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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



NATIONAL CONVENTION:

If this is September it must be SUP National Convention Month! The call is out, "Come to Zion, Come to Zion", the same that energized the vibrant pioneer migration to the Utah Territory and the West that has become the foundation of who we are and what we do as an Association of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. This modern day call

is an invitation to bring your "Zion" hearts and minds to Hurricane, Utah, on the border of a geographical Zion, the spectacularNational Park. Come and join us in this setting of rich pioneer history and incomparable beauty. Options for the days include treks through Zion and Grafton, Kolob Canyon and Fort Harmony and the Hurricane Mesa Missile test site that helped put men into space. Evenings will be filled with the John Houston Gospel Choir, and Eric Dodge and his Western Band. Of course the women are looking forward to an entertaining Saturday morning with Paul Reeve and Lyman Haven while the men are in their annual SUP Business Meetings. We will all reconvene for our final Banquet at noon with featured guest speaker Gerald N. Lund. It is a rare LDS family that has not been touched by his books on pioneering. Don't miss this one. We will be talking about it for years to come. Mark your calendar for September 22-24 and make your reservations now! Registration forms are available in this Trail Marker and on the SUP Website: sup1847.com

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RECRUIT AND RETAIN:

Chapter leaders attending our annual training meetings last fall were asked who had played the major role in their decision to join the Sons of Utah Pioneers. The responses were both interesting and instructive. The most frequent response identified a father, grandfather, uncle, cousin or some other relative who had invited them to an SUP lunch or dinner meeting and encouraged them to become a member. Almost as frequently were descriptions of friends who had taken them as guests to a dinner, chapter meeting, trek, or some other chapter activity. A follow up question asked what factors had encouraged them to actually join and stay active. The comments varied, but the themes were consistent. They found in the chapter an atmosphere of welcome, acceptance, friendship and camaraderie. Also important was the quality of the presentations at the meetings. The quarterly Pioneer Magazine was a bonus they had come to look forward to with its rich visual and written presentation of pioneering themes. In summary, what we learned about RECRUITMENT is that the most promising source of new members are family and friends. What we learned about RETENTION of our membership was the importance of a warm and caring environment in chapter meetings and functions followed by truly worthwhile presentations, treks and other activities designed to further our pioneer ancestors values and attributes.

Based on this information the Executive Council and the Vice Presidents Board last winter designated the Month of April as the "Bring a Relative" as a guest to a chapter activity. **The upcoming month of October is designated as "Bring a Friend" to a chapter activity.** Of course the friend's experience at the activity will determine whether or not he will want to return so members should step forward to provide a "warm and caring" reception to all guests. One other thought on this topic. Our average age is creeping up guys, so let's get some younger blood involved. If you have "younger" friends that would be especially good.

Finally, just a heads up. We have three new chapters emerging which is a good sign of a healthy organization. The Little Salt Lake Chapter in the Parowan area, the Springville Chapter and the Bear River Chapter in Tremonton are all on the verge of installation of officers. And, Brad Clayton, our Program Director for Membership, has some great ideas for additional membership expansion. Stay tuned!

See you all in Hurricane at the Convention!

Jim Hurst National President, 2016

jhurst@uwyo.edu

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

NAME......CHAPTER

NEW ETERNAL MEMBERS
Paul Packer At Large
Joseph Bishop Cedar City
NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS
Carl Readicker Taylorsville Bennion
Bishop Shirl Brigham Young
Bill Nordgren Mt. Nebo
Mike PoulosLehi
Aaron Smith Upper Snake River Valley
NEW FAMILY & FRIENDS
Mervin W Adair Cedar City
Aaron Anson At Large Member
John Thomas Ault Cedar City
Terry Blodgett Cedar City
Wally Boggess Cedar City
Richard Bradford Cotton Mission
Bill Cook Ogden Pioneer
Stephen C Downs Cedar City
Kirk Evans Brigham Young
Paul Fice Cedar City
Steven HuffTimpanogos
Cliff King Mt. Nebo
Mac McIntyre Cedar City
Kenneth S Munford Cedar City
Glade Nielson Mt. Nebo
NEW FAMILY & FRIENDS
Kent AllredJordan River Temple
Roy D Cazier At Large Member
Greg Christofferson At Large Member
William C Green At Large Member
Ed JewellHolladay
Gene Knutti At Large Member
Richard Nielsen Modesto-New Hope

Anton Oscar Olson. Twenty Wells

Dean Shimmin Brigham Young

NATIONAL NEWS

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

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 Cedar City chapter. This will be a wonderful event, plan now on attending.

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!

NEW ASSOCIATE EDITOR OF THE TRAIL MARKER

We welcome Chad Stowell to the editorial staff of the Trail Marker. Chad will be a valuable asset to the publication with his experience in graphic design.

Chad is from Layton, Utah and was raised on his maternal grandfather's goat farm. There he learned to appreciate his grandfather's Italian heritage, which was shared during countless hours of pulling weeds and digging fence post holes. From serving a mission for the Church in the Montana Billings Mission (1996-1998), spending years researching the lives of his 19 paternal pioneer ancestors, and reading hundreds of books and articles about the latter-day Prophets and Apostles; Chad hopes to internalize those great examples and teachings into his own life. He married Joanna Metcalfe in the Bountiful Utah Temple in 1999 and together they have 4 children. Chad has worked in the marketing department of Okland Construction in Salt Lake City for the past 12 years and has been a life-member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers since 2015.

NOMINEE FOR NATIONAL PRESIDENT-ELECT



The nominating committee for the National SUP nominates **Keith Van Roosendaal** for National President-elect of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. We will present his name at the business meeting of the national convention in Hurricane, September 24, 2016. According the SUP By-Laws,

nominations may also be made from the floor. The By-Laws require that a candidate nominated from the floor must approve the nomination himself and he must meet the criteria for president. For those criteria, see the By-Laws at our website: sup1847.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 to speak and then send the information to: david.mower@gmail.com.

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 current Speakers' Bureau, click <u>HERE</u>.

SEPTEMBER 2016



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

22 SEPTEBER

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION (SEPTEMBER 22-24)

SUP NATIONAL CONVENTION IN HURRICANE, UTAH

The deadline for reserving space on Motor Coach Bus to this year's Hurricane Convention is September 10th and can also be reserved on our web site: sup1847.com

OCTOBER

BRING A FRIEND TO CHAPTER MEETING MONTH



NATIONAL PAST PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON MEETING

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

2 DECEMBER

BRIGHAM'S CHRISTMAS BALL AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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

UPCOMING NATIONAL TRAININGS

October 22 - North Utah Ogden

October 29 - Idaho

November 5 - Salt Lake City

November 12 - Southern Utah

November 19 - Utah County

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2017 - Sponsored by the Centerville Chapter September 14 - 16

2018 - Sponsored by the Cedar City chapter.

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This section is intended as a place where individual chapters or National make various announcements. It may be a request for help or just letting the members know what is going on. All items must be SUP related and any costs involved must be clearly stated. Contact the Trail Marker editor, Don Lee, at donlee0938@gmail.com to place any request.

NATIONAL DUES

Be aware, a change is coming!

In the past each chapter has been responsible for collecting the National dues and forwarding them to National.

BUT NOW:

Starting in October of this year, you will be asked to pay your National dues directly to the National office. To do this you will be sent a letter in October asking that you remit your National dues for the coming year. This letter will contain a form you can fill that out and send in OR you can just go to sup1847.org, click on the "S. U. P. STORE" tab and pay your dues right there.

This should remove some of the workload from the chapter treasurer who will now only be responsible for the chapter dues and it will make it easier for you to pay your National dues.

Those purchasing Lifetime Memberships should deal directly with National.

Be aware that this is coming and watch for it in October.

OFFICE/LIBRARY HELP NEEDED

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

21ST CENTURY PIONEER

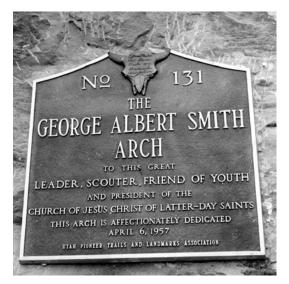
We have many good strong men in our organization who have lived lives of service. These men often get little acclaim and we would like to rectify that to some extent. These are the Shiblons of the world. In the Book of Mormon, Alma had three sons, Helaman, Shiblon and Corianton. Helaman, the leader got two choice chapters of instruction and counsel, Corianton, the wayward son got four wonderful chapters of instruction and counsel. Shiblon, who represents the workers of the organization, got one short chapter and a pat on the back.

We would like to recognize some of the Shiblons in our organization. To do that we are adding a new section to the Trail Marker to be called 21st Century Pioneer. The intent of this section is to honor one member each month who exemplifies the pioneer values and qualities of character shown by our forefathers. Nominations for this will be accepted from any member of the SUP. Please send a write up of up to 500 words and a good quality picture to the editor, Don Lee at donnee0938@gmail.com.

PART TIME PIONEER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

This Is The Place Heritage Park is hiring Part Time Seasonal Historic Interpreters. Come dress up as a pioneer and tell of how life was when the Utah Territory was being settled! Call Holly Curtis at 801-924-7533. Email your resume to hcurtis@thisistheplace.org. Must be able to work 10am-5pm, 2-5 days per week. Days are flexible, hours are not. Must be available for work through the end of October. Some evening work may be available in December. Shifts are filling fast. Call or Email TODAY!!





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

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

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

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CHAPTER SERVICES

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

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Recommended for those under age 56 who would like to join

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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.

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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.

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Please send news about chapter meetings and treks, including pictures to Roland Lee by the 23rd of each month. We prefer submissions in the MS Word format, rather than a PDF file. If you can attach the original photos in jpg format, that would help as well.

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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.

BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER - Provo, Utah

Sixteen members of the chapter enjoyed a same-day trek to historical sites in the Delta, Utah area. Members assembled at our Pioneer Village at 7:30 am and returned at 5:30 pm with a greater appreciation for the heritage of the pioneer settlers in the Delta area of Utah. The spirit of SUP, chapter member fellowshipping and experiencing our pioneer heritage was achieved.

John Beck, our chapter Treks Committee Chairman, led the caravan to the following sites and enlightened all with the historical significance of these sites to pioneering heritage: Charcoal Kilns (Morrison Charcoal Ovens) near Leamington; Fort Deseret; Gunnison Massacre Site; Hinckley Settlement and Hinckley/Millard Academy; Great Basin Museum; Topaz Internment Camp Museum.

At the charcoal kilns, John instructed the group on the purpose of the kilns and the devastating impact the kilns had on the Indians of the area.

Fort Deseret was constructed by local settlers primarily to protect cattle, etc., from attacking local Ute Indians. The fort was a rectangular adobe mud wall, not brick. Due to the adobe not being fired, the fort is crumbling due to weather. While in the area, John explained the protection that present local farmers provide for bees, essential for successful crops.

John Williams Gunnison was conducting U.S. Government surveying expeditions in the Utah area. On one of these expeditions he and his group were massacred by a band of



Utes. A rumor, later proven false, spread that the Indians were acting under the direction of Brigham Young. John informed the group that Gunnison was a friend to Mormons and wrote a favorable history of the Mormons.

The Hinckley/Millard Academy was one of the Church educational institutions established throughout Utah. The Hinckley Academy buildings have been purchased by a private individual and are being renovated as a residence.

The Great Basin and Topaz museums are located adjacent to each other in Delta. The Great Basin museum contains artifacts on pioneer life in the basin while the Topaz Museum contains items and historical information on the WWII relocation of Japanese citizens from west coast areas to the Topaz internment camp.

In summary, the trek was extremely informative and kudos to John Beck for organizing and conducting the trek.

CHAPTER REWS

COTTON MISSION CHAPTER - St George, Utah



At their August dinner meeting, their guest speaker, Susan Savage, a great granddaughter of Levi Savage, spoke about the part he played in the Martin/Willie handcart Tragedies. People familiar with

the events know that he was one of the sub-leaders of the company and was the one who recommended that they not go as late in the season as they were. He was reprimanded and his faith was questioned by the leaders of the group, but he had been in a party that was sent in to rescue the Donner

Party. He knew what lateness and winter on the trail could mean.

When the group determined they would go anyway, Levi told them, "Brethren and sisters, what I have said I know to be true, but seeing you are to go forward, I will go with you, will help you all I can...will suffer with you, and if necessary, I will die with you. May God in His mercy bless and preserve us." Diaries of the journey say that Levi was probably the most helpful of all the leaders. He entered the valley with only the rags on his body, but his faithfulness and valiancy to the Faith never faltered. He truly is one we can emulate.

HOLLADAY CHAPTER - Holladay, Utah

The Holladay Chapter had a special treat at a recent meeting, learning many things about the pioneers that were not well known. Their own member **Dr. A. Tom Nelson** shared a slide presentation narrated by his wife, **Nadine. Dr. Nelson** is an Emeritus Professor at the University of Utah and has been a life member of the chapter for more than thirty years. Since serving as the Director of the LDS Church's Cove Fort Historic site from 2000-2003, he has devoted much of his time to researching pioneer history, focusing on the "hows" and "whys" of the Mormon pioneer settlements. His presentation was entitled "Colonization of the Mountain West – The Rest of the Story."

Dr. Nelson said, "When the history of this world is completely and accurately written the miracle of the Mormon Pioneers may well dwarf Moses' parting of the Red Sea in terms of significance." He cited a 1903 report of the US Department of Agriculture that read in part: "...the Mormon Pioneers settled a region that was thousands of miles from the nearest settlements on the east and almost as far from the California settlements on the west. Moreover, this isolated region was surrounded by what was considered almost impassable desert. Under these extreme conditions, it required an extraordinary people to survive and prosper. Perhaps this is

where the Mormon Pioneers distinguished themselves from others. The practice of irrigation was the tool to conquer the land, but in order for it to work, it required the unequivocal discipline and cooperation of the faithful. Without both, most likely the Mormon settlement in the desert would have failed -- and history altered."

It was noted that "...within ten years of the LDS arrival in the Salt Lake Valley, nearly 100 colonies had been planted; by 1867, more than 200; and by the time of Brigham Young's death in 1877, nearly 400 colonies." The area, known as the Mormon corridor, extended from Fort Lemhi (Idaho) on the north to San Bernardino (California) on the south and from the Wasatch Mountains on the east to the Carson Valley (Nevada) on the west.



HURRICANE VALLEY CHAPTER - Hurricane, Utah

No dinner meeting was held in July. August's activity featured **Dan Zaleski** who talked about the CCC Camps that were erected all around Southern Utah, including one in Hurricane. These camps helped to keep the economy going during a difficult time in our nation's history.



LEHI CHAPTER - Lehi, Utah

On June 18th they had a trek instead of a dinner meeting. The group traveled by Front Runner to the Salt Lake Central terminal and then by Trax Train to the Salt Lake Temple stop where the 11 people that went on the trek went to the Church Museum. There they enjoyed a new movie of the First Vision that surrounds the viewer. After spending time there they went to the Lion House Pantry for lunch. The food was delicious as usual. A short hike took them to Brigham Young's gravesite as well as the graves of members of his family that are buried there. After a short rest they hiked down to the Church History Library where they were treated to a tour of some of the buildings and shown many artifacts by a knowledgeable missionary. They then headed home via Trax and the Front Runner. It was a pleasant outing and everyone seemed to enjoy the trek.

July's dinner meeting was presented by **Elder and Sister Mike and Kris Poulos**. They are CES Service Missionaries

who served at the Kirtland Historic Sites in Kirtland, Ohio. They told us many things about the Kirtland area, and one that really impressed our minds was that Jesus Christ appeared to Joseph Smith and no less than 26 other people at various meetings in the area. There were 65 total revelations given in Ohio with the places being: Whitney Home in Kirtland, 6; Whitney Store in Kirtland, 16; John Johnson Home in Hiram, 16; Isaac Morley Farm in Kirtland, 13; Leman Copley Farm in Thompson, 1; Church Conference in Orange, 1; Parley Pratt Home in Amherst, 1; Joseph Smith Jr. Home in Kirtland, 5; Printing Office in Kirtland, 2; and the Kirtland Temple, 4. Christ appeared 8 times and Father appeared 4 of those times with Him. Kirtland and the homes, farms and businesses where the visions and revelations were given are very spiritual places. Sister Poulos is a direct descendant of Hyrum Smith and in the month of August will be attending a Smith Family Reunion in Nauvoo.

RED ROCKS CHAPTER - Kanab, Utah

How did Kane County get its name? When members of a newly formed religion who called themselves The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) were pushed from their settlements in Illinois and Missouri, they moved west. In 1847 they arrived in the Great Basin in northern Utah.

In 1858 Jacob Hamblin and other Mormons explored and tried to settle what is now Kane County, Utah. But increasing tensions between the encroaching Mormons and Native tribes led to the Black Hawk War, which forced settlers from Kane and other counties.

In 1870 a man by the name of Levi Stewart was sent by Mormon leader Brigham Young (who was still living in the Great Basin area in northern Utah) to once again settle the city of Kanab in Kane County. Then again in 1874 Brigham Young sent Jacob Hamblin to the same area to help expand the church. So how did Kane County end up being named Kane County? Mormons named the county after a man named Colonel Thomas L. Kane, who had acted as a friend, activist, and peacekeeper for the Mormons.

CHAPTER REBS

SALT LAKE CHAPTER - Salt Lake City, Utah



Their August 4, 2016 meeting featured **James C. Hurst**, National President of Sons of Utah Pioneers.

The theme of his presentation was, "What Would You Do?" wherein he described several pioneer stories of challenge, occasionally pausing ask if

confronted with that challenge, what would you do? The stories were compelling and caused the listeners to marvel at the faith, endurance, and challenge those people faced in their quest to come west with the saints.

He told of a mother who left all her family in England, never to see them again; and of those who dying on the plains said it is worth it, so their family could enjoy the gospel of Jesus Christ and be raised with the saints here in the west.

He emphasized how the pioneers showed the courage to face adversity, an unwavering commitment to a higher good, honoring the covenants made with God and promises to each other, sacrifice for the welfare of others, and the foresight to choose the promises of the future over the security of now. He challenged all to emulate those qualities for they are needed in our time.

SETTLEMENT CANYON CHAPTER - Tooele, Utah



With daughter Alex handling the technical side of things, Jaromy Jessop, of the weekly local column "Outdoor Adventure", guided members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Settlement Canyon Chapter through the picturesque Stansbury Mountain Range. From the Alpine setting of the Deseret Peak area to the

tragedy of the Skull Valley side that lost so much wilderness to fires a few years ago, participants came to view this Gem of Tooele County Mountains as never before.

Jessop helped the members to understand why Deseret Peak is hiked so often by those in and out of the state and country. At over 11,000 feet, with well-marked trails to the top, it is a peak that anyone who enjoys the great out of doors should

put on their bucket list. Aspen, various conifers, mahogany, gorgeous wildflowers, lichen, wildlife and a rocky summit that gazes forever in all directions, await those willing to spend a memorable day here in our own backyard. The unnamed second highest peak in the range towers over South Willow Lake with cliffs that are breathtaking, and often mistakenly thought to be Deseret Peak. Jessop has named this rugged monolith "Stansbury Peak" which is entirely fitting.

If the endurance to climb Deseret, seems too difficult, Jessop has a plethora of trails and features to fit anyone's desires and fitness levels. The mountaineer, his wife, family and dogs are out every month of the year, and he writes up his adventures each week in the Tooele Transcript Newspaper.

Jaromy grew up exploring the mountains and deserts of Utah and has traveled to all 50 states, U.S. Territories and a dozen foreign countries. He and his family live in Stansbury Park.

SEVIER VALLEY CHAPTER - Richfield and Monroe, Utah

June's chapter meeting was a Trek to Bullion Canyon outdoor historic museum. It was attended by a fair number of chapter members and some guests who initially gathered at the Marysvale Town Park where they feasted on a dutch oven chicken dinner prepared by trek leaders Max Anderson and Carl Holmes. Prior to leaving the park all were provided with some orientation information by **Mr. Bob W. Leonard**, who is a staff archeologist for The US Forest Service, concerning the field trek up to The Bullion Canyon historic sites.

Bob's work requires him to travel far and wide. It is interesting to note that his home is actually located in Bullion Canyon, so Bob has a special interest in



this area. He presented detailed information that a casual visitor would not be aware of as he guided us on a very enjoyable and interesting experience.

TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER - Logan, Utah



Ross Peterson, a native of Montpelier, Idaho, was the speaker at the July SUP meeting. He taught us about "How Water Has Been and Is Currently Allocated."

Brigham Young got to the Salt Lake area of Utah on July 24th and said it was the right place. It is well that he

did for there were already men who had started plowing fields and moving water on July 22nd.

People were taught to pray and fast for water. If you had seasonal farming, then you prayed for winter snow so water would be available in the summer. If you did dry farming, then you prayed for rain year round. A story was told about a Peterson man who prayed for rain, but ask for "gentle rain" so it didn't destroy the crops.

Teddy Roosevelt started the Bureau of Reclamation. He taxed all people so that water could be brought to the west. He built a dam on the Salt River in Arizona. This was for use in growing cotton and citrus fruits. Many dams were built in other states. The Teton Dam flooding showed some of the problems with these dams.

The Snake River is the source of much of the water in our area. Much of the work to make water available came from people in the east who sent money to complete the projects. The names of these people still remain on some of the projects.

The pioneers couldn't build large dams like those that were built later. They had to learn to work together and share. They sold shares of water. There was nothing more sacred than a water share. People in towns were allocated water shares for culinary and animal use and to water gardens. Outside the city they were given 20-acre plots for farming, which were later increased to 40-acre plots, and they had water shares to use there in growing crops. Using water when it was not your turn could have violent results.

It is a beautiful area we live in, but there is not enough water for our large population growth. Water management is still a problem everywhere in the west. Different methods of management are being tried, it is an on-going process. The plea today is to worry about the future. Today's problems in water distribution are that people don't talk with each other anymore. They need to learn to communicate and share.

Ross suggested that each person think about how you used water as you were growing up. Then leave stories about those experiences — a history of water use — in personal and honest terms. Ross Peterson can be contacted at 435-752-7132.

TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER - American Fork, Utah



This month the Timpanogos and Lehi chapters met together for a dutch oven dinner and a presentation by **Keith Redford** on the life of Orrin Porter Rockwell. The program began with the audience singing, "Praise to the Man" and Porter Rockwell (Keith Redford) coming through the outside door firing one shot from his pistol.

The hymn, "Praise to the Man" was Porter's favorite song. Joseph Smith, though seven years Porter's senior, was a good friend to Porter. They grew up together. Describing their honesty, it was said that when the Smiths said something, it was the truth.

Porter was seven years old when he first heard Joseph relating his spiritual experiences. Even though Porter could not understand it all, he was able to feel the truth of what Joseph said. Porter would beg his mother to allow him to stay up at nights just to hear Joseph relate his experiences and stories of the Book of Mormon. Porter sat at the feet of Joseph Smith.

Porter was arrested (on false charges) and taken to jail. On the way, the driver of the wagon became drunk. Even though Porter was shackled, he took the reigns and drove the team himself. Porter spent ten months in jail. Authorities were really trying to get Joseph Smith to come and get Porter out, thinking that if he did so, authorities would have a chance to kill him.

The time came for his court appearance and Porter refuse to go without a clean shirt. When before the judge, Porter was asked twice, "Did you shoot Wilburn Boggs"? Each time Porter replied, "He ain't dead is he"? Porter was then asked, "Did you shot at Wilburn Boggs"? Porter thought for a moment and then said, "Sir I never shot anybody. If I shot at anybody, they got shot". The jury determined Porter was not guilty, but new charges were brought before him of jailbreak, of which he was found guilty with a sentence of ten minutes in jail. He spent four hours instead. While in jail, he was tempted to ask Joseph to come to him, which he did not do.

When released from jail, Porter walked barefoot in the middle of December, 140 to 150 miles to Nauvoo to be again with Joseph. When arriving at the Mansion House, he was unrecognizable and was wrestled out the door at least twice until the Prophet Joseph came, recognized him and invited him to tell the gathering of his experiences over the last ten months.

The message of Porter Rockwell is to "Follow the Prophet"!

UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER - Rexburg, Idaho Area



A Fireside, which was open to the public, was held 24 July in Rexburg the East Stake Center with an attendance of 236 of members. spouses and guests. President Alton Wilde conducted and in his welcoming address described some of the attributes of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

organization. He emphasized that SUP is no longer limited to just those who have ancestors who were among the original pioneer settlers in Utah but any who love heritage and history.

Lynn Smith introduced the speaker, **Kyle Walker**. Bishop Walker is an author of several books about the Joseph Smith Sr. family, a faculty member of BYU Idaho and Bishop

of the Crest Haven Ward in Rexburg. He spoke about a number of Joseph Smith's ancestors who were influential in his personal development, his immediate family and what kind of an environment the Prophet was raised in during his quest for religion. Asking those present that might be descendants of the Smith family, Bishop Walker went on to show charts of their descendants who were heads of government, renowned members of the Church and there was a definite reaction for us all.

He specifically mentioned that Joseph Smith's grandfather, Asael Smith, made a prediction at one time that "it has born in upon my soul that one of my descendants will promulgate a work to revolutionize the world of religious faith." Later just before he died, after having received a copy of the Book of Mormon, and read it nearly through; declared that Joseph was the very Prophet that he had long ago known would come into his family."

It was a very thought-provoking talk and for those in attendance was an experience well rewarded.

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SUP LOGO MARKER

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John Houston's Gospel Choir

Thursday Evening Entertainment



Western Singer Eric Dodge and his Band

Friday Evening Entertainment



Paul Reeve & Lyman Hafen

> Saturday Morning Women's Meeting

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 Piancer Chost town of Grafton Kolob Canyon's & Fort Harmony Tour

See the grandeur of Kolob Fingers and visit Old Fort Harmony and an incredible Wildlife display! Hurricane Mesa Missile
Test Site

Visit the missile test site that has pioneered the way for supersonic jet flight and safety!

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!



A Few of his authored books:
Fire of the Covenant - The Work and the
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- One in Thine Hand - Leverage Point The Guardian - Alliance - Kingdom and the
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THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVING SPACE ON MOTOR COACH BUS TO THIS YEAR'S HURRICANE CONVENTION IS SEPTEMBER 10TH AND CAN ALSO BE RESERVED ON OUR WEB SITE: SUP1847.COM

Convention Schedule

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 INFORMATION

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 SUPERSPONIC 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.

Information on other local points of interest including the Hurricane Canal will be available at the check in desk.