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Voters Support Bonds For Higher Education And Libraries

Voters across New Mexico showed their support for higher education and libraries with the passage of General Obligation Bonds B and D in the November 6 election. Unofficial results show 68 percent of voters statewide were in favor of Bond B and 65 percent of New Mexico voters approved Bond D. In Chaves County, Bond B passed by 62 percent and Bond D passed by 61 percent.

Bond D proposed a total of \$128 million for New Mexico's public colleges and universities, of which \$3 million will be allocated to ENMU-Roswell. These funds will be used to make needed renovations and improvements to the Automotive and Welding Technology facility on campus. Eastern New Mexico University in Portales will receive \$8 million to start the renovation of the Roosevelt Science Center. The ENMU-Ruidoso campus will receive \$500,000 to be used toward the renovation of the newly acquired annex retail building to create additional instructional space. In total, the ENMU system will receive \$11,500,000 with the passage of Bond D.



The crowded welding shop will be modernized to accommodate additional students and equipment.

Through Bond B, the ENMU-Roswell library will receive \$34,959 to enhance the library's collection of materials, equipment, and online databases. In total, school libraries in Chaves County will receive more than \$306,000 with the approval of Bond B.

"We appreciate and thank the voters statewide and especially the voters in Chaves County for their support of these bond funds," said Dr. Shawn Powell, President, ENMU-Roswell. "We can now move forward with renovation

plans which will greatly enhance our automotive and welding technology programs. The remodeled environment will benefit student training and we expect to double our enrollment in these programs. This will mean an increase in the number of skilled graduates who can enter the workforce and bolster our local economy."

Campus officials say the bonds will be sold next spring and the projects will begin after July 1 when funds are received.



(left to right) Eric Gomez, Automotive Technology instructor and Dusty Baker, Welding instructor, say they appreciate the voter support and are looking forward to working in the remodeled facility.



Classroom spaces will be improved in the new center.

Campus Veterans Recognized

The campus hosted a Veterans' Day ceremony on November 7. The event recognized employees and students who are veterans with certificates of appreciation. Major General Jerry Grizzle and Brigadier General Douglas Murray from NMMI were guest speakers at the event. Both described their military service careers and expressed how fortunate they feel to live in a city like Roswell that is so dedicated to its veterans.

Murray said Veterans' Day emphasizes three things: To remember, to celebrate, and to rededicate ourselves to all who have served and serve now.



Left to right: MG Jerry Grizzle, Dr. Shawn Powell, BG Douglas Murray



Dr. Powell presented certificates to 20 employees and students who attended the ceremony, including Jim Richardson, an Army veteran who works as an HVAC technician at ENMU-Roswell.



Hankins To Speak at 70th Commencement

About 130 graduates are expected to participate in Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell's Seventieth Commencement Convocation on Thursday, December 13 at 7 p.m. at the Roswell Convention and Civic Center. Presidential Scholar and candidate for graduation, Sara Hankins, will be the commencement speaker. Hankins is a

2016 Goddard High School graduate. She will be receiving an Associate of Arts degree in University Studies. She plans to pursue a degree in Teacher Education at ENMU. Hankins currently coaches freshman volleyball at Goddard High School. She appreciates the support system she has experienced from staff and faculty at ENMU-Roswell.

Students Experience Strike Fighter Simulation Flights

The U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Strike Fighter Simulation Experience Trailer stopped at the ENMU-Roswell campus on November 6. ENMU-Roswell and NMMI aviation students and other visitors were able to take control of an F-18 or F-35 in a simulated environment. Capt. Nicholas Shoemaker, KC-130J Hercules Pilot, said the simulator trailer travels to different locations to create

awareness of marine aviation and provide education and orientation to potential recruits about what it takes to fly a Marine aircraft.



Captain Nicholas "Bundy" Shoemaker, Aviation Assistant for Officer Procurement, talks with pilot training students Jesse Evans and Jennifer Watson about a career in Marine aviation. The simulator trailer parked outside the Aviation Maintenance Technology Center.



Mark Bleth, Air Center Manager, Deputy Director of the Roswell International Air Center, tested his piloting skills in the simulator. Bleth is also a student in the Professional Pilot Training program at ENMU-Roswell.

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Jim Waldrip and Roswell Daily Record Honored at Foundation Banquet

Jim Waldrip and the Roswell Daily Record were the guests of honor at the ENMU-Roswell Foundation's Seventeenth Annual Foundation for the Future Banquet held September 25 at the Hi-Q Venue.

Waldrip, Foundation Board member and former ENMU-Roswell instructor, received the President's Distinguished Service Award. The Roswell Daily Record was recognized with the Diamond Service Award for its ongoing support and coverage of ENMU-Roswell and the Foundation.



Due to illness, Waldrip was unable to attend the banquet, so his daughter, Deborah Waldrip-Teeter (with Steve Henderson and ENMU-Roswell President, Dr. Shawn Powell), accepted the award on his behalf.

Foundation Receives Grant From Hubbard Broadcasting

The Hubbard Broadcasting Foundation, based in Saint Paul, Minnesota, recently awarded a grant to the Eastern New Mexico University - Roswell Foundation in support of a Media Arts "Behind the Scenes" Scholarship.

Charlie Blanco, Station Manager at KOBR-TV and ENMU-Roswell Foundation board member, presented a check for \$1128 to Steve Henderson, ENMU-Roswell Foundation President. KOBR-TV is a Hubbard Broadcasting company. Henderson thanked Blanco for the contribution, saying the funds will go toward the establishment of the scholarship to assist Media Arts students pursuing a degree in Film Technology.



left to right: Craig Collins, Foundation Coordinator; Charlie Blanco, Station Manager at KOBR-TV and ENMU-Roswell Foundation board member: Steve Henderson Foundation President

Morgan Nelson Celebrates 99th Birthday

The Historical Society for Southeast New Mexico held a birthday party for Morgan Nelson on October 13. Nelson, a long-time East Grand Plains farmer, is a founding member of the ENMU-Roswell Foundation. He received the President's Distinguished Award from the Foundation in 2003. Nelson is credited with establishing Roswell Community College, now ENMU-Roswell, through his work in the New Mexico House of Representatives.



left to right: John LeMay, President, Historical Society Board of Directors; Morgan Nelson; Steve Henderson, Foundation President

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Campus Promotes STEM Careers

his fall, ENMU-Roswell staff and faculty participated in two events emphasizing the importance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) fields among middle school students. Faculty assisted sixth grade students with several hands-on projects and activities during the Roswell Science and Art Festival held October 11-13 at the Roswell Museum and Art Center. The campus also partnered with Berrendo Middle School to host a Career Day for about 160 students on November 1. The day included numerous handson activities for students to explore various career clusters and pathways in fields like Arts, Audio/Video Technology, Agriculture, Education, Public Safety, Health and Science, and Architecture and Construction.



Irina Galassini, Engineering and Design Technology instructor and Raif Henri, iCenter Coordinator, set up a table at the RMAC to help students explore Rube Goldberg machines, 3D printing, robotics and drones.



During the Roswell Science and Art Festival, students worked as a design team to build a Rube Goldberg machine using recycled materials to learn the basics of energy transfer.



Phlebotomy instructor, Amanda Booth, demonstrates blood drawing techniques to a group of Berrendo Middle School students during Career Day.



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