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SEASON OF TRADITION – A CELEBRATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

ORGAN PIPE CACTUS NATIONAL MONUMENT is pleased to announce the annual *Season of Tradition* honoring O'odham culture. In celebration of Arizona Archaeology Month, the monument focuses on the heritage and traditions of the original inhabitants. Each weekend in March, beginning March 7, selected members of the O'odham Nation and others are invited to demonstrate their crafts and time-honored skills. Exhibits are free and open to the public 10 am - 4 pm. Pottery and baskets may be available for purchase. All demonstrations will be at the Kris Eggle Visitor Center, located at mile 75.2 on AZ Hwy #85, approximately 34 miles south of Ajo.

March 7 – traditional baskets, O'odham language

March 8 – traditional baskets, native plant use

March 14- traditional baskets, O'odham language, storytelling

March 15- traditional baskets, horsehair baskets, pottery, native plant use

March 21 – pottery, gourd rattles

March 22 – archaeology, native plant use

March 28 – horsehair baskets, traditional baskets

March 29 – flint knapping, native plant use, storytelling

Exhibits and demonstrations in this special event schedule are subject to change; for more specifics please call the monument at (520) 387-6849, extension 7403 Wednesday through Sunday.

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