

Trail Marker

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Brigham Young Chapter hosts BYU-Idaho President

The first dinner meeting of the Fall for the Brigham Young Chapter was held at the Provo Riverside Country Club on Wednesday, September 14. Over 100 members, spouses and guests were treated to a night of Hawaiian music and an inspiring message from Eric Shumway, President of BYU-Hawaii. President Shumway brought an Aloha greeting from the school's 50th year anniversary. He told the story of the school's beginnings and the pioneer vision of President McKay as he dedicated a vacant swampy area for the school in 1955. He shared with us many inspiring instances of how this vision is being realized in the lives of students from Asian countries such as Japan, China and Korea.



From left: Carol and Maughn Lee, Brigham Young Chapter President and wife, Marilyn and Grant Barton, National President-Elect and wife, President Eric Shumway, Angus Belliston, Past National President and Introducer of speaker.

Hurricane Valley Chapter Packs Six Sites into Two-day Trek

David Hinton, President of the Hurricane Valley Chapter, reports that after lunch and a tour at the National SUP Building in Salt Lake, their chapter visited the Church Museum next to the Family History Center just south of Temple Square. Dinner in Clarkston gave them a rest and nourishment before attending the Martin Harris, "The Man Who Knew" pageant. A good night's rest at the Crystal Inn in Brigham City, prepared them for an

early departure the next day to the Golden Spike State Park. On the way home they still had time and energy to stop at Thanksgiving Point to go through the dinosaur museum there. Nearing home, the bus stopped at Cove Fort for a tour and snack providing a fitting ending to this wonderful and educational trek.



Set at the "Man Who Knew" pageant.



The Martin Harris Monument



Martin Harris's cane



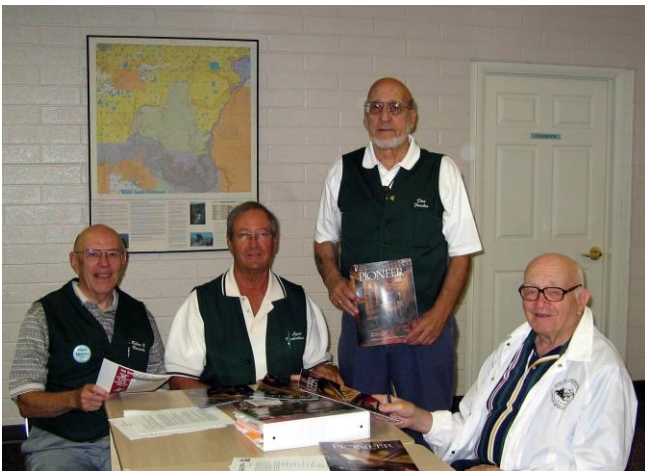
Ron and Colleen Simkins of the Hurricane Valley Chapter at The Golden Spike Park



The Jupiter at Golden Spike Park



Dinosaur Museum at Thanksgiving Point



Sons of Utah Pioneers 2005 Historical Symposium
Joseph Smith: Pioneer

Saturday, **NOVEMBER 5TH** at **1 pm, Dinner: 5 pm.**
National Headquarters 3301 East 2920 South SLC

Speakers **Robert J. Matthews**, Former Dean, BYU Religion Dept.
"World Events Leading to the Birth of the Prophet"

John A. Peterson, Instructor at U of U Institute
"Joseph's doctrine of 'Kingdom' and the Colonization of the West"

Ronald K. Esplin, Managing Editor, 10 Volume Set on Joseph Smith
"The most Significant Church History Project of the Century"

Entertainment **Steven Kapp Perry**: Playwright & Host: Soft Sunday Sounds (FM100)
Johanne Perry: Performed in theaters in almost every state of USA
Musical Skit: "Pulling My Husband up Rocky Ridge in a Handcart"

Dinner Tender Pork and Succulent Chicken, Vegetables, Apple Cobbler á la mode, Catered by Dutch Oven Specialties. Special awards honoring Senator Orrin Hatch and some other Modern-Day Pioneers. **R.S.V.P. for Dinner** by calling 801-484-4441, or by sending checks to 3301 East 2920 East, SLC UT 84117. R.S.V.P. **Deadline: October 31st.**

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> Nathan Stuart asked for a report on a recent chapter activity for
> newsletter. Here is our contribution.
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> Don Lee, Secretary
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> Ogden Pioneer Chapter Trek
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> On Monday 19 September a group of chapter members and partners
traveled to
> Salt Lake City to visit the Church History Museum to tour the new
exhibit
> of the Commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of the
Prophet
> Joseph Smith. The group of 38 of us traveled comfortably on a
special UTA
> bus that took us non-stop from Ogden to the Museum, then picked us up
> there for the return trip. On arrival we all met together in the
> auditorium for an informative presentation on the Prophet Joseph
Smith and
> the nature of the exhibit. We then spread out through the building
to
> enjoy the many exhibits. The group enjoyed many new exhibits on the
> Prophet, some never seen before. Volunteers in the museum were on
hand to
> make our tour interesting and enjoyable. Other exhibits included
the
> Rembrandt etchings of Biblical stories, the display of historical
> buildings and early Church growth in Salt Lake City, plus the gallery
of
> the Church Presidents, from Joseph Smith to President Gordon B.
> Hinckley, which featured many events which happened during the time
they
> were president. It was an enjoyable and educational experience.
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PIONEER VILLAGE AT LAGOON

The Pioneer Village at Lagoon is a project of the SUP. It was sold years ago to Lagoon with the understanding that SUP members visiting Lagoon and the Pioneer Village would not be charged for admission or parking. For many years the Canyon Rim Chapter has held 10 formal meetings of the membership during the year at National Headquarters. They have then held a trek during July or August at Lagoon, depending upon the month of the Encampment.

All chapters are welcome to use the Pioneer Village at Lagoon for activities. To make arrangements for chapter activities at Pioneer Village:

1. Make contact with Dick Andrew of the Lagoon Marketing Office (451-8060).
2. Set a date for your "trek."
3. Reserve a covered picnic area.
4. Inform Lagoon how many people will be in attendance and the date (Lagoon will send tickets to the park (not rides) to the program chair that can be mailed out in your chapter newsletter).

You might also consider buying picnic lunches in the park or having Lagoon cater your meal, and meeting late in the afternoon when it is not too hot.

Any SUP member can show their SUP membership card to park free and enter Lagoon free, go through Pioneer Village, watch the free performances, and visit other exhibits at Lagoon any time the park is open. Those over 65 can get into Lagoon free by showing their driver's license (no rides included) but cannot get free parking unless they are a member of the SUP. **IT IS A GREAT TREK THE SUP CHAPTERS CAN TAKE TO SEE HOW OUR PIONEERS LIVED!!!!!!**

Twelve Resolutions That Every Descendent of a Utah Pioneer Might Consider

by Dr. Rodney H. Brady

1 - I will see that appropriate written histories, photographs, and/or biographical sketches, brief as they may be, are prepared for each of my Pioneer ancestors and that these documents are properly preserved and sufficiently distributed so as to assure that the posterity of these pioneers for generations to come will be familiar with the personalities, accomplishments, trials, courage, and faith of their pioneer forbearers.

2 - I will familiarize myself and my family with the life stories that are already written which recount the trials and the courage of each of my pioneer ancestors and will seek to understand the purposes which brought them to mountains and deserts of Western America.

3 - I will record for my family specific descriptions of, and directions to the location of the homesites, work places, and gravesites of all of my pioneer ancestors.

4 - I will visit regularly the gravesites of my forbearers, I will see that these sites are properly preserved and maintained, and I will pause often by these sacred places to reflect upon the rich heritage of freedom, culture, and faith that these ancestors so courageously provided for me.

5 - I will take the time to visit periodically the towns, villages, and homesteads where my pioneer ancestors lived so as to understand and appreciate better the conditions under which they lived and to become personally familiar with the sights and places that were familiar to them.

6 - I will take the opportunity to travel at least part of the route my pioneer ancestors traveled on their trek to the Mountain West so as to understand, at least in part, the extent and difficulty of their journey and to try to recapture the feelings they must have experienced as they pressed on toward their destination.

7 - I will seek to preserve at least one significant item made, used or owned by each of my pioneer ancestors and will prepare for my family a written document describing this item's maker, owner, and/or user and its special significance to my pioneer ancestors and to me.

8 - I will seek to honor my pioneer ancestors by preserving their names, life stories, and possessions in appropriate home settings, museums, libraries, and places where future generations can learn of the accomplishments, faith, and manner of living of these pioneers.

9 - I will actively organize and support family activities and reunions as a method of preserving the memory of those pioneer ancestors we have in common.

10 - I will actively participate in a lineage society or heritage organization whose objective it is to preserve the memory of my courageous, valiant, and patriotic ancestors.

11 - I will diligently seek to learn as much as I can about the courage, faith, ideals, principles, and purposes which caused my pioneer ancestors to leave that which they loved and possessed to make their journey to the barren deserts and lofty mountains of Western America. I will then strive to incorporate into my life the best of that for which they sought, strived, stood and died – always remembering that my pioneer ancestors provided to me a rich heritage of intellect, knowledge, freedom and opportunity.

12 - I will prepare for the benefit of my posterity a personal life history which will enable them to have for their enlightenment an accurate first person account of my life and surroundings. Most importantly, I will prepare for my posterity a statement of the principles, beliefs, and values I would wish to share with them were I to have the privilege to visit with them in their era and generation.

One suggestion I have for the Sept. newsletter (and following issues) is to have a Calendar paragraph at the end of the 4th page. Events in the calendar could include (1) The annual symposium tentatively scheduled for Oct. 22nd (A separate paragraph on the symposium listing time, speakers and subjects should also be included in the issue); (2) 2006 National Encampment at Heber City, Sept. 7-9; (3) 2007 National Encampment at Mesa AZ, Oct. 18-20. Training seminar(s) for new chapter officers should also be listed when dates have been set. Treks could also be listed. I think this should be a regular feature of the newsletter; I for one schedule my personal calendar months in advance.