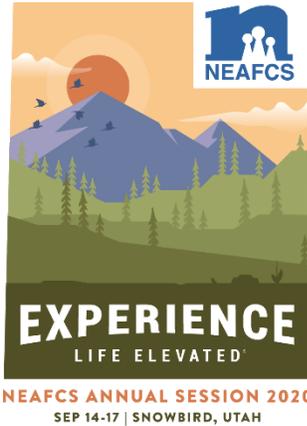


Experience Life Elevated: NEAFCS 2020 (Sept. 14-17, 2020)

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Happy New Year to all of you! The planning team for NEAFCS 2020 is looking forward to providing you monthly updates and information about the 2020 conference in Snowbird, Utah. We hope you are planning on joining us, and are beginning to plan for, and budget, this event into your year.

The Snowbird Resort is a beautiful facility that is nestled up Little Cottonwood Canyon just 30 minutes south and east of Salt Lake City. The views are amazing, the mountains majestic, and amenities are world-class.

Scheduling of events, deciding on keynote speakers, and the planning of the Welcome Event and General Sessions are all underway. This, and many more updates will follow, so watch the newsletter each month to get a glimpse of what unfolds.

In addition to the conference full calendar of events, there are thousands of interesting places, sights, and wonders to be explored in the Salt Lake area. The challenge will be narrowing down your options within the time available outside of the conference itself. There truly is something for everyone—scenic drives, fantastic shopping, beautiful State and National Parks, outdoor biking and hiking, and some pretty amazing museums, galleries, and cultural arts.

Highlights from Utah for this month are:

The Great Salt Lake and [Antelope Island](#): home to buffalo, migratory birds, and the salt flats. Besides the opportunity to ‘float’ in the salty waters of the lake itself. (45-60 minutes West from Snowbird.)

[Utah’s Hogle Zoo](#): the zoo has a wonderful diversity of animals and wildlife. It features almost 5 acres of a wonderful African experience—grasslands with zebras, giraffes, ostriches, lions, and so much more. (20 minutes from Snowbird.)

[Red Butte Garden](#): Utah’s premier botanical center, is the largest botanical garden in the Intermountain West. It contains themed gardens, ponds, waterfalls, and has nearly five miles of natural hiking trails. It is up on the east bench of Salt Lake City, near the edge of the University of Utah, and besides being amazing in its design and landscape, the views of the city and valley are spectacular. (30 minutes from Snowbird.)

[The Clark Planetarium](#): a world-class planetarium allows you to explore 10,000 square feet of free exhibits and experience incredible visuals in the Northrop Grumman 3D IMAX® Theatre or Hansen Dome Theatre and shop the Planet Fun Store. (30-35 minutes from Snowbird.)

[Family History Library](#): Salt Lake City is the genealogy and family history capital of the world. This facility will help you learn more about your ancestors, your family history, and engage you in some pretty amazing genealogy activities, all with staff/volunteers to walk you through the process. (35 minutes from Snowbird.)

[City Creek Center](#): I would consider this area to be Salt Lake's premier shopping and dining area. It was also awarded "Best Retail Development in the Americas". Wow! Not sure who named it that, but it is a pretty cool place to walk and shop and eat. There are over 110 stores, shops, and eating locations...Sephora, Banana Republic, Nordstrom, Macy's, Anthropologie, Gap, Apple, and MORE! Plus, for foodies...The Cheesecake Factory, Texas de Brazil Churrascaria, Brio Tuscan Grille, and Blue Lemon...to name only a few. (35 minutes from Snowbird.)

More highlights to come next month!