PROUD!!

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2016 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE PRESENTED TO JAY SMITH.

This new recognition was inaugurated this year and will be presented annually at the National Convention to an SUP member who has distinguished himself with a lifetime of dedicated service and leadership at the chapter and national levels. There are those among us who are special in their track record of work, wisdom and loyalty. This year's recipient, Jay Smith, is currently of the Maple Mountain Chapter. Jay, a Past President of the SUP, has given 33 years of uninterrupted service and leadership that glistens like a precious jewel in the crown of the SUP. Jay has the decorum of a happy warrior as he goes about representing the SUP in thought and action. We love you, Jay, and will always think of you as "Mr. SUP". It was a distinct honor for us to present this inaugural Presidential Award to you at the Convention Banquet.

NEW SUP MEMBER CLASSIFICATION - SUSTAINING HERITAGE MEMBER.

This new enhanced membership category provides the opportunity for members who desire to provide additional support for the ideals and functions of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. No one will be asked to become a Sustaining Member. It is totally a member volunteer process that can be activated by the member agreeing to a minimum ongoing payment to the SUP for at least one year or beyond. The minimum amount is the equivalent of \$10 a month, which can be automatically transferred from your credit card account if desired. Of course, the first \$50 of the donation will be applied for the member's annual dues, so the enhanced support is the amount beyond the first \$50. For Life Members, of course, the full amount will be the enhanced donation. Currently the participation rate ranges from \$10 to \$100 a month. Some new Sustaining Heritage Members prefer to pay annually in one lump sum and others select twice a year payments. The choice is up to the member. Perks for this member category will include "guest" invitations to select SUP functions for which there is a charge to attend. An example is the annual SUP History Symposium. Questions? Please contact SUP Headquarters.

STEWART FOUNDATION DONATION TO THE SUP.

Because the SUP is a Non-profit 501C3 entity we have restrictions on how we can raise money. Our current dues structure does not cover the periodic repair and maintenance demands that are inevitable over time. In order to avoid approaching members for additional donations we made the decision to become active in writing proposals to foundations, companies and corporations who are active in philanthropic allocations. Last June we wrote a proposal to the Stewart Foundation in Ogden, Utah describing who we are, what we value and our work to promote the values of our pioneer ancestors. We also noted that our 33 year old carpet was threadbare and in need of replacement. The carpet replacement bids ranged from \$15,000 to \$20,000 depending on the condition of the sub-floor. The proposal also noted our parking lot that needs resurfacing as well as installing handicapped accessibility to our lower level at our Headquarters Building. The request suggested \$20,000. The Stewart Foundation Board met in September and wereceived a call a couple of weeks ago informing us that the award from the Foundation was \$30,000!! I can report that the Executive Council and AVP Board all did a "happy dance" with this announcement. The message here is that folks are impressed with who we are and what we do. We just need to be assertive in asking for help from outside sources when it is needed. So--Congratulations to the SUP and all that we stand for and do, and a HUGE "Thank You" to the Stewart Foundation!

James Jim Hurst National President, 2016 jhurst@uwyo.edu

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NATIONAL NEWS

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

NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT ELECT KEITH VAN ROOSENDAAL



At the National Convention in Hurricane, Keith Van Roosendaal was unanimously elected as the National President-elect of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. We welcome Keith to the National Executive Committee.

Keith is a member of the Mills Chapter and comes with a vast range of experience.

Keith graduated from the University of Utah in 1975 with a degree in Retail Marketing and a degree in Business Administration.

He started work with Utah Power/Rocky Mountain Power in 1972 and continued with them after his graduation. He served in several supervisory positions during his tenure there, including: Staff Accountant responsible for development of a Material Management System for all service centers, power plants and coal mines for Utah, Idaho & Wyoming; District Accounting Supervisor responsible for district office functions for customer service operations, personnel safety and budget preparation; Area Accounting Supervisor over area operations for customer service, accounting and budget preparation; Customer Operations Supervisor for multiple offices located in Salt Lake City, Park City and Tooele; Phone Center Operations Supervisor for Utah, Idaho and Wyoming where he was responsible for customer inquiries, new service, outages etc and Metering Operations Manager for Salt Lake Valley, Park City and Tooele districts.

In addition to his work for Rocky Mountain Power, he served in the Army Reserves for 38 years. He served in the 96th Regional Support Command where he served as a Company Commander, Battalion Commander, Comptroller, and Deputy Chief of Staff, Force Development.

Keith joined the LDS Church at the age of 12, being baptized by his Scoutmaster. He served a mission in the Southwest British Mission and has served in many positions over the years, including 4 years as an ordinance worker in the Salt Lake Temple. In the Sons of Utah Pioneers he has served as President of the Mills Chapter and was serving as an Area Vice President at the time of his election as National President Elect. He and his wife, Elizabeth, are the parents of 5 children.

PIONEER MAGAZINE (BOOK)

Many of our members and subscribers may be wondering when they will receive their next issue of Pioneer magazine. The answer is -- soon! If you recall the letter from publisher William W. Tanner, sent to everyone several weeks ago, the Pioneer staff led by our valued editor Susan Lofgren has undertaken a joint publication project with the LDS Church History Museum in Salt Lake City. The new first floor exhibit that opened one year ago will be the subject of the next issue of Pioneer. It will be the largest and most beautiful printing project we have ever accomplished. We are hopeful that by November 1 the new issue, which is actually a book and will be about 172 pages in length, will arrive in your mail boxes.

In the meantime, please be patient with us. We know you will be excited about the publication you receive, and we of course look forward to getting back to our regular quarterly schedule in January. We hope you understand that the staff of Pioneer are volunteers, and every issue we print is the result of a labor of love in an effort to honor our Pioneer ancestors. Thank you for your patience as we make sure that this special issue is the finest possible.

MEMORIES FROM THE 2016 NATIONAL CONVENTION

HURRICANE, UTAH





Jay Smith was presented with the President Award for Meritorious Service, here Jay Smith holds his plaque accompanied by John Ellgren, Jim Hurst and John Smith who participated in the presentation.



Gerald Lund was the final speaker for the conference and spoke to the subject of moving YOUR heritage forward.

National SUP 2016 Moving Our Heritage Forward



Ephraim Hanks and Levi Savage gave us some perspective on history



Tracks from the Hurricane Mesa Test Facility. Each single-piece track is 12,000 feet long to accelerate rocket sleds up to Mach 1.



Chris Woodbury (center) with some of the attendees around the rocket sleds.



Keith Van Roosendaal accepts the nomination as President Elect





Table decorations



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

OCTOBER

BRING A FRIEND TO CHAPTER MEETING MONTH



NATIONAL PAST PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON MEETING

Golden Corral at 665 East 7200 South, Midvale, Utah, 11:30 a.m.

2 DECEMBER

BRIGHAM'S CHRISTMAS BALL AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

This will be the annual SUP Christmas event. Details forthcoming.

UPCOMING NATIONAL TRAININGS

OCTOBER 22 - UTAH NORTH AND OGDEN AREAS, 10:00 at 1401 CountryHills Drive, The chapters involved in the training are: Box Elder, Temple Fork, Morgan Pioneer, Ogden Pioneer, Ogden Valley.

OCTOBER 29 - ALL IDAHO CHAPTERS, 9:00 The chapters involved in the training are: Eagle Rock, Upper Snake River, Portneuf Pioneers and Grove City.

NOVEMBER 5 - SALT LAKE CITY EAST, SOUTH AND WEST AREAS. 9:00 at National Headquarters at 3031 East 2920 South Street, Salt Lake. The chapters involved in the training are: Bountiful, Centerville, Snow Horse, Mills, Salt Lake Pioneer, Murray, Pioneer Heritage/Canyon Rim, Holladay, Jordan River Temple, Porter Rockwell, Salt Lake City, Temple Quarry, Sugarhouse, Settlement Canyon, Taylorsville/Bennion and Twenty Wells.

NOVEMBER 12 - CEDAR CITY AND UTAH SOUTH AREAS. 9:00 The chapters involved in the training are: Cedar City, Cotton Mission, Dixie Encampment, Hurricane and Red Rocks.

NOVEMBER 19 - UTAH COUNTY/WASATCH AND UTAH COUNTY SOUTH AREAS. 9:00 The chapters involved in the training are: The Mountain Valley, Lehi, Squaw Peak, Timpanogos, Brigham Young, Maple Mountain, Mount Nebo, Hole in the Rock, Sevier Valley, and Sanpete County.

UPCOMING NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

2017 - Sponsored by the Centerville Chapter September 14 - 16

2018 - Sponsored by the Cedar City chapter.

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.

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This section is intended as a place where individual chapters or National make various 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.

NATIONAL DUES

The change is here!! In the past each chapter has been responsible for collecting the National dues and forwarding them to National. BUT NOW: This month each of you who pay your National dues annually will be asked to pay your National dues directly to the National office. To do this you will be sent a letter in October asking that you remit your National dues for the coming year. This letter will contain a form you can fill that out and send in OR you can just go to sup1847. org, click on the "S.U.P.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.

OFFICE/LIBRARY HELP NEEDED

The National Office is looking for volunteers to work in the Library and also some light Office Assisting. Anyone interested please contact Heather Davis sup1847@gmail.com or 801-484-4441

CABIN RESTORATION

Perry City has an unaltered pioneer cabin that stands in dire need of restoration. The cabin is currently sitting on a new concrete pad in the Dale Young Nature Park. The City has been able to move the cabin to its current location, but needs some additional help in restoration. It needs the replacement of a few rotted logs, chinking, a new rock foundation, and a new door and roof. The D.U.P. has volunteered to plant and maintain flowers around the cabin when it is finished. This gives one or more of our chapters an excellent opportunity to participate in this restoration. If your chapter is interested, contact Jay Bywater, Perry City Public Works Department, 435-452-1009.





Cabin before it was moved



We have many good strong men in our organization who have lived lives of service. These men often get little acclaim and we would like to rectify that to some extent. To do that we are adding a new section to the Trail Marker to be called Modern Day Pioneer. The intent of this section is to honor one member each month who exemplifies the pioneer values and qualities of character shown by our forefathers. Nominations for this will be accepted from any member of the SUP. Please send a write up of up to 500 words and a good quality picture to the editor, Don Lee, at <a href="donner-donn

DEAN HURST - OGDEN PIONEER CHAPTER



How I might be called a modernday pioneer begins in large part with Weber State University, a pioneer institution that I have been associated with for more than 70 years.

I began my association with Weber when I registered in 1944, but that was interrupted as I volunteered for the U.S. Army

Paratroops after my induction into the Army and served with the 82nd Airborne Division. I missed the combat, but was proud to share the glory of those who did fight, by marching with them as the Honor Division in victory parades in New York, Washington D.C., Boston and Philadelphia.

Following my discharge from the service in 1946, I enrolled again at Weber College, majoring in commercial art and graduating in 1948, after being actively involved with college President H. Aldous Dixon's beginning quest for a new campus site and four-year status, as the campus had grown from the 500 students, when I first attended Weber in 1944, to approximately 1,800 students in 1946.

I received a mission call following my graduation and had a unique missionary experience, being called first to the Japanese mission in Hawaii, and then, after its closing in 1950, I continued to serve in the Hawaiian mission both as a missionary, and later, as an event planner for the centennial celebration of the Hawaiian mission's founding in 1850.

Following my mission, I majored in commercial art at the University of Utah and after working at Hill Air Force Base for a few years as an artist and technical illustrator, I joined, and later became a partner in, the Pierson, Kearney and Hurst Advertising and Art Agency.

So it was that when the new position of executive director of both alumni and development fund board of directors opened up, I applied for, got the job and began my career at Weber State in 1967.

I continued my work with Weber in many capacities over the years helping to raise funds for many projects.

It was ironic when, recently at the university's bookstore, I was approached by a couple of young female students, one of whom asked if I was Dean Hurst. I replied, "Yes, I am the real Dean Hurst." She turned to her companion and exclaimed, 'He's the father of Waldo!"

I guess that's what I' ll best be remembered as...the father of Weber State's feline mascot, Waldo the Wildcat — not the guy who helped raise millions of dollars for the university.





Help! -- all you people who are experts on Southern Utah Geography. Help us find this monument. It was erected in 1957 by the Utah Pioneer Trails and Landmarks Association to honor President George Albert Smith, and was one of the last few plaques they created. We now include the monuments of that organization with our SUP monuments.

The location is described as the San Juan Valley of Tall Men (in the valley of Tall Rocks or Tall Men) We need a better description as to how to get to it, and the GPS coordinates. We also need pictures of the arch and its surroundings.

If anyone has information on this, please contact Stewart Radmall (<u>dadrads@msn.com</u>) or Mark Walker (<u>walkermarke@earthlink.net</u>).

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Does your chapter have something that needs to be advertised? Contact the editor, Don Lee, at donlee0938@gmail.com with details for inclusion in this section

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- 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 ACHS

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Editor's challenge to EVERY chapter – Please send me news of your chapter. We would love to hear from you. Please send news about chapter meetings and treks, including pictures to Roland Lee by the 23rd 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.

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.

BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER - Provo, Utah



The September 15 dinner meeting of the Brigham Young Chapter featured **Russell Gray**, a life member of SUP and a Brigham Young Chapter member. His subject was 'Church History from the Cradle of the Restoration to the 1831 Exodus of the Fayette Saints to Kirtland, Ohio."

Russ is a descendant of Mormon pioneers who emigrated from England: his Great Grandparents, Gray, in 1855; and his Great Grandparents, Ashdown (name changed to Saunders after arrival in Salt Lake Valley), in 1860 in the Ninth Handcart Company.

Russ and his wife Joan have served in numerous Church callings in the US and Canada, including a proselyting mission to the "Cradle of the Restoration" from October 2007 to March 2009. Russ continued working on a New York historical records collection commitment, the last installment of which was posted on Family Search in September 2015.

COTTON MISSION CHAPTER - St George, Utah



The Cotton Mission activity for the month of September centered on attending the National Convention held in Hurricane, Utah. About 18 members and their wives participated in the tours, meals, concerts and events.

Congratulations to the Hurricane chapter for organizing such a well run and interesting convention. We look forward to next year's convention in Centerville, UT.

CHAPTER ACUS

GROVE CITY CHAPTER - Blackfoot, Idaho



About 30 members of the Grove City chapter met on a beautiful summer evening in the back yard of Rulon Hillam's home in Groveland, where we enjoyed a wonderful dinner and musical performance. The weather was ideal and there was shade for all to enjoy. **David Williams** and his wife set up sound equipment and accompanied us on guitar while we sang old favorites and patriotic songs. It was a peaceful evening.

Kevin Rupe was honored at our August meeting as the recipient of this years "Modern Pioneer Award." A large turnout supported Kevin and his family members at the awards ceremony. Dick Lindsay, SUP board member and program chair presented the award and made the introduction.

Kevin has served on the library board, city planning and zoning, the Bingham County Youth Coalition Board and the Senior Citizen Center Board. Kevin was the runner-up to the Governor's Greatest Star Award, which is given in recognition of those who help in their community. He has been the main sponsor of the Tommy Vaughn's Blackfoot Marathon, which raises funds for the Community Dinner Table, and has also been a great supporter of Southeast Idaho Community Action Agency (SEICAA)) as a participant of the Stone Soup fundraiser. Kevin has supported such organizations as Relay for Life, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Distinguished Young Women. The Grove City Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers is pleased to honor Kevin Ruppe for his years of support to the Blackfoot Community and his "Modern Pioneer Spirit."

HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER - Hurricane, Utah

The Hurricane Chapter was honored to host and organize the highly successful SUP National Convention held in Hurricane, Utah. Special thanks should be given to Gerry Buckner and Tom Hirschi who headed up the event. It was truly outstanding in all respects. Attendees this year were from Utah, Idaho, Arizona, Washington DC, and Philadelphia PA. A choice of several wonderful tours, assisted by knowledgeable guides and speakers, provided everyone a taste of the history and scenic beauty of the area. Concerts featured the Eric Dodge Band and the John Houston Gospel Choir. On the final day our business meeting was held amidst wonderful historical displays and decorations in the Cultural Hall of the Hurricane Stake Center. The Sisters met separately to hear gripping talks from Paul Reeve and Lyman Hafen, then gathered together with the brethren to enjoy a wonderful prime rib dinner and listen to featured speaker Gerald Lund. Thanks to the many people who contributed time and effort to make this event a huge success.



Gerry Buckner, dressed as Ephraim Hanks, talks with keynote speaker Gerald Lund

CHAPTER ACUS

JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER - West Jordan, Utah

The Jordan River Chapter held their opening social picnic on September 7 with a great attendance of both members and guests. A dinner of hot sandwiches was enjoyed. Thanks to the women who prepared the ingredients for the hot sandwiches and those who brought salads and desserts. Thanks as well to those



MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER - Mapleton, Utah

On September 16 members of the Maple Mountain Chapter enjoyed a presentation by **John** and **Susan Frischknecht**, who gave a verbal and pictorial portrayal of LDS Church pioneers in Ukraine. After John was released as President of the Mapleton Stake, the couple served as missionaries in Ukraine during 2014-2015, where John served asmedical director over the Eastern Europe Area.

The Gospel was introduced into Ukraine 25 years ago by two missionaries who were serving in Finland. Ukraine has had a hard history with many decades of subjection to the rule of others. Even today, after some freedom after the fall of the Soviet Empire, threats from Russia are threatening the independence of the people.

The Frischknechts shared with us stories of several church members who have embraced the Gospel and become leaders within their communities. They explained how President Hinckley's inspiration to build a small temple in Kiev, even before there was a stake in the country, has given much hope and light to the members. We were touched by the courage the saints in Ukraine are displaying as they go forward with faith to do the Lord's will. It was an inspirational evening by this renowned cardiologist and his wife, both former leaders in the Mapleton Stake.



RED ROCKS CHAPTER - Kanab, Utah

September's dinner meeting was held on Thursday, Sept. 1 at 6 p.m. at the Glendale Park behind the old Glendale school. **Gerald Spencer, Jack Maxwell,** and **William Morgan** and wives took care of the dinner, which was our annual mutton

fry. The speaker was **Dr. Wayne Hinton**, former Stake President and former Professor of History at Southern Utah University. He spoke on Ghost Towns of Southern Utah.

CHAPTER AEWS

SALT LAKE CHAPTER - Salt Lake City, Utah

On September 1, the Salt Lake City Chapter enjoyed an informative tour of the State Capitol. The tour lasted about two hours and was led by a very knowledgeable docent -- a former schoolteacher very well able to present herself before a group. She took us through the building, pointing out unique features and providing information about some of the exhibited items. Also explaining a lot of the legislative goings on which occur in that place.

One special treat we encountered was a visit in the Governor's special reception room. It seems that the State Police were honoring some of their officers and had just concluded a ceremony for them, and we happened along at a moment when we could go in and look around for a bit. There were some state officials present.



SETTLEMENT CANYON CHAPTER - Tooele, Utah



On Thursday
September 1st,
Arlen and Glenda
Shields, lifelong
residents of Pine
Canyon, Utah, told
some fascinating
and little known
tidbits about the
community.

Pine Canyon was first settled in 1850 and so named for the creek that issued from a large canyon with the same name. Today, there are no pine trees left in Pine Canyon, having been cut down and used for building purposes and also to produce charcoal for home use, but mainly used to fire furnaces extracting the various ores found in abundance in the Oquirrh Range. There still exist remains of these charcoal kilns in Pine Canyon and other areas of the county. Many old timers also claim that smoke produced from the many mining and smelting operations in the vicinity, killed off any trees that man had not cut down.

At one time there was even a mud wall (much like the one surrounding most of Tooele City) constructed for protection from Native Americans and others. Like in Tooele and other places in Utah, these "fort walls" were torn down as it became easier to feed the Indians than fight them.

The first inhabitants mentioned were Shields, Sagers and even Smiths who built log cabins with wooden pegs for nails. Floors were usually dirt, but many pioneer women would take the time to broom the dirt smooth and use sticks to make patterns that resembled carpets in homes they had lived in back east, before pioneering in Utah. Arlen Shields even remembers taking fireplace-heated bricks and stones to bed during the winter. Sometimes these heated bricks would last several hours until they needed to be reheated, or just thrown out of bed.

Part of Brigham Young's plan was to establish communities and industries throughout the Utah Territory. One such experimental industry was the production of silk from silk worms that fed on Mulberry trees. Fifteen hundred such trees were planted on the plateau that was just northeast of the middle of present day Pine Canyon. The experiment didn't work out as planned, and no trees remain today. That same area was used as The Utah Boys Ranch. Horses and hay were employed to help young men learn the virtues of hard work and self-discipline. Water for the ranch, was available from a long pipeline that started from springs in Murray Canyon. Often, this gravity fed pipeline would break, and the only way to fix it was to carry PVC pipe, shovels and hose clamps until the leak was located.

CHAPTER AEWS

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER - Richfield and Monroe, Utah



The August activity was postponed four days due to the Sand Ledges Wild Fire. Presenters **Harlow Brown** and **Jack Burr** gave excellent presentations on the Grass Valley area and the residents therein. They were key members of a Grass Valley History Committee that compiled 600-plus page history of the area and for that reason were asked by us to share some of their insight.

Among other things, Harlow talked about an incident involving a Dr. Alexander McCarty and his family and how certain events led to some very serious problems with the Navajo people in the first days of settlement. He also talked about the importance of the cheese making activities of the valleys early residents. This included a sketch about a family by the name Cloward who suffered a great tragedy while engaged in the practice of taking their dairy herd to the high mountain pastures during the summer season.

Jack's emphasis was to talk about the Grass Valley Servicemen and their sacrifice in protecting our freedom. This covered from "The Mormon Battalion" days thru to the present day. Jack also shared some interesting insight about early electric service to the Grass Valley area.

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER - Logan, Utah



The speaker at the August dinner meeting was **Scott Christensen**. He is a certified archivist and is employed by the Church History Department. He has worked on the Joseph Smith Papers Project and has taken tours to historic sites in the United States.

Scott published a book in 1999 on the life of the Shoshone Indian Chief, Sagwitch. Sagwitch has

descendants still living and Scott was able to interview some of them. The Shoshone Indians did not have a written language until 1966. Consequently, a few people were chosen to become vessels to learn their history and memorize it so that it could be passed down from generation to generation. Sagwitch wanted to learn about other cultures, and know their languages. His name means "talker" or "orator."

When the Mormons came to the Utah area in 1847, Sagwitch went to meet them. He talked with Heber C. Kimball and they both agreed that the land belongs to Heavenly Father and that they could share it. The two groups had good relations for several years. The Indians taught the Mormons many things, such as which plants were edible and how to make moccasins out of bark. However, the first problems came when the Indians started taking a share of grain from the Mormons as payment for the use of the land.

Patrick Connor was in the United States Army and was stationed at Fort Douglas, in Salt Lake City. He initiated an attack where 235 warriors plus their wives and children were killed. Sagwitch had always been a pacifist, but he was angry. The braves started shooting or stealing animals until a treaty between the Indians and Box Elder and Cache Valley was signed in 1853. Each January, the Indians have a ceremony to commemorate the massacre. When the drums begin to play for the ceremony, eagles come.

On May 3, 1873, the entire tribe was baptized as members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Sagwitch went to Salt Lake City to see Brigham Young and he was ordained an Elder. In 1875 he and his wife were sealed in the Endowment House in Salt Lake City by Wilford Woodruff. He and one other Lamanite couple were the first to be sealed in the Endowment House.

After learning to farm in the Franklin area, they moved to Bear River area. They then moved to Tremonton and Homesteaded land there. They lived in that area, which was named Washakie, until 1960 when they were assimilated into the general population.

When the Logan Temple was built, dozens of the tribe helped build the Temple. They were very faithful members of the Church. Sagwitch died in 1887. The Cemetery was built around him.

In the Brigham City Temple, there is a painting in the baptismal font area is of the Shoshone Indians being baptized.

NEW MEMBERS WEICOME!

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CHAPTER ETERNAL

Allen Cochran ... At Large Member
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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-etiched for inscriptions at your local trophy shop. (\$15 EACH / \$13 EACH FOR MORE THAN SIX PIECES)

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