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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What an exciting end event filled month July was for the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Pioneer week began on July 19th with the annual SUPER-DUPER Day at This is the Place Heritage Park. President Dallin H. Oaks, 1st counselor in the First Presidency was our devotional speaker. Following President Oaks those in attendance enjoyed a relaxing and fun filled day in the park with family and friends. The next day on July 20th we held the dedication of the Bear Flag at the SUP headquarters building in Salt Lake City

(Click [HERE](#) for a full report from KSL). The dedication was well attended and enjoyed by all. Gary Smith gave a history of the flag and its importance in our history. Pioneer Day this year was held on July 23rd and began with the annual Sunrise Service sponsored by the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. This was held in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square where Elder David F. Evans, general authority seventy, was the speaker. Following the Sunrise Service we as an organization completed our annual trek in the Days of 47 parade by pulling handcarts and walking in the parade. Everyone enjoyed doing this and by the reaction of the crowd they enjoyed watching us. The week was capped off with many chapter and community events around the region.

When we think of pioneers we often think of those who walked the pioneer trail to the Salt Lake Valley between 1847 and the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10th, 1869. There were pioneers before this time and there are pioneers after this time. Many if not all of us are pioneering today in some form or fashion. July is full of these pioneer stories. I want to mention five. First there are the signers of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Then there was the Mormon Battalion that was called into service and began their march to San Diego in 1846. We all know the story of Brigham Young leading the Van Guard company to the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, the company that began

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the Mormon migration westward. On July 20th, 1969 Neil Armstrong became the first man to step on the moon, what a pioneer he was. Then on July 20th, 2021 the oldest (82) and youngest (18) persons ever to fly in space made the journey to weightlessness on a private space craft, blazing the trail for others to follow.

August is as important to each of us as any other month. It is filled with end of summer family activities and events. Take time to share the stories of pioneers from the past as well as pioneers from today. Each of you have your own pioneer story. Write it down and share it with those you care about. Just as you gain strength from your pioneer

ancestors your posterity will one day gain strength from you.

If you haven't already signed up for the annual encampment please consider doing so. It will be a great encampment and you will come away blessed for attending. Thanks to each of you for helping make the Sons of Utah Pioneers the great organization that it is.

Brad Clayton
2021 National President

2022 PRESIDENT ELECT NOMINEES

Ballots will be arriving the 2nd week in August, please have them returned to SUP Headquarters before August 31.

R. JOHN CLAYTON



During this past year, our lives were impacted in one way or another with COVID-19. Our ancestors lived through a similar experience with the Spanish Flu pandemic. My grandmother suffered a personal loss during this time when her husband died from the Spanish Flu. I have thought about my grandmother's trials and the heartache she must have

felt with losing her husband at such a young age. I remember her lasting lessons of sacrifice, hope, and faith that she left for her posterity. It causes me to contemplate what lasting lessons I will be leaving for my loved ones. What lessons do we want to preserve for our families? What examples can we bestow upon our posterity to help strengthen them in times of personal turmoil?

Thank you for considering me for President-Elect of the SUP. I have a deep love and appreciation for our pioneer heritage. President Hinckley once said about the pioneers, "We cannot detract from their accomplishments. We cannot add to their glory. We can only look back with reverence, appreciation, respect, and resolution to build upon what they have done." I look forward to building upon that legacy together with you and the SUP.

WALLY D. BREITENSTEIN



I am extremely honored to be nominated and selected as a candidate for the position of President-Elect of the National Society of Sons of Utah Pioneers. I have been a member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers since 2008. I joined the organization as a "modern-day" pioneer. I and all my Breitenstein descendants are active members of the church. We are all willingly and

joyfully making sacrifices in using our time and talents to help the church grow and prosper, character that the early pioneers well exemplified.

The Sons of Utah Pioneers organization exists to preserve the memory and heritage of the early pioneers who sacrificed to settle the West, particularly Utah, and to find a better life. SUP members also desire to exemplify pioneer qualities of character and to teach those qualities to our youth.

Since I was baptized a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (in my twenties), I have sacrificed time and effort in doing my absolute best in growing the church through service, talents, and example. I desire to continue that effort by similarly serving you and yours within the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

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FORMS & OTHER CHAPTER RESOURCES, CLICK HERE.

NATIONAL NEWS

Thanks to Everyone Who Helped Make All the July SUP Activities a Success!

SUPER DUPER DAY

President Dallin H. Oaks, First Counselor in the First Presidency spoke on July 19th at this annual event.

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BEAR FLAG MONUMENT DEDICATION

On July 20 National dedicated their newest Monument-The Bear Flag. E Gary Smith gave a history of the flag and it was dedicated by Brad Clayton.



DAYS OF '47 SUN-RISE SERVICE

Thanks to the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter of the SUP for hosting the annual Sunrise Service in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square, from 7 - 8 AM.

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NATIONAL NEWS

DAYS OF '47 PARADE HANDCART PULL



THE WEST JORDAN UTAH WESTBROOK STAKE FLOAT WINS THE SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS AWARD

Everyone has stories of pioneer ancestors that have and moved and motivated our lives that can benefit us all.

Please enjoy reading and submitting at: suponline.org/pioneer-stories.



PIONEER STORIES

GUIDED BY WHAT MATTERS MOST

Submitted by Joe Badger, Descendant of Susannah Stone Lloyd

In 1856 Susannah Stone Lloyd, a convert to the Church from Bristol, England and member of the Willie handcart company, was crossing the plains into Wyoming. She joined the Church against her parent's wishes. In the company of other saints, she crossed the ocean and began her long journey west.

At age 25 she joined the Willie handcart Company and continued on Zion by herself with no husband nor other family members to help her. She recalled one particularly difficult part of that experience:

After we had traveled about seven hundred miles, and our provisions being short, our Captain bought up all the biscuits and flour that he could get in Laramie. We had to live on short rations and it became very cold and a number of our older people died. Sixteen were buried at one time. Traveling as we were, with scant clothing and lack of sufficient food, we suffered greatly from the severe cold and snow.

On account of the loss of cattle it became necessary for each hand cart to take additional load, by each taking a share of the provisions that were left. We waded through the cold streams many times but we murmured not, for our faith in God and our testimony of His work were supreme. And in the blizzards and falling snow we sat under our hand-carts and sang, 'Come, Come Ye Saints, no toil nor labor fear but with joy wend your way. Though hard to you this journey may appear, grace shall be as your day.'

I often think of the songs we used to sing to encourage us on our toilsome journey. It was hard to endure but the Lord gave us strength and courage. Yes, the Lord has multiplied blessings upon my head and I praise His Holy Name and pray that I may be worthy of the many blessings promised to the faithful.



Susannah Stone Lloyd

Although she did all she could to muster courage and to continue to move ahead against the relentless rigors, the cold conditions they suffered in Wyoming became more than she could endure. Like many of us, finding ourselves in our own disastrous circumstances, she began to lose sight of what mattered most. She gave up. In her own words she described what happened.

Only once did my courage fail. One cold dreary afternoon my feet having been frosted I felt I could go no farther. I withdrew from the little company and sat down to wait the end,

being somewhat in a stupor. After a time I was aroused by a voice, which seemed as audible as anything could be and which spoke to my very soul, of the promises and blessings I had received, and which should surely be fulfilled and that I had a mission to perform in Zion. I received strength and was filled with the spirit of the Lord. I arose and traveled on with a light heart. As I reached camp I found a searching party ready to go back to find me dead or alive. I had no relatives but many dear and devoted friends, and we did all we could to aid and encourage each other.

Susannah somehow was able to reach inside herself and find the strength to carry on when all hope seemed lost. Elder Uchtdorf said,

They believed that God had a plan for them and a place prepared where they could worship God and live their religion in peace. I think they will be pleased by our interest in them. I think they will be humbled by our admiration. But I also believe that they will be far more concerned not about what they did, but about what we did as a result of their sacrifice. I have a feeling they will be pleased far more by our performance than by applause, praise, or parades. They will want to know if we gained anything from the hard-won

lessons they learned through tribulation and trial. They will want to know if their sacrifice and endurance made a difference to us and our children.

As we listen to stories of our early pioneer forefathers we stand in awe of their fortitude and faith. They were willing to endure such trials to follow a prophet of God. But the real importance is what we learn from their example. We each

face our own trials in life. They are different from the trials faced by the early pioneers, but they are no less real, nor no less challenging.

As we face and overcome our own adversities, may we murmur not, for our faith in God and our testimony of His work are supreme. Like Susannah Stone Lloyd, may we be guided by what matters most.

Calendar of Events

THURS -
SATURDAY
16-18
SEPTEMBER

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

HOSTED BY THE UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER
REXBURG, ID
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Celebrate!



175th
Kanesville to Council Bluffs
1846 ~ 2021



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2022 FALL FOLLIAGE TREK

CHURCH HISTORY TOUR
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



THE TRAIL MARKER NEWS

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3. Email to: rolandleefamily@gmail.com
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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

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CHAPTER ETERNAL MEMBERS

Cal AndersonOgden Pioneer
 Marco GrowHurricane Valley

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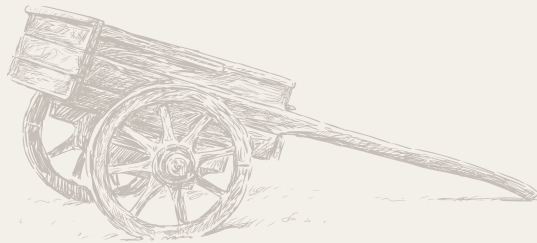
NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

CONVERTED FROM FRIENDS & FAMILY

Gerald Paaluhi Gonsalves. At Large Member
 David Ryser Temple Quarry

NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS

Sterling Hill Lehi
 Preston Regehr Porter Rockwell
 Ronald Snowden Sanpete County



BOX ELDER CHAPTER - Brigham City, Utah

An excellent Sons of the Utah Pioneers Dinner meeting was held July 14, 2021 at the Bowery of the Brigham City North Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The meal was provided by Board Members and at the conclusion of the dinner, a program was introduced by Jack Small, program chairman. Lindsey Scott, first attendant in the Peach Queen Royalty for Brigham City, then gave an excellent and delightful presentation about the selection of the royalty and she told us about the activities she has participated in during her reign for the past two years. Her main theme centered around "Self-esteem and the ability you have to accomplish things that may be out of your comfort zone".

She gave a lot of credit to people who surrounded her, encouraged her, and helped her. She helped us understand that you never approach most things "alone" but are helped by many people who want to help you succeed. One of the great things she took away from her experiences is how much she enjoyed meeting people during her reign. She has spoken to many different audiences from students in different levels of school, adults in the community and people in Service Clubs. After her speech, she favored us with the excellent piano solo she played during the talent portion of the contest. The evening was enjoyed by those who were able to attend.

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Gold Panning

The Box Elder Chapter renewed its annual tradition of Pioneer Day in Brigham City with between 700 and 800 visitors on Saturday, July 24. Free activities at the five-hour mid-day event included musical performances, pioneer dress-up, handcart pulling, rope-making, wool spinning, gold-panning, handicrafts, leather-work, train rides, and much more. Since the park is

adjacent to the Brigham City 4th Ward meetinghouse, the Family History Center again provided advisors to help guests with their family history questions. The event chairman is Val Roberts, our SUP Area Vice President. Since we had to skip 2020, chapter members were excited to see the smiling faces of so many children and their families and keep the spirit of Utah's Pioneer Day alive in our community.

CEDAR CITY CHAPTER - Cedar City, Utah



Pictograph

During the past month the Cedar City Chapter has been busy with several activities. We sponsored two virtual tours, one of the Hawaiian Temple and history of the church in Laie, Hawaii and the other a tour of Temple Square in Salt Lake City with emphasis on the Assembly Hall and Tabernacle. We appreciate the sister missionaries who do such a good job leading these online tours.

Our major activity was a trek to the Big Rock Canyon picnic area west of Milford, Utah, that emphasized family participation. We stopped on the way near Rush Lake, now dry, that was an important historical area

used by the pioneers to raise cattle and as the site of the Hollywood movie, Proud Rebel, starring Alan Ladd and Olivia DeHaviland. The Big Rock Canyon area is also known as "Little Switzerland" due to the prominence of the granite peaks in the area. It is a great ATV trail area and also has some interesting pictographs and fascinating geology.

This next month will be focused on the 24th of July celebrations where we will recognize our essay contest winners, award scholarships and honor our modern day pioneers.

HURRICANE CHAPTER - Hurricane, Utah



Loren Webb

Although we had no activity during the month of July from our chapter, National held their SUPer/DUPer days at the "This Is The Place Park" with President Oaks as the speaker, and they also held their dedication of the "Bear Flag Monument," as well as the "Sunrise Service" and joining in the "Days of 47 Parade." It was a busy month from the National Office.

Our next meeting will be August 19 at the American Legion Hall, 860 North 200 West, at 6:30 p.m. The dinner will be pot-luck, as always, and we will be pleased to hear from our guest

speaker Loren Webb. He is the 2021 President of the Washington County Historical Society. A native of St. George, he grew up working on his father's dairy farm. He graduated from Dixie College in 1977 with an associate's degree, then a bachelor's degree in journalism and history in 1979 from BYU. He obtained his masters degree in communications in 1981 and has worked as a reporter in community journalism for several weekly newspapers in Southern Utah and Southeastern Nevada.

MORGAN CHAPTER - Morgan, Utah



Stampede

On Monday, July 19, the Morgan Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers once again gathered together for their summer social. Since gatherings have been nonexistent due to the pandemic this was the first social event with wives since early last year. Threatening rain did not hamper the wonderful meal provided by Mama Lake's Catering. After

a healthy amount of visiting all were entertained by the vocal duo "Stampede" from West Haven. The couple, Steve and Terri Taylor, sang many old country-western favorites along with some originals and new to the audience. It was good to once again be gathered together enjoying an evening of food, friends and entertainment.

OGDEN PIONEER CHAPTER - Ogden, Utah



Picnic

On Monday, 12 July 2021, the Ogden Pioneer Chapter of Sons of Utah Pioneers, held its Annual Chapter Summer Picnic. This event was with partners and over 85 people were in attendance. Ed Kleyn, First Vice President of the Chapter, conducted and acted as emcee for the event. Due to COVID protocols, the meal consisted of box lunches purchased from McKay-Dee Hospital Catering. The entertainment was

provided by the Allen Family Singers. Everyone enjoyed getting together at the bowery of Friendship Park in South Ogden, Utah. It was good to be able to greet one another and enjoy this event. Beginning in August the Chapter will start meeting at its regular location and time, the Comfort Suites Inn & Conference Center, Monday, 9 August 2021, at noon.

SALT LAKE PIONEER CHAPTER - Downtown Salt Lake City, Utah



Sunrise Service at the Assembly Hall

The Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter once again hosted the annual Days of '47 Sunrise Service with Elder David F. Evans as the keynote speaker. On the stand were members of the Chapter committee and the SUP National Executive Council. Senator Mitt Romney and Congressman Blake Moore were also in attendance.

Thank you to the Salt Lake Valley Combined Institute Choir for providing inspiring music and to the Mormon Battalion Association for the posting of colors and leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

We invite everyone to please join us next year for the Service and parade following.

SETTLEMENT CANYON CHAPTER - Toole, Utah



The Fighting Preacher

The Settlement chapter enjoyed a great virtual presentation by Lori Bean Henderson the granddaughter of Willard and Rebecca Bean who served a 24 year mission to Palmyra. Willard became locally and historically known as the "Fighting Preacher." When the Beans first entered Palmyra the reaction of the community was hateful, turning toward violence. After continued rejection and hostilities towards their family, the former Middleweight Champion of the United States, built a boxing ring and challenged any and all comers to a boxing match. Many wanted to fight him, but he beat all who entered the ring. Amazingly

and blessedly this demonstration softened up the people of Palmyra. The Beans eventually became some of the most accepted citizens in the community and were even able to purchase the Hill Cumorah and other sought-after Church historical properties.

Next month President and Sister Mike Rockwell will present about their mission to San Diego, California and especially about the Mormon Battalion Museum. It is hoped that we will also receive some gems from the life of their famous ancestor Orrin Porter Rockwell. Information about time, place and food arrangements will follow.

TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER - American Fork, Utah



Scholarship recipients

The Timpanogos Chapter held a dinner meeting on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at the American Fork Senior Center in American Fork, Utah. The invited guests were some of the Timpanogos Chapter “Pioneer Values Scholarship” recipients and their parents. This year 16 scholarships were awarded to students from three schools: American Fork High School; Lone Peak High School; and Pleasant Grove High School. A historical writing award program is also sponsored in two elementary schools. Jim Clinton is Chairman of the Scholarship Program and Mark Bezzant was Chair of the selection committee. Each student spoke to those in attendance about their appreciation for the scholarship. Academic Scholarship recipients shared personal experiences how they maintained strong pioneer values under extreme hardship. One recipient

suffered a terrible automobile crash and pressed forward to earn a 3.98 GPA. Another recipient had brain cancer as a child, lost one eye, and went on to be student body president with a 3.9 GPA. One scholarship winner immigrated from South America at age 13, faced many obstacles, learned a new language, and went on as a modern pioneer with a 3.9 GPA. A humble down-syndrome scholarship winner finished high school and will go on for further training. Other winners in Creative Arts Scholarships described how their painting or poetry represented pioneer values.

All members and guests were inspired by the accomplishments of these young future pioneers and are more committed to continue supporting the Chapter Scholarship Program. The future is bright for these delightful young people.

UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER - Rexburg, Idaho



Dr. Jeffrey and Mary Zollinger

Our activity for July was a community Pioneer Fireside held on Sunday, July 25th, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rexburg North Stake Center. The theme was centered on “Our Pioneer and Pioneering Health Care Providers in Madison County.” Dr. Jeffrey and Mary Zollinger, a practicing doctor and nurse combination, were the main speakers. They shared a slide presentation of their 70 trips to South American and Central American countries as health missionaries. Their assignment was to train other doctors and nurses in prenatal infant care and mother’s health during and after birth. They were called to this mission by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 2004.

from the days of the pioneers to present. The audience loved hearing about pioneer medicine and were thankful they live in a day when we have modern access to better health. Dr. Daniel Kerr provided a special musical number—a medley of hymns centered on service. He is the Director of Organ Studies at BYU-Idaho and gave the mini-concert with the manner in which he played the organ.

Of special note, 120 Heritage Health Care Providers were personally invited to attend the fireside. They were recognized for 25 years or more of service in the Health Care Profession in Madison County. The group consisted of doctors, nurses, therapists, counselors, hospital administrators, and other medical professionals.

Louis Clements was the other speaker. He gave a thumbnail sketch of medical practices in the Upper Snake River Valley



Heritage Care Providers-July 2021