



Calgary in 2012: Come Join Us!



As program co-chairs of the forthcoming 47th annual conference of the Mormon History Association, we are genuinely excited about what promises to be a most exciting event, at a most exciting time, and in a most exciting place. Scheduled for next June 28-July 1, 2012 at the MacEwan Conference and Event Centre at the University of Calgary in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, this conference will have for its theme, "Mormonism in Its Expanding Global Context: Invitations to New Interpretations and Understanding."

Besides the centennial anniversary celebration of the world-famous Calgary Stampede which every year attracts tens of thousands of visitors to the Wild Rose Province and which, by the way, will be held just days after our conference, we expect a small stampede of our own. For beginners, the year 2012 marks the 125th anniversary of the establishment of the first Mormon settlement on Lee's Creek (later Cardston) in southern Alberta by Charles Ora Card. Some 80,000 Latter-day Saints now live in Alberta and for decades have been instrumental in spreading Mormonism across the "Dominion." Furthermore, the Community of Christ has a large and dynamic presence in Alberta, mirroring a long history of earlier growth in Ontario. Everyone connected with the Restoration Movement will recall that Joseph Smith visited Upper Canada as early as 1832, that John Taylor was converted here, that Nathan E. Tanner and Hugh B. Brown came from Alberta, and that Grant McMurray, former president of the Community of Christ, was born in London, Ontario. In short, Mormonism in all its many multiplying facets and dimensions and Canadian history rich in linguistic and ethnic diversity have much in common. What better place than Calgary to celebrate on 1 July the 145th anniversary of Canadian Confederation? So come celebrate with us as we explore the confluences of religious and international thought and practice.

Originally established in 1875 as Fort Calgary by the Northwest Mounted Police, Calgary has become a thriving metropolitan center to many of Canada's most successful oil, gas and transportation businesses. Even the great Canadian Pacific Railway which tied this nation together in 1881 recently transferred its headquarters from Montreal to Calgary! Building upon last year's theme of global transformations, we intend to capitalize on Calgary's dynamic setting, a place to study together the history of Mormonism in fresh, new ways.

Canada is a richly diverse and cosmopolitan nation and as such beckons the immigration of new viewpoints on Mormon history. International studies of the Mormon experience and comparative studies with other faiths and their environments should prove stimulating. Some of the many topics we envision are how have media and the new era of electronic digitization influenced the print culture of Mormon history and historical research? What influence has



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internationalization had on church structures and local memberships as well as on interpreting our histories? To what extent have U.S. politics defined the international understanding of Mormonism? How might various disciplinary lenses such as lived religion, theology, praxis, gender, race and ethnicity shape and reshape our understanding of the Mormon past? Beyond the standard North American perspective, how have local cultures, challenging economics, and national politics affected our interpretations?

The specific junction of Canadian and Mormon history also begs scholarly inquiry. From the many submissions so far received, many papers will address the history of Mormonism in Canada. Some possible presentations: how did railroads impact Mormon migration to Alberta? What unique legal and social challenges did Mormon polygamy encounter in Canada? How does the current debate in the Supreme Court of Canada over plural marriage challenge historical interpretations? How have the Restoration Movements developed/diverged in Canada? And perhaps most intriguingly, what of the challenges secularization posed for religion in Canada generally? Is Mormonism counter-cultural in not surrendering to the enveloping secularization in western societies. If so, why?

Serving with us on this year's program committee are the following:

Steven Shields, Community of Christ

Fred Larsen, president of the Remnant Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Lanier Britsch, Professor Emeritus, BYU

Matthew C. Godfrey, LDS Church History Dept., Salt Lake City

Amanda Hendrix-Komoto, Ph.D candidate, University of Michigan

Kristine Wright, independent researcher, Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Regrettably, there has been some confusion over the deadline for papers for next year's conference. While the traditional deadline for proposals is October 1st, a November 1st deadline was proposed due to the Calgary conference's later date. To retain consistency, the Call-for-Papers was then returned to the October 1st date. Due to the ensuing confusion, we have extended the date for submissions to November 1st. We apologize for this miscommunication. So please make your submissions as soon as possible, no later than November 1st.

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Assistance for Student Presenters

Due to the generosity of past donors, MHA has been able at some previous conferences to subsidize several students whose papers have been accepted for delivery at MHA conferences. The MHA Board has determined to formalize this service by creating a Student Travel Fund. Students who qualify (by having papers selected by the conference Program Committee and apply for aid) may receive help with conference registration, lodging, and travel to MHA conferences. MHA members who wish to donate to the Student Travel Fund are encouraged to do so. More information will be provided in forthcoming MHA newsletters and announcements.

Students should note the opportunity at the 2012 Calgary Conference to stay in dormitory-style housing, which may help reduce their expenses. See "Lodging at the Calgary Conference" on page 4.

TRAVEL TO THE CALGARY CONFERENCE

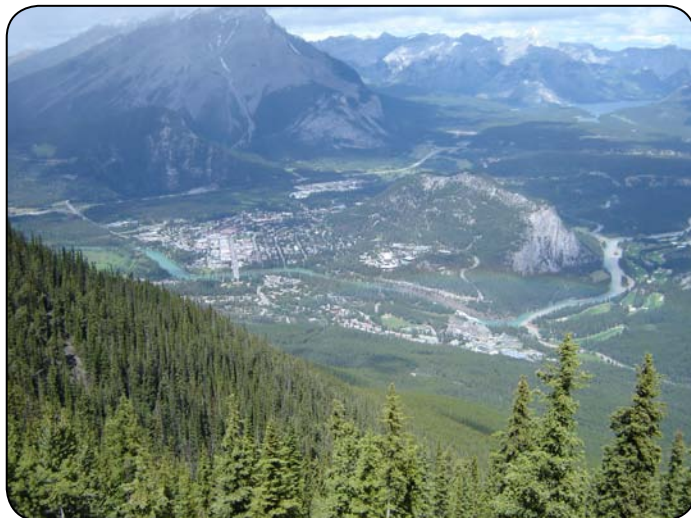
It is not too early to begin to make plans for next year's conference in Calgary, June 28-July 1, 2012. As noted in the Program Co-chairs' message, there is much to celebrate next year in Calgary. Our Canadian MHA members and friends undoubtedly know of the astonishing beauty awaiting attendees at the conference. Bordered on the west by the magnificent Canadian Rockies, southern Alberta is surely one of the most beautiful parcels of North America's Upper Plains. We are preparing events and tours that will exhibit the stunning grandeur of the area for conference visitors.

Many particulars about the conference will be distributed in the January 2012 newsletter. But there are a number of generalities to share with you that we believe will be helpful for you as you prepare to attend the conference.

Calgary is serviced by many of North America's major airlines. Roundtrip costs by plane may range from \$500 to \$900 from cities in the West, even with booking months in advance. The airport is convenient to the city and to the University of Calgary campus.

We expect some MHA members to drive the several variations of the 1,000 mile route (one-way) to Calgary from the Salt Lake City, Utah, area. The excellent highway systems leading to Calgary will be conducive to numerous travel highlights. Those who fly or personally drive to Calgary may join MHA's pre- or post-conference tours leaving from Calgary that will visit the southern Alberta Mormon communities along with other regional sites, including Banff National Park and Lake Louise, before returning to Calgary.

As another travel alternative, we have arranged with Destinations Travel for two exciting round-trip bus tours that will leave Salt Lake City for Calgary--one itinerary traveling to American and Canadian national parks on the way. Both itineraries will visit Cardston and the nearby southern Alberta Mormon communities and sites before arriving in Calgary in time for the June 28th opening reception. These buses will return to Salt Lake City after the conference. The SLC/Calgary/SLC bus tours are limited in size. Look for costs and details at Destinations Travel: www.groupsandincentives.com/mormonhistory.



City of Banff

October 2011 Board Meeting

As a matter of information, the MHA Officers and Board meet quarterly to consider issues pertinent to MHA and the *Journal of Mormon History* (spring and fall meetings are held in person; the winter and summer meetings are telephone conferences). Directed by Richard L. Jensen, current MHA president, our fall meeting was held at MHA offices in Salt Lake City on October 7-8, 2011. Discussion and decisions focused on the website, publications, financial issues, and proposals to amend portions of the MHA Bylaws. More about Board discussions will be distributed to MHA members in the future.

ADE in Salt Lake City

The Joseph Smith Papers Project hosted, on October 20-22, 2011, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the annual meeting of the Association for Documentary Editing. Organized in 1978, the ADE "is committed to making papers of the important individuals and groups accessible to all audiences through print, microfilm, and electronic editions." ADE members representing major and minor documentary editing projects throughout the United States attended presentations in Marriott's City Center hotel. We congratulate the JSP staff in hosting this important academic conference.

*Hotel Alma*

LODGING AT THE CALGARY CONFERENCE

**Hotel Alma,
www.hotelalma.ca**

Reservations, toll-free: 1-877-498-3203

The Mormon History Association Calgary Conference will be held on the University of Calgary campus, located in Calgary's northcentral sector. Built in the heart of the university campus is the modern Hotel Alma, just a few hundred meters (yards) from the MacEwan Conference and Event Centre, location of the conference

program. The Hotel Alma offers to MHA Conference attendees 81 Eurostyle rooms, 50 two-bedroom Summer Apartments, and 15 one-bedroom Suites. Hotel Alma's Eurostyle rooms include a queen bed, mini-fridge, microwave, desk, daily maid service and a complimentary continental breakfast at Bistro Alma. Each of Hotel Alma's two-bedroom Summer Apartments has a double bed and desk in each room, a washroom, mini fridge, sink, and microwave. Hotel Alma's one-bedroom Suites include a king-size bed, living room w/sofa, mini fridge, microwave, desk, daily maid service and a complimentary continental breakfast at the Alma Bistro. Amenities such as free local calls, free long distance calls in North America (excluding Hawaii and Alaska), and free Wi-Fi service are also provided.

There are also a limited number of dormitory-type rooms in university housing adjacent to Hotel Alma, including three-bedroom apartments. For those wishing to group together or economize their stay at the conference, this may provide an excellent option. When making reservations for all of the above, please mention your attendance at the MHA conference.

LODGING ALTERNATIVE

**Village Park Inn,
www.villageparkinn.com**

Reservations, toll-free: 1-888-774-7716

We have also contracted for a room-block at the Best Western Village Park Inn, located just off campus. They offer a standard single queen-sized bed, fridge, microwave, free Wi-Fi, and underground parking. When making reservations, for the conference rate, please indicate you are attending the Mormon History Association Calgary conference.

FOOD SERVICES AT UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

Of course, convenient access to good food for conference attendees is a must. Besides the lunches and banquets that are part of the conference and the Hotel Alma's Bistro, attached to the Hotel Alma on the university campus is the university Dining Centre, providing breakfast and lunch at modest prices for those attending the conference. A food court is also available in the MacEwan Student Centre, part of the MacEwan Conference and Event Centre. A number of other eating establishments are located just off campus.

*MacEwan Conference and Event Centre*

TOURISM CALGARY

www.visitcalgary.com/MHA2012

Those who attended the St. George Conference will remember the presentation by "Tourism Calgary" promoting next year's conference. They are anxious to provide the best possible experience for MHA visitors in their city. Information about many of Calgary's world-class venues can be found at the website above.

CALGARY, ALBERTA CANADA

Calgary, host of MHA's 47th annual conference, is one of the great cities of the North American West, and one of Canada's fastest growing at that. Located just an hour east from the magnificent Canadian Rockies mountain range, the city arose from the confluence of the Bow and Elbow rivers. Incorporated in 1894, modern Calgary is now home to over one million residents. Fueled by the oil and petroleum industry in the last half of the twentieth century, Calgary is designed, ironically, to be one of the greenest cities in the country, with significant efforts at alternative energy production.

Our second meeting in Canada, the first being in Kingston, Ontario, in 1985, promises to be a memorable one for all who attend. Reminders of the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympic Games are still evident around the city, including the University of Calgary campus where the opening and closing ceremonies were held (in McMahon Stadium) along with the speed-skating venue, located adjacent to the Hotel Alma. The ski-jump can be seen on a ridge just north of the school.



Some MHA members will undoubtedly want to remain in the city after the conference to experience the world-famous Calgary Stampede centennial--July 6-15, 2012. Heritage Park, Historical Village and downtown's Glenbow Museum are also musts to visit.

Attendees will note Calgary's splendidly cool, late-sundown, summer season: mid-60 degrees Fahrenheit. They boast more hours of sunshine per year than any other major Canadian city. It should be a wonderful time!

ENTERING CANADA

You must have appropriate and current travel documents to enter Canada and to return to the United States. **U.S. citizens must either have a valid passport or a passport card.** Americans can cross the U.S. border to Canada with just a birth certificate and photo ID, but you'll need your passport to return home again.

A **passport card** is a wallet-size travel document that can **only** be used to re-enter the United States at land border-crossings and sea ports-of-entry from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda. It was developed in 2008 as a less expensive, smaller, and convenient alternative to the passport book for those who travel frequently to these destinations by land or by sea. **It cannot be used for international flights, for which only a passport is valid.**

The passport card, like the passport, is good for 10 years. Please ensure that the expiration date of your passport is not within six months of your travel, or you may not be allowed to travel internationally.

Useful information for MHA attendees can be found at U. S. government sites: www.cbp.gov and travel.state.gov. The Canada Border Services Agency site is also helpful: www.cbsa.gc.ca.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

May we draw your attention to three of our MHA members who have been honored in their professional circles. If you know of information about MHA members' career achievements or honors, please let us know.

David Hall, author of "Crossroads for Mormon Women: Amy Brown Lyman, J. Reuben Clark, and the Decline of Organized Women's Activism in the Relief Society" (*JMH* 36, no. 2, 2010), which won both the T. Edgar Lyon Best Article Award and the Silver Award for Mormon Women's History at MHA's St. George Conference, also won the Arrington-Prucha Award for 2011 from the Western History Association for the same article.

Brian C. Hales, a Layton, Utah, anesthesiologist and author of *Modern Polygamy and Mormon Fundamentalism* (Greg Kofford Books), was recently elected as president-elect of the Utah Medical Association.

William P. MacKinnon, past MHA president, has been elected sheriff of the Santa Barbara Corral of The Westerners for 2012-1014.



BOOK NOTICES SELECTED ARTICLES

Book Notices

By Mike Hunter

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MHA'S UPCOMING 50TH ANNIVERSARY HISTORY

As you know, MHA marks in 2015 a half-century of service to Mormon history. As we prepare for appropriate commemorations, we are interested in collecting and preserving photographs and other memorabilia of past events, such as our annual meetings, to add to the MHA archives housed at the Utah State Historical Society. Anyone interested in donating photographs or additional material that would assist in our efforts to document the history of MHA please contact MHA historian Brandon Metcalf at bmetcalf@ldschurch.org.

Digital Copies of the *Journal of Mormon History*

The Utah State University Digital Commons site (USU Digital Commons) has agreed to support digital copies (pdf) of the JMH. The website can be found at <http://digitalcommons.usu.edu/mormonhistory/>. Vols. 1-35 (1974-2009) are now available.

We are working to have the more current issues (vols. 36-37) digitally available on the same site. All but the most recent two years of journals will be freely available to the public, while restricted access to the most recent two years of publications will be given only to current MHA members. We will keep you apprised of the progress of this initiative. Our thanks to Noel Carmack for the interface with USU Digital Commons to accomplish this important advance for the *Journal of Mormon History*.

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END OF THE THOMAS L. KANE AWARD

The MHA Executive Board has decided to no longer give the Kane Award. The description in the past read: "Presented to a person outside of the Mormon community who made a significant contribution to Mormon history. This award is presented in the grand tradition of Thomas L. Kane, the Pennsylvania native, who in 1857 put his reputation on the line in behalf of compromise and peace."

The Board agreed that Kane's aid to the Mormons represented a time of deep division between "them and us" that no longer pertains. Additionally, it seems unlikely that today a non-Mormon would need to risk his reputation in the defense of Mormonism. The Board's third consideration is that this award has little significance to other Restoration traditions represented in MHA, since Kane helped only those who followed Brigham Young west.

Besides book, article, thesis, dissertation, and student paper awards, MHA continues to give the Leonard J. Arrington Award for "significant contributions to Mormon history" and Special Citations in recognition of contributions to Mormon history that do not fit under any other award. Past recipients of the Kane Award can continue to take pride in the honor conferred on them. And the LDS community, of course, will continue to recognize Thomas L. Kane's great service to the Mormons and explore the extensive collection of Kane Papers at BYU for future scholarship.

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2013 LAYTON, UTAH CONFERENCE

We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been finalized for the 2013 MHA Conference to be held in Layton, Utah, at the Davis Conference Center and adjoining Hilton Garden Inn, June 5-8. The newly remodeled DCC is perfectly situated regarding space and facilities to host our conference. Plans are already underway regarding the theme and appointment of Program/Local Arrangement committees. Please mark your calendars for what should be one MHA's finest conferences.

MHA WEBSITE

"UNDER CONSTRUCTION"

The website for the Mormon History Association is undergoing a significant facelift that includes general information about MHA and updated content that will greatly enhance our ability to communicate MHA information to the public as well as providing relevant news to our members. Please be patient with us while the website is "under construction." We think you will be pleased when the website is fully up and running.

E-mail Messages from MHA

Besides the quarterly Newsletter, MHA will send periodic e-mail messages from our office. These may include announcements of upcoming events relevant to MHA members, calls-for-papers from other organizations, and other information of interest to our members. **Please notify our office of changes to your e-mail address** so that you may receive the periodic communications.

ATTENTION TRAVELERS:

As you might imagine, for U. S. citizens traveling to Canada, there are a number of matters to consider in planning your visit to Calgary in June 2012. As several concerns require advance preparation and are time-sensitive, please take a few minutes to review how these items may affect your travel. We will address particulars in the January 2012 newsletter. Besides traveling across an international border, which issue is addressed in a separate column on page 5, you will also want to familiarize yourselves with differences in currency, use of your credit card and cell phone in a foreign country (your bank and carrier may require you to make alternate arrangements while you are out of the United States), Canadian pharmaceutical protocols (you may not be able to refill your U.S. prescriptions in Canada), insurance coverage (health and auto), duty and tax regulations, and different temperature and weight and measurement scales, to name several.