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ENMU-Roswell Receives New Federal Grant

Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell is one of 19 Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) across the country to receive a total of \$12.2 million to strengthen and expand educational opportunities for Hispanic students. The U.S. Department of Education announced the grant awards under the HSI program. ENMU-Roswell and Luna Community College are the only two colleges in New Mexico to receive the grants. ENMU-Roswell will receive \$648,582 per year for the next five years to increase access and ensure quality academic opportunities for Southeastern New Mexico. U.S. Senator Tom Udall congratulated ENMU-Roswell on the grant award. "We appreciate your efforts in this important work and wish you continued success," said Udall.

The HSI program provides grants to make college more attainable for Hispanic students and allows institutions to enhance their academic offerings, program quality and institutional stability. The grants assist schools in furthering educational opportunities for students through faculty development, curriculum development, academic tutoring and mentoring, and other services. A Hispanic-Serving Institution is defined as an eligible institution of higher education that has at least 25 percent Hispanic full-time equivalent (FTE) undergraduate enrollment at the end of the award year immediately preceding the date of the application. Approximately 49 percent of ENMU-Roswell's student body is Hispanic. University officials say first-time college students are significantly unprepared for college work with an average of 69 percent of all students and 91 percent of all Hispanic students needing one or more remedial course in English, reading, and/or math. An average 62 percent of Hispanic first-time students do not return for the following semester.

The grant will fund two key activities to address these issues. The campus will develop and expand essential programs that positively impact student retention, persistence, and completion of certificate and degree programs. Comprehensive systematic data collection/analysis systems will also be developed to guide student retention activities. University officials hope to increase student retention for first-year students and increase retention rates for Hispanic and low-income freshman. Additional grant outcomes include increased certificate and associate degree completion rates for Hispanic and low-income students and institutionalization of a comprehensive data collection and analysis system.

Free Community Health Fair Scheduled

The annual Community Health Fair will be held on Saturday, July 28 at the Roswell Boys and Girls Club, 200 South Garden from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Exhibitors with health-related services are invited to participate. If your agency wants to be a part of the event, please contact the ENMU-Roswell Division of Health at (575)624-7235 or (575)624-7468.

Free services will include blood sugar and cholesterol screening, height and weight checks, blood pressure checks, and body fat analysis. Individuals who want blood sugar screenings are encouraged to fast (no food or drink) after midnight. Free immunizations for children 2 months to 18 years old will also be given by the Roswell Health Office.

The fair is sponsored by the Chaves County Health Planning Council, Eastern New Mexico Medical Center, ENMU-Roswell, and New Mexico Department of Health. For more information, contact Jane Batson at the ENMU-Roswell Division of Health at (575)624-7233.

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Employee Recognition

Congratulations to Peter Stover, Deputy Director, Special Services, for July Employee of the Month



Pictured (left to right): Betty Patton, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs; Peter Stover, Deputy Director, Special Services; Sigrid Webb, Director, Special Services

Nominator comments: "What a fine example of a boss/mentor. always puts in hours above and beyond a normal workweek. peter is constantly trying new ways to reach our students. sharing what he has with many. He has helped so many grow as young adults by being a good role model and by showing them that he gives from his heart. always making the student feel cared for and respected. mr stovers family and friends know that he is a disability advocate and a gentle man. all of the staff admire his work ethic."

Welcome New/Returning Employees



**REGINA DAVIS,
PROGRAM
SPECIALIST,
TALENT SEARCH**



**JESSENIA
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**CHRISTINA MIRANDA,
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STUDENT OUTREACH**

Department News

What's New at the LRC?

With the raid that ended the life of Osama bin Laden, a lot of interest from the public and news media was shown in Cairo, the canine member of the Navy SEALs team. In *Soldier Dogs: the Untold Story of America's Canine Heroes*, author Maria Goodavage provides a detailed look at the bond between military working dogs and their handlers. She shows how "trust and affection flows both ways between dog and handler."

Other new titles this month include:

Yes Ma'am, No Sir: The 12 Essential Steps for Success in Life, by Coach Carter

Francis of Assisi: A New Biography, by Augustine Thompson, O.P.

From Western Deserts to Carolina Swamps: A Civil War Soldier's Journals and Letters Home, edited by John P. Wilson

Dead and Not So Buried: a Gideon Kincaid Hollywood Thriller, by James L. Conway

A Natural History of the Piano: The Instrument, the Music, the Musicians—from Mozart to Modern Jazz and Everything in Between, by Stuart Isacoff

Still the Best Hope: Why the World Needs American Values to Triumph, by Dennis Prager

Dear Marcus: A Letter to the Man Who Shot Me, by Jerry McGill

Illegal Procedure: A Sports Agent Comes Clean on the Dirty Business of College Football, by Josh Lucas and James Dale

Need You Now, by James Grippando

Escape from Camp 14: One Man's Remarkable Odyssey from North Korea to Freedom in the West, by Blaine Harden

Advanced Thai Yoga Massage: Postures and Energy Pathways for Healing, by Kam Thye Chow

The Whip: A Novel, by Karen Kondazian

Outlaw Platoon: Heroes, Renegades, Infidels, and the Brotherhood of War in Afghanistan, by Sean Parnell with John R. Bruning

A Devil is Waiting, by Jack Higgins

Road Hogs: Detroit's Big, Beautiful Luxury Performance Cars of the 1960s and 1970s, by Eric Peters

Sybil Exposed: The Extraordinary Story Behind the Famous

Multiple Personality Case, by Debbie Nathan

Security Office Update

FIREWORKS SAFETY



Most Americans enjoyed fireworks as we celebrated our nation's Independence Day. However, severe dry conditions and the fire danger that fireworks pose can create devastating results in the form of wild fires. A few safety tips before lighting your first wick are:

1. Use fireworks outdoors only but never near trees or a forest area.
2. Obey local laws. If fireworks are not legal where you live, do not use them.
3. Know the level of fire danger for your area, to help prevent risk of a wild fire.
4. Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.
5. Use common sense. Spectators should keep a safe distance from the person igniting the fireworks, who should also be wearing safety glasses.
6. Only persons over the age of 12 should be allowed to handle sparklers of any type.
7. Always have water ready if you are shooting fireworks.
8. Alcohol and fireworks do not mix.

For more tips on how to have a safe and fun holiday season visit www.fireworkssafety.org

Campus News

ENMU-Roswell to Host University Celebrity



Come bring your talent to ENMU-Roswell for a chance to win scholarships! University Celebrity will be on campus Friday, September 14 from 5-9:00 p.m. for auditions, Friday, September 21 from 5-9:00 p.m. for rehearsals, and on Saturday, September 22 from 1-5:00 p.m. for the final competition. All events will take place at the Performing Arts center on campus. The event is limited to currently enrolled ENMU-Roswell students.

For more information, contact the College Development Office at (575)624-7404.



ENMU-Roswell to Host Student Resource Fair

ENMU-Roswell will host a Student Resource Fair on Wednesday, September 5 from Noon - 6:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center courtyard. Local businesses, organizations and University departments will be available to educate students about the resources ENMU-Roswell and the Roswell community have to offer.

For more information, contact the College Development Office at (575)624-7404.



Thursday Night Track Scheduled

Runners, jumpers, and throwers of all ages are invited to TNT – Thursday Nite Track to be held every Thursday through August 9 at the RHS Track from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Join for a FREE opportunity to RUN, JUMP and THROW in the cool of the evening where novice athletes can be instructed by experienced coaches and elite athletes can hone their skills. Each event will be timed and scored with ribbons awarded during the last two weeks of the program. Parents/Guardians must sign a one-time permission/waiver form for participants under age 18.

The Planning Committee including Perry Toles, Chair, Jack Batson, Brent Clay, Vernon Dyer, and Tim Fuller have created this opportunity for the community as part of the ENMU-Roswell Community Transformation Grant programming to address increased physical activity and healthy life styles.

For information, call Tim Fuller at (575)624-7044 or Jack Batson at (575)626-7238.