

UTAH FRIENDS OF PALEONTOLOGY
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NOVEMBER REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1998

7:00 PM

DNR AUDITORIUM

1594 West North Temple

SPEAKER

DR. SUE ANN BILBEY

Utah Field House of Natural History State Park

Speaking on

PALEONTOLOGY IN UTAH – 150 YEARS OF DISCOVERY

UFOP Monthly Meeting Minutes

Rose Difley

The Great Basin Chapter of Utah Friends of Paleontology met Thursday, September 10, 1998 in the DNR Auditorium at 1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City. UFOP President, Jerry Golden called the meeting to order and welcomed guest, Terry Hill.

Old Business

Minutes for August were approved as printed in the bulletin.

Treasurer's report: The old balance (8/13/98) was \$849.49. Income of \$866.49 from donations and the state UFOP, and postage expenses, gave a new balance (9/10/98) of \$1,609.47.

New Business:

Postage for bulletins: It was decided that the monthly Great Basin Chapter bulletins have been such a success that, although postage costs for some mailings are high, the bulletins will continue for now.

Announcements of meetings:

Society of Vertebrate Paleontologists (SVP) meeting Wednesday, September 30 to Saturday, October 3, 1998 at Snowbird. Members were encouraged to attend scheduled field trips. There is plenty of room left for the teachers' workshop. Members who would like to attend this meeting may volunteer 8 hours each at the UFOP booth. Pre-meeting help is needed Sunday and Tuesday. Booth set up is Wednesday morning. Members could also help with shuttles, the teachers' workshop, as hiking guides, and with posters. Janet Gillette needs volunteers for the museum collections.

UFOP members decided upon several dinosaur designs made on sandstone by Bill and Jane Murray to sell at the SVP UFOP booth.

October meeting. It was decided that the Great Basin Chapter monthly meeting would not be held in October.

1999 UFOP Annual meeting is planned for the spring.

Field Trips:

Dalton Wells site is open through September.

Call for the weekend schedule of Castle Valley Chapter field trips if you are interested.

The UFOP field trip to the Berlin Ichthyosaur State Park in Nevada will be postponed until spring.

Reports:

Book signing: Frank DeCourten had a successful turnout for his talk and book signing at the Utah Museum of Natural History (UMNH) Friday, August 28.

Open house at UMNH: 900 people attended the museum open house Saturday, August 29.

State UFOP meeting summary: Donations of \$2,000 to SVP from UFOP chapters were discussed.

Other announcements:

Party time: There will be a farewell party for Dave and Janet Gillette at 7 P.M. Friday, September 11 at the home of Paul and Margaret Smith. This will be a potluck.

New hadrosaur and nodosaur names: Jim Kirkland is giving the new hadrosaur from the Carol site the species name of *caroljonesi*; the hadrosaur is believed to be the earliest hadrosaur in North America. This will appear in publication in about two months. Ken Carpenter is describing a nodosaur and giving it the species name *rayjonesi*. Both species are from the Early Cretaceous Cedar Mountain Formation.

Ray Jones received a patent on his scintillation technique and equipment for locating radioactive fossil bones.

Guest Speaker:

Betsy Price introduced the speaker, Greg McDonald, who spoke on "The Mysterious Deaths of the Hagerman Horse: A Case History from the Equus File." The Hagerman fossil horse beds in southern Idaho were made into a national monument in 1988. They occur in the late Pliocene Glens Ferry Formation. The fossils are of Blancan land mammal age (about 3.5 million years old). Greg concluded that the deposit was the result of a catastrophic event, not a long-term accumulation.

News and Reminders

UTAH STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS RELEASE

POSTER CONTEST TO BE HELD FOR 1999 PREHISTORY & HERITAGE WEEK

Each year Utah celebrates its rich archaeological, paleontological, Native American, and historic heritage with informative lectures, programs, activities, Native craft demonstrations, and archaeological and paleontological site visits during Utah Prehistory and Heritage Week.

Help promote Utah's exciting past by entering the Utah Prehistory and Heritage Week Poster Contest. Cash prizes will be offered in three categories: Grand contest winner: \$250; Secondary school winner: \$100; Elementary school winner: \$100. The contest is open to professional artists, starving artists, student artists, and creative citizens of any description. Artists may choose any material or design. The principal elements of the design should depict aspects of Utah archaeology, paleontology, Native American cultures, and/or historic settlers. The posters should be less than 16" wide and 24" long.

The poster contest is sponsored by the Divisions of State History and Parks and Recreation, Utah Geological Survey, Trust Lands, Bureau of Land Management, Utah Statewide Archaeological Society, Utah Friends of Paleontology, U.S. Forest Service, and National Park Service.

Posters should be submitted no later than January 1, 1999, to Martha Hayden, 1594 W. North Temple.

Visit the Prehistory Week web page to see the 1998 poster and posters of other states – www.historystate.ut.us/prehist. For information, contact Martha Hayden, (801) 537-3311 or Renae Weder (801) 533-3529 at the Division of State History, 300 Rio Grande, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

We Have a Bone to Pick with You

Waiting for spring.

