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CONGRATULATIONS! FELICIDADES!

*Congratulations to the following individuals who have received tenure and/or promotion in rank:

- Kathy Chinn: tenured and advanced in rank to associate professor
- Eric Lopez: tenured and advanced in rank to associate professor
- Maria Mercado: tenured and advanced in rank to associate professor
- Luis Vazquez: advanced in rank to full professor

Congratulations **Kathy, Eric, Maria, and Luis!**

*Congratulations to **Debra Knapp** of the Physical Education, Recreation, & Dance department, as one of the recipients of the “Junior Faculty/Staff Award” for the fifth annual *University Research Council Award for Exceptional Achievements in Creative Scholarly Activity*. Recipients will be recognized at the Fall Convocation in August.

EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHT...This corner is set aside to recognize a College of Education staff member (faculty, staff, or student employee) each month. If you would like to nominate a staff member to be recognized as the employee of the month, please submit a paragraph to this newsletter each month.

DEVELOPMENT HAPPENINGS...

*** Recent Gifts:**

- Dr. and Mrs. John Uxer-contributed \$1,000 to the Children’s Village
- Four Gallegos Fellows have pledged of \$5,000 over five years through payroll deductions

- Dr. Mary Henson gave a very generous gift of \$5,000 to finish the Children’s Village Playground
- Dr. Narcisa Zarate donated \$1,000 for the Children’s Village
- Dr. Laurie Gormley gave \$1,000 to the Children’s Village
- Dr. Smoky Wetherbe’s gift to the Children’s Village was \$1,000
- Mrs. Jan Martin’s gift to the Village was \$1,000
- The CEP Alumni Gift account is \$600 due in part to alumni, faculty and staff payroll deduction
- The EMD Leadership Alumni Gift account is approximately \$1,000 due in part to alumni, faculty and staff payroll deduction.

Recent Events:

- The Board of Advocates met in April. Ninety percent of all members of the Board have made a contribution to the College of Education.
- The Scholarship Ceremony welcomed three newly endowed scholarships. These are: Foltz Family Endowed Scholarship, Clara Belle Williams Endowed Scholarship, Garrett–Owens Alumni and Friends Endowed Scholarship.
- The Spring Doctoral Dean’s Tea for graduating Ph.D. and Ed.D. candidates held on May 6, 2005 was attended by approximately 40 attendees including advisors, the candidate and their families.

Upcoming Events/Appointments:

- Nomination for the College of Education Distinguished Alumni for Homecoming ’05 (October 28).
- Classified Staff nominations by faculty and staff for the Margaret Van Scoyce Award (*Classified Staff Award*) - Applications located in the Dean’s Office. Due by June 30, 2005.

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- June 13th meeting with Dr. Jeanette Martin on stewardship for the Margaret Van Scoyce Award.
- June 17th - College of Education Ambassador's Retreat. We have six undergraduate Ambassadors and three graduate ambassadors. The Co-Advisors are Dr. Todd Savage and Dr. Pat Conn.
- June 16th dinner with Dr. Carmen Olivas-Graham - working on the Gallegos Award.
- Meeting with Children Village Advisory Board members to ask for lead gifts.

Please let us know if you have alumni or donors with whom you would like us to visit.

HAPPENINGS & HIGHLIGHTS...

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION (C&I)

*Luis Charles-Huerta and Marc Pruyne's book entitled "Teaching Peter McLaren: Paths of Dissent" (New York: Peter Lang) went to print in March 2005.

*In June 27-29, 2005 Luis Charles-Huerta and Loui Reyes are traveling to Mexico for an International Conference about Ethics, Society and Citizenship within the Knowledge Society.

*Kyle Shanton with CoDirector Barbara Pearlman have been busy with the Borderlands Writing Project Annual Summer Institute. Teachers from around the state are on campus to explore their teaching practice, learn alternative ways to evaluate students' writing, and broaden their understanding of the processes involved in writing.

*The early childhood program has established the Institute for Early Childhood Studies. Betsy Cahill and Nancy Baptiste have received \$200,000 each year for four years from the Department of Children, Youth and Families to develop statewide infrastructure in early childhood professional development beginning with credit for prior learning and ending with an on-line doctorate program.

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*[Children's Village News...](#)The NMSU-Bank of America Toddler House has received an additional \$10,000 from the Bank of America to support the continuing growth of the program. The Bank of America has been a most generous donor to this program.

*The Dove Learning Center has received an award of \$15,000 from the Department of Children, Youth and Families and UNM Center for Community Partnerships to pilot test a Prior Learning Assessment for early care, education, and family support professionals at the AA level. Coordinator Dr. Pat Dalton will be working very closely with the Dona Ana Branch Community College Early Childhood Program to provide access and support to participating students.

*An award of \$646,000 from NM CYFD for La Vida Institute Training and Technical Assistance Program to continue for the next four years providing high quality services to early care, education, and family support personnel and families.

EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT (EMD)

*CeBIEL SPEAKER SERIES

The last installment of the CeBIEL (Center for Border Indigenous Educational Leadership) Speaker Series will be on Friday, June 24, 2005 at the Physical Science Laboratory Auditorium, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. CeBIEL welcomes Nancy Commins who will be the guest speaker. Nancy Commins has worked with linguistically diverse students in a variety of capacities over the past three decades. Her roles have included classroom teacher in both ESOL and bilingual programs, university professor, program director, and school district administrator. She is co-author of "Restructuring Schools for Linguistic Diversity: Linking Decision Making to Effective Programs." (Teachers College Press) and a forthcoming book *Linguistic Diversity and Teaching* (Lawrence Erlbaum).

Currently she works as an independent consultant assisting schools and districts in their efforts to improve instruction for linguistically diverse populations. She is also affiliated with the Bilingual ESL Network at the University of Colorado at Denver. The Center looks forward to seeing you at this event.

*Project LIBRA (Leadership in Border Rural Areas) and PLT (Preparing Leaders Together) graduated 34 students with a Masters degree in Educational Administration. LIBRA/PLT are collaborative projects between New Mexico State University and Las Cruces Public Schools. Projects LIBRA/PLT are a new model for preparing educational leaders to address the needs of students along the Mexico and U.S. border by focusing on issues of poverty, culture, and linguistic diversity.

The students who graduated include: Enedina Acosta, Rosa Apodaca, Teresa Tenorio Chacon, John Coats, Linda Corona, Yvette Martha Crofford, Kathie Davis, Andrea Fletcher, Carmen Marrujo Gallegos, Charles Gallegos, Renee Garcia, Maryester Gonzales, Bobbie Grace, Terrill Hansen, Shelly Harris, Karen Hite, Julieta Marta, Eulalio Mendoza, Gloria Mendoza, Blanca Merewether, Kathy Norris, Fredrick Parker, Leah Pearson, Brian Peterson, Michele Ramsey, Janie Schlfeldt Rios, Mary Sanchez, Patrick Sanchez, Eloisa Solis, Steve Tognoni, Linda Vargas, Christa Vaudrey, and Gale Wiley. Of these students we have two husband and wife teams; Steve Tognoni & Linda Corona, and Patrick Sanchez & Mary Sanchez. Patrick and Mary also have a daughter, Erin Sanchez, who received a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. LIBRA/PLT also has a father/daughter team: Eulalio Mendoza and Gloria Mendoza. Congratulations to all EMD graduates!

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH CENTER

*The Science, Engineering, Mathematics, and Aerospace Academy (SEMMA) will run four one-week programs for middle school students for the month of June,

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2005 from 9:00 am-12:00 noon. There are two themes for the students to choose from: The Mercury MESSsENGER, and Blast Off to the Future. SEMMA is partnered with the Mathematically Connected Communities who will provide one-hour classes in enriched mathematics for two of the four sessions. Sessions are limited to 25 students per week. For all inquiries, please contact the SEMMA Office at 646-2991.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION & DANCE

*The Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance department is presenting the first annual NMSU Summer Dance Festival 2005 -¡Viva la Danza! on June 23-28, 2005 to kick-off the Hispanic and Latino Dance outreach program. There will be two performances at the NM Farm and Ranch Museum on Sunday, June 26, 2005, at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER PROGRAMS: *Following are some of summer programs that will be taking place on the main campus this summer in addition to the regular summer sessions for NMSU students. If you are interested in any of these you can call the contact person directly:*

- **NMSU SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER**

Summer I: May 20-June 29

Summer II: July 5-Aug. 11

Speech-language therapy services will be provided for four weeks during each summer session. Therapy appointments will be taken Monday through Thursday. Graduate student clinicians, supervised by licensed and certified speech-language pathologists, will provide therapeutic services to a broad range of clients (young children to adults) who exhibit speech, language and stuttering or voice disorders.

**Contact: NMSU Speech and Hearing Center,
(505) 646-3906**

- **NEW MEXICO ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION Summer Community College Opportunity for Research Experience (SCCORE)**

May 20-June 29 - Students serve as apprentice researchers on a faculty member's research project and participate in a university-level summer program, where they enroll in a one credit hour special topics course. SCCORE is a program that provides research opportunities, fosters student success and assists minority students in the transition to participating New Mexico AMP baccalaureate-granting institutions.

- **BORDERLANDS WRITING PROJECT**

May 31-July 1 - This summer institute seeks to promote exemplary instruction of writing in every classroom in New Mexico's borderlands. The project's mission is to improve the teaching of writing and advance scholarship in schools in the borderlands area. Interested individuals may visit the Web site

<http://education.nmsu.edu/projects/borderlands/>.

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- **MATHSTAR LESSON STUDY LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

June 1-3 - MathStar will be sponsoring a leadership workshop for teachers interested in becoming qualified lesson study facilitators.

Contact: Karin Wiburg (505) 646-1500

kwiburg@nmsu.edu

- **NMSU PRESCHOOL**

June 1-30 - Twenty-one children, ages 3 to 5 years old, will participate in individual and small group activities. NMSU students will work with children using the Reggio Emilia approach to teaching, which includes viewing the teacher, child and family as able to contribute to learning and an aesthetically pleasing and comfortable

environment as necessary for children to be able to reach their full potential.

Contact: Kate Puckett (505) 646-3206

kpuckett@nmsu.edu

- **MATHMATICALLY CONNECTED COMMUNITIES (MC2) ACADEMIES**

June 6-23 & July 11-28

The MATHSTAR and New Mexico Math-Science Partnership (MC2) will sponsor three academies designed to help middle school teachers learn mathematics content and apply what they are learning with students who will be visiting the academies during the last two weeks. The academies are also designed to help teachers meet the No Child Left Behind criteria and enhance mathematics instruction. New Mexico State University will host the first institute. The other will be held in Carlsbad, with one co-sponsored by the Northern Network in El Rito in northern New Mexico.

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- **SUMMER DANCE WORKSHOPS**

The Kinesthetic Learner

June 6-9 - During the workshop, general education, special education and physical education teachers of kindergarten through eighth grade will learn how to include movement in education so all students can participate in kinesthetic activities that can be learned in the classroom.

- **NMSU Summer Dance Festival 2005 -¡Viva la Danza!**

June 23-28 - Flamenco, Spanish Dance, Ballet Folklorico, and Argentine Tango will be instructed and performed by guest artists Jose Tena, Pablo Rodarte, Luren Bellucci and Michael Walker. The classes are for beginners and for those who have dance experience. The performance is Sunday, June 26.

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- **LAS CRUCES MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND CAMP**

June 27-July 1 - More than 350 students will meet on the NMSU campus to get acquainted with the band and band instruments. Students who have never played an instrument before will receive guidance in choosing an instrument and experienced students can receive instructions on a second instrument.

Contact: Tony Montano (505) 523-7315
tmontano@mh.lcps.k12.nm.us

- **UDA DANCE CAMP**

July 26-29 - Sponsored by the Universal Dancers Association and will be held on the NMSU campus.

Contact: Jamie Graham (806) 352-4999

- **AGGIE WELCOME WEEK**

Aug. 16-19 - This new student orientation will give incoming freshmen the opportunity to meet faculty and staff in their colleges before classes begin, listen to national speakers address a wide variety of issues, smart choices about alcohol and other relevant information. Students will participate in team-building exercises, discussions about the variety of programs offered, campus tours and special events.

Contact: Aggie Welcome Week Office (505) 646-1055

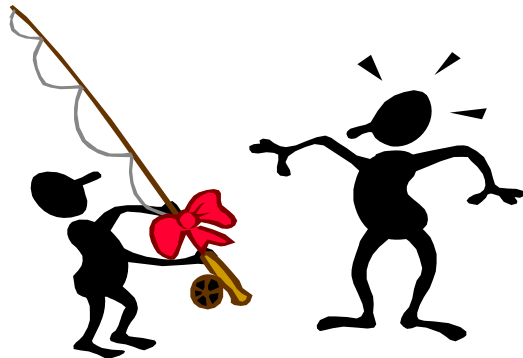
- **SOUTHERN NM SCIENCE ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS AEROSPACE ACADEMY (SNM-SEMAA)**

June 6-July 1 - Middle and High school students will be engaged in inquiry-based science learning in the SEMAA laboratory located in the Engineering Complex 3. They will be exploring the mysteries of Mercury and flight. 100 students from grades 6-9 will attend this academy (25 each week).

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H A P P Y F A T H E R 'S
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To all our Dads on June 19!



Submissions: The electronic newsletter is released within the first week of each month. Deadline for submission is the last week of the previous month. Email submissions to iquinone@nmsu.edu or by mail to: MSC 3AC