

**COTTON MISSION CHAPTER**

**SON OF UTAH PIONEERS**

**2018**

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**HISTORY OF COTTON MISSION CHAPTER  
SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS**

## **The Mission of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers**

- 1. Come to know our fathers and turn our hearts to them by studying and becoming acquainted with each through the various events and activities of the SUP.**
- 2. Preserve the memory and heritage of the early pioneers of the Utah territory. 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 the unyielding determination.**
- 3. Honor present-day pioneers worldwide in many walks of life who exemplify these same qualities of character.**
- 4. Teach these same qualities to the youth who will be tomorrow's pioneers.**

FOR THE YEAR 2018

The new officers and board members for 2018 were installed at the Chapter Board Meeting on December 19, 2017. The board was installed by David Hinton, National Area Vice President for Area 13, Utah South. The following officers and directors served during 2018:

President:	Thad Stewart	
President Elect	Lloyd Carter	
Past President:	Ralph Atkin	
Secretary:	Kevin Jenkins	
Treasurer:	Mel Duehlmeier & Nick Lang	
Director:	Max Turpin	Communications
Director	Derek Rowley	Membership Retention
Director:	Del Ray Hammons	Community Involvement
Director:	Ralph Atkin	Development/Fundraising
Director:	Brent Miner	Member Services
Director:	Don Burton	Pioneer History
Director:	Durant McArthur & Gene Sturzenegger	Trails & Markers
Area Vice President	David Hinton	



Officers, directors and committee chairman serving during the year contributed to the success of the chapter.

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Twelve (12) monthly newsletters were published during the year (by Roland Lee) and describe the activities planned and conducted each month. These newsletters form the basis of our annual report and are included following this brief introduction on pages 10 thru 69

Copies of the Cotton Mission Chapter organizational chart are included in the January, February and March Newsletters. A copy of the membership rosters was included in the January newsletter.

Ten (10) board meetings were held during the year and copies of the minutes are included in Appendix A starting on page 70.

### **Membership**

The year began with a total of ninety one (91) chapter members. By the end of the year, a total of ninety five (95) members were enrolled. Significant efforts by chapter members helped to update and correct the chapter roster and recruit new members. Two (2) member passed away, three (3) moved or quit and nine (9) new members joined the chapter. All members that were willing to serve in various capacities were assigned to committees.

The chapter member passing away during the year were David Rogers & Sid Atkin who were both life-time members. David & Sid were both memorialized by the chapter having their names placed on the National Sons of Utah Pioneers "In Memoriam" Board. A copy of their Memoriam Certificates are included on pages 6 & 7 of this report and the obituaries are on pages 23 & 57 of the newsletters. A citation for Roland Lee's Modern Day Pioneer Award is included on pages 8 & 9.

### **Monthly Chapter Meetings/Activities**

Formal Chapter Dinner Meetings were held on the third Tuesday of the month in January, February, April, May, June, August, September (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday), October, November and December. A dinner was served and was usually accompanied by a pioneer moment-in-history and a program speaker. The meetings were enjoyable, educational and informative. Chapter Treks were held in March, August & October. Other activities included the Cotton Day Celebrations (assisted by the local Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Camps), Scholarship Awards, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Essays presentations (copies of the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade contest winners are included in some monthly newsletters), a Regional Historic Symposium Co-Hosted by the Cotton Mission & Hurricane Valley Chapters under the direction of David Hinton, Area Vice-President, National Encampment in Cedar City in September and SUP Area Training in November. Details of all activities are included in the Chapter Newsletter (pages 10 thru 69).

### **Chapter Activity Highlights**

Dinner meeting speakers and participants included Wayne K Hinton (January), Lynne Clark (February), Scholarship Awardees (April), Scott & Mark Gubler (May) Jimmie Hughes (June), Mac J Hall (August), D. Glen Esplin (September Fund Raising Dinner for Scholarships), Dan &

Bunny McArthur (November) and our December Christmas Program with the Janet Labrum providing a special musical program. Treks included visits to the Kanab & Fredonia area where we toured the Kanab Heritage Museum and Red Pueblo History Museum (March), the Castle Valley Pageant (August) and the Old Spanish Trail Tour (October). Other significant activities included our scholarship program (ten \$1000.00 scholarships were awarded (April), essay program (seven elementary schools with fourth graders participating (April/May), support of the annual Washington City Cotton Days Celebration (over 2000 second graders attending (April), the National SUP Encampment in Cedar City, Utah (September), and area training conducted by the Area Vice-President, David T Hinton (November). The September dinner meeting raised funds for the high school scholarships. All events are described in more detail in the applicable monthly newsletters.

Max Turpin also created a “Virtual Cemetery” on Findagrave.com for Deceased SUP Members. See page 29 of March newsletter.

Recognition of Charlie Clayton for his efforts in the Restoration of the Joseph Knight Home in Ninevah, New York is documented on pages 39 & 40 of this Chapter Report. The Cotton Mission Chapter congratulates Charlie for his generous contribution to the restoration effort.



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# In Memoriam

This is to certify that

## David L. Rogers

Has been memorialized  
by having his name placed  
on the National Sons  
of Utah Pioneers  
"In Memoriam" Board



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# In Memoriam

This is to certify that

*Sidney J. Atkin*

Has been memorialized  
by having his name placed  
on the National Sons  
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**ROLAND L LEE, MODERN PIONEER**  
**COTTON MISSION CHAPTER, SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS**

**CITATION:**

Roland L Lee is recognized as a Modern Pioneer for his many contributions to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, his family and ancestors, the community of St. George and Washington County, and the Cotton Mission Chapter and National Sons of the Utah Pioneers organizations.

Roland would be the first to say that his family comes first. As the father of five (5) children, Roland has been a hands-on family man along with Nellie both with his own children and with his grandchildren

For Roland and Southern Utah, it was love at first sight. As California teenagers, he and Nellie come to Southern Utah to help build a family cabin on the East Rim of Zions. They have preserved the cabin for second and third generations to enjoy today. Family vacations and work projects at “the cabin” have passed on a great love of God’s color country to his five children and spouses, his 29 grandchildren and to extended family and friends. Of Zion Park, Roland said, “Zion National Park is a special subject of mine. The first time I saw the place, I had an affinity for it. The jagged cliffs and varied colors seemed to change at every turn, like a chameleon. It’s almost as if God decided to have fun with this part of the planet, giving vent to his own artistic expression.”

Many of us individually and as a community have benefitted from this unique interest and the result of his forty year career as a renowned artist that continues to this day. Roland has a deep interest in history and uses his art to share his love for his pioneer ancestors that were among the original pioneer settlers of Utah. He and Nellie continue to share the history of ancestors by research and digitizing histories that are provided to their extended families.

Roland’s service in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints includes many Priesthood Leadership and teaching assignment that he has faithfully filled. He has served in four bishopric’s either as counselor (with Bishop Thad Stewart) or as Bishop (Veyo Ward, Veyo 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward & YSA 4<sup>th</sup> Ward). Other service includes Public Affairs, Primary Star A Teacher, Stake Executive Secretary, Ward Mission Leader, Young Men President & Advisor, High Councilor, Gospel Doctrine Teacher and Church Service Missionary Coordinator. Roland & Nellie also served a Mission in Fresno California from January 2003 to July 2004.

Roland’s service in the Cotton Mission Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneer’s spans more than twelve years. He has served in various positions including membership chairman, President Elect, President and Past President. His service

as Chapter President in 2010 occurred when the National SUP Convention was held in St. George. He was also serving as Bishop of the YSA Ward at the same time. He is serving as the Cotton Mission Chapter Newsletter Director and has done for the past 7 1/2 years. The monthly Cotton Mission Newsletter is viewed by members throughout the entire SUP National organization as the benchmark and has been copied by other chapters. This Newsletter documents all monthly activities scheduled as well as the previous activities completed. Our Chapter members look forward to the publication monthly. Roland also serves on the National SUP Trail Marker staff where he compiles other chapter monthly reports for publication in the Trail Marker.

His list of goods deeds is long and varied and he has touched the lives of many in so many different areas it is hard to imagine how he has found the time and energy to accomplish so much. He has done so many things in a silent, even anonymous manner that no one even knows about. Many have been the recipient of his "last dollar" or dedicated moment of his time. He is to be commended for doing much more than he has ever been asked to do without seeking any recognition or reward of any kind. His is truly a living example of Christ-like" service and a modern day pioneer.

It is our pleasure to recognize Roland L Lee as our modern day pioneer and present the Cotton Mission Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers, modern day Pioneer Award to him.

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Dr. Wayne K. Hinton to Speak January 16



Wayne K. Hinton

Educator and author Wayne K. Hinton will discuss John D. Lee and the Mtn. Meadows Massacre at our January 16 dinner meeting.

Dr. Hinton was born in St. George, Utah and moved to Hurricane at age three where he was raised. Wayne graduated with an associate degree from Dixie Junior College, a bachelor of science degree and a master's degree from Utah State

University. His Ph.D. in history is from Brigham Young University. Dr. Hinton also did a post doctorate at University of California, Davis.

Wayne taught American history including: the Revolutionary period, Civil War and Reconstruction, 20<sup>th</sup> Century America, Utah history and history of the American West for 38 years at Southern Utah University. For eighteen years he served as department chair.

During his career, he has published four books, chapters in five other books, numerous articles in professional journals and presented at numerous conferences. He served as national vice-president of the Old Spanish Trails Association, vice president of the Utah State Historical Society, on the program and conference arrangements committees of the Mormon History Association, He was president of the Utah Historians Association, president of the Cedar City Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and is currently serving as SUP area vice president.

His book on the CCC won an award as the best book on the American Southwest in 2009, and his Utah History book is still being used in some universities and it won the best book award in 2002.

Wayne has been an Elder's quorum president, scout master, bishop, stake president, and counselor in a mission presidency. He and his wife, Carolyn, served three missions prior to Carolyn's passing away in October 2014. They served in the Singapore Mission where they served in Sri Lanka and Bangalore, India, a public affairs mission and a two-year mission to the Church History Library in Salt Lake City.

Wayne was a temple ordinance worker in the St. George Temple for four and one-half years and is now an ordinance worker in the Cedar City, Utah Temple.

Wayne and Carolyn are the parents of 4 children, nineteen grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

#### 2018 CALENDAR

Jan 16, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
Speaker: Dr. Wayne K. Hinton  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner

Feb. 20, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner

March 3, 2018 – History Symposium  
Bloomington Stake Center

March 17, 2018 – Trek  
Kane County Sites: Kanab Heritage  
Museum, Moccasin AZ, Pipe Spring

April 17, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner  
Scholarship Presentations (Dressy)

May 15, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner

June 19, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.

July 2018 – No meetings

August 2018 – Trek  
Overnight to Castle Valley

Sept 18, 2018 - Scholarship Fundraiser  
Gunlock - Gail and Hyrum Smith Ranch

September 20-22, 2018 – Nat'l SUP  
Encampment - Cedar City, UT

October, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.

November 21, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.

Dec 18, 2018 – Christmas Dinner Mtg..

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# December 2017 Meeting Re-cap

Photos by Bill Chapman



Our new leaders for 2018 were sworn in by area vice president David Hinton



Bar None invites Ralph Atkin and Thad Stewart to join them

Our talented chapter member, Robin Davis, and his group "Bar None" entertained us with a variety of Christmas and cowboy tunes. With full stomachs and hearts full of the Christmas spirit, we concluded the evening with the swearing in of our new leadership for 2018. Area vice president David Hinton officiated in the ceremony. Serving as president in



2018 will be Thad Stewart. Lloyd Carter will be the president-elect, while Ralph Atkin becomes past-president. Mel Duehlmeier continues as treasurer with Kevin Jenkins as secretary.



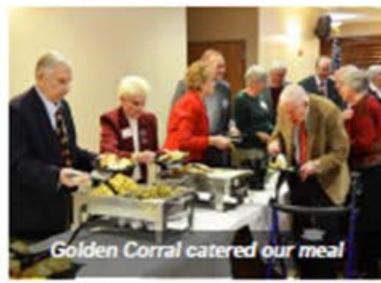
Sally Thornley leads music



Bar None kept us singing and laughing the whole evening



Enjoying the entertainment



Golden Corral catered our meal



David Hinton and Thad Stewart

## SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS - COTTON MISSION CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

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## 2018 Regional Historic Symposium ST. GEORGE

Sat. March 3, 2018 1:00pm - 7:00pm

Bloomington St. George Stake Center,  
200 W. Brigham Road, Bloomington, UT

### "PIONEER MOMENTS IN TIME"

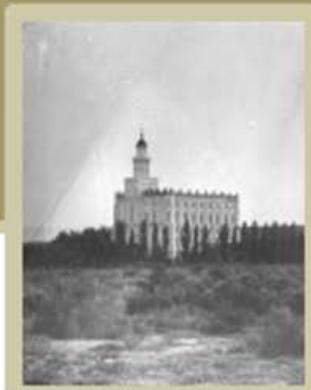
1:00pm - Donald Hinton: The Rising Tide of Mormonism in Red China

2:00pm - Jim Rhoades: There's Gold in Them Thar Hills

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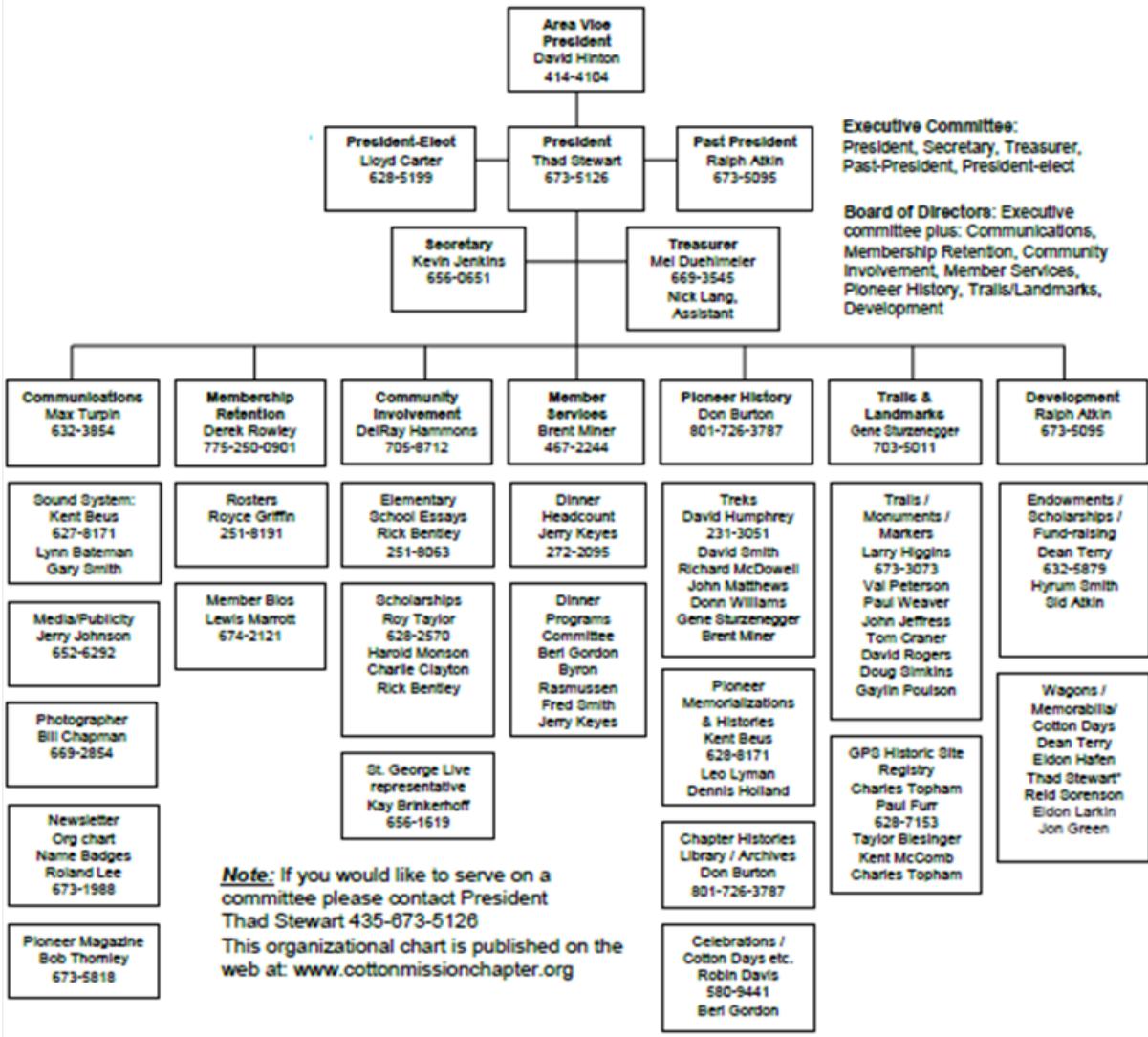
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Calendars



## Cotton Mission Chapter Organizational Chart January 2018



**Executive Committee:**  
President, Secretary, Treasurer,  
Past-President, President-elect

**Board of Directors:** Executive  
committee plus: Communications,  
Membership Retention, Community  
Involvement, Member Services,  
Pioneer History, Trails/Landmarks,  
Development

**Note:** If you would like to serve on a committee please contact President Thad Stewart 435-673-5126  
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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Lynne Clark to Speak February 20



Lynne Clark

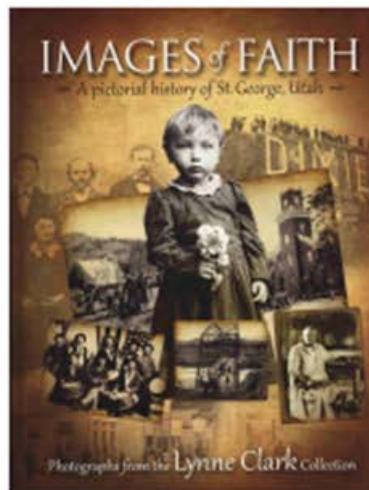
Lynne Clark Brunson will speak at our February 20 dinner meeting. She will address the topic of "The Contributions of Pioneer Women."

Lynne is a photographer, artist, musician, actress, therapist, historian and author. A native of Farmington,

New Mexico, she graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in music and art. She moved to Southern Utah in the 1960's and raised five children while operating the Lynne Clark Photography Studio. Lynne also has a Master's Degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and has had a private practice since 1990.

Lynne has also been a high school choral music teacher, has taught art and photography at Dixie College, taught Gospel Doctrine, and is a past member of both the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Southern Utah Heritage Choir.

Lynne is also the author of *Images of Faith*, a 400 page pictorial history covering 150 years of St. George, Utah. It includes 1200 photographs from the Lynne Clark Historical Photograph Collection - which contains over 20,000 images.



#### 2018 CALENDAR

Feb. 20, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
Speaker - Lynne Clark  
"Contributions of Pioneer Women"  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner

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History Symposium  
Bloomington Stake Center  
200 West Brigham Road  
\$25 for symposium & Dinner  
1 – 5 pm

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### January 2017 Dinner Speaker Dr. Wayne Hinton

Photos by Bill Chapman



*Dr. Wayne Hinton tells about pioneer John D. Lee*

Author, historian, and professor, Dr. Wayne Hinton was our guest at the January dinner meeting. Dr. Hinton discussed the life of pioneer John D. Lee who was called on to explore and settle area's of Iron County and Utah's Dixie. In addition to establishing the town and fort at New Harmony, he later was sent by the church to establish Lee's Ferry. While best known for the Mountain Meadows Massacre tragedy, Lee's contributions to the early settlement and leadership in southern Utah cannot be overlooked. Dr. Hinton will speak on "A New Look at the Mountain Meadows Massacre" during the regional Historical Symposium scheduled for March 3, 2018 at the Bloomington Stake Center.



*Lloyd Carter at the piano and Sally Thornley leading*



*President Thad Stewart*



*Brent Miner*



*After a wonderful meal catered by Goldn Corral, we listen to the words of Wayne Hinton*



*The Buffet Line*



*Listening to the talk*



*Pres. Stewart greets guests*



**Dr. Wayne Hinton** Grew up in Hurricane Utah. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in history from Utah State University, and a PhD in history from BYU. He served as chair of the history department for 18 of his 38 years of teaching at Southern Utah University. He has authored many book and articles, and received many awards. He has served as state president, and president of the Cedar Chapter of the SUP.



**James A. Rhoades** Married to his wife Kathy. They have 8 children and 22 grandchildren. He is the Great, great grandson of Thomas Rhoades who was The gold connection between the Ute Nation and Brigham Young. He is a former Seminary Teacher and renowned guest speaker at EYF and Youth for Freedom, and a Life Coach.



**Dr. Donald Ray Hinton** Born in Hurricane Utah, and Married to Ada Lu Fuller. They have 6 Children and almost 25 grandchildren. He served a mission to Hong Kong as a young man, and as Mission President there in 2000 – 2003. Received his PhD in Interpersonal Communication and Oral Interpretation from Southern Illinois University. He was the professor of Communication and coach of the Forensic Squad for 25 years at Dixie State University. For 6 years as department chair, and 11 years as Dean, acting for a short time as Acting Vice-President of Academics.



**Monte Holm** Married to Lisa and has 6 children and 16 grandchildren. They currently reside at the Holmstead Ranch north of St. George. He learned early the value of hard work, at a very young age, became financially independent. He is co-founder of World Financial Group of the U.S. and Canada. He co-authored the Legacy Planner with Hyrum Smith. He was awarded an honorary doctorate from BYU. He served as the South Carolina Columbia Mission Pres.



The National Society of the Sons of Utah  
Pioneers Presents

The 2018 Regional Historic Symposium  
**“Pioneer Moments in Time”**



Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018

1:00 p.m.



March 3, 2018 5:30 pm  
Dinner and Keynote Address

Conducting: Tony Tidwell Nat'l Pres. Elect  
Invocation: To be Announced  
Flag Ceremony: Troop 509  
Dinner: Catered by Golden Corral  
Music Presentation: To Be Announced  
Introduction and Keynote Address: Hyrum Smith  
Benediction: To Be Announced



**Hyrum W. Smith** Distinguished author, speaker and businessman. Co-founder and former CEO of Franklin Covey, Co. For three decades he has been empowering people to effectively govern their personal and professional lives. He combines wit and enthusiasm with a gift for communicating compelling principles that incite lasting personal change. He married his wife Gail and have 6 children (5 living) and 20 grandchildren (18 living).

Bloomington Stake Center  
200 West Brigham Road

March 3, 2018 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
Historical Symposium

Conducting: John Elggren SUP Nat'l Past Pres.  
Welcome: Keith Van Rosendaal Nat'l Pres.  
Hymn: Come, Come Ye Saints #30  
Pianist: Dixie Whitehead Conducting: Gerri Hinton  
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1:00pm

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200 W Brigham Rd  
Bloomington UT  
**(South of St George)**



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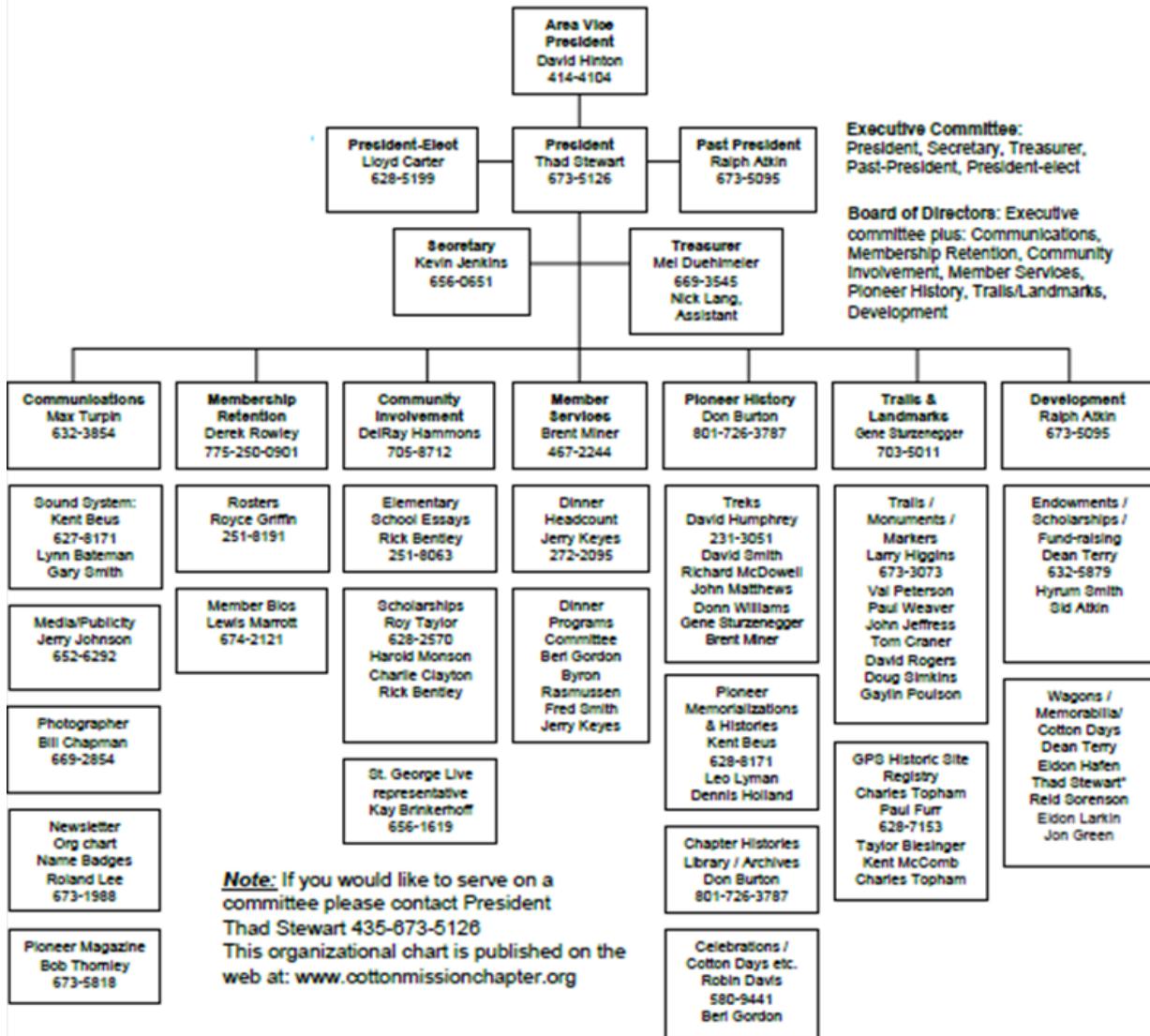
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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Kanab, Fredonia, Moccasin Trek March 17

Excitement is building for our chapter trek on Saturday March 17. The tour, arranged by David Humphrey and his committee will last all day and cover several significant historical sites.

We will meet at Albertsons parking lot in Washington at 7:45am and carpool from there to the *Kanab Heritage Museum*. Although it is closed for the season, Deanna Glover will



open it just for our group and give us a special tour. We will then enjoy lunch on our own in Kanab before meeting at 1:15pm at *Red Pueblo Museum*. There we will be given another special tour from Dixon Spendlove who is opening it early just for us. The museum features many Indian artifacts.

We will conclude our trip with a visit to the tiny town of *Moccasin* located on non-reservation land inside the Kaibab Indian Reservation. We will see several historic sites there.

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## "Pioneer Moments in Time"

# Cotton Mission Chapter and Hurricane Chapter Co-host Regional Historic Symposium March 3

Don't miss the upcoming regional historic symposium March 3. Our chapter and the Hurricane Valley chapter are co-hosting the event which begins at 1pm Saturday March 3.

Our speakers will be:

-Dr. Donald Hinton, speaking on the rise of the Church in Mainland China

-Jim Rhoades, speaking about the Thomas Rhoades and Chief Walkara Connection.

-Dr. Wayne Hinton, speaking about the "Mountain Meadow Massacre"

-Monte Holm, speaking about his journey from a "Lost boy" from Colorado City to successful business to Mission President.

-Hyrum Smith, speaking about the purpose of the year 1830

There will be a 15 minute intermission between each of the first four speakers. After Monte speaks to us, there will be a break for the completion of the dinner set-up, and the dinner.

After dinner we will all re-assemble back into the Chapel for Hyrum Smith's talk.



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Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018

1:00 p.m.

Bloomington Stake Center



This is a wonderful opportunity to hear from great speakers about important historical events. It is necessary for you to register right away, so we can get a good count on the number of dinners we will need.

The Symposium will be held at the Bloomington Stake Center, 250 West Brigham Road, St. George. It will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. Saturday.

Take the Bloomington Exit from I-15. For more information and late registration contact Mel Duehlmeier 435-669-3545.

### February 2018 Dinner Speaker Lynne Clark

Photos by Bill Chapman  
Story by Jerry Johnson



Lynne Clark highlights the "Pioneer Women of Dixie"

Lynne Clark Brunson, a photographer and historian, was the guest speaker for our February meeting. Her topic, "the Pioneer Women of Dixie," who she highlighted with a slide presentation. One woman she featured, Norma Canazarra, left a landmark that we all see today. In 1985 Norma purchased and restored the dilapidated original cotton factory here in Washington. We now know it as Star Nursery.

She humorously showed how important women are by quoting a writing of William Golding, British Novelist, Playwright & Poet, 1911-1993:

"I think women are foolish to pretend they are equal to men. They are far superior and always have been. Whatever you give a woman, she will make greater. If you give her a sperm, she will give you a baby. If you give her a house, she will give you a home. If you give her groceries, she will give you a meal. If you give her a smile, she will give you her heart. She multiplies and enlarges what is given to her. So, if you give her crap, be ready to receive a ton of shit!"



Rob Felch



Suzanne and Richard Bradford



All join in the Pledge of Allegiance



Lynne Clark's slide show was fascinating



The Golden Corral Buffet Line



Pres Thad Stewart



David and Sherril Evans

SUP Chapter Eternal

## Former Chapter President David Lynn Rogers Passes Away

Faithful Cotton Mission Chapter member and former president, David Lynn Rogers, 80, passed away at home from pancreatic cancer, surrounded by his family February 15, 2018 in Washington, Utah.

David will be sorely missed by his good brethren of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Since joining SUP he has given great leadership to our organization. In addition to serving as chapter president, David initiated and carried out the re-marking of the old Temple Trail. Over several years time he labored over the project. At his funeral many mentioned his love of the SUP. On one occasion out on the Temple trail his vehicle became stuck. He walked for many hours late at night seeking help, and witnessed the hand of the Lord guiding him to safety. We will miss him.

David was born January 2, 1938 in Los Angeles, California to John Victor Rogers and Lillian Stead. He was the oldest of five children. He grew up in Los Angeles, California until age nine when he moved with his family to Kanosh, Utah.

He graduated from Millard High School in Fillmore, Utah. David earned a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master's Degree in Sociology from Utah State University. He received a doctorate degree from the University of Wisconsin. In 1961, he married Tamara Christensen in the Logan, Utah temple for time and eternity. They had five children: Wendy Lynn, Daniel Scott, Jeffrey David, Amy and Brian John.

David was a faculty member at the University of Colorado, Iowa State University, Colorado State University and Utah State University. While at Colorado State University he served as department head of the Sociology Department for six years. While at Utah State University he was appointed Associate Dean for Extension in the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

He and his wife moved to Washington, Utah in 2004. Here he enjoyed making special, lifelong friendships, being a part of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, singing with the Southern Utah Heritage Choir, and taking up the sport of golf.

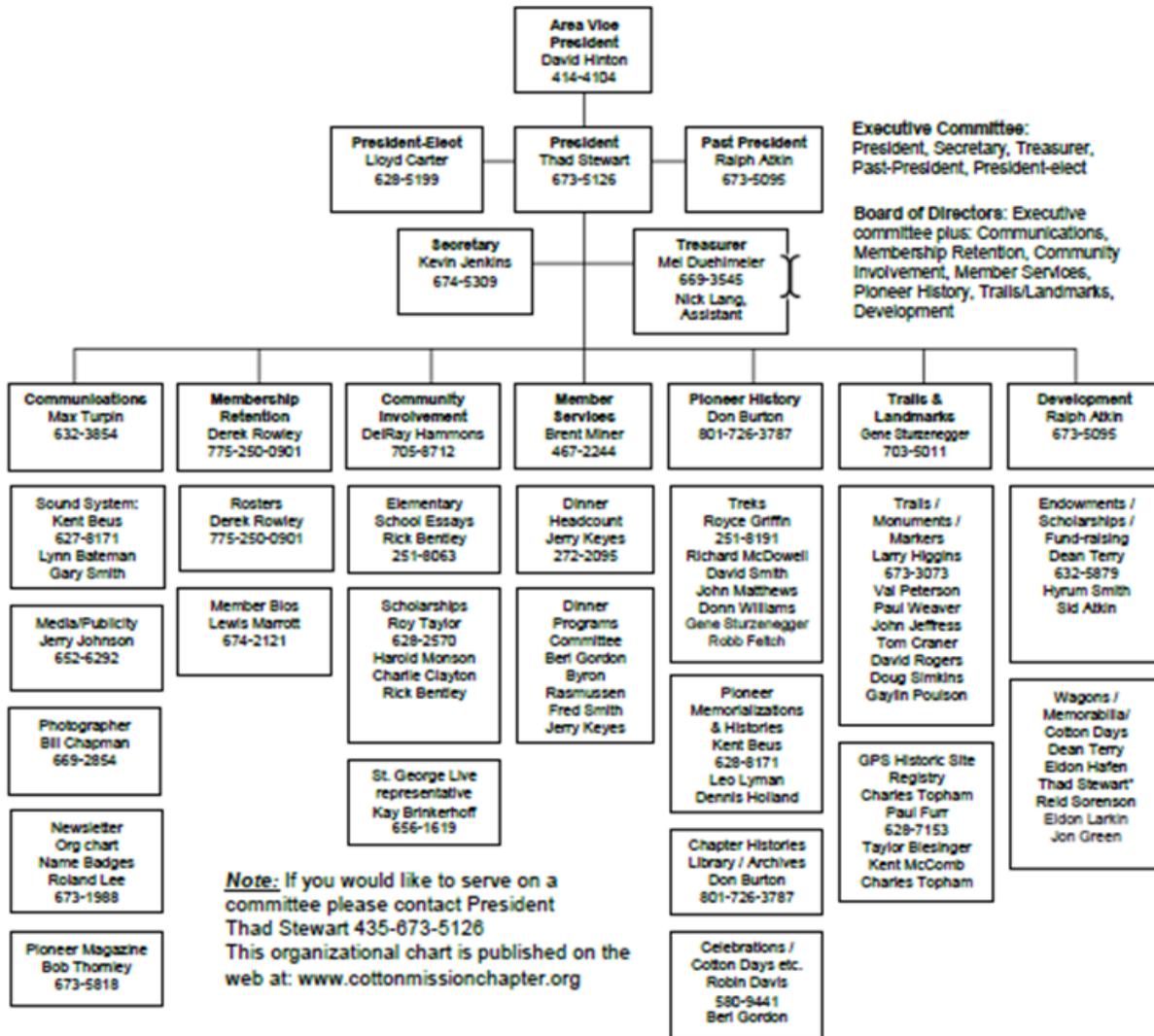
David loved the Lord, always eager to serve wherever and whenever he was asked. In 1958-1960, he served a mission in the Northern California Mission. In 2011-2012 he and his wife, Tamara, served in the Japan Fukuoka Mission. Whatever calling he had, he served with dedication, enthusiasm and love for the people he served.

His humble nature and love of all those around him blessed those who knew him. His talents were many and he selflessly shared himself unceasingly. The love he had for his family was immeasurable and the happiness they shared everlasting. His presence will be severely missed.

David is survived by his wife, Tamara, his children: Wendy (Tom) Burke, Daniel (Tonya) Rogers, Jeffrey (Stephanie) Rogers and Amy Rogers. His grandchildren: Cory (Suzanne) Burke, Colten Rogers, Tia (Chad) Anderson, Kyle Rogers, and Kayla Rogers. His great grandchildren: Lochlan Burke, Rowan Burke, Willow Burke and Lilith Anderson. Sisters: Lillis (Frank) Byers and Kathie Smith. Brothers: John (Kathryn Ann) Rogers and Craig (Lissa) Rogers. He was preceded in death by his son Brian John Rogers, his parents and grandparents.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 19th at 12:00 noon at the Buena Vista Stake Building at 860 Fairway Drive, Washington, Utah.

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### Scholarship Presentation Dinner April 17



Our annual presentation of scholarships to high school seniors will take place on April 17 when students, parents, and counselors join us at our dinner meeting. One of two meetings each year where we dress in Sunday best, this is the culmination of our fund-raising efforts for the year. Individual donations from a number of chapter members along with money raised through the Fall dinner at Hyrum and Gail Smith's Gunlock ranch are combined to provide up to nine scholarships.

Scholarship winners from Pine View, Dixie, Desert Hills, Snow Canyon, Enterprise, Millcreek, and the Success Academy will each give a short statement prior to receiving their award along with a specially prepared medallion.



Many thanks to Cheryl Ann and Roy Taylor, who head up the scholarship essay program and awards ceremony. Thanks as well to Dean Terry, Hyrum Smith, Charlie Clayton, and Sid Atkin on the Fundraising committee and the many generous donors.

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### March Events Re-cap

Photos and story by Roland Lee



### Trek to Kanab Area Historic Sites

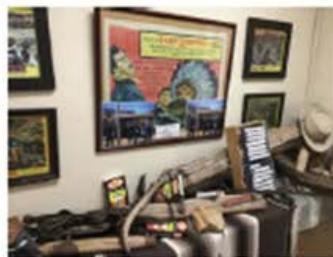
About 26 chapter members and wives enjoyed a brisk day travelling to the Kanab area for our March Trek. Our first stop was the Kanab Heritage Museum. Although closed for the winter, a group of volunteers opened it just for our group and gave us a wonderful tour, answering questions and showing us the wealth of historical material housed there. In addition to several rooms housing pioneer artifacts such as a stocked kitchen, laundry room, they had a large display of fun items from Kanab's heyday as a movie filming site. Movie posters, costumes and photos brought back lots of memories.



Above, President Thad Stewart poses with Hopalong Cassidy. Left, Mel and Jan Duehlmeier pose in front of the Kanab Heritage Museum



One of the most fun parts of the museum an extensive display of memorabilia from the old movie era. Movie posters adorn the walls and a bench displays signatures of movie stars who visited Kanab during the making of the films.

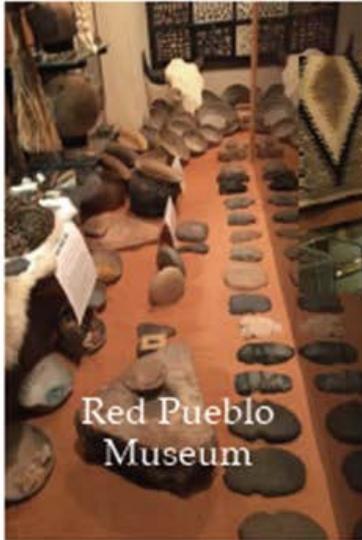


Deanna Glover and a number of volunteers shared their knowledge of local history

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### Kanab Trek

Photos and story by Roland Lee



Red Pueblo Museum



The next stop was at the Red Pueblo Indian Museum where Dixon Spendlove, the owner, explained the history of the Anasazi peoples and showed us a tremendous collection of arrowheads, pottery, moccasins, and tools used by the Native American peoples in that area.

We finished by stopping in the town of Moccasin where Durant McArthur told the story of town founders Jonathan and Lucy Heaton and the town's association with the United Order people from Orderville. We toured the impressive "Big House" which was one of the first multi-room homes in the area and is still lived-in today. We ended with treats at the McArthur family cabin nearby. Thanks to our trek committee for organizing this great trek.

Dixon Spendlove gave us a wonderful tour of the Red Pueblo Museum. We were dazzled by the sheer volume of ancient pottery, spearheads, metates, blankets, moccasins and cradle boards



Moccasin



Virginia McArthur on the porch of the Big House. She was raised there and is a descendant of founder Jonathan Heaton.



Durant McArthur shared the history of Moccasin and the early settlers who practiced the United Order.



## March Events Re-cap

Story by David Hinton, Area VP SUP

# Southern Utah Historical Symposium a Success!

Four area SUP chapters joined forces to present "Pioneer Moments in Time," a historical Symposium. Held at the Bloomington chapel,

we had five very qualified speakers, each with their definite speaking style, and each covered their topic in a manner that had each of us grateful we had been there. It was a symposium that will be long remembered.

Dr. Donald Hinton spoke first about the rising tide of LDS Church membership in Mainland China. He masterfully led us through the history of the Church in all of Asia, and the difficulties encountered with several failed attempts before it took hold. It was a most interesting talk.

Jim Rhoades is a masterful storyteller. He had us spellbound as he talked about the life of his Great, Great Grandfather Thomas Rhoades. He told of joining the Church and heading west with the Donner Party, splitting with them and arriving in Sacramento. Of Thomas being one of the first to find Gold at Sutter's Mill, and then returning to Salt Lake with \$17,000 in gold for tithing. He also told of his part in bringing Chief Walkara's "Money Rock" to the Church and finding other gold mines.

Dr. Wayne Hinton gave us a carefully documented and clear explanation of the events that led up to the Massacre at Mountain Meadows, and the aftermath of that experience. It was good to hear the truth, without hesitation, and learn that even our Forefathers let worldly cares dim their view of what was right. We learned that those who were involved were punished, but it will probably be a dark spot on the history of the Church forever. Wayne gave a masterful presentation.

Monte Holm told the fascinating story of his youth, and the difficult life he led while living in Hildale. Utah.



He told of the many times he tried to run away, but was tracked down and returned to his home. He never quit trying and after many failed attempts

was able to finally break away. The difficulties made him strong enough to succeed in his future pursuits. He has become successful husband and father, businessman, former Mission President, and currently serves as a Stake President. His story was highly interesting and compelling. His wife Lisa said that he had only told that story once before because it was painful to relive that experience.

Hyrum Smith Topped off the Symposium with a lively and factual History of the Christian Church from 400 years before Christ to the Restoration of the Church in the year 1830. Through his careful and interesting explanation of the events in between those years, he showed us why it had to be 1830 that the Church was restored! It was masterfully done! We were all on the edge of our seats for the entire time.

Besides the speakers, we have so many to thank for their special help. Thad Stewart and Ralph Atkin for obtaining our venue, and putting me in contact with Dixie Whitehead, who provided our music, and also Steve Miesmer, a scout master who oversaw the flag ceremony. A special thank you goes to Mel Duehlmeir of the Cotton Mission, who oversaw the finances of the symposium. A very grateful recognition to Kay Woodbury of Hurricane chapter who put together the decorations, and her husband, Chris for the technical help.

—Special thanks to David Hinton of the Hurricane Chapter for this report.



Listen to audio recordings of the talks at: [www.cottonmissionchapter.org](http://www.cottonmissionchapter.org)

## National SUP Historical Symposium scheduled for May 12 in Salt Lake City

If our exciting and successful "Southern Utah History Symposium," co-sponsored by our chapter and the Hurricane chapter, has whetted our appetites for more of the same, get ready for another one on May 12 sponsored by the SUP National Headquarters.

The National SUP symposium is themed "Stability in a World of Change" and will feature five presenters, dinner, and a keynote address.

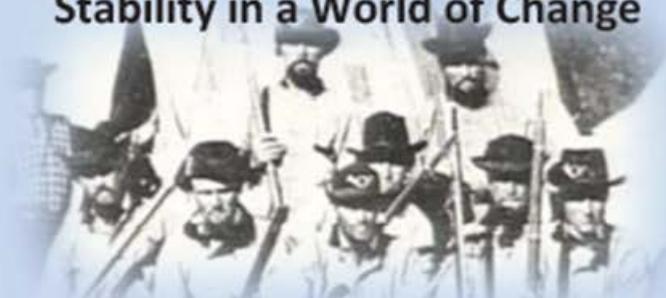
President Jack and Rosemary Wixom, SLC Temple president and matron will be the keynote speakers.

Presenters include: Kenneth Alford and Devan Jensen - *Militiamen William Stowell and the Utah Wars 1857-1858*; Alma Allred - *Coming forth of the Church Out of the Political Wilderness*; William G. Hartley - *Transportation Changes in the West*; Jerry Houck - *Examples of a Living Church*. register online at the National SUP website:

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National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers  
**2018 National History Symposium**  
 Saturday, May 12, 2018

### Stability in a World of Change



**Symposium Speakers 1 p.m.–5 p.m.**  
 Canyon Rim Stake Center 3051 South 2900 East, Salt Lake City

**Kenneth L. Alford and R. Devan Jensen, "Militiamen William Stowell, and the Utah War, 1857-1858"**  
**Alma Allred, "Coming Forth of the Church Out of the Political Wilderness, Reed Street Public Hearings"**  
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**Jerry Houck, "Examples of a Living Church, demonstrated by changes: in Succession, Seniority, Manifestos, Proclamation, Church Government and Organization, Attitudes, etc."**

**Dinner and Keynote Speakers**  
 S.U.P. Headquarters Building, 5:30 p.m.  
**President Jack and Rosemary Wixom**  
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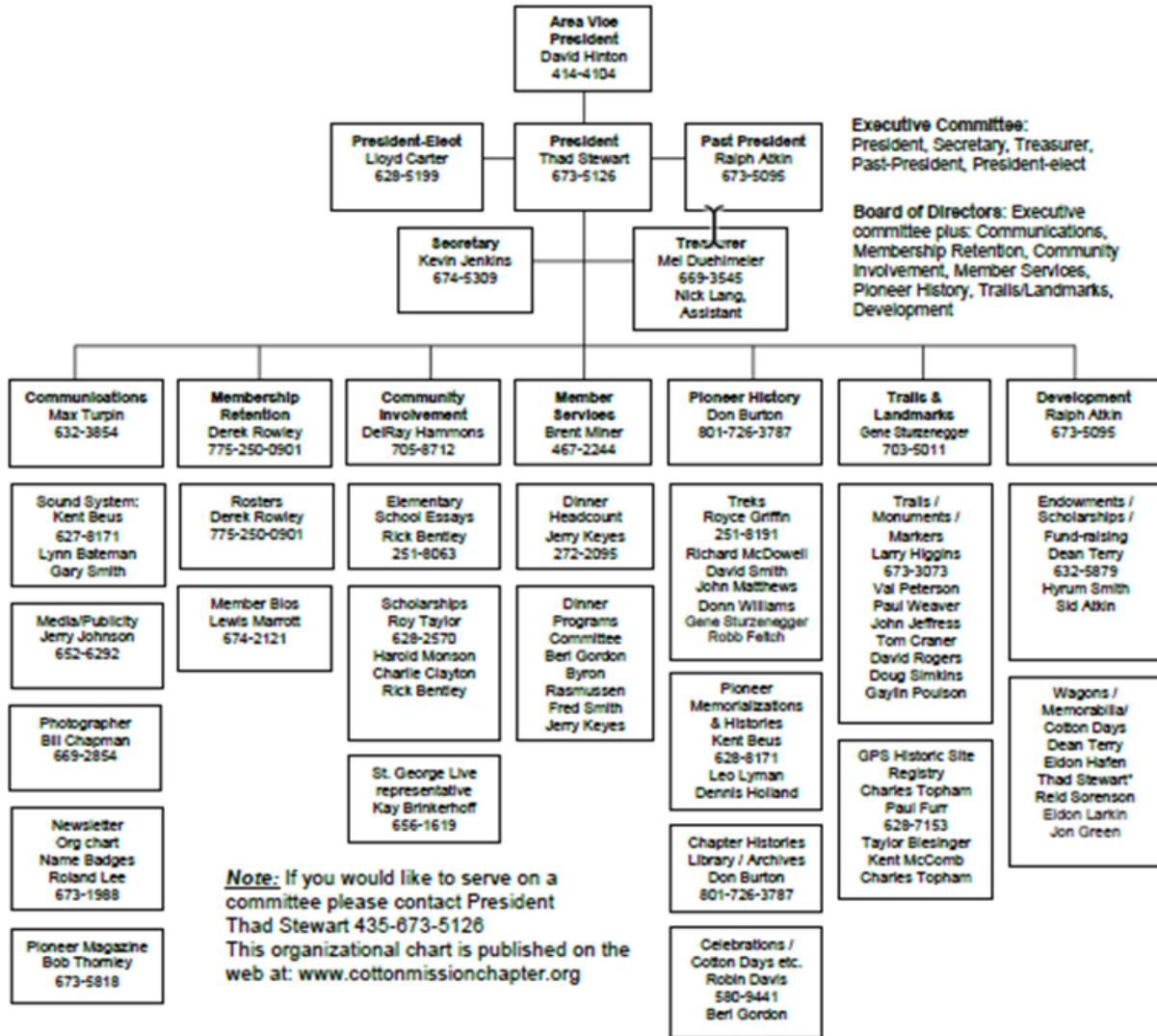
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 OR pay by telephone with a credit card by calling (801) 484-4441, M-Th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### New Online "Virtual Cemetery" for Deceased SUP Members

Brother Max Turpin has created a "Virtual Cemetery" on *Findagrave.com* where we can see memorials of past members of the Cotton Mission Chapter SUP. We invite our chapter members to visit the site and view the tributes. If there are others you know about that aren't included you can submit the names to Max at 632-3854. The site is currently up and ready for viewing. Thanks so much Max for taking the initiative to get this set up.

Check out the website at: [www.findagrave.com/virtual-cemetery/886392](http://www.findagrave.com/virtual-cemetery/886392)

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Scott and Marc Gubler Discuss the “Search for Bountiful” at May 15 Dinner Meeting



Marc and Scott Gubler on the left with their team at Khor Kharfot

Our speakers for the May 15 dinner meeting will be Mark and Scott Gubler, who will be discussing the fascinating search for Nephi’s Bountiful. They and a cadre of 23 scientists, archaeologists, and other inter-disciplinary researchers have made several visits to what many agree is the best candidate for the city Bountiful in Oman at Khor Kharfot.

They have two major hypotheses: 1) that Khor Kharfot is Nephi’s Bountiful and 2) that there is an Israelite sanctuary here built with the sacred geometry found in Solomon’s Temple. The search area is a one mile stretch of beach littered with archaeological relics.

They are trying to reconstruct how this land may have looked 2600 years ago and what relics might still be left. The project is being done by private contributions.

### 2018 CALENDAR

May 15, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner  
Scott & Mark Guber

June 19, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.

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Gunlock - Gail and Hyrum Smith  
Ranch

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April Dinner Re-cap

Photos by Bill Chapman

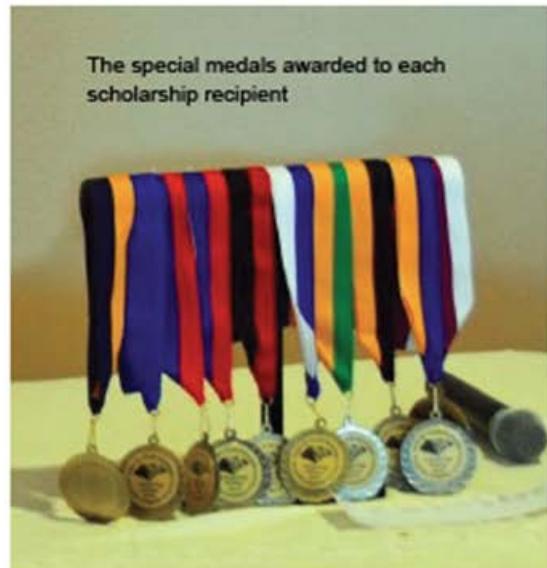
# High School Seniors Awarded Ten College Scholarships



Ten young people received College Scholarships at our April 17 Awards dinner. Listening to each scholarship recipient talk about their needs, as well as goals and ambitions left us feeling confident about the future generation.

President Thad Stewart recognized Sid Atkin who contributed \$20,000 to the scholarship fund, as well as Dean Terry and Charlie Clayton who have donated thousands of dollars in scholarships over the years. Thanks should be given as well to the dozens of other couples who annually make gifts of \$250 to \$1000 and to Gail and Hyrum Smith who provide steak dinners at no cost for our August meeting, so the dinner funds can all go toward the scholarship fund. And finally a huge thank you to Cheryl Ann and Roy Taylor who capably coordinate the scholarship program.

The special medals awarded to each scholarship recipient



Sydney Slade from Desert Hills High School answers questions while Pres. Thad Stewart and Cheryl Ann Taylor look on.



Scholarship donor Charles Clayton presents award to Christina Bartholomew.



Brynn Eardley Dixie HS recives medal from Cheryl Ann Taylor.



# Scholarships



Above: Scholarship Chairmen Roy and Cheryl Ann Taylor.

Left: The winners representing nine area schools include: Sydney Slade, Desert Hills High School; Brynn Eardley, Dixie High School; Amelia Day, Enterprise High School; Bailey Williams, Millcreek High School; Ana McFaddon, Pine View High School; Alissa Larkin, Tuacahn High School; Natalie Gunn, Snow Canyon High School; Carlos Robles, Millcreek High School, Belliston Foundation Scholarship; Christina Bartholomew, Success Academy; Ella Borrows, Southern Virginia University Scholarship.



Carlos Robles Mill Creek HS with Thad Stewart and Ralph Atkin



Alissa Larkin Tuacahn HS with Thad Stewart and Ralph Atkin



Amelia Day from Enterprise HS receives award from Ralph Atkin



Christy Beacham accepting award for Granddaughter Natalie Gunn, Snow Canyon HS.



Ana McFaddon Pineview HS with Ralph Atkin and Pres Thad Stewart



Ella Borrows Southern Virginia University Scholarship recipient



The Cotton Mission Chapter and the Daughters of Utah Pioneers joined forces to present historical vignettes to hundreds of second graders at the annual Cotton Days Festival. Thanks to Dean Terry for bringing his covered wagon, buggies, and stagecoach for display along with his antique collection. Groups of school children rotated through the exhibits over a three day period and were delighted with pioneer stories and being able to handle old tools and kitchen items from bygone days.



## Monument Committee Report

### Cleaning and Caring for Our Monuments

We are grateful to those who have accepted responsibility to maintain and check on various chapter monuments placed throughout the county. Charles Topham, who is responsible for our "Adopt a Monument" project sends us the following reminder that it is now time to check on and report our work.

*I guess we can't say "did you get your home teaching done" anymore, but perhaps we can say "have you checked your monument lately?" If you have reported and I have spaced it, please let me know again. Thank you very much for all the extra effort it takes to get to your monuments to check on them. It's good to know that there's no serious damage on them at least every six months. Please give me a call, text, or email, as you complete your assignment. If you need back up let me know.*

**Charles Topham**  
Adopt a Monument Chairman  
801-378-2578



Nellie Lee cleans plaques at the Santa Clara Relief Society building. Chapter member Charles Clayton placed several of these monuments honoring the founders of Santa Clara.



Plaques at the Confluence Park near the Dixie Center



### New Online "Virtual Cemetery" for Deceased SUP Members

Brother Max Turpin has created a "Virtual Cemetery" on *Findagrave.com* where we can see memorials of past members of the Cotton Mission Chapter SUP. We invite our chapter members to visit the site and view the tributes. If there are others you know about that aren't included you can submit the names to Max at 632-3854. The site is currently up and ready for viewing. Thanks so much Max for taking the initiative to get this set up.

**Check out the website at: [www.findagrave.com/virtual-cemetery/886392](http://www.findagrave.com/virtual-cemetery/886392)**

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### Invite Your Friends to Our Special "Membership Drive" Dinner Meeting June 19



Max Turpin visits with new members Bob and Ella Kelly before dinner at our last meeting. Our membership has grown substantially this past year as members invite neighbors and friends to our dinner meetings.

### "My Father's Highway" – Building I-15 Through the Virgin River Gorge

At the June 19 dinner meeting we will enjoy a short message about the purposes of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, followed by the presentation and discussion of a film called "My Father's Highway." The DVD is a documentary about the construction of I-15 through the Virgin River Gorge. It is the epic story of an impossible road built on an improbable



route and the people who overcame every obstacle, even death, to make sure it happened. It is an amazing part of Dixie's history. Invite your friends to come join us.

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May Dinner Meeting

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## The Ongoing Search for Nephi's Bountiful in Oman



Scott Gubler, Brent Heaton, and Marty Heaton dressed in robes and headwraps to give a fascinating slide presentation on the modern-day search for Nephi's Bountiful. Privately funded, the search has brought interested laymen together with skilled archeologists for several visits to Khor Kharfot in Oman, a location they believe is the best candidate for Nephi's Bountiful.

Each told of their experiences as they helped with "the dig," made friends with people from other cultures, and even shared the Gospel. Proving that it was truly a land of "milk and honey" one of the guides even climbed a tree and brought down honey from a huge bee hive. Each speaker shared his own testimony of the Book of Mormon and testified that regardless of their findings, their belief in the Gospel is based on faith, not evidence. What a fun evening!



Brent Heaton models the latest in fashions from the Middle East



New member Rick Henrie visits with Rex and Pamela Jensen before the dinner



The Laytons smile for the camera



Sally Thomley leads us in the opening song



# Nephi's Bountiful



Above: Mark Gubler shows the possible routes of Lehi's family through the wilderness. Left: Marty Heaton explains the similarities to names and places in the Book of Mormon



Left: Brent Heaton shows a video of one of their guides climbing a tree to get honey from a huge beehive without getting stung. The secret? The bees there do not sting! Far left: The robes and head wraps were authentic.



Bob Thomley visits with John Matthews



Above: The Carters lead the way as we enjoy a buffet provided by Golden Corral restaurant.

President Thad Stewart conducts the dinner meeting



Left: Robin Davis, Mel Duehlmeier, and Bob Kuyser Chat before the dinner.

## Chapter Members in Action

# Charlie Clayton Donates \$67,000 to Help Restore Joseph Knight Sr. Home – now a Visitors Center



Cotton Mission Chapter member Charlie Clayton is a historian who puts his money where his interests are. A proud descendent of the Joseph Knight Sr. Pioneer family, he has spent the last ten years working to honor his heritage in numerous ways. A recent interest has been restoring the Joseph Knight Sr. 1815 Ancestral Farm House in Ninevah New York.

The Knight family was baptized shortly after the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized. In September 1830 the Knight farm became home to the Colesville Branch, recognized as the one of the first branches

of the LDS Church. Many baptisms (including that of Emma Smith) took place in the Pickerel Pond on the Knight property. The events which unfolded here were the humble beginnings of a kingdom which would go on to fill the world.

### HOW CHARLIE GOT INVOLVED

Some years ago Charlie learned that the old Joseph Knight Sr. home had been acquired after years of neglect. Upon learning its history, the new owners, Raphael Mecham and Steve Glenn, sought to restore it and reached out for help from the Knight family. \$5000 was raised initially, hardly enough to even begin the massive restoration project. Charlie recognized the importance of the homesite to LDS history, and after his initial donation, he was called on again and again for help. In all, Charlie has donated over \$67,000 to the restoration project.

“If they need something they call me,” Charlie said. “I’ve paid for the siding, paid to have a new well dug, bought the air conditioning, washer and dryer and lots more.”

Now years later, the home is beautifully restored with nice walkways and monuments in place. The LDS church even has missionaries housed there from May to October each year to act as guides for the many visitors. Elder Richard and Sister Cindy Morrey are the current resident LDS missionaries. They are assisted by docents who live in the nearby historic Josiah Stowell home.

This past month Charlie was able to visit the home, where he stayed for a few days and was honored by the owners who have now organized a non-profit for the home.

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The Joseph Knight Sr. Farm House was home to the Colesville Branch



Charlie Clayton (middle) working on the Knight home with owners Raphael Mecham and Steve Glenn.

## Charlie Clayton

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“Bring your work gloves and check book,” Charlie was told.

And sure enough, he shoveled gravel, laid blocks and helped build a new walkway while he was there—and wrote out another check.

Today, tourists and even bus tours stop to learn about this historic place. On a sign outside the now-restored Knight farmhouse visitors can read the names of original members of the Colesville Branch. Among those are 58 of Charlie Clayton’s ancestors who are blessed with over 13,000 descendants.

### **OTHER HISTORICAL PROJECTS FINANCED**

In addition to the Knight Farmhouse restoration, Charlie has provided help for many other worthwhile projects. Over the past years he has contributed thousands of dollars to our Cotton Mission Chapter Scholarship fund, helping many students get to college.

He has been recognized by the LDS Church for donating over 300 important papers and items to the Church Historical department, most relating to the Jacob Hamblin home, where his mother was raised. He has also donated \$140,000 and hundreds of hours toward construction of the Samuel Knight Santa Clara History Museum, and has worked tirelessly as a docent.

Currently you can often find Charlie at the Santa Clara Cemetery where he spends countless hours as a volunteer tending the grounds. Recently he personally paid for many new grave stones and assisted in locating many lost graves. Over Memorial Day he placed hundreds of American flags.

“People who visit the cemetery are very surprised,” Charlie said. “They tell me their ancestor’s name and I can show them from memory right where they are buried.”

Charlie also recently provided \$17,500 funding for a beautiful new Santa Clara Veteran’s Memorial, adjacent to the cemetery with engraved Pavers, monuments, and flags flying high over the



city. In the process he has carefully catalogued a record of war veterans and made a large scrapbook in their honor.

No wonder Charles Lee Clayton was recently named volunteer of the year for Santa Clara and rode as the Grand Marshal in the Swiss Days parade.

As a chapter we can all appreciate Charlie’s example of remembering our pioneers not just in word but also in deed.

*Left:* The Samuel R. Knight Santa Clara History Museum is located in the basement of the Santa Clara Town Hall.



Sign outside the Knight home invites travelers inside to learn about the history of the LDS Church in the area

## Upcoming Treks

# Overnight Trek Planned to See Castle Valley Pageant Your Input Needed on Dates



Our August activity will be an overnight trek to Castle Dale to see the Castle Valley Pageant and possibly the world famous Cleveland Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry, which is near by. No reservations or fee is required for the pageant but as it will be an overnight activity motel reservations will be needed. With that in mind we would like to get a feel for who is interested in attending and which date you prefer. We suggest either Tuesday and Wednesday, August 7-8 or Friday and Saturday, August 10-11. Please let us know if you plan to attend and which date you prefer. Please send your choice of dates right away to Royce Griffin, Trek Committee; [thegriffins66@gmail.com](mailto:thegriffins66@gmail.com)

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- Jesse Smith Home
- Priddy Meeks cabin
- Heritage Park



Half-day tours visit the Daughters of Utah Pioneers museum in Parowan's Old Rock Church, the cemetery, and historic homes of this oldest southern Utah town.

#### TOUR #4

##### Southern Utah University & Shakespeare Square

- Southern Utah Museum of Art
- Utah Shakespeare Festival
- Southern Utah University
- Centurium
- Statues galore



Half-day tours exploring Cedar's culture visiting the world famous Utah Shakespeare Festival and the Southern Utah Museum of Art, SUU's beautiful campus with southern Utah's most famous horse Old Sorrell.

Mary Ellen Edmunds spouse's speaker and Kent Broadbent Keynote Speaker

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 P M 1:00—4:30

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8:00 — 11:30 Registration  
 8:00 — 9:15 am National Board  
 Breakfast  
 9:30 — 11:30 National Business  
 Meeting  
 9:30 — 11:30 Spouses meeting  
 with Mary Ellen Edmunds  
 12:00—2:15 Closing banquet  
 with  
 Kent Broadbent: *Miracles of  
 Joseph Smith and the  
 Restoration: Coincidences or  
 divine design?*

**Cedar City Motels**

Abbey Inn 940 W. 200 N. 435-586-9966  
 \$95 (Thur) (F&S) \$109 + tax  
America's Best Value Inn 333 N. 1100 W. 435-867-4700  
 King \$55 + tax, 2 Queen \$60 + tax  
Best Western Plus 50 W. 200 N. 435-586-1234 \$100 + tax  
Best Western Town and Country 189 N. Main  
 435-586-9000 \$90 + tax  
El Rey Inn & Suites 80 S. Main 435-586-6518 \$70 +tax  
Quality Inn 250 N. 1100 W. 435-586-2082  
 King \$65 +tax; 2 Queen (max 4 people) \$70 +tax  
Stratford Court Hotel 18 S. Main 435-586-2433  
 King \$70 + tax, 2 Queen (max 4 people) \$75 +tax

\* All offering 20% off regular room rates:  
Courtyard by Marriott 1294 S. Interstate Dr. 435-867-7300  
Hampton Inn 1145 S. Bentley Rd. 435-586-5000  
Holiday Inn Express 1555 S. Old Hwy 91 435-867-0603  
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**Registration Form: Please complete, clip out and mail to Cedar City SUP at P.O. Box 962, Cedar City, UT 84721**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest name, if attending \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ SUP Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Encampment (Convention).....Prices listed are for one person**

Discount registration (Before Sep 1)	\$100	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Registration (After Sep 1)	\$125	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
Thursday (Sept. 20) only registration	\$40	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____
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Saturday (Sept. 22) only registration	\$40	Member \$ _____	Spouse/Guest \$ _____	Total \$ _____

Tour #1 Markagunt Plateau (Full day)	\$40 x _____ = \$ _____	Tour #2 p.m. Cedar History Highlights	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____
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Tour #3 a.m. Parowan—Mother Town of Southern Utah	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____	Tour #4 p.m. SUU & Beverly Center	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____
Tour #4 a.m. Shakespeare & Southern Utah University	\$20 x _____ = \$ _____		

**Tour Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Sandwich choices for Friday lunch**  
 (Circle one for each person)

Member:	Roast Beef	Turkey	Ham	Veg	<b>Conference Total \$ _____</b>
Spouse:	Roast Beef	Turkey	Ham	Veg	

**Make checks payable to: Cedar City SUP**

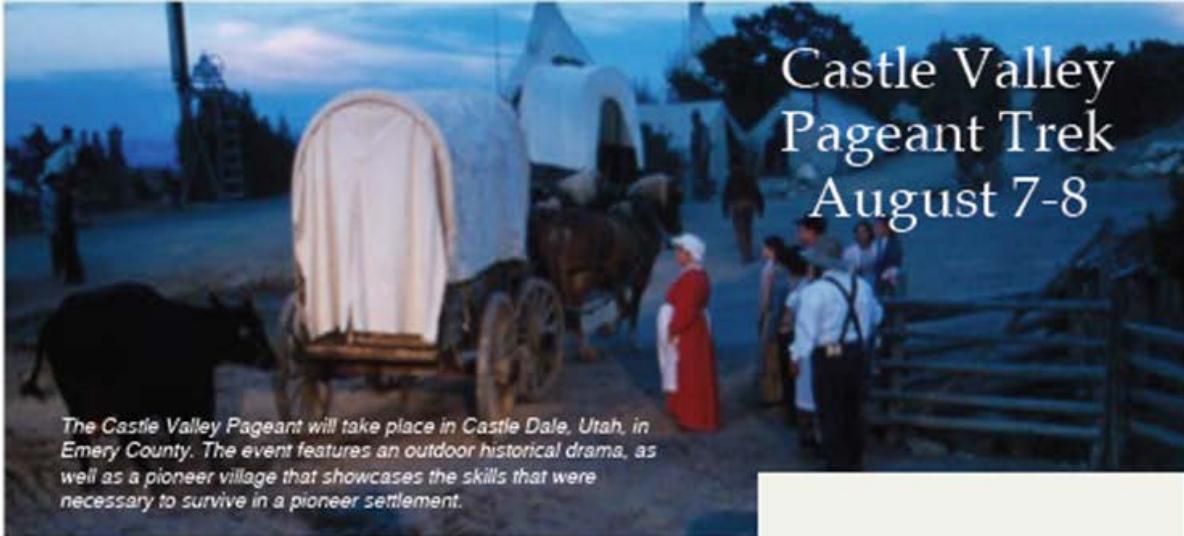
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### Castle Valley Pageant Trek August 7-8

*The Castle Valley Pageant will take place in Castle Dale, Utah, in Emery County. The event features an outdoor historical drama, as well as a pioneer village that showcases the skills that were necessary to survive in a pioneer settlement.*

Our chapter activity for August will be a trek to Castle Dale to attend the Castle Valley Pageant. We will assemble in the Albertson parking lot on Red Cliffs Drive at noon on August 7 for the approximately 4 hour journey up there. We will travel north on I-15 to the Cove Fort area then turn east on I-70, passing through Richfield and Salina then on for 38 miles where we turn north on Hwy 10 and go another 37 miles to Castle Dale. We will rendezvous at the Village Inn Motel on Main Street in Castle Dale around 5:00 pm.

As a group we would like to attend the community lamb fry for dinner then visit the Pioneer Village where they give various demonstrations on blacksmithing, weaving and etc. The pageant begins at sunset and concludes around 10:30. No reservations or fee is required to attend the pageant but there will be a cost for the dinner.

As it will be an overnight activity, each member will need to acquire their own lodging. There is one motel, the Village Inn in Castle Dale, 435-381-2309, and a Village Inn in nearby Huntington, 435-687-9888. Several nice motels are also located in Price about 29 miles north, or back in Richfield which is about a 75 mile drive.

For those interested, a visit to the nearby Cleveland Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry, is also available, if you want to go early or see the next day. It should be a very enjoyable trek. Call Royce Griffin: 435-313-0602

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June Dinner Meeting

Photos by Bill Chapman

## Video Presentation – “My Father’s Highway”



At the June dinner meeting President Thad Stewart spoke for a few minutes explaining the purposes and goals of the Sons of Utah Pioneers organization. His comments were directed

to the many new members who have joined the Cotton Mission Chapter in the past months. Our membership has grown considerably due to the excellent activities provided by our board, as well as the services we render to our community.

Royce Griffin gave information about the upcoming trek to Castle Valley Pageant. During dinner we were treated to piano music by our own Lloyd Carter.

Following President Stewart’s message, our city councilman, Jimmie Hughes shared some thoughts and introduced a film called “My Fahter’s Highway.” The documentary, produced by Phil Tuckett and the students at Dixie State University told the story behind the incredible project to build a route for Interstate 15 through the treacherous Virgin River Gorge between Mesquite and St. George. Through interviews, new footage, and old home movies, the documentary examined the lives of mainly two of the participants, Max Blazzard and Jimmie Hughes Sr. Hughes lost his life during the construction.



City Councilman, Jimmie Hughes, introduced the video “My Father’s Highway” which featured his father.



Karen and Max Turpin watch the video, “My Father’s Highway.”



# June Dinner Meeting



Above: President-elect Lloyd Carter tickles the ivories for us during dinner, playing soft familiar hits.  
 Left: We took time to introduce guests and honor all the new members who have recently joined our chapter.



Bob Thornley shares experiences of attending the Castle Valley Pageant and encourages all to attend.



Left: Royce Griffin shares information about the upcoming trek to the Castle Valley Pageant. Royce is the director of our treks and does a great job lining up fun and interesting activities.



President Thad Stewart spent a few minutes talking about the goals and ideals of the Sons of Utah Pioneers



Above: Jan and Kenneth Peterson go through the buffet line



Left: Neal and Susan Hoss enjoy our meal provided by Golden Corral Restaurant

August Dinner Meeting

## Dan and Bunny McArthur are Tentative Speakers for August 21 Dinner Meeting



Our dinner speaker chairman, Brent Miner, does a great job lining up our dinner meeting speakers and our August 21 dinner speakers will be no exception. Former mayor Dan McArthur and his wife Bunny have been away for the last three years serving as mission president and mission mom of the Mexico Monterey West mission.

According to Brent there may be a slight problem whether they will be home in time to speak, so it's a little tentative. We will give an update in the August newsletter.

After serving the City of St. George for 20 years as mayor, as well as serving on various community boards they left in July 2015.

Dan is a faithful member of the Cotton Mission Chapter and is beloved by the community for his spontaneous poetry and songs about Dixie. We look forward to hearing about their mission service to the good people of Mexico.

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Let's Go! Castle Valley Pageant Aug 7-8



Our chapter activity for August will be a trek to Castle Dale to attend the Castle Valley Pageant. We will assemble in the Albertson parking lot on Red Cliffs Drive at noon on August 7 for the approximately 4 hour journey up there. We will travel north on I-15 to the Cove Fort area then turn east on I-70, passing through Richfield and Salina then on for 38 miles where we turn north on Hwy 10 and go another 37 miles to Castle Dale. We will rendezvous at the Village Inn Motel on Main Street in Castle Dale around 5:00 pm.

As a group we would like to attend the community lamb fry for dinner then visit the Pioneer Village where they give various demonstrations on blacksmithing, weaving and etc. The pageant begins at sunset and concludes around 10:30. No reservations or fee is required to attend the pageant but there will be a cost for the dinner.

As it will be an overnight activity, each member will need to acquire their own lodging. There is one motel, the Village Inn in Castle Dale, 435-381-2309, and a Village Inn in nearby Huntington, 435-687-9888. Several nice motels are also located in Price about 29 miles north, or back in Richfield which is about a 75 mile drive.

For those interested, a visit to the nearby Cleveland Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry, is also available, if you want to go early or see the next day. It should be a very enjoyable trek. Call Royce Griffin: 435-313-0602

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A complete schedule and sign up form can be found on the next two pages.

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### D. Glen Esplin to Speak at Holmstead Ranch Sept 12



Our annual Scholarship Fundraising dinner will be held Wednesday September 12 this year. Note that it has been changed from Tuesday to

Wednesday to accommodate our speaker. The location will be at the fabulous Holmstead Ranch, owned by Monte Holm located near Baker Reservoir. See directions below.

Our speaker will be Elder D. Glen Esplin. Elder Esplin, a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints served with his wife, Helen, at the St. George Temple Visitors' Center and historical sites. His topic will be "The Tabernacle and The Temple – Why Were They Important to the Early Settlers?"

The meals and facilities have been donated so that all the dinner fees can go towards the scholarship fund. In addition we encourage those who are able to help sponsor the individual scholarships by contributing \$250 or more.

#### ***Directions to the Holmstead Ranch:***

Travel north on SR-18 through Veyo. Just past mile marker 24 take the Baker Dam turnoff and follow the paved road east about 2 miles to the ranch. We will have additional signs and arrows on the road. Although the road is paved there are some narrow turns so drive slowly and with caution.



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### August Chapter Events

Photos by Bill Chapman

## Mac J Hall Shares Story Behind Hurricane Canal



Mac J Hall

Thanks to Mac J Hall for being our speaker at the August dinner meeting. Mac works for Hurricane City and shared the story of how the Hurricane Canal was conceived and built by the early pioneers. Work was done by local men paid for by the canal's shareholders, whose lands on the Hurricane Bench were to be irrigated by the canal. The 2,000 acres of new agricultural lands allowed the settlement of Hurricane after 1906.

The work and the shareholder system were organized by James Jepson and John Steele, an ancestor of chapter member Rex Jensen. The superintendent of construction was J.T. Willis.

Although the canal no longer carries water, hikers can enjoy a trail that runs along the dry canal. Eleven of the twelve tunnels remain accessible to hikers and some members of our chapter enjoyed exploring them.



Above: Don Burton peeks into one of the tunnels. Others walk along the Canal trail. Below: Chapter members enjoy dinner and singing "Are you from Dixie?" led by Pamela Jensen and Diane Keyes.



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# Trek to Castle Valley Historical Pageant

Royce Griffin organized a wonderful overnight trek to Castle Dale for the annual pageant. In addition some of the group were able to visit the Cleveland/Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry. Many said it was the best trek yet.

*Right:* the narrator and his son tell the story of Castle Valley. *Below:* Chapter members mingle with the actors at the start of the pageant.

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Above: Visiting the Cleveland/Lloyd dinosaur quarry was an added bonus for this trek.

Above: Royce and Suzanne Griffin pose with some of the actors.

Left: Royce Griffin and President Thad Stewart give directions before the trek.

Chapter Eternal

## Long-time Cotton Mission Chapter Member Sid Atkin Passes Away at 84



Sidney Joseph Atkin, 84, died Aug 1, 2018 in St. George, after an eleven month flight into dementia. He was born July 26, 1934, in St. George, Utah to Rudger Clawson and Leona Cox Atkin, 4th of 7 children.

He had a happy youth, growing up at 67 N 300 E playing with boney animals in the dirt of the backyard and playing endless games of basketball with the neighborhood kids on the dirt court in the side yard. He had his own shoe shine stand in Ron Knell's barbershop and worked at the Atkin ranch on the Arizona Strip. He went to the only elementary school in town, and graduated from Woodward Jr High. He attended Dixie High when it was still housed with the college in the old Dixie College building. He played basketball, excelled at it, loved it. He could, and did, describe the plays of those games, and recite the scores.

After graduation in 1952, he lived for a year with his uncle and aunt Richard and Noma Bentley in Butte Montana, working at JC Penneys. He returned for a year at Dixie College where he had delightful adventures, and developed life-long friendships with a group who called themselves The Bunch - they designated a special holiday called Bean Day.

After his mission to Great Britain, Sid returned to Dixie College and graduated in 1958. Immediately after graduation, the day his first daughter came home from the hospital he, his dad, and brother Clayton bought the Sugar Loaf Cafe, and he went to work as manager. Later, he built a new Cafe and a Rodeway Inn across the street and with his brother Bruce, a Sugar Loaf Cafe and Rodeway Inn in Cedar City. When his brother Ralph started SkyWest airline, Sid went in with him along with their dad, brothers Lee and Clayton. With nephew Jerry as manager, SkyWest became a major success going from 9-seat Navajo Chieftains to a fleet of 70-passenger jets.

Sid learned to golf in Butte, and as President of the Chamber of Commerce, was influential in the development of Red Hills Golf course, introducing golf to St. George. He loved golf and was a member of Bloomington in it's beginning. He got his one and only hole-in-one on the 6th hole, playing with a group of friends, at Red Hills.

He was active in civic affairs and was a member of the Utah House of Representatives for 8 years, serving as majority Whip. He was on the Dixie College Board, the Hospital board, the State Parks board, and the Washington County Library Board.

He was an active and devoted member of the church being called as bishop when just 28. He served on the high council, and was always a dedicated, caring Home Teacher.

Sid married Mary Ann Hunt, June 29, 1957 in the St. George temple. Sid and Mary Ann lived for a few years in an apartment at the Sugar Loaf, then raised their family in an old pioneer family home on 200 East, the one his father was born and raised in. In 1993, fulfilling a lifelong dream of Sid's, they moved to Pine Valley and spent summers there and winters at a condo in Bloomington where they lived through Sid's illness. Sid loved to travel, and did a lot of it - with family - with his business - with friends. The only continent he missed was Africa - the only states he missed were North Dakota and Alabama. He took his family on many wonderful vacations.

Sid Atkin was from Dixie - it was his home - he loved it - he was a major supporter of Dixie College - didn't miss a football and basketball game - donated toward it becoming Dixie State University. He loved the friends of his youth, and all those that came later - he loved class reunions - was excited each month to meet for a Class of '52 breakfast with classmates who had remained or come back to Dixie.

Sidney is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Ann, his eight children, Shauna and Nathan Dalton, Natalie and David Bean, Tracy and Bradford Ball, Maurice Atkin, Cory and Patience Atkin, Kelly and Brigit Atkin, Trevor and Tara Atkin, Jared and Kari Atkin. Funeral services were held Monday, August 6, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Bloomington LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 3519 Manzanita Road, St. George, Utah.



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### Adopt-a-Monument Time

Here we are at September, our month to do our semiannual "Adopt A Monument" visit. Please let me know when you have completed your visit to your chosen monument. As always report any vandalism, or needed repair. If you can, please wipe down the surfaces. Thank you for always being so faithful.

Charles Topham  
Adopt a Monument Chairman  
[charlestopham1@msn.com](mailto:charlestopham1@msn.com)  
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## “Old Spanish Trail” Trek Set for Saturday October 20



*The Cedar City Chapter SUP have created and installed metal silhouettes honoring Fathers Dominguez and Escalante along the “Old Spanish Trail.”*

On October 20, the Cotton Mission Chapter plans to take a trek along a portion of the Old Spanish Trail. Considered one of the most arduous trails in the United States, it covers a distance of some 1,200 miles stretching from Santa Fe, New Mexico to Los Angeles, California.

Active between 1829 and 1848, traders from Santa Fe would exchange dry goods, including Indian blankets, in Los Angeles for horses and mules. The trail crossed six states including a portion of Southern Utah and Southern Nevada,



areas that would be of particular interest for us. It is well marked with modern signs and monuments, including, a number of interesting metal silhouettes such as those observed along the freeway between Cedar City and Parowan. In some areas old Spanish inscriptions and wagon ruts can even be seen.

We will be guided by one of the experts in Southern Utah so it should not only be a lot of fun but also very informative. We will cover a part of the trail from Lower Bear Valley, through Little Creek Canyon and on into the Enoch and Cedar City area, where we will have lunch together. It will *not* be necessary to have off road vehicles. Additional details will be posted later but we would like to hear from those who would be interested. Either call Royce Griffin at: 313-0602 or e-mail: the [griffins66@gmail.com](mailto:griffins66@gmail.com). Or call Donn Williams at: 705-0066 and e-mail: [dixierealtor@gmail.com](mailto:dixierealtor@gmail.com).

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Our speaker was Elder D. Glen Esplin who discussed "The Tabernacle and The Temple – Why Were They Important to the Early Settlers?"

The meals and facilities were donated so that all the dinner fees can go towards the scholarship fund. Thanks to all who made contributions to the scholarship fund.



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# National Encampment hosted by Cedar City Chapter

A number of our chapter members were able to attend the National Encampment in Cedar City Sep 20-22. Some of the highlights included great entertainment, and the election of Wayne Hinton as president-elect. Tours included the Frontier Homestead Park, Old Iron Town, SUU and the Shakespeare Festival, Parowan Gap and Cedar Mountain. Thanks Cedar for a great event!

*Right: Nellie and Roland Lee with Raquel Stewart Below: Children's choir sings at the opening dinner. Below right: Thad and Raquel Stewart at the Old Iron Town charcoal kiln.*



Photos by Roland and Nellie Lee



*Middle: Kent and Clara Beus. Above: Bus tour of Old Iron town on Friday. Other tours went to Parowan Gap, SUU, and Cedar Mt.*



*Above: David and Sherril Evans sitting with Dixie Leavitt at opening dinner.*

*Left: Roland Lee in the old schoolhouse at Frontier Homestead State Park.*

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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Former Mission President Dan McArthur to Speak at November 20 Dinner Meeting



We are excited to have former St. George Mayor Dan McArthur speak to us at our dinner meeting November 20, 2018. He and his wife Bunny have been away for the last three years serving as mission president and mission mom of the Mexico Monterey West mission. They enjoyed their mission as well as the missionaries and the good people of Mexico. They will share some of their experiences with us.

A long-time member of our SUP chapter, Dan served as mayor for 20 years, as well as serving on various community boards.



Dan has a rich pioneer history in Dixie, where his ancestors were among the founding fathers.

He is known for his story-telling and his propensity to break into a song or poem at any time. Come join us.

#### **Additional Scholarship Funds Needed**

We are so grateful to the many chapter members who contributed to our scholarship fundraising dinner. Everyone is always so generous. However we fell a little short with our fundraising this year and we could use a little more help with our scholarship fund.

If you are able we would appreciate additional contributions. Each scholarship is \$1000. Some have elected to co-sponsor a scholarship for a \$500 donation. Others are able to assist with a contribution of \$250. Thanks again for your generosity. If you'd like to help, just use the envelope at our Nov. 20 dinner. Thanks so much.—*President Thad Stewart*

#### **2018 CALENDAR**

November 20, 2018 – Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner  
Speaker: Dan McArthur

Dec 18, 2018 – Christmas Dinner Mtg.  
5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner  
Special Musical Program

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October Chapter Events

Photos by Max and Bonnie Weaver

# Old Spanish Trail Trek October 20, 2018



Under the guidance of Al Matheson, our chapter enjoyed a trek along a segment of the Old Spanish Trail north and east of Cedar City. Al, a member of the Iron Mission Chapter of the SUP, and former director of the Old Spanish Trail Society for the State of Utah, conducted our tour. Al has a vast wealth of information, and knows the location of some 3,000 Indian petroglyphs, some of which we were able to visit.



We also visited the site of old Buckhorn, a long forgotten town that was once the home of Philo T. Farnsworth, the father of television. We then intercepted the Old Spanish trail, south emerging at the mouth of Little Creek Canyon near Paragonah where Al discussed ancient campsites, artifacts and petroglyphs. Those who attended had a terrific time and learned a lot about the southern Utah history.



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# Finding Petroglyphs and History on the Old Spanish Trail



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## COTTON MISSION CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### It's Sunday Best for our Special Christmas Dinner Meeting on December 18

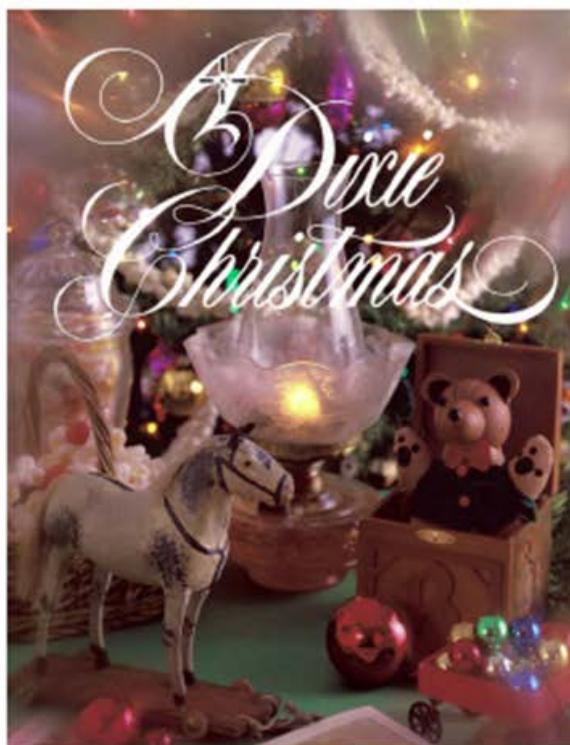
The December 18 Chapter meeting will feature sounds of the season. Talented Janet Labrum has consented to be our entertainment presenting a special musical program. She has performed for other venues in our area, and we are sure to enjoy the program she has prepared for us.

As usual, our dinner meeting December 18 will be at the Washington Community Center and will begin at 5:30pm with a meet-and-greet, and dinner will begin at 6:00pm. We are reminded that the dress for this meeting is "Sunday best."

Be sure to invite your friends to this fun special meeting, and let them know what a great organization we have. Thanks to all chapter members who have made this such a great year of activities. We're looking for a great year in 2019.

### New Officers to be Installed in January

Our January meeting will have the presentation and swearing in of our new chapter presidency and board members. Lloyd Carter, who has been serving as President-elect will move up to President for 2019. Thad Stewart, who has done a wonderful job as president during 2018 will step down and continue to serve another year in the leadership as past-president.



### **CHRISTMAS DINNER MEETING DECEMBER 18**

5:30 Meet and Greet, 6:00pm dinner  
Special Musical Program  
by Janet Labrum

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## November Dinner Recap

### Roland Lee Receives Modern Pioneer Award

Roland L Lee is recognized as a Modern Pioneer for his many contributions to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, his family and ancestors, the community of St. George and Washington County, and the Cotton Mission Chapter and National Sons of Utah Pioneers organizations. As the father of five children and 29 grandchildren Roland would be the first to say that his family comes first.

Many of us individually and as a community have benefitted from this unique interest and the result of his forty year career as a renowned artist that continues to this day. Roland has a deep interest in history and uses his art to share his love for his pioneer ancestors that were among the original pioneer settlers of Utah. He and Nellie continue to share the history of ancestors by research and digitizing histories that are provided to their extended families.

Roland has served as bishop several times and he and Nellie also served a Mission in Fresno California from January 2003 to July 2004.

Roland's service in the Cotton Mission Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneer's spans more than twelve years. He has served in various positions including membership chairman, President, and was Chapter President in 2010 when the National SUP Convention was held in St. George. He is serving as the Cotton Mission Chapter Newsletter Director and has done for the past 7 1/2 years. Roland also serves on the National SUP Trail Marker staff where he compiles other chapter monthly reports for publication in the Trail Marker.

His list of good deeds is long and varied and he has touched the lives of many in so many different areas it is hard to imagine how he has found the time and energy to accomplish so much. He has done so many things in a silent, even anonymous manner that no one even knows about. Many have been the recipient of his "last dollar" or dedicated moment of his time. He is to be commended for doing much more than he has ever been asked to do without seeking any recognition or reward of any kind. His is truly a living example of Christ-like service and a modern day pioneer.



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#### Thanks to Dan and Bunny McArthur

Thanks to Dan and Bunny McArthur who gave a delightful and informative account of their service as mission president and Mission Mother of the Mexico Monterey West mission. We are glad to have them back as part of our chapter.

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## Clarification of Philo Farnsworth Boyhood Home from Old Spanish Trail Trek

Information provided by Charles Topham 801 376-2576 [charlestopham1@msn.com](mailto:charlestopham1@msn.com)



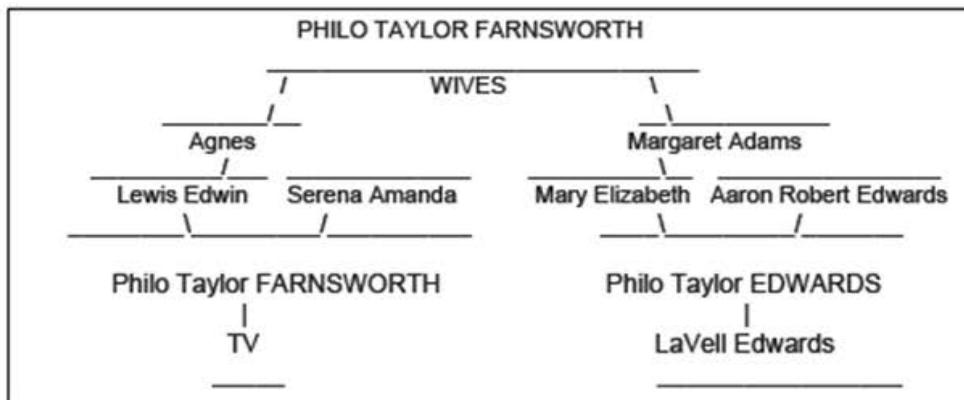
The information in the SUP newsletter and advertisements promoting our recent October Trek, along the old Spanish Trail, indicated that the inventor of television lived at Buckhorn City in his youth. Sometimes historians in their writings who recap events and stories get confused. This is a case in point. It is one prime example of misinterpretation.

It is easy to see why it can be confusing. This confusion occurs with two early noted characters, Philo Taylor FARNSWORTH (inventor of television) and Philo Taylor EDWARDS. Both were born in Beaver, Utah, within seven years of each other. (More specifically, Farnsworth was born in Indian Creek which later was named Manderfield. Manderfield is actually 6 miles north of Beaver.) Both were named after their COMMON ancestral Grandfather. The grandfather's name was Philo Taylor Farnsworth. Young Philo FARNSWORTH was born of the grandfather's son, Lewis, while the young Philo EDWARDS was born of the grandfather's daughter Mary Elizabeth, who married an Edwards. Therefore Young Philo Farnsworth and Young Philo Edwards were 1st cousins. Both of these grandsons eventually moved to the Provo-Orem area.

FARNSWORTH'S family moved to Idaho when he was 11 years old. They later moved from Rigby, Idaho, to Provo, Utah, to further his education. EDWARDS eventually moved to Orem, Utah, to farm and work. He was the Stake President of the Sharon Stake for 17 years. (He was also the father of LaVell Edwards of BYU football coaching fame.) It was EDWARDS that spent some of his early years farming with his father at Buckhorn City rather than FARNSWORTH who never lived at Buckhorn City.

*References:*

1. Provo Daily Herald 15 Sep 1977. See "60th Wedding Fete Edwards Anniversary Event Slated Monday."
2. Distant Vision" an autobiography of Philo Taylor Farnsworth written By his wife, Elma Farnsworth. See Chapter 4 page 23 for young Philo Farnsworth's birthplace and history of his boyhood homes. At age 6 young Philo with his family moved from Indian Creek, Utah, to Washington, Utah. At age 8 the family moved to Mountain Home by the Uintah Indian Reservation in Northeastern, Utah. One year later at Age 9 they were back in Washington, Utah. And at age 11 they moved to Thomas, Idaho, then to Ucon, Idaho. Two years later at age 13 they moved to a ranch by Rigby, Idaho.



# **APPENDIX A**

## **COTTON MISSION** **MINUTES - 2018**

# SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

## Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)

January 3, 2018

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Area VP David Hinton, Lloyd Carter, Kevin Jenkins, Gene Stutzenegger, Brent Miner, Mel Duehlmeier, DelRay Hammon, Don Burton and Derek Rowley.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

[1a.] Mel offered opening prayer.

**2. Treasurer's report.** Mel: In the general account, the inflow was \$1,764.09. Outflow was \$1,406.66. We have \$1,474 in transactions from 2017 that haven't yet cleared, largely because of Golden Corral. They charged us \$1,224 for the December dinner; we brought in \$1,024 so there was a \$200 deficit, but considering that we had the band there performing for us as part of that expense we came out pretty well. The ending balance was \$11,899.69.

[2a.] Mel: The scholarship account brought in \$24 during the dinner. We have one outstanding scholarship check to pay for \$1,000 that will probably be redeemed with the new school semester. Total currently is \$46,852.13. Ralph: We brought in one \$20,000 check that we had to take back to fix because of who it was addressed to. Thad: Sid Atkin is a wonderful friend to all of us and a great man.

[2b.] On motion, board unanimously APPROVES the treasurer's report.

**3. National chapter.** David notes that the news this morning announced that LDS church President Thomas S. Monson died last night. Thad: We all ought to follow his example of service.

[3a.] Thad: The symposium up north has been getting some good press. Dave shows the program agenda for the planned symposium down here. Thad agrees to give one of the prayers. Dave: We'll have incredible speakers. We need to get it advertised as well as we can. And we really need to hold out for no funerals that day, because there's no other place we can hold this. Hyrum Smith was thrilled to be included; thankfully I got around his son who was trying to charge us a speaker's fee. Aside from Wayne, Jim Rhodes will speak. My brother Don will talk about how the church is growing in China. And Monty Holm has just returned from serving as a mission president in South Carolina; he's from Colorado City. Thad: He just got called as stake president. Dave: I'm hoping we can get the Hurricane chapter to help with some of the setup details. And I've talked to Kanab. I haven't been able to get a return call from the Dixie Encampment chapter. Thad: We'll need some coordination as we watch to see how many people come; there could be a lot of tables to set up, etc. DISCUSSION about logistics. Dave doesn't know if there is any way to record the speakers, but there's apparently equipment in the building and Dave says he's in favor of recording the program and posting it for viewers online. Although people are paying to get in, that's primarily because of the dinner so Dave doesn't see any reason to worry about getting to see the speakers for free afterward.

**[3b.]** Dave: The national chapter presidents meeting will take place Feb. 24 up in Salt Lake. The national office felt like last year's meeting was really successful with the wives there; they got a lot of feedback. I left a message with President VanRoosendaal to see who all they want there. They definitely want the presidents and president-elect's, but I don't know if they'll want the other members of the Executive Committee.

**4. President's report.** Thad: The dinner was well attended last month; I think we had something like 96 people there. We set up a couple of extra tables and it looked like there were only a few empty chairs. As always, Ralph did a little something extra for the dinner with the table decorations, if you noticed. DISCUSSION about the music group that performed and the good quality of their presentation.

**[4a.]** David: I appreciated the printed program that was passed out at the dinner. Thad: Thanks to Kevin, our secretary, for doing that. He was there for the dinner but usually isn't able to make it because of his church youth responsibilities. He's a bit of an unsung hero behind the scenes.

**[4b.]** Thad: Thanks also to Gene, who is enthusiastically beginning to fill his responsibilities as Trails and Landmarks chairman.

**5. Past President's report.** Ralph introduces Brent Miner, who's at the meeting for the first time in his capacity as Member Services director. Brent and Ralph have a long-time acquaintance and Brent is someone who knows the community well after a longtime broadcast career. You need to know a lot of people to be able to do that job well and take over from Lloyd. Thad: Welcome to the board.

**6. Treks.** Don: I don't have much information about the Kane County trek coming up. David Humphrey handles that and isn't here. He'll be leaving in April for a six-month mission to Nauvoo, so we need to get a co-chairman in place who can take care of things. Gene: I can tell you about the trek. Last week I drove over there to get an idea of what the trek would be like. Both the museums in Kanab and Fredonia were closed. I got contact information for the Kanab museum, which won't open until the spring. My friend knows the owner of the Fredonia one; most of the artifacts there come from his property. I stopped at one building there that was open -- the people who were there said that if we want to come out as a group, they'll dress in period costumes for us. Also, someone here mentioned Jackson Flats out that direction. David: They have a brand new reservoir out there they've created, but it wasn't the reservoir I thought you'd like to see -- there's an Indian kiva they've got that's interesting. They say it's the largest ever discovered in the United States. Gene: I also went up through Moccasin. They've got some new historical markers there. Then I came back through Zion National Park. I saw a few deer and a whole bunch of buffalo. Thad: So Pipe Spring would also be open? That would be a good all-day trek for us.

**[6a.]** Don: Since Bunk is "retired" from the presidency, he might be a good person to work on the treks committee. David Humphrey has done a good job; he'll just be gone six months. Thad: Treks don't just enhance our appreciation of our history, they give us a good opportunity to get to know each other. But David Humphrey did suggest two people as his replacement -- Richard McDowell, a snowbird, and Royce Griffin. Ralph: Royce would be good. Thad: Maybe we can talk about them at the Executive Committee meeting and make a recommendation for the board.

**7. History.** Don: I scanned the memorial certificate for Lerue Winget. That should go to Bunk. Ralph: He had one copy and somehow it got left on the table at the dinner, and it disappeared. We never were able to find it. Dave asks Don or someone who has a digital copy of it to email it to him. Dave: You have to be careful. Over in Kanab there are people who've received them multiple times because the certificate kept getting lost. Don: I'll get a copy of it to Derek, anyway.

**[7a.]** Don: The FamilySearch genealogy center will be expanding its hours. Some people said it would be nice for it to be open for Family Home Evening, and they're going to do that, but just for the Discovery Center. It will be open from 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday nights, beginning next week. Then they'll be open for the Young Single Adults from 8 to 9 p.m.

**[7b.]** Don: I'm in the middle of compiling the annual history report to submit. It always seems like a chore, but once I get the minutes and the newsletter in it comes together pretty easily.

**8. Membership.** Don: Some of you may remember Alan Hackworth. He's a life member but he backed out of active membership a few years ago because of some displeasure with our dinner event. But he told me he's going to reactivate his membership and get involved. So we should be getting local dues from him. Mel mentions other members who have died, moved or withdrawn their memberships.

**9. Development (and Communications).** Thad: We talked about a new award to recognize members of the community, but Kevin had a question about whether we were duplicating an award we've already been giving out. We asked him to research that. Kevin: Yes. The issue is we proposed calling this the Modern-day Pioneer award. But we have an existing Modern-day Pioneer award we've been issuing every year except this last one -- we didn't do it in 2017. The minutes tell who the most recipients were. (Secretary's note: The information is in the Executive Committee meeting minutes, not in the previous Board minutes, so we couldn't find the information at hand. But the 2016 award recipient was David Rogers; Lerue Winget was honored in 2015.) The Modern-day Pioneer Award has primarily recognized members of the chapter, although we've proposed recognizing people who aren't members of the chapter also. As Ralph explained the award at the Executive Committee meeting, he wants this to focus on people in the community who aren't chapter members, so we need to decide if we're coming up with a new award that will have a different name, or what. Ralph: This came from Derek, so maybe we can have him explain the idea. But my thought is we should honor people new to the community who have the spirit of the pioneers. Derek EXPLAINS foundation of the idea, arising from Doug Alder's oral history project for Dixie State University and his book that was published recently. Derek: I could see that oral history program faltering in the near future, because Doug isn't going to be around forever. It would be nice to keep oral histories of people who are first generation Southern Utahans, collected now while those people are alive instead of trying to compose histories at some point down the road after they're gone. This is a period of explosive growth, and there are people with some fascinating stories coming here to live. Ralph: This would be people like Stephen Wade, who isn't from here but has certainly made a big impact on the community. Derek: I think this could be a defining project for the SUP; collecting those oral histories could bring a lot of attention to us

and could bring in a younger generation of members. Ralph: Jack Thorpe would be a natural for that kind of a job because of his FBI / CIA experience. He has technical equipment and expertise. Brent would be good, too, but we've got him on another project. Dave: I'd like Derek to call the national office and explain his vision to the current president. I think national would love it. Derek: Think of the Polynesian community that's come to town during this generation. There are a lot of first-generation members we could talk to now who are in their 40s or 50. There's something about that history that speaks to the soul. We could get high school kids to help with the project. Thad: The community has changed a lot since I came to town as the only person who didn't have a family heritage here at the time. There's also the question of what to do with the content -- will we be able to get permission to publish the interviews on our website? If they say no, we can at least maintain an index of the people whose histories we have. Kevin: Lane Ronnow, who was a candidate for mayor just last year, has been doing this type of work with his "A Story to Tell" series on the Internet. He might even be a candidate for chapter recruitment. He's been doing those interviews for quite some time, just sitting with local news makers to talk about themselves for the Internet show. Ralph: Who could we suggest to handle this? Derek: It seems to me it wouldn't take much for a person to learn to do it. I think it would be good to have a chairman in charge. Ralph moves that we create a new board position to oversee Oral History effort. Board APPROVES motion by unanimous vote. Derek: It would be valuable to have the new chairman meet with Doug Alder for some training.

**10. Calendar.** Thad: It appears that our January speaker is going to be duplicating his presentation at the symposium in March. Lloyd: I told Wayne Hinton not to give us the same presentation, but he said he could make his presentation at our dinner about John D. Lee as a human being. I thought that would be interesting. Dave: That would be a good setup for the symposium in March, where he'll talk about the Mountain Meadow Massacre. Thad: That would kind of give us exclusive background to appreciate the symposium better.

**11. Trails and Landmarks.** Gene: I've been talking to Kent McComb about places to do trail projects. I think he and Durant have been scouting Hebron.

[11a.] Gene: We need to add Rob Felch to the organizational chart for the Trails committee.

**12. Dinners.** Brent: We have a speaker for the January dinner, right? Is there one for Feb. 20? Lloyd: No. DISCUSSION about getting additional speakers. Dan McArthur, Lyman Hafen mentioned as possibilities. Brent will take over Bunk's dinner calling assignment.

**13. Community Involvement.** DelRay: Things are moving along, but I don't have anything new to report.

**14.** Close at 10:17 a.m.

[14a.] Brent offered the closing prayer.

**15. Secretary's note:** Following the close of the meeting, David fulfilled the swearing in

of those officers who weren't at last month's dinner. And the chapter presidency met to complete the annual audit of the treasurer's records.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**February 5, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Area VP David Hinton, Don Burton, Max Turpin, Brent Miner, Gene Stutzenegger, Mel Duehlmeier and Roy Taylor. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

Excused: DelRay Hammon and Derek Rowley.

### **Key activity:**

- Board approved adding a \$2,000 scholarship for students who will attend Southern Virginia University.
- Board approved continuing to offer a scholarship to a SUCCESS Academy student.
- The board discussed concerns about potential tax liability of maintaining too high a balance in the scholarship account and suggested setting up a trust account for an expected large donation to avoid having it weigh on the chapter's account balance.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

[1a.] Max offered opening prayer.

2. **Secretary's report.** Minutes from January minutes unanimously APPROVED on motion and second.

3. **Scholarships and Treasurer's report.** Roy Taylor addresses issues with SUCCESS Academy and Charlie Clayton scholarship. Roy: For years, we have provided a college scholarship to a student at each participating high school in the county. We added the SUCCESS Academy charter school consequent to donations from our member Charlie Clayton that he wanted to see bless those students. There are several other charter schools in the area that we don't serve. Questions have arisen about whether we want to continue funding the SUCCESS Academy, if we want to do it through inclusion with the district high schools, and if that opens the door to begin offering scholarship to other charter schools. The SUCCESS Academy has already applied for a scholarship this year, so the board's decision today will not affect that. Charlie has expressed that his hearing problems make it unpleasant for him to come to the dinners, so he's going to quit coming and he wants to take the funds he's given us and reapply them to other worthwhile purposes. He asked me to check and see how much is in his account. I wasn't sure how to answer that, but I ultimately told him I'd check and see how much he has donated but that those funds go into scholarships not into an account for him. I think he wants to know how he can support other people in his neighborhood. I think the SUCCESS Academy would be a worthy recipient but I

think the candidates need to go through the normal selection process for selection. Thad: Because of Roland Lee's friendship with Charlie, maybe we could ask him to sit down with Charlie and explain what we're doing. Mel: The reason we began offering a scholarship to the SUCCESS Academy is Charlie asked for it specifically and we agreed to cater to his wishes on that. If Charlie withdraws his support, we'll be short a thousand dollars of what we're getting. Kevin: My memory is the same as Mel's -- we did tell Charlie that we would allow him to handpick candidates for the SUCCESS Academy scholarship he's funding. So we've made an agreement with him. Thad: I think we need to stick to our agreement with Charlie. We'll make this a matter for discussion at our Executive Committee meeting. Kevin: I'll research the history of the agreement if you like. Upon a motion by Ralph Atkin and second by Don Burton to jointly approve a scholarship for SUCCESS Academy students and the scholarship discussed below in **item [3a.]**, the board unanimously APPROVED the motion. (Secretary's note: In form, the motion to approve a SUCCESS Academy scholarship does not appear to change anything regarding the scholarship that already exists. The additional questions Roy raised about the selection process and opening the door to other charter schools were not addressed in the motion.)

**[3a.]** In addition, we've discussed expanding the scholarships to provide money for students who want to go to Southern Virginia University following the dinner speaker from there who addressed us recently. Ralph: We're interested in sending students to that university specifically, and had discussed providing a \$2,000 scholarship to it instead of the \$1,000 we've been providing generally. DISCUSSION. Roy: We're seeing other entities now offering scholarships of \$1,000 or more. We used to be a leader in terms of what we were providing, but not so much anymore. What does set us apart is that candidates for the other scholarships often have to be in an ethnic group, or competing against a statewide or national pool. For our organization, local students numerically stand better odds, and we need to emphasize that. The Hurricane chapter gets a lot of attention from the school district and it only has two schools that it provides scholarships to. When we invite school counselors to our dinner, they get a better chance to see what we're doing. A lot of students may not be paying attention to us by the time they scan down the list of scholarship opportunities to the "S" category, but Dixie High School has said it's going to rearrange that list by theme instead of alphabetically. A lot of students are being too lazy to go after the money. Personally, I have no problem expanding the program. Raising the scholarship amount to \$2,000 would be a bold move, but it might be appropriate for us to do. The scholarship is for one year; for someone going to SVU there'd need to be some follow-up to see if they can receive the scholarship the second, third and fourth years. Right now we're paying out \$8,000 a year in scholarships total (We had nine scholarships last year). Ralph: We raised \$10,000 at last year's fundraising dinner alone, and we have another \$20,000 donation we're expecting once the check information is corrected. Mel: We brought in \$54 for the scholarship fund in January, which has us at about \$46,906 in the account currently, \$6,000 of which is committed to recipients who haven't claimed it yet. Thad: The scholarship recipients often come from some pretty troubling backgrounds, too, so there's more than just the money at stake. Mel notes that the University of Utah divided one scholarship recipient's \$1,000 between the two semesters without our permission, so he had to write them a letter explaining the funds needed to all be disbursed to the student at the start of the semester. Upon a motion by Ralph Atkin to jointly approve a

\$2,000 scholarship for Southern Virginia University students and continue the SUCCESS Academy scholarship discussed above in **item 3**. the board unanimously APPROVED the motion.

**[3b.]** The board had a brief DISCUSSION about what the just-approved motion indicates regarding the chapter's yearly commitment and about the balance in the scholarship account. For clarification, the April 2017 minutes indicate we had nine \$1,000 scholarships to award but that Tuacahn did not apply, reducing the number to eight. There was also discussion about how to award the Belliston Foundation special scholarship, which historically has gone to Millcreek High in addition to the Millcreek scholarship, because Millcreek only had two applicants in 2017 and thus we'd have been guaranteeing both applicants a scholarship. The board discussed awarding the Belliston scholarship to any school instead of just Millcreek, but there was not motion approved to do so. The currently approved motion adds one more scholarship, which is worth \$2,000. So the chapter has a commitment to begin paying \$11,000 per year in scholarships, although Roy says there are only 10 scholarships being awarded this year (so did Tuacahn not submit again? Or have we dropped Millcreek?). David reminds the chapter (as previously mentioned in December) that there is a \$50,000 limit on the amount the chapter can keep in the account. If a balance that high is maintained for three years, the chapter will have to pay taxes on it. Mel: We had discussed creating a separate savings account to accommodate that. David: The \$50,000 is a total between all the accounts. Mel: Well we're there now. Ralph: I'm thinking about putting this big donation from my brother into a trust so it's separated from the donating family and supplies a set amount to the Cotton Mission account each year without being registered as a chapter account. David: That might work. David thanks the chapter for its generosity in helping students.

**[3c.]** Mel: Wrapping up the bank account reports, in the general fund we have \$11,966.12. We brought in \$1,121 and spent \$1,109 on the dinner. We're about \$1,000 below where we were last year; we've been doing a good job of maintaining an even level. I've sent out notices for dues from people who joined last year, but I haven't received a good response. Some people thought they paid for two years. David notes that the dues carry over to the following year if they were paid after July. David also notes that national dues are now \$25 for members 55 and younger; still \$50 for those who are older. They experimented with that last year in four chapters and had better-than-expected success. Mel: I've already sent out the notices for this year.

**4. Calendar and Dinner Meetings.** Thad discusses upcoming calendar. We had 91 people at the last dinner. Ralph talked with Jon Green, who used to tour with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. He may be one of our dinner Moment in History sketches, doesn't want to give a full speaker presentation. He can do the brief sketch for April's meeting. If he's willing, he can sing as part of that sketch with Lloyd accompanying him. Thad: Our next dinner meeting will be to present the scholarships; there won't be a speaker. We need a speaker for the May dinner still. There will be no meetings in July. DISCUSSION about dinner menu variety.

**[4a.]** DISCUSSION about setup needs for the March symposium. Thad: At our dinner meeting, we'll invite anyone who can to help us with the setup. Our group isn't the most able-bodied. David: We won't create a ticket; to save money, we'll just have a list we can check off as they arrive. Mel is going to put the funds for the symposium into the

scholarship account rather than create a new account; he can keep track of the specific uses. Thad: The funds have to be in by Feb. 27. Mel doesn't have a way to deal with credit cards, so the national office will handle that and send him the cash (receipt?). Dave will follow up with the speakers to see if there are any special audio / visual needs to accommodate. Mel notes that some people attending the symposium aren't paying for the dinner, amid DISCUSSION about logistics for moving between lectures and dinner. Thad: After it's done, we'll need to clean the building. We'll look into the possibility of having the Boy Scouts help us out with some of those setup and take down needs. This month's dinner reminder calls will include a reminder about the symposium.

**5. National Office.** David reminds Executive Committee members that the national office will host the annual chapter presidency meeting on Feb. 24 in Salt Lake, for the current, past and incoming presidents of the chapters.

**6. Treks.** Gene discusses plans for the upcoming trek to Kane County. Gene: There are two museums we'll be visiting in Fredonia and Kanab. They would normally be closed when we're going, but they've agreed to open for us. I've also outlined some places people can visit during the hour and a half we break to have lunch wherever they want, they just need to be in Fredonia by 1:15. I plan to email everyone the plans. It will be a long day. Thad: But we have the option of leaving early if we want. Don hands Gene copies of other suggested trek descriptions.

**7. Membership.** Thad notes Bunk Robinson is having some health difficulties. Mel: David Rogers is not doing well at all. They had to take him off chemo because his other organs were shutting down. (Secretary's note: David passed away Feb. 15.) Thad: William Green just got out of the hospital after having surgery.

**[7a.]** Thad asks about whether we know who the life members are, and if we could note who they are on the membership roster. Mel and national have lists. David will get an up-to-date list and send it to Mel.

**8.** Close at 10:35 a.m.

**[8a.]** Dave offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**March 5, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Lloyd Carter, Area VP David Hinton, Max Turpin, DelRay Hammon, Gene Stutzenegger and Mel Duehlmeier. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

Excused: Brent Miner and Don Burton.

**Key activity:**

- The chapter will establish a third bank account as a savings account, which will serve to receive large donations for scholarships.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

[1a.] DelRay offered opening prayer.

**2. Secretary's report.** Minutes from February unanimously APPROVED on motion and second. Thad: Thanks to Kevin for his effort in preparing a report on the board's history in working with Charlie Clayton and his scholarship donations. It was very helpful in trying to decide how to deal with Charlie's recent concerns about his donations. I went to ask Roland Lee for Charlie's phone number, and found out he and Charlie have been friends since school, and that Charlie had just left Roland's house shortly before I arrived. Roland said if Charlie had any distaste for the SUP and its scholarship fund, Roland would be the first to know. Rather, he believes the chapter "is in good standing" with Charlie and in light of that I think we can cease our worries and let the issue Roy Taylor raised last month well enough alone. Charlie did attend the last dinner, and I think he's considering a cochlear implant or some similar type of surgery to improve his hearing.

**3. Treasurer's report.** Mel: The general fund has \$14,804.04 in it. We spent \$994 on the dinner and brought in \$956, so we lost a little money on that one. Charlie Clayton donated \$500 to the scholarship account, bringing the total of his donations during the past year to \$1,500 and the overall total in the account to \$47,406.13. Ralph: Sid Atkin's \$20,000 contribution is still awaiting a corrected check. They thought it would be an easy fix, but there's a little bit involved in the process. David: I would suggest contacting the national office for advice on how to handle that much money. Mel: I see that the audit form anticipates three potential chapter accounts -- the general account, the scholarship account and a savings account. DISCUSSION (and discussion of gold exploration history in the region). Motion and second with unanimous APPROVAL to put Sid's large donation into a savings account, which still needs to be set up. David: Mel needs to be commended. The Cotton Mission chapter probably stands among the best of all the chapters in the SUP financially and everything. Thad: Mel really did a good job of representing our chapter at David Rogers' funeral a few weeks ago. He was a good example of how two friends treat each other.

**4. Calendar and Dinner Meetings.** DISCUSSION of last month's dinner and last week's regional symposium. David: You guys are in a good position. I've been over to the Red Rock chapter and they struggle to find dinner speakers, their numbers have dropped by half and they're aging out, which makes everything difficult. Thad: There will be no dinner in March. I think we should reach out through our calling lists to remind people about the trek to Kane County sites this month. One of the benefits is the opportunity for association among us. I think we can have a meeting place and ride together, taking fewer cars. Maybe people could even change cars they're riding in part way through just to get acquainted with more people. Gene: Durant McArthur and his wife will meet the rest of us at Moccassin.

[4a.] Thad: The April dinner will be the scholarship award presentation meeting. I've asked Ralph to be the presenter -- normally it would be Bunk, but I understand he isn't

doing very well at the moment. I should follow up and make sure that's still the situation. Jon Green said he will be happy to introduce himself as a sort of new member Moment in History presentation -- do we want to do that at the scholarship dinner? Ralph: That would be a good way to tell the scholarship students the type of work we're doing. Thad asks Lloyd to play a couple of numbers on the piano as well. David: That song "Are You From Dixie?" that we did the other night is a classy one. Thad / Ralph: We need to have everyone learn it, especially since former Mayor Dan McArthur will be returning from his mission this summer. He promoted that song, and got the Mormon Tabernacle Choir to sing it on one of their visits down here. Gene: The only problem is that the spouse of one of our members is from Cedar City. REMINISCENCES by the board about Cedar City / Hurricane rivalries of yore with St. George.

**[4b.]** Thad: The May 15 dinner meeting doesn't have an announced speaker yet. We'd like to focus on making that a member recruiting dinner and invite our friends to it.

**5. Communications.** Thad: Jerry Johnson is still preparing reports on our dinner meetings. The Spectrum won't publish them anymore, but we've talked about being able to publish them online. This month's is on the webpage. David: You could advertise that on Facebook and get it out to a lot of people.

**[5a.]** Max clarifies the prior proposal to create a virtual cemetery of SUP members online. It follows the model of sites like FindAGrave.com, which has millions of memorials from around the country online. Right now there are six memorials of our SUP members linked on our site there from FindAGrave.com, the most recent being David Rogers. There are a lot of chapter members who have died during the past 20 years whom we could memorialize there, showing their grave sites all in one location. Thad: Perhaps you could call Roland and have him include that in the newsletter. Or Derek. It's just another means of paying our respects to our members.

**6. Scholarships.** There are some questions about the Belliston scholarship award. Ralph: My understanding is they've cut \$500 off the \$1,000 we've been getting each year, but I don't remember where I heard that. Ralph will ask Roy Taylor to look into it.

**7. Membership.** Thad asks the board to review the organizational chart at their convenience just to ensure if anything needs to be updated. DISCUSSION about members on the roster who haven't been paying their dues. Thad will ask Derek Rowley to help resolve their member status. Also discussion about people who may be joining the chapter. Mel: The national chapter sends us its list of people who have paid their lifetime dues, but if they aren't paying their local dues I've been writing them off our list. David: National has experimented with three chapters up north, not only sending them notices to pay national dues but also to pay their local dues. The percentage of response has been phenomenal, and returns have been earlier than they had been previously. National could collect both sets of dues and just send a check back to the chapter if you like. Mel: That would take a lot of the work out of the situation, but it would also remove the personal touch.

**[7a.]** Mel: Just for the board's information, Royce Griffin's mother died Saturday. He attended the symposium, but was still a bit shaken up.

**8. National chapter.** David: I thought the symposium was a magnificent success, and I

know some of you have said the same thing. People from all over have sent me messages about how much they enjoyed it. We didn't just have five speakers, we had five different styles of speakers who all presented their subjects in different manners and kept things interesting. Ralph: Two of them were Hintons. David: If national had its way, there would have been three because they wanted me to talk about my time at the Vatican. I got out of that, but I will be talking about it in Kanab next month. Mel probably had the hardest job of anyone in getting things ready. We had some really good support from up north, and they will be doing something similar in May that it would be good for Southern Utah to support. I told the officers in Salt Lake that we have members who drive more than 300 miles to attend the meetings they hold up there and it would be good for them to come down and support us, so it was good that they did that for this symposium. DISCUSSION of some miscellaneous symposium expenses to be dealt with. Mel will make a check out to David's neighbor, Sister Woodbury, for the cloth things she made for people to sit on -- she put in over 100 hours doing that. Etc. You could also donate something to the Hurricane chapter if you want to thank them for their help. I made a recording of the speakers that I will provide to your chapter. Ralph: David brought in a tremendous group of speakers, and all of them mentioned his name and their association with him. DISCUSSION about symposium speakers' backgrounds and participation. Mel makes a motion to give someone (Sister Woodbury?) an extra \$100, noting that we made almost as much money during the final two days before the symposium as we had brought in prior to that time. APPROVED unanimously after a second.

**[8a.]** David: You should know that I'm recommending Derek as a national president-elect. I hope you don't mind, but national needs his skills. That doesn't mean he'll get the position, but I'm recommending him. They're changing the way they choose national presidents-elect -- they're going to search throughout the entire organization.

**9. Community involvement.** DelRay: The deadline for the school essay funds will be coming up pretty quickly. Do I just get hold of Mel for that? DISCUSSION.

**10. President's report.** Thad gives an emotional closing reading from member and symposium speaker Hyrum Smith's book about being invited to speak in New York City with Stephen Covey in the wake of 9/11 in an attempt to help survivors heal and go forward. Ralph: Some of our members may not be aware that Thad's Sunday (yesterday) didn't quite go as planned. He passed out in the middle of the opening song at church with a seizure and had to be rushed to the hospital. Fortunately, he was OK. Thad: I've had four of those in 79 years.

**11.** Close at 10:25 a.m.

**[11a.]** Mel offered the closing prayer.

Minutes of March Board Meeting read and approved

Present: Thad Stewart, David Hinton, Lloyd Carter, Mel Duehlmeier, Delray Hammons, Brent Miner, Derek Rowley, Don Burton

Excused: Kevin Jenkins, Ralph Atkin, Gene Stutzenegger, Max Turpin

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Account: \$2215 brought in through Symposium, \$11,982 in account.

Scholarship Fund: \$20,000 check from Sid Atkin. \$67,000+ in account. We owe \$5,000 to outstanding missionaries; \$8,000 will be paid out to recipients this year; \$2,000 to Southern Virginia University recipients

Discussion on opening a savings account. Mel to discuss with National SUP. A check to National was sent for Symposium.

#### CALENDAR

- 1. Review Kanab Trek
  - A. Great trek: good turnout
- 2. April 17th Dinner Meeting: Discussion on how the program is managed and presented.
  - A. Scholarship Dinner, no speaker
  - B. Allow for 4 additional attendees for each scholarship recipient
  - C. Lloyd Carter to provide entertainment
  - D. Ralph Atkin to present awards
- 3. May 15th Dinner Meeting
  - A. Speakers: Scott & Mark Gubler on old world Book of Mormon sites in Yemen, Land Bountiful
- 4. June 19th Dinner Meeting
  - A. Membership Drive. All Members to make invitation.
  - B. There needs to be a focus in the meeting on introducing the Chapter, our values and what we are about
- 5. July - No Meetings
- 6. August 21 Dinner Meeting
  - A. Dan McArthur?
- 7. September 18th
  - A. Hyrum/Gail Smith fundraiser
  - B. Susan Eastman Black?
- 8. July 16th: Super Duper Days

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

1.
  - Acknowledge Sid & May Anne Atkins generous contribution to scholarship fund
2.
  - Don Burton: Has CDs of pictures, History of Temple Trail project, maps, belonging to Trails & Landmarks Committee. How should these be stored and handled.
    - A.
      - Derek Rowley took CD's of photos for inclusion on website, Facebook.

- B.
  - Gene Stutzenegger to review files.
- 3.
  - Treks. Don brought up that there needs to be someone assigned to be in charge of Treks, Cotton Days, etc.
  - A.
    - Royce Griffin to take over for Dave Humphries
- 4.
  - Derek Rowley requested that we put the Oral History program on the next agenda.

**COTTON DAYS: April 23-26th**

- Dean has indicated that he will work on getting carriages, etc. to the grounds.
- Set up on Saturday April 21st.

**MEMBER NOTES:**

- Dean Terry suffered a heart attack.
- Memorium for David Rogers sent in by Don Burton. To be presented to Sis. Rogers by Don Burton in next meeting
- Associate Members for widows is \$20 per year. Don Burton made motion that the Chapter pay widows dues; Delray Hammons seconded. Motion Passed unanimously. Don Burton
  - Recent Widows: Tammy Rogers, Sue Bues, Shawna Niederhauser

Closing Prayer: Delray Hammons

**SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes  
Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**May 7, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Lloyd Carter, Area VP David Hinton, Max Turpin, Don Burton and Mel Duehlmeier. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

Excused: DelRay Hammon.

**Key activity:**

- Agreed to eliminate participation certificates for fourth grade student essays and focus on top five achievers per class.

**(Secretary's note:** Technical difficulties at both ends of the conference call may have prevented me from providing a complete or entirely accurate set of minutes this month. What follows is the information I was able to put together.)

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.
- [1a.] Max offered the opening prayer.

**2. Secretary's report.** Minutes from February unanimously APPROVED on motion and second by Max and Lloyd.

**3. Treasurer's report.** Mel: We came up short on last month's scholarship dinner budget line — We brought in \$1,273 but it cost us \$1,440.75. We anticipated 117 people but there were only 93 there. We paid for 36 guests — nine scholarship recipients plus three of their guests apiece. We received \$3,091 for the scholarship fund. \$1,871 of it came in thanks to the generosity of Charlie Clayton and Don. We ended with \$11,819.39 in the general account, \$67,637.78 in the scholarship account.

**4. Cotton Days review.** Don: We've got the pattern down for setting up our booths for the elementary school tours, but I'm worn out. We just struggle to get enough bodies to do the work. The trouble isn't so much lifting things as having to push. We had about 2,000 students come through on Thursday, just under 2,300 students on the other day. I thought it was interesting that the kids from the public school system were better behaved than the charter schools, according to the people volunteering. This year we only had one station, instead of the two we usually set up.

**5. Scholarships and Essays.** DISCUSSION of the fourth grade essay program. Mel: We get almost 100 participants, but do we want to hand out an award for participation or just to the top winners? Thad: The participation certificates are handed out by the teachers in class, not at the assembly. Brother Bentley felt there wasn't justification for having that many certificates if it dilutes the achievement of the winners. Mel: We need to clarify for next year what we're going to do. PROPOSED and ACCEPTED that we honor the five winners from each class but do away with the participation certificates. Thad: Some of the teachers don't care at all as it is. DISCUSSION about ways to get teachers more interested.

**6. Dinners.** Thad: Scott and Mark Gubler will talk May 15 about archaeological exploration in the Middle East at what is believed to be the historical location of Bountiful mentioned by Nephi in the Book of Mormon. Ralph: Mark won't be there, but Scott will be there with some of their staff. It will be fun.

**7. Membership.** Thad: Has Roland's list of members made it out? David: Roland's newsletter is exceptional. Thad: The June 19th dinner will be our membership drive, and Roland will remind everybody about that in the newsletter. We've had the incorrect person listed in the bulletin for leading the music — it needs to be Sally Thornley. Kevin: I'll check on it. Thad: For the membership drive, all our chapter members will be invited to bring guests. Lloyd: The speaker, Don Darnell(?), will talk about some projects of ours. DISCUSSION of membership fees. Thad: We're going to publish a new calling list. David: The national chapter is going to publish a list of who it has registered on the 24th. You need to go through that list and compare it with yours, because if somebody in your chapter isn't listed on their list, they aren't considered a member because they haven't paid their dues and haven't responded to phone calls. Also: We had a big discussion at the last meeting about raising the dues. There's a lot of concern that we just keep going deeper and deeper in the hole; the Pioneer

Magazine costs are driving the need for a raise. So to become a life member now, it will cost \$600 instead of \$500. Annual dues will be \$60 and Friends and Family will be \$35. Max: I think the membership list is 98 percent accurate. But there may be duplications of names in a few places. Don: Dean Terry said several families at Cotton Days asked about how to become members and we didn't have information to provide them, so we need to make sure we get applications to that event. Thad: We did have applications there; I took them to the sisters' table myself. But Dean may not have realized they were there. It is good to see our membership growing.

**8. Calendar.** Thad: There will be no meetings in July. In August, we'll do the Castle Valley trek and are hoping to get Dan McArthur to speak at the dinner after he and his wife get back from their mission presidency. Ralph: D. Glenn Esplin will be the speaker at the September scholarship fundraising dinner at the Holmstead Ranch by Baker Dam Reservoir. He's a good speaker and knows his stuff about the Tabernacle's history. That dinner will be on a Wednesday instead of the usual Tuesday schedule. Thad: All the funds that come in will go to the scholarship fund. Those facilities are breathtaking — the giant windows, and the screen that comes down out of the ceiling for slideshows. Brother Holms was so accommodating to us.

**9. Communications.** Max: It should be noted that the virtual cemetery covers the entire nation. So you can look at one website and find all the cemeteries you might be interested in. Thad: You've done a good job with that.

**10. President's report.** Thad discusses the chapter's mission statement. Thad: I notice the other chapters honor their members much more than we do. David: Our chapter honors two people a year and most of the recipients have come from our chapter. Don: The Executive Committee needs to make recommendations. We didn't honor anyone last year, and as part of our achievement awards each year from the national office we have to have at least one honoree per year. Thad: We'll discuss that in the Executive Committee.

**11.** Close at 10:16 a.m.

**[11a.]** Lloyd offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**June 4, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Lloyd Carter, DelRay Hammons, Gene Sturzenegger, Derek Rowley, Mel Duehlmeier and Brent Miner. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

Excused: Area VP David Hinton, Max Turpin.

**Key activity:**

- Agreed to have the August trek to Castle Dale take place on the 7th and 8th.
- Agreed to present this year's chapter honor award to Dean and Carol Terry.
- Assigned Derek to investigate varied venue options for next year's dinner meetings.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

[1a.] Mel offered the opening prayer.

2. **Secretary's report.** Minutes from May unanimously APPROVED on motion and second by Ralph and Mel with correction to the June dinner speaker's name: St. George City Councilman Jimmie Hughes will provide the introduction for a DVD presentation on the construction of the Virgin River Gorge highway.

3. **Treasurer's report.** Mel: We need to update the signature cards at the banks. The current officers aren't on there. The presidency AGREES to go downstairs and perhaps to Wells Fargo after the meeting to bring the chapter's signature authority up to date.

[3a.] Mel: The dinner brought in \$1,059 to the general account. We brought in \$1,013.36 for dues and other items, of which \$852.33 was the national chapter's reimbursement for the regional symposium we did in March. That brings the account total to \$12,782.28.

[3b.] Mel: Four scholarship recipients have asked for their funds so I will get the checks written to the schools. Total balance: \$67,837.78. We're obligated to pay \$15,000 that has been awarded out of that amount.

4. **Membership.** Thad: I think our membership is up to 98 people now. Derek: Yeah, depending on which figures you rely on. I got the list from the national office, and there are some discrepancies because of the dues collection process. Thad: But our membership rose more than the 15 people we had anticipated. DISCUSSION of the discrepancy with the figures reported by the national office, challenges with national's new reporting system. Derek has tried contacting people by email if the national office showed a conflict with their membership.

[4a.] Bob Thornley has cancer and will be receiving chemotherapy.

[4b.] Thad: We need to revise the membership application. We'll have Derek take a look at it. Mel: The Friends and Family dues have changed to \$35. Normal annual dues will be \$60. Thad: That will take place after the first of January. Any new member who joins before the end of the year now will owe \$55. DISCUSSION. Ralph: In the two minutes I will be speaking at the dinner, I'm not going to try to clarify what the dues will be for new members.

5. **National Office.** David has advanced Derek's name as a possible candidate for next year's president. Derek: The national chapter is changing the way it addresses its elections for office. There's an actual election process this year; there are four nominees for president. Wayne Hinton was one of them. I think it's refreshing to open this up and have the membership participating. Mel: We might have to do that with our chapter elections.

[5a.] Thad / Ralph: The national chapter has asked that each chapter have a historian.

They sent us an email asking us to make sure we get a copy of our newsletter to them, and Roland Lee has contacted them to see what exactly they are asking for. Don Burton is already fulfilling our chapter's responsibility for a historian.

**[5b.]** Thad: Cedar City will be hosting the national symposium this year. You've received information about it; I think we should be supportive of them. They've been very supportive of us.

**6. Dinners.** Thad: Last month's dinner meeting went well. It was fun to see them dressed in the cultural clothing to emphasize their comments. This month's dinner meeting will have a presentation on the Interstate 15 construction through the Virgin River Gorge. Thad DISCUSSES his memories of driving in there at night to take timbers to the construction crews while the work was going on. Lloyd will play a piano interlude this month while members are lining up for the food, if some problems with the piano can be taken care of. Ralph will take a few minutes to talk about our membership drive. In August, we'll have a dinner but the speaker hasn't been settled yet. (Brent arrived at the end of the meeting, and reported that he has four people he is talking to. Former Mayor Dan McArthur, currently serving as a mission president in Mexico, is one that the chapter has discussed previously.) The September scholarship fundraising dinner will be at Holmstead Ranch by Baker Dam Reservoir. Ralph: That will be fun. Glen Esplin is an energetic speaker and does a good job telling about the temple and tabernacle. Brent: We're looking at Daniel Peterson from BYU for November. He usually has conflicts on Tuesdays, but said November may work for him. Ralph and Lloyd confirm he'd be a welcome speaker.

**[6a.]** Derek asks if he can investigate the possibilities of moving our dinners to the SunRiver ballroom. It appears that there are more openings on their schedule, and it may be a favorable, more upscale alternative to the Washington City Community Center. Mel: We pay \$342.88 to Washington City, so there'd be a question of how the costs compare. We paid \$500 the year before. DISCUSSION. Thad: We renegotiate with Washington City at the first of the year, so we might as well look into some of the other places we could meet in. Mel: Another thing worth noting is that we only make \$1.25 on each meal, so if we get into an agreement that costs us more money we may have to raise the meal price.

**7. Treks.** Gene: The trek to Castle Dale (in Emery County) in August will be an overnight event. The plan is to see the Castle Valley Pageant and maybe the dinosaur relics in the area (the desert east of Huntington). Finding a motel to stay in is going to be a problem out there. I've pulled up the information on the two or three places I could find but it's hard to find space available. Royce Griffin is handling the details. Ralph makes motion to do the trek on Aug. 7 and 8, a Tuesday and Wednesday, because it might be easier to find rooms available. Board unanimously votes to APPROVE. Thad will let Royce know the board's vote.

**8. President's report.** Thad: We're supposed to present one honor award each year to qualify as a chapter to receive a national office award. We've talked a bit about it previously, and the Executive Committee felt it would be good to bestow one on Dean Terry this year. Mel: He's done a lot for the chapter. Moved and seconded. Unanimous vote to APPROVE. Ralph: I would suggest making the award for Dean and Carol,

because Carol is heavily involved in everything he does. Board voices agreement. Lloyd will also speak to two people we've discussed as possible Modern Day Pioneer committee co-chairmen. Thad: We've talked about devoting one dinner a year to that. **[8a.]** Thad: I've just really been impressed again with our 4th-grade essay program. The Bentleys really did a good job. We decided last month that we're only awarding the five winners' certificates, not the participation certificates to everyone else. The non-winning participants weren't really getting much recognition in their classes anyway. Derek asks for the names to publish them on the website.

9. Close at 10:13 a.m.

**[9a.]** Lloyd offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**August 6, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, President-elect Lloyd Carter, interim Treasurer Nick Lang, Max Turpin, Don Burton, Gene Sturzenegger, DelRay Hammons and Area VP David Hinton. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

### **Key activity:**

- Brent Miner is still having trouble reaching the McArthurs to speak at this month's dinner as the board directed, so plans to assist him were made
- The board agreed to honor Dean Terry and Roland Lee in November

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

**[1a.]** Max offered the opening prayer.

**2. Secretary's report.** Minutes from June unanimously APPROVED on motion and second by Gene and Lloyd.

**[2a.]** Don reports he isn't getting copies of all the minutes for the chapter history. He'll notify Kevin which ones he needs.

**3. Treasurer's report.** Nick: We canceled one check and wrote another check since the last report because one student changed which college she's going to attend, so we had to redo who the scholarship will be paid to. The balance has not changed. The scholarship has \$67,837.78 and the general fund has \$12,782. Thad: I think we're in pretty good shape financially.

**[3a.]** Nick discusses protocols for check-signing to make sure Mel Duehlmeier isn't the only person signing checks. (Mel is on summer vacation.)

**[3b.]** Thad: At this month's dinner, the caterers will be trying to figure out who is going to pay them, so Nick should make sure he introduces himself to them so they get paid.

**[3c.]** Secretary's note: David asked if the chapter received reimbursement from the

national office for the spring symposium. Nick said he doesn't know of any, but Mel reported in June that we received \$852.33 from the national office for that. I didn't hear the question during the meeting or I'd have confirmed that.

**4. Calendar.** Thad: City Council member Jimmie Hughes was at our June dinner to introduce that video about the construction of Interstate 15. It went longer than I think Brent was expecting, so some people left early. The video is available for sale at \$20; it can also be checked out from the library. The documentary was really a walk through history. There were no meetings in July. This month's trek will take place starting Tuesday, a two-day trip to Castle Dale. We'll meet at the Washington Albertson's at 12:00. I think it's about a 4 1/2-hour drive to get there. We should have a good turn out. September's fund-raising dinner will be at the Holmstead Ranch. We've debated whether to have corn on the cob or out of a can. We need to make sure we note that the dinner date was moved to a Wednesday so we can get the facility. The national encampment event will be in Cedar City the end of September. The September board meeting will be on Wednesday the 5th because of Labor Day.

**[4a.]** Thad: Brent is still having trouble reaching the McArthurs about speaking at this month's dinner. He said he's going to move on to looking for someone else, but David says he's going to see him later in the day at the Rotary Club dinner. Roland did a beautiful write-up on them for the newsletter.

**[4b.]** Thad: There will be no meetings in October, including no board meeting. We're supposed to have 10 meetings each year, so there are two months when we don't meet. Roland's newsletter says there will be a dinner meeting in October, but we'll need to correct that. Brent already has two speakers lined up for October and November, but we'll only use one of them.

**5. Membership.** Thad notes that we will try to keep the meeting short so everyone can attend member Sid Atkin's funeral and support the family. Sid was majority whip during his time in the Legislature. Thad visited with him almost every week during the past couple months. David worked for him at one time. Don will take care of submitting the memorial information about Sid.

**[5a.]** David: Everyone should have received the forms to vote for national chapter president-elect. We need to make sure we vote. One of the candidates is from Southern Utah -- if we end up with representation from Southern Utah, that would be a nice thing. Whomever ends up being sworn in will see that take place at the national encampment in Cedar City on the last day. President Van Roosendaal will probably end up serving the shortest time of any president. Tony Kidwell is the president-elect now -- he's a dynamite individual. He'd be a good speaker if the chapter can get him sometime. Thad: Derek sent out a letter from both of the president-elect candidates to all the members. We'll give the election publicity in the September newsletter.

**[5a.]** Lloyd: I talked to both candidates for leading the Modern-Day Pioneer committee and they both said they don't want to do it at this time for some reason; I don't know why. Brent Hall seemed pretty unequivocal but George Cannon indicated he'd be willing but he's got a conflict with the Washington County Historical Society. I'll check with George again. DISCUSSION of people who could receive the Modern-Day Pioneer Award. Don mentions Bob Thornley and Bob Webb. Bob is dealing with cancer. David mentions Keyne Thorne and Roland Lee. Thad: We talked in our last

board meeting about honoring Dean Terry. Don: He's already been given two Modern-Day Pioneer awards, so we wouldn't want to do that. Thad: We had this discussion at the last board meeting and agreed on Dean, but we could just add an extra person this year. Don: We did another honor award separately for Charlie Clayton and I think that's what you should do with Dean. Dave: There's a national plaque for the Modern-Day Pioneer award. Thad: In regard to Dean, we had discussed everything he's done over time in regard to Cotton Days, and he's been having increasing health troubles. Maybe we should review it again at the Executive Committee. So what if we do Roland and Dean as our honorees? Don: You'd have Roland as the Modern-Day Pioneer and Dean would be the separate honor. I'd suggest doing it in November or December to give the chapter some time to prepare things. November APPROVED on motion and second from DelRay and Don. Thad will ensure that Roland doesn't get advanced notice of the award through the minutes.

**6. Trails.** Gene reports that some members of the committee met and went up to scout the Enterprise area potential sites for signs / monuments relating to the Death Valley Cutoff. The cost would be \$300 for a one-sided sign or both sides for \$500. There's an old pioneer cemetery (Hamblin) on the road to Pinto near there. Don: There's a national monument recognizing the Hebron cemetery nearer to Enterprise. Are these signs just going to be markers, or are we going to make them more formalized monuments by coordinating them with national? Gene: I was mostly looking at costs; there was also discussion about a monument to Jefferson Hunt. (Secretary's note: There was some significant cross-talk during this discussion and I'm not sure if I missed something.) Don: The location is remote enough we may not want to involve the national office. David: I'll bet we could get the county to help fund them. Thad: We'll let Gene work it out. He can come to the Executive Committee meeting to report on it if he wants.

**7.** Close at 10:00 a.m.

[7a.] Thad offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**September 5, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, President-elect Lloyd Carter, Past President Ralph Atkin, interim Treasurer Nick Lang, Max Turpin, Don Burton, Gene Sturzenegger, Brent Miner, DelRay Hammons and Area VP David Hinton. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

### **Key activity:**

- The board agrees that there will be no meetings in October.
- Agreed to let the national office begin collecting local and national dues.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

[1a.] Ralph offered the opening prayer.

**2. Secretary's report.** Minutes from August unanimously APPROVED with amendments proposed by Gene. Under Item 6. Trails: Change "Death Valley Cutoff" to "Old Hebron" and "or both sides for \$500" to "or less than \$500 for both sides." Ralph Atkin notes he should have been listed as excused.

[2a.] Thad calls board's attention to Item [3c.] in August minutes that notes the previous receipt of a payment of \$852.33 from the national office for the spring symposium. The board had a question about whether the payment had been received; the answer wasn't provided during the meeting, so Thad is pointing out the answer provided afterward via the minutes. Nick asks if it was direct deposited; Thad says yes.

[2b.] Don provides an update on the board minutes he needs to bring the chapter history up to date. He is missing January, February, May and June. Kevin will provide those minutes to him.

**3. History.** Don says the check has cleared for the memoriam to Sid Atkin. Thad says he hasn't yet received it from the national office. Don asks that when it comes in he be allowed to scan it electronically before Thad presents it to the family, so that he can put a copy in the annual report. Don needs to be reimbursed \$35 by the chapter since he paid for the memoriam himself; Nick will make a check out to him.

**4. Membership.** Don mentions discussion with Jeffrey Lee Krummenacher at the Family History Center. He is a member who has completed his application, signed up for the convention and expects to be at the scholarship funding dinner. Don will add him to his call list, and he's already on the website.

[4a.] Thad: In November's dinner meeting, we'll recognize Roland Lee as a Modern Pioneer. Don will present it. Don asks if Royce has been involved in informing national about the prior Modern Pioneer presentations -- unknown, but we need to be sure national is informed of our plans with sufficient time to get the award back from them, at least two weeks. Don is completing the write-up with Roland's wife. Don: We don't want to let Roland know he's going to get this award, but we need to let his family know enough that they'll be there. David notes that the Hurricane chapter contacts family members and has them present the entire program, which has led to some amazing meetings. Kevin suggests the chapter could ask Roland to present something that month to help commit him to being there for his own surprise. Thad asks Kevin to assign Roland a Moment in History presentation for that meeting so that he'll be there.

[4b.] Thad: We need to start considering a candidate for our next president-elect. That swearing-in will take place during our December meeting. Our chapter is getting older and we need an influx of the younger generation. Derek's name mentioned. David: Derek is being considered as one of the candidates to lead the new online chapter and I don't think he'd be able to do both, but he would be an excellent president-elect. Thad: We'll discuss it further at our executive meeting. David: I'll be at the end of my tenure as area VP in December and am preparing for a mission call, so if there is anyone in this chapter who might be a candidate I'd like to hear it.

**5. Dinners.** The presentation on the Hurricane Canal drew some member interest last

month. Thad and others praise the last-minute response by speaker Mac Hall when we became aware the McArthurs wouldn't be available. David: We have a number of people in Hurricane who could do a great program on the ditch riders if the chapter ever wants to do a followup on the canal. Nick notes he and his wife visited the Hurricane museum during Peach Days and they got information that allowed them to visit the canal. DISCUSSION. Brent will send a formal thank you note to Mac and the other speakers to express the chapter's gratitude. Gene: After the dinner meeting, I came across a history of LaVerkin that contains a lot of Hurricane Canal history -- about 20 pages. David asks for a copy. Gene will bring it to the next meeting.

**[5a.]** Dan McArthur has committed to speak in November. Brent: Double knee surgery prevented him from being available last month. David says he really would like to attend to hear Dan's presentation but the national office changed a meeting date that will interfere.

**[5b.]** Don suggests good speakers for next year would be Brother and Sister Merrill, the administrators at the Family Search Library. David: Mary Ellen Ellsworth spoke in Hurricane last month on family history -- she's a dynamite speaker. Thad: Bob Thornley would now be a good one to call on.

**[5c.]** Thad: This month's scholarship funding dinner meeting will be on the 12th. Same time as always. Thad describes the dinner, DISCUSSION about other details. We'll be honoring Dean Terry with a gift certificate for his contributions to sustaining the chapter at Cotton Days, etc. DISCUSSION about gift possibilities, such as a white temple tie. The dinner will be casual dress. David: Monte Holm (the dinner site's owner) will be in Kanab speaking tomorrow night, so he'll be busy with SUP this month. Thad: There will be three signs to direct members to the ranch location there by Baker Dam. They had 400 guests up there last week with Dixie Power. We'll need to have a few volunteers to set up tables and shuck corn -- Lloyd and Max say they can help. Try not to get stuck too long in Bluff Street construction traffic; it's a mess. We'll be responsible for cleaning up after the dinner. The board can handle that. Nobody will be paying for the meal this month; it will be donated, any money the members provide will go toward the scholarship fund.

**6. Calendar.** Thad: No meetings are planned in October. But would the board like to meet that month? AGREED to not meet in October.

**[6a.]** The Christmas dinner will include Robin Davis' music group. They were very entertaining last year. Other dinner group possibilities suggested for Brent. Don: In other years, we've found that having a large group creates a drain on the budget as we provide food for them, etc. So good to have a smaller group.

**[6b.]** Thad reminds the board about the upcoming Encampment Mall in Cedar City. It would be good to support them as much as we can.

**7. Treasurer's report.** Nick: We were upside-down on last month's dinner. We had money coming in, but we had the guest speaker and guests to cover and the \$12-\$13 per plate didn't quite do it.

**[7a.]** Nick: One person granted a scholarship previously has returned from his mission and claimed his scholarship to attend SUU, so Lloyd came over and signed that check for him.

**[7b.]** Thad: The national office sent out a letter last month proposing a plan whereby

they would collect all the national and chapter dues for the chapter. In our executive meeting, we decided we'd let Mel decide whether to participate in that. I called Mel and he said yes, he'd like to do that, so I have a letter Nick and I need to sign to confirm that with the national chapter. It needs to be in Salt Lake by Sept. 15, before Mel returns. David: The grandfathered members have their dues renewals take place in January. Anyone who now signs up with have dues renewals take place on the anniversary of whenever they sign up. Where national has done this kind of program on a trial basis, they've had much better renewal rates.

**8. Trails.** Gene: I met with Kenworthy signs and got some new prices. I think aluminum signs would attract vandalism. We're talking about the possibility of someone doing this as an Eagle Scout project, and the possibility of putting a rock in there for a more substantial sign. I have not yet talked to anyone at the county yet. I'm still encountering discrepancies in the records surrounding the Death Valley Cut-off, so I'm still trying to decide on the wording for that. DISCUSSION. Thad: We're spending a lot of money on the monument signs. If we plan on replacing them every five years, that would be a worthwhile project. Gene: And they might give us a break if we pre-order them. Thad: Because regardless of what we put up, they'll be laminated.

**9. National Office.** David: There will be training in November for all of the boards in the area in Hurricane, same place as last year, at 10 a.m. It will either be the first or second Saturday -- I will inform the board.

[9a.] David has a stack of old Pioneer magazines he provides to Lloyd for chapter recruitment, etc.

[9b.] David: We'll find out who the new national president will be at the convention.

**10.** Close at 10:04 a.m.

[10a.] Max offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**November 5, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, DelRay Hammon, Brent Miner, Max Turpin, Don Burton, Mel Duehlmeier, Gene Sturzenegger and Area VP David Hinton. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

### **Key activity:**

- The board ratified the Executive Committee's nomination of Dan McArthur as next year's president-elect. The decision will be presented to the general body at this month's dinner for a final vote.
- The board voted in favor of raising the dinner price to \$15 per person beginning next year.
- President Stewart asked for some additional funds from the budget for the

December's dinner to make it a little extra special. There was no opposition.

- General agreement to fund additional sound system speakers so everyone can adequately hear during the dinner meetings.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

[1a.] DelRay offered the opening prayer.

**2. President's / Secretary's report.** President Stewart reviews minutes from September's meeting (there were no meetings in October). Don provides Thad the Sid Atkin memorial to present to Sid's widow. David notes that the Hurricane speaker's name was incorrect ([5b.]) It should have been Mary Ellen Elggren. Thad notes that a descendant of John Willey (Willey Handcart Company) might be able to tell stories for a moment in history — he's known to Pam Jensen at a local care center. Motion to approve minutes as amended seconded and APPROVED unanimously.

[2a.] Thad: Our attendance at the September scholarship fundraising dinner meeting was lower than expected. A lot of people were busy that week, and I think some people were intimidated by trying to find a new location. We're invited to go back for our events any time, so I'm thinking we might even go back again next year. I don't think it's too early to plan for next year; maybe we should be trying to see if we can fit into Elder Steven Snow's agenda. Ralph: He will become an emeritus authority soon and he has indicated he'd like to join our chapter. General consent: He'd be a great speaker. Thad: We can still aim for that third week in September. Ralph: I think part of the reason we had lower attendance is because we moved the schedule around. If we plan this early enough we should have better success next year. Thad: Our contributions were a little on the slack side, again probably because of the lower attendance numbers. But Roland Lee is talking to Charlie Clayton about another \$1,000 donation, and we'll make sure members have another opportunity to donate at the November dinner.

[2b.] Thad: In the Executive Committee meeting, we decided that the less expensive option for the Death Valley / Hebron signs is preferable. Whenever you're ready to proceed, Gene, the board is in agreement for you doing that.

[2c.] Thad: When everyone is making their calls, I'd like you to check and make sure your people are receiving the emails we send out, in case someone isn't.

**3. Treasurer's report.** Mel: I haven't been here for a few months, so I'll go back a little bit. In September, we had \$6,310 come in to the scholarship account. October was sparse, but we wrote out scholarship funds to some of our recipients. So the account stands at \$60,613.78 including \$5,000 that's still outstanding. David: National needs to know how you choose to put that into an account because if you're exceeding the \$50,000 tax-free limit, they need to know how to help you. Ralph: Sid's large check came in during March.

[3a.] Mel: In the general account, the only income for October was \$56 that came in from the dinner. So the total fund is \$13,270.08. We're a little ahead of where we were last year. Thad: I'd like to have our budget for December increased a bit so we can make that Christmas dinner a little more special. No opposition.

[3b.] Mel: The new system of having the national office handle the dues collection is working great.

**4. Calendar.** Thad: Dan and Bunny McArthur will speak at the November meeting. We'll see if Bunny is going to speak; she had some great experiences with those missionaries. I need to make a better point of introducing our guests at the meetings. And we've talked about making sure our guest speakers get a thank you note afterward. We'll sustain all the board members for the New Year at the Christmas dinner meeting. DISCUSSION about the entertainment for the December meeting. Brent says he remembers talking to Janet Labrum about providing that music and she agreed.

**5. Membership.** Thad: We asked Dan McArthur to be our president-elect for 2019 and he has accepted. The board votes unanimously to ACCEPT his nomination. Ralph: He has a huge sphere of influence for bringing in new, younger members. We should charge him with recruiting young people during this coming year. DISCUSSION about recruiting younger members. Don: Thad needs to present Dan's nomination to the general body as well during the November dinner meeting.

**[5a.]** Brent: I'd suggest we get two or three more electronic speakers for the sound system at our dinner meetings. I know some people are straining to hear, and if we turn the sound up too loud it hurts some people's ears. I don't know how much money might be involved. Dave: If you're going to buy more speakers, you might look at Bluetooth (wireless). Thad: We'll be meeting with the Community Center and can discuss it.

**[5b.]** Thad: Our chapter membership is now approaching 100, so at some point we may have to look for other dinner accommodations. DISCUSSION about other St. George-area chapter. Dave: They wanted to get younger (35 years old average) members, but because of that the chapter died out when a lot of them left. They've only got a couple of members. Thad: They'd be welcome back in our chapter. Dave: They've been given every opportunity.

**[5c.]** DISCUSSION about Derek Rowley, who is now the Online Chapter president. Thad: He may have to be released from his Cotton Mission Chapter position. Don: He would be the best person to handle the sound system question. Ralph: Don Beus would probably be able to deal with that. Max (?): We've got sufficient money; I'd say let's make it happen.

**[5d.]** Brent: One of my assignments has been to help people get their vests and other clothing items. I've had a terrible time getting that done and I'd like to see if someone else can take on that one aspect of my responsibilities. Ralph: I thought Lloyd was doing that. Thad: I thought that, too. Brent: Lloyd brought that to me to do, and I haven't been getting it done while I've been focusing on the programs needs. Thad: We'll talk about that in our Executive Committee meeting. David: Is that something Roland could just mention in the newsletter? That would be one way to help.

**6. National chapter.** Dave is nearing the end of his tenure as Area VP.

**[6a.]** Thad: In the training session Saturday, Royce talked about our great treks. Dave: I was very appreciative of your presentation. And it's the first national training meeting I remember attending here that ended on time. Don, Thad, Royce, Kevin and his son Andrew attended. Percentage-wise, it looked like Boulder Dam chapter from the Arizona Strip had the most people there. They've only been going three months. I thought it was important to let our national presidency know about how our treks are put together. Probably the thing that has been hardest for me as a member of the SUP

is to see how hard it is to get people to want to serve, but those who do serve are grateful for the opportunity. DISCUSSION. Don: We should be very grateful we get the national presidency down here. Dave: Hopefully you felt the excitement of our new president. The national office is really working hard to get its library up there digitized; if anyone down here can help with that, we'd appreciate that.

**7. Scholarships and Essays.** Thad: The Bentleys have asked to be replaced. I thought that if we can introduce a couple to handle three of the schools this coming year, then they can take over the full operation the next year from the Bentleys. That's under DelRay's responsibility; please come up with some suggestions for replacements. It's a great program.

**8. Treks.** Max: In Salina, there's an old restored POW camp and museum. There's also a Presbyterian museum, organized by a woman who came out to Utah after World War II for a youth mission. And then over by Delta, there's the old Topaz internment camp museum about the Japanese-Americans who were kept there during the war. That would be a good jaunt, but might be interesting. The camp site itself is just dirt, but the museum is pretty professional.

**[8a.]** Mel: The Daughters of Utah Pioneers have complained that they've wanted to go on our treks but we plan ours at the same time as their activities, so they're asking if we can change our dates. They've got theirs planned out through 2019 so they're not going to change their schedule. And of course, they're always right. So I just wanted to bring that up.

**9. Dinners.** Thad: We've had some discussion about raising the dinner prices because we're just barely making ends meet. Ralph: We're at \$14 now, why don't we just raise them to \$15. That's not a big jump. Dave: For whomever is area Vice President, the cost gets pretty expensive as we meet here and in all the other chapters. Thad: We already have agreed to comp your dinner. If the board is in agreement, we'll raise the price to \$15 for next year. Board unanimously votes to APPROVE dinner price increase.

**10.** Close at 10:23 a.m.

**[10a.]** Ralph offered the closing prayer.

## **SUP Cotton Mission Chapter Board Meeting Minutes Cache Valley Bank (St. George downtown office)**

**December 3, 2018**

Attendees: President Thad Stewart, Ralph Atkin, Mel Duehlmeier, Max Turpin, Don Burton, Gene Sturzenegger, Lloyd Carter, Brent Miner and Area VP David Hinton. Secretary Kevin Jenkins appeared by phone.

Guest: Rex Jensen.

**Key activity:**

- Resolved that the new chapter officers for 2019 will be sworn in during the January meeting because David will be unable to attend the December dinner.
- Rex will succeed Kevin as secretary beginning in January, and Eldon Larkin and his wife are approved to succeed the Bentleys in directing the fourth-grade essays program.
- Thad will invite Bob Thornley to succeed Jerry Keyes in handling the dinner headcount communication, and Nick Lang to take over the clothing sales from Brent.

1. President Thad Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

[1a.] Don offered the opening prayer.

2. **Secretary's report.** Kevin: Rex is attending as a guest to familiarize himself with the board because he will succeed me as secretary next year. Rex introduces himself to the board members. Thad: We appreciate Kevin and his excellent minutes. I think (his 4-year-old son) Andrew will remain a member of the board...

[2a.] Don offers an amendment to last month's minutes. The reference to Don Beus should have said Kent Beus. Motion to approve minutes as amended seconded and APPROVED unanimously.

3. **Treasurer's report.** Mel: In the general account, we haven't had a lot of activity. But we brought in \$1,216 for the dinner and paid out \$1,020. Roland paid for all the family guests who showed up for his award presentation — I wasn't sure if the chapter had already paid for them. That leaves us with a total of \$15,471.20.

[3a.] Mel: We brought in \$586 to the scholarship fund; \$40 of that was for dues. That leaves us with a total of \$63,459.78. We are obligated to pay out \$10,000 in scholarships to people who have been awarded them. \$3,000 of that amount has already been written out, but the students haven't cashed the checks.

[3b.] Thad presents a bill for improvements to the sound system at the dinner meetings, which Kent paid out of his pocket and needs to be reimbursed for.

[3c.] We need to let members know that the dinner price is going up to \$15. Mel will print new slips with the price change reflected in it.

4. **Dinners.** David made a biographical write-up with additional photos based on Don's award presentation to Roland at last month's dinner meeting, for the history. Don: The national chapter's Trailmarker newsletter had a write-up about it as well. Thad: Roland is an asset and a treasure for our chapter.

[4a.] Thad: We had an unusually large crowd for November. We had to set up three extra tables, even after taking a headcount ahead of time. I think we need to have Golden Corral set up lines down both sides of a second table when we have such a large crowd. Maybe we can convert one of the dessert tables. Lloyd and I can talk to Golden Corral about that. It will be interesting to see what the crowd for the December meeting will be like.

5. **President's report.** Thad: I'm excited to have Dan McArthur join our leadership team for next year. Don: We should have him attend the Executive Committee meeting

as well, now that he has been sustained. Thad: Yes; I invited him to today's meeting as well, but he must have had a conflict.

**6. Calendar.** Thad: Dean Terry asked if he could present the moment in history for December's dinner. DISCUSSION. He would have to be reminded to keep it short. He could maybe do it while we're eating. Sister Labrum is planning to speak about 30 minutes. As we make the calls to get a headcount, we need to remind members that the dinner will be Sunday-best dress.

**[6a.]** Brent: I don't have anybody set for the January and February dinner meetings yet but I have a number of names I want to suggest as potential speakers. DISCUSSION of 10-plus names that Brent mentions in medical, banking, county land and other arenas, with general agreement that the ideas are good ones if Brent can get them to come. Numerous additional suggestions advanced by members of the board. The Hurricane chapter will be hearing from the national SUP president this weekend. The chapter had discussed inviting author Blaine Yorgason at one time, but David doesn't think he will accept because the Hurricane chapter has attempted to get him unsuccessfully.

**[6b.]** Thad will get the caterers for the September dinner meeting if the date is confirmed for the 17th of that month.

**[6c.]** Thad: The new officers will be sworn in at the January meeting because David can't be to our December dinner due to a conflict with a national chapter meeting.

**[6d.]** DISCUSSION of the 2019 general schedule. No meetings will be held in July; we also didn't meet in October this year, although there was a trek that month. There will be a trek in March, no dinner.

**7. Membership.** Gene: I need you to look for a replacement for me. I've gotten way too involved with other commitments, specifically D-ASIA, which invited me to serve on its board. My father and grandfather homesteaded on the Arizona Strip and it's been of great interest to me. But I will still finish the work with those two Death Valley cutoff signs we've been working on. The wording is being reviewed now. Thad: We'll discuss a successor at our Executive Committee meeting.

**[7a.]** Gene: It's also worth mentioning that the RS-2477 road issue is having an impact. The state is asking the federal government to exempt some of the roads the BLM / forest agency expects to oversee. I've been interviewed by attorneys and I've met with the AG's office and the governor's office and will give them a tour of the roads, and then I will have to give a deposition in January. Thad: We'll look forward to seeing you at the next meeting, and maybe you'll be able to introduce your replacement. You'd be a great pioneer in any generation.

**[7b.]** Thad: We have several new members, and I don't know if they receive the email updates or not. I expected Derek Rowley to be here today so we could talk about it. As far as I know, he's going to stay on the board. He assists Roland. Dave: At our last national chapter board meeting, we confirmed that he is now the national online chapter president. As he told us what he's doing, I had questions about how much time he's going to have to do other things. You're going to have a hard time replacing someone like him, I know, but you might want to talk to him because he's got a lot on his plate.

**[7c.]** Thad: We'll have several new members joining in December, so Lloyd will need to

have the applications available.

**[7d.]** DISCUSSION about improving participation in activities as new members come in. David: How is your attendance? Hurricane has been having a dickens of a time getting people to turn out for the treks. Our last one had a good turnout, but it was still only 10 people. Thad: I think we had about 28 people for the Spanish Trail trek, and about 20 for the one to Castle Dale. David: Hurricane has quite a young presidency — this coming year, our past president will be 61, our president will be 49 and our president-elect will be 39.

**[7e.]** Thad: Jerry Keyes has asked to be replaced as the person who takes the headcount for the dinners and contacts the caterers. He feels that his health is declining such that he isn't able to maintain his commitment to that, so we'll need to come up with someone else. Bob Thornley would be good for doing that. Don: Is he still in the board position for magazines? But I guess it wouldn't be a problem for him to do, either way. Thad: I'll contact him to see if he's willing.

**[7f.]** Thad: DelRay isn't here, but he's mentioned before that the Bentleys would like to be replaced for the essay contest leaders beginning in 2020. We've asked Eldon Larkin and his wife, and they have accepted subject to the board's approval. Motion and second advanced, board unanimously APPROVES the Larkins to succeed the Bentleys as directors of the essay contest. Thad: I am so impressed with that contest. The Larkins will begin working with the Bentleys this coming year to familiarize themselves with the program. And we'll need to have somebody to replace the Larkins for 2020.

**[7g.]** Mel: People have asked me about shirts and vests, and I couldn't remember who we assigned to handle that, or if we did assign someone. Brent is still handling it, but asked if someone else could take on that responsibility. Thad will ask Nick Lang if he will accept that assignment.

**[7h.]** Max: I would suggest that we identify individuals who could cross-train with Derek, given his situation, so that we have a backup in that position. And we need to make sure we let new members know that there are opportunities to serve, that membership isn't just about coming to dinner.

**[7i.]** Thad: Paul Furr is really going downhill health-wise.

**[7j.]** Don asks for volunteers for Cotton Days board. Don and Robin are the Cotton Days committee and are looking for additional assistance. No immediate resolution made.

**[7k.]** Thad expresses appreciation for the board, and the board likewise expresses appreciation for Thad's leadership.

**8. National chapter.** Dave ensures that Thad has received invitation to national chapter's Christmas dinner up north. Thad says he is unlikely to make it because of the difficulties of travel.

**[8a.]** David DISCUSSES his experiences as area vice president, the honor of filling that responsibility and the quality of the Cotton Mission chapter. He will begin his Nauvoo mission in May; it will last six months. David will bring his successor, David Isom of the Hurricane chapter, to the next meeting he attends here to make introductions. Max: It's been great to get to know you and we consider you a member of the chapter.

**9.** Close at 10:13 a.m.

**[9a.]** Rex offered the closing prayer.