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November Meeting

- When:** November 12, 2014
Where: DSU, Udvar-Hazy Bldg., Room 220
Why: **Greg Woodall** will talk about the **Proposed Archaeology Park**

Holiday Party

Mark your calendars. The annual DAS Holiday Party will be on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6 PM. This will be a potluck dinner with a lot of fun things to start your holiday off right. We'll have more information about this in the coming weeks.

Web Site

The Dixie Archaeology Society web site (www.dixierockart.webs.com) is up and running. Please consider signing up as a site member. Site members should receive email updates whenever anything on the site is updated.

Please post your comments on the blog that is part of the site. Please add your archaeology related photos to the photo blog. This site is for you, the members. We'd like to hear what you think.

Field Trip Report

There was no field trip in October.

Field Trip Info

The November 15th field trip will be to the petroglyphs on the Kaibab Paiute Reservation located near Kanab. This will be an all day trip. Bring a snack or lunch and plenty of water. There will be about a 2 mile round trip hike on a well-groomed trail. There is little or no scrambling required. Normal vehicles can be used.

You will be required to pay an entrance fee to Pipe Springs National Monument (NPS Park Passes are accepted) plus you will be required to pay a \$10 per person fee to the Paiute guide which goes to the Kaibab Paiute Reservation. There is a 20-person limit for this trip.

Remember, you must be a member of DAS to participate in a field trip. You must be at the meeting in order to sign up for a field trip.

Meeting Report

Dennis Wignall, a profession of Human Communications at DSU and an amateur archaeologist talked about “Petroglyphs and Pictographs – Signs or Symbols”. He used a number of local sites as examples. He also talked about the glyphs at Snake Gulch.

Go to

http://dixierockart.webs.com/Technical%20Presentations/Dennis%20Wingnall%20-%20_Pictographs%20and%20Petroglyphs%20-%20signs%20or%20symbols%20-%20October%208,%202014.pdf to see a summary of his talk.

Thanks

Thanks to Dennis Wignall for a great presentation.

Final Thought

I'd like to use this space to begin a discussion of the DAS field trip program.

Since I became involved with the DAS board in late 2009, the DAS board has scheduled field trips with one board member (or more) leading the trip or finding someone from the membership to lead the trip, always a board member in attendance. However our board is getting older and many have various health issues which make is difficult to lead or even participate in field trips to many sites.

We currently have a membership of well over 100 people and the board feels that the members need to become more proactive with the society as a whole and with field trips in particular.

The board has discussed a new and different approach to field trips. We know that all of you have a favorite rock art site or many perhaps rock art sites. We would like you to share that site with the rest of the membership by leading a field trip to that site and if possible explaining the significance of the site and why it is special to you. Please email either Mel (bearpawarrow@msn.com) or Howard (granoli17@aol.com) or me (johnmangels@msn.com) with your selection and we will put together a field trip schedule based on your input.

We only need 6 volunteers / sites to fill out the schedule (January through June 2015) and 10 total to fill out the entire 2015 year – January through December.

The field trip program is a cornerstone of the DAS and we want to keep this program going. I'm confident that this program will be more exciting than ever with your help and input.

We will discuss this new approach to field trips at our November meeting and we look forward to your feedback and participation.

You may also send your thoughts to me at johnmangels@msn.com.

We are always looking for persons who would be willing to serve DAS by being on the DAS board. DAS can do more new and interesting things if more people become involved in leadership positions.

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John Mangels