

## YOUR CHAMBER LINK December 2014

Interested in hosting Food And Networking (FAN) Club? Start thinking about 2015, sign-up early.

Please call the Chamber office at 437-6120 to schedule your opportunity to host and showcase your business to the Membership and Community.

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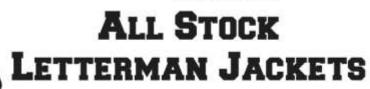
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### Black Friday and Saturday

Nov. 28 and 29



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Friday 12/5 @ 7pm Saturday 12/6 @ 2pm & 7pm Sunday 12/7 @ 2pm Admission \$3.00



Friday 12/12 @ 7pm Saturday 12/13 @ 2pm & 7pm Sunday 12/14 @ 2pm Admission \$3.00



Sunday 12/21 @ 2pm

1017 New York Ave. Alamogordo





Friday 12/26 @ 7pm Saturday 12/27 @ 2pm & 7pm Sunday 12/28 @ 2pm Admission \$3.00

Movie Info 575 437-5353

# Community Thanksgiving **SERVICE** of **WORSHIP**

All Offerings will go to Otero Hunger Coalition

Our Savior Lutheran Church 1212 Washington Avenue 6:00 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

Otero Hunger Coalition Meal 5:00 pm Pie Potluck following worship

Alamogordo Clergy Study Group



WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO DISPLAY THEIR CRAFTS. COME BY OR CALL EVA HOLGUIN AT 575-491-0450







#### FIRST AMERICAN BANK IS PROUD TO HOST OUR ANNUAL WINTER WONDERLAND CHARITY EVENT.

Date: Thursday, December 4, 2014

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: First American Bank

1300 N. White Sands Blvd.

Join us for a Live Auction of beautiful and whimsical themed Christmas Trees and Wreaths. The trees and wreaths are on display and the silent auction items are available for bid at First American Bank throughout the month of November.

The Live Auction begins following the Chamber of Commerce Business-After-Hours hosted at First American Bank.

Thanks to the support of local businesses and many individuals for help making this event possible and successful. All proceeds raised benefit Boys and Girls Club of Otero County.

Catering by Stella Vita.



First American Bank Alamo, WW. 2014





### Holiday Open House

The warm glow of luminarias lures you in to the visitor center as the spirited rhythms of live music fill the night.

Your senses delight as you breathe in the tantalizing aroma of New Mexican dishes and drink, free to sample at your leisure...

Come... Join us for a night of great activities, delicious food and family fun. You may even win a door prize!

# Friday, December 5, 2014 from 5:00-8:00 PM in the Visitor Center

Western National Parks Association will be offering 15% off any bookstore purchase to bring home the magic of the season.

#### Western

National Parks Association



Visit the White Sands Trading Company, too and get 15% off everything in the store in honor of the holidays!



The Dunes Drive will be open to those who wish to experience the beauty of the magnificent White Sands until 6 pm. Vehicles must enter the park by 5 pm. Entrance fees apply (\$3.00 per person 16 years and older).

Visitors are encouraged to bring canned food donations to help supply our local food banks during the holidays.

Activities will be held both indoors and outdoors, so please dress appropriately.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 575-479-6124 ext. 236

#### Alamogordo Funeral Home, Hamilton O'Dell Funeral Home & Professional Crematory Services (PCS)

Present our Tenth Annual

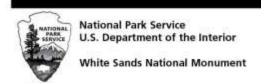


In celebration of lives well lived

Thursday, December 11, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. 2301 First Street (Alamogordo Funeral Home) Pastor Jack Brock officiating Music by Selmo

Please be our guests for a special service in remembrance of the lives of those who have touched us. Join us for a comforting message, music, and refreshments, to place a spark of light in your heart.

Wishing you comfort and peace in this holiday season...



PO Box 1086 Holloman AFB, NM 88330

Phone 575-479-6124 www.nps.gov/whsa

#### White Sands National Monument Events December 2014







#### **Sunset Strolls**



Sunset strolls are a great way to end your day. Enjoy a leisurely one-hour ranger-guided walk through sand dunes and learn about the geology, plants, and animals of this unique area. Program starts at the sign along Dunes Drive about five miles from the visitor center. Programs are offered daily. Program is free; monument entrance fees apply.\*\*

\*4:00 pm November 2-December 31

#### **Holiday Open House**

White Sands National Monument invites you to help us celebrate the holiday season with our seventh annual Holiday Open House on Friday, December 5 from 5 to 8 pm. Enjoy live music, ranger programs, children's activities, luminarias around the historic adobe visitor center, and delicious New Mexican food. Western National Parks Association park store and White Sands Trading gift shop will both offer 15% discount store-wide—bring your holiday shopping list. Visitors are encouraged to bring canned food donations to help supply our local food banks during the holidays.

The visitor center and gift shop will be open until 8 pm, and Dunes Drive will be open until 6 pm. No charge for the program. If you choose to drive the Dunes Drive, monument entrance fees apply (\$3.00 per person 16 years and older). Activities will be held both indoors and outdoors; please dress appropriately.

\*5-8 pm Friday, December 5

#### Lake Lucero Tour



Have you ever wondered how the white sands formed? Take a tour to Lake Lucero with a ranger and learn about the formation of the sands and the special plants and animals that live in and around the dunes. Program fee: \$8.00 per adult (16 years and older), \$4.00 for children (15 years and younger) Reservations can be made one month in advance at www.nps.gov/whsa. All Lake Lucero tour reservations must be made through the website.

\*10 am Sunday, December 28

#### Skins and Skulls



Join a ranger in the visitor center courtyard for a 20-minute talk about the amazing animals of White Sands. Rangers will have pelts, skulls, and other props to provide you an up-close look and feel of the elusive wildlife of White Sands. Program is free.

\*3:00 pm weekends only

#### Patio Talks



Join a ranger in the visitor center courtyard to have your questions answered and pick up tips for enjoying your stay at White Sands National Monument. Program is free.

\*1:30 pm weekends only

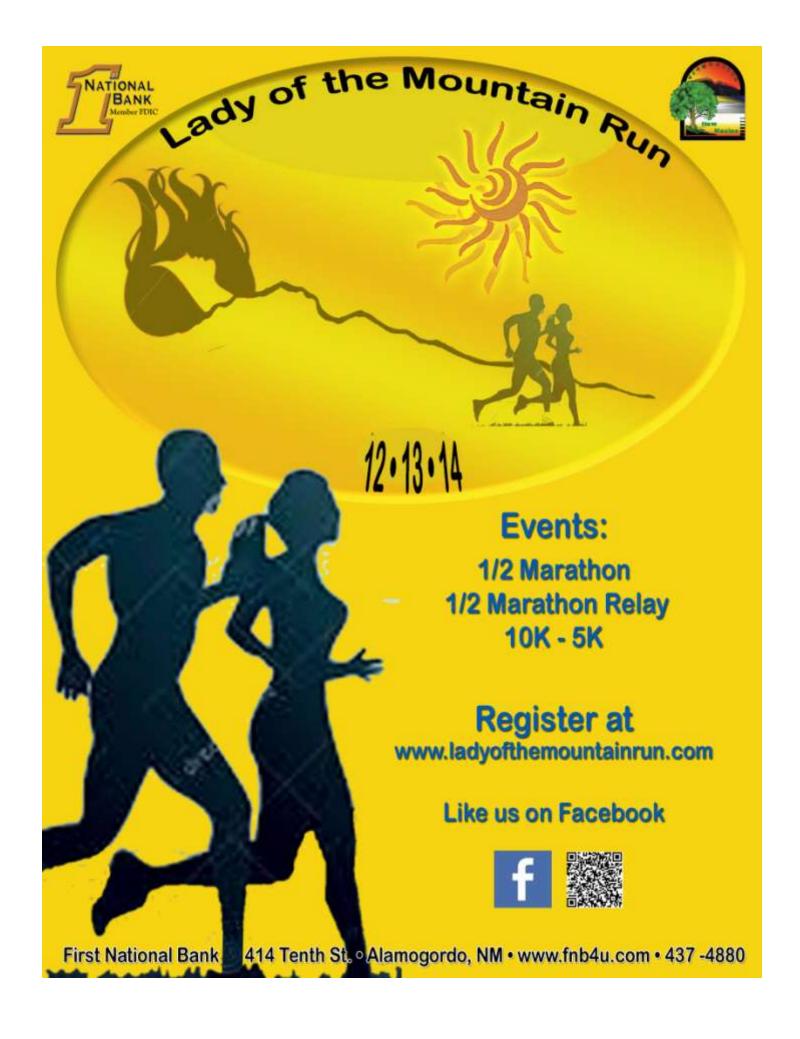
#### Visitor Center Hours

#### Monument Hours

\*7:00 am-6:00 pm Nov 2-February 20, 2015

White Sands National Monument, including the visitor center, park store, gift shop, and Dunes Drive will be closed on December 25th for the Christmas holiday. The monument, including the visitor center, park store, and gift shop will be open on New Year's Day from 9 am until 6 pm.

Schedule is subject to change. Activities may be cancelled due to weather or missile range activities. Visit www.nps.gov/whsa for more information. \*\*Monument entrance fees are \$3.00 per person anyone 16-years and older; children 15-years old and under are free.





#### 2014-2015 Teachers and Technology Program

The CenturyLink Clarke M. Williams Foundation's Teachers and Technology grants are designed to help fund projects that advance student success through the innovative use of technology.

#### Eligibility

Full-time classroom teachers in public or private PreK-12 schools located in CenturyLink's residential service areas who did not win a CenturyLink Teachers and Technology grant in the past 3 years may apply for a Teachers and Technology Grant for the 2014-2015 school year. Applicants do not have to be CenturyLink customers in order to apply for these grants.

#### **Key Dates**

Applications will be accepted October 1, 2014 - January 2, 2015.

Grants will be announced and presented after April 1, 2015.

#### Grants

CenturyLink will award more than \$1.4 million in grants across 36 states. Grants range from \$500 to \$5,000.

Apply here: http://innovate-educate.org/centurylink-presents-teachers-and-technology-competitive-mini-grants For more information, contact: Samantha Garza at sgarza@innovate-educate.org

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Oliver Lee Memorial State Park

Interpretive Programs for December 2014 & January 2015

Contact: Charles Wood, charles.wood@state.nm.us, 575-437-8284

Program Name: The Perseus Story Cycle

Date(s): December 13, 2014 Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Location: Group Shelter

Description: The Amateur Astronomers Group of the New Mexico will be sponsoring a tour of the fall night sky. Come listen to tales from the night sky: the Perseus story cycle. The constellations Cepheus, Cassiopeia, Andromeda, Perseus, Pegasus and Cetus linked Greek cultures together and created the plot line for the movie "Clash of the Titans". A few Geminid meteors may also enliven the night sky. Dress warmly, come early and enjoy a beautiful Dog Canvon Sunset.

Fee: Day-use fee required. For information call: 575-437-8284.

Program Name: The Night Sky.

Date(s): January 17, 2015 Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Location: Meet at Group Shelter Description: The Amateur Astronomers Group will sponsor a night under the stars. Winter often provides great dark skies for viewing deep space objects like the Andromeda Galaxy and the Orion Nebula. Dress warmly, come early and enjoy the beauty of Dog Canyon at sundown. Fee: Day-use fee required. For information call: 575-437-8284.

Oliver Lee Memorial State Park is located eight miles south of Alamogordo on US Hwy 54 and four miles east on Dog Canyon Rd. Although there are no charges for individual programs, all day-use entry fees and camping fees do apply. For information call 575-437-8284.