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Topic: "The Evolution of Mormon Architecture!"



Emily Utt, has worked in the Church History Department for several years and has spent most of her time researching, interpreting, and preserving significant Latter-day Saint buildings and writing for Church-owned historic site exhibits.

One project has been researching the Gadfield Elm Chapel. A small stone chapel in the rural countryside of England.

The Gadfield Elm Chapel stands as a monument to the restored gospel of Jesus Christ. Through the missionary efforts of Wilford Woodruff, Brigham Young, Willard Richards, and others, 1,500 people joined The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the small towns and villages near the Gadfield Elm Chapel.

Listen to this fascinating interview: <http://www.mormonchannel.org/legacy/7> Contact her at utte@ldschurch.org

Another significant project has been the Provo Tabernacle.

She has a B.A. in religion and history from Case Western Reserve University, M.A. in historic preservation from Goucher College, has published Church Historic Site Guides, and with Steven Olsen in The Journal of Museum Education. Presentation audiences have been Mormon History Association Conference, Provo Founders Day, Provo City Historic Landmarks, National SUP Symposium, Mormon Channel.

You Should come.

National Calendar 2015

January 24, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

February 10, National Board Meeting

- February 28, 10 a.m. to noon. National Chapter Presidents Council in Salt Lake City. Lunch at noon.

March 10, National Board Meeting

April 14, National Board Meeting

April 25, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

- May 9, 1 to 5 p.m. SUP Historical Symposium in Salt Lake City

June 27, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

- July 27, 4 to 9 p.m. SUP Day at This Is the Place Heritage Park in Salt Lake City.

August 22, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

- September 17-19, 2015 SUP National Convention in Brigham City, Utah. Details will be announced.

October 24, 11:30 a.m. Past Presidents Luncheon Meeting, Golden Corral

- November (dates to be determined) Area Training Meetings, Organized by AVPs and National Officers
- ♦ December (date to be determined) SUP National Christmas Party, National Headquarters

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.

LITTLE MOUNTAIN SUMMIT

This the mock-up of the plaque which will replace the one which has been missing from the monument on 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 headed up the 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 original plaque has the inscription: *Mormon Explorers YMMIA.*



ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM DETAILS ANNOUNCED

The 2015 SUP Historical Symposium will take place on Saturday, May 9.

This year's topic is Parley P. Pratt - Modern Day Apostle.

The Symposium will take place from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the SUP National Headquarters Building at 3301 East Louise Ave., and the Canyon Rim Building, 3051 S 2900 East

Salt Lake City. Symposium topics and speakers are:

- ✦ Missionary of the Restoration by Matt Grow, LDS Church History Department and descendent of Parley P. Pratt
- ✦ Tis Not for Crimes that I Have Done, by Alex Baugh, BYU Professor
- ✦ Poetry, Prose and Music of Parley P. Pratt by Steve Pratt, Pratt family historian and descendent of Parley P. Pratt
- ✦ I Die A Firm Believer by Mitch Pratt, retired faculty of UVU & BYU and descendent of Parley P. Pratt

The Symposium will be followed by a dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Salt Lake East Mill Creek Stake Center located at 3103 East Craig Dr., Salt Lake City. The dinner keynote speaker is still being determined.

Registration can be by mail or telephone.

Mail to: SUP, 3301 East Louise Ave., SLC, UT 84109. To pay with a Credit Card, call 801-484-4441 and select option 3.

Cost for the Symposium and dinner are \$25 per person before May 1, and \$30 at the door, if not already sold out.

On January 8, 2015, we had the pleasure of hearing from **Rochelle Kaplan**, a co-founder of the Utah Jewish Genealogy Society, sharing with us stories about the Jewish people who came to Utah as part of the western migration, some with Brigham Young, with the Army, or late with the railroad. Most of her presentation focused on those who became prominent citizens in many fields, Julius and Gerson Brooks, Nicholas Seigfried Ransohoff, Samuel H. Auerback, Samuel Kahn, George Bodenberg and many others, in mercantile, grocery, banking, freighting and other enterprises.



She showed a map of all the communities in Utah which have Jewish residents, counting to over 40 or so, as the screen went by so quickly. They are pretty evenly spread through the state. Since Rochelle has a deep interest in photography, it was interesting that she told about Solomon Nunes Carvalho, an observant Sephardic Jew, who according to one critic became the first official photographer to be appointed to the staff of an exploring party anywhere in the world when he joined the Charles Fremont party searching for a westward railroad route to California along the 38th parallel. Solomon was an artist and had expanded into daguerreotyping, unfortunately very few of his daguerreotypes survived. Fremont's expedition failed and they suffered from the winter. Solomon was nursed back to health by a Mormon family in Parowan, Utah

Rochelle has more to share and will visit us again.