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Watch the Zuni Olla Maidens at Gallup's Inter-Tribal Ceremonial

Join "King of the Road" columnist Lesley S. King as she offers you a video sneak preview of the colorful Gallup Inter-Tribal Ceremonial. In her travelogue, you will see the Zuni Olla Maidens, who are known for their extraordinary ability to dance with dignity and grace while balancing beautifully decorated pots on their heads. They are among the many colorful Native dance groups who enchant the throngs at the Ceremonial. Click [to see Lesley's video](#). Go here for the straight scoop on [the Ceremonial](#).



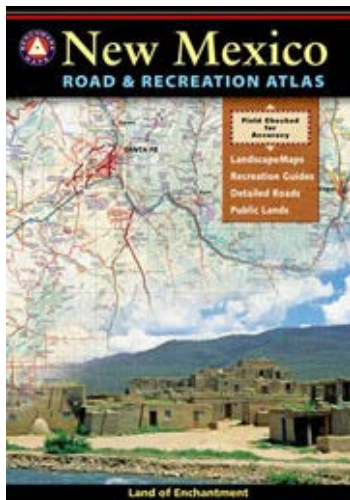
Everything's Just Ducky at the Great American Duck Race in Deming

Did you know that for a small fee you can rent a duck and make a splash in Deming? And if you get a speedy paddler, you could take home a big cash prize at the Great American Duck Race. This family-friendly event (Aug. 25-28) offers carnival rides, food vendors, a dance, a parade and another crowd-pleaser – the Great American Outhouse Race. To find out more about one of southern New Mexico's biggest summer fun-time events, visit [nmmagazine.com](#). Click here to get [a full schedule of the festivities](#).



Catch the Boy Bandit King and Win \$10,000!

New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez is offering a reward of \$10,000 for the "capture" of William H. Bonney, a.k.a. Billy the Kid, and has called upon citizens to travel the state to find him. The New Mexico Tourism Department just launched the "Catch the Kid" Summer Scavenger Hunt, which continues through September. The promotion not only allows you to play a fun, interactive game but also offers a great opportunity to take advantage of amazing deals, discounts and weekly giveaways. To start playing, begin your journey online at [Catch the Kid](#).



Hit the Road with New Mexico's Best Road Atlas

As you travel the state's back roads this summer, don't forget to bring along the *New Mexico Road and Recreation Atlas*. The updated, sixth edition has landscape maps that feature land-use and groundcover detail. This edition also showcases a revised, 12-page recreation guide that introduces important outdoor recreational opportunities and cultural interests. For backcountry enthusiasts, the atlas includes many back roads that don't appear on other maps. Order your copy [here](#).

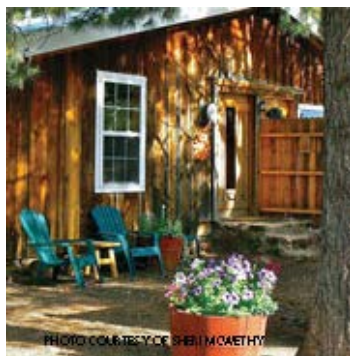
Destination of the Month: Pecos National Historical Park

Take this month's **photo tour** with Adam Schallau to see amazing images of petroglyphs and ruins that dot our landscape. Also, find out more about **Pecos National Historical Park**.



Unwind in Comfort along the Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway

Writer Keiko Ohnuma travels to the Cimarron Rose, a rustic bed & breakfast near Grants. She discovers the joys of relaxing in her suite and roaming the 42-acre grounds. Located near the 7,700-foot Continental Divide, this is a great place to unwind or use as a base for exploring the nearby El Morro and El Malpais national monuments. Click to [find out more](#).



Christmas in July: Enjoy 50-Percent Discounts on Two Sets of Holiday Cards

We're offering two of our popular boxed holiday card sets for more than 50 percent off. Now through July 31, you can buy **Jingle All the Way** and **White Dove** holiday cards for only \$7, less than half the normal price of \$14.95. Each box comes with 18 cards and envelopes. Act fast to take advantage of this sale that ends July 31.



When Life's the Pits, Check Out These Peachy Keen Dessert Recipes



Santa Fe epicure Michele Ostrove knows the joys of preparing light and luscious desserts with stone fruits. In her story, "No Stone Unturned," she shares internationally known cookbook author Deborah Madison's tasty recipes – white peaches in lemon verbena and lavender syrup, stone fruit compote, fresh apricot ice cream and chokecherry liqueur. Ostrove admits she was given a plum assignment. Savor these **tasty treats**.



Explore Belen's Harvey House Museum and Whistle Stop Cafés

Take a trip to Belen with writer Melissa Sais as your guide. Culture lovers can check out world-renowned artist Judy Chicago's gallery, Through the Flower, while railroad buffs won't want to miss the Harvey House Museum. Sais visits her favorite eateries in this rural town that still reflects its ranching and railway roots – just 34 miles south of Albuquerque. Sais gives you the scoop on some of her favorite cafes including local favorite Pete's Café, where she enjoys a hearty stuffed sopaipilla. For dinner, she savors grilled salmon on a bed of baby greens at Fat Sat's Bar and Grill, decorated in the style of a 1920s Chicago speakeasy. For more tasty tidbits, dig in at **our online dining page**.



Sale Ends Soon on *Shelter from the Storm*

Don't forget you can buy our book *Shelter from the Storm: The Photographs of Kirk Gittings* for only \$12.95 through July 31. Originally \$29.95, the spectacular volume features stunning images including Gittings' well-known photos of Chaco Canyon and ancient churches of northern New Mexico as well as some of the state's most contemporary buildings. Shop now **before the sale ends**.

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