

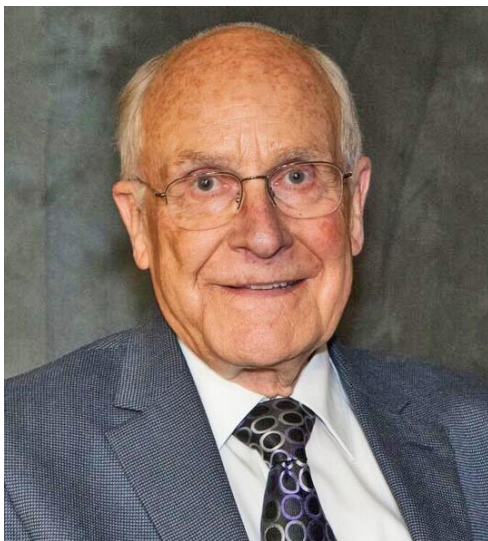
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Mission of the Sons of Utah Pioneers is the preservation of the memory and heritage of our pioneer ancestors along with a commitment to teach Pioneer values to the youth who will be the pioneers of tomorrow. The Pioneer values we espouse include faith in God, devotion to family, loyalty to church and country, hard work and service to others, courage in adversity, personal integrity, and unyielding determination. Stories of our pioneer ancestors are replete with examples of these attributes as they encountered the challenges and adversity attendant to exploring and building settlements in the west. The SUP's preservation of their memory and heritage occurs through over 4600 *Pioneer* magazines that enter homes across the country each quarter, more than 400 monuments throughout the West that carry pioneer history and stories, monthly chapter meetings with presentations focusing on both historical and current pioneering, treks to historical trails and sites, national and regional history symposia, The Trail Marker - our monthly newsletter, Days of '47 Sunrise Service and Parade entry, the annual "This is The Place" SUP family activity and much more.

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The part of our Mission statement that addresses teaching pioneer values to our youth is of particular importance in today's world. Our main interventions in this area have been the SUP Essay Contests in elementary and middle schools and Scholarship Programs for high school graduating seniors. The scope of our work with youth was expanded this past month with the appointment of John Clayton as a Program Director with responsibility for liaison between the Sons of Utah Pioneers and the Boy Scouts of America. For starters, this means an expansion of the SUP/BSA Activity Patch program that is coordinated by the Holladay Chapter and entails the scout visiting a historic pioneer site and studying and writing about the site and completing a pedigree chart. That kind of activity is in the bull's-eye of the intent of our Mission statement. ([See page 3](#))

A second initiative will be greater involvement of National Headquarters, in concert with encouragement for Chapters, to become sources for Eagle Scout Projects. Examples might include maintenance and repair of SUP monuments, SUP library indexing and recording projects, landscaping and building repair and maintenance projects at National Headquarters, data entry and other technology support for National Office, and a myriad of other possibilities that exist across our 40 plus Chapters. The interaction between youth and SUP members in all such endeavors will be of great benefit for both. A letter of introduction of John Clayton will be sent from National to the Boy Scouts of America, Great Salt Lake, Trapper Trails and Utah National Parks Councils informing them of our greater readiness for mutually beneficial interactions. This will be followed by a personal visit from Clayton to the Scout Executive of each Council. Likewise, the Grand Teton and Snake River Councils in Idaho will also be notified of the SUP interest in greater interaction and involvement in support of the BSA and the youth it serves.

Early June is not too early to begin making plans for the three big Sons of Utah Pioneers events planned for July as part of our annual commemoration and celebration of the Saints' entry into the Salt Lake valley. For some of the events you will want to include your family so begin planning early!

SUP Day at This Is The Place Monument Park: MONDAY JULY 18 - 4 - 8:00 PM Regular ticket price - \$13.50. **SUP ticket price in advance \$5.00!** SUP Ticket at the door \$7:00. Over 800 SUP folks attended last year so plan early. Dads and Grandpas, here is a chance to bond with your kids and grandkids for a memorable Family Home Evening at the Park. Trail rides on live horses by appointment. Genuine Native American drum and dances in the largest Tepee in the country! Kids pan for gold and turn into the assayer office for reward! Feast on Navajo Tacos at the Bowery! Pioneer era Printing press, Leather working, Seamstress and quilt making and much, much more. A General Authority Devotional will be fitting conclusion to the day. Make plans now and be there!

SUNRISE SERVICE: MONDAY JULY 25 - 7 - 8:00 AM TABERNACLE AT TEMPLE SQUARE. A grand tradition of the Salt Lake City Pioneer Chapter of the SUP. If you haven't attended this you have missed the treat of a lifetime. Beautiful music by the combined Salt Lake Institute Choir and inspiring words from Elder LeGrand Curtis of the First Quorum of the Seventy. Clearly worth the early rise!

DAYS OF '47 PARADE. STATE STREET FROM SOUTH TEMPLE TO LIBERTY PARK - 9:00 AM. Traditionally the Sons of Utah Pioneers is one of the lead entries at the parade. This year we have arranged for 10 handcarts to represent the 10 handcart companies that crossed the plains between 1856 and 1860. We are looking for direct decedents of those companies who would be willing to pull the handcart representing the company with whom their ancestor traveled. Call National Headquarters for more information. Estimates are that over 400,000 view the parade. It is recognized nationwide for its unique nature. We hope you are watching either at the parade site or by TV.

James C. Hurst
National President, 2016
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The *Sons of Utah Pioneers, Holladay Chapter*,
And the *Boy Scouts of America*, join together
With an **SUP Activity Patch** for Scouts of all ages.
Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity and Venture Scouts.

Requirements for the SUP Activity Patch

To earn this patch, the Scout with his Leader, visit a Historical Building, a Monument or a Place that represents the Pioneer History of that area.

1. Learn the Pioneer History of that place and why it is important.
2. Write a short story about your experience and what it means to you.
3. Fill out a pedigree chart of your ancestors and tell a story of them.
4. Find out who is the earliest Pioneer of your area and when they came.
5. Have your Merit Badge Counselor or Scout Leader pass you off and Sign this paper that you have accomplished these things.
6. The cost of the Patch is \$5.00.

Scout Signature/Date

Leader Signature/Date

This activity provides an educational and fun activity for the boys and their leaders. Many of the boys and their leaders are Sons of Utah Pioneers. For those who do not trace their roots to the Pioneers who settled the Deserts and Mountains of the West from 1847-1869, we encourage all to learn of their Heritage. We all descend from Pioneers, who came to this land of Freedom. They came from all over the World to find Peace and Safety to raise their families in this great land or in the Shadows of the Rocky Mountains.

For further information, please call
Preston Hunt 801-226-8216

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Life Members

Name	Chapter
Ronald G Watt	Porter Rockwell
Willard Zinn Maughan	Ogden Pioneer
Robert W Sidwell	Temple Fork
Kent Lundquist	At Large Member

New Annual Members

Name	Chapter
Quentin Wells	Murray
Gary McDougal	At Large Member
Paul LeFevor	Mills

New Family & Friends

Name	Chapter
Bill Asplund	Snow Horse
Al Rounds	Mills
Joseph E Grange	Twenty Wells
George R Cannon	Dixie Encampment
Dale Spencer	Red Rocks
Jay L Johnson	Red Rocks
David L Mansell	At Large Member
Andrew L Christenson	At Large Member

James Brown	At Large Member
Jim McBride	At Large Member
David Wall	At Large Member
Tony Arnone	At Large Member
Jeremy Eskelsen	At Large Member
Paul Taylor	At Large Member
Keith Stephens	At Large Member
Mike Adams	At Large Member
Tim Jennings	At Large Member
Ned Sharp	At Large Member
Gary Morse	At Large Member
Doug Thayer	At Large Member
Tom Bryant	At Large Member
Richard Sandborn	At Large Member
Melvyn Johnson	At Large Member

F&F Converted to Annual

Name	Chapter
Paul Grange	Twenty Wells
Gene Williams	Box Elder

Chapter Eternal

Name	Chapter
Eldred L Cluff	Mesa

Note on external navigation

When clicking on a link to go to an external page outside of the *Trail Marker*, such as clicking to go to sup1847.com, some have had problems returning to the newsletter.

The following suggestions are general and may not work for everyone – if you have consistent problems, call for a grandchild, they can usually help.

1. Do NOT click on the X in the upper right hand corner of your window, that almost always closes all windows, including the *Trail Marker*.
2. If you can see that you have individual tabs open – generally showing at the top of the screen – you can close individual tabs by clicking on the X for that tab.
3. Often, the back arrow will take you from the current screen to the previous one.

NATIONAL NEWS

Send National News submissions to SUP1847@gmail.com.

Status of Speakers' Bureau

The Speaker's Bureau is growing! It is up to six names now. Thanks to those who have been submitting names.

Now, we need your help to make it continue to grow and to make good use of it. So if you have a speaker that you want to recommend, be sure that they are willing and then send the information to the webmaster. (david.mower@gmail.com) He will then add that to the list. When you are in need of a speaker, go to the website and see if someone meets your needs.

The Speakers' Bureau will reside permanently in the *About/Forms and Documents* section of sup1847.com. To see the Speakers' Bureau now, click [HERE](#).

Coming National Conventions.

We are looking ahead to some wonderful conventions. We have plans for the next three years, if your chapter wishes to host a convention beyond these, please contact us!

2017 The Centerville, Utah Chapter will sponsor this one.

2018 Convention will be sponsored by the Washington DC chapter. This will be a wonderful event, plan now on attending.

2019 Convention will be sponsored by the Cedar City Chapter

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

NATIONAL CALENDAR

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

- June 25, National Past President's Luncheon, Golden Corral at 665 East 7200 South, Midvale, Utah, 11:30 a.m.
- July 18, SUP Day at This is the Place Heritage Park [See page 23](#)
- July 25, Sunrise Service at the Salt Lake Tabernacle, 7:00 a.m.
- July 25, Pioneer Day Parade
- August 27, National Past President's Luncheon, Golden Corral at 665 East 7200 South, Midvale, Utah, 11:30 a.m.
- September 22-24, 2016, **SUP National Convention in Hurricane, Utah.**
- October – Bring a friend to Chapter meeting month
- October 22, National Past President's Luncheon, Golden Corral at 665 East 7200 South, Midvale, Utah, 11:30 a.m.
- October-November, National Training meetings
 - October 22 – North Utah Ogden
 - October 29 – Idaho
 - November 5 – South Central Utah
 - November 12 – Salt Lake City
 - November 19 – Utah County
- December 2 – Brigham's Christmas Ball at National headquarters

The 2016 Annual Historical Symposium



Carol Madsen

Within the Radius of the True Light – The Life of Emmeline B. Wells

Emmeline was known as “The Queen of Utah” and was a celebrity in her own right and left a rich history.

In 1888 she became the secretary to the Relief Society General Board and then in 1910 she was called to be the General President. She served in that position until her death in 1921.



Her philosophy in life is summarized in her own words: "I believe in women. I desire to do all in my power ... to do those things that would advance women in moral and spiritual, as well as educational work and tend to the rolling on of the work of God upon the earth."

Mary Ellen Elggren

Ruth May Fox: The Last Living Pioneer

In 1867, Ruth May, a young girl of 14 walked the entire way across the plains to Utah. She was too old to ride and too young to attract the attention of the young men on horseback.

She was called to be the First Counselor in the Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association where she served for 24 years. Then in 1929, at the age of 75



she was called to be the General President of the YLMIA.

She loved poetry and wrote some. She is best remembered as the author of “Firm As the Mountains Around Us” which we know today as “Carry On”.

She died in in 1957 at the age of 104.

Kate Holbrook

Giants in Relief Society from Hyrum to Thistle Valley

She told a series of stories about some of the “ordinary” women of the Relief Society who did extraordinary things.

The Black Hawk war heavily affected the Sanpete Valley which included the Thistle Branch of the Church. In 1880, just 7 years after that war the Relief Society was composed of about half & half whites and Indians, but they got along well together and participated in various projects.



Lucy Meserve Smith was the 2nd wife of George Albert Smith. One day an evil spirit invaded her home. She ignored it for some time and went about her duties. That evening in exasperation she addressed the spirit: “Old fellow, you’ve got the wrong pig by the ear this time.” She then proceeded to cast the evil spirit out of her home.

She told of Emma Andersen Liljenquist who was trained and set apart as a mid-wife and subsequently delivered over 1000 babies.

David Hall

Amy Brown Lyman; From Pioneer Daughter to Innovator

Amy Brown was the daughter of John Brown who was a member of the Vanguard Company in 1847

She married Richard M. Lyman who was later called to be an Apostle.

In 1909 she was called to the Relief Society board and then called as the General Relief Society President in 1939.



In November 1943 tragedy struck when her husband was excommunicated. Despite this she continued to serve until April 1945 when she was released.

She stood by her husband while they rebuilt their marriage. He was rebaptized in 1954, but died in 1963 without his Priesthood blessings being restored. This was later done. She died in December 1959.

As part of our dinner program Jim Hurst, National President, observed how the presentations of the afternoon enriched our pioneer legacy in the following ways:

1. Courage in the face of adversity
2. Unwavering commitment to a higher good
3. Honoring covenants to our God and promises to each other
4. Our readiness to sacrifice for the welfare of others
5. Foresight to choose the promises of the future over the security of the now.

Maurine Smith, President of the International Society of Daughter of Utah Pioneers told us the story of Sarah Goode Marshall who was born in England in 1821. She married Tom Marshall, but when she joined the Church, he left her with 6 young children. She saved her money and eventually had enough to get to America.

She joined the Ellsworth handcart company, which was the first company to use the newly developed handcarts, and became the first lady to pull a handcart into the Salt Lake Valley.

Sister Smith commented that the DUP together with the SUP makes us SUPER, DUPer partners!

Sister Bonnie L. Oscarson

Young Women General President was our keynote speaker for the evening.

She told of the strength and fortitude of the women who came early and made this area a great state. These women believed in the Spirit of Gathering, and understood that the purpose of gathering was to build temples so that families could be sealed together. Many of them are unsung heroes who worked and served with what little they had to prepare the way for those who would follow.



As an example she told of a young man who was called to serve a mission and was to leave in one week, but had no suit. The sisters brought in the sheep from the fields, sheared them, washed, carded and spun the wool into thread. They then wove this into cloth, cut and sewed so that when this young man stood up to leave on his mission he had a brand new suit, one that the sheep had been wearing one week before.



Service Opportunities

This is a new section for the *Trail Marker*. It is intended as a place where individual chapters or National can ask for volunteer help. OR if you have a talent you would like to share, that can be posted too. The only rule is that all services are free. Contact the *Trail Marker* editor, Don Lee, at donlee0938@gmail.com to place any request.

Office/Library help needed at National

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](tel:801-484-4441).

Wanted: Associate Editor for the Trail Marker Newsletter

With the thought that all important positions should have a backup, I am looking for someone who would be interested in being an associate editor for the Trail Marker. The basic requirements for the position are:

- Computer conversant,
- Good with Photoshop or similar photo processing software
- Knowledgeable in WORD.
- Some literary, editing capability

If you are interested in considering this, please contact Don Lee at donlee0938@gmail.com

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For those with limited time

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Regular membership

Pay annual dues or become
a life member

Click [HERE](#) for an application form

CHAPTER NEWS

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Please send Chapter Newsletters and other news, information, pictures and upcoming events to Roland Lee at: rolandleefamily@gmail.com by the 23rd of each month. We prefer submissions in the MS Word format, rather than a PDF file.

Editor's challenge to EVERY chapter – Please send me news of your chapter. We would love to hear from you.

One of the functions of this section is to provide suggestions for speakers and activities. With that thought in mind we will be including contact information as it is made available to us. See also the Speakers' Bureau on the website.

BOX ELDER CHAPTER (Brigham City, Utah)



Hal Reeder

Our April Dinner Meeting featured a mini-concert by the Bear River Valley Choir. They beautifully presented patriotic and inspirational songs for a great evening. Our speaker for the night was retired educator and County history buff, **Hal Reeder**. Hal related pioneer history stories from the area.

CENTERVILLE CHAPTER (Centerville, Utah)

Glenn Rawson was a hit as the guest speaker at our May 2016 Centerville SUP dinner meeting. Not only did most of our members and their spouses attend, but eighteen guests came giving us an attendance of 128--the most we have ever had.

Glen is currently teamed with **Dennis Lyman** and **Bryan Bush** in the weekly Sunday Morning KSL TV production of The History of the Saints. He



Glenn Rawson

is a great storyteller. At our dinner meeting he centered his stories on the Mormon refuges from Missouri in 1838-1839. He shared powerful accounts of events that touched the hearts of those in attendance. Many members know the main line stories, but Brother Rawson shared stories that are not well known which captivated his audience. No one seemed anxious for the evening to end. We all wanted more.

The Mission of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

1. Come to know our fathers, and turn our hearts to them.
2. Preserve the memories and heritage of the early pioneers of the Utah Territory and the western U.S.
3. Honor present-day pioneers worldwide who exemplify the pioneer values and qualities of character.
4. Teach these values and qualities to the youth who will be tomorrow's pioneers.

COTTON MISSION CHAPTER (St George, Utah area)



On May 14th, two-dozen members and guests of the Sons of Utah Pioneers drove to Hurricane and then south to the bottom of the dugway where a trail climbs approximately 2000 ft. to the top of the Hurricane Mesa from the floor of Warner Valley. This dugway served important needs of early pioneers that hauled timber from Mt. Trumbull located approximately 50 miles south on the Mesa to this dugway and then on to the St. George Temple. Years later, saints traveling from Arizona traveled via Lee's ferry, across the Colorado River, up to Kanab, walking past Pipe Springs toward the top of the Hurricane Mesa, and on to the dugway leading down from the top of the mesa. This journey from Arizona became known as the Honeymoon trail. **Mel Duehlmeier** described the travel of the saints journeying to St. George to secure temple ordinances including marriages and marriage sealings. **Royce Griffin** described the physical upheavals that gave rise to the Hurricane Mesa. **Durant McArthur** told about his father-in-law and family reenacting travel from Pipe Springs to the St. George Temple in wagons as part of the United States Bicentennial Celebration in 1976 nearly a hundred years after the original trail was developed.

Our group then traveled to Fort Pearce in Warner Valley and to the site where the Honeymoon Trail and two branches of the Temple Trail joined. At this point, **David Rogers** described some of the work that members of the SUP have been involved in on the trail above the Mesa and the lower branch of the Temple Trail that runs along the bottom of the Mesa. He reported that 5 new Temple Trail posts were placed on the top of the Mesa and that, working with BLM, SUP members will place 10 new posts along the bottom of the Mesa. Fort Pearce was the convergence of three trails, Honeymoon, Temple, and Indian raiding trails. **Durant McArthur** described the reasons the fort was built including the potential threat of the U.S. Army, limiting the Navaho raiding parties, and an important source of water for travelers including Native Americans and the 1776 Spanish exploration party of Fathers Dominquez and Escalante.

These historic events took on additional meaning to many of those participating as they stood in the heat of the day and surveyed the difficulties experienced by some of their ancestors that settled this area as they traveled through these challenging areas in the Arizona Strip.

GROVE CITY CHAPTER (Blackfoot, Idaho)

Our featured speakers at the April lunch were **Dan and Richard Polatis**. For more than 100 years, the Polatis family has farmed in this area. Today, brothers Dan and Richard Polatis are the third generation to continue the family farming business.

Their children, their siblings' children and neighbor kids have been able to work on the farm to earn money

for missions and college. "Our grandfather,

Christian Polatis, came over from Germany to settle in Utah in 1892," Dan Polatis said. "He and his wife moved into the Riverside area in 1894."

In a letter Christian sent to his sister in Germany, he remembered, "It took us eight days to cover 250 miles. The road was rough and steep; the horses were good. We bought 40 acres of land. The town has been settled for nine years. The land is plentiful with wood, hunting, and fishing. Water runs through the land. We have freedom; no one tells us what to do,"

Their Grandfather, Christian, drowned in the Snake River while driving across the channel to get wood. His pregnant wife took her son and daughter and

returned to Utah to live with a widowed sister and her children. Sixteen years later she returned to her farm in Riverside. "Our dad, Christian was the baby she was carrying," Dan said.



Dan and Richard Polatis

Richard went on to explain the many changes they have experienced in the farming industry. From horse drawn implements to the modern GPS guided tractor. Richard related that their dad's dream

was that we should all farm together.

"Stick together as a

family," he always said. When their dad died each of the five sons received 160 acres of land and had their own ideas about farming. Richard explained, "farming separately we started going broke; we couldn't make it. When three of us decided to farm together we started being successful."

Polatis Farms consists of some 10,000 acres and they raise potatoes, wheat, sugar beets and barley. Like all others in the farming business they adjust to the fluctuating markets and continue to carry on a proud tradition. We are fortunate to have such determined individuals as the Polatis brothers doing business in our area. We can learn much from their story.

JORDAN RIVER TEMPLE CHAPTER (West Jordan, Utah)

Kent Hathaway and his wife, Jaelyne gave a most interesting program on following Gospel Principles and exemplified these principles through pioneer experiences taken from pioneer journals.



Kent and Jaelyne Hathaway

These principles included the following

- Obedience
- Listening for and acting on the promptings of the Holy Ghost

- The need for opposition in all things
- Hope
- Use it up – wear it out – make it do – or do without
- Supporting Church leaders
- Families are forever
- Accepting and performing duties and assignments
- Faith.

The following question raised was last month when this program was announced? What could the following mean? “Don’t Steal the Toothbrush and Other Gospel Principles learned on the Pioneer Trail”?

There is a story about a toothbrush that was tied by a string near a hand-washing bowl at a way station along the trail. Nearby was a note to be sure and rinse the toothbrush after you use it.

Oh, the pioneer experiences we learn about! I guess you just do what you have to do with whatever you have to get it done!

Our thanks to the Hathaway’s for this most interesting program.

LEHI CHAPTER, (Lehi, Utah)

Our May presenter, **Mark Robbins**, spoke about the development of the Provo Tabernacle into the Provo City Center Temple. He was involved as the

project manager and shared personal insights that were not widely known. There was an enthusiastic response from those in attendance.

MILLS CHAPTER (Salt Lake City and Mill Creek, Utah area)

Our speaker was **Richard Lambert** who talked about the translators of the King James Version of the Bible.

They were a diverse group of over 60 men who were directly involved in the translation. They were a diverse group. While some were born in large cities and towns, most were from small villages scattered throughout England. Several were the children of university graduates but most were not. They were sons of mariners, farmers, schoolteachers, cordwainers (leather merchants), fletchers (makers of bows and arrows), ministers, brewers, tailors, and aristocrats.

All were members of the Church of England, but their religious views ran the gamut. Some believed in pre-destination and limited salvation as taught by John Calvin, while others believed in self-determination and universal access to heaven as taught by Jacobus Arminius. All of the Translators were university graduates. Oxford and Cambridge claimed nearly equal numbers of Translators as alumni. All of the Translators except one were ordained Church of England priests.

While several of the Translators had traveled to the Continent, only one had ventured to the New World. Most of the Translators were married men (38 of 60) with families. Most of the Translators spent a significant portion of their career associated with their colleges and universities as fellows,



Richard Lambert

involved in teaching and administration. As fellows, they were not allowed to marry. As a result many delayed marriage until they had established themselves in church office away from the university.

When the translation commenced in 1604-1605, the majority of the Translators, 22, were in their forties, 16 men were in their thirties, 15 in their fifties, 3 in their sixties and 3 in their twenties. More information at this web site

<http://kingjamesbibletranslators.org/>

MORGAN CHAPTER (Morgan Valley, Utah)



Margo Butler

Our March Guest Speaker **Margo Butler** served on the YWMIA General Board. She was member of the Church Curriculum Committee. She has also served in many other capacities and on many other committees. She talked about two prominent women in the Church: **Amelia McConkie** and **Florence Jacobsen**.

Amelia McConkie was a very strong-willed woman. Amelia made the statement that it was good to have friends beautiful inside and outside. She related that one Monday morning as she was doing her washing, two visitors knocked on her door. They were **Joseph Fielding Smith** and **Harold B. Lee**, and they indicated that they were there doing home teaching. She was all wet from doing her washing, however these two influential brethren just had to take her as she was, so it didn't bother her at all that they had come as her home teachers and seeing her in her wet clothes.

We were then told of a painting showing Joseph F Smith surrounded by wolves. When **Elder Oaks** saw that painting, he pointed out one of the wolves in the front of the picture and indicated that the wolf probably represented one of the local newspapers.

She then described how the hymn "I Believe in Christ" was written by **Bruce R. McConkie** and how it had several versions of music to go along with it. The version that we now have in our hymn books was sung at his funeral.

Florence Jacobsen was the wife of a prominent building contractor. Being the wife of a builder, she was knowledgeable about building plans and was comfortable talking about them. This was apparent in many of the stories Margo related.

Her two grandfathers were **Joseph F. Smith** and **Heber J. Grant**. She felt at ease just walking into their offices along with the offices of other general authorities.

In 1955 she went with her husband to New York where he served as the mission president in the Palmyra New York Area. When they were there, the church had grown enough to warrant building their own chapel. As she looked at the plans, she didn't like them because as she said, "It looks like a barn". After returning to Salt Lake she walked into the office of **President McKay**. He liked the plans until she made her comment about the chapel looking like a barn. President McKay looked at them again, and agreed with her. Due to this interchange, a steeple was added to the plans for the chapel so it didn't look like a barn.

Several instances were related that the presiding brethren commented whenever she was around wanting something, that it was better to just give in to her, because if not, she would go into the church presidents office and would get her way anyway.

Another situation concerned the Lion House that was going to be torn down. She proposed adding a cafeteria to the Lion House making it a paying proposition. This was done, and the Lion House is still serving many today.

RED ROCKS CHAPTER (Kanab, Utah)



Chapter members at the Johnson Cemetery

Following a delicious meal of pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, salads and desserts the Red Rocks chapter enjoyed a power point presentation about the United Order that was followed most successfully for many years in the Orderville area.

Presenter **Alan DeMille** showed the progress of the Order from Mt. Carmel to Orderville and gave interesting backgrounds on many of the original

members of the Order and their families. He explained how the Order began in that area and the good things that were enjoyed by those who entered in to it including the strong leadership that not only began the Order, but the leadership that was developed through it. He also explained how it finally was disbanded and how assets of the Order were divided up among members. Quite a number of the current members of the Red Rock Chapter are descendants of the original members of the Order. It was a very enjoyable and enlightening evening.

At the last board meeting of the Red Rocks Chapter, the executive committee discussed the need for better fencing around the Johnson cemetery. Most of the posts around the cemetery have been there a long time and some need to be replaced or otherwise strengthened. Several suggestions were discussed and some of the members will visit the cemetery to determine what should be done. The cemetery has been the focus of cleaning and upgrading several times and is now in quite nice and presentable shape, thanks largely to **Larry Smith** and his family.

SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER (Salt Lake City, Utah)

Steven L. Olsen, Senior Curator of the Church History Department of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was our speaker May 5. He spoke to us on "The Priesthood Restoration Site, its history and development leading to the wonderful present day location".

He has worked for the LDS Church History Department his entire professional career, most recently as Managing Director and Acting Director

of the Church History Museum. In his current position, he directs the restoration of major Mormon historic sites. On-going projects include sites in northeast Pennsylvania, west central Illinois and Laie, Oahu, Hawaii.

The Church now owns a large tract of land surrounding the site where the Priesthood restoration began and has done some wonderful development there.

- The site of the Joseph and Emma Smith home has been researched and the building reconstructed.
- The Isaac Hale home has also been researched and reconstructed.
- Highway 171 was moved up the hill leaving the home site as it was in 1829.
- Two large monuments commemorate the restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood and the restoration of the Melchizedek Priesthood. These are copies of the



Steve Olsen

originals that are on Temple Square.

- A visitor center and chapel have been constructed.
- Access has been arranged with the railroad so that visitors can safely go down to the banks of the river. He pointed out that the appearance of John the Baptist was in a wooded section north of Joseph and Emma’s home where they had privacy rather than down by the river as often depicted. The Susquehanna River was about 10 feet above flood stage on May 15, 1829 and heavily involved in commercial traffic.

SETTLEMENT CANYON CHAPTER (Tooele, Utah)

“The Trail of Tears” is how the Mormon Pioneers described the massive hardships and yet miraculous blessings on the trail between Nauvoo, Illinois and what would come to be known “Winter Quarters” in Nebraska.

LuAnn and Robert Blakely told the story of the Mormon Saints who had tearfully been forced out of their homes in the dead of winter and how the women even swept them so as to tearfully remember the wonderful time of peace the Saints had experienced for those few short years in Nauvoo before the Prophet Joseph was martyr.

The Blakely’s had served a mission at “Winter Quarters” at the visitors center in the Mormon Trails Mission in Florence, Nebraska. Quoting from journal entries, and using pictures and maps,



Robert and LuAnn Blakely

they helped the members of the Settlement Canyon Chapter understand why the trail through Iowa made the trail from Iowa into Utah seem relatively easy. The Winter Quarters to Utah trail, which is three times the distance from Nauvoo to Winter Quarters, was accomplished in about the same amount of time as the “Trail of Tears” from Nauvoo to Winters Quarters.

After temporarily stopping their exodus in Winter Quarters, those road, mud and mosquito weary travelers still had to find shelter. Many lived in tents, others in their covered wagons, and a few were able to cobble together tiny cabins from trees they cut down. These cabins, not even as large as most bedrooms today, seemed like palaces to those

who had survived in tents and wagons, even if they needed to continually mud between the green timbers as they dried. They made fireplaces from prairie sod that interestingly hardly ever caught fire. The tears of thankfulness flowed because they were finally able to take a break from this most difficult section of the Mormon Trail. Before the Saints were asked to continue on to Utah, there were about 100 different communities scattered around the Winter Quarters area. Some had settled into life there and refused to come west, saying, “We didn't leave the church, the church left us.”

The evening ended far too quickly, leaving all with a hunger to learn more of this important piece of history

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER (Richfield and Monroe, Utah)

No Chapter Meeting was held in April, but our plan this year has been to spotlight Sevier County and to find some historical treasures that need to be visited or revisited. As we have been preparing meetings and interacting with county residents, it has made us aware again of the rich pioneer heritage that created the communities that we enjoy now.

This month we had the opportunity to visit the Salina area. We enjoyed a presentation sponsored by Miss Mary's Museum by museum director **Sylvia Barney**. She gave us an overview of the museum. One of the notable items is a map of Salina dating back to 1866. It was taken and recorded in the archives for the LDS Church. The archivist couldn't believe it even existed. Bill Crane of Richfield has the original. The Salina story told here is excellent in every way.

During our May board meeting it was proposed and unanimously approved that \$500.00 scholarships be



Miss Mary's Museum

presented to a graduate of South Sevier High School and Richfield High School. These scholarships will be presented to qualified students who will be attending the Snow College Richfield Campus. The scholarship is entitled “Tomorrow's Pioneers Scholarship” sponsored by the Sons of Utah Pioneers Sevier Valley Chapter.

TAYLORSVILLE/BENNION CHAPTER (Taylorsville/Bennion, Utah)

“Finding Roy” was the subject of our guest, **John Eldridge**. John and his family were doing some research of the “Old Mormon Trail” by Evanston, Wyoming. They came across a large stone on a hilltop with an inscription, “ROY 1814.” The writing on the stone was old, covered with lichen. This started an extensive project to find ROY. John searched all available records of fur trappers who may have been in the area around 1814. The search led him from Lewis and Clark to several French trapping companies in eastern Canada. He was never able to find “ROY”, but was able to establish

that travelers had been in that area in 1814. Brother Eldridge is a talented researcher with many years of experience and wonderful stories to tell.



John Eldridge

TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER (American Fork, Utah)

May 19, 2016 - Three \$1000 Pioneer Values Scholarships were awarded to high school seniors from American Fork HS, Lone Peak HS and Pleasant Grove HS. The Pioneer Values Scholarships are awarded to academically capable students who have a clear economic need, have overcome significant adversity in health, economic

or social conditions, have adhered faithfully to Pioneer Values (faith in God, loyalty to church, country and family, courage in adversity, service to others and hard work), are of good character, free from drugs, tobacco or alcohol, and are recommended by a school teacher, counselor or principal. Congratulations to:



Alexis Mendenhall PGHS



Tiffany Gibbons LPHS



Madison Godwin PGHS

In preparation for the Chapter Trek to visit the Topaz Museum and the Great Basin Museum in Delta, UT on June 11th we invited Mary Kawakami and her son Paul to be the guest speakers.

Sister Kawakami is well known as a Japanese American who has been very influential and has had many experiences dealing with human relationships especially during the time of the Japanese Americans internment at Topaz during World War Two.

While she herself was not interned, many that she knew were. Sister Kawakami related the supports and helps of others, including Brother Clifford Young and his wife, who protected her during times of social unrest with those of Japanese ancestry during the war. Sister Kawakami is currently 103 years young and has a delightful sense of humor combined with a sparkle in her eye. She related that in her early years she began a business of hair dressing in half of what once was a chicken coop. The business, even though buffeted by adversaries, thrived and became very successful.



Mary and Paul Kawakami

Paul Kawakami also gave insights to the conditions suffered by Japanese Americans during times of internment. Japanese people who had worked hard all of their life to provide for their families lost

everything during the internment. They returned to nothing. Many wanted to become citizens of the United States of America so they would not be labeled as "foreign aliens". Even though so many suffered through very trying times, many Japanese Americans became prominent in civic, government and religious affairs. The violation of

human rights suffered by Japanese Americans was similar to the violation of human rights suffered by the LDS Saints as they were expelled from Missouri and Illinois. Sister Kawakami gave thanks and showed her appreciation and love to all.

With summer driving upon us, consider this little gem from Ogden Nash

Song of the Open Road

I think that I shall never see
A billboard lovely as a tree;
Perhaps unless the billboards fall
I'll never see a tree at all.

Available SUP Markers

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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.

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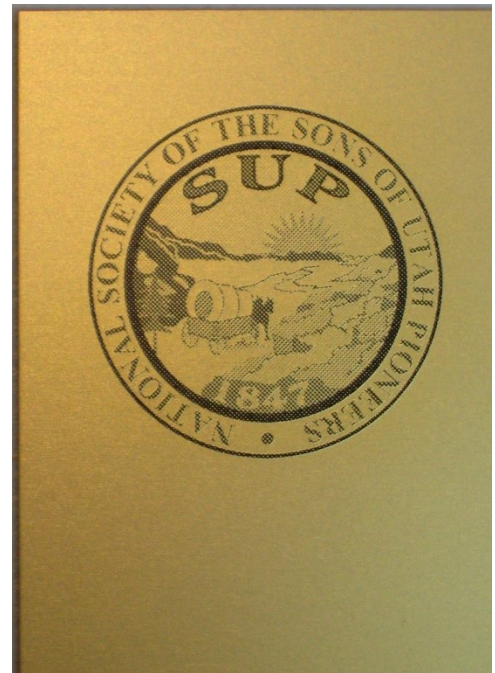
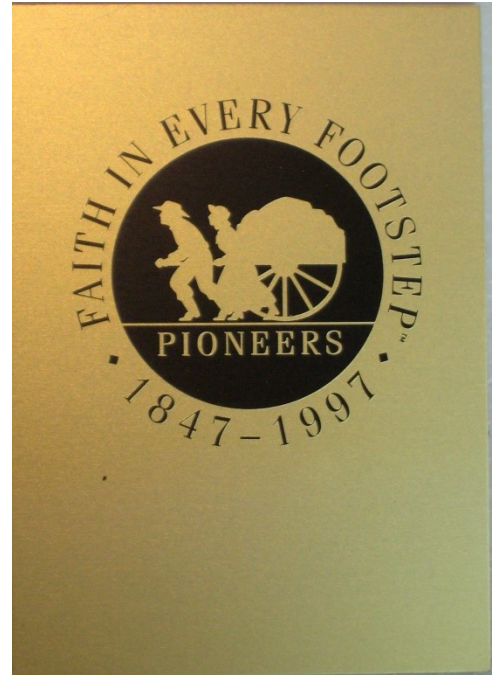
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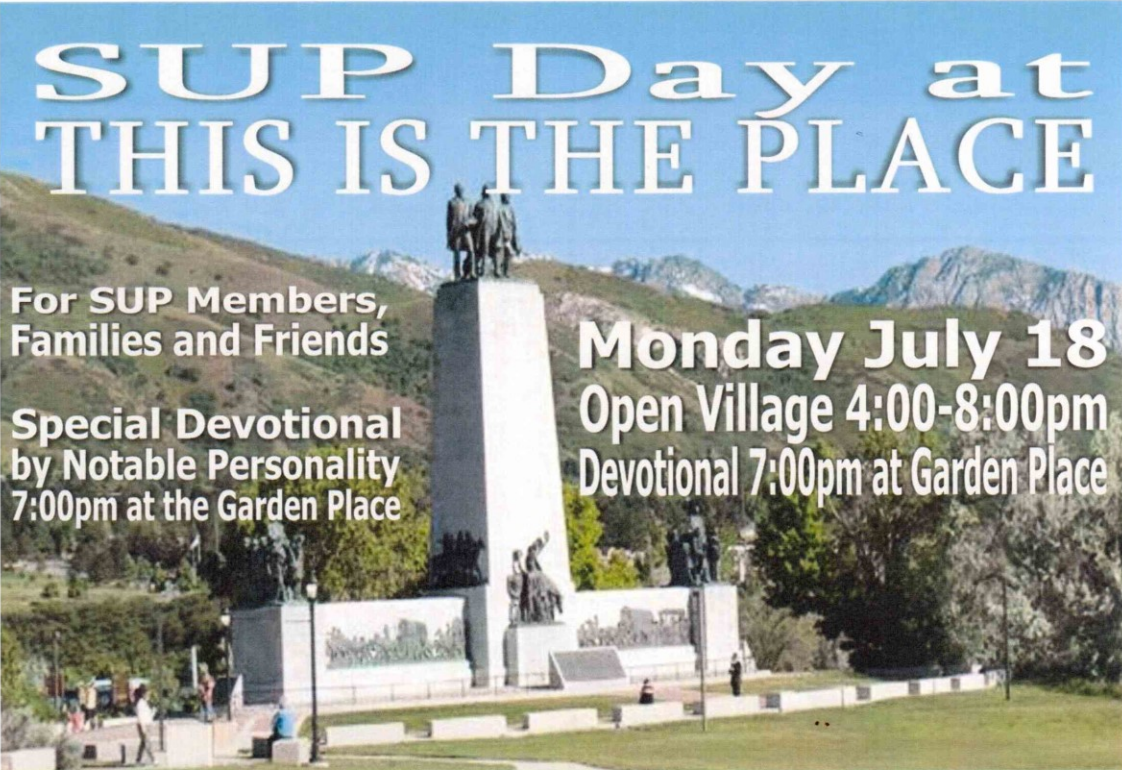
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Zion Nat'l Park & Grafton Tour
Visit the stunning red and white cliffs of Zion, a site that was sacred to the Paiute Indians, & the Pioneer Ghost town of Grafton.



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See the grandeur of Kolob Fingers and visit Old Fort Harmony and an incredible Wildlife display!



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Our Saturday Convention's Keynote Speaker is none other than the famous Historical Fiction writer, and author of numerous church doctrine books!

Gerald N. Lund

He taught Seminary and Institute for 34 years and helped write curriculum. He also served in the 2nd quorum of the Seventy!



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SATURDAY ONLY REGISTRATION	\$40	MEMBER \$ _____	SPOUSE \$ _____	TOTAL \$ _____

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TOUR 1 (Full Day) IMAX & ZION	\$40.00 ea.	Member \$ _____	Spouse \$ _____	Total \$ _____
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TOUR 2 (Half Day) Kolob (p.m.)	\$20.00 ea.	Member \$ _____	Spouse \$ _____	Total \$ _____
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MEAL CHOICES

THURSDAY: BURRITO

(Circle one for each person!)

Member: Chicken Pork Beef Vegan
 Spouse: Chicken Pork Beef Vegan

FRIDAY Lunch:

(Circle one for each person.)

Member: Roast Beef Turkey Ham
 Vegan Spouse: Roast Beef Turkey

FRIDAY DINNER:

(Circle one for each person)

Member: Chicken Vegan
 Spouse: Chicken Vegan

SATURDAY LUNCH:

(Circle one for each person)

Member: Prime Rib Vegan
 Spouse: Prime Rib Vegan



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TOUR INFORMATION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

1:00 – 5:30 p.m. Check in and welcome. Hurricane Stake Center 700 South and 700 West

6:00 p.m. Burrito Dinner (Choice of Chicken, Pork, Roast Beef, or Vegan)

7:30 p.m. ERIC DODGE CONCERT (Fine Arts Building 100 S. 100 W.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

7:30 – 8:15 Check in for New Arrivals

8:30 a.m. TOURS DEPART

HURRICANE STAKE CENTER

12:00 LUNCH (Tours 2 & 3 meet at Hurricane Stake Center for lunch. **Tour 1** will eat lunch at Zion National Park

1:00 p.m. Afternoon Tours 2 & 3 Leave from Hurricane Stake Center

6:00 p.m. Chicken fried Chicken Dinner at Hurricane Stake Center

7:30 p.m. JOHN HOUSTON'S GOSPEL CHOIR CONCERT AT THE FINE ARTS CENTER BLDG. 100 S. 100 W.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

7:30 – 9:30 Check in for new arrivals

9:30 – 11:00 National Business Mtg.

9:30 – 11:00 Spouse & Guest Mtg with historians Paul Reeve & Lyman Hafen (chapel)

12:00 Convention Banquet followed by Key Note Speaker GERALD LUND.

TOUR #1 ZION TO GRAFTON

This is a full day tour to the IMAX Theater in Springdale where we will view the BIG screen movie Treasure of the Gods which is a history and tour of Zion National Park. This will be preceded by a power point presentation on the giant screen of Louis Crawford's 1800 photos of the settlement of Zion Canyon, presented by Lyman Hafen, President of the Zion Park Natural History society. Lunch will be provided with a choice of Roast Beef, Turkey, or Ham sandwiches. Following lunch we will tour through Zion Canyon and then down to Rockville and the Ghost Town of Grafton before returning to Hurricane.

TOUR # 2 KOLOB CANYONS OF ZION NATIONAL PARK & OLD FORT NEW HARMONY

This tour is a half day tour (choose morning or afternoon). We will take air-conditioned buses to the Kolob Canyons section of Zion National Park and then to old Fort New Harmony. We will also visit an amazing display of wildlife in the home of a collector that lives in New Harmony.

Tour #3 SUPERSONIC TEST TRACK

This is a half day tour (choose morning or afternoon). We will travel to the test track on the mesa above LaVerkin where we will tour this amazing facility. In the 1950's this test track was a top secret government facility that was built to test ejection seats for the Air Force. The facility is now privately owned and companies from around the world come to test on this amazing track. The one mile track sends specially designed sleds down the track at supersonic speeds. From the mesa the view is well worth the trek to the mesa.

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