

Salt Lake City Chapter

The Sons of the Utah Pioneers



The next chapter meeting will be the Christmas concert.

Thursday, December 3, 2015 – 7 pm.
At the 10th Ward Chapel
420 South 800 East, Salt Lake City, Utah

Featuring the
Taylorsville Institute Choir
conducted by
Marshall McDonald

(This photo was published in the Deseret News/Kristin Murphy.)

On July 24, 2014 the Taylorsville Institute of Religion, Jordan Institute of Religion, and the Salt Lake University Institute of Religion combined their choirs for the Days of '47 Sunrise Service at the Salt Lake Tabernacle.

Marshall McDonald: <http://www.marshallmcdonaldmusic.com/pages/bio> says:
Marshall has developed a unique musical style that combines classical, inspirational, film score, and new age genres of music all in one. He has recorded multiple albums, including his compilation of arrangements inspired by Carl Block's paintings of the life of the Savior titled, *This Is the Christ*. Marshall's film scores and symphonies have been performed and recorded across the globe, including by the China Philharmonic Orchestra.



He wrote and arranged the music for this record-breaking live nativity video celebrating the true meaning of Christmas, starring [The Piano Guys](#), [Peter Hollens](#), [David Archuleta](#), [Alex Boye](#), [The Mormon Tabernacle Choir](#), and more! For a treat go to the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrLoWt2tfqg&feature=youtu.be>



OLD TENTH WARD CHAPEL
400 SOUTH 800 EAST, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

14th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3RD 7:00 PM

TAYLORSVILLE INSTITUTE CHOIR
WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM OF
CHRISTMAS SONGS

At the October meeting you were handed some flyers to help advertise this event. We hope you will share them with friends and family. There is ample seating in the chapel, where they will perform. We will send with this newsletter a copy of the flyer. You can forward it by email, or print and use as you see fit.

Thank you.

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Annual Board Elections

Michael Reed was invited to remain as the president of the chapter for another year, approved unanimously by the board, then presented to the general membership by Chris Christensen, which was accepted with no dissenters. So the board of directors remains as at present, Michael Reed, David Smith, Lorimer Chistensen, Brent Nilson, David Horne, LaVon Day, Robert Pollei, Ron DeWaal and Alonzo Cook.

Robert Pollei is undergoing some serious health issues, and an appeal was made for the members to be mindful of him.

Pioneer Magazine

We think that every member must be highly impressed with the most recent publication on Parley P. Pratt. This issue grew out of the Annual Symposium held at the National Headquarters of SUP in May of this year.

Those who presented at the Symposium had their presentations reviewed and edited and included in the magazine. There is a sentiment on the part of many that this issue was possibly one of the best ever issued by the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Extra copies are available from National for \$5.00 each, and we are told that Deseret Book carries the item.

Calendar Events for 2016

These events are advertised on the National Web Site, and were announced to us at the training meeting last Saturday.

February 20	Ogden Regional Symposium
May 7	National Symposium
July 18	SUP Day at This is The Place
July 25	Sunrise Service/Parade (Days of '47 Pioneer Day Parade)
September 22-24	Hurricane National Convention

Ogden Regional Symposium

Saturday, February 20, 2016
1:00pm – 7:00pm
1401 Country Hills Drive, Ogden, UT, 84403, United States ([map](#))
[Google Calendar](#) - [ICS](#)

Theme: Early Pioneer History of Northern Utah

Speakers will include

1. Richard Sadler: The Railroad and its Impact on Northern Utah
2. Audrey Godfrey: Prominent women of the Church in early Utah
3. Kenneth Alford: U.S. Civil War impacts in the Utah Territory
4. Note: one more speaker and the Keynote speaker are still to be confirmed.

Cost:
\$25 per person (Early Registration, before 15 January 2016)
\$30 per person (Registration after 15 January 2016)

Lecture Series: 1:00pm - 5:00pm
Dinner & Keynote Speaker: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Location:
Weber Heights Stake Center
1401 Country Hills Drive
Ogden, UT 84403
(North of the WSU Dee Events Center)

The Sons of Utah Pioneers
National Convention
September 22 – 24, 2016
Hurricane Utah
Hurricane Community Center
63 South 100 West

Moving our Heritage Forward
Come to Zion, Come to Zion!

Thursday Evening Entertainment <i>John Houston's Gospel Choir</i>	Friday Evening Entertainment <i>Western Singers Eric Dodge and his Band</i>	Saturday Morning Meeting Premier Utah Author & Historian <i>Paul Reeve</i>	Saturday Convention <i>A Speaker of Prominence</i>
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<p>TOUR 1</p> <p>Come and visit the stunning red and white cliffs of Zion, a site that was held as sacred to the Paiute Indians when the pioneers first settled the area. Also visit the pioneer ghost town of Grafton which was flooded out so many times pioneers moved to other places to survive. It is one of the sites used for the making the movie, "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid."</p> <p>For future information: www.hvusup.org</p>	<p>TOUR 2</p> <p>Join with us as we visit the grandeur of the Kolob Fingers area of Zion National Park. It is the western most boundary of the park. It's spectacular red cliffs, towering high into the sky. They are called the fingers because of the five cliffs that work together to form the landscape. We will also visit the old Fort Harmony which was one of the many forts along the southern trail the pioneers took refuge in as they came south!</p>	<p>TOUR 3</p> <p>Visit the legendary Hurricane Canal Trail Head, and peruse the monument built in honor of the courage and dedication of our rugged and determined pioneers. They built a canal that was thought to be impossible to build, because they had "grit" and a "never quit" attitude. Walk along a portion of the canal, then travel to the head of the canal and see why it was thought to be impossible to build.</p>
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Jeffrey N. Walker

Our Guest Speaker in November

Tell us about your background and your interest in Joseph Smith and the law.

I am an attorney by training and an historian by desire. What started as an interest in church history grew in to a hobby and then into a passion and now apparently into some kind of obsession. I must confess that when working on a case or transaction involving Joseph I find like, Parley Pratt observed, that, "sleep is a burden." My office is filled with case files, transcripts and 19th century legal books. To study and sort out this often overlooked part of Joseph Smith's life is wonderfully fulfilling.



Jeffrey N. Walker

is the series manager and coeditor of the Legal and Business Records series of *The Joseph Smith Papers*, and is a member of the editorial board. He served as associate managing editor of the *Papers* until 2012. He completed a BS from Western Michigan University and a JD from the J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham

Young University, where he was an editor for the *Brigham Young University Law Review*. He currently serves as adjunct professor at the J. Reuben Clark Law School. He has been in private practice since 1988 and has developed various businesses, including a manufacturing company and national watch company. He has written and spoken widely on Joseph Smith's legal affairs and is currently preparing a multivolume work on Oliver Cowdery's legal practice. He is a trustee and treasurer for the Mormon Historic Sites Foundation and the managing editor of *Mormon Historical Studies*.

Deseret News

Joseph Smith's habeas corpus hearings dramatized in Illinois

By R. Scott Lloyd, Deseret News
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Old Capitol in Springfield, Ill., was finished in 1839, and thus would have been a recently constructed edifice when Joseph was in Springfield in early 1843 for extradition hearing. (Scott Lloyd)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — During the Nauvoo period of LDS Church history, the Prophet Joseph Smith was dogged by legal troubles stemming from the Missouri persecutions of 1838.

Now, his efforts to defend himself by using the legal doctrine of habeas corpus will be studied by school children and law students in Illinois. This is due to a remarkable partnership involving the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and the Illinois Supreme Court Historic Preservation, with involvement from Church History

Department scholars and representatives of the Community of Christ and members of the legal community in Illinois.

On Sept. 24, at the Lincoln museum in downtown Springfield, four professional actors depicted three habeas corpus hearings involving the prophet Joseph Smith that took place in Illinois in the 1840s. This was followed by a panel discussion involving five distinguished legal experts, including Jeffrey N. Walker, senior adviser for the Joseph Smith Papers and managing director for its legal and business series. Brother Walker was largely responsible for the creation and leadership of the program.

Brother Walker told us a little background on how it came to be that through Elder Dallin H. Oaks he was contacted and put on this assignment to work with the Illinois Supreme Court Justices and how that effort evolved into a play which was first enacted in Springfield, Illinois, then later at the University of Utah.

In his presentation to our chapter he indicated that Joseph Smith was involved in his lifetime in about 220 law suits. When the saints settled in Nauvoo it became a place of law, and one of the most well known incidents was when Missouri tried to extradite Joseph back to their state and try him, so Brother Walker concluded that would make for a good presentation, which when written they decided to present it in the form of a play.

We, in the Salt Lake City Chapter, were delighted with his presentation. You ought to consider inviting him. In my view this qualifies as one of our "Pioneer" stories.

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