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UNM Hosts Preview of Project LINK at UNM-G

A big change is coming in the way the University of New Mexico functions. But if early predictions can be counted on, these changes--called collectively Project LINK--will facilitate the acquisition of data and streamline the way all of UNM's departments interact with one another.

As UNM has defined the mission of Project LINK, it will: "... reengineer and redesign the major business processes in use at the University of New Mexico and apply modern information management technology to eliminate unnecessary processing of paperwork, redundancy of reviews, and to create business processes that more efficiently utilize staff in the user departments and central business offices."

"That means that the various departments throughout the university system can look at whatever refined level of information they need, and it will always be up to date," said Farhad Javaheripour, Business Manager of UNM-Gallup. "It will ultimately be a completely paperless system."

As with the Albuquerque campus and the other branches, UNM-Gallup will see the project implemented in phases.

"The first phase is Finance," Javaheripour said. That phase will include Purchasing, General Accounting and Accounts Pay-



Dr. Laurie Schatzberg of the UNM Anderson Schools of Management, was on campus in March to discuss the implications of Project LINK.

able. Project LINK will be implemented in Accounts Payable at UNM-Gallup as of July 1. Student Services and Financial Aid will be implemented in January 2006, and the third phase, Human Resources, will be implemented in 2007. The final phase will be in Development and Alumni in 2008-09.

Even after July 1, UNM-Gallup will continue with electronic purchase requisitions, "till we get the bugs out," Javaheripour said. Staff and faculty will then be trained campuswide.

The Gallup campus got a sneak preview of Project LINK in March, when Dr. Laurie Schatzberg, assistant academic vice president for Management Information Systems, Anderson Schools of Management, conducted a workshop in the morning, while Mimi Swanson, manager, HR Staff Support, presented an afternoon session. Further workshops and training are planned, both on the Gallup campus and in Albuquerque. For more information, go to the website: <http://link.unm.edu/>

Project LINK will move UNM toward a paperless system.

NEWS OF NOTE



'Six Degrees of Separation' On View at Ingham Chapman

Six Degrees of Separation' Print Portfolio is on view at Ingham Chapman Gallery through April 23.

Also on view is the work of McKinley County high school students in the Gurley Hall Cabinets.

Gallery hours are Monday-Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday, 10 A.M. to 8 P.M.

For more information, call 863-7774 or 863-7669.

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From the Executive Director's Desk

Spring Heralds New Initiatives



Beth Miller, Ed.D.
Executive Director

With Spring comes "new" beginnings and we are involved in several new initiatives. Project LINK promises to streamline our processes and enable us to access and use information more effectively. The result will be better service to students.

We are developing a Transitional Studies Department that will be housed in the basement of the Zollinger Library. The department will be comprised of faculty who teach developmental courses. A tutoring center and classroom will also be part of the remodeled area. Our goal is to effectively address the fragmentation of developmental course offerings, forming one cohesive department that provides better services to the approximately 80-85% of new students who need preparatory work leading up to college level courses. The department will open on July 1, and Jim Sayers will be the Department Chair.

Work continues on our campus master plan. We have developed new goals and objectives for the next 4-5 years as well as the capital projects needed to address the goals. All campus departments and committees are developing mission statements and goals that align with the campus goals. Departmental action plans will be finalized in the early Fall. Participation from the community, faculty, staff, students, and our Local Board has resulted in our collective understanding of our future. We plan to complete the plan this summer.

Our searches for the Dean of Instruction and the Director of Community Affairs continue. We will be interviewing applicants in the next couple of months, with July 1 as the target start date for these individuals. We are excited about these transitions and appreciate our faculty and staff who have been filling these positions on an interim basis.

College Receives Phi Theta Kappa Grant Funds for Improving Mathematics Skills for Teachers

UNM-Gallup is one of 18 community colleges selected to participate in the Preparing Tomorrow's Science & Mathematics Teachers at Community Colleges Project. The project is funded by Phi Theta Kappa, an honor society for two-year colleges.

Funding from the project allowed a team from UNM-Gallup including Bruce Payette (Operations Manager, Extended University), Acting Assistant Dean of Instruction Harry Sheski, Science/ Math Interim Chair Mark Wilson and Tom Kaus, part-

time mathematics instructor, to attend the National Teacher Preparation Conference I in Washington, D.C., in February.

UNM-Gallup's grant involves Kaus working on improving the Math 111/112/215 for Elementary and Middle School Teachers I/II/III, by incorporating manipulatives and computer-based learning activities into a laboratory portion of the course. UNM-Gallup will be working closely with the Math Department on the Albuquerque campus and with the consultants provided by Phi Theta Kappa.

Calendar

- March 15-April 23: Six Degrees Print Portfolio. McKinley County 9th-12th Grade Art Exhibit.
- April 4-11: Spring Recess
- April 16: Staff Retreat, Kamp Kiwanis. 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Lunch will be provided.
- April 20: Reading by Simon Ortiz, 7:30 P.M., Ingham Chapman Gallery.
- April 28: Awards and Recognition, 8 A.M., Calvin Hall Auditorium
- April 29: Open House, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. Campuswide.
- May 3-June 12: Annual UNM-Gallup Student Exhibition. Ingham Chapman Gallery.
- May 8: Last day of classes, 16-week term
- May 8-15: Final Examinations
- May 13: Commencement, 6 P.M.
- May 15-24: HealthWriters Institute
- June 7: Summer classes start for 8-week term and 1st 4-week term.
- July 6: 2nd 4-week term begins.

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Transitions

ALYSE NEUNDORF

Alyse Neundorf, Ph.D. and Associate Professor of the Navajo language at UNM-Gallup, died Jan. 31.

Dr. Neundorf, who was 62, was a member of the Two Joining Rivers Clan. She was born in Lukachukai, Ariz.

A former Miss Navajo, she earned her bachelor's degree from Arizona State University in 1965, and got her master's degree in English from the University of Nebraska in 1970 and her doctorate in linguistics from UNM in 1987.

She taught Navajo language classes at UNM-Gallup from 1996.

She was the author of a Navajo/English illustrated dictionary, and had another book on Navajo verbs due for publication in the spring.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Ken, and two children, all of Albuquerque; and many other relatives.



WORKSHOP

Melanie Yazzie, above left, with colleague Cerese Vaden, recently led a printmaking workshop for UNM-Gallup art students.

Native American Health Writers Institute to be Held May 15-24

UNM-Gallup is hosting the first national Native American HealthWriters Institute, May 15-24. The Institute gives Native Americans the opportunity to learn or improve their health writing skills as well as to design and produce health materials.

"Chronic illnesses affect a large percentage of Native American populations. Because of this, educational materials written by Native Americans for their local communities are desperately needed," said Pamela Stovall, Assistant Professor, Communication and Journalism, and the coordinator for the Institute.

Stovall added, "Native American students and health care professionals will have a tremendous opportunity to create health materials relevant to the people of their community."

The Institute is free to accepted

participants, and food, housing and educational materials are provided. A stipend will be awarded to the participants at the successful completion of the Institute.

For more information or applications contact Stovall at pstovall@gallup.unm.edu or 1/505/863-7574, or visit the website www.gallup.unm.edu/healthwriters.



From left: Tom Ray, director of Student Services; Charles Paul Begay, winner of the drawing; and Beth Miller, Executive Director.

Charles Paul Begay Is Gateway Computer Winner

Charles Paul Begay is the winner of the Spring Enrollment Incentive Drawing for a Gateway Computer.

Begay, of Window Rock, is enrolled in health classes, and says this is the first computer he has owned.

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Register now for Summer Classes. Classes start June 7 for 8-week and 1st 4-week term; classes start July 6 for 2nd 4-week term.

College Has New Director of Enrollment Management



Christianne Bunnell has joined the Student Services staff of UNM-Gallup as Director of Enrollment Management. Bunnell has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with emphasis in management from New Mexico Tech, and an MBA in Finance from UNM's Anderson Schools of Business.

She worked in the Registrar's Office at New Mexico Tech as a student employee and taught community education classes at New Mexico Tech. She also previously worked as the Training Business Manager for Kemtah in Albuquerque, and as a Computer Support Technician as a Contractor for Sandia National Labs.

She is originally from the Farmington area, although she has family in Gallup.

Fall Grad Peter Leslie Is UNM-Gallup's Nominee to All-State Academic Team

Peter Leslie, a fall graduate of the University of New Mexico-Gallup with an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts, was nominated to the All-State Academic Team.

Leslie recently transferred to the Arizona State University where he will pursue a degree in Political Science.

While at UNM-G, he was active as a Student Senate officer and was on the Dean's list. He was also a student employee for the Extended University office. Among his other activities were Tae Kwan Do and soccer.

Leslie was among hundreds of students nominated from two-year colleges across the country who vied for a position on the All-USA Academic Team 2004.

The competition is sponsored by USA Today, the American Association of Community Colleges and Phi Theta Kappa, International Honor Society.



Peter Leslie