



Bosque Redondo Memorial & Historic Site Field Trip to Fort Sumner, N.M.

NASNTI Grant Project Director Tim Roberts arranged a private tour of the Bosque Redondo Memorial last week. Mescalero Apache Director of Education Kelton Starr, Career & Transfer Coordinator Makayla Johnston and Chief External Affairs Office Robin DeMott joined Tim on the trip to learn about the history of the Memorial and how it impacted the Mescalero Apache Tribe. The Memorial solemnly remembers the dark days of suffering from 1863-1868 when the U.S. Military persecuted and imprisoned 9,500 Navajo (the Diné) and 500 Mescalero Apache (the N'de) on a reservation known as Bosque Redondo — an area that encompassed 1,600 square miles (over one million acres). The Bosque Redondo Memorial celebrates these two Native American cultures' dignity, resilience, endurance, courage, and strength in the face of extreme hardship, isolation, sickness, and death to emerge from Bosque Redondo and become the admired and proud people they are today.



Student Spotlight: Rita Williams

Rita Williams of Ruidoso is a non-traditional student attending ENMU-Ruidoso. Williams is pursuing an associate degree in general studies. She is originally from San Antonio, Texas where she graduated from Samuel Clemens High in 2001. She has an interest in digital media and has taken many digital media related courses at ENMU-Ruidoso. She is the secretary of Phi Theta Kappa honor society and is a full-time mother. She states, "ENMU-Ruidoso is a great school and is close to home. It has a lot of selections to choose from so when I graduate I can further my education even more."



Rita Williams

N.M. Higher Education Secretary Rodriguez issues statement on U.S. Supreme Court decision regarding student debt relief June 30, 2023

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"Today's Supreme Court decision to block President Biden's federal student loan relief plan will negatively impact the more than 200,000 New Mexicans who owe a collective \$7.8 billion to private out-of-state loan servicers as a result of not having the privilege of paying for their education up front. While education is the most powerful tool for economic prosperity, too many New Mexicans are burdened with student debt, which not only includes the original cost of their education, but thousands of dollars in interest. Regardless of this decision, New Mexico will continue to be a national leader in college access and affordability by limiting student debt through tuition-free college thanks to the Opportunity and Lottery Scholarships and by continuing to provide relief for hardworking professionals through our generous loan repayment and loan-for-service programs."



Upcoming Events

5 Wednesday

- ◇ APS-Hybrid Room Set-up, Rm 106, 108, 203, 209 116, 8a-5p
- ◇ Top Brass, Rm109, 1-3p

6 Thursday

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7 Friday

- ◇ APS-Hybrid Room Set-up, Rm 106, 108, 203, 209 116, 8a-5p
- ◇ Nursing Assistant Lab, Rm107, 8a-2p
- ◇ Grand Opening Planning Meeting, Rm209, 2p

12 Wednesday

- ◇ NM Workforce Connections Eastern Regional Planning Meeting, Rm201, 9a-5p

14 Friday

- ◇ HSLC Pet Adoption Event, Patio, 12-3p

24 Monday-28 Friday

- ◇ Kids College 2023, 8a-5p

27 Thursday-28 Friday

- ◇ Adjunct Faculty & Dual Credit Workshop

31 Monday

- ◇ Grand Opening Ceremony, Rm 201, 4p
- ◇ 5th Monday Community Meal, 5:30-7p

