

History of the Dixie Encampment Chapter of the SUP

Resolution Concerning New SUP Chapter

On 3 March 2008, a resolution was presented to the Cotton Mission Chapter of the SUP to organize a new chapter in the St. George, Utah, area. The proposed title was The Dixie Sugar Loaf Chapter.

The new Dixie Sugar Loaf Chapter would consist of new members residing in the City of St. George, including the subdivisions of Bloomington, Bloomington Hills, Little Valley, the Knolls, SunRiver, Dixie Downs, and possibly Santa Clara and Ivins.

Current members of the Cotton Mission Chapter could continue in that chapter or individuals who live in the areas indicated could transfer membership to the new chapter.

Student essay and scholarship awards could be distributed between the two chapters—Dixie Sugar Loaf and Cotton Mission—and relieve financial pressures, creating more equity among the chapters.

R. Wayne Pace was assigned by the Cotton Mission Chapter on 4 January 2010 to chair activities to organize the Dixie Sugar Loaf Chapter.

The new chapter would be organized during 2010 and activated at the beginning of 2011, so as to avoid conflict with preparations for and conduct of the national convention to be held in St. George in 2010.

First Steps in Organizing the New SUP Chapter

1. Taking the by-laws of the Cotton Mission Chapter, Wayne Pace drafted a set of by-laws for a Dixie Sugar Loaf Chapter.
2. He telephoned President Hal Anderson, President of the Bloomington, Utah, Stake, of which he was a member, and of which he was also a member of the Cotton Mission Chapter, at one time serving as Chair of the Membership Committee when Pace was Director of Member Services, and set up a meeting at his office for Monday, January 11, 2010. They met and discussed the feasibility of having the support of local, St. George, Stake President's in starting the new chapter. President Anderson advised him to get, at least, tacit approval of the Area Seventy, Randy Wilkinson. He also asked Hal about the proposed title, The Dixie Sugarloaf Chapter. Among other titles suggested, he felt that Dixie Encampment would be more acceptable.
3. Wayne immediately called Elder Randy Wilkinson about an appointment, and he was free on Wednesday, January 13. Wayne met Randy at his office in downtown St. George and talked about what Elder Wilkinson might do to support the organization of the new chapter. He pondered the question, and suggested that he could simply mention at the Division Meetings of Stake Presidents that they could give tacit approval to Bishops in supporting the new chapter, which he arranged to do at the next meeting in February 2010.

4. At that point, Pace decided he needed some materials to put in the hands of prospective members, so he copied the Mission of the National SUP off of the Internet and prepared a schedule of potential chapter meeting times, a typical agenda of a monthly meeting, and created a Membership Application Form. he used those four items in all interviews, leaving copies with each prospective member.
5. The next day, he made a short list of possible members living in his own neighborhood and made appointments with five individuals living in the Southgate area, called Hal Anderson and asked if he could provide him with the names of all the Elder's Quorums in the Stake, which he did. Pace interviewed six individuals in their homes and received highly positive responses and agreements to join the new chapter from all of them.
6. By 23 January 2010, he had completed personal interviews with 12 individuals in the city and had eleven signed members. With that success, he sat down and generated a list of individuals with whom he did business in the community or with whom he had some contact, including attorneys, medical doctors, dentists, professors at the local college, employees at the local hospital, insurance agents, car salesmen, accountants, and each of the Elder's Quorum Presidents in the Stake.
7. In a conversation with a colleague, he wondered whether it would be possible for the new chapter to meet at the local Country Club. Being curious, the two drove to the Bloomington Country Club, met the manager, and inquired as to whether the new chapter could meet there. The answer was yes, if the chapter had at least one member of the Country Club who was also a member of the new chapter.

Pace immediately contacted the Stake President who was a member of the Cotton Mission Chapter and asked him to identify anyone who might be a member of the Country Club. He was able to provide the names of a half-dozen prospective individuals. Pace called one for an appoint for that same evening and interviewed him at home. The country club indicated that he wanted to join the new chapter, but that his membership in the country club had lapsed, although he was planning to renew it soon. However, he was able to provide a list of individuals whom he felt might be prospective members who were Country Club members. Pace contacted one who agreed to let us use his name and membership in arranging to meet at the Country Club. Together they went to the Country Club, met with the Director of the Club, and the Country Club agreed to allow the chapter to meet there on the evening in which the Club was actually closed, Thursdays of each week. The Third Thursday was selected as the meeting time.

8. By January 31, Pace had completed individual, in home or at an office, interviews with approximately 25 individuals, all except two of which had agreed to join the new chapter. The interviews consisted of four questions: (1) "Have you heard of the Sons of Utah Pioneers?" (2) "Is there a chapter in this area?" All of those being interview said that they had NOT heard of the SUP and did not know whether there was a chapter in this area. Pace explained that

there was a chapter called The Cotton Mission, and that he had been authorized to organize a new chapter of primarily younger men in the area.

Pace explained that the new chapter was to be called The Dixie Encampment Chapter, after which he asked the third (3) question, “After what significant historical site in this area is the new chapter named?” None of those being interviewed had heard of the Encampment Mall located in the interior of Dixie State College.

Pace then showed the prospective members the tentative schedule of meeting times and the location of the meetings—the local Country Club. Pace had designated the second meeting to be held in April 2010, as a “Trek,” defined as a visit to an historical site with an expert guest who could explain the historical significance of the site. The Trek was to be to the Encampment Mall, after which the new chapter was named, so that all members would know the historical significance of the site.

Pace then explained that the only requirement for joining the SUP was to accept the three mission statements. He read the three statements and asked the fourth (4) question: “Do you accept these mission statements?” Everyone responded positively.

9. Pace continued to make appointments with individuals living in adjacent areas and by February 5, 2010, he had completed interviews with 45 prospective members, with 35 firm members and 10 “maybe” members.
10. During the Month of January, He prepared descriptions of each of the Officer and Director positions in the new chapter. Six temporary officers were designated: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, and two vacant positions, President-elect and Immediate Past President, both to be filled by succession after the election of permanent officers in December of 2010, and five temporary Directors: Communications, Community Involvement, Member Services, Pioneer History, and Treks and Landmarks.
11. An initial Board meeting was set for February 14, 2010, following the identification of eight individuals to fill the positions and their acceptance of the responsibilities. Pace assumed the role of temporary President, with the election of a new President and President-elect in December of 2010 for the 2011 year, when he would become Immediate Past President.
12. During the first part of February 2010, he met with the Country Club Manager and negotiated a dinner menu and established a uniform cost per plate. The Manager also agreed to have the building open, arrange for a check-in table and chairs, provide a US flag on a stand, a podium and microphone for meetings, a head table, a piano, and tables for a guaranteed number of dinners. The Chapter was to guarantee a minimum number of plates by the Monday before the Thursday meeting, with a ten percent overage if needed.
13. The first Board meeting was held with only five officers and directors in attendance, with four apologies for absences due to Valentines Day and President’s Day holidays. Four officers and directors met with the President at his home and received the agenda, all handouts, and a special memento (a book of sayings published by Pace) for their willingness to serve in the positions.

- 14.** The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers agreed to the following:

 - a. To provide a Charter for the chapter to be presented by the National President, Gil Strasser, at the March 18, 2010, initial meeting.
 - b. To have the Area Vice President, David Hinton, conduct an induction ceremony of the Board at the initial meeting.
 - c. To allow the chapter to use the national logo in preparing envelopes, letterhead, and publicity for the chapter.
 - d. To provide the chapter a copy of the 501 (c) 3 tax exempt status letter for use in making purchases, such as dinners at the Country Club.
 - e. To process Membership Certificates as the names and dues of chapter members were submitted. Since Chapter did not collect applications and dues until the Chartering Meeting, Pace arranged to submit the Application for a Charter and pay the dues after the initial meeting was over.
 - f. To provide information about SUP pins and other designations.
- 15.** During March of 2010, Pace arranged to have one of his daughters, who was a graphic artist, prepare a Charter Member certificate. It printed, signed by the President and Secretary, and inscribed with the names of the 50 plus potential members. The certificates were distributed to members who attended the chartering meeting
- 16.** The initial meeting of the Dixie Encampment Chapter was held on March 18, 2010, at the Bloomington Country Club, St. George, Utah, but with only 16 members and a few spouses attending. This was, to Pace, a major disappointment, since he thought he had commitments from over 50 individuals and their spouses. Sixteen individuals signed the Charter Member list on that occasion. All of the temporary Board members were present, but not a single “younger” potential member attended the chartering meeting. This, again was a major disappointment. By the March 18 date, Pace had personally interviewed 75 individuals about joining the new chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, with about twenty-five (25) individuals rejecting the idea up front.
- 17.** Immediately following the chartering meeting, he pursued a plan to collect the applications and dues from as many of the 50 plus potential members as possible. He spent hours every day for two-weeks calling, leaving messages, failing to have calls returned, and eventually receiving rejections from eighteen (18) “younger” potential members, explaining that they just did not have the time to devote to the SUP. This left thirty-four potential members, plus two additional “older” persons who had heard about the formation of the new chapter in their Wards. Of the 36 actual potential members, only half or 18 had actually paid their dues. From March 18 to April 8, after almost daily phone calls, fifteen (15) additional members submitted applications and paid their dues, making a total of 33 members, with three individuals indicating that they would be mailing their applications and dues to Pace. The three delayed submissions were contacted again on April 8 about securing their applications and dues. One indicated that he had misplaced the application, so Pace delivered a copy to his home, and the other two did not reply.

18. Pace concluded that young men under the age of 50 may not be well-enough established in their professions and jobs to be able to devote the time and effort to participating in the Sons of Utah Pioneers, although they indicate a high level of interest in the organization. Eventually, thirty-five (35) individuals paid their dues and were designated Charter Members.

19. The initial appointees to Committee Chairs, officers, and directors in the Dixie Encampment Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers was as follows:

President: R. Wayne Pace

Chapter Training & National Convention Committee: vacant

President-elect: [R. Wayne Pace]

Attendance and Menu Committee: Ron Whitney, Chair

Music Committee: Karl-Erik Bennion, Chair; Blake Baker, member

Speaker's Committee: Art Partridge, Chair; Hal Anderson, member

Immediate Past President: [R. Wayne Pace]

Nominating Committee: R. Wayne Pace, Chair

Fundraising Committee: Kim Anderson, Chair

Secretary: Gary Gardner

Assistants: vacant

Treasurer: Travis Black

Assistant: vacant

Chaplain: Chad Utley

Remembrance Committee: Bob Jackson, Chair; Doug Callahan, member

Emeritus and Widows Committee: Brent Heaton, Chair

DUP Liaison Committee: Jan Furner, Chair; Ira McArthur, member

Director, Communications: Glenn Price

Publications Committee: David Merrill, Chair

Publicity Committee: David Hamblin, Chair

Pioneer Magazine Committee: Creed Evans, Chair

Director, Community Involvement: Kyle Wells

Scholarships Committee: Steve Black, Chair

Essays Committee: John Crosier, Chair

Government Relations Committee: Bob Knowlton, Chair

Director, Member Services: Paul Linford, Chair

New Member Recruiting: Brad Anderson, Chair

Chapter Insignia Committee: Andy Blazzard, Chair

Member Awards Committee: Gary Stanley, Chair; Scott Lovell, member

Director, Pioneer History: Aaron Larson
 Chapter History Committee: Brad Harr, Chair
 Name Memorialization Committee: Thad Twiss, Chair

Director, Treks and Landmarks: Dale Bott
 Treks Committee: Bob Cottam, Chair
 Markers Committee: Steve Foisy, Chair; Marc Mortensen, member

20. The individuals who were considered charter members of the Sons of Utah
 Pioneers, Dixie Encampment Chapter, consisted of the following:

Anderson, Brad	99 North Shadow Pt Drive, St. George, Utah 84770	680-1700
Anderson, Hal	881 W. Escalante, St. George, Utah 84790	674-2667 674-1600
Anderson, Kim	1775 S. 1570 E. St. George, Utah 84790	652-8168 674-1600
Baker, Blake	1039 So. 1080 West, St. George, Utah 84770	229-9720
Bennion, Karl-Erik	2284 So. 1260 W. St. George, Utah 84770	229-0494
Black, Stephen	403 Golf Cart Lane, St. George, Utah 84770	674-1163
Black, Travis	188 W. Sir Monte Drive, St. George, Utah 84770	229-1424
Blizzard, Andrew	806 Escalante, St. George, Utah 84790	673-9858
Bott, Dale	763 W. Crystal Place, St. George, Utah 84770	275-7833
Callahan, Douglas	2454 East Lake Drive, St. George, Utah 84790	688-8761
Cottam, Robert	1405 Navajo Drive, St. George, Utah 84790	673-0768
Crosier, John	918 W. Cimmaron Drive, Washington, Utah 84780	688-1866
Evans, Creed	785 W. Sir Monte Dr. St. George, Utah 84770	674-3746
Foisy, Steve	2105 So. Balboa Way, #8, St. George, Utah 84770	634-9158
Furner, Jan	2105 So. Balboa Way, #1, St. George, Utah 84770	688-8425
Gardner, Gary	2202 So. Southgate Hills Dr. St. George, Utah 84770	652-9224
Hamblin, David	199 W. 2025 S. Circle, #37, St. George, Utah 84770	229-6335
Harr, Bradley	1347 W. Bl'm'ton Drive So., St. George, Utah 84790	986-8415
Heaton, Brent	1497 Navajo Drive, St. George, Utah 84790	673-0934
Jackson, Robert B.	381 Damascus Drive, St. George, Utah 84790	674-1503
Knowlton, Robert Jr	476 Cynthia Lane, Santa Clara, Utah 84765	632-3335
Larson, Aaron	3050 Provost Road, St. George, Utah 84790	275-2130
Linford, Paul	1443 Fairway Road, St. George, Utah 84790	674-242
Lovell, Scott S.	623 North 1000 West, St. George, Utah 84770	619-2518
McArthur, Ira	2543 E. 2150 South South Circle, St. George 84770	688-8140
Merrill, David	563 W. 2040 South Circle, St. George, Utah 84770	656-3449
Mortensen, Marc	80 South 1300 West, St. George, Utah 84770	634-8334
Pace, R. Wayne	477 W. Rolling Hills Drive, St. George, Utah 84770	688-8114
Partridge, Art	774 W. Hampton Road, St. George, Utah 84770	674-5972
Price, Glenn	553 Del Mar, St. George, Utah 84790	688-1847
Stanley, Gary	2773 Tobin Circle, St. George, Utah 84790	628-7743
Twiss, Thad	2649 E. 1400 South Circle, St. George, Utah 84790	656-1774
Utley, Chad	2406 E. 130 North, St. George, Utah 84770	634-7696
Wells, Kyle	705 E. 1100 South, St. George, Utah 84770	275-4780
Whitney, Ronald	2253 So. Southgate Hills Dr. St. George, Utah 84770	986-2223

Calling Lists

Wayne Pace

Ron Whitney
Art Partridge
Hal Anderson
Karl-Erik Bennion
Blake Baker
Kim Anderson
Gary Gardner
Travis Black

Paul Linford

Brad Anderson
Andy Blazzard
Gary Stanley
Scott Lovell

Chad Utley

Brent Heaton
Bob Jackson
Doug Callahan
Jan Furner
Ira McArthur

Glenn Price

David Merrill
David Hamblin
Creed Evans

Dale Bott

Bob Cottam
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Marc Mortensen

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Brad Harr
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Kyle Wells

Steve Black
John Crosier
Bob Knowlton

Dixie Encampment Chapter

Meeting Schedule for 2010

March 18 (Thursday)	Organizing meeting, Bloomington Country Club; Speakers: Dil Strasser, National President, David Hinton, Area Vice President; Roland Lee, President, Cotton Mission Chapter
April 17 (Saturday)	2:00 p.m. Trek to Encampment Mall; discussion leader: Richard Schmutz, writer of a history of the St. George Temple and a prominent local resident.
May 20 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. First dinner meeting; speaker: Elder Russell Taylor, emeritus Quorum of the Seventy, local philanthropist, and Modern Pioneer.
June 17 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting; speaker:
July 15 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting; speaker:
August 19 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting; speaker:
September 18 (Saturday)	2:00 p.m. Trek to Sandstone Quarry (wear walking shoes); discussion leader: Heber Jones, volunteer, special collections, Dixie State College Library, and a prominent local resident. Organize Nominating Committee
October 21-23 (Thr-Sat)	1:00 - 8:00 p.m. National Convention, St. George Convention Center; Dixie Encampment Chapter to be presented at national.
November 18 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting; Nominating Committee present nominations for 2011 and Thanksgiving program
December 16 (Thursday)	7:00 p.m. Elections of 2011 Officers and Directors and Christmas program



Dixie Encampment Chapter
Sons of Utah Pioneers
Charter Meeting, Bloomington Country Club
March 18, 2010



**Board of Directors
Dixie Encampment Chapter
Sons of Utah Pioneers
Charter Meeting, Bloomington Country Club
March 18, 2010**



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Sons of Utah Pioneers
Charter Meeting, Bloomington Country Club
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**Robert Knowlton, Jr presenting memento's to
L-R Roland Lee, President, Cotton Mission Chapter,
David Hinton, Area Vice President, and
Dil Strasser, National President,
Sons of Utah Pioneers**



National Society of the
Sons of Utah Pioneers

This is to certify that

Aaron Larson

is a

CHARTER MEMBER

of

The Dixie Encampment Chapter

*in testimony whereof
the President and the Secretary
have hereunto set their hands and the seal of the Society
this 18th day of March, 2010.*



Wayne Pace
President

Aaron Larson
Secretary



Here is a picture of Chapter members during the Dixie Encampment trek to the Encampment Mall on Saturday, April 11, 2010. The only person NOT in the picture is Gae Pace, Wayne Pace's spouse, who took the picture.

Sons of Utah Pioneers
Dixie Encampment Chapter of the
Trek to the Encampment Mall
Dixie College, April 17, 2010

L-R

Front: Richard Schmutz, Miriam Schmutz, Creed Evans, Moss Jackson,
Robert Jackson.

Middle: Wayne Pace, Alice Cottam, Thad Twiss and daughter and son.

Back: Art Partridge, Nita Partridge, Robert Cottam, Ron Whitney, Aaron Larson,
Dale Bott, Anita Bott

Sons of Utah Pioneers
Dixie Encampment Chapter
Agenda for Board Meeting
9 May 2010

- 7:00 p.m. Call to order and welcome at 477 W. Rolling Hills Drive, St. George, Utah:
- 7:02 p.m. Opening Prayer: Paul Linford
- 7:05 p.m. Comments by President
- Reports from Board Members:
- 7:15 p.m. Secretary: Gary Gardner
1. Minutes of previous board meeting
 2. Proposals for Action:
- 7:20 p.m. Treasurer: Travis Black
1. Financial report
 2. Status of Dues Payments
 3. Proposals for Action:
- 7:25 p.m. Chaplain: Chad Utley
1. Remembrance Committee Assignments for May 20 Meeting:
 - Greeters
 - Invocation
 - Benediction
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Ill and incapacitated?
 2. Emeritus and Widows
 3. DUP Liaison
 4. Proposals for Action
- 7:35 p.m. Communications Director: Glenn Price
1. Publications Committee
 - Organization Chart
 - Newsletter
 2. Publicity Committee
 - New releases about Trek, Chapter, Meetings
 3. Pioneer Magazine
 - Non-member subscriptions
 - Gift subscriptions
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:45 p.m. Community Involvement Director: Kyle Wells
1. Scholarships Committee:
 - Scholarship at Tuachan High 2011
 2. Essays Committee:
 - Bloomington Elementary School 2011

3. Government Relations
Centennial Year Celebration
4. Proposals for Action:

- 7:50 p.m. Member Services Director: Paul Linford
1. Member Recruitment Plans
Each current member bring in one new member by May
 2. Chapter Insignia Proposals
 3. Awards
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:55 p.m. Pioneer History Director: Aaron Larson
1. Chapter History : Pictures and Reports on Events
 2. Name Memorializations
 3. Proposals for Action:
- 8:00 p.m. Treks and Landmarks Director: Dale Bott
1. New Chair of Marker Committee: Marc Mortenson
 2. Plans for Marker at Sandstone Quarry
 3. Report on Trek to Encampment Mall Saturday, April 17
 4. Plans for Trek to Sandstone Quarry: Heber Jones, Handout
 5. Proposals for Action:
- 8:10 p.m. President: Wayne Pace
1. Attendance at Dinner Meeting, May 20: Call Ron Whitney at 986-2223 by Monday prior to Thursday meeting and Ron calls Country Club.
 2. New Music Committee Chair: Blake Baker with Karl-Erik Bennion
 3. 4. SUP President's meeting, SLC, all day Sat May 22, Nat'l Hdqters
 5. Purchase, build handcart for use in 24th July parade
 6. Ladies session Thur Oct 21, 2:00-5:00 during Officer's Meeting
 7. Proposals for Action:
- 8:25 p.m. Review agenda for June 17, 2010, Dinner Meeting
1. Distribute Agenda
 2. Speaker for June Dinner Meeting:
 3. Gift for speaker [Kokopelli figure; secure from Hurricane]
 4. "Thanks" and Gift Presentation by Hal Anderson, Spkr's Committee
 5. Remembrance Committee assignments: prayers, pledge, greeters
- 8:29 p.m. June 13, 2010 Board Meeting, same time, same place
- 8:30 p.m. Closing prayer: Aaron Larson

David Patterson Speaks To SUP

The Sacrifice Of Pioneers For Their Religious Freedom Addressed

By David Hamblin

On Thursday evening The Dixie Encampment Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers held its monthly dinner meeting hosting David Patterson as their guest speaker. Mr. Patterson, a pioneer in his own right, was a decorated Air Force fighter jet pilot during the Viet Nam War and in the U.S. Air Force Reserves. He obtained his Law



Dave Patterson with Dixie Encampment Chapter member Steve Foisy and wife Theresa. Photo by Glenn Price

Degree at the University of Utah and practiced Law in the Salt Lake Valley for 23 years. Mr. Patterson has resided in the St.

George area for 10 years and is currently the Deputy Chief Attorney for Washington County.

In addressing the group

Mr. Patterson shared a moving and inspirational account of the many challenging trials and miraculous events which were experienced by the Willey and Martin Handcart Parties as they made their trek from England, across the Atlantic and then continuing on across the plains in treacherous conditions.

All who attended came away with a new appreciation for what the Pioneers sacrificed for their religious freedom and our way of life.

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David Hamblin

Sons of Utah Pioneers
Dixie Encampment Chapter
Agenda for Board Meeting
11 July 2010

- 7:00 p.m. Call to order and welcome at 477 W. Rolling Hills Drive, St. George, Utah:
- 7:02 p.m. Opening Prayer: Wayne Pace
- 7:04 p.m. Reports from Board Members
- 7:10 p.m. Secretary: Gary Gardner
1. Minutes of previous board meeting
 3. Proposals for Action:
- 7:15 p.m. Treasurer: Travis Black
1. Financial report
 2. Status of Dues & Dinner Payments
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:20 p.m. Chaplain: Chad Utley
1. Gary Stanley, Chair Remembrance Committee
 2. Remembrance Committee Assignments for June 17 Meeting:
Greeters:
Invocation:
Benediction:
Pledge of Allegiance:
 3. Ill and incapacitated?
 4. Emeritus and Widows
 5. DUP Liaison
 6. Proposals for Action
- 7:25 p.m. Communications Director: Glenn Price
1. Publications Committee
Organization Chart
Newsletter
 2. Publicity Committee
News releases about Trek, Chapter, Meetings
Senior Sample Press Release July 2
 3. Pioneer Magazine
Non-member, business subscriptions
Gift subscriptions
 4. Proposals for Action:

- 7:45 p.m. Community Involvement Director: John Crosier
2. Scholarships Committee:
Scholarship at Tuachan High 2011
 2. Essays Committee:
Bloomington Elementary School 2011
 3. Government Relations
Centennial Year Celebration
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:46 p.m. Member Services Director: Thad Twiss
1. Member Recruitment Plans
Each current member bring in one new member by August
 2. Chapter Insignia Proposals
 3. Awards & Recognitions: secure Kokopelli Figures from LaVerkin
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:55 p.m. Pioneer History Director: Aaron Larson
1. Chapter History: Pictures and Reports on Events
 2. Name Memorializations
 3. Proposals for Action:
- 7:56 p.m. Treks and Landmarks Director: Robert Cottam
3. Chair of Marker Committee: Marc Mortenson
 4. Plans for Marker at Sandstone Quarry
 3. Plans for Trek to Sandstone Quarry: Heber Jones, Handout
 4. Proposals for Action:
- 8:00 p.m. President: Wayne Pace
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 2. Report on SUP President's meeting, SLC, Sat May 22
 3. Volunteers to pull handcart in 24th July parade
 4. Volunteers to provide transportation to Ladies session
Thur Oct 21, 2:00-5:00 during Officer's Meeting;
Volunteer to conduct ladies session
 5. Proposals for Action:
- 8:25 p.m. Review agenda for July 15, 2010, Dinner Meeting
2. Distribute Agenda
 3. Speaker: Dr. Kenneth Baldridge; topic: History of CCC Camps
 4. Musical program: ; Gift for music people?
 4. Gift for speaker [Kokopelli figure; secure from LaVerkin]
 5. "Thanks" to speaker and vocalist: Ron Whitney
 6. Prayers, pledge, greeters:
- 8:29 p.m. August 8, 2010 Board Meeting, same time, same place
- 8:30 p.m. Closing prayer: John Crosier

SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS
DIXIE ENCAMPMENT CHAPTER
DINNER MEETING PROGRAM

JULY 15th, 2010

WELCOME: R. Wayne Pace

OPENING SONG: *Choose the Right*
Chorister: Melissa Bennion
Pianist: Karl-Erik Bennion

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Robert Cottam

INVOCATION: Dale Bott

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS & GUESTS

DINNER SERVED

BUSINESS: R. Wayne Pace

MUSICAL SELECTION:
Pioneer and Patriotic Songs
Vocalist: Robert Briggs
Accompanist: Kathleen Briggs

INTRODUCING SPEAKER: R. Wayne Pace

SPEAKER: Dr. Kenneth Baldrige,
"History of CCC Camps"

THANKS: Ron Whitney

BENEDICTION: Glenn Price

*N*EXT DINNER MEETING
THURS. AUGUST 18TH 7:00 P.M.

Sons of Utah Pioneers hear about the CCC

Submitted by
David Hamblin
Sons of Utah Pioneers

The Dixie Encampment Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers had its monthly dinner meeting on July 20 at the Abby Inn in St. George and participants were both entertained and enlightened.

The group was first entertained by Dr. Robert Briggs from Dixie State College, who performed a musical selection of pioneer and patriotic songs and was accompanied by his wife, Kathleen.

The keynote speaker of the evening was Dr. Kenneth Baldrige from Pleasant Grove, who offered a historic account of the Civilian Conservation Corp and the great impact it had on Utah and the rest of our great country.

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Photo: By Glenn Price

Left to Right: Dr. Kenneth and Kathleen Baldrige with Travis Black, a Charter Member (SUP)

C.C.C. Presentation for Sons of Utah Pioneers

On Thursday evening the Dixie Encampment Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers held its monthly dinner meeting at the Abby Inn in Saint George and were both entertained and enlightened. The group was first entertained by Robert Briggs from Dixie College, who performed a solo musical selection of pioneer and patriotic songs and was accompanied by his wife, Kathleen.

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David Hamblin

Sons of Utah Pioneers
Dixie Encampment Chapter
Agenda for Board Meeting
12 September 2010

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| 7:00 p.m. | Call to order and welcome at 477 W. Rolling Hills Drive, St. George, Utah: |
| 7:02 p.m. | Opening Prayer: John Crosier |
| 7:04 p.m. | Reports from Board Members |
| 7:10 p.m. | Secretary: Gary Gardner |
| | 1. Minutes of previous board meeting |
| | 4. Proposals for Action: |
| 7:15 p.m. | Treasurer: Travis Black |
| | 1. Financial report |
| | 2. Status of Dues & Dinner Payments |
| | 5. Proposals for Action: |
| 7:20 p.m. | Chaplain: Chad Utley |
| | 3. Gary Stanley, Chair Remembrance Committee |
| | 4. Remembrance Committee Assignments for August 19 Meeting: |
| | Greeters: |
| | Invocation: |
| | Benediction: |
| | Pledge of Allegiance: |

- 3. Ill and incapacitated?
 - 4. Emeritus and Widows
 - 5. DUP Liaison
 - 6. Proposals for Action
- 7:25 p.m. Communications Director: Glenn Price
- 1. Publications Committee
 - Organization Chart
 - Newsletter
 - 4. Publicity Committee
 - News releases about Trek, Chapter, Meetings
 - Senior Sampler Press Release last month
 - 5. Pioneer Magazine
 - Non-member, business subscriptions
 - Gift subscriptions
 - 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:45 p.m. Community Involvement Director: John Crosier
- 3. Scholarships Committee:
 - Scholarship at Tuachan High 2011
 - 2. Essays Committee: Bloomington Elementary School 2011
 - 3. Government Relations
 - Centennial Year Celebration
 - 6. Proposals for Action:
- 7:46 p.m. Member Services Director: Thad Twiss
- 1. Member Recruitment Plans
 - Each current member bring in one new member during Sept
 - 2. Chapter Insignia Proposals
 - 3. Awards & Recognitions: Kokopelli Figures from LaVerkin
 - 4. Proposals for Action:
- 7:55 p.m. Pioneer History Director: Aaron Larson
- 1. Chapter History: Pictures and Reports on Events
 - 2. Name Memorializations
 - 5. Proposals for Action: Have 2010 Year's History by Dec Meeting
- 7:56 p.m. Treks and Landmarks Director: Robert Cottam
- 5. Plans for Marker at Sandstone Quarry?
 - 2. Plans for Trek to Sandstone Quarry: Heber Jones, Handout?
 - 3. Proposals for Action:
- 8:00 p.m. President: Wayne Pace
- 2. Attendance at Sandstone Quarry Trek, 18 September: Call Ron Whitney at 986-2223 by Wednesday, Sept 15;
 - 3. Ron Whitney has agreed to arrange for transportation to Ladies session Thur Oct 21, 2:00-5:00 during Officer's Meeting;
 - 4. Travis Black has agreed to arrange for chairs to be set-up for Ladies session Thur Oct 21.
 - 4. Volunteer to conduct ladies session same date?
 - 5. New Member invitations need to increase; See Sept Deal—

effective to Dec 31, 2011. Individuals to re-contact list of those who indicated an interest in joining.

6. Proposals for Action: Accept list of nominees for 2011; new Board members should attend leadership session at national convention on Thur Oct 21 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.

7. New Business:

8:25 p.m. Review agenda for November 18, 2010, Dinner Meeting at Holiday Inn:

5. Speaker:
6. Musical program: ; Gift for music people?
4. Gift for speaker [Kokopelli figure; Pace secure from LaVerkin]
5. "Thanks" to speaker and vocalist: Aaron Larson
6. Prayers: pledge: greeters:

8:29 p.m. October 10, 2010 Board Meeting, same time, same place

8:30 p.m. Closing prayer: Glenn Price



**Dixie Encampment Chapter Trek to the Sandstone Quarry
Saturday, September 18, 2010**

**Wayne & Gae Pace
Ron & Sharon Whitney
Dale & Anita Bott
Robert & Nita Partridge**

**Thad Twiss & 3 children
Robert & Jacqueline Jackson
Ralph Atkin
Steve Foisy & Grandson**

**Creed Evans
James Zane
Ralph Atkin**



HISTORY AND HERITAGE

Ronald Whitney and R. Wayne Pace, charter members of SUP, take part in a recent trek to St. George Sandstone Quarry. COURTESY OF

STEVE FOISY

SUP visit Sandstone Quarry

By David Hamblin

For St. George Neighborhoods

The Dixie Encampment Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers recently enjoyed a short but inspiring trek to the St. George Sandstone Quarry.

The quarry, located near the Dixie Red Hills Golf Course, requires a short hike to access it but was well worth the trip, according to many of the SUP members.

Mormon pioneers came to St. George in 1861 where they found rocks of many different types which could be used for building purposes.

After LDS President Brigham Young instructed the settlers to erect a large meeting house, long layers of red sandstone ten inches thick were found in the ledges just north of town. Slabs of rock, loosened with wedges were loaded on the running gears of wagons and hauled to the

Tabernacle site.

In 1871, a black lava quarry was located to supply rock for the foundation of the St. George Temple and the stone for its walls came from the red sandstone quarry.

Stonework on both the Tabernacle and the Temple was completed by 1875.

The SUP Dixie Encampment Chapter is currently working on arrangements to place a historical monument at the site.

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**Sons of Utah Pioneers
Dixie Encampment Chapter**

Survey of Chapter Members

The purpose of this survey is to discover what changes should and could be made in the operations of the Dixie Encampment Chapter that would encourage and allow all members to be actively involved in the Chapter.

Your responses will be held confidentially. No responses will be associated with any names and all responses will be summarized in generalizations.

Background: The Dixie Encampment Chapter was organized in March of 2010 with thirty-five (35) members—30 new members and five members transferred from the Cotton Mission Chapter. The Chapter met at the Bloomington Country Club twice, but due to low attendance, the country club deemed it inadvisable to continue hosting the Chapter meetings. The chapter meetings were transferred to the Abbey Inn, but low attendance and excess charges made it necessary to select another meeting place. The Holiday Inn agreed to host the Chapter without attendance demands—they would serve any number. Attendance at the first meeting was about like other meetings—around 25 individuals, including a speaker and a pianist.

The Dixie Encampment Chapter has the potential of 70 individuals attending meetings, but we anticipate membership increases, so a larger attendance is possible. With only 23 out of 70 potential attendees, we are concerned about why others have chosen not to attend. Understandably, emergencies occur, at times other responsibilities interfere, and personal conditions pose some conflicts. Nevertheless, with advance planning, it would seem that on the whole most situations could be managed to allow nearly all of the Chapter members to attend meetings.

Questions:

- 1.If you have not attended most of the dinner meetings, why have you been unable to attend?

- 2.If you have been unable to attend most dinner meetings, what could the chapter do to allow you to attend regularly?

3. Whether you attend or not, what could the chapter do differently that would make the chapter and its meetings and activities more appealing to you?

4. What about the chapter—its administration, meetings, treks, committees, etc—appeals to you now and that you would like to have continued?

5. If you weren't active on a committee this year, would you be willing to accept an appointment to a committee next year? If so, do you have a preference for serving on a particular committee?

Please return the answers to these questions to Wayne Pace at wpace@infowest.com by **September 4, 2010**. Thank you for assisting us in better understanding this chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. If you can just save this questionnaire, then type your answers right on to this page, and send it back as an attachment, your answers would be expedited.



The opening banquet of the Sons of Utah Pioneers annual convention took place at the Dixie Convention Center in St. George. SUBMITTED PHOTO

SUP has its national convention in St. George

By David Summerhays

For St. George Neighborhoods

The 2010 National Convention of the Sons of Utah Pioneers took place Oct. 21-23 in St. George. It was hosted by the Cotton Mission Chapter with assistance from the Hurricane Valley and Dixie Encampment Chapters.

There were more than 300 people in attendance representing 33 chapters. The meetings and dinners took place at the Dixie Center, the St. George East Stake Center, the St. George Cultural Arts Building and the St. George Tabernacle.

On Oct. 21, the Leadership Training Meetings took place at the St. George East Stake Center. Dil Strasser, the national president, conducted the meetings. He asked for discussion/input on whether the Sons of Utah Pioneers should build and operate a museum. Many offers have been made to donate some extensive collections.

He then focused on the national conventions and how they can be improved. Should they be national or

regional conventions?

Glenn Price from the Dixie Encampment Chapter then gave a presentation on "40 Something." He discussed the needs of younger people with families versus activity in the SUP.

We then went into breakout sessions. Eric Rowland had a session on the SUP Web page. During the meetings, the wives participated in some get acquainted activities and then had presentations from Paul Moore, manager of the St. George Deseret Book Store, and Marc Mortenson, Assistant St. George City Manager.

The opening ceremonies and dinner took place in the Ballroom of the Dixie Center. Mayor Dan McArthur addressed the group, and Doug Alder, portraying Erastus Snow, gave a historical presentation about early life in St. George.

Oct. 22 was dedicated to four bus tours of local historic sites. All tours started at the Tabernacle where Erastus Snow (Leonard Stephensen), Jacob

Hamblin (Bob Thomley) and Brigham Young (Wayne Wright) showed up in costume and shared first-person accounts of the early days in St. George.

Following their delightful presentation, knowledgeable tour guides climbed aboard each bus and shared information about the historical sites.

A Dutch-oven dinner was provided that night at the St. George Cultural Arts Building.

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At the November meeting of the Chapter, held at the Holiday Inn, a new structure for the chapter was introduced. Glenn Price, Director of Communications, presented a slide show of the rationale and new structure of the chapter. This same presentation had been made at the President's Council at the National Convention held in St. George. Dr. Pace had met with the National Board of Directors during the Convention and received approval to convert to the new structure.

Current Structure of the Dixie Encampment Chapter

Officers

President

Local Administration, Chapter Training, National Convention

President-elect

Attendance, Menu, Music, Speakers

Immediate Past President

Nominations, Fundraising

Secretary

Records

Treasurer

Finances

Chaplain

Remembrance, Emeritus & Widows Liaison, DUP Liaison

Directors & Committees

Communications

Publications, Publicity, Pioneer Magazine

Community Involvement

Scholarships, Essay Contests, Government Relations

Member Services

Member Recruiting, Chapter Insignia, Member Awards

Pioneer History

Chapter History, Name Memorialization

Treks and Landmarks

Treks, Markers

New Structure of the Dixie Encampment Chapter

Executive Committee

Paul Linford, President; Ron Whitney, President-elect, Wayne Pace,
Immediate Past President; Gary Gardner, Secretary/Treasurer;
Glenn Price, Communications Dude/Coordinator

Heritage Teams

Pioneer Culture Team: Art Partridge, Leader; Chad Utley, Scribe ;

Members: Wayne Pace, Creed Evans,
Practical Arts: Medicine, education, architecture
Fine Arts: Music, art, dance, theatre, oratory
Sports & Recreation: Games, leisure activities

Pioneer Commerce Team: , **Team Leader;** , **Scribe;**

Members: Ron Whitney,

Agricultural and Ranching: Crops, animals, irrigation
Business & Industry: Founders, growth, diversity, types

Pioneer Settlements Team: , **Team Leader;** , **Scribe;**

Members: Paul Linford,

Politics : How Government Officials were chosen?
Who were they?

Engineering & Construction: How were towns founded?
How did cities grow?

Transportation & Travel: Roads & Modes?

Pioneer Lifestyle Team: Dale Bott, Team Leader; Travis Black, Scribe;

Members: Gary Gardner,

Religious & Spiritual: Folklore, LDS, other groups, structure, influence
Personality and Character: Personal traits, patterns, types

Team Processes

Teams meet and devise a way to keep in contact and to share information. Team members should decide on locations and meeting times and places and have them posted on a web site by the communications coordination team. Other teams may be created and some teams may disappear, making it necessary for Team Leaders and Scribes to keep the communications group informed about team meetings. Times and places might change frequently, but information about the changes must be fed into the communications group.

Members choose the teams with which they would like to be involved. Teams will probably not be static, but members may move to other teams from time to time. Team members should expand their membership by inviting other individuals of like interests to join with them and become members of the chapter. Some teams may invite spouses and children to be involved and other teams may work only with other members.

Team members should decide what issues, topics, and activities they would like to pursue. Team members might like to do research on an issue to find out information, meet and report on what was accomplished, and write up what they found. They might arrange to have specialists make presentations and point them in the direction to discover and experience the pioneer heritage of their team.

They might have discussions, socials, and visits to sites, museums, homes, businesses, and other places that would reveal the pioneer heritage. Teams should make every effort to find ways to “experience” the pioneer heritage in their areas of interest. Some teams might have picnics while other teams might choose to meet at the local library. Teams might share “family home evenings” on some Mondays or meet on Friday evenings for a social. Hopefully, all teams will experience a variety of activities.

Twice or three times a year, in March, maybe June, and December, the Executive Committee will plan circle-ups in which all teams—members, spouses, children, relatives, and other interested parties—will meet and share information about team activities and accomplishments.

Pioneer Heritage Festival

Wayne Pace presented a proposal to the new Executive Committee to sponsor a major event in the community, a St. George Pioneer Heritage Festival, which was approved. The idea was then introduced at a special meeting of the St. George community heritage year committee at the City offices, where it was endorsed with enthusiasm. The Festival would be conducted in conjunction with a Covered Wagon Train starting in Fillmore, Utah, following a pioneer trail down to Snow Canyon Park, into Santa Clara, and ending on October 14 at the Sun Bowl in St. George. The Festival itself would occur on Saturday October 15. The details of the Festival presented to the Dixie Encampment Board and the City Heritage Year committee are copied below:

St. George Pioneer Heritage Festival

The St. George Pioneer Heritage Festival will be held October 15, 2011
during the St. George Heritage Year celebration

Theme: “Experience” the St. George Pioneer Heritage

The 2011 Festival will feature events that occurred during
the 1861 – 1870 time period.

The Philosophy of the Festival

The Pioneer Heritage Festival will consist of historical exhibits, skits, tableaux, and portrayals of real, documented, historical events, activities, and happenings that actually occurred in the St. George area during the specified time period.

Pioneer Heritage Teams will be created by local organizations and sponsor the reenactments of events. Teams will identify an event, secure the resources of members of the St. George community, and reenact the event during the festival at a specified time and location. The events will be drawn from the full range of Pioneer activities in the

community, including music, theater, art, dance, speeches, transportation, sports and games, government, business, medicine, education, architecture, agriculture and ranching, engineering and construction, religious and spiritual folklore, and pioneer personalities and characters.

Hopefully, the full-range of pioneer experiences during the ten-year period will be reconstructed, enacted, and performed. This entire festival might be considered a major historical drama involving the entire community. This will not, however, be considered a pageant in the sense of other performances around the State. This will involve direct encounters with the local Pioneer Heritage. In addition, everyone will learn and sing, “Are You from Dixie?”

Teams within the community will reconstruct real events that occurred in the St. George community and at assigned times, performers will portray--in costumes—in short skits, actual events occurring during the time period. Participants will research and document real events and re-create those events in short skits in their assigned exhibit areas. Posters may show the historical sources of events and document the reality of the events, and narrators will explain the stories as they unfold.

Events will be derived from journals, diaries, letters, histories, and records possessed by community members, libraries, historical collections, books, and museums. Events may very well involve little-known actions of common members of the community, but events that can be documented as actually happening.

Structure of Teams

Teams should consist of a team leader, narrator, and performers.

The team leader becomes the “producer” of the event and helps secure the resources needed to produce the event.

The narrator describes the event and creates a script and directs the “show.”

The performers prepare costumes and enact the event.

Resources for Teams

The resources of the City of St. George, the Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Chapters of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, Dixie State College, Washington County libraries, and other organizations may be used to produce events; local historians, storytellers, and authors, and others may serve as consultants for selecting events to recreate as “Moments in History” from all parts of the community.

All aspects of the Pioneer Heritage of this area should be revealed and experienced, including games and recreation, the fine arts, the practical arts, construction projects, agriculture, government and politics, ranching, retailing, banking, mining, manufacturing, transportation and travel, religious practices and folklore, and pioneer personalities and characters.

Changes in Leadership of Chapter

On December 20, 2010, Paul Linford advised the Executive Committee that he was unable to continue as President for 2011 and resigned. Wayne Pace called a meeting of the Executive Committee early in 2011 to discuss succession procedures. Ron

Administration

Executive Committee

Chair: Aros Mackey

Members:

Ron Whitney, Dixie Encampment Chapter, SUP
Don Burton, Cotton Mission Chapter, SUP
Mariana Taylor, East Washington Co, DUP
Randy Andreason, Boy Scouts
Fred Fagergren, Southern Utah Heritage Choir
Susan Crook, Utah Heritage Foundation
Bonnie Percival, Dixie State College

Liaisons with cities, towns, municipalities in Washington County:

Alan Gardner, Washington Co. Liaison
Marc Mortensen, St. George City Liaison

Executive Producer

Aros Mackey

Production Committee

Volunteers to supervisor committees of Festival

Manager of Processional & Ceremonies
Manager of Food Vendors
Manager of Music—solos, groups, concerts
Manager of Recitations & Native American Performances
Manager of Dancing
Manager of Games
Manager of Skills/Crafts/Challenges
Manager of Costuming

Production Teams

Volunteers chosen by managers to implement Festival

Executive Director

Aros Mackey had recently moved from Rexburg, Idaho, where he was the 2010 Chairman of the Celebration of Liberty www.celebrationofliberty.org and the Co-Chairman of the Idaho International Dance and Music Festival www.rexcc.com/festival, making him an experienced Festival manager. As of March 1, 2011, Aros has taken over administration of the Southern Utah Pioneer Heritage Festival.

Dixie Encampment Chapter and the Southern Utah Pioneer Heritage Festival

Responsibility for the Festival has moved from the Dixie Encampment Chapter to its own Executive Committee. The Chapter will be involved in the Festival and serve as one of its founders, but the Festival has become a community event.

Elements of a Pioneer Heritage Festival

The following elements of a Pioneer Heritage Festival were presented at the meeting on January 31, 2011, and were adopted as the guidelines for conducting the Southern Utah Festival:

A Pioneer Heritage Festival

A Typical Pioneer Celebration Included:

1. **Brass Band - 10pc** (or more) (on vehicle if in parade) playing music from the pioneer era
2. **Food - (Authentic Recipes** by cooks w/ food-handlers permit) – can be local vendors
3. **Recitations** – poets, storytellers, re-enactors in skits [Note: UHC wants your oral histories!]
4. **Dancing** – contra-dances (i.e. Virginia Reel), quadrilles, schottishes, round dances
5. **Games** – graces, hoops, stick pull, small hand games, cricket, foot-races, standing broad jump
6. **Skill/Strength Challenges** – log saw, furrow plow, tug-of-war, horse competitions (pulling) – [Involve 4-H, Boy Scouts and other youth groups for service]
7. **Music** – choirs, soloists, ensembles – [Note: make sure you keep music separated by enough distance so sound does not conflict, or schedule them so they don't overlap]

Heritage Elements (that we need to add in order to make it genuine and interpretable):

1. **Pioneer costuming** (the more accurate, the BETTER)
2. **Native American dance, costuming*** *To honor the area tribal influence with skits, re-enactment, stories, songs, etc.
3. **Exhibits** – historical artifacts, photographs
4. **Re-enactors** (the more, the better)
5. **Skill/Craft Demonstrations & Participations:**
 - a. Smithing (blacksmith, tinsmith, etc.)
 - b. Woodworking
 - c. Medicine
 - d. Food Preparation (with some that audience can participate in)
 - e. Carpentry (to show authentic techniques and materials) [Note: Contact T.B.S.I. Traditional Building Skills Institute – www.snow.edu/tbsi/]
 - f. Weaponry
 - g. Sewing, spinning and weaving, etc.
 - h. Home tours
 - i. Soap-making
 - j. Doll-making (husk and rag)
 - k. Butter-making
 - l. Candle-making

Expansions -- things that can added to enhance the experience:

1. Old-time photographs--souvenirs

2. CDs --recorded before the event, pioneer songs and new songs about local events
3. DVDs -- Contact local college communication department to record the event
4. Books --i.e. pictorial history of events
5. A Petting Zoo – live animals
6. “**Story Road Utah**” – The radio show can be presented live at your event for future airing on KSL and/or others—Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts: 1-801-706-1997.

Tentative Schedule

A tentative schedule for the Festival appears below:

Southern Utah Pioneer Heritage Festival Schedule

Saturday, October 15, 2011

8:30 a.m.	All residents of Southern Utah assemble in pioneer costumes at the Encampment Mall, center of Dixie College.
9:00 a.m.	Processional begins, led by the Mormon Battalion Honor Guard, down 400 South, “Parade Street,” to 400 East and north to Worthen Park. Anticipate 10,000 costumed Pioneers in processional.
10:15	Post colors. Skits, recitations in assigned areas; performance by Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts at platform.
12:00 noon	Lunch by vendors of Pioneer food; Music by soloists, small groups of So Utah Heritage Choir.
1:00	Concert by Southern Utah Heritage Choir.
2:00	Pioneer Games at American Legion ball park across street north of Worthen Park. Boy Scouts of America
3:00	Demonstrations/challenges/skills/crafts and traditional building skills by Snow College TBSI. in the SunBowl.
4:00	Contra Dances on city street 300 South between 300 and 400 East.
5:00	Native American Stories and Dances in Worthen Park.
6:00	Dinner of Pioneer Food by Vendors in Worthen Park.
7:00	Brass Band Concert in Worthen Park.
7:30	Storytellers, poets, recitations of Pioneer incidents in Worthen Park.
8:00	Concluding Ceremonies.