Welcome back new and returning students! We are enthusiastic to have you be a part of the Northern community. The start of a new school year is an exciting time to meet new people, reconnect with friends and reflect on your academic goals.

As a student, you have the opportunity to expand your understanding of cultures, experiences and build community with campus staff, faculty and students from all backgrounds. I encourage you to get involved on campus as well in your home community. We come from communities of strength and need all of you to be active builders toward a successful campus. I would like to officially welcome Johnna Aguino (Ohkay Owingeh) as the American Indian Affairs Coordinator and Nicole Soderberg (Nambe Pueblo) who is the office Work Study pursuing a degree in Environmental Science. They join Academic Advisor, Mark Rendon, who diligently works with supporting and advising American Indian students on campus.

We hope you find the Native Eagle Newsletter informative. Let us know if you have news to include for future monthly editions. Please drop by the American Indian Center for assistance with advising, support services and scholarship information. Thank you and have a blessed and successful school year. Kuudawwhoha

Matthew J. Martinez, Ph.D.
Director, Northern Pueblos Institute
Film Screening

A Thousand Voices

Saturday, September 20, 2014

Wells Fargo Theatre

11 AM

A Thousand Voices comes from the proverb "It takes a thousand voices to tell a single story" and is the journey of New Mexico’s Native American women from creation to now. The voices of past and present strong tribal women mingle and lead us from the power inherent from the beginning of time, through the history of European, Mexican and United States invasion, past Boarding schools and imprisonment, to the reaffirmation of the beauty and strength and vigor that sustains the culture and language of New Mexican Tribes.
ATTENTION STUDENTS!

Be a part of UNM’s first annual NM Leadership Empowerment Alliance Development for Students, “Unifying and Building Elite Voices for Our Native Student Leaders.” The goal of this conference is to get Native students from college institutions of New Mexico to come together to meet, and encourage their ability to engage with one another. The conference will take place November 7th & 8th at the University of New Mexico and we would like to take some of our Native students to represent NNMC.....there are 10 slots available, first come first serve. If you are interested in attending please contact Johnna Aguino at 747-2141, email johnna@nnmc.edu or stop by the American Indian Affairs office and let us know you are interested!!!!

HED Approves Northern Budget, Signals Financial Progress

Española, NM- The New Mexico Higher Education Department (HED) and the Department of Finance Administration approved Northern New Mexico College's FY15 operating budget, marking the third consecutive year of successful budget approvals for the College.

Northern’s Board of Regents passed the $32.3 million operating budget during its April 26 meeting, which did not include any increase in tuition or fees. Northern is currently the most affordable four-year institution in the state.

“The Regents remain confident that the College’s administrators are focused on the best interests of the College,” a statement issued by the Board read. “The current administration began its tenure under very dire financial circumstances, and it has competently guided the College through a very difficult period. The Regents believe that the College has turned the corner and is ready to build on that progress.”

Beginning in January 2012, the college embarked on a fiscal recovery plan that included the completion of three audits in less than 11 months. November 15, 2012 brought an end to the recovery plan with the timely submission of the FY12 audit to the State Auditor’s Office.

In December 2012, the HED removed the College from Fiscal Watch, a condition that existed since 2007.
2014 National Veteran’s Conference

Empowering Native American Veterans to Speak with One Voice to Shape Policy: Veterans Rising for Healing

September 22-24, 2014
Isleta Resort & Casino
Pueblo of Isleta

Golf Tournament
Sunday, Sept. 21, 2014 | 12:00 PM

Gourd Dance
Monday, Sept. 22, 2014 | 5:00 PM

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Provided in partnership between Southwest Native American Veterans Association & the Pueblo of Isleta Veteran’s Association

Register Online: www.swnava.org
PRESS RELEASE

The Four Bridges Traveling Permaculture Institute announces the 9th annual Traditional Agriculture & Sustainable Living Conference to be held October 3rd & 4th, 2014 at the Nick L. Salazar Performing Arts Building of Northern New Mexico College, in Espanola, New Mexico. The conference will include keynote speeches by Percy Schmeiser, Jefferey Smith of the Institute for Responsible Technology, Nina Simons of Bioneers, and arriving from Bolivia, Los Masis, an Andean cultural performance group. This year’s conference will again be a multi-national fellowship with speakers and participants from at least 6 countries including Bolivia, Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Canada and the United States, as well as many Native American tribes from across the country. The event will also feature local and regional experts in the areas of food security and sustainable ecology, a heritage seed exchange, workshops and panel discussions on youth issues in the 21st century, food and nutrition, seed saving, traditional farming, land restoration, traditional medicine, and medicinal herbs.

Organizers expect this conference to generate pro-active community response in support of sustainable communities, ecologies, health and indigenous spiritual practices. There will be a vendors market featuring natural earth friendly products, information and services. These events contribute tremendously toward the goal of making the State of New Mexico, and the nation aware of the need for sustainable agriculture and the Genetic modified food issue. In light of the recent proposal to bring 80 acres of GMO Poplar trees to Espanola Valley, the conference will have a strong theme teaching about the extreme dangers of GMOs in our environment, food supply, and human health.

The Traditional Agriculture & Sustainable Living Conference is a organized by a partnership of like-minded organizations including the Pueblo of Tesuque, Four Bridges Traveling Permaculture Institute, the indigenous program at Northern New Mexico College, and Traditional Native American Farmers’ Association (TNAFA).

This conference was created to bring awareness to the prevalence, presence and threat of genetically modified food seeds and foods. This organization promotes healthy, traditional, sustainable methods of agriculture that exist as viable alternatives to the dangers of corporate agriculture. In cooperation with the Native American communities of Northern New Mexico with their tradition of agriculture and self-sufficiency we are asking people to abandon their reliance on corporate agriculture and the consumerism life styles that surround them. We demonstrate the validity of their traditional agriculture and knowledge to the broader community and teach it by presenting an opportunity to listen to, and share in their world view through our conference.

It is our position that the genetic modification of our food may be the worst pollution problem facing mankind. We have seen that polluted air and water can be cleaned up and be used again. Genetic modification cannot be cleaned up. There is no process to reverse genetic modification and bring the organic material back to its original state. Genetic modifications made today are forever. We believe that “for profit corporate scientists” have started a fire that they cannot put out.

For more information on this important event visit:
http://4bridges.org/educational-programs/annual-conference/2014-conference/
Featured Event
September 2014

A PUBLIC EVENT
Gathering for Mother EARTH
Sept. 27 Sat. - Sun. 28th 2014

18th Annual Gathering for All Cultures and All Ages

Youth Activities
Healing Arts
Craft & Info Booths
Children’s Peace Tent
Native Cultural Dances
Workshops

Honoring Her Lifegivingness
Holistic thoughts create earth-water-wellness

Music/Good Vibes
Healing Earth Relay Run
Raffle every hour
Sat. Meal
Water Ceremony
Native Singers

Sponsored by Tewa Women United

Pojoaque, NM: Site is 1.8 miles on Hwy 502 West near Pojoaque High School from Hwy 285/84. Look for signs.

Natural laws honors Youth & Hearts’ breath
For community Spirit in a world anew

Tewa Women United & Network Sponsors call (505) 747-3259
For info: www.tewawomenunited.org
FAX: registration form to: 505-747-4067
Española, NM-Northern New Mexico College’s College of Education has received a $126,000 grant from the New Mexico Higher Education Department to improve teacher preparation and close the achievement gap in reading, math and science in Northern New Mexico Schools.

Over the next year, Northern New Mexico College faculty from the Colleges of Education and Arts and Sciences will work with teachers from Cariños Charter School and La Tierra Montessori Schools to develop a place-based curriculum model.

“Northern New Mexico College of Education looks forward to continuing educational partnerships with the College of Arts and Sciences, local schools, educational agencies in order to increase academic achievement in students throughout northern New Mexico,” Interim College of Education Dean Christina Esquibel said.

Key to the project will also be the integration of new national common core standards.

“The goal is to develop interdisciplinary, inquiry-based curricula geared towards integrating Common Core standards into place-based environmental education in order to increase the math, science and language arts achievement in elementary students,” Esquibel said.

The grant will fund targeted professional development for a cohort of teachers over the next 14 months towards these goals.
**RIO ARRIBA COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL**

**IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE**

**LAS CUMBRES FATHERHOOD PROGRAM**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014**

**2010 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD**

**ESPAÑOLA, NM 87532**

**10:00AM - 6:00PM**

**“RAISE YOUR VOICE”**

An interactive poetry workshop and performance for youth and young adults designed to build expression and effective civic action

**FREE HEALTH, DENTAL & MENTAL HEALTH SCREENINGS, OVERDOSE & SUICIDE PREVENTION WORKSHOPS, VACCINATIONS, GUN SAFETY CLASSES, FOOD DEMONSTRATIONS, SCHOOL HEALTH, FARMERS MARKET, MUSIC, POETS, ZUMBA AND JAZZERCISE**

**JUMPING BALLOON AND FACE PAINTING FOR THE CHILDREN**

**SPONSORS:**

- National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA)
- Con Alma Health Foundation
- The Heart & Soul of Health in New Mexico
- Rio Arriba Health Care Authority
Northern's Information Engineering Technology Program Accredited

Española, NM - Northern New Mexico College’s Bachelor of Information Engineering Technology (IET) program has been officially accredited by the Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission of ABET, making it the most affordable engineering degree in the Southwest.

Following a rigorous development process that began in 2009, Northern’s IET program underwent an accreditation review process during the past year that included a site visit by program reviewers.

"Accreditation means that we have shown continuous improvement in student advisement, curriculum, course material and lab facilities," IET Program Director Jorge Crichigno said. "Certain employers, both private and public as well as some graduate schools prefer graduates from ABET-accredited programs."

ABET-Accreditation applies retroactively to degrees awarded from Northern's IET program since October 1st, 2012. The College's engineering program is also the first to be accredited in northern New Mexico.

The IET program helps students develop expertise in the areas of software engineering computer networks, cyber security, web engineering and databases. For the last three years, Northern’s Engineering Department has been the most active engineering school in New Mexico in the American Society of Engineering Education in terms of participation and publications.

In 2013, Cisco recognized Northern's Engineering Department in its headquarters of Silicon Valley for its innovative IET educational program, among more than 2,000 institutions.

Northern’s Engineering Department has received support from institutions such as Google and the National Science Foundation. Scholarships are currently available for students interested in the IET program, which may cover full tuition and living expenses.

ABET is a nonprofit, non-governmental organization that accredits university programs in applied science, computing, engineering and engineering technology. ABET accredits over 3,300 programs at more than 680 colleges and universities in 24 countries.

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ATTENTION NORTHERN STUDENTS

Are you interested in participating in Northern’s Student Government?

If you...
  • are registered for at least halftime
  • have completed 6 credit hours
  • have a cumulative GPA of 2.5

...YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR STUDENT SENATE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL ASNNMC@NNMC.EDU
Start Something **BIG!**
Native American Mentoring Initiative Call For Volunteers

We are looking for Native American volunteers (from any tribe) to be Big Brothers and Big Sisters to local youth.

Be a part of helping a youth in your community change their life for the better, forever. The commitment is simple: a minimum of one year mentoring your “Little”, and spending time with your “Little” at least twice a month.

If you are interested, please contact Kenna Chavarria: kenna.chavarria@bbbs-nnm.org or 505-699-6267 or Caitlin Cleary: caitlin.cleary@bbbs-nnm.org or 505-614-4199

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**Our Mentoring Programs Work**
Studies prove when youth are matched with a Big Brother or Big Sister for at least one year, the youth is:

- 46% less likely to begin using illicit drugs
- 27% less likely to begin using alcohol
- 52% less likely to skip school
- 33% less likely to hit someone
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History in the Making...
Northern’s 1st Spirit Program!

For more information email: EagleSpirit@nnmc.edu
Faculty Showcase @ Northern New Mexico College

Presenting Northern’s Fine Arts Faculty

Please Join us!
Wednesday, September 10th

Nick Salazar Center for the Arts Theater
921 N. Paseo de Onate, Española, NM

Art Gallery Show
Meet, Greet & Treats
5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Concert
7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Call 505.747.2295 for more information

A vibrant and diverse community that can help you succeed!
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American Indian Center
Our Mission
Our mission is to create and implement a safe and empowering learning environment that prepares native students to contribute to the well-being of themselves and that of their respective communities. We are here to provide students with access to safe spaces to succeed in their environments.

Visit: http://nnmc.edu/wordpress/?page_id=4833