

## Spring Graduates Celebrate Accomplishments

More than 200 ENMU-Roswell and Adult Education graduates celebrated with friends and family during spring commencement ceremonies. About 70 students participated in the Twenty-Ninth Annual GED®/HiSET® Adult Education Graduation Ceremony, which was held May 9 in the Performing Arts Center on campus. Candy Spence Ezzell, member of the New Mexico House of Representatives for District 58, was the featured speaker. The student address was given by Tyler McQuary.

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*-Dr. Shawn Powell*

The 71st Commencement Convocation was held at the Roswell Convention and Civic Center on May 10. About 150 graduation candidates



Approximately 300 students completed graduation requirements this spring semester.

participated, including 23 students from Early College High School. Honors graduate and Presidential Scholar, Robert Lopez Andazola, gave the commencement address. Andazola is a 2017 graduate of Roswell High School, who received an Associate of Applied Science degree in Media Arts-Graphic Design.

"We are pleased to know that Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell has been instrumental in helping you achieve your goals," said Dr. Shawn Powell, ENMU-Roswell President. "Congratulations and we wish you the best in the coming years."



Ezzell (left) told graduates they are setting a positive example for others. "Don't make excuses for failure," she said. "Your future is what you make it."



Graduate, Tyler McQuary, said he never saw himself going to college, but working in the Adult Education program helped him make the transition easier. He told graduates to take time to celebrate, but urged them to continue on their educational path.



ENMU Chancellor, Dr. Jeff Elwell, congratulates commencement speaker, Robert Lopez Andazola, as he crosses the stage.

## ENMU-Roswell Offers 4-Week CDL Training Classes

ENMU-Roswell is offering 4-week CDL training classes in June and July. Enrollment is open now and up to 4 students will be accepted in each



sequence of two courses: CDL 193 and 293. The combined cost for both courses is \$2000 plus tuition. For students in Chaves County, the tuition/fees for both classes will be \$470. For New Mexico students, tuition/fees for both classes will be \$505. For students outside of New Mexico, tuition/fees for both classes will be \$1170. Students must have enrolled, obtained their Commercial Learner's Permit, and made payment arrangements **prior to the first day of class.**

**The class dates are:**

**Basic Driver Training Class A, CDL 193:**

- June 24-July 5 and July 1-12

**Advanced Driver Training Class A, CDL 293:**

- June 10-21, July 8-19 and July 15-26

To enroll, contact Technical Education Advisor, Nika Najafova at (575) 624-7044 or by email at [nika.najafova@roswell.enmu.edu](mailto:nika.najafova@roswell.enmu.edu)

## Welding Students Recognized At Annual Banquet

The second annual ENMU-Roswell Welding department banquet was held on May 9 at the welding facilities on campus. Welding students enrolled in the program were invited to attend. "Throughout the semester, welding students practice and attempt to pass different welding qualification tests," said Dusty Baker, Welding instructor. "Once students pass a qualification weld test by either AWS, API or ASME welding codes, they will receive a certification paper stating they passed that specified weld test. There were a total of 60 certifications awarded at this year's banquet."

Baker said two runner-up recipients were selected for the Lovejoy Excellence in Welding award. They were presented to Guadalupe Ortiz-Soto and Hayden Grant. They each received a certificate for their achievements. The winner of the Lovejoy Excellence in Welding Award went to Michael Sais, who has proven to be a dedicated, hardworking individual.

Sais expects to graduate next spring with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Welding Technology. Sais received a plaque and a certificate for his achievements.

The evening ended with students playing welding games such as welding trivia hang man and 'The Weakest Link.' "A big thank you to Michael Lovejoy for

the funds to put this together and helping with the ideas for the games," said Baker. "Next year, the welding department is planning on inviting area related industry companies to participate in this event in order to connect students with industry." For more information about the Welding Technology Program, call Baker at (575) 624-7318.



**From left to right:**

**Back row: Dusty Baker, Michael Lovejoy, Ewan Chowen**

**Front row: Hayden Grant, Michael Sais, Guadalupe Ortiz-Soto, Jammie Burrell**

## Job Corps Students Find Success At ENMU-Roswell

Six months ago, Haley Gee and Destiny Padilla enrolled at the Roswell Job Corps Center. Like the other students, they intended to find a trade and earn a high school diploma. A Job Corps Pilot Program offered at ENMU-Roswell gave them the opportunity to also complete a college certificate. Gee and Padilla were the only two students to enroll in this new program, which was divided into two eight-week sessions this spring semester. In 16 weeks, Gee and Padilla completed a total of 24 credit hours and graduated with Certificates of Employability in

Office Management and Technologies. In addition to taking college classes, Gee and Padilla also completed an online program to earn their high school diplomas.

"Both came into the program with a goal in mind, but did not realize the workload involved," said Lorrie Miller, instructor. "They were asked to do an incredible amount of work and they have done a great job. I'm very proud of them both."

Gee and Padilla say they plan to eventually earn bachelor's degrees now that they know college success is possible.



**Left to right: Destiny Padilla and Haley Gee were excited to walk in the commencement ceremony.**



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## Instructors Receive Kosa Merit Awards

Two instructors at ENMU-Roswell have been selected to receive 2018-19 Kosa Merit Awards from the ENMU-Roswell Foundation. Respiratory Therapy program instructor, Mavis Williams, and Social Science Behavior instructor, Edna Yokum, were recognized during the Branch Community College Board meeting on May 15.

Long before the current campus complex existed, William and Ethel Kosa contributed a gift of \$31,000 to Roswell Community College. Their generosity eventually led to the establishment of the ENMU-Roswell Foundation. The Kosa Merit Award, instituted in 1970, recognizes two instructors each year for excellence in teaching and service to the institution. Chosen by their peers, the honorees receive an engraved plaque and a stipend of \$300.



Left to right: Steve Henderson, President, ENMU-Roswell Foundation; Mavis Williams, Director, Respiratory Therapy Program

Williams worked as a Respiratory Therapist for more than 30 years before taking the job of Director of Clinical Education in the Respiratory Therapy Program at ENMU-Roswell. She accepted the position of Director of the Respiratory Therapy Program in July of 2016.



On campus, Edna Yokum is a member of the Institutional Assessment Committee and the Program Review Committee.

Yokum earned her M.A. in American Indian Studies with an emphasis in History and Law from UCLA and her B.A. in Political Science and French, with an emphasis in American Politics and a minor in American Indian Studies, from Chapman University.

## Golf Tournament Raises Awareness and Funds

Close to 100 golfers participated in the Sixteenth Annual ENMU-Roswell Foundation Golf Tournament on April 6 at the NMMI Golf Course. Each year, the event raises money to support the work of the Foundation, which provides numerous student scholarships and other funding for campus programs and activities. Proceeds from 23 teams and sponsorships totaled approximately \$16,600, the second highest in the history of the tournament. Event Sponsors were Bobcat Production, JP Stone Bank, and Xcel Energy.

"On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank everyone who continues to support our annual golf tournaments," said Steve Henderson, Foundation President. "We're grateful for the golfers, individuals and local businesses who work with us every year to put on a successful event."



Steve Henderson, Foundation President (left) presented cash prizes to the first, second, and third place teams.



Dr. Shawn Powell and his wife, Lisa, enjoyed playing in the tournament.



Presidential scholars, Halle Lopez, University Studies Major and Rodrigo Zapata, Engineering and Design Major, spoke to golfers before the tournament started about how they appreciate the Foundation's support of their education.





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## ENMU-Roswell Hosts Summer Kids' Program

A free Future Skills Summer Program begins on June 10 at the iCenter on campus. The program is open to students in the 6th through 12th grade and will continue for three days a week for 3 hours each day through July 19. "All the equipment in Studio C, the laser engraver, 3D printers, vinyl printer, and heat press will be used during the program," said Irina Galassini, Engineering and Design Technology instructor. Students will also work with specialized kits to design and program robots. "There will be two different levels of 3D modeling and

printing, as well as drone flying." For more information or to register, contact Galassini at (575) 624-7335 or Raif Henri, iCenter Coordinator, at (575) 624-7236.

Area students are also invited to register for Kids Kollege classes this summer at ENMU-Roswell. The Center for Workforce and Community Development will offer a variety of fun and educational classes for area youth June 22-28 and July 29-August 2. Classes are designed for students ages 5 to 12, depending on the class. Cost for each class is \$99. Pre-registration is required, as class sizes are limited.

Classes available include Lego Logo (Use specialized kits to construct robots, trucks, cranes, etc.); Lego Mania (Build dinosaurs, castles, forts, etc.); Drones and Expert Logo Workshop (Work in teams to design and create a workable drone); All Boys and Girls Adventure Class (Explore Hot Wheels, Camp Barbie, Play Doh Extreme Science, Circus Arts and more); and Fashion Designer-Talented Expressions (Learn sketching, color/pattern coordination, costume design, and more). To register or for more information, call Vickie Thomas at (575) 624-7164.



Future Skills Summer Program Class of 2018



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