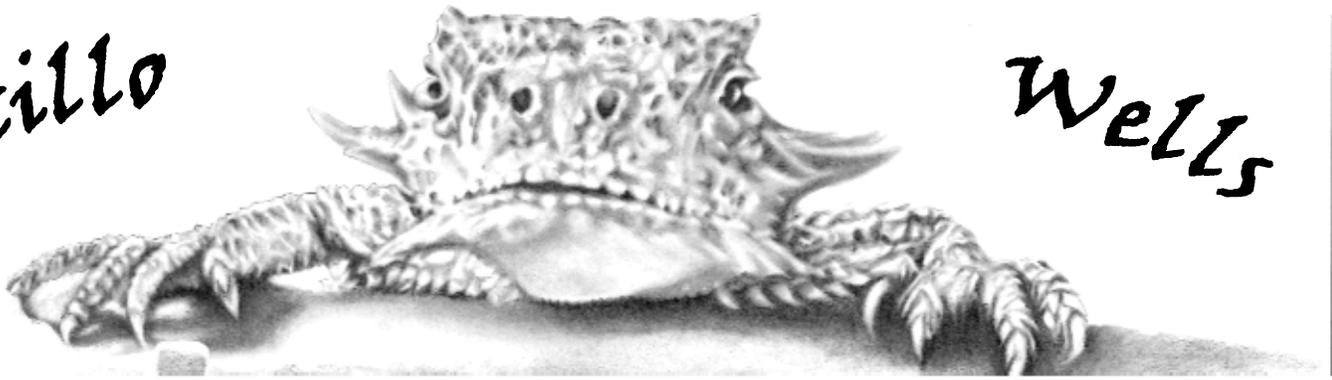


Ocotillo

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Interpretive Schedule

Welcome to Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area.

This is your guide to an adventure-filled weekend!

Come see live glowing scorpions and discover how the “pumpkins” are formed. View the night sky through a telescope and learn about the night sky. Discover OW’s local residents at our Desert Animal Exhibit. There are even opportunities to become Junior Rangers. We hope to see you there!

Saturday, December 4th, 2010

8:00 am to 10:00 am

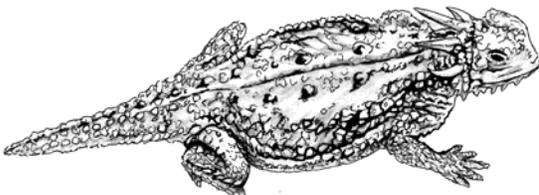
Coffee with the Naturalist at the Youth Track

Join our Park Naturalist for a free cup of fresh-brewed coffee or hot chocolate before you head out on the trail! Stop by the Youth Track on Ranger Station Rd. to enjoy a hot beverage, great conversation, and find out what exciting interpretive programs will be offered throughout the week.

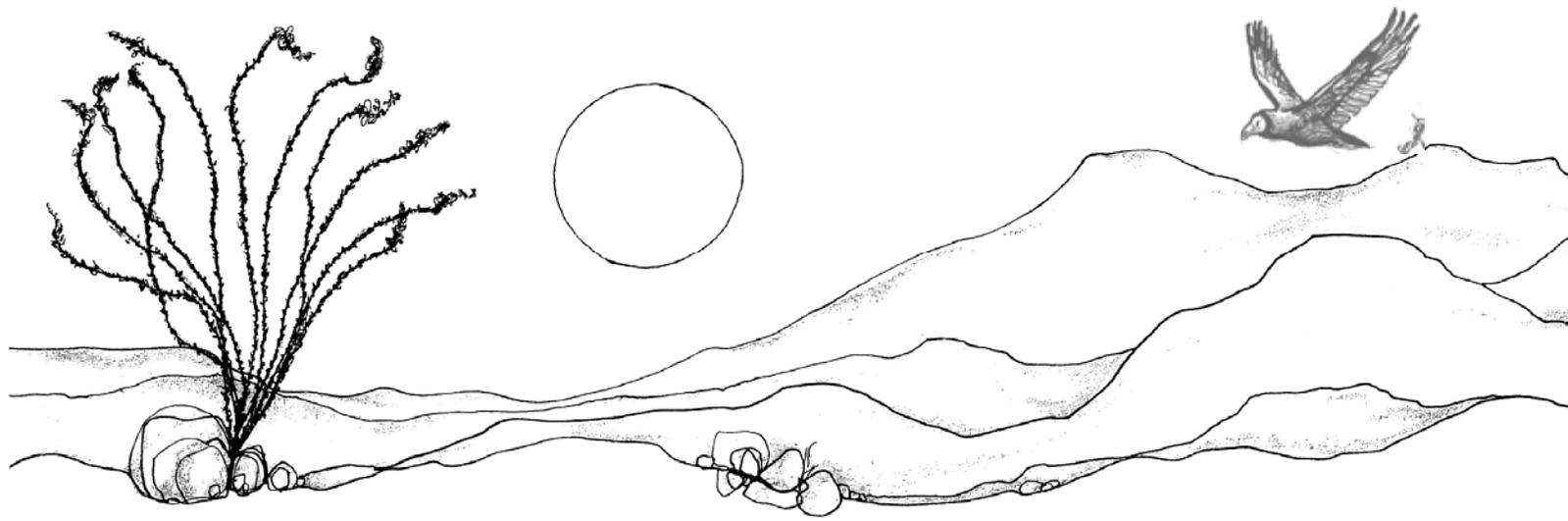
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Desert Animal Extravaganza at Shell Reef

Join us at Shell Reef for an intimate look into the lives of some of Ocotillo Wells’ year-round residents! Take a close-up look at a live glow-in-the-dark scorpion. Also, make sure you play the hit trivia game, “Who’s Scat is That” and win your own “Golden Scat” award.



The flat-tailed horned lizard is one of 22 reptile species to call Ocotillo wells home. It lives among the sand dunes and scurries under the sand for safety.



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10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Talking “Pumpkins” with the Geologist

Join our Park Interpreters for a great time learning about our geologic past. Located at the Pumpkin Patch you will find us set up to tell you how the “pumpkins” were formed. Polish your rock identification skills with “*Rock-otillo*” and win an excellent prize.

11:00 am

Junior Ranger Program at the Discovery Center

This week our Junior Rangers will be talking about some of the fun and exciting things located right here in Ocotillo Wells. This program is for kids ages 7 to 12. Activities take approximately 45 minutes.

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Junior Ranger Explorer Zone at the Discovery Center

Join us at the Discovery Center anytime between 1pm and 3pm for an action-packed afternoon of games, crafts, and exciting fun facts about your favorite state park!

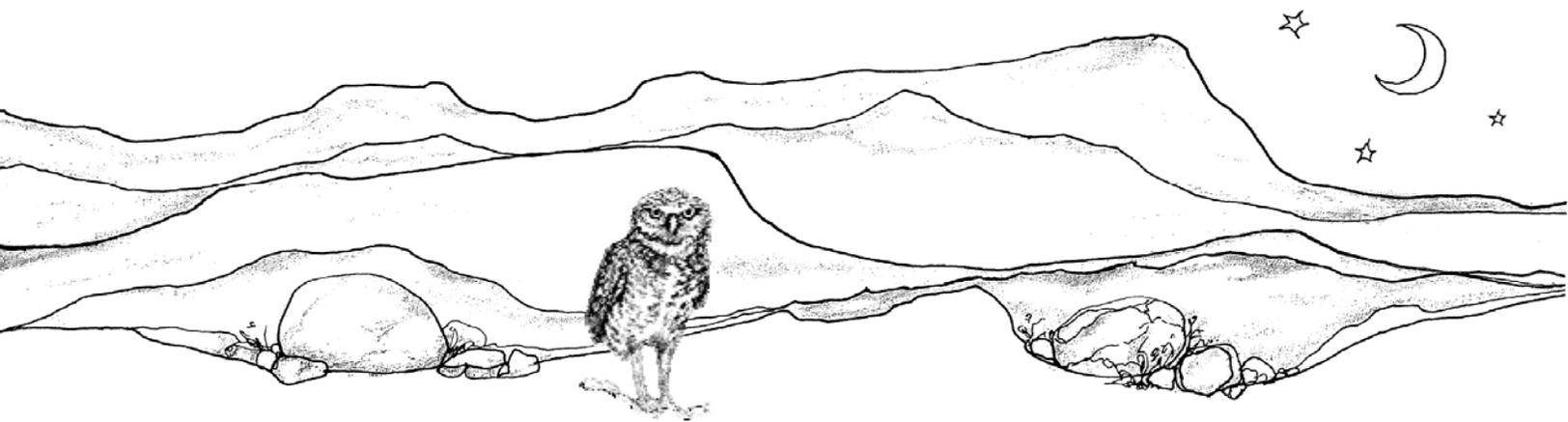
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Evening Program - Stargazing at the Amphitheatre

Join us at our Amphitheatre located behind the Ranger Station for an incredible look at our night sky. Our Park Interpreters will amaze you with views of stars and planets. You will revel in close-ups of the moon’s craters and lunar seas. Wear warm clothing and be prepared to enjoy hot chocolate at this wonderful family event.

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Sunday, December 5th, 2010

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Talking Bubbles at Gas Domes

Join our Park Interpreters for a great time talking about this geological feature. You will find us set up at the Gas Domes to help you discover many fascinating facts about this area. Come find out why the domes bubble!

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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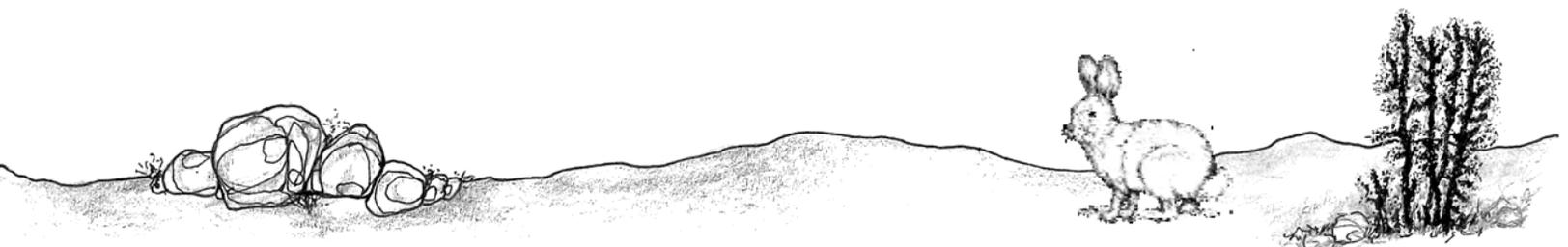
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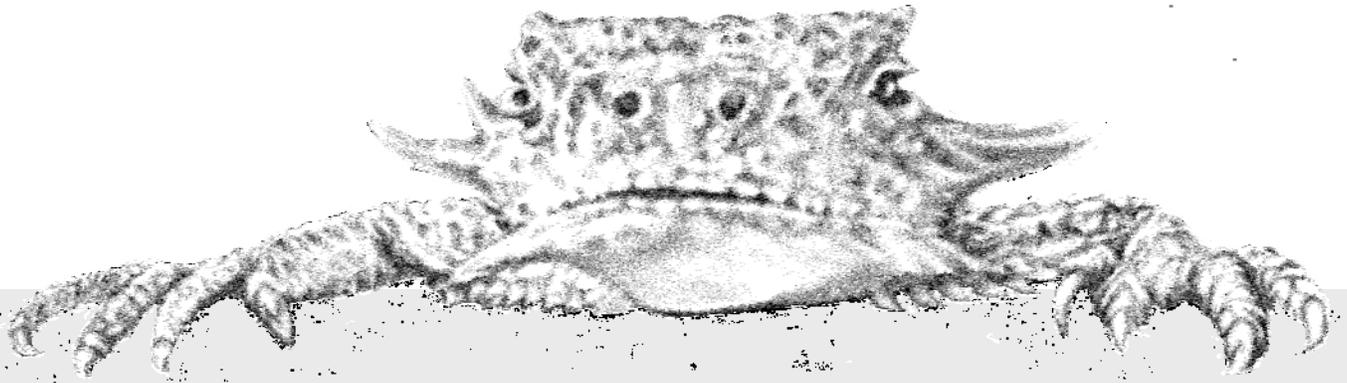
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Adventure on the Go at Gas Domes

Calling all kids! Stop by Gas Domes to discover all of the fun and adventure Ocotillo Wells has to offer.

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*The wonders of Ocotillo Wells are here for your discovery.
While visiting us, take time to enjoy the subtle things around you,*

Upcoming Events

Take a look at Ocotillo Wells Off-Road Tour Series:

Rock-otillo! The Geology of Ocotillo Wells 12/17/10

Whoever said that time travel isn't possible never took a look at a rock! Take a trip back in time with one of our staff Geologists, and look at the past through the rocks beneath your feet. Ocotillo Wells' has some spectacular geological formations in the area, and they tell the story of our past, present, and sometimes future. Be prepared to "rock out" at Ocotillo Wells.

This tour meets at the Ranger Station at 9:00 am and lasts until approximately 1:00 pm. Come prepared for this excursion with a high clearance, 4wd vehicle, plenty of water, lunch, and most important, a sense of adventure! Call (760) 767-5393 for more information.



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