

FF-Utah President's Message



WOW! What a great journey we had in October! The folks from Montreal were lots of fun and our tight, five-day agenda was perfection! I want to personally thank Margret and Lynn for the Park City Day, and Donna and Ron for the great Downtown Day. They really loved the hike around Silver Lake at Brighton, too. That whole week we had great weather and clear skies, so each activity worked out. Sunday with Kathleen as host for the Temple Square Tour, and Judy and others for the Antelope Island trip, all made that day another successful adventure. Yves, the ambassador coordinator, said this was the best journey he had been on! I think we should duplicate this agenda next time!

And we couldn't have done it without the home hosts, day hosts and dinner hosts. Thank you all.

Once again I find myself amazed at the promise and success of Friendship Force. I now have friends in Montreal. And they know a couple that came to Utah for the Peaks to Plains Global journey a few years ago, and a friend I met on the Morocco journey last year also is in the Montreal Club. Then to top it off, one of the people who has signed up to join us on our Global Utah Parks journey in 2019 reported that she had been hosted in Montreal by my friends Yves and Christiane, leaders of their club and region!

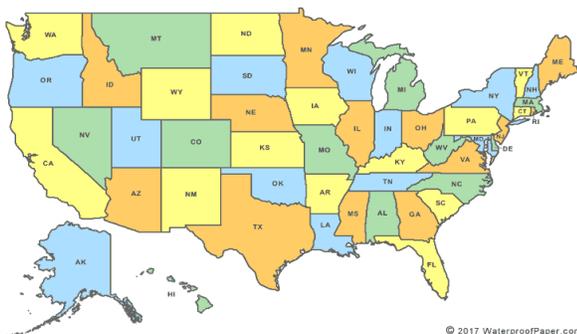
We truly are Peace Ambassadors as we meet and host, and develop friends from other parts of the world. I hope you will write to your new friends in Montreal. I just wrote to my home hosts in Schwerin, Claus and Almut, who got me interested in helping refugees, as they have with Syrians.

FACES NOT PLACES!

Jennifer

What part of the U.S. are you interested in visiting or hosting?

We need to look for a domestic journey for next year, both incoming and outgoing.



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Global Utah Parks Journey

April 28th—May 9th

We have 22 excited ambassadors from around the country and world who plan to visit the Utah Parks next spring (April 28th). They want to stay in your home for one night at the start of their visit, and one night after their visit (May 9th). Who cannot manage that?



We Can Do It!



About our Club

Club meetings are held the third Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November at 2001 South State Street, SLC. Use the East entrance at the north end of South Building where free parking is available. If the door is locked, go to the North building, sign in and get directions to the Atrium.

Social, 5:45 PM ; Meeting, 6:30 PM

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Calendar of Events

2018

FF-Utah General Meeting:

November 20, City/County Gov Bldg.

Incoming Journey 2018

Holiday Party

Provisions Restaurant “Cabin” December 11

2019

Incoming Global Journey 2019

Discover Utah’s National Parks- April 28 –May 9

FF International Conference 2019

Boulder, Colorado —July 23—27th

Outgoing Journey 2019

Tamworth, Australia/ Thames, New Zealand

November, 2019

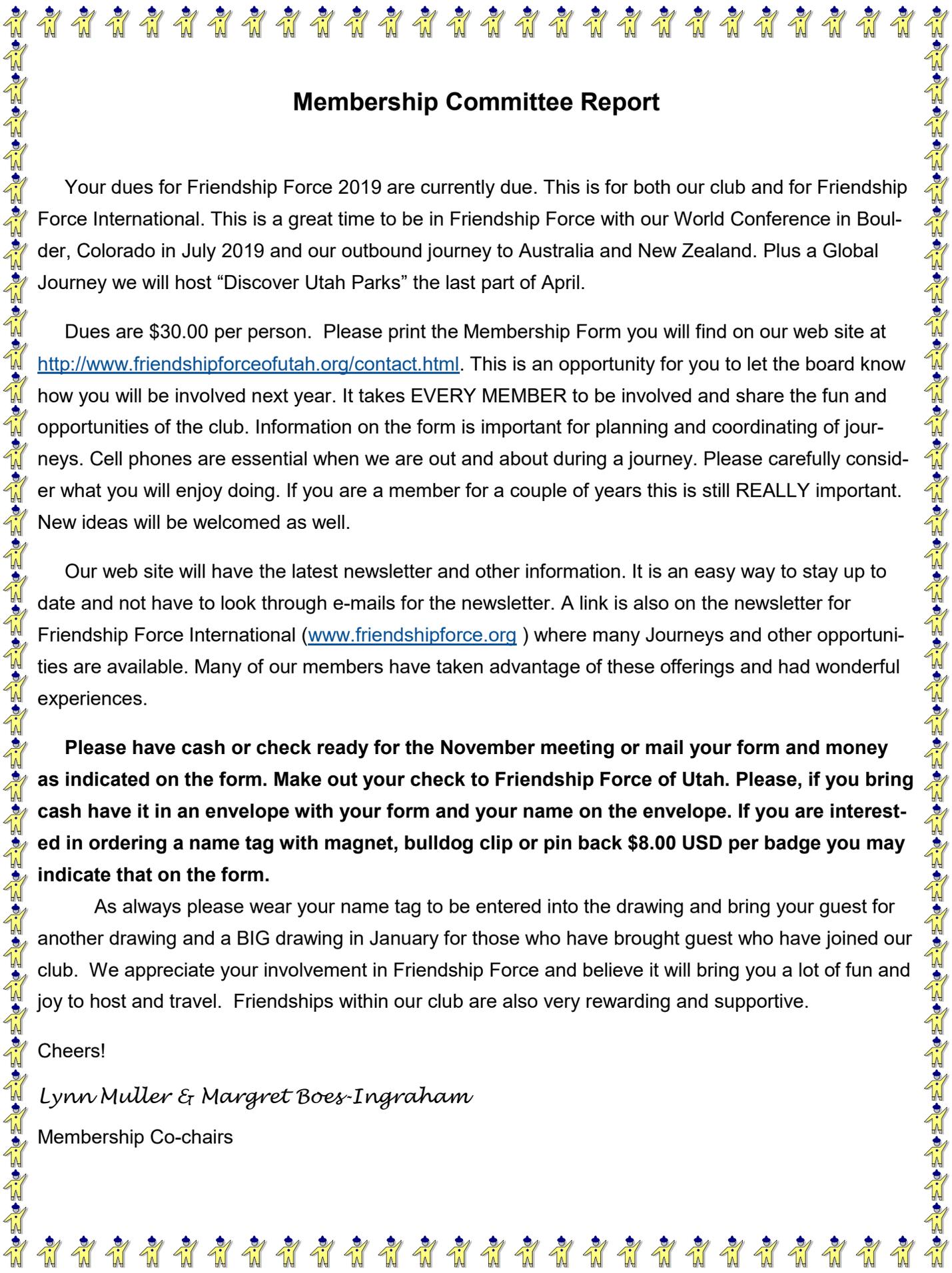


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Membership Committee Report

Your dues for Friendship Force 2019 are currently due. This is for both our club and for Friendship Force International. This is a great time to be in Friendship Force with our World Conference in Boulder, Colorado in July 2019 and our outbound journey to Australia and New Zealand. Plus a Global Journey we will host "Discover Utah Parks" the last part of April.

Dues are \$30.00 per person. Please print the Membership Form you will find on our web site at <http://www.friendshipforceofutah.org/contact.html>. This is an opportunity for you to let the board know how you will be involved next year. It takes EVERY MEMBER to be involved and share the fun and opportunities of the club. Information on the form is important for planning and coordinating of journeys. Cell phones are essential when we are out and about during a journey. Please carefully consider what you will enjoy doing. If you are a member for a couple of years this is still REALLY important. New ideas will be welcomed as well.

Our web site will have the latest newsletter and other information. It is an easy way to stay up to date and not have to look through e-mails for the newsletter. A link is also on the newsletter for Friendship Force International (www.friendshipforce.org) where many Journeys and other opportunities are available. Many of our members have taken advantage of these offerings and had wonderful experiences.

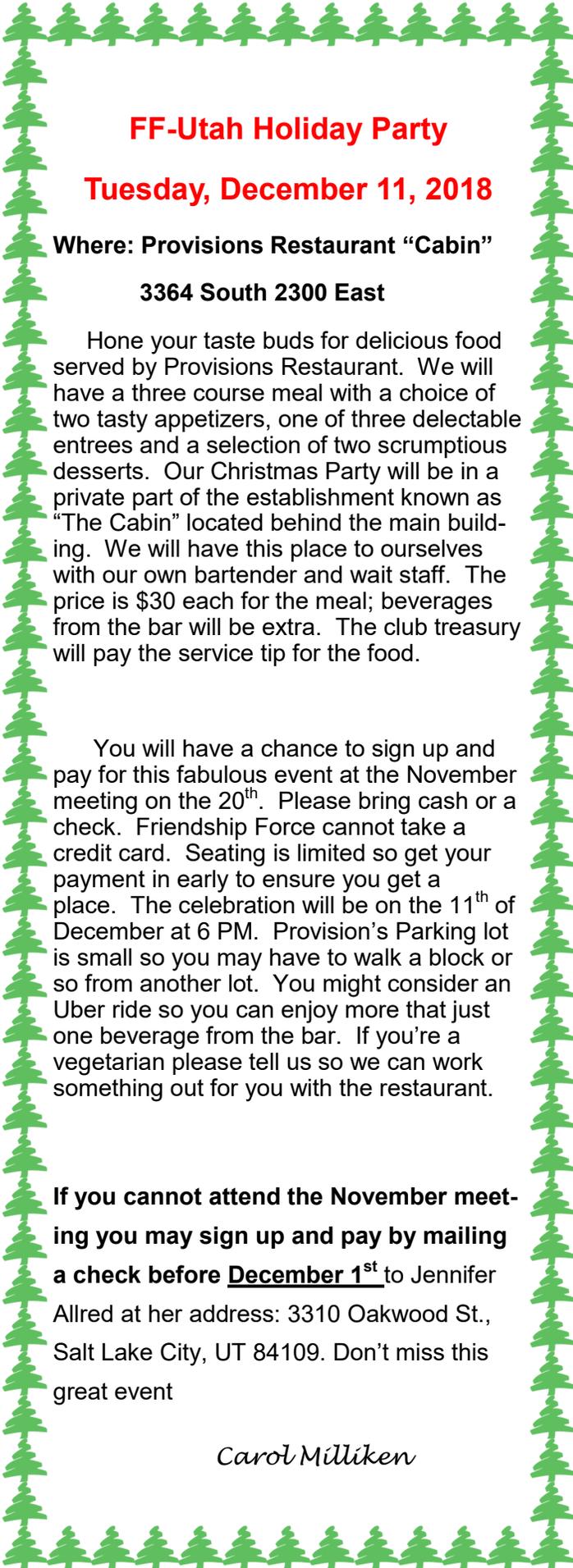
Please have cash or check ready for the November meeting or mail your form and money as indicated on the form. Make out your check to Friendship Force of Utah. Please, if you bring cash have it in an envelope with your form and your name on the envelope. If you are interested in ordering a name tag with magnet, bulldog clip or pin back \$8.00 USD per badge you may indicate that on the form.

As always please wear your name tag to be entered into the drawing and bring your guest for another drawing and a BIG drawing in January for those who have brought guest who have joined our club. We appreciate your involvement in Friendship Force and believe it will bring you a lot of fun and joy to host and travel. Friendships within our club are also very rewarding and supportive.

Cheers!

Lynn Muller & Margret Boes-Ingraham

Membership Co-chairs



FF-Utah Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Where: Provisions Restaurant "Cabin"

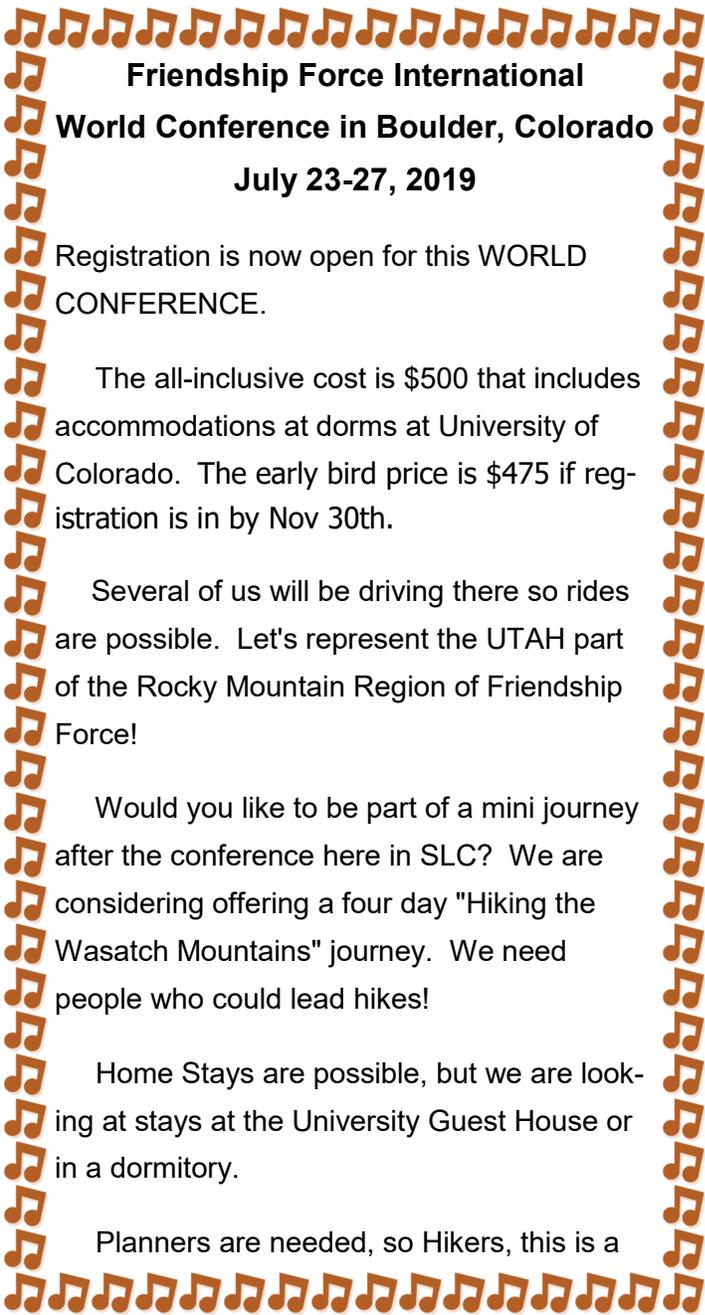
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Hone your taste buds for delicious food served by Provisions Restaurant. We will have a three course meal with a choice of two tasty appetizers, one of three delectable entrees and a selection of two scrumptious desserts. Our Christmas Party will be in a private part of the establishment known as "The Cabin" located behind the main building. We will have this place to ourselves with our own bartender and wait staff. The price is \$30 each for the meal; beverages from the bar will be extra. The club treasury will pay the service tip for the food.

You will have a chance to sign up and pay for this fabulous event at the November meeting on the 20th. Please bring cash or a check. Friendship Force cannot take a credit card. Seating is limited so get your payment in early to ensure you get a place. The celebration will be on the 11th of December at 6 PM. Provision's Parking lot is small so you may have to walk a block or so from another lot. You might consider an Uber ride so you can enjoy more than just one beverage from the bar. If you're a vegetarian please tell us so we can work something out for you with the restaurant.

If you cannot attend the November meeting you may sign up and pay by mailing a check before December 1st to Jennifer Allred at her address: 3310 Oakwood St., Salt Lake City, UT 84109. Don't miss this great event

Carol Milliken



Friendship Force International

World Conference in Boulder, Colorado

July 23-27, 2019

Registration is now open for this WORLD CONFERENCE.

The all-inclusive cost is \$500 that includes accommodations at dorms at University of Colorado. The early bird price is \$475 if registration is in by Nov 30th.

Several of us will be driving there so rides are possible. Let's represent the UTAH part of the Rocky Mountain Region of Friendship Force!

Would you like to be part of a mini journey after the conference here in SLC? We are considering offering a four day "Hiking the Wasatch Mountains" journey. We need people who could lead hikes!

Home Stays are possible, but we are looking at stays at the University Guest House or in a dormitory.

Planners are needed, so Hikers, this is a

Thanks to Xmission

Please be advised Xmission is hosting our web site www.friendshipforceofutah.org with a complimentary service as a non-profit 501-C3 corporation. This is very generous of Xmission to support local non-profits in this manner. We hear often to support local businesses and Xmission is taking this to heart. As we have Journeys in Salt Lake City and the surrounding area we also strive to support local businesses and other non-profits. If you have a chance to thank Xmission personally please give them a shout out for Friendship Force and thank them for their service. Recommending Xmission to others will also be appreciated. *Margret Boes-Ingraham*

Hosting Activities with Ambassadors from Montreal

On Saturday, the FLEX day, we drove our Montreal guests, Andree & Mario, to Sundance with the goal taking a nice ski lift ride up the mountain to get a great view of the Fall colors. Unfortunately, Sundance had closed down the tram the week before to service it for the upcoming ski season....and they never told us about it....how rude!! So, instead we had a light lunch at the Sundance restaurant, visited the gift store, and also directed them to the area in the same building which told the story of how Sundance was created by Bob Redford and Paul Newman after their blockbuster movie, "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" was completed. The drive to and from Sundance was ablaze with Fall colors, we just didn't get the "aerial" view we wanted from the ski lift!

On Sunday, after we went to the Tabernacle to hear the Choir and visited the Conference Center, we departed for Antelope Island. It was a journey back in time when we visited the Garr Ranch and its many buildings and the horse corral. Due to the light crowd, we had time and access to visit with several ranch employees who provided us with more information about the ranch, during its "hay-day!! We picked up a brochure that went into great detail about the working Ranch from 1848-1981.

The trip was great! The guests enjoyed the trip and we saw many Bison.

Ron & Polly Toth

Hank and I had a splendid time entertaining our Montreal guests at our Saturday night dinner party. Our 4 visitors were a lively group, who enjoyed a social hour before our meal. They ate and drank and were complimentary about everything offered. We also had the opportunity to know their home hosts (Ron and Polly Toth and Rose Novak) better. Conversation flowed easily and we lingered over dessert and coffee despite their busy schedules of the previous days and the early morning plans for Sunday. Because the Toths and Rose contributed salad and dessert, it was easy to prepare and serve dinner for the 9 of us. We look forward to our next chance to host.

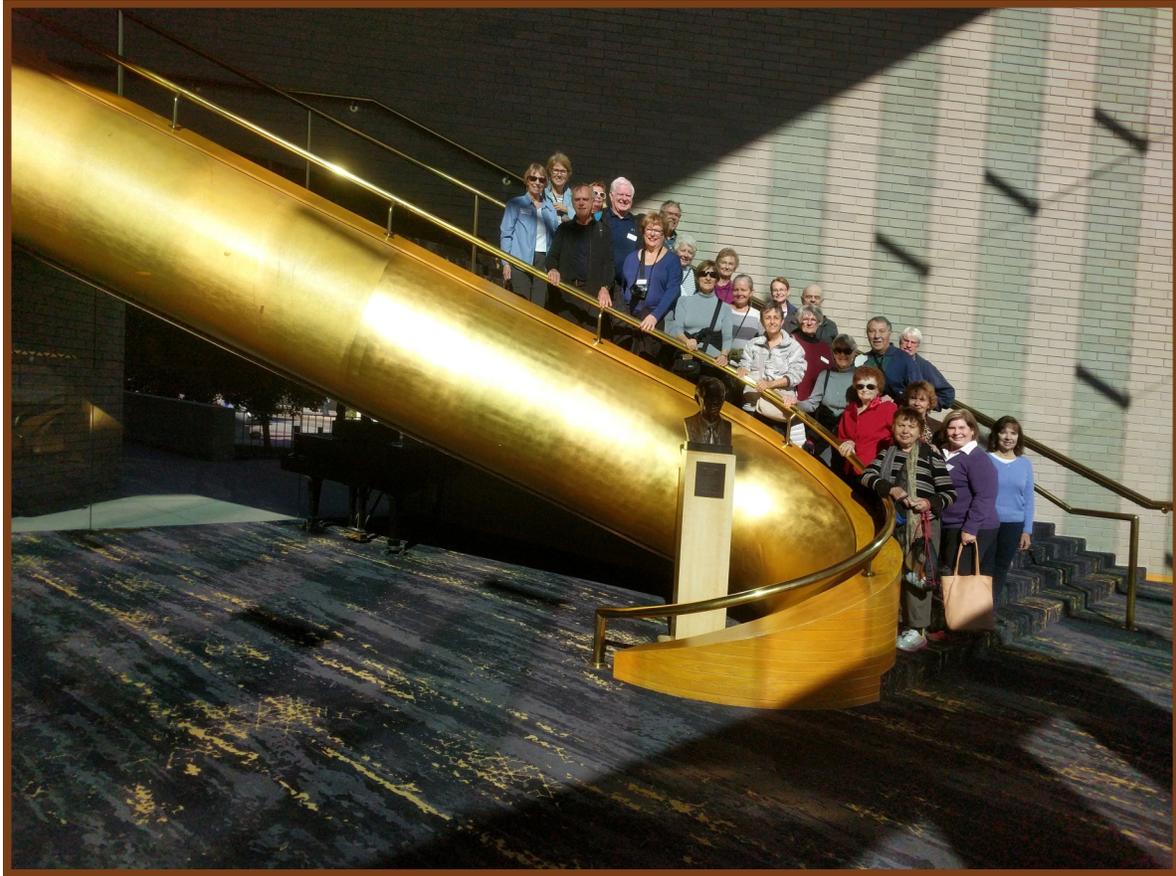
Anne and Hank Lemmon

"WE had a great time sharing our magnificent mountains and historic downtown with the Canadians from Montreal. They learned so much at the tour of the Capitol and then were amazed at the crystals and gold leaf and blown glass sculpture at Abravanel Hall, and that it is one of only 15 full-time symphonies in the states. We had a lovely lunch at the Lion House before we all met up at Brighton for our hike around Silver Lake. Although it was covered in lightly-packed snow, most made it all around the lake and we heard a lot of "Wow's" about the gorgeous high peaks. Their enthusiasm made it a fun experience for all."

Donna and Ron Smith



Photos from Montreal, Canada Journey to Salt Lake City



Farewell Dinner

The Farewell Dinner was held at the Bohemian Brewery in Midvale. Thirty-nine FF-Utah members and the ambassadors from Montreal attended. All had a good time.