



NEWSLETTER

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DIXIE ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY

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September Meeting

- When:** September 14, 2016
Where: DSU, Udvar Hazy Building, Room 121, 7 PM
Why: John Mangels will talk about "The Rock Art Along the I-15 Corridor in Washington County"

Utah and Washington County have a rich history of human occupation dating back over 10,000 years. There are over 89,000 documented archaeological sites and over 4,400 documented rock arts site in the state, many in Washington County. Many of the archaeological sites in Washington County are in danger from the rapid population growth and development in the area.

Rock art is a form of visual communication. To begin to understand these images, one must understand the people who created it. The talk will begin with a brief discussion of the many Native populations that have inhabited the area and why they may have created the rock art. The talk will continue with a discussion of the rock art located along the I-15 corridor. The talk will conclude with some comments about dangers facing cultural resources and what we can do to preserve the cultural resources in the area. Education of the public is key - beginning with the children and through talks like this one.

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.

Dues are Due

The 2016 dues are due. They are \$25 for an individual or \$30 for a couple. Please fill out the attached membership form – remember each person must sign the form. Bring the form and your dues to a monthly meeting or mail them to

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The dues are the primary way that DAS has to raise funds for our operations that include room rent, liability insurance, speaker honorariums, and social events.

The DAS membership is required to participate in field trips, social events and a monthly lecture by experts on an archaeological topic of interest.

Field Trip Report

There was no scheduled field trip during the summer.

Field Trip Info

The field trip for September 17th is to Fremont Indian State Park. This will be an all day rip with an approximately 2-½ hour drive each way. Normal vehicles may be used. There will be an easy hike (less than 1 mile) over a paved path to view many of the glyphs up close. Bring field glasses – they will be needed to see many of the glyphs that are on the

high walls of the canyon. We will have a picnic lunch. Bring your lunch and plenty of water.

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

The July and August meeting consisted of watching archaeology based movies.

The July movie was “Visions in Stone” which discussed the rock art of the Coso range in California.

The August movie was a NOVA documentary that described the story of how the Mayan Hieroglyphs were deciphered.

Final Thought

The summer went quickly – now its back to the routine.

We have a good year planned. Chris has an exciting list of speakers scheduled. Our field trips will resume, hopefully going to some new and old locations with Mel and Jim leading the trips. We will have our annual potluck holiday party.

This is your organization – let us know what you would like to see and do and we’ll try to add that to our plans.

It’s **STILL HOT!!!!**– hike only in the early morning and drink plenty of fluids. Be careful out there and remember - “Leave No Trace” and “Visit with Respect”.

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John Mangels



**Dixie Archaeology Society
(DAS)
RELEASE OF LIABILITY
Year 2016**

Name(s): Last First

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I, the undersigned, participant(s) agree to abide by all rules and directions established by Dixie Archaeology Society (DAS), regarding all activities, tours, field trips, meetings etc. I do freely and voluntarily agree to release, save, hold harmless, and indemnify DAS from any and all claims of loss, injury or damage, suit action, demand, fine, judgment of decree and any expense thereof, including a reasonable attorney's fee, that may happen or occur to me as a result of or consequence of having attended and/or participated in any DAS meetings or activities. This release includes all representatives of said organization and/or sponsor(s), including the policy that only paid-up members who sign the Release of Liability form are allowed to participate in Field Trips and Activities. The undersigned named participant(s) agrees to bear the total cost of damages and fines resulting from his/her/their actions, thereby releasing Dixie Archaeology Society and its representatives from any liability whatsoever.

I understand that during my participation in the Dixie Archaeology Society outing, I may be exposed to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen or unforeseen, which are inherent in each outing and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the outing. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury, property damage, and death (Injuries and Damages) from exposure to the hazards of travel: the Dixie Archaeology Society has not tried to contradict or minimize my understanding of these risks. I know that Injuries and Damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence because of other reasons. I understand those risks of such Injuries and Damages are involved in adventure travel such as Dixie Archaeology Society outings and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person and for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on this outing there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the Injuries and Damages to which I may be exposed.

I certify that I have read the Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement, fully understand its terms and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. I freely and voluntarily assume all risk of such Injuries and Damage, notwithstanding such risks. I (we) certify that I am of legal age and competence to act in this manner. If any participant is a minor, the legal parent or guardian will certify that he/she is acting in behalf of each of them in this release.

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