

Con Alma Health names Roswell nurse to Board

SANTA FE—Con Alma Health Foundation announced that it has named four new members to its statewide Board of Trustees, including Jane Batson, a Roswell nurse and assistant vice president for External Affairs at Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell.

"We welcome Ms. Batson to our board," said Dolores E. Roybal, Con Alma's executive director. "We appreciate how our board members help us collaborate with organizations to improve the health of all

New Mexicans." Batson has been a director of nursing and district director of the New Mexico Department of Health's Public Health Division. She received a nursing diploma from Northwest Texas Hospital School of Nursing and a master's degree in Counseling and Guidance from ENMU in Portales. She has served as chair of the Chaves County Maternal Child Health Council and the Community Foundation of Chaves County.

"I am honored to have been invited to be a mem-

ber of the Con Alma Health Foundation Board of Directors," Batson said. "I know the good work that they do to fund and support projects addressing health disparities and health policy throughout the state, and I believe that I have the experience to support those endeavors."

Other new members of the Board of Trustees are: Sara Garcia of Raton is the Behavior Management Program director at Team-Builders Counseling Services. Laurel Iron Cloud of Albuquerque is deputy

director of the Indian Law and Order Commission. David Reede of Farmington is the executive director of the Healthy Native Communities Partnership based in Shiprock.

The Board of Trustees' new elected leadership are President Robert Archuleta of Las Vegas, Vice President Erin Bouquin, M.D. of Los Alamos, Secretary Louis Luna of Deming and Treasurer Steve Gaber of Santa Fe.

The Foundation also welcomes two new members of its Community Advisory

Committee: Sara Araujo of Placitas and Arielle Bernier Oetzel of Albuquerque. "We consider the Community Advisory Committee members our community ambassadors," Roybal said. "They help us connect to communities and are a critical part about what brings the heart and soul to this Foundation."

Roybal expressed her appreciation for outgoing board members' service and dedication: Pamela Herndon of Albuquerque, Eliu Romero of Taos, Juan Oropesa of Roswell, Sara

Stevens of Las Vegas and Seferino Montano of Portales.

Con Alma Health Foundation seeks to improve people's health status and access to health care services, and advocates for health policies that would address the unmet health needs of New Mexico's culturally and demographically diverse population. Con Alma supports and partners with organizations to improve health in New Mexico. Visit conalma.org.

JOSHUA PUCKETT NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT HOWARD PAYNE UNIV.

BROWNWOOD, Texas—Joshua Puckett of Hobbs was one of 246 students awarded for academic success at Howard Payne University during the spring 2012 semester. Puckett was named to the Dean's List. Students must earn a 3.65-3.99 grade point average to be named to the Dean's List.

Founded in 1889, Howard Payne University is

a Christ-centered academic community dedicated to excellence by developing and equipping the whole person for intellectual inquiry, personal and professional integrity, and service to God and humanity.

Located in Brownwood, Texas, HPU offers a full array of undergraduate programs and a limited number of graduate pro-

grams in a traditional residential academic community. The university also offers selected undergraduate and graduate course work by electronic means and at an extended learning center in El Paso, Texas. HPU maintains a low student-to-faculty ratio, which contributes to the university's reputation of being "a place where everybody is somebody."

LEGAL AID TO RELOCATE

Effective Aug. 1, the Roswell New Mexico Legal Aid office will be relocated to 200 E. Fourth St. in Roswell.

After moving, we will continue to use our present telephone and facsimile numbers, which are: 623-

9669 (office); 1-866-416-1920 (toll-free); and 623-3083 (fax).

Our offices will be closed to the public on July 30 and 31 in order to facilitate the move.

We look forward to continuing to provide quality

legal services to low-income residents of Chaves, Eddy, Lea, and Lincoln counties. For more information about the services that we provide, please visit our website: nmlegalaid.org/

Thank you for your continued support.

GRANT-WRITING WORKSHOP THROUGH ENMU-R

The Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell Customized Training Program will present a grant writing workshop on Thursday, August 2 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Health Science Center, 75 University Blvd. Lead instructor will be Jane Batson, assistant vice president for External Affairs. The workshop is open to anyone who is interested in developing grant writing competencies related to federal, state, and foundation grant requirements. Emphasis will be placed on finding poten-

tial grant funding for your nonprofit or community agency and completing the basic requirements for grant proposals.

Registrants will be asked to pay \$50 for the one-day workshop, including handout materials. College credit may be arranged through a request to the Division of Health office. Registration for the workshop will be available on site or by contacting the Division of Health office at 624-7235.



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From left, Cheryl Martinez, Jacquii Martinez, Lupe Ortega, Xochitl Ortega, Michaela Martinez, Rebecca Ortega, Catherine Martinez, Steven Martinez, Faith Simitz and Mignon Simitz.

Scouts trek NM wilderness

During a High Adventure Camp retreat, a crew of Venture Scouts and leaders went on a life-changing summer trek through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron. Philmont covers 214 square miles of vast wilderness with trails that climb from 6,500 feet to as high as 12,441 feet. During their trek, Venture Crew no. 44 hiked 90 miles over ten days, including to the top of Urraca Mesa, Tooth of Time, Mt. Baldy, and Hart Peak.

The Scouts and their advisers carried everything they needed to survive during the trek on their backs while hiking from camp to camp, participating in back-country programs along the way. The trek included a conservation project

where the Scouts learned the upkeep of Philmont's ecosystem. Along the trek, these young women and men endured tough challenges including backpacking in bear and mountain lion territory, steep climbs, and hot weather. Spotting a bear as he lumbered through camp one morning was the most exciting thing that happened! Eagle Scout Steven Martinez calmly warned the crew and talked the bear out of the area.

The crew made what amounts to a scouting pilgrimage with their trip to Philmont. Philmont Scout Ranch is the Boy Scouts of America's premier high adventure camp and the largest youth camp in the world, serving nearly one million participants since 1938.

Watch Billy the Kid's last escape during weekend's Old Lincoln Days

Historic Lincoln becomes a battleground again during "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid," an outdoor folk pageant that tells the story of Billy's involvement with the Lincoln County War in the 1870s. Old Lincoln Days will be August 3, 4, and 5.

The story follows the outlaws and lawmen from the killing of John Tunstall through the Kid's escape from the Lincoln County courthouse. Brett McInnes will again portray Billy the Kid. Dave Parks narrates the pageant and at times the rodeo that comes with the use of firing blank bullets and riding live horses.

Wayne Ward will again become Buckshot Roberts. Diane Latham directs the cast of more than 100 volunteers, mostly from Lincoln County. The play began in 1940 and has continued each year with the exception of two years during World War II.

The "Last Escape of Billy the Kid" is exciting for the entire family. Adult tickets are \$6 each, children 6-12 is \$2 and 5 and under are free. The pageant performances will be Friday and Saturday nights at 8:30 and then on Sunday at 3 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to wear hats during the day and to bring umbrellas

and lawn chairs to all the performances.

Old Lincoln will be bustling with food and arts and crafts vendors, music, and living history demonstrations. The museums will be open daily and a parade through town begins at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Lincoln is located between Hondo and Captain New Mexico on Highway 380.

Tickets for "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid" may be purchased at the gate or online at BillyTheKidPageant.org.

For more information, call (575) 808-3347 or (575) 653-4372.

Roswell Parks & Recreation sponsors pre-race clinic for Super Kid participants

The Super Kids clinic will help interested participants run through the course and cover training techniques. It will be held on Thursday, Aug. 2, at 5:30 p.m. at Cahoon Park. Please bring bike and running shoes and there is no cost to participate in the clinic.

It is time for the 26th annual Super Kids Triathlon & Adult Wunce Wuz Competition, scheduled for Aug. 4. The Triathlon is made up of a swim, bike and run to finish the competition and will take place at Cahoon Park & Swimming Pool. There are several recreation personnel on hand to assist the athletes in their transition areas.

The Super Kids Triathlon will consist of three age groups: 6-8, 9-12, and 13-15 and the adults division with different distances for each age group. If you enter by Wednesday the entry

fee is only \$5, after Wednesday it will be \$7. All participants will receive a ribbon, certificate, and a T-shirt. Medals go to the first, second, and third-place finishers in each age group for both boys and girls. The Adults Triathlon is called the "The Wunce Wuz Triathlon"—You "Wunce Wuz a Kid—But now you are just a kid at heart." A new addition to the adults competition is the Co-Ed Team Triathlon event which allows three different people to compete on a team—one bikes, one swims, and one runs. The Adult Wunce Wuz Triathlon is available for people over the age of 15. Maps are available at the Recreation Offices in Cahoon Park. Participants will have to swim 2 pool lengths (equivalent to 6 laps), bike 6.0 miles and run 2.0 miles. If you enter by August 1, the entry fee is only \$10, after

Wednesday, the entry fee will be \$12. Registration will also take place the morning of the event. The Recreation Department is asking that all participants arrive one hour before race time. Race times for the 13-15-year-olds and adults is at 7:30 a.m.; 9-12-year-olds at 9 a.m. and the 6-8 year-olds will begin at 10 a.m. Helmets are required. There will be a Triathlon clinic for all interested leading up to the event at the Roswell Recreation Department—1101 W. Fourth St. & Cahoon Pool. For more information on the upcoming clinics—contact Daniel Franco at 624-6719. For more race information or to register contact Damian Cheatem at the Roswell Recreation Department at 1101 W. Fourth St. or call 624-6720.

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