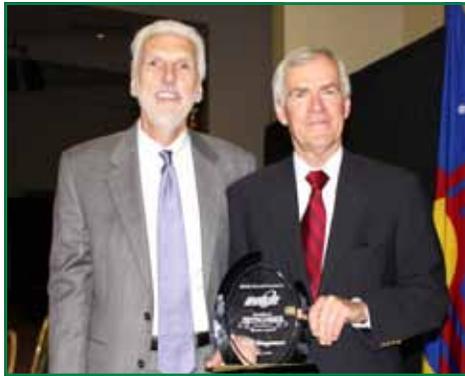


Foundation Honors Bingaman And ENMMC Auxiliary

U.S. Senator, Jeff Bingaman and the Eastern New Mexico Medical Center Auxiliary were the guests of honor at the ENMU-Roswell Foundation's Eleventh Annual Foundation for the Future Banquet on May 1. The annual banquet is an opportunity to raise funds and awareness about the work of the Foundation. The Foundation Board of Directors also take the opportunity to publicly recognize and thank those who have helped to foster the growth of the University.

Dr. John Madden, ENMU-Roswell president, presented Bingaman with the President's Distinguished Service Award. As one of the most senior Democrats in the United States Senate, Bingaman has been supportive of numerous ENMU-Roswell programs and services. He took a congressional leadership role in assuring that the dental crisis in New Mexico was recognized and efforts were made to find solutions. He has provided training equipment for the Aviation Maintenance Technology program. Bingaman encouraged the Federal Aviation Administration to consider ENMU-Roswell as a participant in the new Air Traffic Collegiate Training Initiative or CTI program.

ENMU-Roswell is now one of 35 certified Air Traffic CTI schools across the nation. For the past 24 years, Bingaman hosted a Student Leadership Institute for area high school students. During these



President Madden thanked Senator Bingaman for his support of the campus for the past 30 years.

seminars on campus, Bingaman always made time to also visit with ENMU-Roswell students. Through his support, ENMU-Roswell received two Title V grants as a Hispanic Serving Institution. Since Bingaman was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 1982, the campus has

"We thank you...for your belief in the power of an education..."

received millions of dollars to purchase new equipment and improve educational access and opportunities for students—many of whom are disadvantaged. "We thank you for your dedication as our U.S. Senator and most importantly we thank you for your belief in the power of an education and how vital that is to our future," Madden said.

Betty Patton, Foundation president, presented the Diamond Service Award to members of the Eastern New Mexico Medical Center Auxiliary. Judy Borst, past president and JoAnn Nunez, scholarship chairman accepted the award. Established in 1958, the ENMMC Auxiliary has a long history of scholarship awards to students pursuing careers in health care. Since 1996, the organization has awarded \$310,000 in scholarships to local students. During 2012, almost \$50,000 in scholarships will be awarded. Many of these scholarship recipients attend ENMU-Roswell, graduate, and become valued members of the local health care community. "The enormous number of volunteer hours and monetary support provided by the Auxiliary has played an important role in making ENMMC the outstanding health care facility that it is today. ENMU-Roswell is also so very grateful to the ENMMC Auxiliary for its services and continuing support of education," Patton said.

The event also recognized the Presidential Scholarship program and two student scholarships were awarded in memory of donors to the Foundation. Aviation Maintenance Technology student, Jose Cordero, received the Joe Hudgens Scholarship. Nursing student, Marta Valadez, received the Martha Cress Scholarship.



A group of ENMMC Auxiliary members attended the banquet with Interim CEO, Paul Luehrs.



Joe Hudgens Scholarship recipient, Jose Cordero



Martha Cress Scholarship recipient, Marta Valadez

ENMU-Roswell Students Celebrate Graduation

More than 200 graduates participated in Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell's Fifty-Seventh Commencement Convocation on May 11 at the Roswell Wool Bowl. This spring marked the largest total graduating class at ENMU-Roswell, with approximately 450 candidates for graduation. Certificate of Employability graduates from the New Mexico Youth ChalleNGe Academy also took part in the ceremony, in addition to bachelor's and master's degree candidates from Eastern New Mexico University and master's degree candidates from New Mexico Highlands University's School of Social Work.

Gina Vela was the featured speaker. Vela graduated with an Associate of Science degree in nursing. She is a 2009 graduate of Roswell High School and enrolled at ENMU-Roswell as a Presidential Scholar. She is also a member of Phi Theta Kappa honor society. Vela is the first in her family to graduate from college. Following graduation, she plans to continue her education and obtain a bachelor's degree in nursing. She then plans to enroll in an anesthesiology training program to become a Certified Nurse Anesthetist.

During her address, Vela spoke in



Gina Vela shakes hands with President Madden during the commencement ceremony.

both English and Spanish in order to include her parents, who speak only Spanish. Vela told her fellow graduates that their passage through ENMU-Roswell has made them stronger to face the future. "Our time is limited, so we should not waste it living someone else's life. Don't let the noise of other's opinions drown out your inner voice. Fire the actors of your life and live simply, and most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition."

The Honorable Freddie J. Romero, District Court Judge, Fifth Judicial District, gave the keynote address at the Twenty-Third Annual GED High School Completion Graduation ceremony on



With their diplomas, GED graduates have greater access to employment and higher education.

May 10 in the Performing Arts Center on campus. About 50 graduates participated in the ceremony before a large crowd of family and friends. For adults who did not complete high school, the Tests of General Educational Development (GED) provide an opportunity to earn a high school credential. Romero told the graduates that while the Adult Basic Education teachers unlocked the doors of opportunity for them, they are the ones who opened those doors through their hard work in overcoming challenges. He stressed one Spanish word, which several graduates enthusiastically repeated once they received their diplomas--"adelante," which means to move forward. "Thank you for being an inspiration to us," Romero said.

New Solar Carport Is Commissioned

A new solar carport on the ENMU-Roswell campus was commissioned May 8 during a ceremony hosted by ENMU-Roswell, Xcel Energy, and Sacred Power Corporation. The carport is located between the Child Development Center and the Lawrence C. Harris Occupational Technology Center on Mathis St. on the south end of the campus. A number of city leaders and campus employees attended the event, including representatives from Senator Tom Udall and Senator Jeff Bingaman. The system is interconnected to the Xcel

Energy grid and will offset power usage by ENMU-Roswell with clean, renewable energy. Madden said the structure will save the university approximately \$2000 a month in electricity costs.

The carport was designed, engineered, manufactured, and installed by Sacred Power Corporation, a Native American owned company based in Albuquerque. According to Richard Fialho, project coordinator, no other school in New Mexico has this type of installation. The 50kW (50,000 watts) single axis tracking carport structure utilizes a system provid-

ed by Xcel Energy and a patented design by Sacred Power Corporation. Fialho said the steel panels on the structure are made in New Mexico by Schott Solar and 90-percent of the materials are from and made in the state.

In his remarks, Hill commended ENMU-Roswell for its foresight, saying Xcel Energy is excited to be a partner on the project. Hill said the company recognizes solar as a viable energy resource and the solar carport is an asset to the industry.



With the flip of a lever, Dr. John Madden, ENMU-Roswell president and Riley Hill, President and CEO of Southwestern Public Service, activated the solar panels on the carport.



The structure will provide shade for cars and track the sun to ensure maximum light and maximum output of electricity.



Richard Fialho of Sacred Power said he is proud to work with ENMU-Roswell and Xcel Energy on the project. He said the solar energy industry is growing rapidly and he expects ENMU-Roswell to assist in training future leadership in the field.

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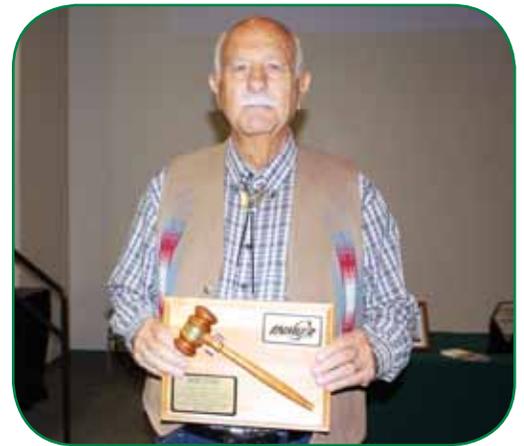


Foundation Presents Awards to Employees and Cates

During the Foundation's Eleventh Annual Foundation for the Future Banquet on May 1, a number of special awards were presented. Two outstanding ENMU-Roswell employees received Foundation Staff Merit Awards. President Madden presented plaques and checks to Frances Dubiel, Facilities Coordinator and Eva Watley, Supervisor of Intramurals and Facilities. Madden thanked Watley and Dubiel for their service to the campus. Board president, Betty Patton also presented board member and former Foundation president, Bob Cates, with a special plaque thanking him for 27 years of loyal service. Cates has served on the Foundation Board since 1985 and served as president from 2002-2011. Cates remains on the board and is a strong advocate for ENMU-Roswell.



Eva Watley (left) and Frances Dubiel were excited to be recognized by the Foundation.



Bob Cates worked as the director of the Oilfield Training Center and associate dean of Vocational Education at ENMU-Roswell. He retired in June of 1998 after 13 years of service to the campus.

Foundation Names Officers and Welcomes New Board Member

The ENMU-Roswell Foundation Board of Directors recently approved the appointment of Tom Krumland as a new member. Krumland is the owner/founder of Krumland Auto Group in Roswell. The board also approved the slate of officers for 2012-2013. Betty Patton, former dean of the Business and Science Division at ENMU-Roswell, will serve as president. David Duer serves as vice president. Jon Hitchcock serves as treasurer and Kay Rogers serves as secretary.

In Memory of Leslie "Les" Langston: 1927-2012

ENMU-Roswell is saddened by the recent passing of Les Langston. The Foundation honored Langston with the Diamond Service Award in 2010. Leslie V. Langston started teaching for ENMU-Roswell in the spring of 1968. ENMU-Roswell had just moved to Walker Air Force Base. Les worked as an instructor for the Vocational Technical Division. By 1971, Les had earned a master's degree and he was promoted to Supervisor of all Vocational Technical Programs.

From 1975 to 1982, he was instructor and chairman of the Oilfield Training Center and wrote the curriculum. Under his leadership, the program grew from 2 students to about 475 students. He helped to raise funds for the new building construction and construction of the outdoor training lab. Les resigned from ENMU-Roswell in 1982 and went to Egypt to work in a training position for two years. He returned to ENMU-Roswell and worked as an adjunct faculty member in the Petroleum Technology and Drafting program until 2008, when he resigned due to poor health.





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ENMU-Roswell Nursing Program Recognized By State Board Of Nursing

The ENMU-Roswell Associate of Science degree in Nursing Program was recently recognized at the New Mexico Board of Nursing meeting in Albuquerque. Susan Golden, director of the nursing program, was praised for a 100-percent student pass rate on the National Council Licensure Examination or NCLEX for the past six years.

Nursing students, Jesica Brooks, Jenny Thatcher, and Kate Richardson also met with the board to discuss their experiences in the nursing program. Brooks and Thatcher graduated in May and Richardson will graduate at the end of the summer session in August. Brooks and Thatcher both plan to work in Roswell and pursue bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing. Richardson plans to return to her home in Scottsdale, Arizona. The students all agree the



Photo: left to right, Jenny Thatcher, nursing graduate; Jesica Brooks, nursing graduate; Susan Golden, nursing program director; Kate Richardson, nursing student

ENMU-Roswell Nursing program is among the best in the state and feel very prepared for their careers in nursing. "The instructors here really give you their personal attention and really care about how you are doing not only in the program, but in whole your life. They really encourage you to keep going," Thatcher said. Richardson said the pro-

gram is a lot of hard work and stress, but feels it has been worthwhile. "I know I've grasped the concepts I need to know. If you want it bad enough, you will get through it. I have a career that can't be outsourced," she said. These students feel confident about their futures and are looking forward to many more smiles from satisfied patients and doctors.



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