



The Pony Express



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Dates to Remember:

August 15, 2011: Faculty/Staff Breakfast

September 5, 2011: Labor Day. NMHU Closed

October 3-9, 2011
Homecoming Week
For complete schedule go to:
<http://www.nmhu.edu/calendar.aspx>

November 24 & 25: Thanksgiving Holiday. NMHU Closed

December 23 - January 3: Winter Break. NMHU Closed

January 16: Martin Luther King Day. NMHU Closed

Staff Advisory Senate Meetings
TBA

SPOTLIGHT



First Row: Debra Olivas, Susan Taylor, Eileen Sedillo, MaryJane Gomez Second Row: Alexis Duran, Alicia Sena, Emily Montoya, Amanda Ortiz. Third Row: Charley Ford, Lorinda Valdez. Not Pictured: Brenda Wagoner

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A message from...

Eileen Sedillo, Director of Financial Aid and Scholarship Office

The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office is a very busy office, all year round! We get maybe one week, usually in October, when we take a breath! This last academic year has been a little more trying than oth-

ers. We have had some key position vacancies in our office that the entire staff has had to really step up to the plate and work together to get through some really demanding times. They have had to learn a lot in a short period of time; they learned and they took the ball and ran! I just want to say that the staff are real troopers and they deserve some

recognition and a pat on the back and say, "Job Well Done, Team!" True character is displayed during times of trials and tribulations; I see these individuals have what it takes. Hang in there and keep in mind that this job is rewarding and we do have students who appreciate all your hard work. Thank you!



Look Who's New!

NEW HIRES & DEPARTMENT TRANSFERS



MVD is offering NMHU license plates and NMHU vanity license plates.

Support NMHU and get yours today!

Quotes to Live by:

"Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any others."

- Abraham Lincoln

Or

"The world is round so that friendship may encircle it."

- Pierre Tielhard de Chardin



Dr. Gilbert Rivera has agreed to continue serving the university as Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Ms. Donna Brooks, Visiting Professor, Business

Ms. Crystal Burch—Admissions Assistant, Admissions

Mr. Sheldon Cross—Asst. Football Coach, Athletics

Mr. William Cruz—Police Officer, Campus Police

Mr. Donald Duran—Visiting Professor, Education

Ms. Faith Eldridge—Visiting Professor, Social Work

Mr. Charley Ford—Financial Aid Advisor, Financial Aid

Ms. Dora Gallegos—Department Secretary, Housing

Ms. Inca Garduño-Crespin, Retention/Intervention Coord., Acad. Support

Mr. Dan Houtchens—Interim Golf Course Mgr, Golf Course

Ms. Suzen James—Asst. Professor, Social Work

Ms. Susan Martin—Recruiter/Advisor Coordinator, Nursing

Ms. Cabrini Martinez—Facilities Manager/Lab Tech, Media Arts

Mr. Tafadzwa Mashiri—Interim Resident Hall Coordinator, Housing

Ms. Junko McDonald—Accountant, Business Office

Ms. Gloria Montoya—Lead Teacher, Child Development Center

Mr. Robert Quinn—Asst. Football Coach, Athletics

Mr. Chad Raymond—Asst. Football Coach, Athletics

Mr. Gregory Reynolds—School Secretary/Education, Farmington

Ms. Amanda Romero—Administrative Assistant, Nursing

Ms. Rose Salazar—Relief Teacher—Child Development Center

Ms. Kristie Tapia—Accounts Payable Specialist, Business Office

Ms. Jordan Taton—Interim Head Rodeo Coach, Athletics

Mr. Eric Urioste—Center Student Specialist, Registrar's Office

Mr. Joseph Valdez—Assistant Librarian, Rio Rancho Center

Ms. Corie Weaver—Interim Communication Spec, Alumni/Foundation

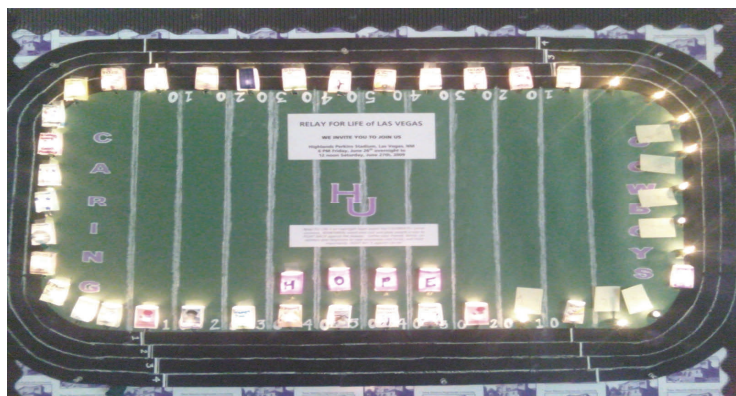
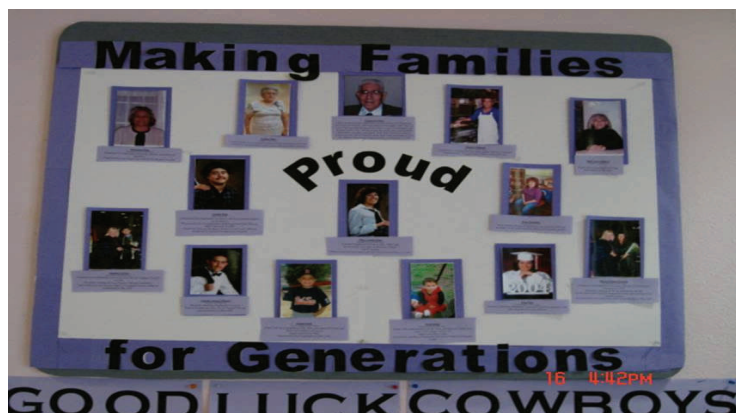
Mr. Eric Young— Head Football Coach, Athletics

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Have you ever taken a walk to the Student Center and stopped and admired the bulletin boards next to the Campus Post Office?



Campus Post Office Manager Andy Lou creates a new one each month. She reflects on the different seasons and events. The Campus Post Office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is closed at noon. Students have their own mail boxes. Student workers Ashley Russell and Francisco Gallegos work side by side with her throughout the semester.



The 12th Annual Highlands University Employee Recognition Award Ceremony was held on April 12. "Work With Pride, Measure Your Success" was the theme. Categories were Outstanding Employee Award, Spirit Award and Customer Service Award.

Recognized were:

Outstanding Service Award:

Ms. Joni Chavez, College of Arts & Sciences

Spirit Award:

Dr. Effie Laman, School of Education, Rio Rancho Center

Customer Service Award:

Ms. Eileen Sedillo, Financial Assistance and Scholarship.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our retirees:

Ms. Lisa Duran

Dr. Roy Lujan

Ms. Sally Martinez

In each issue, we would like to take the opportunity to "introduce" a different department or person to the rest of campus. Sometimes we don't get the chance to meet fellow staffers that play such an important role in maintaining the university and we felt that putting a face to a department would be nice. This issue, we are "spotlighting" the staff from the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office.

Staff Advisory Senate

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 Margaret Gonzales - Vice President 454-3495
 Dawn Martinez - Parliamentarian 454-3410
 Lou Ann Romero - Secretary 454-3087
 Alexis Duran - Treasurer 454-3315
 Doris Gallegos - Member 454-3168
 Thomasina Ortiz-Gallegos - Member 454-3127
 Richard Griego - Member 454-3260
 Darlene R. Tapia - Member 454-3272
 David Whorton - Member 454-3260
 Vacant - Member

Please feel free to contact any of the above members directly or e-mail:
staffadvisorysenate@nmhu.edu
 with questions, comments, or general feedback.
 Thank you for your support and we look forward to hearing from you!

Staff Senate Newsletter Committee

Darlene R. Tapia - Chair 454-3272
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Please contact any of the above Newsletter Committee members with any ideas you would like to see in the next issue of "The Pony Express"

Be on the look out for our next quarterly issue at the end of October!

Congratulations to all university employees who received their degrees on May 14, 2011.

Nick Alaimalo	Benito Pacheco
David Esquibel	Sara Schmalfeldt
Lydia Maddux	Darlene R. Tapia
Henrietta Maestas	Diane Trujillo
Emily Montoya	Brenda Waggoner

Congratulations to Susie Maestas' son, Nate Maestas, who graduated on May 14, 2011 and received his associate degree in criminal justice from LCC. He will pursue his BA in Criminal Justice at Highlands.

