

April 2015

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Ophir Historic District

Chapter Trek - 2015:

Saturday, June 27th, 2015

The plan is to visit the Benson Grist Mill, Hilda Anderson Erikson Statue, Donner Reed Museum, and time allowing the J. Reuben Clark farm. Then have dinner at the Ophir Historic District where we can gain information about the area,

have a nice barbecue, and be entertained with some "old west" music and poetry.

Arrangements will be made to car pool to the area, about a 20 minute drive from Salt Lake City. As more plans and information are available, we will let you know.

Hank Thompson from the Twenty Wells Chapter (Grantsville) delighted us on Thursday evening with his depth of knowledge about "Mormon Money".



Who would have ever thought that the Utah Settlers had so many ways to keep their commerce going. The money was issued by cooperatives, mercantile houses, associations, Bishops Storehouses, mines, and many other groups.

These are a very few of the items he displayed, and explained the way commerce worked in those early years of the Territory. If you traded

your livestock for flour and were due some change, it would be issued in the "currency" of the enterprise, which was good to spend with them, or possibly somewhere in the territory, because it was recognized only here and nowhere else in the nation.

All these coins and paper can be purchased, but at \$undreds or \$thousands in today's currency.

Thank you Hank.



National Calendar 2015

May 9, Saturday: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Symposium

Annual Historical Symposium at the S.U.P. Headquarters in Salt Lake City, 3301 E. Louise Ave (2920 South). "The Life and Death of Apostle Parley P. Pratt."

Matthew Grow will speak on "The Apostle Paul of Mormonism: The Missionary Journeys of Parley P. Pratt". **Alexander Baugh**, "Tis Not for Crimes I Have Done": Parley P. Pratt's Missouri Imprisonment, 1838-1839." **Mitchell Pratt**, "I Die a Firm Believer": The Murder, the Reaction, and the Grave of Parley P. Pratt." **Robert Steven Pratt**, "The Hymns and Poetry of Parley P. Pratt."

May 9, Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Dinner Session.

The Keynote speaker at East Mill Creek Stake Center (3103 E. Craig Drive) is Elder Craig A. Cardon of the 70, a great-great grandson of Parley P. Pratt, who currently serves as a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy, assistant executive director in the Priesthood Department, and Editor of Church Magazines.

July 24, Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Days of '47 Sunrise Service at the Tabernacle on Temple Square. 10:00 a.m. Days of '47 Parade, Salt Lake City.

July 27, Monday: 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

S.U.P. Day at This Is the Place Heritage Park in Salt Lake City.

September 17-19, Thursday to Saturday

SUP National Convention in Brigham City-Lloyd Newell has accepted the invitation to be the Saturday Keynote Speaker. The women's program on Saturday morning will be presented by Janice Kapp Perry, and the Friday night dinner speaker and entertainment will be Michael Ballam. What a great line-up!

<http://www.sup1847.com/convention/>

December 8, Tuesday

SUP National Christmas Dinner

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.

Upcoming Chapter Programs - 2015

Chris Christensen and Richard Fox are working on speakers for some of our meetings and other months we will have activities.

May 7th - Rochelle Kaplan will return, she was with us on January 8th, 2015 on the topic of "Jews in Utah - Not an Oxymoron". She felt she only presented about half of her material, and has agreed to return and complete the story.

June 27th - is our summer Chapter Trek. This is in the formative stages, and you will receive information as soon as we are more sure of the schedule and activities.

July 9th - We hope for the Days of '47 Royalty, whom we have hosted over a number of years, and hopefully we can arrange for them to come again.

August and September - they have possibilities of two or more speakers for each of the dates, but cannot be announced until confirmations are received.

October 8th - The newly renovated Church History Museum.

November 5th - Jeffrey Walker, Church Historian.

December 3rd - The LDS Institute Singers providing a Christmas choral program to be held in the 10th Ward Chapel.



Some discussions have been held with members of the Board, with the National S.U.P officers, and will be ongoing to see if it is feasible to put up a booth at the Fair this fall from **Thursday, September 10, 2015 through September 20, 2015** with the objective of advertising and inviting anyone who may be interested in joining with the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

LITTLE MOUNTAIN SUMMIT



Delivery is expected in the middle of May, then the date of installation and re-dedication will be fixed. Robert Pollei was instrumental in the design and purchase of the plaque, with Brent Nilsson heading up the effort to prepare the monument for installation.

Little Mountain is 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.



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