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NMSU's Chaves County Extension to host feral hog symposium

Feral hogs are notorious for wreaking havoc on farm and rangeland in New Mexico. They also carry diseases that livestock can contract and they destroy crops. New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service in Roswell has teamed with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services to host the "Southeastern New Mexico Feral Hog Symposium." The May 25 event will give area farmers and ranchers the most current information on how to protect themselves and their land from these creatures. http://newscenter.nmsu.edu/news/article/7780/

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Graduate course Spanish for the Mental Health Professional now offered

The Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology is providing CEP 616: Spanish for the Mental Health Professional (CRN: 20710) during Summer Session I. The course is open to graduate students interested in providing mental health services to individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. It will emphasize the vocabulary for mental health professionals, to include academic, psychological and medical terminology. The course also will include an overview of the use of interpreters and translators in working with CLD clientele. Theory and technique related to assessment and interventions with CLD clientele also will be covered. The course is intended to address relevant issues in working with CLD individuals (children to adults) as well as provide hands-on experience.

For more information and assistance with registration, email Elsa Arroyos-Jurado elsaaj@nmsu.edu.

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HRS set to implement new applicant tracking system this summer

The office of Human Resource Services is moving forward with implementation of PeopleAdmin, a new applicant tracking system. System testing is underway and, barring any setbacks, the system should go live for all regular nonexempt position postings in July.

PeopleAdmin is a leading provider of online human resource service modules for higher education, currently supporting more than 500 higher education institutions. The system will include applicant tracking and position management modules, which will enable NMSU to collect and review employment application materials online while providing feedback to applicants regarding the status of their job search. It will enable hiring managers to maintain current and accurate job descriptions online, which in turn will facilitate the creation of job requisitions, job postings and hiring proposals. These two modules will
greatly reduce overall paper use by HRS and hiring departments. The electronic functionality of the system allows users to conveniently review and/or update information and provide feedback more efficiently than the current process.

NMSU employees involved in the hiring process of nonexempt positions will be able to get training on PeopleAdmin starting in June. The HRS Center for Learning and Professional Development will email training dates and times.

Once the system is fully implemented for nonexempt postings, other hiring classifications will be rolled out in a phased implementation. Keep up to date with the PeopleAdmin implementation progress by periodically visiting http://hr.nmsu.edu/employment/pa.html.

For questions or more information email hrhelp@nmsu.edu.

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English professor awarded Fulbright to teach and conduct research in Belfast

New Mexico State University English professor Connie Voisine will be taking her talents to students in Northern Ireland next spring. Voisine received a Fulbright award to teach poetry and conduct research on Anglo-Irish poetry at the Seamus Heaney Centre for Poetry at Queen's University in Belfast for the spring 2012 semester. "This Fulbright was especially appealing to me," Voisine said. "It's a new Fulbright and specifically for poets. I'm curious to see how creative writing is taught in other countries and how people see themselves and express that in their writing."

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NMSU rodeo team win several categories at the 'Best Rodeo of the Year'

The "Best Rodeo of the Year," as voted by the directors and coaches of the Grand Canyon Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association, was hosted by New Mexico State University April 29-30 at the Southern New Mexico Fairgrounds. This is the sixth year in a row that NMSU won this distinction. NMSU rodeo coach Jim Brown said it's likely because of the effort that's put into it.

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