Child Safety Day
by Erin Anderson, Curator of the Western Heritage Museum Complex & Lea County Cowboy Hall of Fame

Despite bad weather, high winds and blowing dirt, over 500 people visited the Western Heritage Museum on February 9 to take part in the Museum’s educational efforts, to meet with experts in public safety and to attend the Museum’s new exhibition “Crime Lab Detective.” Visitors were able to meet in person with representatives of the Hobbs Police Department, the Hobbs Fire Department, the Knowles Fire Department, the Bureau of Land Management, Lea Regional Hospital, the Lea County Sheriff’s office, the Drug Coalition, the NMJC Police Academy, and the Lea County Corrections facility.

Earlier in the month, February 9, 2013 was named “Child Safety Day” by Mayor Sam Cobb in a Mayoral Proclamation presented to the Dr. Darrell Beauchamp. In the proclamation, Mayor Cobb encouraged all citizens to support the efforts of the Museum as they hosted a public day designed to encourage public safety.

On Child Safety Day, visitors were treated to demonstrations, exhibitions, and the opportunity to meet and greet Lea County’s heroes. Visitors got to see the equipment used by the SWAT team (and climb in and look up close at their equipment), the fire trucks and ladder equipment used to fight structure and grass fires, meet Smokey Bear, watch demonstrations of the Sheriff’s K9 drug officer and dog and see the Native Air medical helicopter take off and land twice. Between runs the helicopter crew allowed visitors to get an up close look at their equipment. Also, the Hobbs Police Department fingerprinted over 300 children and presented fingerprint cards with ID to their parents.

The event was a huge success thanks to the hard work of many people. In addition to the staff of the Museum, especially museum associate David Hooten, several NMJC employees went above and beyond to make the event a big hit. They include: Bill Morris, Maria Rivas, Dr. August Fons, Angie Byrd, Adolfo Acosto, Rosianna Owens, Shavelle Leslie, Naomi Phillips and Norma Fought.

NMJC Police Academy were showing children some of their training techniques, giving them a chance to chase the man in red.

Students from the NMJC Corrections Academy were stationed in the Crime Lab Detective exhibit to lend their expertise to visitors trying to solve the crime.

The crew of the Native Air Helicopter gave visitors a close up view of their rescue helicopter. Children were even able to go inside many of the vehicles parked outside and see what it’s like to be a part of the team.

Visitors learned the dangers of driving while intoxicated when the Lea County DWI Program had them put on their drunk goggles.
NMJC Homecoming Week Winners & Events

BINGO AT LUNCH
BINGO AT LUNCH WINNERS
STUFF-A-BEAR
STAMP A RING
HOMECOMING COURT

Queen Bianca Stokes (Track) &
King DK Eldridge (Men’s Basketball)
REMEMBER TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER SEMESTERS!
REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 8 AND SUMMER I CLASSES BEGIN MAY 26.


Vicki with Dr. Steve McGeery at a farewell reception held on February 15 in her honor. Vicki Vardeman served NMJC from July 25, 2005 to February 15, 2013. We will miss you, Vicki!!

Movies start at 2 p.m. There’s never any charge for NMJC faculty, students, and staff. And, there will be FREE popcorn. A lot of these movies you’ve seen on TV, now come see them on the BIG SCREEN! We hope you’ll join us. Mark your calendars now for the remainder of the movie series:

The Maltese Falcon (1941) April 7
Touch of Evil (1958) April 14
Double Indemnity (1944) April 21
Dead Men Don’t Wear Plaid (1972) April 28

Thanks for your support of the Western Heritage Museum!
NMJC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DUE
April 1
Application is available at www.nmjc.edu
Contact: Tina Kunko (575) 492-2782 or tkunko@nmjc.edu

COSMETOLOGY PINNING
April 14 • 2:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Maria Vick (575) 492-2850 or mvick@nmjc.edu

COSMETOLOGY HAIR SHOW
April 27 • 1:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Maria Vick (575) 492-2850 or mvick@nmjc.edu

UNITY BAND BROADWAY MUSICAL CONCERT
April 28 • 3:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Dr. Yau-Sun Wong (575) 492-2844 or yswong@nmjc.edu

NMJC MUSIC STUDENTS’ VOCAL RECITAL
April 29 • 7:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Dr. Yau-Sun Wong (575) 492-2844 or yswong@nmjc.edu

NMJC MUSIC STUDENTS’ INSTRUMENTAL RECITAL
May 1 • 6:30 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Dr. Yau-Sun Wong (575) 492-2844 or yswong@nmjc.edu

COMMUNITY CHORALE CONCERT - LES MISERABLES
May 2 • 7:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Dr. Yau-Sun Wong (575) 492-2844 or yswong@nmjc.edu

COMMUNITY CHORALE CONCERT - LES MISERABLES
May 4 • 7:00 pm
Watson Hall 101
Contact: Dr. Yau-Sun Wong (575) 492-2844 or yswong@nmjc.edu

COMMENCEMENT
May 10 • 7:00 pm
Lea County Event Center
Contact: Dr. Michele Clingman (575) 492-2757 or mclingman@nmjc.edu

SUMMER SEMESTER SESSION I BEGINS
May 26 (Registration begins April 8)
Schedule will be available at www.nmjc.edu

SUMMER SEMESTER SESSION II BEGINS
July 1 (Registration begins April 8)
Schedule will be available at www.nmjc.edu

NMJC FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT
June 8, 9
Contact: Tina Kunko (575) 492-2782 or tkunko@nmjc.edu

FALL SEMESTER BEGINS
August 19
Schedule will be available at www.nmjc.edu

The campus will be closed for Good Friday, March 29. Have a safe holiday!