

OCT 7 - WHAT IS THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFIARS (BIA)?

The United States has a unique legal and political relationship with Indian tribes. BIA provides services directly or through contracts, grants, or compacts to 567 Federally-recognized tribes with a service population of about 1.9 million American Indian and Alaska Natives. Through Indian Affairs programs, Tribes improve their tribal government infrastructure, community infrastructure, education, job training, and employment opportunities along with other components of long term sustainable development that work to improve the quality of life for their members.

OCT 14 - PAGE RANCH - LISA MICHELE CHURCH

Historic Page Ranch, on the remote Pinto Road about 20 miles west of Cedar City, was a busy way station for travelers on the wagon road to California. The ranch was homesteaded in 1860 by Robert Richey and his two wives, and inherited by Richey's grandson Daniel Page in 1875. Page raised a large family while operating a cattle ranch, fruit orchard and boarding house. Page was also a miner who did well in selling his mining claims making enough to build a 14 room house and decorate it with furnishings from Chicago. Lisa will explore the people, stories and mysteries surrounding the 150 year old ranch.

OCT 21 - PARASHANT NIGHT SKIES - EATHAN McINTYRE

Mr. McIntyre, Physical Scientist with the Grand Canyon Parashant National Monument, spearheaded the first BLM Dark Sky Designation in this exceptional National Monument. He will discuss the importance of night skies to wildlife and the human experience along with how they are being monitored across remote landscapes and your own backyard.

OCT 28 - HALLOWEEN AND TIME FOR BATS - KEITH DAY

Mr. Day is a Wildlife Biologist for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, responsible for the Southern Region non-game bird and mammal programs. Keith has been with the Southern Region for over 18 years and has been a Wildlife professional for 28 years. He will discuss the biology and life history of bats and their niche in the environment along with ongoing research programs in Utah and the U.S.

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING REGISTRATION TO ATTEND BROWN BAG LECTURES:

Due to limited seating and high demand, you must register to attend any lecture. Sign up begins one week prior to each program at approximately 1:10 p.m. on each Friday at the conclusion of the program. Sixty seats are reserved for general admission, with an additional 20 seats for DASIA members. An additional 30-slot waiting list will be made available when the program is oversubscribed. Those on the waiting list will be contacted by telephone when a seat becomes available. Please be at the Public Lands Information Center by 11:45 a.m. to claim your seat.

Reservations may be made by calling the Public Lands Information Center at 435.688.3200