

National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers  
Presents  
**The 2019 National Historical Symposium**



## **We Want the Railroad: Brigham Young's Role in Bringing the Railroad to Utah**

### **Symposium Speakers-1pm to 5pm**

Canyon Rim Stake Center: 3051 S 2900 E Salt Lake City

Thomas G Alexander

Ron Watt

Wayne K Hinton

Danial Kuhn

**Saturday May 11, 2019  
1:00pm**

### **Dinner and Keynote Speaker 5:30pm**

SUP Headquarters 3301 E Louise Ave Salt Lake City

Elder Steven E. Snow, Church Historian

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Thomas G. Alexander is Lemuel Hardison Redd, Jr. Professor Emeritus of Western American History (BYU). He has authored, co-authored, edited, or co-edited twenty-eight books and monographs and numerous articles, including *Utah, the Right Place: The Official Centennial History* (3rd ed. 2012, prizewinner), *Things in Heaven and Earth, the Life and Times of Wilford Woodruff, a Mormon Prophet* (2nd ed 1993, prizewinner), and *Brigham Young and the Expansion of the Mormon Faith* (forthcoming, 2019). He was president of several historical organizations including the Pacific Coast Branch-American Historical Association, Phi Alpha Theta (the history honor society), and the Mormon History Association. Church service includes high councilman and bishop. He is married to Marilyn Johns Alexander. They are parents of five children and six grandchildren.



Ronald G. Watt was born in Carbon County, Utah, graduated from Carbon High School and Carbon College. He received a B.A. and an M.A. from Utah State University. He took additional graduate classes from the University of Minnesota where he received a Ph.D. He worked thirty-five years for the archives of the LDS Church Historical Department, now retired. He is author of over twenty articles and four books including *A History of Carbon County* and *The Mormon Passage of George D. Watt, First British Convert Scribe for Zion* which won the David W. and Beatrice C. Evans Handcart Award. He presently is on the Board of Editors for the *Utah Historical Quarterly*. He is married to Barbara Fluckiger Watt, and they are the parents of six children. He served in the British Mission in his younger years and served with his wife in the Baltic Mission in Lithuania. He is the past president of the Proter Rockwell Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.



### **Daniel B. Kuhn, Railroad and Freight Planner, Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT)**

Daniel B. Kuhn is a fifth-generation railroader with family connections to the rail industry in the United States going back to the 1800s. Daniel was an official with both Southern Pacific and Amtrak prior to coming to UDOT in 1999 as the state's Railroad & Freight Planner. His background includes teaching and lecturing about various aspects of transportation, history and geography since 1966 and he has performed on-site research in all 50 states and across southern Canada. In his current role Daniel maintains a close working relationship with all freight industries that impact Utah, including not only the railroads, but the trucking industry, pipeline systems, air cargo operators and west coast seaports.



Dr. Wayne K. Hinton is President-elect of the National Society of The Sons of Utah Pioneers. He has been a chapter president, and A.V.P. and an active member in many other historical organizations. Wayne has degrees from Dixie State, Utah State University, Brigham Young University and a post-doctorate from University of California, Davis. He taught history at Southern Utah University for 38 years, 18 of those he served as Department Chair. He has written four published books, chapters in eight other books and has presented papers at numerous professional conferences and has published over fifteen articles in professional journals.



**Elder Steven E. Snow** was called to serve as a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in March of 2001. He currently serves as Church Historian and Recorder and is the Executive Director of the Church History Department. Prior to his call to serve as a full-time General Authority of the Church, Elder Snow was a senior partner in the Utah law firm of Snow Nuffer. The St. George, Utah native attended Dixie College and earned his bachelor's degree in accounting at Utah State University and his law degree at Brigham Young University. Elder Snow and his wife, Phyllis Squire are the parents of four sons.