

NEWSLETTER

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DIXIE ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY

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November Meeting Presentation

Nate Thomas

Deputy Preservation Officer and BLM-Utah State Archaeologist

Presents

"Parowan Site Improvements"

Wednesday, November 8 2017, 7 pm
Udvar-Hazy Building, Boeing Auditorium Room 121
Dixie State University Campus

Nate Thomas was instrumental in directing the redesign of visitor amenities and access at the Parowan Gap petroglyph site west of Cedar City, Ut. His presentation will detail the changes made to prevent further damage to the site and enhance visitors' experience.

The presentation for October 11 was given by Brian Passey on rock art sites of interest in Washington County. For a summary, see the Technical Report on this website.

Welcome A New Board Member

We welcome another new member to the DAS Board, Jamie Schubert. Here is her answer to the question “What led you to join and participate in the Dixie Archaeology Society”?

I grew up in the SF Bay Area and graduated from UC Berkeley in geography. I spent my working life as a cartographer, first with the USGS and then with BIA. You may have used one of the 7.5’ topo maps I helped to make. My work moved me around to many locations in the West. I spent protracted lengths of time in Lakewood, CO and Sacramento, CA. I retired to St. George in 2016.

Back in the 90s, I used to do Sierra Club service trips. On one of these trips to Chaco Canyon, I met an NPS archaeologist named Tom Windes. He needed occasional help from a mapper on his summer field projects. I signed up and ended up working with his volunteer field crew every summer for the past 20 summers. I have worked with him in Mesa Verde NP, Aztec Nat Mon, Bears Ears Nat Mon, and many other smaller and obscure archaeological sites in the 4-corners area. He specialized in collecting samples for dendro-chronological dating.

When I came to St George I saw a notice about the Dixie Archaeological Society and decided to check it out. Since I knew more about prehistoric architecture than rock art, I found a new field to explore. I had been treasurer of volunteer non-profits in the past, so I decided it couldn’t be that hard to be treasurer of the Rock Art group. And here I am on the Board.

Field Trip Report

A field trip to the Gold Butte area on Saturday October 21 was led by Jim King. He led six members on an all-day hike to Gold Butte. This ambitious trip visited both Khota Circus and Kirk's Grotto.

Research Report: Archaeology on the Internet from the Smithsonian



by Chris Oravec

Here are some short YouTube films from the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History on archaeology, anthropology, and Native American culture. Most of these are on the history of archaeology in the Southwest. The last one will make you hungry for chocolate!

Adrienne Kaeppler - Collections of the U.S. Exploring Expedition

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeBz-CrfckI&index=2&list=PLCE40A5EEBE458D2A>

Curator Bruce Smith - 1880s Smithsonian Explorations into Earthen Mounds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SkLSkaYCe10>

Recognizing an Ancient Healer and his 11,100 year-old Medicine Bundle

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f31_HZ0uWNA

Repatriation's Object Replication with 3D Digitization

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nbC57WVI9Zc>

Gwynneira Issac - Frank Cushing (1857-1900)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fT4VTi4Hz2A>

The Power of Chocolate

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IlpUtYGkhfM>

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See you at the November meeting! The DAS Board: Kaye, Gary, Carol, Jim, Chris and Jamie



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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.

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