SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS PROGRAM DIRECTORS TRAINING MAY 14, 2025

You are seeing a compilation of various public speaker sources which you can browse to see if they spark interest for your chapter. We begin with input from the chapters that responded, and we hope this will serve as a springboard of ideas that may help you.

Chapter Program Suggestions	
Brigham Young	Senior Scams
Brigham Young	Nauvoo Exodos
Centerville	9 Mile Cn.
Centerville	Bear River Massacre
Centerville	Lehi's travel route taken
Centerville	BH Roberts
Centerville	Haun's Mill
Maple Mountain	Daniel Wells
Maple Mountain	Lehi's travel route taken
Maple Mountain	Ukraine events
Mt. Nebo	Haun's Mill
Mt. Nebo	Nation & Indians -Conflicts & Peace
Mt. Nebo	Adam-Ondi-Ahman
Mt. Nebo	Utah County Search & Rescue
Mt. Nebo	Wasatch Front Earthquake Hazards & Preparation
Mt. Nebo	Polynesian Cultural Center
Mt. Nebo	Dream Mine
Ogden Pioneer	Encampment tour ideas
Ogden Pioneer	Ogden Mayor & leaders of other cities
Red Rock	United Order - Roger Chamberlain
Red Rock	Handcart Pioneers
Red Rock	Cotton Mission & Muddy Mission
Red Rock	Joseph Smith & Abraham Lincoln
Red Rock	Myan Traditions & Gospel Traditions
Red Rock	St. George paintings of Roland Lee
Sanpete	German POW Massacre in Salina, UT
Sanpete	Redmond Salt
Sanpete	Pony Express
Sanpete	Isaac Morely
Sanpete	Orson Hyde
Timpanogos	Japanese Internment Camp & Museum
Timpanogos	Pioneer music, dance, games
Upper Snake River	Constitution
Upper Snake River	Teton River & Dam
Upper Snake River	History of Idaho Falls
Mesa	Annual Game Night
Mesa	Just Serve - by local stake coordinator
Mesa	Mark Killian

Mesa	US Constitution
Mesa	Waldensian Pioneers in 1st Handcart company
Mesa	Frank LeSueur - LDS Author
Mesa	Virtual tour of National Air & Space Museum
Mesa	Pipe Springs history
Mesa	Using Technology To Do Your Family History
Mesa	Honeymoon Trail

Topics of Interest

I. LDS Church History
- A. Historic Sites -
  1. Nauvoo, IL
  2. Carthage Jail
  3. Restoration Work
  4. Kirtland, OH
  5. Harmony, PA
  6. Mormon Battalion
  7. Overland Trails
  8. Mormon Trail
  9. Oregon Trail
  10. Sea Travel
  11. Handcart Pioneers
  12. Promontory Point- Wedding of the Rails

II. Interesting Historical Topics
- A. Soft Rock Homes
- B. Opera Houses in Utah
- C. Indian Indentured Servants in Utah
- D. Historic Homes in a Community
- E. Japanese Internment Camp in Delta
- F. German Prisoner of War Camp in Salina, UT
- G. Pioneer skills in farming, construction, fabrics, fire
- H. Communication progress from letters to computers to AI
- I. The "Utah War" 1857-1858
- J. Utah Statehood Conflicts
- K. Woman's Suffrage in Utah

III. Creative Arts
- A. Sculpture
  - a. Presentations from Sculptors
- B. Painting
  1. Mediums – Oil, Water, Acrylics, etc.

2. Paintings of Historic Buildings
3. Crayon enlargements "Poor Man Art"

C. Photography Then & Now

IV. Native American Heritage

A. Tribes
B. Edible & medicinal plants used.
C. What pioneers learned from Native American friends
D. Native American Legends.

V. American History

A. World Wars I & II
B. Japanese Internment Camps
C. German P.O.W Camps
D. Civil War
E. Spanish-American War
F. Mormon Battalion

Sources of Speakers in Geographic Areas

I. Personal Acquaintances of Program Directors
II. Speakers from the National Organization
   a. Any National Executive Officers may be invited to Speak
   b. Pioneer Magazine Editor
   c. SUP Library or Monuments directors
III. National Publications References
   a. SUP Trail Marker (Monthly list of speakers of various Chapters)
   b. Pioneer Magazines…research past issues
   c. SUP Library, including Monuments & Pioneer Stories
IV. Museums (Speakers from staff of museums)

Blanding, UT	Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum
Blanding, UT	The Dinosaur Museum
Boulder, UT	Anasazi State Park Museum
Bountiful, UT	Bountiful/Davis Art Center
Brigham City, UT	Brigham City Museum of Art
Castle Dale, UT	Museum of San Rafael
Cedar City, UT	Frontier Homestead State Park Museum
Fairfield, UT	Stagecoach Inn
Fillmore, UT	Territorial Statehouse Museum
Kanab, UT	Hidden Dominguez Treasure
Lehi, UT	Museum of Natural History

Lehi, UT	Butterfly Biosphere at Thanksgiving Point
Moab, UT	Moab Museum
Ogden, UT	Union Station
Park City, UT	Kimball Art Center
Park City, UT	Park City Museum
Price, UT	Prehistoric Museum
Provo, UT	BYU Bean Life Science Museum
Provo, UT	BYU Museum of Art
Provo, UT	BYU Museum of Paleontology
Provo, UT	BYU Museum of People and Cultures
Riverdale, UT	Hill Aerospace Museum
SLC, UT	LDS Church History Museum
SLC, UT	Natural History Museum of Utah
SLC, UT	Utah Museum of Fine Arts
SLC, UT	Clark Planetarium
SLC, UT	Chase Home Museum
SLC, UT	The Leonardo
SLC, UT	Utah Museum of Contemporary Art
SLC, UT	DUP Pioneer Museum
SLC, UT	Fort Douglas Military Museum
SLC, UT	This is the Place Heritage Park
SLC. UT	Land Cruiser Heritage Museum
Springville, UT	Springville Museum of Art
St. George, UT	St. George Dinosaur Discovery
Vernal, UT	Utah Field House of Natural History State Park Museum
Wellsville, UT	American West Heritage Center

V. University Professors and Instructors

A. Brigham Young University

1. Religious Education Directory Online
2. Charles Redd Center for Western Studies
3. Departments

B. Utah Valley University

1. Departments
2. Institute of Religion

C. University of Utah

1. Departments
2. Institute of Religion
3. Camp Williams

D. Southern Utah State University

1. Departments
2. Cedar City Institute of Religion

E. Utah Tech University
    1. Departments
    2. St. George Institute of Religion
F. Weber State University
    1. Departments
    2. Weber Institute of Religion
G. Utah State University
    1. Departments
    2. Logan Institute of Religion
H. BYU Idaho - Rexburg, ID
    1. Departments- LDS Church History
    2. Institute of Religion
I. Idaho State University in Pocatello
    1. Departments
    2. Pocatello Institute of Religion

VI. Returned Mission Presidents, Senior Missionary Couples, Returned Missionaries
VII. Outstanding Citizens in the Community…Mayors, City Council, City Leaders
VIII. Historical Societies

A. Utah State Historical Society – SLC, UT
B. Utah County Historical Society – Provo, UT
C. Utah Historical Society – Millcreek, UT
D. Draper Historical Society – Draper, UT
E. Washington County Historical Society -- St. George, UT
F. Ogden Historical Society – Ogden, UT
G. Logan Historical Society – Logan, UT
H. Preservation Utah – SLC, UT
I. Daughters of Utah Pioneers International – SLC, UT
J. National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers – SLC. UT
K. Old Spanish Trail Association – Cedar City, UT
L. (239 historical societies and organizations in Utah)

IX. Former Governors & Leaders
X. Individuals Who Have Prepared a Unique Presentation
XI. Scholarship Recipients
XII. Entertainment for a Christmas Program
XIII. Modern Pioneer Recipients
XIV. Live Virtual Tours by Missionaries at Historic Sites (LDS Church Website)

a. Sacred Grove
b. Priesthood Restoration Site
c. Historic Kirtland-Joseph & Emma's home – Ashery, Sawmill, Schoolhouse
d. Historic Kirtland – Whitney Store, Whitney Home, Johnson Inn
e. Johnson Farm, Carthage Jail, Historic Nauvoo: Temple City

XV. ZOOM Chapter Meeting with Presenters from distant places.

Duties of Chapter Program Directors

After a speaker has been arranged…

1. Obtain a picture and BIO of the speaker to be used to prepare invitations and introductions
2. Ensure that appropriate advertisements about the speaker are sent to members such as Newsletters, text messages, letters, email, etc.
3. Arrange for any special equipment or facilities for speakers- computer set up, video projector, amplification, etc.
4. Follow-up with speakers to confirm presentation.
5. Obtain thank you notes, certificates or awards for the presenter.
6. Send appreciation letters after the event.
7. Assist in any other program needs as directed by the Chapter Board.

We hope this report has given you ideas for your chapter. This report can be updated on occasion. If you know of ideas that were not mentioned, just contact either of the following: Dan Adams 801-792-8066, or LaRon Taylor 801-616-2714.