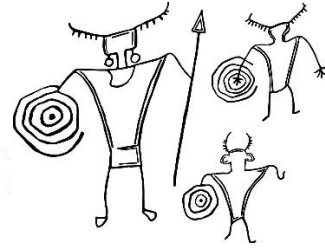


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## From the Prez

Kent Williams

Hello URARA,

I hope the longer days of early spring bring hope and optimism to you all, along with the warming sun.

I can report that a number of dedicated folks in URARA are working hard at bringing back activities that many of us have missed over the last two years – field trips to visit and experience rock art, and having a live symposium. Wanda Gayle, the chair of field trip committee has been arraigning for trips, rounding up experienced trip leaders, and generally just being a champion for getting field trips going again. Darlene Korner, the chair of the symposium committee, has been diving into all of the many activities and gotchas involved with planning and running a symposium in Vernal this fall. We are lucky to have Wanda and Darlene, and you all can look forward to hearing more from them. - Kent



March 2022



Uintah Conference Center

## Live symposium planned in Vernal

**Darlene Koerner**

The 2022 Vernal symposium is being planned as a live symposium from Sept 29<sup>th</sup> - October 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be held at the Uintah Conference Center, 313 E. 200 South, Vernal.

Workshops will be held on the Sept 29<sup>th</sup> (Thursday), Field trips and watermelon social on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> (Friday), Speakers, banquet and auction on Oct 1<sup>st</sup> (Saturday), Speakers Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sunday), and Field trips October 3<sup>rd</sup> (Monday). The Conference Center in Vernal will be the location for speakers, banquet, and Auction. There will be two food trucks at the conference center on Saturday and Sunday for lunch.

Hope you can all make it - We're ready!

Nearby restaurants and lodging are listed below (due to covid over the last two years, this might not be the most up to date information, so please double check on availability).

### Camping and RV

	cabins	Pool	pet	fishing	bike	Play-ground	Water sports
Dinosaur land KOA 930 N Vernal Ave 435-7892148	X	X	X		X	X	
Fossil Valley RV Park 999 w. hwy 40 435-789-6450			X		X	X	
Outlaw Trail RV Park 9650 E 6000 S Jensen 435-781-6000			X		X	X	
Red Fleet State Park 8750 N Hwy 191 4345-789-4432	X		X	X	X		X
Steinaker State Park 4335 N Hwy 191 435-789-4432	X		X	X	X		X

American land and leisure/ Ashley National Forest campgrounds 435-789-1181	X		X	X	X		
Dinosaur National Monument 970-374-3000			X	X	X		X
National Recreation Reservation System 877-444-6777	X		X	X	X		
Bureau of Land Management Campgrounds/ Dry Fork no Reservations necessary			X	X	X		
Western Park next to the Conference center. Call For reservations				x			
Red Canyon Lodge/ kids play pond. Flaming Gorge	X		X			X	X
Flaming Gorge Lodge/Next to Green River	X		X	X			X

## Lodging

	pool	pets	internet	breakfast	fitness
Antlers 423 W. Main 435-789-1202	O, HT		X	X	
Comfort inn and suites 2500 W. 2500 S 435-789-066	I, HT	x	X	X	X
Days Inn 1092 W. Hwy 40 435-789-0666	I,HT	X	X	X	
Dinosaur Inn and Suites 251 E Mine 435-315-0123	O,HT	X	X	X	
Econo Lodge 331 E. Main 435-789-2000		X	X	X	
Holiday Inn Express 1515 W. Hwy 40 435-789-4654 800-465-4329	I,HT	X	X	X	
Honey Bee Inn bread and Breakfast 220 West Main 435-621-3231			X	X	

Jensen Inn Bread and Breakfast Thejenseninn.com 435-789-5905 435-828-8896					

	pool	pets	internet	breakfast	fitness
Horizon 1624 West Hwy 40 435-789-4326 800-800-8000	I, HT		X	X	X
Ledgestone Suites Hotel 679 W Maine Street 435-7894200			X		X
Marriott Springhill Suites 1205 W.Hwy 40 435-781-9000 888-236-2427	I, HT		X	X	X
Marriott Towne Place Suites 1219 W. Hwy 40 435-789-8050	I,HT	X	X	X	X
Microtel Inn and Suites 1041 S 1500 E 435-781-8141	I,HT		X	X	X
Quality Inn 1684 W Hwy 40 435-789-9550	I, HT	X	X	X	X
Sure Stay West Hotel 54 W. Maine 435-789-6625		X	X	X	X
Split Mountain Hotel 1015 E Hwy 40 435-789-9020		X	X	X	X
Sage Motel 54 W. Main 435-789-1442		X	X	X	
Stone Hollow Bread and Breakfast 1010 N. Vernal Ave 435-789-7866	HT		X	X	
Super 8 1624 W. Hwy 40 435-789-4326	I,HT	?	X	?	

Pool - I (Indoor) O (Outdoor) HT (Hot Tub)

## DINING

	Meals served	alcohol	Patio Dining
4 brothers Pizza 1060 W. Market Drive 435-789-4276	L,D		X
7-11 Ranch Restaurant 77 E, Main 435-789-1170	B,L,D		
A&W/Kentucky Fried Chicken 1250 W. Hwy 40 435-789-9055	L,D		
Antica Forma/Italian 251 E Main 435-789-2660	L,D		
Arby's 1141 W. Hwy 40 435-789-8089	B,L,D		
Asian Chinese Buffet 578 W. Hwy 40 435-789-8089	L,D	X	
Betos Mexican Food 2085 W. Hwy 40 435-722-3150	B,L,D		
Betty's Café (might be closed)			
Burger King 901 W. Hwy 40 435-789-1164	B,L,D		
Café Rio Mexican 1205 W. Hwy 40 435-781-8100	L,D		X
Canton City Chinese 1175 W Hwy 40 435-789-3338	L,D		
Country Grub 2419 S.1500 E 435-789-7000	L,D		
Denny's 2097 W. Hwy 40 435-781-4850	B,L,D		
Dinosaur Brew House	L,D	X	X

55 E Main 435-781-0717			
Dominos Pizza 895 W Hwy 40 435-781-2121	L,D		
Don Pedros Mexican 3340 N. Vernal Ave 435-789-3402	L,D	X	
El Sombrero Mexican 395 E. Main 435-781-0627	L,D		
Freddy's 2001 W. Hwy 40 435-7818777	L,D		
Get Grilled 147 W. Hwy 40 Suite 108 435-789-4800	L,D	X	
Gateway Saloon and Café 733 E. Main 435-789-9842	L,D	X	
Jade Lion Chinese 25 W Main 435-781-1889	L,D		
JB's Family Dining Restaurant 475 W. Main 435-789-8722	B,L,D		
Jimmy John's 2175 W Hwy 40 435-781-8900	L,D		X
Little B's Sports Bar 65 S. Vernal Ave 435-781-0531	L,D	X	
Little Ceasar's Pizza 1169 w. Hwy 40 435-781-0200	L,D		
McDonalds 1050 W. Hwy 40 435-789-4007	B,L,D		
Naples Country Café 1010 E. Hwy 40 435-789-8870	B,L,D	X	
New Cassidy's Club 1350 E. Main 435-789-8700	L,D	X	
Papa Johns 63 W. Main	L,D		

435-789-8080			
Papa Murphys 1820 W. Hwy 40 435-781-1400	L,D		
Pizza Hut 1819 Hwy 40 435-781-1048	L,D		
Plaza Mexicana Restaurant 55 East Main 435-781-2931	L,D	X	
Sloppy Pig 1408 E Hwy 40/Naples 435-781-3030 BBQ and Burgers 2751 W 500 N/ Maeser 435-781-8744	B,L,D	X	X
Sonic 1192 HWY 40 435-781-0123	B,L,D		
Subway 1205 W. Hwy 40 435-781-0711  2537 S Hwy 40 435-781-1588	B,L,D		X
Swain Brothers Restaurant 29 S. Vernal Ave 435-781-8700	B,L,D	X	X
Taco Bell 898 W Main 435-781-1812	B,L,D		
Ute Crossing Grill/ Ft. Duchesne 7491 E. Hwy 40 435-722-1318	B,L,D	X	X
Valley Steak house 1684 W Highway 40 435-781-2420	L,D	X	
Vernal Brewing 55 S. 500 E. 435-781-233t MAKE RESERVATIONS	L,D	X	X
Wendy's	L,D		

1120 W. Hwy 40 435-781-2222			
Winger's 2075 W. Hwy 40 Suite A 435-781-1923	L,D	X	
Wood Fire Grill Buffet 1096 West Main 324-789-7268	L,D		
Smokey's Café / Jensen 7682 E. Hwy 40 435-789-2233	B,L		

## Field Trip Committee Update

### Wanda Gayle

The URARA field trip program helps members get out in the field to appreciate and enjoy with fellow rock art lovers. However, since the pandemic is still around, remember that URARA requests that field trip participants be vaccinated so that everyone can appreciate and enjoy with less risk of getting the virus.

So, now that spring field trip time is here, watch for field trip notifications coming up for the URARA spring field trip weekend, April 29, April 30, and May 1. Field trips are scheduled for Escalante, Vernal, Nine Mile Canyon, Horseshoe Canyon, Beaver, UT, and Lake Point near Tooele, UT, plus several more to be determined (see Calendar p. 12).

In addition, check out the revised and updated list of self-guided rock art trips on the website. On the menu at the top of the URARA web page, click on Rock Art, and then click on Where To Find Rock Art. Revisit a place you haven't been to for a while or pick out a new site that you'd like to see this spring.

And, as always when visiting rock art either on a URARA field trip or on your own, think about what your visitation means.

Read this article - <https://www.visitutah.com/articles/how-to-visit-rock-imagery-sites>

Watch these videos - <https://bearsarsmonument.org/visit-with-respect-videos/>

Remember these ethics - <https://urara.wildapricot.org/Visit-Ethics/>

See you on the trail!

Wanda Gayle

URARA Field Trip Committee Chair



# Welcome New Coordinators, Don and Adele Leavitt

Diana Acerson

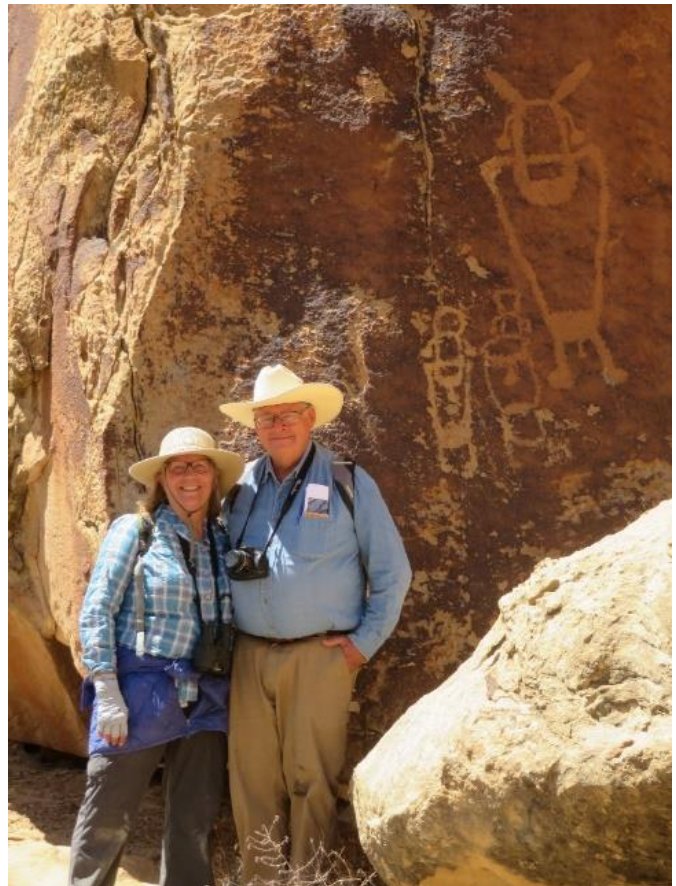
Members Don and Adele Leavitt will be representing URARA as the new Conservation/Preservation Area Coordinators for the Salt Lake BLM field office area. We're so happy to have them willing to participate with the land managers in the efforts of rock art protection. Steve Acerson, who has been the Coordinator for Salt Lake, is moving to the Fillmore area as the Coordinator.

"Adele and Don Leavitt are both native residents of Utah County – both having graduated from Orem High School, as well as Brigham Young University. Adele has been a registered dietitian for many years, and has now retired from that. Don is a recently retired Professional Engineer specializing in chemical engineering and having received graduate degrees from both Brigham Young University and the University of Utah.

Adele and Don have raised their family to be outdoor enthusiasts in hiking, camping, and encouraging the protection of the wild places and archaeological sites of Utah. Adele's grandfather took the first photographer to photograph the three bridges in 1904 in what is now Natural Bridges National Monument. As a family they made camping in Comb Wash an annual tradition for nearly thirty years. As a BLM enforcement ranger in the Monticello District, Adele's cousin took the family on

many guided field trips to various archaeological sites in San Juan County. This led Adele and Don to develop a keen interest in the archaeology of Utah and the surrounding states.

About twelve years ago Adele and Don started paying more attention to the rock art at the various archaeological sites they would visit. That focus continued to grow over succeeding years, and in June of 2018 they joined URARA. Since then, Adele and Don have met many other people sharing a similar interest in and concern for the protection of rock images throughout Utah, as well as the rest of the western U.S."



# Members Help at Smith Preserve

**Diana Acerson**

Saturday, February 12, Stewards of the Smith's Preserve and a few URARA members, came out to help Elizabeth Hora, and other staff from the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO), survey rock art on the Albert Doyle Smith's Family Preserve. It's a rock art jewel in Utah County on the west side of Utah Lake. This survey was in advance of completing all of the recording of the south knoll of the preserve. All evidence that could be found of cultural significance was flagged to complete the documentation. After the summer wildfire of 2020, more is exposed and is allowing for a more complete documentation of the area. The north knoll was done last year, (2021).

It's a great experience we are able to share with others as we learn the processes to protect these important sites. If you haven't been to the preserve, they have a website full of information and how you can sign up for a tour. The Smith's Preserve is owned by The Archaeological Conservancy.



<https://www.facebook.com/smith.family.archaeological.preserve/>

## URARA Financial Statement Posted

Carol Werner

URARA's 2021 Annual financial statement can now be viewed on the website. It can be found by logging into the website and clicking on the "Members" tab. URARA continues to have a strong financial position, with membership dues generally covering operating costs.

In 2021 we received nearly \$3000 from generous donors. These donations make it possible to provide financial assistance grants for rock art related projects and in 2021, URARA assisted with the cost of documenting a Fremont site at Rocky Ridge near Vernal. We are currently reviewing grant proposals for 2022 projects.

As of 2021, we are in a good position to support a return to in-person activities, including the annual symposium, picnic and other events.

## Rock Art in the News

Steve Acerson

Rock art site Nine Mile Canyon could become a 'hydrocarbon highway'  
The Salt Lake Tribune 10 Feb 2022 <https://eedition.sltrib.com/article/281633898680027>

Rock art site Nine Mile Canyon could become a 'hydrocarbon highway' under Utah bill  
MSN 23 Feb 2022 <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/rock-art-site-nine-mile-canyon-could-become-hydrocarbon-highway-under-utah-bill/ar-AAUcPH5?ocid=hplocalnews>

Number 13 of Cuadernos de Arte Prehistórico has been published  
[www.cuadernosdearteprehistorico.com](http://www.cuadernosdearteprehistorico.com)

## Calendar and URARA Events

April 19	URARA Board Meeting on line, 18:00 MDT
April 29	URARA field trip Beaver, UT Participants must attend pre-trip orientation on April 28
April 30	URARA field trip Beaver, UT Participants will help document images
May 1	URARA field trip Beaver, UT
April 30	URARA field trip Nine Mile Canyon
April 30	URARA field trip Horseshoe Canyon
Apr30 & May1	URARA field trip Escalante
May 7& 8	URARA field trip Bishop, California, area
June 17-20	ARARA Conference, Virtual only <a href="https://arara.wildapricot.org/Conf-Call-For-Papers-2022">https://arara.wildapricot.org/Conf-Call-For-Papers-2022</a> .
July 12	URARA Board Meeting on line, 18:00 MDT
August 11-14	Pecos Conference (tentative) Rowe Mesa, New Mexico <a href="https://www.pecosconference.org/">https://www.pecosconference.org/</a>
August 26-28	URARA Summer Picnic, Nne-Mile Ranch
October 1-2	URARA Symposium and membership meeting, Vernal
October 10	URARA Board Meeting on line, 18:00 MDT

URARA field trips are available to members only. Vaccination is required. All members receive an email notification when a field trip opens for registration. Notifications go out between 45 and 14 days before a trip. You can register for a field trip when you get the notification. If a trip is full when you try to register, your name is added to a wait list. You will get another notification if and when someone drops out and you can be added to the trip.

Dixie Archaeological Society (DAS), St George, meets on the second Wednesday of the month, Saturday field trips once a month. <http://www.dixierockart.com/>

Southern Nevada Rock Art Association (SNRAA), Las Vegas, meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month. <http://snraa.org/snraa.org/EVENTS.html>

San Diego Rock Art Association (SDRAA) meets at the Kumeyaay Center in Poway every other month, sometimes on the first Sunday, sometimes not. <https://sandiegorockart.org/meetings>  
Now on-line.

American Rock Art Research Association (ARARA) is hosting on-line events. Free access is granted to URARA members. Registration at: <https://arara.wildapricot.org/Lectures>

Utah Public Archaeology Network (UPAN). Calendar of events and monthly newsletter. <https://history.utah.gov/antiquities/upan>

# URARA Board and Officers

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## 2022 URARA Board and Officers

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 Carol Duecker, Treasurer  
 Roger Cook, Secretary  
 Diana Acerson, Conservation  
 Wanda Gayle  
 John McHugh  
 Rick Matthews  
 Nina Bowen

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Website/Membership	Troy Scotter
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Research	Darlene Koerner
Field Trips	Wanda Gayle
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## URARA Conservation Coordinators

<u>BLM District</u>	<u>Field Office</u>	<u>Coordinator</u>
Coordinator Lead		Diana Acerson
Canyon Country	Moab	Pam & Quent Baker
Canyon Country	Monticello	Werner Duecker, Carol Duecker
Paria River	Kanab	Jeff Frey
Color Country	Cedar City	Gina Hupka
Color Country	St. George	Nina Bowen
Color Country	Richfield	Jeff Roberts
Green River	Vernal	Tim Sweeney, Darlene Koerner
Green River	Price	Layne Miller
West Desert	Fillmore	Steve Acerson
West Desert	Salt Lake	Don & Adele Leavitt