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Valencia Speaks: A CHESS and Community Connection

In conjunction with the Cultural Enrichment Committee Presents

“Walt Whitman's America”

October 23rd from 1:30 to 3:00 PM at the SCC.

The featured speaker in October is Dr. Bruce Noll from the College of Education at UNM-Main. Dr. Noll will perform his well-known and well-received blue-grass Chataqua presentation.

All are welcome!



**CONSTITUTION
DAY!** September 17



**Fine Arts Gallery
OPENING!**
September 18



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President's Report

Danizete Martinez

Hope that everyone had a good Fall Break! Thanks to all who voted on the FEDI revisions. Out of 31 votes, 29 full-time faculty voted to accept the revised FEDI form for use by faculty and the Dean of Instruction, and 30 voted for completing the form by the end of the Academic year instead of the Calendar year. Much thanks to Clifton Murray and the FEDI Revision Committee for all of their hard work, and setting precedence on how we can address needed changes in the future.

If you haven't already done so, please make sure to complete the IDEA evaluation forms that Della has either sent you electronically (if you are teaching online), or has placed in your mailbox. While Main Campus is currently considering revisions to the IDEA form and system, there is no confirmation yet on when changes will be implemented.

Of interest: on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 1:00-3:00 Main Campus, Tom Root (UNM's Assessment Manager) will be facilitating a workshop for faculty designing and implementing outcomes-assessment plans for individual courses that satisfy the UNM core curriculum. For more information, contact the Center for Teaching Excellence cte@unm.edu, register at <http://oset.eventbrite.com>, or go to <http://oset.unm.edu/Events.html> to learn more about the other activities they have planned for the semester.

We have a couple of Faculty Handbook amendments to consider at the next Oct. 16 Faculty Assembly meeting: 1) Wording describing the Faculty Communications Committee, and 2) Procedure for making changes to the Faculty Handbook. Look forward to seeing you there!



If you have any comments or suggestions please contact me at:
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STEM Talks!

Sandia National Laboratories
Alan Scott, Software Engineer
October 23
10:30 – 11:30 AM
Room A101

Celebrate MOLE DAY right after!

Executive Director's Report

Alice Letteney

To My Colleagues:

During the next few months and into the Legislative Session next year, discussions about Higher Education in New Mexico will center around possible new funding formulas. The President of NMSU has devised a three tier formula for the research universities, the four year comprehensive universities, and the two-year colleges. That plan involves significant new funding from the legislature and is based on various completion measures, not including completion of certificates of less than 30 credit hours.

Other plans that appear to be coming from the Higher Education Department recommend a percentage cut in every college's base funding, which would contribute to a pool of dollars which would be used to reward those institutions who do well in various completion measures.

The Secretary of Higher Education has requested a meeting for all institutional CEO's later this month to discuss funding proposals. We can only hope that after several years of increases in health insurance costs and small salary increases, that one of the issues to be discussed will be compensation for our faculty and staff.

On October 24th at 6:00pm in the Student Community Center, Student Services will host our annual Scholarship Recognition Reception. Faculty are invited to attend; please RSVP to Jenine Marquez at 925-8592 or jenine@unm.edu. This event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our students' achievements with them and their families. A buffet dinner will be served. We are excited to be part of a new NSF grant proposal being developed by Ganesh Balakrishnan and his colleagues at UNM. This proposal would allow our students to do undergraduate research projects in solar energy.

Congratulations to Dustin Shafer and his staff for a very successful Wellness Fair. We look forward to our annual MOLE Day on October 22nd celebrating Avogadro's Number, Bruce Noll as Walt Whitman on October 23rd, and a reception in our art gallery for paintings by Laura Wacha. As ever, I welcome faculty to come and chat with me about what you're doing, and how you would like to see the campus develop in the future.

Scholarship Recognition Reception

October 24 6:00 PM
Student Community Center

Faculty are invited to attend;
please RSVP to Jenine
Marquez at 925-8592 or
jenine@unm.edu.

Publications, Papers, and Notable Achievements"

Please submit anything that happened between July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013 that you consider a "Notable Achievement" for inclusion in the Valencia Campus 2012-2013 Annual report. Please provide exact information for any conference presentation, public lecture, gallery show, article, book chapter, book review or book published (for example).

Deadline: Thursday, October 17 to Dean Sax

Dean of Instruction Update

Richard Sax

I am in the process of compiling the “Instruction” section of the Annual Report which includes a listing of all faculty “Publications, Papers, and Notable Achievements.” If you have not yet sent to Dean Sax a brief but detailed memorandum of your scholarly and professional activity between July 1, 2012, and June 30, 2013, please do so before the end of the day on Thursday so that I can submit my entire report on time this Friday, October 18.

The revised FEDI was approved overwhelmingly, and we will use it immediately. A timetable for the 2013-2014 year only was disseminated recently, requesting that initial drafts of the new FEDI be sent to the Dean by Friday, November 15. If we keep to the timetable which was approved by Chairs Council, then we should be able to have final numbers and complete FEDIs by January 17, 2014, several weeks before any final decision will be made concerning range of salary increases for the 2014-2015 academic year.

The biannual Branch Faculty Deans’ meeting will occur this fall on the Taos campus on Friday, November 8. We will be setting a date for the Annual Branch Faculty Colloquium (we’re aiming at February or March, again at Main Campus, again on a Friday, this year in a larger room!), among other agenda items. Please let me know well before Nov. 8th in case there are any Branch-specific concerns for which you would like me to initiate discussion and/or action.

We are beginning in earnest our revisions to the 2012-2014 Valencia Campus catalogue. By early in 2014, I will be sending all of the Academic Affairs parts of the Bulletin to Jon Lechel who will be compiling and revising the catalogue for the first time. This is the time for faculty members to discuss with their colleagues and academic supervisors what their academic courses and programs look like in the current catalogue and what sort of revisions need to be made for the 2014-2016 catalogue.

Our revised Valencia Campus Faculty Handbook was approved by Senior Vice Provost Dougher with the suggestion that we create more specific guidelines for faculty on the tenure-track for promotion to Associate Professor and to full Professor. The current members of the Tenure & Promotion Committee are aware of this suggestion and are working assiduously toward developing such guidelines.

Since our last Faculty Assembly meeting, the son of one of our long-standing adjunct faculty members, Liam Nevins, son of Bill Nevins, was killed while on active duty in Afghanistan. As

Highlighting Faculty:

***Patricia Gillikin and
Amiee Stahlman (Developmental
English)***

Patricia and Amiee’s preconference presentation has been accepted by TYCA for this year’s 4C conference in Indianapolis. The title of the session is *Cracking the Books: Integrating Reading and Writing in the Composition Classroom*.

LeAnn Weller (Librarian)

LeAnn is currently the New Mexico State Library Association Representative to the Mountain Plains Library Association Executive Board.

***Toni Black, Bill Nevins, Danizete
Martinez (CHESS)***

Multiple kudos; see the CHESS Pieces on p. 9.

one of the means of grieving this loss and of showing support for our colleague, I have appended to this message a photograph of Instructor Nevins at the funeral as well as a poem which he wrote which will be one of the poems in a projected text of poetry dedicated to Liam's memory. Even as we live in an age in which the liberal arts are constantly under attack, our colleague Bill Nevins has eloquently shown us, through his actions and his creativity, how the arts and humanities serve us in providing perspectives and art by which to cope with the challenges, ironies, and sadnesses of life. Let me take this opportunity to express as well my thanks to the many members of our community who helped to make administrative arrangements (Jami Huntsinger, Miriam Gustafson) and who covered Bill's classes in his absence (Mary Beth Libbey, Cyndi Sabo, Richard Sax, Heather Wood)—I apologize if I have neglected to mention any of our campus citizens who have helped Bill during this difficult period.

Heartbreak Ridge - by Bill Nevins (copyrighted)
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Heartbreak Ridge

his mom back east just sighed another poor boy off to fight the rich man's war
and I crouch in a desert learning to read in the dark: Joseph Conrad and
Adrienne Rich
Dylan's masters of war rotating with Joe Strummer's version of Tom Moore's
"Minstrel Boy"
but he is so far far away and now
HOME
is just a four letter word . . .

we send our stories out anyway: painted trains roll rickety clack north on
Santa Fe track,
box-car greetings in spray-paint color cross the Indian lands,
barrio words bound for Colorado glory
while the dear prez is on the radio,
droning out *his* story

spray-can work on North Philly streets was art-crimes for the kid who wrote
and ran,
best writer his English teacher ever read, she said,
who turned his tales in late,
too busy sharking pool, fight-clubbin', dodging cops, too cool for school

who took his diploma late anyway and didn't get to walk the aisle,
but rode off instead in that damned recruiter's car,
to Basic where he shaved his tuff guy chin growth
and was taught salute march fight
and how to mow down trees with the Army's grand Squad Automatic Weapon
SAW
like in that GI picture postcard he mailed home
and jump from planes when the word was JUMP

though he hated it
and lead his guys when the word WAR got real
like it did for his grand-dad in the forties
and for all those battle-stock men back up the family line,
heroes or mercenaries true to tradition
and that Minstrel Boy song to the war has gone
his fathers' swords girded on— Wild Geese, brave Harp!

the history books tell us they tell us so well
how FDR put poor folks' art in public display WPA,
and respectable if tinged by Eleanor's democratic light red hue—
then Pearl Harbor blew
and Woody strummed his fascist-slaying six-stringed axe
and sailed the rough seas singing
“Ruben James—tell me what were their names?”
and took torpedo hits on every craft he shipped on
which was no joke
yet roared out word of our fighting kids
and said what must be said
about this land and which side we're on,
and those were glory days indeed:
the good fight could be good
and then we had peace . . .
of a sort . . .
and then . . .
The Towers of New York dropped—
no Flava Flav joke in your town
nine one one-- his birthday back in 1981—
“no woman no cry”—
so, twenty years on with his hippy-rasta hair shorn
and the same Pentagon blown that
we so far far back in our own late child-time danced before and tried to lift
off the ground
in spirit smoke sex and laughter exorcism-levitation
with our flowered tresses flowing
and Tuli Kuperferberg that grand mensch chanting
OUT DEMONS OUT—
and Norman Mailer gulping bourbon paddy-wagoned
facing down a bellicose American Nazi while we grasped for words to spell it
out:
NO . . . MORE . . . WAR—
as armies in the night we had to put away childish things,
right?

This new fight he's in just might be just and right
for all the snake-oil crap and flag-wrapped lies—
it could well be wrong that same sad old song sung by bad men whose sons
eat cake
who send the hard and best of our young
to mountains where the empire's legions feared to tread and poor squaddies bled
as Kipling said
and the brave comrades in Red also were shot dead with bullets we sent to
warriors of God

yet our young still go, though donkey trains balk on those heartbreaking ridges--
and black-hawks come down filled with heroes:
early death tumbling from above--
still soldiers don't ask about all that soldiers are asked to do and soldiers just
do what soldiers must do

do what we must do: what we need to do is what they need us to do
just do it till this is done—send love
send postcards send toothpaste hard candy send jokes pictures of beauty
send body armor send pride send words send love—
he sends back email short bursts yahoo love to mom and his girl
flame tenders who find in their hearts' eyes snapshots from that awful Asian ridge

wipe the tears see the sights
the sites
through night-scope sights:

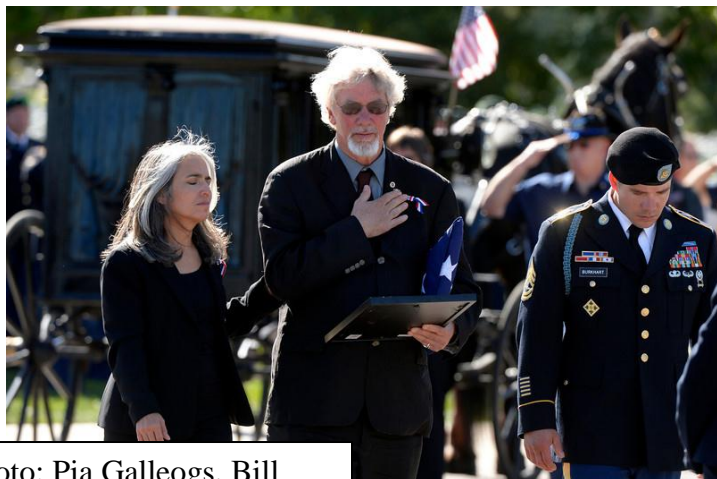
starlight starbright first star you see tonight
is where our prayers light that ridge, shine bright

bring our boys, our girls home, man

when this war ends this war ends this war ends
the word will be
revolution of those words now spinning in his head
sir yes sir yes ma'am yes but
will they all still give a damn? tumbling off that ridge, tumbling over and over

—
will he send us letters
X? or Y? or Z?
Now maybe
We'll chant AUM with sweet gone old AG—and know the best minds of this
generation are angry and taught to be, damned well ought to be!

Word
Coming back home soon
Soon come home soon
Word
Love word home
HOME!
Sweet sweet home.
--Bill Nevins



In Photo: Pia Galleogs, Bill
Nevins, Sgt. G. Burkhardt of
NM National Guard.

Reports from the Road

by Brenda Broers and Thomas Whittaker

Workshop: NSF sponsored – STEM focused – New Mexico Discipline Based Education Research

Location: UNM, Albuquerque, NM

When: September 27 - 29

Educators from all across the state were represented at this workshop at UNM main campus, including those from CNM, NMSU, WNMU and Tech. The primary focus of the workshop was to network and collaborate with education-research professionals who are interested in understanding STEM learning and improving these processes for STEM students.

During the break-out sessions, we both chose groups focused on improving the success of underrepresented/underprepared students in the STEM fields. In addition to making important contacts, the take-away for us was the development of a basic Foundation of Science enhancement program for our students. Since this could take many forms, we are open to working with our New Mexico colleagues to develop multiple ways to improve the success of our STEM students.

by Julia So

Conference: 18th Annual Conference of the International Association of Hispanic Meeting Professionals

Location: St. Augustine, FL

When: October 9 – 12

Julia presented two sessions – “The Relevance of Asians to the Global Economy” and “Understanding the Cultural Nuances of Asians”. She also facilitated a round table titled “Speed Session on Culture Competence.”

CHESS Pieces

Jami Huntsinger, Division Chair



October is here, and with it many upcoming events. Many thanks go to Julia So, who has been very busy organizing Valencia Speaks, the CHESS lecture series for campus and community members. On October 23, *Sharing the Words*, part of Valencia Speaks, is being held in the Student Community Center from 1:30-3:00. Dr. Bruce Noll, Professor Emeritus of the University of New Mexico, will present *Walt Whitman's America*, a performance piece composed entirely from excerpts from Whitman's *Leaves of Grass*. The next event in Valencia Speaks is “Ernie Pyle, New Mexico and World War II,” a lecture given by Richard Melzer on November 14. All are invited to attend, and teachers are encouraged to bring students to both events.

On October 25, the English Department Composition 101 students will be taking its semester Reading New Mexico Santa Fe Train Trip. There, students visit the state's capital building and museums to enrich their essays on New Mexico with experiential research. Danizete Martinez has organized this wonderful event for our students.



The members of CHESS continue to contribute in many ways. Toni Black is reviewing "Six Weeks to a Brain-Compatible Classroom" by Janet N. Zadina, Ph.D., an author Black admires for brain research as it relates to instruction. Danizete Martinez article on Tomás Rivera, the author of *...y no se lo tragó la tierra* (1971) and the first minority chancellor in the University of California system, will be published in <http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com> through Oxford University Press this fall. Bill Nevins has published a book review of Taos author John Nichols' s latest novel "On Top of Spoon Mountain" in the current online edition of the cultural journal LOGOS, www.logosjournal.com, and has also published a story about the New Mexico documentary film "Land Water People Time" in the journal Eco Source ecotrendsource.com. After completing her mediation training offered by UNM Ombudsmen Office last spring, Julia So has been volunteering a mediator at the metropolitan Court in Albuquerque. Julia also attended the 18th Annual Conference of the International Association of Hispanic Meeting Professionals, in St. Augustine, FL. where she presented two sessions: "The Relevance of Asians to the Global Economy" and "Understanding The Cultural Nuances of Asians." She also facilitated a round table titled "Speed Session on Culture Competence."

I would like to welcome Dustin Shafer to the CHESS faculty. He is the Visiting Program Manager for the Wellness Center this year. He started his year by organizing the Wellness Expo, a fine event that provided information about and health services to the Valencia Campus community. What a wonderful event. Also, we say a fond farewell to Noe Lara, who has taught our students for many years. His contributions will be missed.

Business, Technology, and Fine Arts

Michael Ceschiat, Division Chair and Fine Arts Coordinator

So Far So Good

Everyone in the BT&FA Division is working together in our new capacities with the modified structure. Program Coordinators are taking care of designated areas day to day operations, faculty supervision, class scheduling, program assessment etc.

Now that our Spring schedule has been completed Program assessment is next on annual division tasks. Faculty members that teach in specific areas will contribute and present data to support accreditation in six Associate and eight Certificate programs.

After that it will be FEDI's with Peer and Chair evaluations. It will be interesting to see how the new FEDI instrument does upon implementation.

Business (submitted by *Cindy Chavez, Business Coordinator*)

Friday, September 27, Cindy Chavez, Business Coordinator and Dr. Tracy Terry travelled to Santa Fe to attend a workshop, *Micro messaging to Reach and Teach Every Student*, presented by a member of the NAPE foundation. The workshop was sponsored by the Santa Fe Community College Center for Learning Excellence funded through the New Mexico EPSCoR grant. This is a collaborative initiative in which representatives from community colleges and two year institutions across New Mexico will be working together toward increasing the size and diversity of the STEM workforce.

If you are interested in learning more or becoming a part of this initiative please contact Dr. Tracy Terry who is the coordinator for UNM-Valencia campus and will be the one disseminating information to our campus faculty and advisors.

Richard Palmer, Business Instructor, attended the New Mexico Business Articulation meeting in Socorro at New Mexico Technical Institute. The focus of this meeting was to review and discuss student learning outcomes for Accounting and Economics courses articulated among New Mexico colleges.

The purpose of the New Mexico Business Articulation Consortium is to develop and maintain the business courses articulation matrix for all colleges and schools of business in New Mexico in compliance with New Mexico law and Department of Higher Education rules and regulations. The Consortium membership includes all two and four year college institutions that teach business courses. Business courses include economics, business law, finance, marketing, management, accounting, statistics and information systems. This consortium meets twice a year and if we do not have representation from our campus we could lose our articulation agreement. So thank you Richard for attending this important meeting. Cindy Chavez will represent us at the spring meeting.

*Fine Arts Gallery
Schedule*

Laura Wacha Paintings
Exhibition
Oct. 7 – Nov. 4
Artist Reception
Oct. 23, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Steve Pettit Paintings
Exhibition
Nov. 11 – Dec. 9
Artist Reception
Nov. 20, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Technology (submitted by *Najib Manea, Technology Coordinator*)

Conferences: September 16-18 2013: The NUTN Network 2013. Albuquerque, NM. (Najib Manea).

March 17-21 2014: Game Developers Conference. San Francisco, California. (Najib Manea, Michael Brown).

DMA Internship Possibilities

New internship possibilities are being pursued for one of the fastest growing programs on campus. Recently, with assistance from our campus Career Services Manager Diana Torrez, the

Digital Media Arts program has been approached multiple times by businesses in our community. Alexa Wheeler and I are currently identifying students to participate in this real world experience. Potential internships with community businesses such as the Belen Chamber of Commerce, Graphic Arts Station, Infinity Telemedicine Group and others are sure to benefit our students significantly.

Gallery

The current show *Laura Wacha Paintings Exhibition* will be on display till November 4th. The artist reception is Wednesday October 23rd, 5 to 7pm. Laura is a renowned painter and Belen elementary school art teacher. Her works are full of imagination bursting with color. A real treat for the eyes and mind.

<http://www.laurawacha.com/>



Our next show will be *Steve Pettit Paintings Exhibition* November 11 - December 9th with the Artist Reception November 20, 5 to 7pm

Perkins Grant Info

Hank Vigil and Jeanne Lujan attended the ACTE Best Practices and Innovations Conference in San Diego at the end of September. New insights from the conference on retention and nontraditional students will greatly assist with certain campus performance measures.

The .5 Film Tech teaching position listing posts soon. If all goes well we will be able to start the new program this Spring semester.

Science/Math Division

Miriam Chavez, Science Co-Chair

This semester we have 20 students who are majoring in a STEM field and are being supported by an NSF scholarship. I would like to thank the faculty mentors (Claudia Barreto, Clifton Murray, Alex Sanchez, Toni Black and Alexa Wheeler) who meet with each of their students during the semester to help them be successful in reaching their educational goal. The students should be asking for current grades in their STEM classes. Please do take the time to complete the form and give them feedback (especially if they need help/tutoring to pass the class).

Come join the STEM faculty celebrate National Mole Day on Wednesday, October 23 between noon and 2 p.m. in the Health Science Building. Send your students to play games, win prizes, eat pizza, and have fun.

UNM-Valencia 2nd Annual Mole Day Celebration

6.02×10^{23} is a big number. It is also a “mole” – a unit of measurement in use in chemistry. Each year October 23rd (10-23) is celebrated as Mole Day between the hours of 6:02am and 6:02pm. This year the Science Department will be celebrating Mole Day from noon to 2pm in room H101 on Wednesday, Oct 23rd with games, prizes, free stuff and free food!

Look out for the following:

- ❖ Exciting Chemical Reaction Demonstrations
 - Spaced throughout the celebration
- ❖ The Element Challenge
 - Teams of 1-2 people ready to go at noon
 - Event ends at 12:45pm
 - Prizes for 1st and 2nd places
- ❖ Chem-It! Chemistry Games
 - Play the game at any time
 - Challenge Dr. Terry in this game of observation and chance to win a prize
- ❖ Robot Demonstrations
 - ~1pm
- ❖ Conversion Challenges



Highway to Success

Rosa Auletta

Congratulations to our new adjunct instructor Russell Contreras and his wife, Mandi who brought their little baby girl, Ava, into the world on October 2. The child of a writer and a teacher--watch out world!

Kudos to Patricia Gillikin and Amiee Stahlman whose preconference presentation has been accepted by TYCA (Two-Year College English Assoc.) for this year's 4C conference (Conference on College Composition and Communication) in Indianapolis. The title of the session is *Cracking the Books: Integrating Reading and Writing in the Composition Classroom*. Here is the link to their session:

http://center.uoregon.edu/NCTE/2014CCCC/program/search_results.php?text_search_value=gillikin&text_search_bool=AND&orderby=DATE&Search=Search.

Jami Huntsinger and Patricia Gillikin are piloting two Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) English 101 classes. Patricia is teaching the support class, English 298, which is an intensive writing class to support the eight students in Jami's class who actually tested into English 100.

Both instructors are very pleased with the results thus far. The developmental students are making great strides in their writing. We plan on offering two more such classes in the spring.

Happy Fall,

Rosa Auletta

Community Education Services

Rita Gallegos-Logan

Cultural Enrichment Series

All events take place in the Student-Community Center unless indicated otherwise.
Refreshments will be served.

**Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass:
A New Mexico Endowment for the Humanities Chautauqua presentation
by Bruce Noll**

October 23 1:30 – 3:00 PM

**Don Juan in Hell:
a Melodrama by the Mansion Players**
November 7 1:30 – 3:00 PM

**Ernie Pyle, New Mexico and World War II:
a Lecture by Richard Melzer**
November 14 1:30 – 3:00 PM

**4th Annual Winter Concert:
The New MexiChords and the UNM-Valencia Chorus**
December 10 6:00 – 7:30 PM

**Admission: \$10
Proceeds benefit the UNM-Valencia Scholarship Fund
Tickets go on sale Monday, November 4
For information call 925-8550**

25th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration
January 18 1:00 – 4:00 PM



Valencia Campus Library News

Barbara Lovato, Library Director

Thanksgiving Break Library Hours

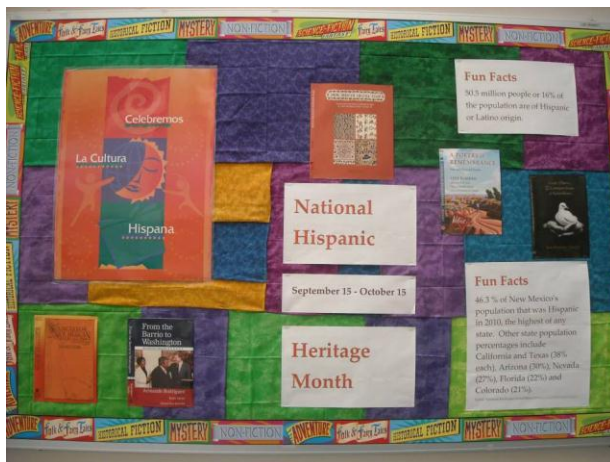
Thursday – Friday

November 28 – 29

CLOSED

National Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept 15-Oct 15)

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.



The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Also, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is October 12, falls within this 30 day period. (hispanicheritagemonth.gov/about)

To celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, the Library created a bulletin board and book displays highlighting Hispanic art, literature, culture and history.

Information for Faculty

The library has a web page especially for faculty! Just go to:

<http://www.unm.edu/~unmvclib/LibInstruct.html> for information regarding placing items on Reserves, requesting Interlibrary Loan materials, setting up a Library Instruction for your classes and more.

Supplemental Library materials

If there are specific library materials that you would like your students to use to supplement your class, please let the library know so that we can pull them and put them on Reserve. Unless we are told otherwise, the first student that makes it to the library for these materials will be able to check them out for the standard loan period, which is anywhere from 3-30 days. Please help us to make these important materials available to the most students possible by letting us know in advance of the potential demand for them.

LeAnn Weller - Mountain Plains Library Association

LeAnn Weller attended the Tri-Conference of the South Dakota Library Association, North Dakota Library Association and Mountain Plains Library Association in Sioux Falls, SD on September 25-27, 2013. LeAnn is currently the New Mexico State Library Association

Representative to the Mountain Plains Library Association Executive Board and attends numerous meetings via phone and in-person in that capacity.



The Wellness Center

Dustin Shafer

We are now over half way through the Fall 2013 semester, and there are many changes to celebrate here at the Wellness Center. One of the largest changes comes in the form of brand new staff. This year the facility is overseen by the Director of Student Affairs, Hank Vigil and the Chair of CHESS, Dr. Jami L. Huntsinger. These two have been crucial in a seamless transition from past to present day operations; they bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the program's direction.

Dustin Shafer, M.S. (Program Manager) started with the University of New Mexico-Valencia Campus in August of 2013. Prior to UNM, he spent one year as a general manager of a large gym chain and two years at Eastern New Mexico University serving as the head strength and conditioning coach. During his time at ENMU, he also managed the campus gym and taught health promotion classes. He graduated from Eastern New Mexico University in 2011 with a Masters in Sport and Exercise Science and graduated from the University of Wyoming in 2008 with a Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology and Health Promotion. Dustin holds certifications with USAW, ACSM, AASI, AHA, CITI Human Research, and Group 2 Social & Behavioral Research Investigators.

Bob Culver, M.S. (Fitness Instructor) started with UNM-Valencia in September of 2013. He comes to New Mexico from Pennsylvania. After obtaining a Masters in Exercise Science, Bob began training clients for both community-based and privately owned fitness centers in Pennsylvania. He soon took on additional responsibilities, serving as membership coordinator. With a background including both practical training and education, Bob brings a wealth of knowledge to our Wellness Center. In addition to the previously mentioned employees 6 new work-studies have been hired. These new hires have helped to mitigate risk and increase the overall day-to-day experience for patrons.

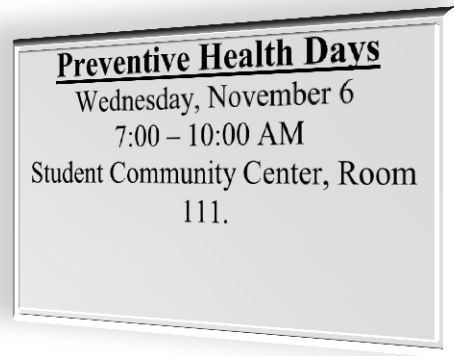
Here at the Wellness Center we recently finished up our 11th Annual Wellness Expo on September 25th. We had a fantastic turn-out from students, staff, faculty and community members. This year we had an increase in providers and set a new record for flu shots that were given by the Nursing Dept. Thanks to everyone who helped make the event a success, and a special thanks to the Wellness Expo Committee and those who volunteered at the event.



The Wellness Center strives to continue professional development and community service. Last Saturday, October 12, our staff at the Wellness Center finished up our American Heart Association certifications in CPR/AED training

for adults, infants and children. Prior to that, on October 4, Dustin Shafer gave a presentation to 60 kids at the Belen Middle School on the 7 Dimensions of Wellness and Career Paths in Kinesiology and Exercise Science. In the near future we will also be participating in the PTK canned food drive and the Great American Smoke Out.

Lastly, the Wellness Center would like to announce Preventive Health Days on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 from 7am-10:00am. UNM-VC Preventive Health Day will be located in the Student Community Center, Room 111. The event is open to **ALL UNM** employees, their spouses, dependents (18-26 years old) and UNMH Employees. There will be many free services which include: flu shots, blood pressure, body composition, osteoporosis scan, and stress management information. There will also be Cholesterol and Glucose Screening. We look forward to seeing you there and making this campus event a success!



News from Student Services

Hank Vigil



The temperature is dropping and the leaves are beginning to change! State Fair and Balloon Fiesta are behind us and the holidays are quickly approaching.

We have been busy in Student Services this semester. From Legislative Lottery Scholarship changes, Government shut down, professional development, and numerous other initiatives that make every day

unique here at UNM Valencia.

As most of you have heard there will be changes made to the Lottery Scholarship. Depending on what the final changes are will have an impact on our students and we are staying tuned in as the conversations are happening and will be ready to make any necessary adjustments, once we know what the final rules of the game are in late winter.

As of this moment, Congress is yet to pass a budget and there are a few things that we need from US Department of Education; like notifying them that we have hired Veronica Salcido as the Program Manager for our TRiO Upward Bound Program and Stacie Kirtley as the Program Manager for our TRiO Student Support Services Program. Congratulations to both these individuals!!

For the past few months the staff of Student Services has been participating in Professional Development. UNM Albuquerque EOD Staff prepared a program with learning objectives and

outcomes that has helped in identifying minor issues that have been fixed and team building! I have a great staff that does remarkable work! We used this professional development opportunity to make some adjustments and in how we provide services.

There are other minor adjustments that we are making in the process that students go through when they become students here at UNM Valencia. With the goal being that we do our part to keep the students that we have and attract more that have a desire to pursue post-secondary education.

Retention is everyone's job!

Faculty Assembly Meeting Agenda

1. Call to order (1)
2. Acceptance of agenda (1)
3. Approval of Minutes from September 2013 (1)
4. Executive Director Report (10)
5. Dean of Instruction Report (5)
6. Treasurer's Report (2)
7. John S. Forman— Phi Theta Kappa President (5)
8. Najib Manea on ADA Compliance —Teaching and Learning Center (10)
9. Committee Reports
 - a. FE/DI Committee—Julie Depree and Jami Huntsinger (5)
 - b. Handbook Committee—Melanie Sanchez-Dinwiddie (15)
 - c. Program Assessment—Claudia Barreto (3)
 - d. Curriculum Committee— (5)
 - e. Faculty Professional Development Committee—Cindy Chavez (3)
10. Faculty Senate— Julia So (3)
11. Teaching Tips—Thomas Whittaker (5)
12. President's Report (5)
13. New Business/Announcements (5)
14. Adjournment

(84 total minutes)

Faculty Assembly Meeting
Wednesday, October 16
1:30p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
LRC 101C

**Faculty Assembly Meeting
September 18, 2013
1:30-3:00 LRC 101C**

In attendance:

Rosa Auletta	Patricia Gillikin	Alice Letteney	Dustin Shafer
Claudia Barreto	Miriam Gustafson	Barbara Lovato	Julia So
Michael Ceschiat	Annette Hatch	Danizete Martinez	Tracy Terry
Anthony Chavez	Alfonso Heras	Richard Palmer	LeAnn Weller
Miriam Chavez	Michael Hopper	Eva Rivera	Alexa Wheeler
Cindy Chavez	Khaled Kassem	Melanie Sanchez-	Thomas Whittaker
Julie Depree	Benjamin Johnsen	Dinwiddie	Heather Wood
Sarah Garde		Richard Sax	

1. Call to order:

- Dani Martinez called the meeting to order at 1:30pm

2. Acceptance of agenda

- Julie Depree moved to accept the agenda / Miriam Chavez seconded
- The agenda was accepted

3. Approval of minutes

- Rosa Auletta moved to approve the minutes as submitted / Julie Depree seconded
- Minutes were approved as submitted

4. Executive Director's Report (Alice Letteney)

- Los Alamos National Lab lost Bond Election
- Funding formula was created-measuring based on outcomes is positive for UNM-VC
- Effort is underway to educate students about having a "completion" mindset
- Faculty is invited to have lunch with Alice at their convenience

5. Dean of Instruction's Report (Richard Sax)

- BB Learn/LoboAchieve Update
 - Privacy issues are being addressed with LoboAchieve
 - Issues with LoboAchieve should be directed to Vanessa Harris
- FEDI Update In Process
 - Important to decide on final form ASAP
- Meeting with Branch Campus Deans Nov. 8
 - Potential Spring 2014 meeting with Branch campus faculty
- Resolution is coming soon on UNM-Main's proposed fees for branch campuses

6. Treasurer's Report (Thomas Whittaker)

- Basket was passed around for donations-\$4.00 was donated.
- Faculty Assembly budget currently holds \$500.
 - \$295 Materials
 - \$100 In-State Travel
 - \$100 Copying
- Discussion: Julia So can use Faculty Assembly funds for her visits to UNM-Main.

7. Public Affairs Office Report (Jon Lechel)

- Personal Introduction by Jon to the faculty
- Headshots are planned for faculty
- Catalog year-get your info in soon
- Jon has an open door policy

8. Student Government Report (Michael Hopper)

- Student Day every month
- Desk replacement in specific rooms
- 3,000 for scholarships each year
- Dr. Sax thanked SG for their help with Constitution Day

9. Student Services Report (Francis Duran speaking for Hank Vigil)

- Professors are not required to sign late add forms
- When re-instating dropped students, recommend students visit advising office
- Equal Access letters are provided for disabled students; students are required to show these to professors
- Veterans training will be provided soon-forms were provided for interested faculty

10. Committee Reports:

FE/DI (Julie Depree)–

- New FE/DI form is more clear and has a few changes
 - Committee meetings are now counted differently
 - Conferences are given points per day to address longer conferences
 - FE/DI has been in revision for two years, all changes are addressed in new form
- Discussion: Miriam has a proposed change to content area-
- Dani Martinez motioned to extend the review of FE/DI form by one week followed by a paper vote; motion was seconded by Eva Rivera. FE/DI will be distributed again by Clifton via e-mail for final changes and voted on next week.
- Discussion: whether to change from Calendar to Academic year on the FE/DI. Academic year is recommended by many including Dr. Sax.

Faculty Handbook (Melanie Sanchez-Dinwiddie)–

- Elaine is new Chair of committee and new members are being sought
- Procedural changes are being addressed by committee
- Faculty Communications Committee was approved-new language will be developed in handbook
- Criteria for promotion on tenure track will be included in handbook; Dr. Sax reiterates the need for this language to be included in the handbook

Assessment (Claudia Barreto)—

- Program Assessment takes place in the fall, 23 programs need to be assessed
- Timeline/Report is due by the end of semester
- Schedule for mentoring sessions has been developed
 - Dates for upcoming sessions are Friday Nov. 1 at 9:00, Friday Nov. 8, Friday Nov. 15
 - Division heads will need data from faculty for assessment
- Criminology, Pre-Engineering, Auto-Tech still in progress

Faculty Professional Development (Khaled Kassem)—

- First meeting for Faculty Professional Development is Thursday Sept. 19
- Forms are available for Professional Development online and in Academic Office
- Reports are now being sought after conference participation reflecting benefit of conference on teaching and pedagogy
- Faculty are encouraged to apply for funds early
- Dr. Sax reveals the budget is \$12,500, which is a big increase from two years ago
- Technology related conference funds can be sought from TLC/Najib

Faculty Senate (Julia So)—

- Degree Program page at UNM-Main is helpful for degree mapping:
<http://degrees.unm.edu/>
- Greg Heilman (Ass. Provost) wants to reduce number of credit hours for bachelor's degrees to 120 in order to save costs for students

11. Teaching Tips

- Julia So offered classroom management tips. She shared a syllabus contract that details expectations for student behavior in the classroom. She said suggestions are welcome from other faculty on ways to improve the list.

12. President's Report (Dani Martinez)

- Committee Assignments have been made for 2013/2014
 - Committees should meet by mid-semester if not earlier
 - Alexa Wheeler reported committee pages have been updated on Faculty Web Page
 - Reports must be submitted to Dr. Sax or Dani by the end of the academic year
- TLC/Najib will be offering LoboAchieve workshops soon
- Thanks to Elaine for doing newsletter and to Jami for donating coffeemaker

13. Announcements

- Julia So-Upcoming Valencia Speaks Bruce Noll presentation is Oct. 23
- Barbara Lovato-Banned books week in library begins Sept. 23 in library
- Dustin Shafer-Blood Drive and Wellness Expo are Sept. 25

Adjournment: 3:01

Respectfully submitted, Heather Wood