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Dear Colleagues of Dixie State University,

Our next Colleagues meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the Zion Room on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Jeffrey R. Holland Centennial Commons Building at 300 South and 800 East on the Dixie State University campus. Parking will be available in the parking lot west of the Holland Building/north of the Burns Arena. Our special guest speaker for the January meeting will be John Rich, Jr. John is the owner of Jacob Lake Resort, and his presentation will be "A Brief History of Navajo Weaving and Some Guidelines for Collecting."



John Rich, Jr.

Watching his grandpa stand on native baskets to show their sturdiness, hiding behind stacks of Navajo weavings to be left alone while reading a book, and sitting on a flat Hopi rooftop to watch Katsinas dance are the childhood experiences of John Rich, Jr. He has worked to build personal, day-to-day relationships with native artists that have developed into a great love for their history, culture, and art. As a buyer for over 40 years at the Gift Shop at Jacob Lake Inn, a family business since 1923, his knowledge comes from a lifetime of working with Native American artisans as friends, not just suppliers of goods for sale. John's understanding has translated into a desire to teach and share with others the beauty of the Native American people. John has taught in many situations, from small informal groups to speaking as a guest speaker at the university level. His sense of humor brings to life these wonderful native people of the southwest. He talks about the difficulties they face, the beauty of their culture, and the heritage that struggles to survive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. His knowledge, gift of communication, and love for the artists promise an enjoyable and informative experience.

We hope you will join us for John Rich, Jr.'s presentation at our Colleagues meeting on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Looking ahead, the following presentations are scheduled for spring semester 2018:

■ Monday, February 5: Dr. Elizabeth Crook and Dr. Frederick Crook – "Living in China" [Taylor Building, Medical Center Drive]

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■ Monday, March 5: Allen Jacobi – "Thirty-three Years of Practicing Law" [Taylor Building, Medical Center Drive]

- Monday, April 2: Ron Smith, an Astronomer "Mars and Dark Matter and Dark Energy" [Taylor Building, Medical Center Drive]
- Monday, May 7: Dr. Richard B. Williams, President of Dixie State University "Report on DSU's 2017-2018 Academic Year and the Utah State Legislature" [Taylor Building, Medical Center Drive]

## Happy Holidays, everyone!

Thank you for your continuing support.

DSU President, Dr. Richard B. Williams and former DSU President, Dr. Douglas D. Alder

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