

## Join the Plateau Sciences Society

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As the Plateau Sciences Society enters its 55<sup>th</sup> year, it will take on a new, and exciting challenge for the up-coming membership year which starts in September. The annual membership dues for the year are \$10.00 for an individual and \$15.00 for a couple. Membership benefits include a monthly newsletter, an invitation to the Christmas Festival, and participation in various community activities and field trips.

The basic purpose of the Plateau Sciences Society has always been to study and appreciate the social and natural sciences relating to the Colorado Plateau and its people – including, but not limited to geology, paleontology, archaeology, astronomy, plants and animals and their environment, and Southwest and Native American history.

Next year, 2016, will be the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Park Service. Several years ago the Plateau Sciences Society received a grant to produce a photo exhibition of surrounding National Parks, Monuments and Historic Sites to bring to the public's attention the centennial of the Antiquities Act of 1906.

Again, this year, the Society will endeavor to recognize the important, and unique role that our National Park Service has played in the preservation and interpretation of our nation's historic treasures. Starting with our September 20 (Sunday) meeting, and continuing to the May, 2016 meeting, all of our programs will be devoted to honoring one of our local NPS sites. In the course of this series of presentations, they will contribute to our society's vested interests in geology, paleontology, archaeology, environment and Southwest history.

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So that we can maximize our honor and recognition of these local National Park Service sites, we will make these program presentations open to the public.