

## SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS

Salt Lake City Chapter

December 2013 Newsletter

Our next meeting: Thursday January 2, 2014

Time: 6:30 PM Place: 10th Ward 4th South and 8th East



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### MERRY CHRISTMAS

As the year 2013 draws to a close, it is a wonderful time for reflection upon the many blessings that we have received this year. One of which is our membership in the Sons of Utah Pioneers, and the wonderful chapter meetings which have been held. We owe much gratitude to our president Chris Christensen. We thank him for his service and look forward to 2014 and the continuation of the outstanding programs he has provided.

I had someone tell me they had failed to get the last newsletter for November, my reply was “I missed one also, because I failed to write it.” I was pleased to find out there are some who read it.

Well what did we miss? We missed a wonderful presentation by Rett James on the writer of the text for Handel’s Messiah. What a fitting lecture to introduce us to the Christmas season and the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ the Savior of the world.

This month was a wonderful complement to our November Meeting. The University of Utah Institute of Religion Choir under the direction of Hal Romrell preformed for us.. He is an institute instructor and director of the Institute Singers. The choir presented a wonderful concert of Christmas music with narration, and solos. We had a wonderful attendance at the dinner meeting in the cultural hall and concert in the beautiful chapel. It was interesting to note that after the first number there was applause, and then a silent reverent mood as the choir continued on. This is an annual event which we look forward to. Thanks to David Smith and his daughter Lisa for the introduction and arrangements of the choir for this wonderful evening.

This coming month on January 2nd we will have a rare opportunity to hear from certifiable experts about the best way to celebrate or commemorate the life of a loved one or even your self. As daunting as it may seem, it is a hugely rewarding task. *Pictures and Stories* founders, Tom and Alison Taylor will be with us to serve as our guides; teaching, demonstrating how it can be done and done well. They will share with us some of their many secrets to producing a product that will amaze even the new beginner. Come join us for an evening of learning and discovery and joy!

BILL TANNER, Newsletter editor



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