

SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS

Salt Lake City Chapter

July 2013 Newsletter

Our next meeting: Thursday August 1, 2013

Time: 7:30 A.M. Place: Heritage Park

IT'S THE TREK!

**Sons of Utah Pioneers Special Pass to the
SUP EVENING AT THE PARK!**



**Monday, July 29, 2013
4pm - 8pm**

Valid 7-29-2013 for one Park admission.

ADMIT ONE FREE

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It is hard to believe that another month is on its way out. Where has the time flown? In a few days we will board the bus for a fabulous trip to Fort Bridger with our tour guides Glenn Rawson and Chris Lyman. How could anything be better than that. Thanks to LaVon for the physical arrangements and Chris Christensen for obtaining our tour guides. Here are a few reminders for those who are going.

Date: Thursday, August 1, 2013

Place: Meet at "This is the Place Heritage Park" (This is the Place Monument) ,2444 East Sunny side Avenue

Time: Bus will be loaded at 7:45 a.m.

Directions: Enter the first parking lot at This is the Place Heritage Park. You will be given directions where to park and board the bus.

We will travel to Fort Bridger, Wyoming, where we will visit and tour the historic sites and listen to presentations from our tour guides, Glen Rawson and Dennis Lyman.

We will eat lunch at Fort Bridger. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH. There will be room on the bus for your coolers. The SUP Chapter will provide drinks but it would be wise to bring some water. We will have ice chests filled with water. Your drinks can also be put in the coolers to keep them cold.

We will return from to This is the Place Heritage Park, visiting historic sites along the route. At 6:30 PM~ Cordon Bleu dinner will be catered in the Pack House at This is the Place Heritage Park headquarters. There you may ask your questions and visit with our tour guides. (Bring your questions about the pioneer trek from Nauvoo to Utah.)

Another event which has been widely advertised is our time at Heritage Park. It is tonight August 29th from 4:00 - 8:00 PM . The entrance fee is waved if you bring a family. It's primary purpose os to enlarge our ranks, Hope to see you there. Elder Russell M. Ballard will be the speaker.

Once again for our July dinner meeting, we were treated in having the Days of 47 Royalty along with their Advisor Judy Binns speak to us. As Judy introduced the Royalty, she paid tribute to Janice Ben-nion, Kent's wife, for the several years she has been in charge of the selection of the Royalty for the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

Malissa Richardson is an Early Childhood Education major at Brigham Young Univer-sity. She is a child advocate in Utah's fight against pornography, speaking to middle and high school students about the dangers of this epidemic. She has enjoyed piano, ballet, the arts, and public speaking.



L to r: Judy Binns, Chelsea Alley, Malissa Richardson, Lizzy Davis

First Attendant Chelsea Alley has been dancing for twenty years and as a student at Brigham Young University. She has performed with and choreo-graphed for the Dance Ensemble. She has volun-teered with "Hoofbeats to Healing", "Friday's Kids", "Best Buddies" and "Youth Linc".

Lizzy Davis, Second Attendant is working toward a Bachelor of Arts with a major in music and a double emphasis in piano performance and pedagogy. At East High she was the captain of the swim team, played water polo, soccer and ran track. She plans to be a collaborative artist with large ensembles, as

well as a vocal coach.

Some things which might be of interest is that the selection process take place over three days. The se-lection is not based on talent but rather upon leadership, involvement in the community, their heritage, speaking ability, stage presence and modesty in dress. Once they are selected they speak throughout the state to youth groups, youth conferences and events like ours. They focus upon the values of prayer, faith, living the gospel and bringing honor to those who lead the way so that we can enjoy the blessing of the gospel. Sister Binns related that when they speak to young women groups they put on their young women's medallion as a symbol of their involvement and commitment to the young women's values. Each of the Royalty spoke telling stories of inspiration about their pioneers, there devotion and struggles and willingness to follow the Prophet. As one of the young women told of her great great great grandfa-ther's dying words as he was coming to Zion, "Tell my son that I died with my faith toward Zion." We also enjoyed their musical presentation.

Another important part of our celebration this year was the Sunrise Service on the 24th at the Tabernacle . In speaking of our pioneer heritage Elder Marcus B. Nash said, "Faith was the power that moved the pioneers hope produced by their faith anchored them. There are three things which will keep us tied or anchored to them; 1. Remember them, 2. remember they were in general unified, they had the same purpose and 3. remember to pass on that same spirit."

One way for us to remember them and to pass on that same spirit is for us to write our history so we will not be forgotten by our future generations.

In speaking of journals and histories, I received a wonderful page from the journal of Ron DeWaal which I should like to share. I am sure you will find it delightful and informative

PAGES FROM THE JOURNAL OF RON DE WAAL Thursday, June 6, 2013
Three Events in One Day

I started the day out by going for a walk in City Creek Canyon, visited the Anderson Branch Library in the afternoon and then the Sons of Utah Pioneers that evening. Some forty people attended the SUP dinner and then listened to the publisher Kent V. Lott of the Pioneer Magazine.

I am the historian for our Chapter and usually take photographs for our annual scrapbook. I have one which I'll donate to the National SUP Library for 2013. I now have twelve scrapbooks in blue 3-ring binders and they are readily available to interested patrons. The next one will be donated in 2014. They are all interesting to peruse and I hope our SUP members will look at them whenever convenient. They are a nice addition to the Library. Lately I have been averaging two walks a week in the canyon and three visits a week to the Anderson and Sprague Libraries. I was a librarian for many years at the Colorado State University Library and still enjoy browsing in libraries and looking at the British DVD mysteries and dramas. Dorothy belongs to a book club and reads and watches DVDs whenever possible. I prefer DVD mysteries and, of course, writing in my journal. Entries in diaries are usually briefer and perhaps less interesting to write in, at least for me.

My walks in the canyon are always enjoyable and I look forward to seeing the beautiful scenery and listening to the stream which always moves at a bubbly pace. At times you can even be lulled to sleep while lying on a picnic table, bench or the ground. Sometimes I do one or the other.

Well it has been a good day and I am looking forward to many more of them in the months ahead.

Congratulations Ron A wonderful addition to our memory bank!

Just as a reminder, National is still involved in the Legacy Fund, building up a reserve to preserve and operate the National office. Great strides have been made with the operation and maintenance of our treasured building. I encourage you if you have not made a contribution to pull out the donation slip and make a contribution.

Last but not least, Are you going to the convention in Rexburg? The organizers are very well prepared to receive you and have prepared an outstanding program.. Hope to see you there. Registration materials and information are on the web site, sonsofutahpioneers.org. While you are at that site take the opportunity to read the trailmarker. It is very informative and interesting. It can also be opened on our own chapter web site, supslc.org. Our thanks to Lon Cook who keeps the web site current.



Chris Christensen in all glory with the Day's of 47 Royalty



David Smith and his daughter and family from California



Dick Christiansen, Immediate National Past President and David Smith our Treasurer

