

A World of Friends Is a World of Peace

4 Tips for Taking Better Phone Photos

- Include family/friends in photos. You can always google a picture of Yellowstone but not your kids.
- Always look at the light source. When light is behind subject, rather than in front, the background is exposed, but faces are darkened by shadows.
- 3. Learn the "Rule of Thirds". Rather than center your subject in the scene, place subject in the righthand, lefthand, top or bottom third of the image.
- 4. Play with phone features. For most photos, regular camera mode is fine. For capturing people and closeup subjects, use portrait mode as this will blur the background and make subject pop. Use the panorama for stunning scenery

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General Meeting: May 20, 2025

Where: SL Government Complex Cafeteria

2100 S State, S building, SLC

Time: 5:30 PM Potluck Supper

Remember to bring your plate, utensils & cup/glass

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6:30 PM Meeting & Program

Program: Memories of Patagonia and tips on how to successfully photograph your journeys

David Stillman

David is a retired University of Utah Professor who studied mechanisms of gene regulation in the Department of Pathology and has a blog devoted to Travel and Photography. He developed his love of travel under the influence of his wonderful wife Susan (who passed away last year). David discovered his passion for photography during their travels.

His recent travels have included a tour to Japan, a March camping trip to Arizona, and a December trip to Patagonia sponsored by the U's Go Learn program.

Alert Travelers

Check your driver's license to be certain it is REAL ID compliant for travel. . https://dps.utah.gov/news/updated-real-id-information-april-15-2025

Check your passport to be certain it is up-to-date for travel.

About our Club

Club meetings are held the third Tuesday of January, March, May, September & November in the cafeteria of the Salt Lake Co. Government complex, 2100 S State St, South Building. Use east entrance at north end of South Building. If door is locked, sign in at North Building and get directions to the cafeteria. July picnic, place to be determined.

2025 Officers & Board Members

To Contact officer below, send e-mail to

UtahFriendshipForce@gmail.com

Team Leader— Judy Cohen

Secretary — Temporarily Annie Eastmond

Treasurer—Judy Cohen

Social Chair—Jeanne Leigh-Goldstein

Membership— Susan Worley

Member-at-Large—Carol Milliken

Member-at-Large—Elizabeth (Betsy) Heath

Technology—Margret Boes-Ingraham

Newsletter Editor—Dana Hughes

Calendar of Events

May 20— General Meeting & Potluck

Salt Lake Co. Government Complex,

2100

S State St, South Building.

July 15—Annual picnic

Washington Park, Lower Pavilion 7945 E Mountain Dell Golf Rd.

2025 Incoming Journeys

June 7-14 — Oita Japan Club

Co-coordinators Annie & Dan Eastmond

September 6-12 — North East Ohio Club

Co-coordinators: Lynn Muller, Donna Paulson

2025 Outgoing Journeys

August 4—10 Trujillo Peru Club

August 10-16 Tarapoto Peru Club

Coordinators: Carol Milliken, Margaret Boes-Ingraham, Julia Navarro

October 8-13 — Greater Cincinnati, Ohio

Treasurer's Report – May, 2025

Currently the club account balance is \$6,788.85. Of that amount \$3,000 plus is reserved for the costs associated with the journey to Peru in August, 2025.

Judy Cohen

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Summer Picnic—July 15, Washington Park

We will have our summer picnic at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, July 15th at Washington Park up Parley's Canyon. At this time in the season, we will probably welcome the cooler temperatures in the canyon. Barbecued chicken and beef, buns, ice and water will be provided. Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to share. This is always a very fun, relaxing event. Also, since we are in the habit, bring your own plate, silverware, and cup. If you forget, the club will provide. Come join us!

Directions: Head east on I-80 through Parley's Canyon. Take exit 134, turn left toward E Canyon. Turn right on E. Mt. Dell Road. Continue on this road past golf course to Washington Park entrance. Proceed to Lower Pavilion.

Leadership Team Report

Welcome to Spring. The club has recently received our 2026 journey assignments from Friendship Force International. We will be hosting the Florida Sun Coast club in 2026. Our outbound journey will be to Cedar Rapids-Iowa City, Iowa in May of 2026.

Because there were more requests for non-domestic outbound journeys such as the British Isles than there were available hosts, Friendship Force International was unable to honor all requests. We will send out a copy of the information the club received with a more detailed explanation of their decision process in a future email.

Judy Cohen

Outgoing Journey to Peru — August 2025

Twelve members of our club are going to Trujillo, Peru. Fourteen club members will be on the Journey to Tarapoto, Peru and on the tour following the home stays to Machu Picchu. We will have six nights of homestays in each city.

Margret Boes-Ingraham

Outgoing Journey: Cincinnati in October 2025 - October 8 - 13

Come to Cincinnati this October. The Cincinnati club wants to share their city, history, and cultural celebrations with us. Enjoy a full day at the American River Roots Festival, a 250 year anniversary of the riverboats that ply our eastern rivers even today. We would also visit historical sites, enjoy great food, and make new friends. Remember they are the same folks who treated us to a great party when we hosted their club a few years ago.

Judy Cohen

We Need Your Help for the Japan Incoming Journey June 8—June 14

If you aren't already helping, please contact the Eastmonds or one of these coordinators:

<u>Day Hosting/Transportation -- Judy Cohen - 801-582-2431</u>

Welcome Party -- Kris Hill 801-598-4417 and Susan Hilton 801-889-3330

Farewell Party -- Falene Loveland 801-953-8455 and Donna Mirabelli 801-884-3544

Dinner Groups -- Anne Lemmon 801-266-5082

Journey Coordinators—Annie & Dan Eastmond

801-859-9601 annieeastmond@gmail.com, 801-859-1151 deastmond2@gmail.com

INBOUND JOURNEY #25029: Oita, Japan, June 7th to 14th

Our 10 new friends from Japan will soon arrive!

June 7 -- Delta 1647 -- approx. 4pm



Most are from Taketa, a beautiful rural area (population 19,456) in Kyushu prefecture (county) on Kyushi, the southern most island. They range in age from 65 to 77, physically active with no health concerns. Beyond traveling, their interests include: classical music, cooking, photography, "walking in wild places," gardening, knitting, weaving, sewing, drawing, reading, table tennis, regular tennis, theater, golf, hiking, calligraphy, gym workouts, and playing musical instruments (the flute and ocarina).



Welcome Party - Sunday June 8, 4pm -

Potluck (bring side dish) - Main dish provided 745 W. Club Oaks Dr., Sandy Utah 84070 (approx. 9100 S. 700 W.) – condo clubhouse

Watch for an emailed Potluck signup survey this month. Program to follow.

Farewell Party – **Friday June 13, 6pm** – same address – food provided.

Our Japanese guests will share a dance and song. We will enjoy a singalong together!

Be sure to come to both parties even if you aren't hosting.

RSVP would be appreciated for coordinators to get a good count for food. There will be a clipboard at the May 20th meeting but you can also text or call Annie at 801-859-9601.

Journey Coordinators—Annie & Dan Eastmond

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