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For Immediate Release

Paleontologists at Work! Washington County, UT

Silver Reef Museum/Ghost Town-Cosmopolitan Event

March 25, 2017 (10am-12pm) RSVP 435.879.2254 or on this online form <https://form.jotform.com/70416416114951> is greatly appreciated!



Paleontologists at Work!

This lecture explores the rich geological and paleontological history--and possible future--of the Silver Reef area and surrounding Washington County, UT vicinity. Dr. Harris will share his knowledge of the rocks and terrain of the area and discuss the way a paleontologist works, as well as describe the types of fossils that are hidden under our feet, and all around us. He will welcome questions about paleontology, geology, fossils and the types of plants, animals and the natural events that created them.

Presenting Paleontologist:

Dr. Jerry Harris, *Dixie State University and Dinosaur Discovery Site Museum*
Dr. Harris is advisor to the St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm (SGDS), St. George, Utah and Director of Paleontology and Associate Professor, Dixie State University, Science Department. He has written numerous publications and books about geology and paleontology. More about Dr. Harris: <http://cactus.dixie.edu/jharris/>

This exploration of work in Washington County is part of a "kick off" as our community prepares to host the traveling Smithsonian exhibition "The Way We Worked," which examines the importance of work as it relates to individuals and the culture of the community in which they live.

"The Way We Worked" has been made possible in Utah by Utah Humanities. The exhibition, created by the U.S. National Archives, is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress.

The Washington County, UT tour of "The Way We Worked" is hosted by the Silver Reef Museum, Leeds, UT. Many thanks to our local partners and generous funders for their support of "The Way We Worked" in Washington County, UT. #TWWW #UtahWorks

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