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President's Letter

By Richard Jenkinson

The Delta Symposium went extremely well. The presenters (thanks to David Sucec) were very, very good and everything went according to plan. A big thank you to Oscar Olson and his crew for all the preparations. We got to see some different rock art on the field trips (thanks to Joe Brame for arrangements) and I didn't receive one complaint!

We have four new board members. Cheryl Ames and Werner Decker are from Colorado, David Carey is from California and Margo Fenton is from Utah. A big thank you to Oscar Olson and Paula Quay for serving on the board for the past few years. I will also be leaving the board in January when a new URARA president is chosen by the board.

Our big event for the year is over, but don't forget our upcoming monthly field trips in Bluff and Moab. See the calendar for more details.



Symposium Review

Oscar Olson

It doesn't take long for an anticipated event to become history. For the weeks before our Delta symposium I was concerned that everything would turn out right. Many of you know I had unexpected surgery this summer and needed some time to convalesce. And it took me out of the planning picture and did stress me out. Thanks to the many of you who stepped up to the plate, took care of tasks and made the thing run like a Swiss watch.

Thanks to the great committee, work crews, and field trip leaders, including Steve and Diana Acerson, Troy Scotter, David Sucec, Nina Bowen, Dennis Devore, Jim Farmer, Keith Fessenden, Diane Orr, Deloy Norton, Joe Brame, Dave Manley, Jesse and Judy Warner, Paula Quay, Richard Jenkinson, Larry Evans, Pat Sullivan, Gina Hupka, Margaret Grochocki, Glenn and Margaret Stone, and the folks at the BLM. Also thanks to Mayor Gayle Bunker and the people of Delta, for their hospitality, especially caterer Keara Wardle, Laura Walker at the Rancher Motel, Jane Beckwith with the Topaz Museum, and the White River Academy for assistance with the tables and chairs on Sunday evening.

It all came together in a near perfect fashion and we have many to thank for making it work. Looking forward to 2017 with some new board members.

November Events of Interest

Second Petroglyph Patrol Training St George

Friday, November 4, 2016 from 8:30 to about 2:00 pm. Meet at the Land Hill/Anasazi Trail Head at 8:30. After the field portion of the training, the remainder will be at the BLM Interagency Office. RSVP to Susan Crook at susan@conserveswu.org.

Rock Art 2016 - San Diego's 41st Annual Rock Art Symposium

Saturday, November 5, 2016, San Diego Educational Cultural Complex Theatre, 4343 Ocean View Blvd, San Diego, CA 92113, www.sdraa.org

Carol Patterson to talk to Dixie Archaeological Society November 9

The November meeting of the Dixie Archaeological Society will be on Wednesday, November 9th, beginning at 7 PM, on the Dixie State University campus in the Udvar-Hazy Building, Room 121 (Boeing Auditorium). The speaker is Carol Patterson discussing Ute Native Elder Clifford Duncan's interpretation of Northern Ute rock art as represented in her recent book.

<u>And don't forget URARA Bluff field trip THIS WEEKEND</u>! (Steve Acerson at 385-985-5402, whiteh20rockart@gmail.com)</u>

Membership and Dues

Troy Scotter

Membership is expiring for many of you old-timers who renew at the end of October. Wild Apricot is SUPPOSED to send out automatic reminders. Here are the payment options:

Check: You can pay by check by selecting the "Invoice Me" option when you get to the payment page. Just send the check to "URARA" at the Salt Lake address:

P.O. Box 511324, Salt Lake City, UT, 84151-1324

Credit Card: PayPal (our credit card processor) REALLY, REALLY wants you to become a PayPal member. But you don't have to. Look at the bottom of the first and last pages to find the credit card option and the "I don't want to be a member", or something along those lines, option. We'll find a less obnoxious processor for next year.

Annual Holiday Party at Bicentennial Park

Barbara Green

Date: MONDAY December 5, 2016

Time: Social and set up at 5:30, dinner at 6:30

Place: Sandy City Bicentennial Park, 530 East 8680 South, Sandy

Barbara Saxon has reserved this venue for us again. It feels like "OUR HOME" now.

Gary Burningham is presenting his rock art trip to Caborca, Mexico and enlarged photos of Rock Art before Lake Powell that were viewed at the symposium.

URARA will furnish a honey-baked ham, plates and utensils. Please bring your favorite pot luck dish and beverage of choice.

Call Barbara Saxon to coordinate the pot luck, (801) 262-4432, questions, Barbara Green (801) 4667702

The building is east of the tennis courts. Plenty of parking and room inside. Google Sandy City Bicentennial Park. Parks Department rules apply.

****Guaranteed to be a very pleasant way to kick off the Holiday Season. Friends and family are welcome.***

Thanks again for work on Lake Mountain sites

Matt Preston, Barbara Green

Ms. Green,

Thank you for your email, and more importantly, for your years of service to the public lands in Lake Mountains. I share your concerns for the preservation of rock art in this area, and I can ensure you that BLM takes our management responsibility for these irreplaceable resources seriously.

The BLM team is working hard to protect the rock art and we greatly appreciate the value that URARA has added to our collective efforts.

Thank you,

Matt Preston Field Manager Salt Lake Field Office Bureau of Land Management

On Oct 30, 2016, at 5:14 PM, barbara green wrote:

Dear BLM:

I participated in the South Mountain Massive clean-up on April 8, 2014. I was amazed to see what is being left by shooters; fridges, blankets, boxes, couches, and thousands of shells. I worked for 4 hours picking up garbage and left because I could not bend over to pick one more item up. This is the 4th clean up I have participated in with URARA. The first was when I was a newer member about 20 years ago. As always, members clean up the area around rock art sites each time visited. I am appalled by this disrespect of public and private property.

Wild fires caused by shooters and campers hurt the Native American Rock Art. Access to the area should be closed permanently at once to stop the destruction of our rock art. I have enjoyed the beauty and tranquility of South Mountain many times and have been very saddened each time to encounter more destroyed rock art.

Please close this area to shooting so I can take my grandchildren to learn and enjoy this special place without the noise and fear of being shot.

Sincerely, Barbara Green, member of Utah Rock Art Research Association.

Rock Art in the News

Various contributors

Amateur Archaeologist Discovers Significant Amount of Scotland's Ancient Rock Art, Smithsonian, September 19, 2016

http://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/amateur-archeologist-discovers-significant-amountscotlands-known-rock-art-180960511/?utm source=smithsoniandaily&no-ist

Cave Paintings Help Unravel the Mystery of the 'Higgs Bison', Smithsonian, October 19, 2016 http://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/how-cave-art-helped-dig-new-animal-species-180960833/?utm_source=smithsoniandaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=20161019-dailyresponsive&spMailingID=26836837&spUserID=NzQwNDU0OTIyMTES1&spJobID=903460130&sp ReportId=OTAzNDYwMTMwS0

Rock art exhibit opens at Kane Gulch Ranger Station, St George News, October 27, 2016 http://www.stgeorgeutah.com/news/archive/2016/10/27/prc-rock-art-exhibit-opens-at-kanegulch-ranger-station/?utm source=St.+George+Utah+List&utm campaign=1bf30331c5-TODAYS_NEWS&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_76014d49c0-1bf30331c5-243927237#.WBjQiYWcH4g





Delta Mayor Gayle Bunker with David Sucec

Dave Carey with Pat Sullivan and her quilt donated to the auction 2 October 2016. - Oscar Olson



Tweed and Bella on the rocks at Black Ridge - David Sucec

URARA Board Minutes October 16, 2016

Nina Bowen

<u>Attending:</u> Steve Acerson, Cheryl Ames, Nina Bowen, Joe Brame, David Carey, Dennis DeVore, Werner Duecker, Jim Farmer, Margo Fenton, Richard Jenkinson, Deloy Norton, Oscar Olson,

<u>Discussion of Symposium</u>: Having breaks catered was well received. We should add to the cost of symposium to do that again.

Registration was easy for most. There were only 5 that registered at the desk. There were 10 that could register, but couldn't pay. That will have to be cleared up.

Oscar wrote the thank you notes for symposium, and a write-up for Vestiges.

<u>Annual Board Retreat</u>: January 28-29, 2017 at Richard's house in Kanab. He will send out an agenda and directions to his house well ahead of time.

<u>Publications</u>: Dennis DeVore reports Troy was told by the board not to keep the Power Point presentations on his computer, so he has been deleting them. Dennis can't use them for publishing. This was a copyright problem. Authors could use images that they do not have permission to use. As long as Dennis makes sure that there is permission, there should not be a problem. Dennis wants the board's permission to use his best judgement and common sense in getting copyright so he can get publications out on the website. The board voted to sustain him.

<u>Nine-Mile Canyon</u>: Diane reports that Troy wants the board's support in protesting the proposed leases in 9 Mile Canyon on the floor of the canyon. Most groups are also protesting this decision. The board voted to approve his protest.

Calendar and URARA Fieldtrips 2016

| November 5-6 | Field trip, Bluff |
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| December 5 Monday | URARA Annual Christmas party potluck at the indoor Bicentennial Pavilion, 530 East 8680 South, Sandy, Utah. |
| December 10-11 | Field trip, Moab |

For info or sign-up for URARA events, please go to www.utahrockart.org or contact Oscar Olson at 801-485-0862 or Steve Acerson at 385-985-5402, whiteh20rockart@gmail.com.

Southern Nevada Rock Art Association (SNRAA) meets on the 4th Monday of the month; See http://snraa.org/snraa.org/EVENTS.html

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