

File Thunder NV

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Blanton Owen - State Folklorist
Nevada State Council on the Arts
329 Flint Street Reno, NV 89501

Dear Blanton,

I just received a call from Rolling Mountain Thunder's son Dan Van Zant and would like to bring you up to date about activities at the site.

Happily, Dan has bought the 5 1/2 acre property by the highway and would like to see it preserved. Dan has no plans to move back to Nevada and limited time and funds as relates to stabilization and protection of the sculpture. He says there has been some vandalism but none of the art work seems to be damaged.

I told him that you had done some investigation about preservation of the monument and that it would be important that you talk to each other.

Dan seems to open to any idea that would preserve the property. Here is his new address. Can you make contact with him?

Dan Van Zant
6832 Hickory
Orangevale, CA 95662
(916)987-1627

There are of course a number of different ways the site could be protected and yet be accessible. The public should not be denied the experience of seeing Thunder's wonderful works up close so I hope we have a chance to talk soon and share some thoughts as to how this can be accomplished.

Please say hello to William Fox for me.

My best,


Seymour Rosen
Director