

Bluff Founders' Day and Frybread Festival

Symbolic of the trying experiences of “the Long Walk” of 1863 and eventual even more difficult return of the Navajo to their ancestral lands in 1868, frybread is about making something out of nothing.¹ Just as fry bread can be used as a representation of the Native Peoples of Bluff, so “the Hole in the Rock” story is



representative of the early white settlers along the San Juan and their peace-making mission to Bluff in 1880. Come to Bluff and celebrate the beginning of a new tradition, Bluff Founders' Day and Frybread Festival, April 8, 2017.

Kicking off the event will be a parade which begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Citizens Center. Individuals and families are invited to walk and ride the length of

Black Locust to Bluff Fort displaying signs and banners honoring their ancestral Bluff connection, highlighted with a horse-drawn wagon. The parade should end between 11:30 and 12:00. The

organizing committee invites originality and creativity for the signs and banners.

Following the parade, a fry bread cooking and eating contest will be held at Twin Rocks from 12:00 to 2:00.



¹ Fry bread - the Story of Our Survival, Frybread, Inc



Native American activities will take place between 3:00 and 6:00 at the Citizens Center. This will include a Ute Bear Dance that anyone may join in if they desire. Other activities are still in development.



A Craft Fair/Demonstration will be held at Bluff Fort from 12:00 to closing. Anyone who would like to display pioneer type crafts is welcome to join us and sell their items if they desire. The Fort will be sponsoring a horse drawn wagon ride around historic Bluff telling about the original homes that still exist here.

A Movie, "More Than Frybread," will be shown at the Citizens Center at 7:00 p.m.

