DinoFeast 2006

The College of Eastern Utah Prehistoric Museum and the Raptor Chapter of the Utah Friends of Paleontology
Request the pleasure of your company at the
13th Annual DinoFeast
Friday May 12, 2006
6:30 pm
College of Eastern Utah Jennifer Leavitt Center
490 North 400 East - Price, Utah

Guest Speaker
Dr. Rich Hengst
Lecture Title - Heavy Breathing and Sore Backs: Some insights into Dinosaur Physiology
$15.00 per person
Buffet-style lasagna dinner

RSVP to Chanel Atwood
Castle Country Regional Information Center (CCRIC)
CEU Prehistoric Museum (435) 613-5754
or (800) 817-9949
155 East Main Street - Price, Utah 84501
Advance reservations required on or before May 8, 2006

Community Art Show Opening April 21st
Opening Reception
April 21st
7:00 - 9:00 PM
Public Welcome - Refreshments will be served
CEU Museum Art Gallery
155 East Main Street
Price, Utah
Featuring CEU Art Faculty and Artists from our local community
Exhibition runs
April 14th through June 28th

If you are unable to make it to the opening, please take the opportunity to stop by the Museum during regular hours, 9-6 any day, (currently open 7 days a week). The Art Gallery Opening is free - General admission applies to any other viewing.

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Saturday-May 6, 2006

Rock Art Tour: The Castle Valley Archaeological Society is offering a free tour to view rock art in the San Rafael Swell.
Location: Northern San Rafael Swell
Time: Meet at the CEU Prehistoric Museum, 155 East Main St., Price, UT. The tour will leave the museum parking lot at 9:00 am.
Sponsor: Utah Statewide Archaeological Society-Castle Valley Chapter

Tuesday-May 9, 2006

Lecture: UFOP Lecture
Speaker: TBA
Location: CEU Prehistoric Museum classroom, 155 E. Main St., Price, UT
Time: 7:00 pm
Cost: Free
Sponsor: Utah Friends of Paleontology-Castle Valley Raptor Chapter

Wednesday-May 10, 2006

Lecture: In the Beginning: Understanding Ute Origin Stories
Speaker: Larry Cesspooch - Storyteller and Film Maker
Location: CEU Prehistoric Museum classroom, 155 E. Main St., Price, UT
Time: 7:00 pm
Cost: Free
Sponsors: Castle Valley Archaeological Society in conjunction with the Utah Humanities Council Road Scholars Program.

This program has received funding from the Utah Humanities Council. The Utah Humanities Council promotes understanding of diverse traditions, values, and ideas through informed public discussion.

Friday-May 12, 2006

DinoFeast Dinner & Lecture
Lecture: Heavy Breathing and Sore Backs: Some Insights into Dinosaur Physiology
Speaker: Rich Hengst, Ph.D. – Professor of Biology, Purdue University-North Central, Westville, IN
Location: CEU Campus, Jennifer Leavitt Student Center Multi-purpose Room, 500 North 300 East, Price, UT
Time: 6:30 pm
Cost: $15.00 per person for meal.
Reservations Required: Reservations are required by May 8, 2006. Contact the Information Center, 435.613.5754, for reservations and tickets. **Participants who make reservations but do not attend the dinner will be billed for the cost of the meal.**
Sponsors: UFOP-Castle Valley Raptor Chapter & CEU Prehistoric Museum

Saturday-May 13, 2006

CEU Museum Family Activity Day
Location: CEU Prehistoric Museum, 155 E. Main St., Price, UT
Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Cost: Free
Activities: Children’s activities include face painting, sidewalk chalk art, fossil rubbings, dinosaur track painting, sharks teeth dig and more. Vendor and craft demonstrators include atlatl throwing, cordage and arrowhead making demonstrations, pottery, jewelry, dinosaur sculptures, music by the Nine Mile Players, mountain man teepee, Navajo Tacos, hot dogs and more. Also information booths from USFS, BLM, DWR, USAS-Castle Valley Chapter, UFOP-Castle Valley Raptor Chapter, CEU Museum and more. Come join the fun!

For more information on each event contact the CEU Prehistoric Museum at 435.637.5060 or the Castle Country Regional Information Center at 435.613.5754.
This last quarter has brought some excitement to the deep, dusty recesses of the CEU Prehistoric Museum bone lab. The last couple of issues of the Raptor Review gave some hints on what was coming out of our various quarry sites as our dig season wound down last fall. Now that we have had an opportunity to process through most of these bags of bones and plaster jackets, gotten things cleaned up, reassembled, labeled, and catalogued, we can now fully appreciate what a treasure trove of prehistoric artifacts have been added to the College of Eastern Utah Museum repository.

It all started with the scant collection of bone fragments and single jacket from the little - known, lowly Jeff’s site. This one medium - sized jacket became a cornucopia of articulated Camptosaurus bones that included an intact hand, foot, leg and hips. There are only two or three of these known to exist anywhere. Add to this a number of well preserved vertebrae complete with their various processes (not often found) and a hand full of ribs. This little jewel of a jacket certainly started our winter of bone prep work with a bit of excitement and set the bar of expectations very high.

Before the dust began to settle we started in on the 200 plus bones from our new therizinosaur site out by Green River. We were pretty buzzed about getting into this collection. What we had been bringing in from the quarry site held the promise of some beautifully preserved, shiny black, mostly intact Falcarius bones. We were not disappointed. Over the next few weeks we began to amass some fine samples of both adult and juvenile bones in remarkably fine shape.

Two highlights from this collection are a tiny little jaw bone containing tiny little teeth and a sandstone block about the size of a bowling ball, and packed with bone samples that include our best claw, an assortment of vertebrae and an ilium. These bones, for a while, will remain partially embedded in this sandstone and will be on display in the museum.

Also from this same quarry site are some bones from a super large armored dinosaur. One three foot long rib prepped out to have a large bony mass in it’s mid section suggesting a break had occurred at this point and that this dino died before the healing was completed. That’s a poignant moment in history occurring a hundred million years ago.

Moving on to our Eolambia bones from our new Willow Springs site: These too are beautifully preserved bone, shiny black, and mostly complete, and represent principally juveniles. We are up to almost 200 bones. Featured bones of this collection might be a recently completed matched pair of pubis and a yet to be prepped ilium that most likely belongs to this assemblage and some delicate little baby Eolambia bones, perhaps the only ones in captivity.

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Family Activity Day

This year Family Activity Day will be held on Saturday May 13th, from 10:00 am - 3 pm in the Museum and the adjoining Peace Garden. Come to one of the information tables and pick up your free packet to help guide you on your adventure with Brook and Ned through 8 exciting Dinosaurs Activities. Be sure to check out all of the Vendors and Exhibitors in and around the Museum and the Peace Garden. We look forward to having you join us at the Museum for Family Activity Day. Stomp on by and see us for lots of fun!

A New Mural has come to the Children’s Room at the Museum. The Mural depicts several popular dinosaurs in cartoon form. Each dinosaur is numbered, and visitors to the Children’s Room can guess which dinosaurs are in the Mural. Come in and see our new mural today!

Welcome to the CEU Prehistoric Museum Gift Shop. As we “Spring” into another busy tourist season, we’ve been busy stocking the gift shop with familiar items previously found in the gift shop. We also have included new merchandise: magnetic beaded jewelry ~ wooden puzzles ~ travel games & activities ~ stuffed animals ~ crystal cubes ~ and t-shirts, along with our new additions to the Carnegie dinosaur collection. Our fully stocked bookshelves include Utes: The Mountain People, Guide to Rock Art, Dinosaurs of Utah, Bone Poems, and How to Take Your Grandmother to The Museum.

Our shop offers a wide selection of gifts to please any age group, with shop clerks trained to give great customer service. Come in and meet the newest member to the shop clerks’ team: Maquette Potts, who will be working mornings this Spring.

A variety of museum merchandise is now available on the web site, so that purchases can be made online and sent directly to your home.

Just a reminder: Museum members receive a 10% discount on all purchases.

You can feel good about your purchases here at the Museum. Proceeds from your purchases help to fund ongoing research programs and educational improvements here at the Museum.

We appreciate your support!

EDUCATION

April 14, 2006 Meeting at 6:30-7:00 PM
Dr. Rod Scheetz, "Taphonomy of the Dalton-Wells Quarry"

May 14, 2006
PreHistory Week Schedule see pg. 2
No lectures will be held in June, July or August

LECTURE SERIES are free to the public. They are an entertaining and informative way to spend an evening. The diverse topics make them ever engaging. The purpose for the partnership with CVAS (Castle Valley Archaeological Society), CCRIC (Castle Country Regional Information Center) and UFOP (Utah Friends of Paleontology) is to better spread the word to the community about these wonderful resources. Although we make great effort to inform the public, we are reliant on you to make them successful by your attendance. We hope to see you there!

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LECTURE SERIES

April 20, 2006 Meeting at 6:30, lecture at 7:00 PM
Currently unannounced
May 10, 2006
PreHistory Week Schedule see pg. 2
Lectures will resume in October

UFOP LECTURE SCHEDULE

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New Employee

Maquette Potts our newest Shop Clerk standing appropriately beside the maquette of the Utahraptor
Find your way through the maze to discover the Huntington Mammoth

CEU Prehistoric Museum
451 East 400 North
Price, Utah 84501
Located at 155 East Main Street - Price, Utah

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