Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell has received close to a $3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education to improve science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education over the next 5 years. The grant activities will focus primarily on Hispanic students, which make up more than half of the college’s enrollment. “This will transform education in our area for generations to come,” said Dr. John Madden, president, ENMU-Roswell.

The three key grant objectives are: 1). Increase access and success in STEM education for Hispanic and underserved students; 2). Increase the number of Hispanic and underserved students attaining degrees in STEM fields; and 3). Develop articulation and transfer agreements with 4-year institutions for STEM education programs.

Additionally, the grant will be used to support the development of the ENMU-Roswell campus “iCenter” (innovation center), which will include a “FabLab” (fabrication lab with current laser, 3-D computer printing and advanced multi-format print technologies) and improvements in the lecture hall in the “iCenter.” “This grant will help the campus achieve the necessary and innovative technology improvements to support the development of key STEM education programs, as well as promoting ENMU-Roswell as a recognized state and national leader in entrepreneurial and STEM education programs,” said Jim Engelhard, Title V Activities director. Grant funds will also be used to provide additional training and development for teachers in distance learning and STEM fields on campus.
Public Notice

HLC VISITS ENMU-R IN APRIL

Eastern New Mexico University – Roswell is seeking comments from the public about the College in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The College will host a visit on April 24 – 26, 2017, with a team representing the Higher Learning Commission. Eastern New Mexico University – Roswell has been accredited by HLC since 1971. The team will review the institution’s ongoing ability to meet HLC’s Criteria for Accreditation.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the college to the following address:
Public Comment on Eastern New Mexico University – Roswell
Higher Learning Commission
230 South LaSalle Street,
Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604-1411

The public may also submit comments on HLC’s website at www.hlcommission.org/comment.

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing.

All Comments must be received by March 24, 2017

SILVER MEDALLION AWARD!

ENMU-Roswell College Development Department receives a Silver Medallion Award for Online Marketing at the 2016 District 4 Conference for NCMPR (National Council for Marketing & Public Relations) in Santa Fe.

The NCMPR District 4 Medallion Awards recognize outstanding achievement in communication at community and technical colleges in District 4. It’s the only regional competition of its kind that honors excellence exclusively among marketing and PR professionals at two-year colleges.

The NCMPRA District 4 includes the states of Arkansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming.

SHARPSHOOTER AWARD!

Bill Dean, Security Officer at ENMU-Roswell was awarded the NRA National Police Shoot Championship Award in Albuquerque. Bill has participated in the Shooting Championship for two years and has won four awards both years.

This year he walked away with the semi-automatic pistol stock service championship state law enforcement third place unclassified award.

Bill has been employed in the security department at ENMU-Roswell for over 9 years.
New FAFSA Information

FAFSA Week at ENMU-Roswell

Students needing help with the 2017-18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) were invited to take advantage of FAFSA Week at ENMU-Roswell November 14-17.

Assistance was available each day in the Student Services Center on campus at 56 University Blvd. ENMU-Roswell wants to ensure that eligible students get the financial assistance they need for college expenses. Students and parents should be aware of several significant changes for the 2017-18 FAFSA process. Starting with the 2017–18 application cycle, the following changes go into effect:

• **Students will be able to submit a FAFSA earlier at www.fafsa.ed.gov.** Students will be able to file a 2017–18 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2016, rather than beginning on January 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling students to complete and submit a FAFSA as early as October 1 every year. (There is NO CHANGE to the 2016–17 schedule. The FAFSA became available January 1 as in previous years.)

• **Students will use earlier income information.** Beginning with the 2017–18 FAFSA, students will be required to report income information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017–18 FAFSA, students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2015 income information, rather than their 2016 income information.

These changes benefit students and parents, because the FAFSA will now ask for older income and tax information from tax forms already completed. This will eliminate the need to estimate tax information and returning to the FAFSA later to update it. Because the FAFSA is available earlier, students may also feel less pressure and have more time to explore and understand their financial aid options and apply for aid before state and school deadlines. Information will also be available about scholarships, federal and state grants and loans students may be eligible for and how to apply. For questions or more information, call the Financial Aid office at (575) 624-7400.
Department Update

WHAT’S NEW AT THE LRC

Forrest Gump is considered by many people to be one of their all-time favorite movies. The author of the book on which the movie is based, Winston Groom, has more recently turned his attention to the Mexican Revolution and the border wars of the early twentieth century. A blurb for his newest book El Paso states that the setting for the story is “a time of dramatic upheaval in Mexico – its government being squeezed on one end by Villa’s revolutionaries and on the other hand by ‘filthy’ American capitalists.”

The following books are also new to the LRC’s shelves this month:

Heat of a Lion: a Lone Cat’s Walk Across America, by William Stolzenburg
Rio: a Photographic Journey Down the Old Rio Grande, edited by Melissa Savage; Introduction by William deBuys
The Perfect Murder, by Peter James
Good Vibrations: My Life As a Beach Boy, by Mike Love with James S. Hirsch
MacArthur At War: World War II in the Pacific, by Walter R. Borneman
QB: My Live Behind the Spiral, by Steve Young with Jeff Benedict
Heroes Without Glory: Some Good Men of the Old West, by Jack Schaefer
Everybody’s Fool, by Richard Russo
American Ulysses: a Life of Ulysses S. Grant, by Ronald C. White
Into the Dark: the Hidden World of Film Noir, 1941-1950, by Mark A. Vieira; Foreword by Eddie Muller
Michael Bloomfield: the Rise and Fall of an American Guitar Hero, by Ed Ward; Foreword by Billy F. Gibbons
The Last Ranch: a Novel of the New American West, by Michael McGarrity

SECURITY UPDATE

As Thanksgiving gets closer, take a moment to create a safety plan for the holidays! From crazy cooking methods to precarious drivers, there are a lot of ways to become a victim of ‘fowl’ play. Here are just a few of the many ways you and your loved ones can be safe and happy this November:

Travel Tips:
• Do a pre-trip ‘check-up’ on your vehicle! Make sure the tires, wipers, and fluids are all in working order. Also be sure you have an emergency kit on hand: include a battery powered radio, a flashlight, blankets, jumper cables, a fire extinguisher, first aid kit, bottled water, maps, flares, and even some fix-a-flat!
• Check the weather! You don’t want to be caught off guard. Always leave early to ensure time for safe driving and delays.
• Never drive when tired, ill, or intoxicated. If need be, switch drivers or take a break.
• Buckle up! As always, the common seatbelt is one of the easiest ways to reduce risk of fatal injury.

Careful It’s Hot!
• Never use water to attempt to douse a grease fire! Have everyone evacuate the area, call 911, and if the fire isn’t too large, you can attempt to place a lid over it. Baking soda or flour will also smother out the fire. NEVER: Use water on a grease fire!
• Keep small children and pets out of the cooking area, where there are risks such as sharp knives, hot stoves, and dropped heavy plates (or frozen turkeys!)

Fun Family Functions:
• Keep any and all alcoholic drinks out of the reach of children and away from anyone under 21.
• Make sure you have fun and simple activities set up for children, such as coloring books, crafts, and picture books to occupy them.
• Make sure everyone is familiar with the surroundings and any emergency plans.

For more tips or questions, come by the Safety/Security Office or call us at (575) 624-7180. Have a safe and tasty Thanksgiving holiday!

www.roswell.enmu.edu
Scholarship Awards

FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES FALL SCHOLARSHIPS

The ENMU-Roswell Foundation has so far awarded $10,250 in scholarships to students this fall semester. Andrea Ceja, Sabrina Daniel, Alexandra Effert, and Christina Sedillo received the ENMU-Roswell Foundation Scholarship for $750 each. Krystal Paez and Anakaren Medina each received the Claribel Marshall Trust Scholarship for $1000. Kallea Dickson and Shawn Kelly received the William McCutchen Memorial Scholarship for $750 each. Lydia Velasco received the $750 Sally Pacheco Memorial Scholarship. Rebecca Denniston received the $1000 Saul Sanchez Nursing Scholarship. Gabriela Rios received the $1000 Sharon Farris-Stern Nursing Scholarship. Christopher Neal received the Morgan and Joyce Nelson Endowed Scholarship for $1000.

For information on all available scholarships, contact the Financial Aid office on campus at (575) 624-7400. For information about the ENMU-Roswell Foundation, contact Craig Collins, Foundation Coordinator at (575) 624-7304.

MORGAN & JOYCE NELSON SCHOLARSHIP

ENMU-Roswell student, Chris Neal, is the first recipient of the Morgan and Joyce Nelson Endowed Scholarship administered by the ENMU-Roswell Foundation. Neal, 46, is enrolled in the Human Services program and will graduate next May with an Associate of Arts degree in Human Services and Certificates of Employability in Alcohol and Drug Abuse Studies and Helping Relationship Skills. He said the $1000 scholarship will be used to pay for his tuition and books expenses as he completes his associate degree.

WOMAN’S CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

The Roswell Woman’s Club recently awarded $4,000 in scholarships to 11 students at ENMU-Roswell this fall semester. The scholarship recipients are:

$200
Lizzette Lopez
Taylor Nunez
Connor Olguin
Mariana Rodriguez
Ryan Rosa

$500
Mendi Acosta
Anakaren Medina
Christopher Neal
Vanessa Ramos
Ethan Urquidez
Rachel Vale

Established in 1895, the Roswell Woman’s Club is one of the oldest civic clubs in Roswell and has a long history of support for ENMU-Roswell. The club awards scholarships in both the spring and fall semesters to selected students who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and have completed at least 12 credit hours.

The object of the club is to promote higher educational, social, moral, and civic conditions in the community.

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Campus Events

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROGRAM RANKED 2nd IN NATION

The ENMU-Roswell Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program is ranked at number two in the U.S. among two-year colleges in a new list of the Best Occupational Therapy Programs for 2016. The list was compiled by the Community for Accredited Online Schools (AccreditedSchoolsOnline.org). This leading higher education information and resource provider compared hundreds of on-campus and online vocational programs across the country for 2016-2017. The following schools earned top honors for two-year schools: Houston Community College, Eastern New Mexico University - Roswell, South Arkansas Community College, Cape Fear Community College and Itawamba Community College. The OTA program at ENMU-Roswell earned a score of 99.7.

A comparison of more than a dozen unique data points was used to determine where each program ranked. Each school on the list was also required to meet certain baseline criteria to qualify. The Community for Accredited Online Schools requires all schools to be accredited two- or four-year institutions and hold either public or private not-for-profit status. Each college must also offer career placement services to students post-graduation.

“We are honored to be recognized by the Community for Accredited Online Schools,” said Yolanda Lopez, OTA program director. “The ENMU-Roswell OTA Program is strongly committed to the success of our students and enrichment of our community. The recognition must go to the outstanding Occupational Therapy Assistant Program faculty and student population.”

The OTA program at ENMU-Roswell is an accredited two-year program, with 16 weeks spent in clinical affiliation. Upon completion, students will earn an Associate of Science (AAS) degree, and are prepared to sit for the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy examination to become certified, and can then obtain state licensure. Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants (COTAs) typically work in areas such as schools, clinics, hospitals and rehabilitation facilities, and work under the supervision of a Registered Occupational Therapist. ENMU-Roswell students can train at the New Mexico Rehabilitation Center, one of only a few working hospitals in the U.S. located on a community college campus.

“The first step to becoming an occupational therapist is to earn an occupational assistant degree,” said Doug Jones, CEO and Founder of the Community for Accredited Online Schools. “These schools are home to the best entry-level occupational therapy education programs in the nation, providing a quality education that enables students to either begin working or continue on to Graduate studies and formal certification.”

For more information about the ENMU-Roswell OTA program, call 575-624-7266. For specific data and details on where each school scored visit the full rankings page: http://www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/vocational-trade-school/occupational-therapy/

The Community for Accredited Online Schools (AccreditedSchoolsOnline.org) was founded in 2011 to provide students and parents with quality data and information about pursuing an affordable education that has been certified by an accrediting agency.

BUDDY WALK

On Saturday, October 15, 2016, 22 students from the Special Service Program at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell participated in the 12th Annual Down syndrome Foundation of Southeastern New Mexico (SENM) Buddy Walk. The mission of this organization is to provide family services, community awareness, and educational programs for individuals with Down syndrome. We were proud to have so many students in the Special Services Program participate in this event!
## New Staff

### ACCOUNTING CLERK III CASHIER

The Business office is pleased to announce Joann LeJeune as the new Head Cashier/Account Clerk III. Joann will be responsible for all cashiering functions, which may include registration, pre-registration, daily cash receipt, daily balancing of cash box, maintaining records relating to employee tuition waivers, researches and prepares adjustments to students accounts as applicable. Her phone extension is 125.

*Joann LeJeune*

### GEAR UP OUTREACH COORDINATOR

The GEAR UP staff is pleased to welcome Brian Shea as the new Outreach Coordinator. Brian began his position on October 17. Before his employment with ENMU-Roswell, he held positions in public education for 22 years.

He is in the Arts & Science Center in the GEAR UP office. He may be reached at extension 067.

*Brian Shea*

### LEARNING COMMUNITY COACH

Title V is pleased to welcome Edna M.B. Yokum as our new Learning Community Coach. Born and raised in Southern California, Ms. Yokum recently moved to Roswell, NM from Tucson, AZ where she was pursuing her PhD in American Indian Studies with a concentration in Law and Policy. She 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. Ms. Yokum is also an enrolled citizen of the Osage Nation. A former collegiate swimmer, she still enjoys swimming and other water sports, specifically sailing and surfing. Since oceanfront properties are difficult to find in Southeastern New Mexico, she also enjoys off-road exploring and antiquing. Her office is located in the Student Success Center, Office 120 E and her phone number is ext 148.

*Edna Yokum*

### STAFF IN NEW POSITIONS

Carl Harrison is now in the GEAR UP office as a Data Analyst. He previously worked in the IT Department for 5 years. He may be reached at extension 027.

*Carl Harrison*  
**GEAR UP Data Analyst**

Kay Meyers is now in the GEAR UP office as the Project Assistant. Her previous employment was in the Career & Technical Department for 4 years. She may now be reached at extension 043.

*Kay Meyers*  
**GEAR UP Project Assistant**
New Training Equipment

CDL SIMULATOR
ENMU-Roswell has a new Simulator for the 15-month Commercial Drivers License training program. The mobile CDL simulator enables student to practice driving an 18-wheeler in various conditions. To learn more about registering for the CDL program, you may call Pat Olguin at (575) 624-7040.

PILOT TRAINING SIMULATOR
ENMU-Roswell receives new Aviation Training Device in preparation for new pilot training program. The Redbird MCX-Dual control, full motion, Advanced Aviation Training Device (AATD). The MCX includes a dual, control-loading yoke system and dual rudder pedals for simultaneous pilot and copilot control. The MCX also features wrap-around visuals, quick-change cockpit configurations, and extensive government approvals thus allowing student pilots to log some of their simulator time as flight hours.

To All Who Supported Bonds B & C
Passage of Bond C funds over 30 projects at New Mexico’s colleges, universities and specialty schools. You have helped ensure New Mexico students have the tools and resources they need to be successful.

Bond B gives ENMU-R Library $20,612 for materials, equipment and database upgrades.
Bond C gives ENMU-R $1,000,000 for classroom improvements/renovations.