

# ENformer NEWSLETTER

## Eastern National Offers Competitive Grants for Fiscal Year 2016

Eastern National is pleased to provide expanded donation funding to our National Park Service partners in fiscal year 2016.

Each park where Eastern National operates may submit one grant request for each of the following three project categories: *Call to Action*, *Every Kid in a Park*, or *Centennial*. The maximum amount of each request is \$10,000.

The "Competitive Grant Requests" form to apply for these grants have been sent to NPS superintendents and coordinators at our partner parks. Completed forms should be submitted to [OperationsAssistant@EasternNational.org](mailto:OperationsAssistant@EasternNational.org). The deadline to apply is December 31, 2015.

## Passport To Your National Parks Program to Offer Centennial Cancellation Stamps

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service in 2016, the popular Passport To Your National Parks® program will offer special centennial Passport cancellation stamps at national

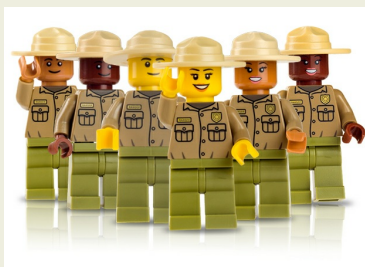


Park Ranger Jennifer Zazo put together this festive holiday wreath at Lowell National Historical Park. The wreath includes Eastern National products, including reproduction bobbins from the mills, a miniature trolley, and an America's National Parks® Collector's Series Lowell magnet. Thanks, Jennifer, for such a creative idea!

parks throughout the country.

Developed by Eastern National, the special stamp will print a round cancellation graphic with the name of the individual park around the top of the circle and "NPS Centennial" around the bottom. A middle line will read, "1916 - 2016."

The special stamps will be available starting on January 1, 2016 until the end of 2016. A sample of the stamp imprint can be viewed [here](#).



### New Centennial Park Ranger Minifigures Make Superb Stocking Stuffers!

Park rangers protect America's national parks and teach visitors about nature, history, and culture. These collectible new minifigures are great gifts for the young, future park rangers in your family!

Quantities are limited. Get them [here](#) while they last!



Here is Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site's EN bookstore tree decorated in Sandburg style for the holidays! The tree is decked out in a combination of glass ornaments like the Sandburgs would have used, along with Eastern National merchandise.

Jane Grossman, EN store lead associate, has received many positive comments from store visitors. That Jane is a special kind of Christmas elf!

### Share Your Stories

You can also be a part of the *ENformer* by sending us your stories. Eastern National is pleased to be able to assist the interpretive and educational programs at parks.

We want to share stories about EN-supported events and programs and products we've developed to commemorate special occasions in parks. So keep us informed about what is going on, and we'll spread the news to all! Send your stories to Jennifer Allen at:

[enformer@easternnational.org](mailto:enformer@easternnational.org)

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The holiday tree at Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park's Cumberland Visitor Center is decorated with a canal theme this year. A variety of Eastern National mule-related sales items were used to trim the tree.

Everyone agrees it is a lovely tree. The park sends "Mule-tide Greetings" to all!



To celebrate the 407th anniversary of glassmaking at Jamestown, a variety of special programs were presented to visitors on the weekend of October 10 and 11, 2015 at the Jamestown Glasshouse, which is operated by Eastern National.

The popular "You Design It, We Make It" activity was another success this year. Kids of all ages may draw designs for glass pieces and post them on a display board. The glassblowers pick several drawings and attempt to create the item in glass. If your item is made and survives the cooling process, you get to keep it!

Thomas Lawhorne, shown above, was so excited to open a box from the Jamestown Glasshouse to find out that his drawing of a spaceship was chosen. His glass spaceship is a one-of-a-kind treasure!