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To: Families and Friends of the Hole-In-The-Rock Scout Memorial

Dear Friends:

I'm very happy to report to you the Hole-In-The-Rock Scout Memorial is complete. Many of you saw the special news report on KUTV Channel 2, Sunday evening May 9th. If you did not see the report, video copies are available from Channel 2. It was a lengthy report and very well done.

Also, the Deseret News is planning to run an article on the memorial on Sunday, June 6th.

The support we have received from families and friends has been overwhelming! Thank you for your financial contributions and thank you especially for your encouragement.

I think everyone will be very pleased with the monument. It is constructed of hard, native sandstone. We hired Ken Jorgensen, one of Utah's finest stone masons, to erect the monument. The structure is 8 feet tall and 5 feet square at the base. It has a large bronze plaque that describes the accident and lists the names of those who perished.

The dedication of the monument will be next month, on June 10th. We will meet in Escalante at the L.D.S Stake Center at Noon. It is located at 100 South on Center Street. Light refreshments will be served. After visiting we will leave Escalante at approximately 1:30. It takes about an hour to drive to the monument site. The road to the monument site is a well maintained dirt road. The dedication will be at about 3:00 PM and will be brief.

Many of the local residents from Escalante and Panguitch who helped in the rescue efforts will be in attendance.

We have not made arrangements for a bus. However, if anyone needs a ride, I will be happy to arrange for their transportation. We anticipate about 150 people will going down from the Provo area. Some families have planned their family reunions around the dedication.

I have found the best route to Escalante from the Provo area is to travel south on I-15 to Beaver. Just past Beaver on I-15 is Highway 20. Take Highway 20 east to Highway 89. Turn right on Highway 89 and go south to Panguitch. Then take Highway 12 through Bryce Canyon to Escalante. Travel time, on this route from Provo, is from 4 to 4 1/2 hours.

If you have any questions please call. I would like very much to hear from you.

Sincerely our thea

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