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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I write this message, we are preparing for the Chapter Presidents' Council meeting on February 28. In many ways this meeting is the most important one we hold during the year. I remember when I took over as president of the Brigham Young Chapter in 2012, I went to the Presidents' Council meeting with many more questions than answers. I did not understand the Chapter Recognition Awards program. I did not know just what the relationship between our chapter and the national organization was.

Perhaps the biggest challenge was that the national organization had not been able to select a chapter for that year's national convention, and Dick Christiansen had asked our chapter to sponsor it. I had never been involved in sponsoring an SUP national convention before. Fortunately, I had served on the local arrangements committee for national conventions of other organizations, so I had some idea what we needed to do. Most important, we had Jay Smith on our board. Jay had been national president, and he was national treasurer. He and Dick knew what we had to do. We were also fortunate to have an excellent past chapter president, Wally Breitenstein, who agreed to chair the conference committee.

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As we moved ahead to plan the convention, I was particularly impressed with the help that Jay and Dick gave us. At the Chapter Presidents' Council meeting that year we got some information from chapters that

had previously sponsored national conventions. This helped considerably.

In addition, at the Chapter Presidents' Council meeting we were able to interact with other presidents. Many of them had been in the SUP much longer than I had. Some had served as chapter presidents or AVPs before. They helped me, as the new president of the Brigham Young Chapter to understand my responsibilities and to suggest ideas that helped our chapter to organize the convention and improve the way we ran our chapter.

If you are a chapter president, I trust that the president's council helps you. For those of you who are faithful SUP members, I anticipate that the information and

suggestions that your chapter presidents bring back from the meeting will benefit your chapter and the national organization.

If you look over the agenda for the Presidents' Council meeting, you will note that we try as much as possible to involve current chapter presidents in giving presentations. In addition, we provide a great deal of time for the presidents to bring their concerns to the table and to discuss the operation of the SUP among themselves, with the AVPs, and with the national officers.

I am firmly committed to facilitating the success of the SUP. In order to succeed, we have to have chapters that provide a great experience for their members. This means offering informative and attractive monthly meetings.

I joined the SUP because a friend of mine, the late Ted Warner, invited me to come to a dinner meeting of the Brigham Young Chapter. I was impressed not only by the quality of the presentation, the good food, and the convivial interaction with those present, but with the quality of the men who belonged to the organization.

I had known some of the members for years, but Ted was the first one to invite me to come to a chapter meeting and to join the organization. I was firmly convinced then, and I am firmly convinced now that if we invite our friends and acquaintances to join us at an SUP chapter meeting, they will want to become part of this organization. The Family and Friends Initiative can help us bring them in for the first year. After that, since they will see what I saw in our chapter, those who are 56 or older will rush to convert to regular membership. As President Spencer W. Kimball said, "Just do it."

Cordially,

Tom Alexander, National President, 2015 Thomas Alexander@BYU.edu

NATIONAL CALENDAR

April 1-3, A Canyon Peoples' Portrait, World Premier - Spring Trek. (See details on pages 13-14.)

April 11, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., SUP Regional Historical Symposium in Cedar City, (See page 12)

April 14, 6:00 p.m., National Board Meeting

April 25, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

May 9, 1 to 5 p.m. SUP Historical Symposium in Salt Lake City, Dinner at 6 p.m. (See pages 15-16.)

June 27, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

July 24, 7:00 a.m. **Days of '47 Sunrise Service**, Tabernacle on Temple Square

July 24, 10:00 a.m. Days of '47 Parade, Salt Lake City

July 27, 4 to 9 p.m. **SUP Day at This Is the Place Heritage Park** in Salt Lake City.

August 22, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

September 17-19, 2015 SUP National Convention in Brigham City, Utah. Details will be announced.

October 24, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

November (dates to be determined) **Area Training Meetings**, Organized by AVPs and National Officers December 8, **SUP National Christmas Dinner**, National Headquarters

APPLY NOW TO SPONSOR THE 2016 NATIONAL CONVENTION

We expect to announce the location of the 2016 National Convention at the Brigham City Convention this year. If your chapter wants to sponsor the national convention in 2016, please submit your proposal to the Executive Council by June 1, 2015. If you have any questions, you may contact Heather Davis in the national office or any member of the Executive Council: Tom Alexander, Bob Folkman, or Jim Hurst.

NATIONAL NEWS

Send National News submissions to SUP1847@gmail.com.

OFFICE STAFF UPDATES

We've had several changes recently to our office staff. **Heather Davis** is our new Office Manager/Secretary, **Linda Sorensen** is the Building Manager, **John Elggren** is our Treasurer, and **Pat Cook** now handles the *Pioneer Magazine* and membership lists from her home in Hurricane.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NEW LIFE MEMBER FROM ANNUAL

Adam Folkman – Maple Mountain Chapter Lynn R Cook – Centerville Chapter

NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

Dean Carver – Morgan Chapter
Cordell M Ferry – Morgan Chapter
Ron Zeeman – Mount Nebo Chapter
Alan Seelos – Centerville Chapter
Bud L Stanford – Centerville Chapter
Reed Sorenson – Cotton Mission Chapter
David N Lawrence, Jr – Twenty Wells Chapter
Grant Peterson – Twenty Wells Chapter
Ralph Hansen – Jordan River Temple Chapter
Burt P Bohman – Morgan Chapter
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Edward Porter – Mesa Chapter
Don Bellon – Hurrican Valley Chapter
Dale R Isom – Hurricane Valley Chapter

2016 REGIONAL SYMPOSIA

As you know, we will sponsor a regional symposium in collaboration with the Cedar City Chapter on April 11. We are anxious to sponsor regional symposia, but we will do so only in cooperation with a chapter that wants to sponsor one. If your chapter would like to sponsor a regional symposium in 2016, please turn in a proposal by September 1, 2015. You can submit the proposal to John Elggren, our Assistant Treasurer, or any member of the Executive Council: Tom Alexander, Bob Folkman, or Jim Hurst.

CONVERTING FROM FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO ANNUAL

James Belliston – Temple Fork Chapter Winn Everett – Maple Mountain Chapter Sidney K Ingram – Cotton Mission Chapter Lewis J Marrott - Cotton Mission Chapter David C Butler - Cotton Mission Chapter Jon Green – Cotton Mission Chapter Neil J Miller – Dixie Encampment Chapter **Dale P Bott** – Dixie Encampment Chapter Val Gene Eberhard – Dixie Encampment Daniel S Dickson – Morgan Chapter **Douglas J Conder** – Jordan River Temple **Rick Perry** – Cedar City Chapter Elroy Zentner – Settlement Canyon Chapter Paul B Jensen – Cotton Mission Chapter Steven J Christensen – Hurricane Valley Paul Covington – Hurricane Valley Chapter

NEW MEMBERS OF FAMILY & FRIENDS

W Glade Berry – Cedar Fort, UT Merrill G Carson - Lehi, UT Craig L Parry - Lander, WY Paul Weaver – St George, UT Dan Thomas – Orem, UT Larry Ostler - Salem, UT Richard Ferguson – Saratoga Springs, UT Steven I Packer - Brigham City, UT Leo Lyman – Leeds, UT Mark Bennion – Washington, UT Thor Leifson – Orem, UT John C Carmen II - Orem. UT Bovd D Roberts - Pocatello, ID Quinn M Eskelsen – Brigham City, UT Lee A Workman – Rexburg, ID Gary A Tomsik – Toquerville, UT Stacey Eaton - Toquerville, UT Robert Schnabel - Toquerville, UT Ben Ruesch – Hurricane, UT Daylon Ruesch – LaVerkin, UT Mike Sullivan – Hurricane, UT

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Lawrence W Morgan – Pioneer Heritage – 2/5/15 Sidney D Jensen – Box Elder Chapter – 1/4/15 James L Craner – Ogden Pioneer – 1/28/15 Maurice Bateman – Mesa Chapter – 3/24/11 Robert Hamatake – Settlement Canyon – 6/26/14

CHAPTER NEWS

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Please send Chapter Newsletters and other news, information, pictures and upcoming events to Don Lee at donlee0938@gmail.com or to his address at 6830 E 450 N, Huntsville, UT 84317 before the end of each month.

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

CENTERVILLE CHAPTER, (Centerville, Utah – Centerville City is celebrating this year. Cattle were brought to the Centerville area by herdsman in the fall of 1847, and during the following spring of 1848 settlers arrived, but that isn't the reason for the celebration. The reason is Centerville became an incorporated city in 1915-100 years ago; so the city decided to write and publish an up-to-date history of Centerville from 1847 to 2015. The first chapter in the book is about the pioneers, and the first picture in the book is a beautiful picture of the Centerville Pioneer Monument which stands in Founders Park next to the Centerville City offices.

In support of the Centerville Centennial project the Centerville Sons of Utah Pioneers invited members of the committee responsible for the publication of the new history to our February dinner meeting. One committee member, **Lloyd Carr**, gave a power point presentation showing some of the contents of the book. It was well received by the over 120 people in attendance.

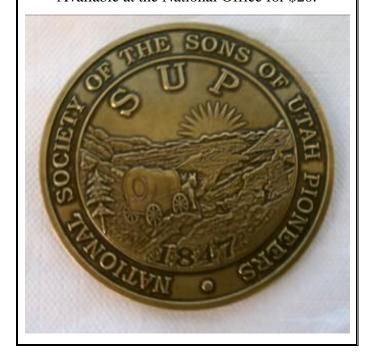
Also at our February meeting, **Alden Richins**, chapter Historian, told about the building of the Centerville Pioneer Monument. The first year after the Centerville Chapter was organized in 1992, the 28 members decided to build a monument to honor the early pioneers in Centerville. In an 18 month period they raised \$77,000 to finance the monument which is a life size bronze monument that stands on a five-foot cement and rock base. On each of the four sides of the base is a plaque. Two plaques give a brief history of Centerville. The other two list the names of pioneers who are honored, and individuals who contributed \$500 or more

towards the monument. The sculptor, Dee Jay Bawden, depicted on the monument a pioneer father and daughter coming in from the field being greeted by mother and baby. The monument was dedicated July 3, 1994



SUP PAPERWEIGHTS

Available at the National Office for \$20.



COTTON MISSION CHAPTER, (St George,

Utah) – The January meeting of the Cotton Mission Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers was a mixture of good company, good food, and interesting and uplifting entertainment. "**Abe Young and friends**" (below) presented the evening's program – favorite songs and folk tales of the Saint George area.



Abe told about his ancestor who was told by his wife that her work load was such that he needed to get a second wife and the unusual way he did it—humor and all. One of the "friends" told about the bandit McCurry who after robbing a bank and only getting \$45 was killed, sold and resold as an amusement park curiosity, and made a mint, but being dead, he couldn't spend it.

Another of the friends shared the uplifting story of the group coming up the Honeymoon Trail to be married in the Saint George Temple. They got caught in a rain storm and a flooded river which turned the Bride's dresses mud red. Upon arrival at Saint George and washing the dresses, they were still red and inappropriate for their temple weddings. Prayer circles and much pleading with the Lord was heard that night and when the young brides to be awoke in the morning, their washed dresses had dried pure white and thankful and joyous marriages were performed.

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.



TEMPLE CHAPTER, (Salt Lake Valley, Southwest) - Our marvelous speaker was Ronald C. Packard (left). Ronald is a retired dentist who also served as a member of the U. S. Congress. He served as a member of the House of Representatives from Idaho for 18 years and is only one of four individuals who were elected to such a prestigious position as a "write-in" candidate.

JORDAN RIVER

Mr. Packard's subject was *The Miraculous Way that God has*

Preserved Our Country. He did all of the research for his presentation.

He gave instances of miraculous interventions that occurred during the following:

- 1. The life of George Washington
- 2. The Continental Congress and the drafting of the U. S. Constitution.
- 3. The Revolutionary War.
- 4. Emancipation Proclamation (Slavery).
- 5. The Declaration of Independence.

His closing comment to us was America is great because it is good. When we cease being good, we as a country will not be great.

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MESA CHAPTER (Mesa, Arizona) – Our November 2014 meeting was held on November 13, following Veterans Day. We have many veterans in our group. We invited Clinton Belnap to be our quest speaker and suggested that he honor the veterans.

He began with a sound track of a marching band that played a medley of the anthems of each branch of the military. He asked the Sons to stand and salute the posted American Flag when they



recognized their respective branch (above). The sound track concluded with a short strain of "God Bless America" to which all the veterans stood up in unison to salute the flag. We all learned where and when each veteran had served. We have a brother still attending regularly who served in WWII.

Brother Belnap spent several months working with George Bovine a Vietnam Veteran, to create a presentation of George's

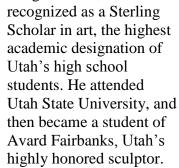
story through videos, George's memoirs and personal interviews. Brother Bovine was born in 1947. In 1985 he was injured in a hang-gliding accident, and was in a coma for 8 months, that left him paralyzed on the left side of his body. Today he lives independently and rides his electric chair to the Mesa Arizona Temple early each morning 5 days a week where he volunteers in the Baptistery.

This story of courage and faith in large part can be attributed to George's training in the United States Navy as an Underwater Demolition swimmer. In

July 1967 George completed the course and graduated from the Underwater Demolition Training in Class 41. Under orders from the Commander and Chief, the UDT/Seals became US Navy Seals and George was assigned to Team 12. Team 12 received months of training to prepare them as Special Forces to serve in the Vietnam War.

Clint Belnap and George Bovine are friends and work together in the Mesa Arizona Temple and are members of the same High Priest Group. Brother Belnap is the Great, Great Grandson of Pioneer Gilbert Belnap.

MILLS CHAPTER (Mill Creek, Utah) – Stanley J. Watts was invited to speak to us this month. Stan Watts (below) was born in Salt Lake City, Utah. He attended South High School; was



Much of Stan's works involves LDS themes and leaders. One such example is the large bronze piece depicting Joseph and Hyrum Smith on horseback, located in front of the Nauvoo Illinois

Temple. Another famous piece is of New York City firefighters raising a flag over the collapsed (attacked by terrorists on 9/11/2001) World Trade Center site called "To Lift a Nation".

Stan is also noted for his patriotic sculptures. His bronze figure of George Washington is located at the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, and his larger-than-life bronze sculpture of the Founding Fathers, as they sought divine guidance while writing the Declaration of Independence, ("Appeal to Divine Providence"). Stan is also noted for his custom architectural



bronze works that reflect old world quality in his designs. His pieces are cast in his own foundry, the Atlas Bronze Casting Works. He and his craftsmen have created and installed bronze sculptures throughout the world.

Stan Watt's sculptures of notable individuals and events are an important and permanent way of preserving the values and cultural of our society

MORGAN CHAPTER (Morgan, Utah) – The guest speakers were **Dan Bell and his wife, Judy**. They recently served a mission to Athens, Greece and spoke about their experiences there.

Every morning as they looked out their apartment window, they could see the Parthenon. This and all of the other ruins helped to make their mission memorable. Once you got outside of Athens, the surroundings looked much like those in the State of Wyoming, very arid and dry, but there were flowers and shrubs all around in the city of Athens.

Many of the Greeks don't like the Church, so baptisms were few in number. Those who are baptized are mainly those who had immigrated into the country. It was very difficult for a Greek person to be baptized because of pressures from their family and friends.

The church members were generally frowned upon by many of the Greeks. In their eyes, the Church was considered a heretic inasmuch as we didn't belong to their Greek Orthodox Church. The Bells told us of a sign which said "Either orthodoxy or Death" which summed up their feelings towards our Church.

Two missionaries were accosted by a Greek Church Papa or church leader. He broke the easel that they were using in their preaching and cut his hand on it. When the missionaries tried to help him wipe off the blood, he shoved one of the missionaries getting blood on his shirt. The missionary is keeping that shirt as a memory of the event.

In 1972, Pres Hinckley, Harold B Lee and other brethren were on Mars Hill and dedicated the country for the preaching of the Gospel. In 1982 Elder Russell M. Nelson rededicated the country.

The missionary effort is now taking place with the missionaries coming from the European area. American missionaries are not allowed into the country.

The largest celebration that takes place in Greece is that of the Sacred Light. The Papas make a trek to Jerusalem and go into the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. There they would light a candle which signifies that they are led by a sacred light. Those candles were then brought back to Greece for the celebration. During that celebration, people would light their own candle from the one brought back from Jerusalem, then help to light others until all the people's candles were lit. This signifies the spreading of the Sacred Light to all of the people.

OGDEN PIONEER CHAPTER, (Ogden, Utah) – Our guest speaker was Emily Utt (below) who



is a curator of LDS Church History Sites at the Church History Library.

She asked the question, "Is there a 'Mormon' architecture?" She then proceeded to show us the answer to that question by discussing many of the Church buildings. She started with the Kirtland

Temple then showed pictures of many buildings where she pointed out different styles, architectures, characters of the buildings depending on the person who designed them. She showed pictures and spoke of the design comparisons of buildings presently own by the LDS Church. She showed pictures many buildings including the Nauvoo Temple, the Salt Lake Tabernacle, Salt Lake Temple, St. George Tabernacle, Pine Valley Tithing Office, St. George Temple, Bear Lake Tabernacle, Box Elder Tabernacle, Logan Temple, and the Manti Temple each with a different architecture.

In the 1920s and 30s the Church began consolidating all the separate buildings and functions into one building and went through a number of designs. The Ogden Deaf Branch building became the first special needs building in

the Church. Many of our buildings are very unique, such as the Cardston Temple built in 1922, the Hawaii Temple, the Mesa Temple, and the Ogden 4th Ward building where a prayer circle room was on the second floor.

She asked about the story of the elevator shafts in the Salt Lake Temple and then explained that the elevator was invented many years before and that the elevator was planned in the building. The Church has the original receipt from the Otis Elevator company. Electricity was becoming common by then and the temple was designed for electric lights.

The design of the buildings varies with the countries to fit in with their culture. The meeting houses and temple are made nice with the best of materials to represent the Church and as the House of the Lord.

OGDEN VALLEY CHAPTER, (Huntsville, Utah) – The speaker for the evening was **Don H.**

Lee (right) who spoke about his 3rd and 2nd great grandmothers, Jerusha Barden Smith and Lovina Smith Walker. The lives of these two ladies spanned the time from Joseph Smith's first vision to the establishment of the Saints in the valleys of Utah.



Jerusha was the first wife of Hyrum Smith. She accepted Joseph as a prophet in 1826 before she married Hyrum on November 2, 1826. Her daughter Lovina was born just 2 days before Joseph obtained the plates of the Book of Mormon. She bore six children during the Kirtland days, but then died as a result of childbirth on October 13, 1837

Lovina was only 10 years old when her mother died. She lived through the tragic days of Far West and to the more glorious days of Nauvoo. She married Lorin Walker on Sunday, June 23, 1844, the evening before Joseph and Hyrum left for Carthage. Because Lorin had committed to

Joseph that he would watch over Emma if anything happened to him, Lorin and Lovina stayed with Emma and lived in the Mansion House until after Emma's marriage to Lewis Bidamon in December 1847.

Their journey west began in 1856 when then went to Iowa City, Iowa with Lorin's brother William. There they participated in the outfitting of the Willie and Martin handcart companies.

It wasn't until September 1860 when Lorin, Lovina and their family made it into the valley in a wagon train led by Lovina's brother John.

The stories of these faithful ancestors help us to remember our covenants and to realize that we too can remain faithful even in days of adversity.

RED ROCK CHAPTER, (Kanab, Utah) – The Red Rock chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers honored Kanab resident, **Deanna Glover** (below left), with our "Modern-Day Pioneer" award at



our recent dinner meeting. Our chapter of the SUP makes such an award one or two times each year.

Deanna's two daughters-in-law, **Sherrie Glover** and **Donna Glover**, presented us with a power point presentation about her life, starting with her birth in Kanab, then continued through her childhood in Mt. Carmel, high school at Valley High School and continued on with her courtship and marriage to Jerry Glover.

They followed her life further through years of service in employment situations in various areas and on to her work as the curator of the Kanab Historical Museum. Our sincere congratulations to Deanna!

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SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER, (Salt Lake City, Utah) – **Emily Utt** (below), has worked in



the Church History
Department for several
years and has spent
most of her time
researching,
interpreting, and
preserving significant
Latter-day Saint
buildings and writing
for Church-

owned

historic site exhibits. Emily has a B.A. in religion and history from Case Western Reserve University, M.A. in historic preservation from Goucher College, has published Church Historic Site Guides and in professional journals as well as presenting before many audiences. (She spoke to two SUP groups this month.)

Her presentation to us in February focused on the very different styles of "Mormon" buildings, which for the most part are unique to time, or place, or the desires of the President of the Church at the time of approval; or in some cases a

combination of all these factors, and probably many more influences, such as the church architects, or architects engaged by the church at its headquarters or in the locality where the building was constructed.

She showed us dozens of slides, and she has hundreds more to share. Her informed conclusion is that there does not seem to emerge any one or more styles, so we cannot yet say there is a Mormon style of architecture.

We were fascinated by her grasp of her subject, her in-depth knowledge, and enthusiasm.

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER, (Richfield,

Utah) – The program for our January 26th meeting was presented by **Craig Harmon** who has retired from the Richfield Area BLM office where he worked as their Archeologist.

Craig helped us understand the people who lived in these mountain valleys before the Mormon Pioneers arrived. The science of Archeology and the information it provided helps us to understand these people. Craig disclosed that after a career in archeology which includes excavating the sites left by those who are long gone that he hates to see the amateur excavation and destruction of these sites especially the burial sites that should not continue.

The ruins of one of the sites is shown below.





TAYLORSVILLE/BENNION CHAPTER,

(Taylorsville, Utah) – The January meeting included the swearing in of the current officers and board members of the chapter (left to right above) **Don Frame**, **Paul Bambrough**, **Bruce Wasden**, **J Roseborough** (current president) **Dan Greenland** (past president) and **Brad Clayton** (area vice president). As the area vice president, Brad Clayton was officiating at the ceremony.

Brad Clayton enlightened those present with a pioneer sketch of his ancestors, the William Clayton family, who were members of the first company of pioneers to enter the Salt Lake Valley with Brigham Young. William Clayton endeared himself to the saints with the composition of the beloved and comforting hymn, "Come, Come ye Saints".

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER, (Logan, Utah) – For their January meeting, the chapter toured the partially remodeled Utah Theater (right).

The theater was built as a movie house in 1936. When remodeling began, they were aware of ground water about 20 inches below the basement floor. This water had been used when the old theater was built in a very creative way. They had built cisterns,

and then put shafts that came up the walls in several locations with fans on them to provide swamp cooling in the theater.

An orchestra pit has been built under the stage. Michael Ballam says that it will put Broadway to shame. The water was no problem as the floor of the pit is the same level as the basement, 20 inches above groundwater. The donation of a Mighty Wurlitzer Organ caused a change in plans. The organ

was placed behind the orchestra pit. The pipes were so long that a room had to be built with its bottom floor 8 feet below the groundwater table. Building a waterproof room that is, in essence, a giant bathtub, became a huge expense and delayed the work on the theater. A plastic membrane was placed on the outside of the thick concrete walls and floor to waterproof the room. The organ console will be stored in an alcove at the front of the orchestra pit. It will be on a platform that will roll out and be lifted up to stage level by an elevator so people can see it and the organist when it is played.

When the gypsum wallboard that was covering the walls was pulled off, they found art decor on the walls. The plaster was loose, but the decor was documented with photographs and is going to be reproduced on the new wallboard.



The back wall of the stage was pushed back until it joined the next building which did away with the alley between the two buildings, but allowed the stage to be made much larger.

The theater with its balcony will seat 340. They had hoped to have it ready by the fall of 2015 but it is currently behind schedule so will probably be opening at a later date.

UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER,

(Rexburg, Idaho) – **Kimber Ricks** (right) spoke to us tonight. He is a long-time resident of Rexburg and is currently serving as a Madison County Commissioner. He related several stories from his life that related to his greatgrandfather Thomas E. Ricks was heavily involved in the settling of Southeastern Idaho.



Eighteen years ago, Kimber lost a son in an automobile accident. His son at the time was 29 years old. Even though the loss of his son was a sad time. Kimber also thought of the reunion that was happening in Heaven and how his son was reuniting with his ancestors, including Thomas E. Ricks.

Thomas E. Ricks served several missions. One of these was to England in 1885-6. In the 1970's Kimber, as part of his Church calling, had responsibility for the Golden Living Center. One of the residents of the Center, who was then in her 90s, told Kimber she joined the Church in England. She told him how as a young girl in England, she remembered sitting on Thomas E. Ricks lap and playing with his beard.

Kimber was working at Ricks College and was in attendance at a meeting in the Hart Building on June 21, 2000 when the announcement was made that the college would become a 4-year school and the name would be changed to BYU-Idaho. Kimber pondered about how his ancestor Thomas

E. Ricks would feel about changing the name of the college, which was named after him. He felt strongly that his great-grandfather would say to always follow the Prophet and would be pleased with the changes to the college.

WASHINGTON D. C. CHAPTER, (Washington D. C.) – The evening's speakers were **Kyle and** Mary Latimer who both served LDS missions to Taiwan, and just returned from living in Beijing, China, for the last three years. Their topic for the evening was entitled "The Gospel Shines Through the Dense Darkness—Hugh and I in the Middle Kingdom."



Brother Latimer began the presentation by showing how one of his relatives, Hugh J. Cannon, accompanied Elder David O. McKay to open China for missionary work. Elder McKay dedicated the country on January 9, 1921. After searching throughout the bustling city of Peking (Beijing), China, Elder McKay and Brother Cannon made their way into Peking's famous Forbidden City and felt inspired when they spotted a uniquely shaped Cyprus tree. At the base of the tree Elder McKay dedicated the country of China for the preaching of the gospel.

Brother Latimer was a district president for an LDS expatriate (non-Chinese citizens) district in China. It was fascinating to hear how the Church is growing in China, despite the fact that the government of China forbids Chinese church units from associating in any way with any expatriate church units. Further, the government forbids any proselyting, but the Church continues to have convert baptisms in China.

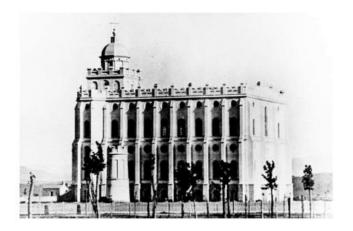
National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Regional History Symposium

In Cedar City, Utah

Saturday April 11, 2015

« A Pioneer Temple and Pioneer Trails »



Saturday Afternoon Program 1pm - 5pm

Speakers: Douglas Alder, "History of the St. George Temple." Leo Lyman, "Freight and Stage Routes to Southern Utah." Thomas Alexander, 'Wilford Woodruff and the St. George Temple." William Hartley, "The Mormon Trail and Its Emigrants 1846-1869: A Myth-ridden Story Rarely Told Right."

Cedar City YSA 2nd Stake Center Chapel, 85 N. 600 W.

Dinner and Keynote Speaker 5:30 pm

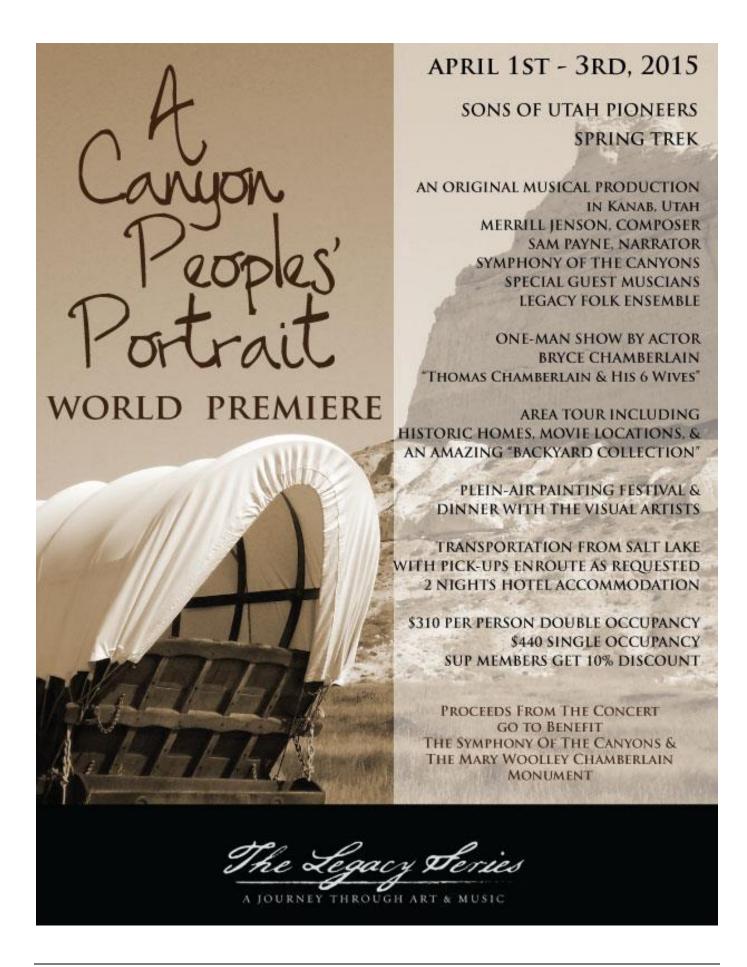
Emeritus Elder Bruce C. Hafen of the First Quorum of the Seventy Cedar City Institute of Religion, 650 W. Center St.

All Sessions Are Open to the Public. Afternoon Session Only, \$5.

Complete Afternoon Program and Dinner Program, \$15 per person, in advance.

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Stories of Southern Utah Pioneers, including the first all-woman Town Council and female mayor in America, are featured in The Canyon Peoples' Portrait Concert as follows: Levi Stewart, Peter Shirts, Mary Woolley Chamberlain, Thomas Chamberlain, Isaac Black, John Carling, Roland Rider, Rachel Smith Findlay, Jacob Hamblin, Luella Atkin McAllister, Tamar Stewart Hamblin, Blanche Robinson Hamblin, and Ada Pratt Seegmiller.

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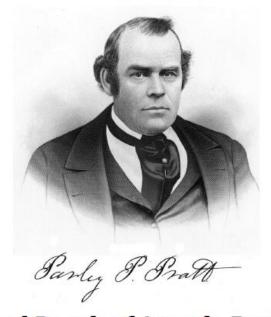
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National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

Annual Historical Symposium

In Salt Lake City

Saturday May 9, 2015



⋄ The Life and Death of Apostle Parley P. Pratt ⋄

Saturday Afternoon Program 1pm - 5pm

Matthew Grow, "The Apostle Paul of Mormonism: The Missionary Journeys of Parley P. Pratt."

Alexander Baugh, ""Tis Not for Crimes I Have Done': Parley P. Pratt's Missouri Imprisonment, 1838—1839."

Mitchell Pratt, "I Die a Firm Believer': The Murder, the Reaction, and the Grave of Parley P. Pratt."

Robert Steven Pratt, "The Hymns and Poetry of Parley P. Pratt."

Attendees "N-Z" S.U.P. Headquarters Building, 3301 E. Louise Ave. Attendees "A-M" Canyon Rim Chapel, 3051 S. 2900 E.

Dinner and Keynote Speaker 6:00 pm

Elder Craig Cardon of the First Quorum of the Seventy East Millcreek Stake Center, 3103 E. Craig Dr.

All Sessions Are Open to the Public. Afternoon Session Only, \$10.

Complete Afternoon Program and Dinner Program, \$25 per person, in advance.

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Matthew J. Grow, "The Apostle Paul of Mormonism: The Missionary Journeys of Parley P. Pratt." Matt is Director of Publications at the LDS Church History Department and a general editor of the Joseph Smith Papers. He was an assistant professor of history at the University of Southern Indiana. Along with Terryl Givens, Grow is the author of Parley P. Pratt: The Apostle Paul of Mormonism (Oxford University Press, 2011), which received the 2012 Best Book Award from the Mormon History Association. An earlier book, "Liberty to the Downtrodden": Thomas L. Kane, Romantic Reformer also received the Best Book Award from the MHA. His most recent book, written with Ronald W. Walker, is The Prophet and the Reformer: The Letters of Brigham Young and Thomas L. Kane. He received his BA from BYU in 2001 and his PhD in American

History from the University of Notre Dame in 2006. He and his wife Alyssa live with their four children in Sandy, Utah.



Alexander L. Baugh, ""Tis Not for Crimes I Have Done': Parley P. Pratt's Missouri Imprisonment, 1838—1839." Professor Baugh is a professor in the Department of Church History and Doctrine at BYU, where he has been a faculty member since 1995. He received his BS from Utah State University, and his MA and PhD degrees from BYU. He specializes in research and writing about the Missouri period of early LDS Church history (1831–1839). Alex is the author or editor of six books and he has published over sixty historical journal articles, essays, and book chapters. He is a member of the Mormon History Association and the John Whitmer Historical Association, and served as president in 2006–2007. He is the past editor of Mormon His-

torical Studies (2006–2007), and currently serves as a volume editor for the Joseph Smith Papers and as the co-director of research for the Religious Studies Center at BYU.



Mitchell O. Pratt, "I Die a Firm Believer': The Murder, the Reaction, and the Grave of Parley P. Pratt." Dr. Pratt, a great-great grandson of Parley P. Pratt, is a retired public school educator, an educational technologist, and Founder and CEO of The Papers Foundation whose inaugural project is to publish the writings of Parley P. Pratt beginning with his letters. Dr. Pratt is currently a faculty member at Walden University. He also holds an M.A. in Archaeology, and in 2007 was asked to organize the archaeological team to excavate the Parley P. Pratt gravesite in Arkansas. A book of this experience, "I Die a Firm Believer..." The Life, the Murder, and the Grave of Mormon Apostle, Parley P. Pratt is forthcoming.



Robert Steven Pratt, "The Hymns and Poetry of Parley P. Pratt." Steve is a comptroller and resource manager for the U.S. Army in San Antonio, and has had a 41-year career with the U.S. government in Utah, Europe, and Texas. He is a graduate of BYU in U.S. history, holds an MBA from Boston U., and a graduate fellowship in government studies from Harvard U. He has written many articles on U.S. and Mormon history, and resource management. He is the author of "Eleanor McLean and the Murder of Parley P. Pratt" in BYU Studies (1975) and "The Family Life of Parley P. Pratt," part of Parley P. Pratt and the Making of Mormonism (Arthur H. Clark Co., 2011). He will be publishing several books on Parley P. Pratt's papers and writings. Steve is a great-great grandson of Parley and Belinda Marden Pratt.



Elder Craig A. Cardon of the First Quorum of the Seventy of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is a great-great grandson of Parley P. Pratt. He is assistant executive director in the Priesthood Department, and Editor of Church Magazines, along with other assignments. Prior to his call in 2006, he was an entrepreneur with multiple business interests. Elder Cardon earned a BA degree from Arizona State University and an MPA degree from the Harvard Kennedy School, where he was recognized as a Littauer Fellow. He and his wife, Deborah, have been married for 48 years and are the parents of eight and grandparents of 39.

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