

# Fourth Annual Partner Retreat Agenda

## Thursday - October 12th, 2006

1:00 PM to 3:30 PM	Richard Turietta, TOP Program Coordinator, RASEM <sup>2</sup> & Dr. Steve Stile, Principal Instructional Designer, Corridor, Inc., Las Cruces <i>TOP Workshop - Mini-Grants</i> <b>RESERVED</b>	Longhorn Room - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
12:00 PM to 4:45 PM	Pre-Registration for Partner Retreat	North Mezzanine - 2nd Floor
5:00 PM to 8:00 PM	BBQ	Courtyard - 1st Floor

## Friday - October 13th, 2006

Rooms	Mezzanine - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	El Paso Ballroom - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
7:00 AM to 8:15 AM	Continental Breakfast	
8:15 AM to 8:30 AM		Dr. McCarthy: Introduction
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM		Guest Speaker: Dr. Temple Grandin, Professor Department of Animal Science, Colorado State University  <i>Autism and Successful Science Careers</i>
9:30 AM to 9:45 AM		Break
		<p>Glenn McIntyre, Co-Founder McIntyre and Associates, California</p> <p><i>Guiding Students with Disabilities Towards Success</i></p> <p>Angus Room 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM</p> <p><b>RESERVED</b></p>
		<p>Laura Lomas, Asst. Director, Southern NM Science, Engineering, Mathematics, and Aerospace Academy, NMSU</p> <p><i>Lego Robotic Challenge</i></p> <p>Charolais Room 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM</p>

Rooms	Santa Fe	Pancho Villa	Rio Grande	Longhorn
9:45 AM to 10:30 AM	Miguel Garcia, Parkland HS Science Department Chair/ Magnet School Project Coordinator  <i>Study the Past to Invent the Future (Joint Curriculum Design and Problem Based Learning)</i>	Dr. Greg Stefanich, Regents Professor, Science Education University of Northern Iowa  <i>Improving Learner Engagement</i>	Valerie Sunby, Program Coordinator/Counselor with DO-IT, University of Washington  <i>Equal Access: Universal Design of Instruction</i>	Dr. Stephen Farmer, Co-Director, NMSU Communications Disorders Program  <i>S.L.E.E.C. Program (Science Literacy Education for Exceptional Cohorts)</i>
10:45 AM to 11:30 AM	Dr. Libby Cohen, Principal Investigator & Nancy Lightbody, Project Director, EAST, University of Southern Maine  <i>The Benefits of Research Experience for Undergraduates with Disabilities</i>	Sharon Fox, Executive Director of Secondary Education, & Bernice Life, Director of Special Ed & Health Services, Bernalillo Public Schools  <i>Strategies for Success in Math and Science</i>	Erika Gomez, Math Advanced Placement Teacher (Geometry), Parkland High School  <i>Full Throttle with Advancement Via Individual Determination</i>	Scott Drake, Special Education Teacher, Holloman Intermediate Public Schools, Alamogordo, NM  <i>Increasing Educational Opportunities for Children</i>

Rooms	El Paso Ballroom - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
11:30 AM to 1:00 PM	Awards Luncheon  Keynote Speaker: Dr. Ted Conway, Professor and Associate Dean for Research Services, School of Ed, Virginia Commonwealth University (Formerly Program Director for RDE, NSF)  <i>Persons With Disabilities in STEM Careers? Deal or No Deal?</i>

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1:00 PM to 1:45 PM	Dr. Larry Sharp, Coordinator, Counseling and Disabled Student Services, NMSU/DACC  <i>504/ADA and IDEA Similarities and Differences</i>	Alan Stephens, RASEM <sup>2</sup> TOP Coordinator, West Texas, UTEP  <i>Learning is Fun/Facilitating Problem Solving Skills</i>	Donna Juarez, Coordinated School Health PE and Fitness Specialist, Region 19 Educational Service Center, El Paso, TX  <i>Balanced Approach to Personal Development</i>	Briane Carter, Executive Director, Student Support and Outreach Program, UTEP  <i>Careers in the Future</i>
2:00 PM to 2:45 PM	Dr. Monica Brown, Asst. Professor, Dept of Special Ed/Comm Disorders, NMSU  <i>Informed High School Teachers Translates to Smooth Transitions</i>	Nema LeCuyer, Founding Director, Rivers Academy, Las Cruces, NM  <i>Rivers Academy Lab School of Science and Engineering for Diverse Learners</i>		Dr. Shakir Manshad, Assoc. Professor & Renee Sierra, Assoc. Professor, NMSU/DACC  <i>Math Adaptive Technology for Students with</i>

## Saturday - October 14th, 2006

Rooms	Parkland High School - El Paso, Texas
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Dr. Robert J. Liefeld, Asst. Professor of Physics (Retired), NMSU  <i>Physics of Toys - Workshop</i>
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Laureen Summers, Program Associate, Project on Science, AAAS & Miguel Garcia, Parkland HS Science Department Chair/ Magnet School Project Coordinator  <i>Science Fun - Workshop</i>