

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to February and the newest edition of the Trail Marker! I hope you enjoy reading its content. Let me start by reminding you of an upcoming National event. On February 26th we will be holding our annual Chapter President's Council which will begin at 10:00 a.m. at National Headquarters. The National Executive Council, Area Vice Presidents and Directors, Chapter Librarian/Historians, and the following Chapter Officers: Presidents, Presidents-elect, treasurers, secretaries, Librarian/historians, and their spouses are invited. There will be a general meeting, breakout sessions for wives, treasurers, and secretaries. National

is providing lunch. This is a great opportunity to share and to learn. Please plan on attending. We will be watching Covid policies closely to insure it will be a safe event.

February is a month I have always cherished being the month of my birth. I prided myself on being born in the same month as two of my favorite and possibly greatest Presidents of the United States: George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We should take some time during the month to reflect on the tremendous impact they had on all that we are today in this great nation and focus on how we might be an influence for good in what they established. This is a covenant nation, and we should never lose sight of that and diligently work to ensure all its promises are fulfilled.

Here are some other things that occurred in the month of February:

In 1830 the Latter-day Saints were instructed to gather to Ohio (D&C 37:1, 3 and D&C 38:32). In early February, after leaving Fayette, New York, Joseph Smith Jr. and Emma (Hale) Smith arrived in Kirtland and met Newel K. Whitney at his general store. Thus began the settlement of the Latter-day Saints in northeastern Ohio. Kirtland was established as the headquarters of the Church from 1831 to 1838. Ohio also became the fastest growing area of the Church.

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The Revelation Room - Newel K. Whitney Store

Joseph received many revelations in the Kirtland area during February, including several in the Newel K. Whitney Store. It was during this time that Edward Partridge was called as the Church's first bishop (D&C 41:9). On the 27th of February Joseph received a revelation known as the "Word of Wisdom," which established the current health code for Latter-day Saints. This revelation advises against smoking and drinking and encourages eating proper foods (D&C 89).

On February 17th, 1834, the first stake in the Church was organized at Kirtland, with Joseph Smith Jr. as president. At that time the First Presidency serve as the Kirtland Stake presidency and the first high council in the Church was created (D&C 102).

After a special conference, the Three Witnesses to the Book of Mormon, Oliver Cowdery, David Whitmer, and Martin Harris, were asked to choose the individuals who were to be in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. On February 14th, 1835, the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles was organized and Lyman E. Johnson, Brigham Young and Heber C. Kimball were ordained. On the 15th Orson Hyde, David W. Patten, Luke S. Johnson, William E. McLellin, John F. Boynton and William Smith were ordained. Parley P. Pratt was ordained on the 21st, Thomas B. Marsh on the 25th, and Orson Pratt on the 26th.

On the 27th of February Joseph met with nine of the Twelve Apostles and stressed the importance of keeping records (HC2:198–200). I think that counsel should continue to apply to us concerning our ancestors and posterity. A day later, on the 28th, the First Quorum of the Seventy was organized. Both Kirtland and the month of February were very busy during this time period.

February was also a very active time in 1846. The Saints were being forced out of their beloved Nauvoo. Between December 1845 and February 4th, 1846, more than 5,000 of these Latter-day Saints received their sacred ordinances in the Nauvoo Temple. On February 4th, the westward migration began under the leadership of Brigham Young, who became the prophet and president of the Church, with the first wagons crossing the Mississippi River from Nauvoo on their way west to the Great Basin. It was also in February 1846 that the ship Brooklyn departed New York to sail with the Saints for what is now San Francisco, with the ultimate goal of meeting up with the Vanguard Pioneer Company in the Great Basin. What an amazing history each of these groups have to share with us! I am sure we will enjoy learning more about all the pioneer groups as we celebrate the 175th Anniversary of their arrival in the Salt Lake Valley.

From all of us here at National Headquarters, we wish you the very best and happiest February and Valentine's Day. Please know that we are constantly thinking about you and appreciate the privilege to serve you. May the Lord's blessings ever attend you and all those you love.

Challenge: I hope you took last month's challenge and found 2-3 stories regarding your mother's mother to share with your family. I found several stories about Sarah Elizabeth Banks which I will share with my children. This month find 2-3 stories about your father's grandfather on his father's side (one of your two great grandfathers on your father's side) that you want to share with your children. Write them and share them.

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2022 National President



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# CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

10AM • WILL BE HELD IN PERSON AT SUP NATIONAL HEADQUARTS A ZOOM LINK WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED • MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



SATURDAY

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APRIL

# NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Commemorating The 175th Anniversary of the Pioneers Entering the Salt Lake Valley & the Mormon Battalion Entering California



SATURDAY

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# DAYS OF '47

Sunrise Service in The Assembly Hall at Temple Square  $\cdot$  7am Parade 9am  $\cdot$  Come Pull Handcarts with the SUP



8-10 SEPTEMBER 2022

# NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Hosted by the Holladay, Mills, Jordan River Temple & Salt Lake Pioneer Chapters

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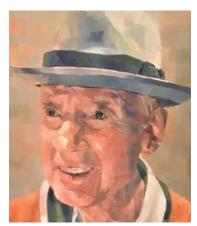
# IN MEMORIAM JOHN HAMILTON "BUD" MORGAN JR.

TRIBUTE BY DILWORTH STRASSER

We are saddened by the passing of a great ambassador who introduced hundreds of people to the SUP over the past 20 years. John H. Morgan Jr. was a member of the Salt Lake Chapter. John's pioneer ancestors were a lot of his reason to give back through education. John's grandfather started the first college in Salt Lake City to educate our pioneer ancestors in the mid 1800's. More than 20 years ago, John became a scholarship chairman for the Salt Lake chapter of SUP giving out 2 scholarships -

which became 4 the next year and adding more and more each year. Over those 20 remaining years, he gave out 2,727 scholarships and visited high schools throughout Davis and Salt Lake county.

The scholarship started out at \$500 and eventually increased to \$1500 for each student. He visited each school and personally interviewed each student. On the application the student needed to write a paragraph on the 8 pioneer values: my faith in God, my devotion to family, my loyalty to church and country, my hard work, my service to others, my courage, my personal integrity, my determination to succeed, my adversity that I have overcome. He encouraged the scholarship councilor at each school to choose students in need. Many of the students would be the first member of their family who had a chance to go to college. John loved SUP, his ancestors, and giving out scholarships to kids who could further their education. What a wonderful example he set for us and our chapters.



In 1979, he built the St. George Hilton Inn—the first hotel in the city—which his first wife Daisy managed for 14 years.

In trying to figure out how to attract more visitors and ensure the hotel's success, he realized that St. George residents were interested in sports and the city attracted retired people, and the idea of a senior sporting event was born. He and Daisy, along with friends Royce and Jill Jones and Sylvia Wunderli, used the Baton Rouge-

based National Senior Games Association as a model for the St. George games. With a goal of encouraging good health and physical fitness for seniors, the games, originally called the World Senior Olympics, were first held in 1987 as part of a community development plan for St. George. In 1989, Utah philanthropist Jon M. Huntsman, Sr., became the principal sponsor, and the name was changed to the Huntsman World Senior Games.

The event has become the second-largest senior games in the world, behind the National Senior Olympics, and gives 10,000 men and women ages 55 and older the opportunity to compete in 27 athletic events over a two-week period. Serious athletes from Japan to Russia and from Alaska to Australia come to participate. John himself competed in the tennis event for more than 25 years. In 2013 he won two silver medals and one bronze, just missed winning a gold. He also received the Personal Best Award from the National Senior Games Association.<sup>1</sup>

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# Charge City Cemetery

While traveling through New York In 1829, Thomas B. Marsh heard rumors of the restored gospel and was directed to find Martin Harris in Palmyra for further investigation. He found Harris at the Grandin Bindery where the Book of Mormon was in process of being published. He also met Oliver Cowdery and was given a copy of the first 16 pages of the sacred book.

Returning home, he studied those pages with his wife and after some correspondence with Cowdery and the Prophet Joseph, they moved to Palmyra in September of 1830. He was immediately baptized by David Whitmer and ordained an Elder by Cowdery. Soon after, the Prophet received revelation calling Marsh "a physician to the Church." Marsh moved with the Church to Kirtland, Ohio where he was ordained a High Priest and given a call to proselytize in Missouri.

In February of 1835, Marsh was called by the Three Witnesses to serve in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. As seniority was first established by age, Marsh was thereby President of that Quorum. However, it has

been discovered that David W. Patten was incorrect in accounting his own age and should have been the first Quorum President.

Upon arriving back in Kirtland from a mission to the Eastern States, he found many of the Apostles had left for Great Britain and several others had apostatized. Marsh visited the Prophet Joseph who received revelation on Marsh's behalf: "be ye faithful before me," and for the Twelve to "exalt not yourselves; rebel not against my servant Joseph." This was directed toward Marsh specifically. Often the Prophet Joseph would give the Quorum direction and assignments – which Marsh felt was his responsibility, not Joseph's. In Marsh's 1864 autobiographical account he wrote, "I got a beam in my eye and thought I could discover a mote in Joseph's eye, though it was nothing but a beam in my eye; I was so completely darkened..."





After the infamous "milk strippings incident" in Far West, Missouri; the Marsh family left the Church and began actively opposing the Saints, describing acts of violence and destruction carried out by members of the Church against their "gentile" neighbors and caused increased persecution. The Prophet wrote of Marsh's actions that he perpetuated "all the vilest calumnies, aspersions, Lies and slanders, towards myself and the Church that his wicked heart could invent." Marsh was excommunicated in 1839.

After nearly twenty years and many personal losses; including his wife leaving him, a stroke causing him to become prematurely aged, and great financial distress; Marsh wrote to Heber C. Kimball: "The Lord could get along very well without me and He has lost nothing by my falling out of the ranks; But O what have I lost?!" Kimball responded by pleading with him to return to the fold. Marsh finally arrived in Salt Lake City in September 1857 whereupon President Brigham Young asked him to

address the Saints. He lamented,

I have frequently wanted to know how my apostasy began, and I have come to the conclusion that I must have lost the Spirit of the Lord out of my heart. The next question is, How and when did you lose the Spirit? I became jealous of the Prophet, . . . I felt angry and wrathful; and the Spirit of the Lord being gone, as the Scriptures say, I was blinded, . . . I have learned to understand what David said when he exclaimed, "I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness." I have not come here to seek for any office, except it be to be a door-keeper or a deacon; no, I am neither worthy nor fit; but I want a place among you as a humble servant of the Lord.

Marsh was re-baptized, settled in Spanish Fork, and later moved to Ogden where he died in January 1866.

#### Compiled by Roland Lee

If you would like to have your chapter news printed in the Trail Marker please do the following:

- 1. Write up a short (one paragraph) article in MS Word (or send as the text of an email)
- 2. Attach 1 high quality jpeg photograph as an attachment to your email. Poor quality photos cannot be used.
- 3. Email to: rolandleefamily@gmail.com
- 4. News must be received by the 25th of each month

We cannot use PDF files nor can we extract and re-write information from your own chapter newsletters. Please have your secretaries or publicity chairmen take a few minutes and provide the information we need in the manner requested above. Thank you.

# **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

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Michael A Hutchings Mt Nebo	Kenneth BrailsfordTimpanogos
Robert Boyd Jackson Cotton Mission	Don Bryson WorldWide Pioneer
Lawrence Brent MinerCotton Mission	Paul Clayton Snow Horse
Robert Moss Porter Rockwell	Kenneth Godfrey Temple Fork
	Doug Honey Boulder Dam Chapter
NEW LIFE MEMBERS	Dennis Johnson Snow Horse
M Gale LemmonPorter Rockwell	Kregg Smith Snow Horse
	John Sundloff Snow Horse
NEW ANNUAL MEMBERS	Bill ToblerBoulder Dam Chapter
Rocky White Cotton Mission	Jerry TorgesenBoulder Dam Chapter
•	Richard Warnick Mt Nebo
FAMILY & FRIENDS CONVERTED TO	Gary P Weagle Murray
ANNUAL MEMBERS	David Norton Salt Lake Pioneer
Robert Grow Temple Quarry	Norman C Bennion Salt Lake Pioneer
Norman Randy Smith Portneuf Pioneers	Jerald H Jacobs Salt Lake Pioneer

#### BOULDER DAM CHAPTER - Boulder City / Las Vegas, Nevada



Oatman

On January 8, 2022, the Boulder Dam Chapter, headed for Searchlight, Nevada which was established in 1897 when gold was discovered. From Searchlight we headed for Oatman, Arizona. Oatman was a boom town with history dating back to the 1860's. The discovery of gold brought a Gold Rush in 1915 that lasted 10 years. The mines closed in 1944 and today the town thrives on tourism and burros.

The name of the town comes from the Olive Oatman family. Olive was taken into captivity by Native Americans after they killed her parents and four siblings. Funds were raised and she was bought back. She went on to get a college education. Oatman is famous for Clark Gable and Carole Lombard who spent their wedding night in the Oatman Hotel. We had lots of fun and enjoyed learning the history of the area.

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#### BOX ELDER CHAPTER - Brigham City, Utah



Bob Folkman and Bob Brown



At our dinner meeting Jan. 12th, we were privileged to hear from Bob Brown of the Centerville Chapter. His presentation related the events of the 1897 celebration of 50 years since the Utah Pioneers entered the Salt Lake Valley. It was a joyous occasion and included about a week of activities. One day was of baseball, races, and other activities; another day focused on Patches of Progress; At the childrens parade, about 10,000 children were involved; at the counties parade, each county entered a float. Finally, the Pioneer parade

took place with floats, dignitaries, with many of the original pioneers in attendance. The crowds were large and included thousands of out of town visitors. There were even pick-pockets at work among the crowds. Saturday evening fireworks from Capital Hill ended the celebration. It is interesting to see the quality of the photographs taken during the celebration. The DUP and Utah Historical Society were organized at this time. Bob displayed his remarkable collection of memorabilia from the event.

#### CEDAR CITY CHAPTER - Cedar City, Utah



New Year's Dinner



Old Grist Mill Monument

Over the last couple of months our monument committee has been busy with both a new monument and improvements to an existing monument. A new monument was erected in Newcastle, Utah, marking the route of the Old Spanish Trail through the area. Improvements were made to the Old Grist Mill monument at the mouth of Cedar Canyon to enhance its appearance and protect it.

On January 3 was our New Year's Dinner and Reader's Theater. Ellen Westwood read the story of Nellie Purcell Unthank. Nellie lost her parents and her legs below the knee as a member of the Martin Handcart Company. But raised a family in Cedar City and lived

a full life despite her trials. John Westwood read the story of Francis Webster. He was also a member of the Martin Handcart Company and bore a strong testimony of the blessings that he received as a result that experience. Royce Nelson read the story of his ancestor Bengt Nelson Sr. who joined the LDS church in Sweden and settled in Cedar City in 1856. The program concluded with members of the Master Singers who are also members of SUP singing two songs written by local pioneers. "Far, Far Away on Judea's Plains" was written by John Menzies Macfarlane and "High on a Mountain Top" was written by Joel Johnson, one of the founders of Enoch.

#### CENTERVILLE CHAPTER - Centerville, Utah



Elder & Sister Hutchinson

44 people attended our January Chapter Meeting, about half of pre-pandemic. Our speakers for the evening were Elder and Sister Hutchinson who had served a mission in Nauvoo and Carthage jail. They showed pictures of some of the sites in Nauvoo and told stories about several of the houses and locations around the city with a brief history of the beginnings of the city. Nauvoo became the second largest city in Illinois during its time. They told the history of the Red Brick store and the events that happened there such as Joseph Smith's work on the Book of Abraham, the Wentworth Letters, the

Articles of Faith, and the organizing of the Relief Society. They ended their presentation playing, in period costumes, Thomas and Lizzy Perry who were asked to leave Nauvoo with very short notice and the struggles the wife had to leave behind all they had worked so hard to acquire. However, they knew they had been asked by the Lord, through his servant Brigham Young, to make such a sacrifice for the building up of Zion. It was an inspiring evening and everyone gained knowledge and an appreciation for all the early pioneers went through for the gospel.

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#### COTTON MISSION CHAPTER - St George, Utah



Elder Veigel

The Cotton Mission Chapter meeting was held January 18 at the Washington Community Center. Following a nice catered dinner from the Golden Corral, we enjoyed a presentation from Elder Larry and Sister Holly Veigel who have already served two years of a three-year mission assigned to the St. George Temple re-construction project. They explained the building progress to this point. They showed the amazing process to lift the temple and install a completely new air handling and ducting system.

The building's original foundation was found to be rock solid, but has been further strengthened to withstand earthquake movement. The Church purchased 400 South street from the city and an entirely new parking and entrance area has been built to allow attendees to enter the building directly from the parking areas. Much of the work has been done but they are behind. A finish date is not set but Elder Veigel expressed that when completed it will be a wonderful new house of the Lord.

#### MAPLE MOUNTAIN CHAPTER - Mapleton / Spanish Fork, Utah



Parker & Mary Garlitz

Our January speaker was Parker Garlitz who resides with his family here in Mapleton. He calls himself a history buff of American History and ties it closely with Church History. He spoke of the Iroquois Confederacy that began in Upstate New York and how their influence was felt by our Founding Fathers including Benjamin Franklin who adopted and espoused many of the standards of the Iroquois Confederacy. His message continued through the evening that nothing is by chance in such things as the settlement of the Utah Territory. In coming west to that territory they avoided the tragedy of the Civil war. There were 90 Saints who participated in the war but none were killed or injured. The territory they moved to belonged to Mexico. However, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, brought an official end to the Mexican-American War

that put the Utah Territory into American territory. The Treaty was signed on February 2, 1848, at Guadalupe Hidalgo, a city north of the Mexican capital where the Mexican government had fled with the advance of U.S. forces. Parker said, "Was that coincidence or just happen chance?" He testified that it wasn't chance but a miracle wrought by the Lord to allow the Saints to build Zion in the west. The rule for residing within Mexico's boundaries would require residents to be Catholic. He spoke of other miracles such as the timing when gold was found in California. That was in 1848. Had it been earlier it would have been in the hands of the Mexicans because California was a part of their territory as well until the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. The Lord had His hand in the Saints settling in this place that turned out to be Utah and surrounding states.

#### MORGAN PIONEER CHAPTER - Morgan, Utah



Pioneer Heritage Essay Contest Winners

The Morgan chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers gathered last Monday for their monthly luncheon. A delicious smoked brisket and baked beans meal was provided by Birt's barbeque from here in Morgan. Three Morgan High School students were in attendance with their parents to receive cash awards for this year's annual Pioneer Heritage essay contest. Participants submit

their entries through Mrs. Gwen Romero's English class and are then rated by a panel of five local judges. Scores were extremely close among the 70 plus entries. Selected in first place and receiving a \$300 cash award was Ava Rees daughter of Justin and Kelly Rees, second place and receiving a \$200 award was Nadia Cadena daughter of

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Michael and Jaime Cadena and receiving a \$100 cash award for her 3rd place essay was Ellie Murray daughter of Jason and Heidi Murray. All three students are juniors in Mrs. Romero's Honors English class at Morgan High School. First place finisher, Ava Rees, read her essay to the group about her 3rd great grandfather, John Croft , who immigrated to Utah in 1861, settling in Morgan Valley. Awards were presented by Rick London, representing the Morgan Chapter of SUP and Mrs. Romero from the high school. Congratulations to all

of the participants in the display of writing skills but also in their efforts to research into their family history and pioneer heritage.

Town barber for 58 years and early member of the Morgan Chapter of the SUP, Paul Dickson, then entertained the gathering. He informed and inspired the attendees with stories about his history, the history of Morgan and of the growth of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in the valley. He related stories of visits by general authorities including LeGrand Richards, humorous experiences in the barber shop and of his own personal missionary endeavors.

#### MURRAY CHAPTER - Murray, Utah





Granery Monument

We had to relocate our January meeting from the Midvale Golden Corral to the Homestead Ward L.D.S. Chapel due to the pandemic. The change of venue allowed us to continue in-person meetings with proper social distancing, but meant no food could be served. So we started the meeting at 7:00 p.m. to allow for dinner beforehand. Our speaker was Dr. Bill Tanner, Editor of Pioneer Magazine, who delivered an interesting talk on the history and future strategy of this award-winning SUP publication. While at the Homestead chapel, members also had a chance to visit the Granary and Temple Stone Wagon monument on the church grounds. This monument is maintained by the Murray Chapter and is lighted at night so it can be viewed after dark. Each year chapter members carry out a cleanup and trimming session to keep the monument in good shape and control the fast-growing vines and grasses that return each spring.

We hope our February 22nd Chapter Meeting can return to the Golden Corral. Our speaker will be Beau Burgess, Fort Douglas Museum Director and Curator. Our March 23rd Chapter Meeting will feature a presentation on the reconstruction of the Salt Lake Temple. As always, we welcome non-member guests and visiting members of other chapters to any of our meetings.

#### OGDEN PIONEER CHAPTER - Ogden, Utah





Ogden Aerospace Museum

Robb Alexander, Executive Director, Aerospace Heritage Foundation of Utah, was the featured speaker at our chapter meeting & luncheon on 10 January 2022. The Aerospace Heritage Foundation of Utah was founded in 1983, two years after Hill AFB began its Heritage program. It is a non-profit organization (501 C 3) whose mission is to provide financial and other support for the Hill Aerospace Museum. The foundation is the primary financial support of the museum. The Air Force does provide O & M funding (heat, lights, and essentials). The Foundation provides support for the museum in various ways, including the

acquisition of artifacts for restoration and display. The Foundation works closely with the museum staff and volunteers to achieve many other improvements, which assist the museum, present the history of the United States Air Force and Hill Air Force Base.

The Museum, which opened in 1986, was founded in 1981 as a part of the United States Air Force Heritage Program. The Utah Museum moved to its current facility in 1991 and hosted its five millionth visitor in the spring of 2019. There were 400,000 visitors, coming from every state and from many

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foreign countries, who visited the Museum each year. Not only does the Museum have more than 70 aircraft on display

in its two inside galleries and outside air park, it exhibits thousands of artifacts depicting the history of aviation of the United States Air Force, Hill Air Force Base and the State of Utah.

#### SALT LAKE CITY CHAPTER - Salt Lake City, Utah

The Salt Lake City Chapter will hold our dinner meeting February 10, 2022. With this program we are reinstituting our dinners. We will serve a catered meal at 6:00 PM, which will be followed by the singing and the speaker. J. Spencer Kinard will be our speaker, and will be joined by former and current (if possible) members of the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square. Brother Kinard followed Richard L. Evans as

voice of the choir in 1972, and continued in that position for 18 years, and has a basketfull of memories and experiences he can share. Rosemary Olsen, the daughter of Leo Nelson, a former member of our Chapter, and a long-time loyal member, is gathering the choir. Rosemary remembers her father thoroughly enjoying Sons of Utah Pioneers, and she wants to support our programs.

#### SALT LAKE PIONEER CHAPTER - Downtown Salt Lake City, Utah



Stephen Valentine

The Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter is pleased to invite everyone to our February luncheon meeting.

When: Wednesday, February 9 at Noon.

**Location:** Thomas S. Monson Center Carriage House (rear building of the complex), 411 E. South Temple.

**Cost**: \$25 per person. Please RSVP to ensure enough meals are provided.

Stephen Valentine, Senior Vice President of FamilySearch International and a Director in the Family History Department of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will be our guest speaker. Stephen has responsibility in Europe and North America, including record acquisition and publication, customer experience design, marketing and outreach efforts, strategic partnerships, the Family History Library and family history centers, and development of innovative new offerings and services. Stephen helped develop and launch FamilySearch Indexing, and developed key partnerships and technologies to grow the family history industry.

Click <u>HERE</u> to see all of the Salt Lake Pioneer Chapter's upcoming events and watch past luncheon presentations.

### TEMPLE FORK CHAPTER - Logan, Utah







On 20 January Bro. John Waldron of Hyde Park, a self taught Harmonica Musician, shared his talent and his family history with stories of the Waldrons and Porters. He brought his collecton of Harmonicas. His first was one he found while serving his mission on the Navajo Reservation. As he

introduced the basic 10-hole harmonica, he played "Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel" and the "Marine March." Then with the Chromatix he played a waltz and with the concert harmonica he played a couple of shortened classical numbers.

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#### TIMPANOGOS CHAPTER - American Fork, Utah



New Chapter President

The Timpanogos Chapter held their monthly chapter meeting on January 20, 2022 via ZOOM, because of the great outbreak of the Covid virus in Utah County. The 2022 Timpanogos Chapter Officers were installed by Area Vice-President, Dan Adams.

The 2022 Timpanogos Chapter Officers are David Lay, President; Frank Mills, Past-President; Jason Nelson, President-Elect; Mark Bezzant, Director -Community Relations and Service; Sharrif Dajany, Director-Chapter Services; Chuck DeWitt, Director -Heritage and History; Jim Wilson, Director - Membership; Les Langford, Director -Programs; Tom Powell, Secretary/Treasurer.

Past-President, Frank Mills gave a summary of events for the Chapter during

2021. He gave special awards to several members. Frank expressed appreciation to all members of the chapter. The Timpanogos Chapter will qualify for the National Award of Excellence again.

President Lay reviewed his goals for 2022. He desires that all members become involved in various committee work which may interest them. More members involved creates a stronger chapter. David invited President-Elect, Jason Nelson to introduce each of the Directors. Each Director gave a brief report of their responsibilities. President Lay discussed how our participation in Sons of Utah Pioneers "should be something that touches our hears and makes our lives better". What we put into the Sons of Utah Pioneers returns to us many fold in benefits.

#### UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER - Rexburg, Idaho



Ross baron

Ross Baron—"The Church in Israel—Past, Present, and Future." An exciting and entertaining evening was enjoyed learning about the Church in Israel. Regarding the future of the Church in the Holy Land, Brother Baron said that someday a temple would need to be built on the Temple Mount. There is a small percentage of Jews who believe in a Second Temple, but they do not have any ideas of who will have the authority to administer ordinances in the temple or how it should function. Brother

Baron suggested that our Church has these answers and someday we will be glad to share them with the Jews.

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

February 17th: Eric and Tammy Erikson: "The Church in France—Still a Need for Pioneers.

March 17th: John Bagley: "The Significance of the 'Sixth Crossing Visitor's Center' in Pioneer History."

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