

# Salt Lake City Chapter

## The Sons of Utah Pioneers

Newsletter - November 2016

**Our December Program will be on  
Wednesday, November 30, 2016  
at the Tenth Ward Chapel**

**LDS Business College Institute Choir  
directed by Richard T. Decker**



The date was changed because the Choir could not perform on the first Thursday of December (the 8th) due to their prior commitments. The choir director is Richard T. Decker who joined the LDS Business College in 2015 as the Institute of Religion Instructor. He has a B.A. from the University of Utah, and an M.S. from Utah State University.

This choir is open to any student attending LDS Business College who desires an uplifting experience in bearing testimony of our Savior through music. Participation in a choir is a great way to make close friends and share meaningful experiences.

**The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 30th.** Please plan to come and advertise it with your acquaintances.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 PM

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

THE LDS BUSINESS COLLEGE INSTITUTE CHOIR  
WILL PRESENT CHRISTMAS SONGS  
OF THE SAVIOR, HIS LIFE AND MISSION

RICHARD T DECKER CHOIR DIRECTOR



REFRESHMENT SERVED AFTER



**Maurine Parker-Smith, International President of Daughters of Utah Pioneers, was our speaker on Thursday, November 3, 2016**  
She is a very popular and talented story teller

She began on a light note, by saying, **Echo Canyon** received its name through Jim Bridger, who would prepare his bedroll for the night and in a loud voice say "*Jim, it is time to get up*". He bedded down and about sunlight came an echo, "*Jim, it is time to get up!*"

Then followed several accounts of the Mormon Pioneers, both humorous and inspirational.

**Cathryn** lost a baby and did not want the animals to desecrate it, so David bundled it and put it in a tree, but Cathryn after a day's travel could not bear the thought of leaving it and after making camp insisted they go back to check and David discovered the bundle wiggling and the baby was alive.

**George Franklin Steed** facing a prairie fire plowed the ground, set back fires, and did all he knew to keep it away from his home and buildings, but to no avail. He decided when we do all we can, it is the Lord's turn, so he commanded the fire by the power of the priesthood to burn the other direction, which it did.

**The Argyles** were in a Handcart company, she three months pregnant and carrying a one year old, and one day lost two of their children, who were miraculously found by a member of the company.

**A sister from England** was attracted to the preaching of the missionaries, was touched and persisted, but her husband would have none of it. She determined to take her children and go to Zion, knowing her husband would never allow it and afraid of being beaten. One day he prepared the tea, and was occupied out of the room, when an impression told her to switch the cups. After doing so, he drank his, was poisoned and died. Women of the time could not inherit and she was expecting her sixth child, but worked and saved for two years (\$35) and they went to Zion, made their way to St. Louis, the jumping off point for handcarts, and joined the next company. The Captain, Brother Ellsworth, did not want her to go, but she insisted and promised should would beat him to Zion, which proved to be true.

**A brother** was counseled by Brigham Young to take a second wife, who said you better ask her. The sister listened then poured hot coffee on him and said that is what I think of your proposal. Brigham told the husband, you do not need another wife, you have all the wife you can handle.

**A sister in Idaho** took her butter to the "trading" store, and wanted butter in trade. On inquiry it was determined she found a mouse in her cream, but whoever gets it will never know, no harm done. The sister store owner went to a back room, repackaged the butter, and gave it back to the sister.

One about **Porter Rockwell** who agreed to help a sheriff chasing a desperado, and said he would go after them himself, but the sheriff insisted on going. The desperado shot one the sheriff's horses and the sheriff, and Porter shot the bandit. So now Porter has a lame horse, wounded sheriff, dead bandit, and the bandit's horse to bring home.

And many more.

## Other News

### Trail Marker Newsletter

Our chapter officers attended a training session at National Headquarters on November 5, 2016 and learned that the National Officers and Staff are worried that not enough of our members are accessing this tool and receiving its information. It is the official communications organ from National. I will try to remember to include each month the web site address for the Trail Marker. From the National link, you can access all current and past National newsletters. <http://www.sup1847.com/trail-marker-newsletter/>

### The Pioneer Magazine

This full-color history magazine has not been seen for two quarters, as they have been busy working on a "blockbuster" issue. It will be here shortly, this month or next, and will be about four times the size of the normal issues, around 200 pages, about the new Church History Museum exhibits. Jim Hurst said it will be a coffee table edition, nicely bound, and full of very impressive and exciting information. Look for it. If we receive more information about how to secure extra copies we will pass that along.

### Monuments

There are supposed to be 450 monuments on a list maintained by the National Committee and they now have 389. Two members, L. Steward Radmall and Mark E. Walker, are tracking them, and trying to assess their condition, get the GPS coordinates for each one, assign them to chapters for oversight and upkeep. They do not know the location of the 61 monuments, and would enjoy input from anyone if something is known about those missing. Our Chapter is assigned 5 monuments, 2 have been surveyed, and we need to track down the other three. The National link for monuments. <http://www.sup1847.com/monuments/>

### Brother Brigham's Ball

This is an annual SUP Christmas event, and will be held this year on December 2, 2016 at the SUP National Building, 3301 Louise Avenue, Salt Lake City, dinner at 6 p.m. and dancing at 7. The music will be by Clive Romney and Willingly. At 7 p.m. the dancing will commence with a pioneer dance demonstration. Dinner & Dance is \$15 per person, or you can come to the dance only for \$5 per person with refreshments. They do encourage Pioneer dress, but not mandatory, so come anyway in Sunday best. Information and tickets call 801-484-4441, and again on the web site calendar. <http://www.sup1847.com/calendar/>

### Sustaining Heritage Membership

National promoted six months ago a mechanism whereby members can sign up to support contributions to The Sons of Utah Pioneers through a steady monthly transfer from their bank account to National SUP, ranging from \$10 to \$100 a month. If one chooses the \$10 per month plan, it will cover the national dues and provide a \$70 donation to SUP each year. As a "perk" for this membership category, there will be provided special registrations to selected SUP programs during the year. National reports the success of this membership category is encouraging and eventually can make unnecessary the funding drives of the past. The forms are available through David Smith or the National office. Also, a copy is attached.

### National Conventions

The next two years are committed, 2017 – Sponsored by the Centerville Chapter September 14-16, and 2018 – Sponsored by the Cedar City Chapter. If our chapter were interested and would like to sponsor one in a coming year, we can send our proposal to the National Office for their consideration.

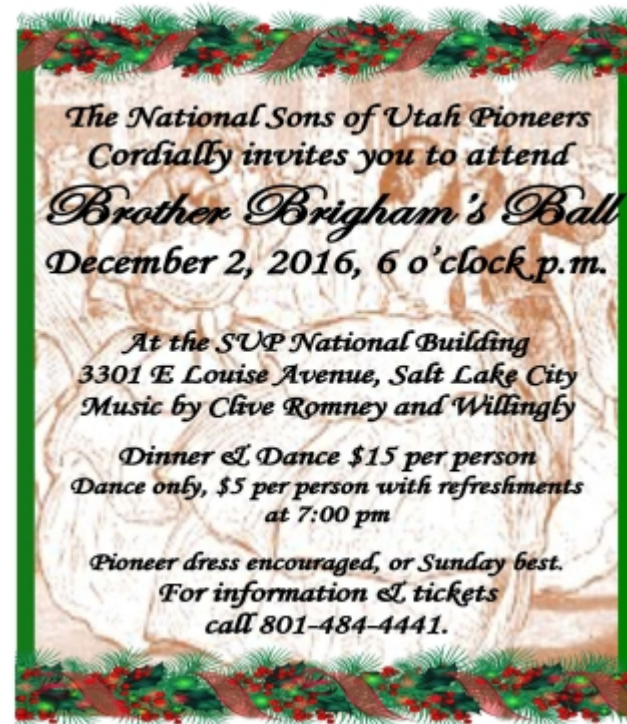
### Office/Library Help Needed

The National Office is looking for volunteers to work in the Library, also some light Office Assisting. Please contact Heather Davis [sup1847@gmail.com](mailto:sup1847@gmail.com) or 801-484-4441

### Chapter Programs

We do not have a speaker for January 5, 2017. We threw around a few ideas at the Board meeting, but nothing was concluded. If you have an idea who we might invite, please call David Smith or Mike Reed.

### National Calendar



### SUP National Christmas Dinner

Friday, December 2, 2016 - 4:00-5:00pm

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