

Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site

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Sand Creek Massacre NHS News Release

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Sand Creek Offers Special Walking Tour

Soldiers of the "Bloodless Third" attacked the peaceful Cheyenne and Arapaho village at Sand Creek on the morning of November 29, 1864. Their desire to fight and what ultimately occurred has been the subject of debate for the past one hundred and fifty years. The Third Regiment Cavalry, Colorado (U.S.) Volunteers will be the topic of a free interpretive walking tour at the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site (NHS) on Saturday, June 28, 2014.

The tour will begin at 10am in the main parking lot of the Sand Creek Massacre NHS and end by noon. Reservations are required. For reservations contact Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site at (719) 438-5916.

Entrance into the park is free and gates will open at 9am. Restroom facilities and parking are available at the visitor contact station. The park bookstore will open at 9am and remain open throughout the day.

Participants should prepare for warm, windy weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. Bottled water, hats and sunscreen are recommended. Inclement weather on the day of the event will cancel the program and participants will be notified.

The Sand Creek Massacre site is located 23 miles east of Eads, CO. From Eads, take Highway 287 South for 2.7 miles before turning left onto Highway 96 East. Continue through the town of Chivington, to Chief White Antelope Way (a well maintained dirt road). Turn north on Chief White Antelope Way (CR 54) for 8 miles before turning east on County Road W. The park is located 1.3 miles east on County Road W.

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