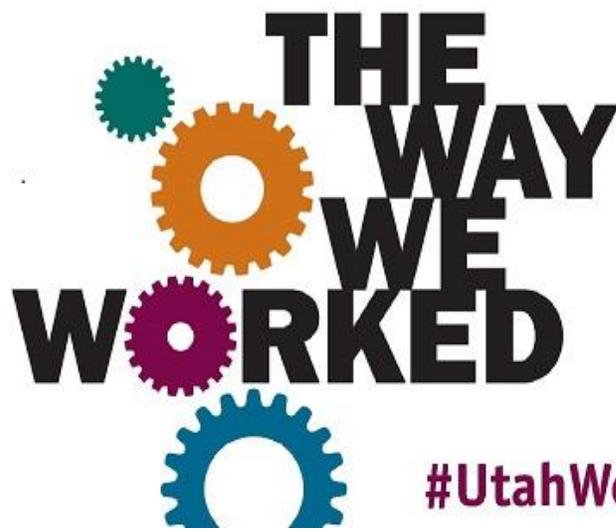


SMITHSONIAN EXHIBITION



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History of St George UT

Dr. Doug Alder & Mayor Jon Pike

Lecture Sat. Sept 9, 2017 at 10am

Dixie Academy Building (St George Childrens Museum)

86.S. Main Street

St George, UT 84770

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Dr. Douglas D. Alder is a historian and was president of Dixie College from 1986 to 1993. He served 23 years at USU before that. He is the author of 12 books and dozens of scholarly articles and reviews. His wife is Elaine.



Jon Pike was raised in Salt Lake City and received a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Utah and an MBA from Westminster College. Jon has worked in several positions with Intermountain Healthcare since 1990 – and since 1995 here in St. George.

One of the highlights of Jon's career has been working as project manager for the planning and construction of Dixie Regional Medical Center at River Road, which opened in 2003. He currently works as the regional operations director for SelectHealth – the health insurance division of Intermountain Healthcare.

In 2007 Jon was elected to the St. George City Council and in 2013 he was elected as Mayor of St. George. He serves on the boards of Dixie State University, Dixie Applied Technology College, Washington County Water Conservancy District, St. George Area Economic Development, Utah League of Cities and Towns, and several other city and county-related boards.

St. George was founded to be the capitol of Washington County. It was Brigham Young's idea. It utilized the village system, not the homestead concept. It was cooperative in irrigation but people owned their own town one acre lot and their five acre farm outside town. Early on they cooperatively built the St. George Tabernacle, using their sandstone quarry. Plans came from Salt Lake City based on New England Architecture. Soon thereafter they built the St. George Tabernacle, the courthouse, the opera house and the Cotton Factory, all using the sandstone quarry located near Diagonal Street. The city became the mother to many other small villages. Irrigation was a major achievement, Especially the Washington fields Dam. Initially the city had about 1000 residents. It grew to about 2500, still within the original limits. 200 East was the boundary on the east side, even when the Temple was completed. By 1965 there were 5000 people. Today there are 85,000 residents. Initially the city was headquarters for agriculture undertakings. It has gradually urbanized and become a national tourism center. It is home to a university and a major hospital There are five industrial parks and a significant airport. the I-15 Interstate highway bisects the city, bringing people from all over the world to this desert delight.

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The Way We Worked, a traveling exhibition created by the National Archives, is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian, US National Archives and Utah Humanities, is touring in partnership with the Silver Reef Museum and Arts to Zion.

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