



President's Corner

Two year anniversary a rousing success!

On December 19, 2016 we celebrated the second anniversary of TUSK with a special partnership agreement between the NPS, City of North Las Vegas, and the developer of the Villages of Tule Springs, KBS Advisors, to bring the first trail of TUSK online in 2017. It took months of negotiating by Superintendent Burpee and includes a provision that the giant road, Grand Teton, will never be built through the Monument. Following the onsite signing of that partnership, POTS roasted Jon and bid him farewell as he leaves us for his new assignment in the Pacific Northwest. Replacing Jon will be Roxanne Dey, who will serve as the interim superintendent for 60 days while a permanent replacement is found. Roxanne has served Lake Mead in many managerial roles.

Membership Dues Time

We appreciate your continued support of POTS educational outreach efforts and support of the National Park Service needs for the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument. Remember, the legislation that created TUSK came with \$0 of funding. The current Federal budget has been delayed and who knows how TUSK will fare in the final version. Our dues are paid by calendar year, so we are collecting now for 2017. Some facts about POTS and your donation:

- *POTS has an all volunteer board so administrative costs are low.
- *Educational outreach with CCSD includes the Pleistocene Art contest in October and the Mammoth Penny Push in Spring.
- *Educational booths at science festivals and outdoor events.
- *Clean-ups and hikes all conducted by volunteers.

Memberships can be mailed to: 7911 Lyrebird, North Las Vegas 89084

OR online at <http://www.tulespringslv.com/BecomeaMember.aspx>

The Mission of the Protectors of Tule Springs is to increase public understanding, appreciation and enjoyment of the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument, through aid to the National Park Service and support of programs for the interpretation and protection of Monument resources.

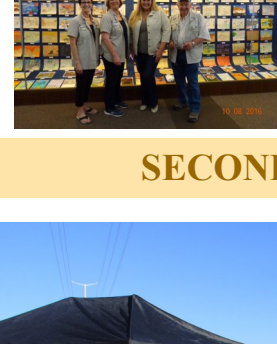
Upcoming Events

****January 24, 2017 6-7:30pm Meeting at Sun City clubhouse-7390 Aliante Parkway . Speakers will include interim superintendent Roxanne Dey & Dr. Steve Rowland. Steve will be telling us about the latest mammoth discovery.**

****Spring hikes and clean-ups coming. Watch your email for the dates and times.**

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ART CONTEST SUCCESS!



First place winners in the Fossil Day Pleistocene Art contest with partners at the Clark County School District (CCSD) and the Las Vegas Natural History Museum. Winners were given monetary awards and TUSK logo items. All 175 student participants received a POTS book bag. Attendees received a student membership for 2017.

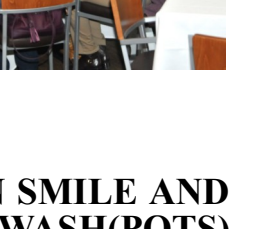


GET OUTDOORS NEVADA DAY SUCCESS!

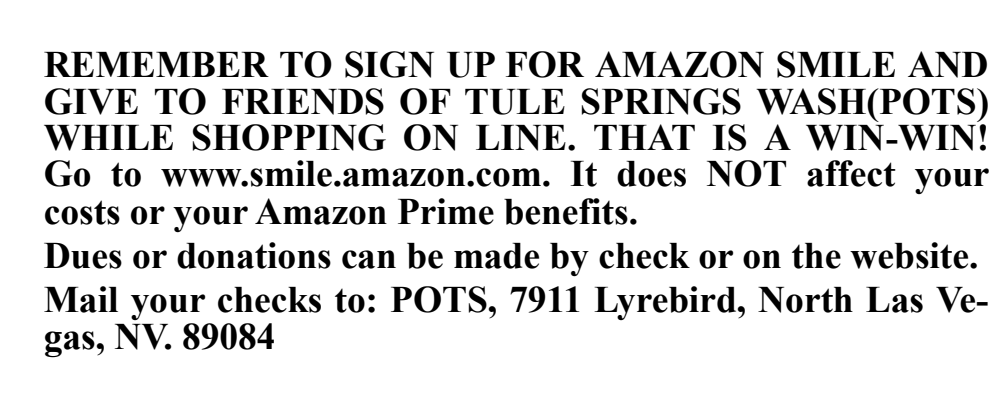


POTS board member Sherri Grotheer and Girl Scout Troop # 41 were honored as the National Park Service partnership group of 2016 for their efforts in creating the Mammoth Penny Push educational outreach effort in the school system. Every child in CCSD had the opportunity to watch an informational video about the Monument written and acted in by this Troop.

The day was also a celebration of NPS 100th birthday. Kids coming to the POTS booth made Happy Birthday cards which were presented to Superintendent Burpee for the archives. Educational outreach continues as POTS member one focus as the Monument moves forward.



SECOND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR AMAZON SMILE AND GIVE TO FRIENDS OF TULE SPRINGS WASH(POTS) WHILE SHOPPING ON LINE. THAT IS A WIN-WIN! Go to www.smile.amazon.com. It does NOT affect your costs or your Amazon Prime benefits.

Dues or donations can be made by check or on the website. Mail your checks to: POTS, 7911 Lyrebird, North Las Vegas, NV. 89084

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