

Family & Friends Weekend

Schedule of Events*

*Scheduled times may change



Friday, November 8, 2024

Kick-Off Highlights:

Basket Raffle

Tickets can be purchased at:
Check-In, Karaoke, Pastries & Parade, and Yard Games

Try your luck to win a basket of NMSU Licensed items. Tickets are \$2 each or 6 tickets for \$10. Proceeds support NMSU Student Athlete Scholarships. Winner will be drawn at the Yard Games.

You don't need to be present to win, but must pick up your basket prior to leaving Las Cruces- raffle basket can not be shipped. Must be 21 or older to purchase raffle tickets.



2024 Raffle Basket

T-Shirts

Sold through Registration Portal.

Show your Aggie Pride by purchasing a F&F Weekend commemorative shirt.

T-shirts are white cotton unisex featuring the Friends and Family Weekend 2024 Logo!

The Annual F&F Weekend

Karaoke & Dinner

**American Indian Student Center
6:00pm-8:00pm**

Do you want to "Rock and Roll All Nite?" Are you ready to "Radio Ga Ga?" - then you might be ready for our Famous F&F Weekend Karaoke! Join us for Karaoke and a New Mexican dinner.

Night Time Observations of Astronomical Objects

**Tombaugh Campus Observatory
8:00pm-9:00pm**

Come see the fall skies through a new lens! Join the Astronomy Department for guided observations through our telescopes for a fun and unique experience.

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Choose Your Own Campus Adventure: 2:00pm-4:00pm

Spend time investigating all campus has to offer - visit the museums, shop at the Chili Pepper Institute, and engage with the NMSU community.

University Art Museum

The University Art Museum is located in Devasthali Hall.

Exhibitions:

Warhol & Friends

Carolyn Salas: *Night Vision*

Carlos Rosales-Silva: *Border Destroyer*

NMSU Mexican Retablo

Collection: *New Acquisitions 2019-2023.*

The University Art Museum is open Friday-Saturday, 10:00am - 4:00pm

Zuhl Museum

Part art gallery, part natural history museum, the Zuhl collection, located at 775 College Drive, showcases thousands of beautiful specimens of petrified wood, fossils and minerals.

Zuhl Museum is open Friday 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Chile Pepper Institute Shop

Come shop at the Chile Pepper Institute for your own seeds and some great merchandise. **NEW LOCATION:** Chile Pepper Institute is located at Fabian Garcia Research Center, 113 New Mexico State Rd 101, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Open Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Follow University Ave. west towards the town of Mesilla. The Garden is approximately one block after you cross the railroad tracks, on your left at 113 W. University Ave. Drive into the Fabian Garcia Landscape Garden and park. Go through the gate in a chain-link fence to the east.

Yard Games

Corbett Center Tent

Come hang out and play games such as Giant Jenga, Corn Hole and more.

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Saturday, November 9, 2024

Pastries and Parade

8:30am - 9:30am

Bookstore; 2nd floor

Enjoy the best location to view the parade. Join us in the upstairs lounge where we will have coffee, tea, and pastries. Make signs for the parade and play Human Bingo! Winners will be entered into a drawing for a \$200 gift certificate to be used at the bookstore (textbooks anyone???)

Homecoming Parade

9:30am

Join us in the bookstore lounge, or right outside, to watch the Homecoming Parade. Want a reserved seat? While some chairs are reserved, we have some set up as first come first served!

Friends & Family Scavenger Hunt

11:00am - 2:30pm

Learn new things about campus while taking on challenges. Instructions provided at check-in.

Family Games & Cornhole Competition

12:30pm - 3:00pm

**Cornhole Competition: 1:00pm
Rhodes Garret Hamiel (RGH) Lawn**

Show your competitive streak in our cornhole competition! Join other families and students for badminton or try to beat our UDA Soccer Players shooting goals! Fun for all Aggies!

Family Portraits

12:30pm-2:00pm

Rhodes Garrett Hamiel Hall

Come to the lawn at RGH and let our talented Round Up photographers take your picture. We will send out a link/QR code for you to download your photos. Strike a pose with your student!!

NMSU Homecoming Game

Kickoff at 4:00pm

Aggie Memorial Stadium

Join us in cheering on our AGGIES at the NMSU vs Western Kentucky football game. Stay after the game for the Homecoming Firework Show!

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Sunday, November 10, 2024

Hiking La Cueva Trail

8:45am-11:30am

Join us for a 3-mile hike on the La Cueva Loop Trail, featuring scenic views and a moderate difficulty (482 ft elevation gain). Meet at 8:45 AM in parking lot #41 behind Corbett Center. Bring sturdy shoes, water, and your adventurous spirit! The \$5 parking fee is cashless, or free with a National Park/BLM Las Cruces District Annual Pass. The hike lasts about 1.5 hours.

Brunch at Taos

10:00am-1:00pm

Before you depart from a fabulous weekend with your Aggie, join your student for brunch at Taos for a special price of \$8.50 a person (if your Aggie is on a dining plan, they are already covered).

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Women's Volleyball

6:00pm

NMSU Volleyball will be taking on Jax State. Join the NMSU community in cheering on the Aggies at the Pan American Center !

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Women's Swim & Dive

4:30pm

NMSU Swim will be hosting a relay meet against the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. Join in on the fun at the Swimming and Diving Complex!

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Homecoming Tailgate with Alumni and Friends

2:00pm-4:00pm

Enjoy food from local favorites, a cash bar, fun and entertainment! Tailgate tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased [here!](#)

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Veteran's Day Parade

11:00am

Please come out and help show your support of our Veterans. Parade will take place in Downtown Las Cruces starting at the corner of Main Street and Lohman Avenue.

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Women's Swim & Dive

11:30am

Cheer on NMSU Swim against the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and Northern Arizona University.

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Women's Volleyball

12:00pm

Support NMSU Volleyball as they take on Jax State for a second match.

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Ag Day

1:00pm-4:00pm

Go to the Aggie Memorial Stadium Parking Lot for booths with educational exhibits, games, live animals and much more!

Sunday, November 10, 2024

Las Cruces Farmers Market

8:30am-1:00pm

***Special Sunday Market**

Explore fresh local produce, unique handmade crafts, and enjoy the lively atmosphere along downtown Main Street, between Las Cruces Avenue and Griggs Avenue. It's a great way to support local vendors, discover unique finds, and experience the heart of Las Cruces!