



## Honored Citizens

### Lane and Kathy McCotter

Lane and Kathy McCotter have been blessed to call Midway 'home' for the last 25 years, and consider it a privilege to be part of this very special community.

Lane was raised in Mt. Holly North Carolina, the second of six children born to Richard Orson and Frances McCotter. From his parents he developed a deep love of family, God, and country. In 1962 Lane graduated from North Carolina State University, and received a commission in the United States Army. While stationed in the outskirts of Los Angeles California, he met and fell in love with his sister's roommate, Kathy Jeppesen and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple in 1964. Twelve days after their wedding, he received orders for his first one-year assignment to Vietnam. After returning home, He and Kathy moved to Germany for a three year tour of duty. In 1969, Lane served a second year in the Vietnam War, receiving commendations from the Vietnamese and U.S. governments, including the Legion of Merit and Bronze Star. Lane received a Masters degree in Criminology and Corrections from Sam Houston State University, and is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Air Force War College. Colonel McCotter concluded his 24 years of military service as Commandant of the U.S. Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leav-

enworth, Kansas. In 1984, Lane accepted the position of Director of the Texas Department of Corrections. He subsequently directed the prison systems of the states of New Mexico and Utah, and has worked as a criminal justice consultant. In 2003, he served for 4 months in Baghdad Iraq as part of a task force appointed by the U.S. Attorney General to aid in the reconstruction of the Iraqi criminal justice system. In 2015 at age 75, Lane retired after 10 years of service as a Utah Justice Court Judge, presiding over the Wasatch County Justice Court. Lane is devoted to the Lord and his church responsibilities. He loves serving! One of his favorite jobs is flipping pancakes at the Swiss Days breakfast.

Kathy was born in Nampa Idaho to V.K. (Jep) and Ferne Jeppesen; the second of three children. Her parents taught her to work hard, and to enjoy working. She and her mother gardened, milked cows, cleaned, and cooked meals for all the hired hands on their family ranch. She learned to sew and play the piano. After graduating from high school, Kathy attended a court reporting school in Los Angeles California where she met her husband, Lane. She used her 220 wpm stenotype skills working in many courtrooms and aiding Military Intelligence efforts in Germany. Above anything else, Lane and Kathy love being parents to their two daughters (Heidi and Felicia) and three sons (Monte, Tate, and Cade). They adore their 15 grandchildren and will shortly welcome their third great-grandchild. Throughout Lane's career the family moved over 20 times. In 1990, their son Monte was killed while serving an LDS mission in Puerto Rico. Although the McCotters were living in New Mexico at the time, Monte was buried in the beautiful Midway City Cemetery. Within a year, the McCotter family had relocated to Midway, where they finally found a place to call home. Lane and Kathy enjoyed helping at Swiss Days; making sauerkraut, bratzelis, Swiss bread, and scone dough. Kathy especially loved making gingerbread cottages for the Children's Justice Center, and participating in the Interfaith Crèche Exhibit. She volunteered for the 2002 Olympic and Paralympic games, serving as attaché for the Ukrainian Paralympic team and forging cherished friendships. Kathy cared for her aging parents in her home for 11 years, and expanded her love of music by learning to play the harp. After the deaths of her parents, she became a trained hospice volunteer and played her harp to comfort many people. In 2007, Kathy was diagnosed with oral cancer and has been battling cancer and the side-effects of her treatments ever since. She faces her health challenges with courage and optimism; strengthened by the love of family and friends and by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lane and Kathy dearly love Midway; the wonderful people, the beautiful mountains and peaceful valley. They are humbled and surprised at this honor, and send their love and heartfelt gratitude to all.

## Swiss Miss Royalty

The Midway Boosters are pleased to introduce this year's Swiss Miss Royalty. The Swiss Miss pageant was held in March, where five new representatives of Midway were chosen. These young ladies will act as hostesses for Midway's annual Swiss Days celebration on the Midway Town Square September 2nd & 3rd. The Swiss Miss will perform at Swiss Days and other public events such as Wasatch County Fair Days and Swiss Christmas.



Left to Right: Abigail Scott, Polly Fotheringham, Savannah Heiner, Kathryn von Rosen, Morgan Lay

**Savannah Heiner - Swiss Miss 2016** • Daughter of Aaron & Aimee Heiner Savannah was born in Naperville, Illinois. Her nickname is "Savvy" and it certainly describes her. She is the oldest of five and is the only girl with four younger brothers. Savannah has lived in Midway for the past six years. She loves to take Sunday walks with her family and enjoy the beautiful valley. Some of her favorite things to do are ice-skating, skiing, biking and paddle boarding. Savannah loves to travel and see new things. She also loves to try different types of food and especially likes veggie sandwiches. Savannah's favorite subject in school is math because she believes that every problem has a solution. Dancing is her passion!

**Abigail Scott - Attendant** • Daughter of Dave & Andrea Scott Abigail is a spunky 8th grader who is a performer at heart, and has been singing and dancing since she could talk. Favorite theater roles have been Jemima in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and Molly in Annie. She also loves singing with One Voice Children's Choir. An excellent student, Abigail has served on Student Council, Peer Tutoring, and Cool2Care Ambassadors. She is the second of five children, and dreams of being a neurologist or pediatrician. Some other hobbies are babysitting, visiting Lake Powell, playing soccer, reading, rock climbing, wake boarding and anything daring including riding Cannibal at Lagoon over and over! She's grateful to be an ambassador of Midway through Swiss Miss!

**Kathryn von Rosen - Attendant** • Daughter of Michael & Kristen von Rosen Kathryn loves living in Midway and being surrounded by great neighbors and friends in this wonderful community she calls home. Blessed with creativity, curiosity and a love to innovate and solve problems, Kathryn perceives the world as a universe of possibility. She loves reading, writing, singing, acting and learning new things. She has started her own jewelry business with her own booth at Swiss Christmas. Kathryn has a big heart, a joyful disposition and a great sense of humor. She loves to make others feel better and is honored to be part of the 2016 Midway Swiss Royalty.

**Morgan Lay - Attendant** • Daughter of Tyler & Trish Lay Morgan moved to Midway shortly after her first birthday and loves this beautiful town. She lives up to her middle name of Joy in every way, and is a sweet and genuine girl who loves to lend a helping hand. This past year Morgan had the opportunity to be on student Council where she helped to start the Boot Filler program. This is a program that allows students to recognize each others kind deeds to one another. Morgan loves clogging and has competed, and received awards, in both individual and group competition at a national level. Morgan also enjoys boating with her family, hiking, swimming, playing the piano, and hanging out with her friends.

**Polly Fotheringham - Attendant** • Daughter of Lorin & Paige Fotheringham Polly is everybody's friend! She is a delight to be around and knows how to include everyone in the fun. She is the oldest of four children, a wonderful big sister and a huge help to her parents. Polly loves to be involved and is very social. She plays on the Storm soccer team, enjoys being on the Student Council, plays the piano, loves to water ski and is learning to wake surf. She loves reading, art and family vacations. Polly has a tender heart and can see when someone needs a smile, hug, or extra encouragement. She often goes the extra mile when asked to do something or when working on a project. She is a hard worker and loves life!