Dean, College of Business - Dr. Garrey Carruthers

- The Administration has granted the College a new faculty line (effective August 2011) and permission to use the line in an external search for a new Department Head for Management. Per our College policy and after discussion with faculty members of the Department I am asking the following to serve on the search committee for the Department Head of same:
  - Peter Dorfman, Chairman
  - Judy Weisinger
  - Minjoon Jun
  - Terry Adler
  - David Boje
  - Ken Martin, Department of Finance

- I attended a most interesting business development program the other day sponsored by the Arrowhead Center. It was called “speed dating” and involved 6 entrepreneurs promoting their business plans to 6 venture capitalists. Each business person was given 5 minutes to pitch their idea and then there was another time period for questions from the venture capitalist. When the bell rang, the business person would move to another venture capitalist and would repeat the process. Both the business/entrepreneurs and the venture capitalist thought it was very successful thus Arrowhead plans to do more of this match making.

- General Regan, Commanding General of WSMR, and I have signed a Memorandum of Understanding between WSMR and NMSU for the “collaborative pursuit of potential business development opportunities, with either party as a lead organization as appropriate, which is beneficial to the missions of both WSMR and NMSU’s Arrowhead Center Incorporated.” Areas of joint focus include national security, homeland security, space and aerospace, energy (alternative), and dual use technologies. This should lead to some exciting public/public/private partnerships.

- Kathy Brook and I met with Bob Carter (number 2 at WSMR) and Dan Hicks (Chief of Staff for Carter and General Regan) regarding our MBA program and other issues. They are interested in interacting with NMSU regarding the Sun Zia project and economic impact analysis regarding conversion of WSMR to alternative energy sources. They also would like for the Domenici Public Policy Institute to evaluate public policy modifications that would be necessary for them to convert to alternative energy sources. They have agreed to survey the base regarding the interest in a new cohort for the MBA program starting in January 2011. Both are advocates of the MBA program on base.

- The first speaker for the 2011 Domenici Conference is former Senator Tom Daschle who will be asked to discuss health care reform, a subject dear to his heart when he was in the Senate.
Associate Dean of Academics - Dr. Kathy Brook

- Nate Whitten merits kudos for an update of the college’s Advising Handbook. While it lacks a glitzy cover (these being challenging times), the content is pure gold and it will soon be available electronically for those advisors who can’t remember where they put their paper copy. Thanks also to Debra Cardinali and Justine for organizing two faculty advisor meetings to share information in preparation for registration for the spring semester.

- Debra Cardinali has returned from a national meeting for advisors where the focus was on doing more advising with fewer resources (including group advising), assessment of academic advising, and the use of coaching techniques.

- With inspiration from Rick Adkisson and Pookie Sautter, we are making improvements to the MBA and the undergraduate distance education (2+2/degree completion) web pages so that when we advertise these programs, we can direct students to useful information on the web.

Associate Dean, Research & Economic Development - Dr. Kevin Boberg

- The Arrowhead Center hosted Venture Capitalist Speed Dating (VCSD) and Networking at The Game. Approximately forty people attended the general networking that followed the private VCSD portion. A wide variety of businesses, from photography to a private school to unmanned aircraft systems were in attendance, and were able to mingle with Venture Capitalists.

- Dawn Hommer presented an Arrowhead Center overview to the Thursday Rotary Club in Alamogordo. About fifty attendees representing local business owners, community leaders, and economic development agencies were present. She was invited back to speak to the Wednesday Rotary Club in the future.

- There are 53 teams registered for this year’s Innoventure Competition (this approximates to about 270 students). There are 467 members on the Innoventure Network and have access to all the entrepreneurship resources we offer through that network.

Assistant Dean, Development & Public Relations – Dr. Sylvia Acosta

- Working on a $250,000 gift for HRTM, and should have it by the end of the week. The donor is in town for Homecoming.

- Working on a 5-7 Million Dollar corporate gift in the next three weeks.

- Working with the Library on a major gift that would impact the College of Business and the Domenici Institute.

- Continue meeting with scholarship students to write thank you notes, and prepare for scholarship luncheon.

- Ambassadors are working diligently on the College of Business Float for the Homecoming Parade on Saturday.
Accounting & Information Systems Department - Dr. Ed Scribner

- Mr. Randy Guthrie, Microsoft Academic Developer, spoke to the BCIS 455 class about the Windows Phone 7 development.

- The NMSU Chapter of ALPFA (Association of Latino Professionals in Finance & Accounting) hosted Jorge Burwick, Assistant Director of Scholarships and Student Services, for HACU (Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities). His informative presentation focused on numerous scholarships and internship opportunities available with public accounting firms, major corporations, and the federal government.

- Jim Nelson presented a series of public lectures in the Czech Republic on "The Future of Money," "A New View of IT Risk," and "The Possibility of Zero Probability Events." The Czech Ministry of Education sponsored the lectures in support of the European 2015 City of the Year competition. Jim also consulted with the Faculty of Economics at Ostrava Technical University and began a program of cooperative research projects with Ph.D. students and several of the 200 economics faculty members.

Economics/International Business Department - Dr. Rick Adkisson

- DED student, Abby Train made presentations on economic development to the Rio Grande Rotary Club on 10/12/10 and to the Las Cruces City Council on 10/13/10. She is also involved in the El Paseo Redevelopment Project, Economic Redevelopment Subcommittee.

- Robert Steiner met with a graduate student from Range Science to continue the analysis of animal performance with varying amounts of locoweed in the diet. The study examines animal physiology as well as the impact of grazing on the habitat.

- Larry Blank was one of four speakers at a seminar hosted by the National Regulatory Research Institute. Dozens of state utility regulation professionals attended the seminar which explored the pros and cons of formula rate plans and alternative regulatory mechanisms.

Finance Department - Dr. Liz Ellis
(Nothing to report at this time)

Management Department - Dr. Bonnie Daily
(Nothing to report at this time)

Marketing Department - Dr. Pookie Sautter
(Nothing to report at this time)

School of Hotel, Restaurant & Tourism Management - Dr. Janet Green
(Nothing to report at this time)

Daniels Ethics Program Chair – Dr. Bruce Huhmann

- Bruce A. Huhmann spoke to a group of business communication instructors about ethics and the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative at NMSU.
• Diane Prindeville, Bill Daniels Fellow in Ethics, has been invited to speak about “Collaboration Results in Ethics Training for NM Public Leaders” during the Las Cruces League of Women Voters' November 8th Lunch with a Leader.

• Raúl E. Burciaga, Director of Legislative Council Service, presented information on the work of the NM Public Official Ethic Curriculum Committee, sponsored by the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative at NMSU and NM EDGE, to a session called “Taking Care of the Legislative Institution” of the Legislative Service Agency & Research Directors, Council of State Governments–West, meeting in Denver.

• Bruce A. Huhmann reported on the progress that the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative at NMSU has made in addressing House Memorial 6, which requested NMSU develop ethics training for public officials, to Vicente Vargas, Office of Government Relations.

**Domenici Institute – Ann Morgan**

• I will be participating in the NMSU “Doing What Counts” campaign success celebration on Wednesday, October 27th at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum to say thank you to all the contributors to the Domenici Legacy. Cary Osborne the Domenici Legacy archivist will join me with information on the status of the Domenici Archives.