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W. Herbert Klopfer

Currently President of the Salt Lake Ensign Stake 3rd Branch (Family Search Missionaries)

Formerly Stake President of the Salt Lake City Eagle Gate Stake, Bishop, High Councilman, many others

Born and grew up in East Germany during World War II

Herbert Klopfer

November 6, 7:15 p.m.

10th Ward Chapel, 420 South 800 East, Salt Lake City, Utah

Our guest for the November meeting is W. Herbert Klopfer. He is a truly remarkable individual as well as a multitalented and valiant servant of our Lord.

The tale of his family's exit from the grips of the Third Reich will undoubtedly leave you shaking your head. This will be his primary topic, although he could justifiably share many other noteworthy and uplifting stories.

He has been on the LDS Church General Music Committee since 1983 and could tell us about some of those activities.

Brother Klopfer has served as Bishop, Stake President, and many other callings. He is a gifted organist, pianist and composer; for example, he and his wife created the beautiful hymn, *Home Can Be a Heaven on Earth*.

Join us and you will leave feeling the spirit and possibly humming a few bars of your favorite hymn.

-Lorimer T. Christensen

Here are two of his articles in church publications:

June 1990 Issue of the Ensign Magazine

Enemy Soldier at the Pulpit, about his father who was in the German army during World War II, president of the East German Mission, and attended a church meeting in Belgium.

January 2012 Issue of the Ensign Magazine

Worship the Lord by Singing Hymns, about the value of church hymns for 30 brethren waiting to be interviewed by President Monson in Leipzig, Germany in 1984.

December 4th

Institute Singers



One of two choirs from the University of Utah Latter-day Saint Institute of Religion, under the direction of brother Hal W. Romrell, who will favor us with Holiday music.

National
Calendar
items of interest

2014

October 18 - Saturday

Idaho Regional SUP Symposium 1 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - 6 p.m. Dinner and Speaker: Kim B. Clark, President of BYU-Idaho

November 15 - Saturday

9:30 a.m. Area Training Meetings in Salt Lake City at SUP Headquarters Building for all Salt Lake and Tooele County Chapters

December 9 - Tuesday

6:00 p.m. SUP National Christmas Social and National Officers Installation at SUP Headquarters

2015

February 28 - Saturday

10 a.m. National Chapter Presidents Council in Salt Lake City, 12 p.m. Lunch

May 9 - Saturday

1 p.m. SUP Historical Symposium in Salt Lake City

July 27 - Monday

4 p.m. SUP Day at This Is The Place Heritage Park

September 17-19 - Thursday to Saturday

2015 SUP National Convention in Brigham City, Utah



Our presenter in October was Kay Stevenson, a graduate of the University of Utah where he studied art and sculpture under Avard Fairbanks and Alvin Gittens. In Los Angeles, California he attended the Art Center College of Design and the Chouinard Art Institute, then worked for clients such as Capitol Records, NBC, CBS, RKO Radio, Warner

Brothers Records, Max Factor, Century Records, Pfizer Labs, and Mattel Toys. He has over a dozen awards for sculpting, illustration, and design. In 1986 he became art director of the International Magazines (Liahona) and later senior designer for the Ensign Magazine. While there he discovered the controversy over the images of Joseph Smith in alleged paintings and photographs.



From his vantage point with a trained artist's eyes and knowledge, he shared with us some comparisons of the death mask of Joseph Smith and some daguerreotype photos and several paintings of the prophet done in his time, to deem those which assuredly are accurate photos and paintings of the Prophet Joseph Smith.

One item of great interest is a photo found in the library of congress by brother Kennedy, a Smith family member, when Joseph was running for President of the United States, and deemed by Kay to be an accurate photo.



Chris Christensen thanking our speaker and presenting a customary gift, a one year subscription to the Pioneer Magazine.



LITTLE MOUNTAIN SUMMIT

The last summit in the Wasatch Mountains along the pioneer trail. From this point the trail descends Northwest until it reaches Emigration Creek. As William Clayton's "Emigrant's Guide" warns: "The descent is very steep all the way." The Donner party passed over the summit August 21, 1846, and the Mormons on July 21, 1847. It is located 7.6 miles from the mouth of Emigration Canyon. --*Utah Division of State History, Markers and Monuments Database.*

Robert Pollei is heading up an effort by the Salt Lake City Chapter to refurbish the monument (which is 7' 4" high x 4' 8" triangle stone base) and replace the missing Bronze marker, placed there on June 27, 1992. The National SUP website says it was sponsored by the Twin Peaks Chapter & Pioneer Trails State Park. A photo of the plaque has the inscription: *Mormon Explorers YMMIA.*

The replacement marker will contain the same information as the original, which is presumed to have been stolen for the value of the Bronze, and will be made of materials which are essentially valueless. The cost of restoration and the plaque should be under \$1,000 and already one third of that amount has been pledged by two or three chapter members.

NEW SHORTER NATIONAL SUP WEBSITE ADDRESS

They have added a shorter and easy to remember address for the SUP website www.sup1847.com. The older address still works: www.sonsofuthapioneers.org (or .com).

MONUMENTS AND TRAILS ARE BACK ON SUP NATIONAL WEBSITE

The long-missing Monuments and Trails section of the SUP website has just gone live. Many pictures of our markers and monuments throughout the west are now back to see. The section can be found by clicking on <http://www.sup1847.com/monuments-trails/> or by going to the website and clicking on Monuments and Trails in the right-hand menu.

THE PIONEER VALUES

We honor the pioneers for their faith in God; devotion to family; loyalty to church and country; hard work and service to others; courage in adversity; personal integrity; and unyielding determination.