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March Meeting

When: March 9, 2016
Where: DSU, Udvar Hazy Building, Room 121, 7 PM
Why: **Barbara Frank of Southern Utah University will talk about the "Archaeology on Little Creek Mesa"**

From 1979 to 2004 Barbara Frank, curator of the Southern Utah University Museum worked with the University's field schools to excavate 5 out of 9 archaeological sites on and around Little Creek Mesa near the Utah/Arizona border. The sites represent Virgin Anasazi (Pre-Puebloan) peoples from the Basketmaker III to late Pueblo II/Pueblo III periods. Her talk includes photos and maps of the sites and the excavations carried out there.

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

The February field trip was to three separate sites in Central and Diamond Valley.

The Central site was called the Corral Site. It is in a canyon / wash that drains into the Santa Clara River. There was one main site and a number of secondary sites stretched over about a few hundred yards. A few significant panels are shown in Figure 1 through 3.

Go to <http://dixierockart.webs.com/Field%20Trip%20Reports/The%20Corral%20Site%20in%20Central%20Utah.pdf> to learn more about the Corral site.

The two sites in Diamond Valley were called Alger Wash Upper and Lower. A couple significant glyphs are shown in Figures 4 through 6.

Go to <http://dixierockart.webs.com/Field%20Trip%20Reports/Alger%20Wash%202016.pdf> to learn more about the Alger Wash sites.



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6

Field Trip Info

The March 19th field trip will be to the Pine Valley Area. The will be an all day trip. Bring snacks and a lunch and plenty of water. You will need a high clearance vehicle.

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

Dr. Jody Paterson of Montgomery Archaeology Consultants Inc. presented the February lecture titled “A Tale of Two Canyons – How Ancient Native American Sites Have Entered Into Activist and Extremist Ideologies and Why That’s a Bad Thing”.

Dr. Paterson worked on as a consultant to help resolve “land use” issues involving 9-Mile Canyon and more recently, Recapture Canyon. He has a unique prospective on the way



Dr. Jody Paterson

the government process works because in the 9-Mile Canyon case he worked with the oil and gas industry and in the Recapture Canyon case he worked with the government agencies.

Dr. Paterson’s talk mainly discussed the process used to resolve these issues and why they work in the case of 9-Mile Canyon and why they did not work in the case of Recapture Canyon.

Go to

<http://dixierockart.webs.com/Technical%20Presentations/A%20Tale%20of%20Two%20Canyons%20.pdf> to read a summary of Dr. Paterson's presentation.

Thanks

Thanks to Dr. Jody Paterson for presenting the February lecture.

Thanks to Mel and Jim for leading the February field trip.

Thanks to Jim King for volunteering to join the DAS board. Jim will work with Mel to organize the monthly field trip program.

Final Thought

I want to again thank both Judy Buchan and Jim King for volunteering to join the DAS board. We now have a full compliment of board members to carry out our programs and help DAS achieve our objective of educating people about the importance of preserving archaeological sites.

I had the privilege of presenting a talk at the Silver Reef Museum about the rock art along the I-15 corridor. This was a fun project for me to prepare, but more importantly we had a full house of about 75 people to hear the talk. They seemed extremely interested in hearing about the rock art and about the people who created it. Even more rewarding was the fact that I was tentative invitations to give presentations to at least two other groups. This is one way that DAS can fulfill its mission of preserving archaeological sites through education.

Finally, this is very good hiking weather. Be careful out there and remember - "Leave No Trace".

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John Mangels



**Dixie Archaeology Society
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RELEASE OF LIABILITY
Year 2016**



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