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Kiowa County Residents Invited to 150th Year Remembrance and 16th Annual Spiritual Healing Run Events

Kiowa County residents played a very important role in establishing the Sand Creek Massacre NHS and continue to support the park and its mission. In recognition of their continued support and appreciation, Superintendent Alexa Roberts and the staff at the Sand Creek Massacre NHS extend a welcome to all Kiowa County residents to attend free events commemorating the 150th Year Remembrance of the Sand Creek Massacre (Saturday, November 29) and the 16th Annual Spiritual Healing Run (Sunday, November 30).

On Saturday, November 29th, join park staff at the Sand Creek Massacre NHS for the following free commemorative events:

- 9am to Noon - U.S. Postal Service representative will be available to cancel letters with the *150th Year Remembrance of the Sand Creek Massacre* postal cancellation stamp.
- 10am to 10:30am - “The Sand Creek Massacre” – Join a park ranger in the picnic area for this insightful discussion on the surprise attack on the Cheyenne and Arapaho Village, which occurred 150 years ago.
- 12pm to 12:30pm - “And Still He Stayed” Join a park ranger in the picnic area for this interesting talk on Cheyenne Peace Chief Black Kettle. Who was he? Why is he remembered today?
- 1pm - Monument Hill opens to the public. Visitors are welcome to explore the park on their own or join speakers in the picnic area for a brief discussion on the importance of the day and background for establishing the park.

Saturday afternoon and evening, Kiowa County residents are invited to the town of Eads to attend the following programs:

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3pm and 5pm - Join park staff at the Crow Luther Cultural Events Center for a special preview showing of *The Sand Creek Massacre and the Civil War*, a Postmodern Film Production. Why are the Sand Creek Massacre and the Civil War inexorably linked? This film creates a vivid picture illustrating how these seemingly disparate events are interwoven culminating in horrible tragedy.

Immediately following this film will be a preview showing of the latest episode of the Rocky Mountain PBS Television series *Colorado Experience* entitled *The Sand Creek Massacre*. This episode revisits the horrific attack and uncovers the history 150 years later.

Films will be shown at 3pm and again at 5pm.

5:30pm - Kiowa County residents are welcome to join park staff and Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members in a free meal at the Kiowa County Community Building (Eads).

On Sunday, November 30th, join Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Members and park staff at the Sand Creek Massacre NHS for the 16th Annual Spiritual Healing Run event

7AM The 16th Annual Sand Creek Massacre Spiritual Healing Run will begin at Monument Hill, Sand Creek Massacre NHS.

Sunday afternoon, Kiowa County residents are invited to the town of Eads for another free showing of the new documentary films on the Sand Creek Massacre:

2PM Join park staff at the Crow Luther Cultural Events Center for a special preview showing of *The Sand Creek Massacre and the Civil War*, a Postmodern Film Production. Why are the Sand Creek Massacre and the Civil War inexorably linked? This film creates a vivid picture illustrating how these seemingly disparate events are interwoven culminating in horrible tragedy.

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