

Partnership

Spring 2015

Glendale Library Opens!

Residents of the Glendale area welcomed the opening of the Glendale Library on February 7. The library, which is located at 1375 S Concord Street (1240 W), is positioned near Glendale Middle School, Mountain View Elementary School, and the Community Learning Center. The library has plenty of space for gathering, including rooms for group study, dozens of computers for patron use, a teen area, a large meeting room, and the latest in technology for material returns and check-out. The library also has a beautiful new baby grand piano thanks to a generous donation from the Mundi Project, a local non-profit organization that places pianos in homes and public spaces that lack the means to obtain one. On the exterior of the library, approaching visitors are greeted by a beautiful tile wall mural (partially shown in image above) from the talented artists and codirectors from UNP partner Bad Dog Arts.

Be sure to drop in at the new library and explore all that it has to offer.



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Backman Elementary School

Written by Abdulkhalig Mohamed

Attendance is a crucial goal to the turnaround focus of Backman Elementary
School. As the decline in attendance rates continued, Backman administrators connected with University Neighborhood Partners to help discover potential solutions. Through conversations with parents and educators, the need for a school bus to transport sixty-two K through 6th grade students from home to school and back became apparent.



UNP Staff work with families for student school bus information.



A school bus at Backman Elementary

Backman Elementary School staff and UNP employees collaborated with the Landing Point Apartment residents and management in order to unite in efforts toward getting the bus we needed.

Through hard work and collaboration with our community and partnerships we accomplished this goal and got the bus on the first day of snow fall.

Congratulations to Dr. Dave!



UNP would like to extend our congratulations to Dr. David Derezotes, professor at the University of Utah's College of Social Work, who is among the 2014-2015 winners of the Distinguished Teaching Awards.

"Dr. Dave" is a UNP University faculty partner who works with the Social Work Bridge Clinic at the Hartland Partnership Center (see page 3). He has also worked directly with UNP staff on several occasions for team building activities.

Recipients of the Distinguished Teacher Award are nominated by members of the University community, including students, alumni, faculty and other staff. The selection process for final candidates include a review of student evaluations, letters of support, department input, and a number of other factors.



Hartland Happenings

By Natasha Hansen



Photo from Tiana McCall

Hartland Kids and staff on a fun winter adventure with SPLORE on the left

> At right, hot meals for children at the Hartland Kids Café thanks to the Utah Food Bank



The UNP/Hartland Partnership Center has many new and exciting programs, partners and events to share about this spring semester.

The semester began with the spotlight on the Hartland youth and partners at the Lights On Celebration. Our Lights On Event included lively and engaging performances by Juan Gilberto Rejón Magaña, the Hartland youth dancers, led by Professor Kelby McIntyre, University of Utah College of Fine Arts, and Ailine Lao of Ailines's Touch of Polynesian (ATOP). The Hartland youth also gave a yoga demonstration, led by Green Tree Yoga, which demonstrated their efforts of working together. The evening ended with an open house tour for Hartland youth parents and our adult and youth partners leading activities that included making bracelets, trail mix, "stain glass" snowflakes, citizenship trivia, and giveaways for each child in attendance.



The Youth Center has many new partners and programs launching this spring semester which include:

- Kids Café provided by The Utah Food Bank
- Cooking for Middle School students led by Occupational Therapy students
- Teen Empowerment, jointly led by Social Work and Occupational Therapy students from the University of Utah
- Engaged to Succeed, which focuses on higher education preparation and planning for middle school students
- Swim lessons for elementary students, provided by the J.L. Sorenson Recreation Center

- The University of Utah's Women's Basketball Team
- College of Science, the REFUGES after-school tutoring program
- SPLORE winter adventure trips

All UNP-Hartland Partnership Center partners welcome you to come and experience, learn, and expand your capacity. At the culmination of the semester, we invite you to join us with food and entertainment and the celebration of our community and partnerships at the annual Hartland Spring Festival on May 2, 2015.



Hartland youth with GreenTree Yoga at the Lights On Celebration.

UNP-Hartland Bridge **Training Clinic**

Partnership Platform

Focus on Partnerships

Written by Julianne Rabb

Through the collaboration between the UNP-Hartland Partnership Center and the University of Utah's College of Social Work, we are thrilled to



begin offering direct mental health services to the community at the UNP Hartland Partnership Center. In addition to our established supportive walk-in services, the Bridge Training Clinic - UNP Hartland will be offering confidential, therapeutic interventions appropriate to the diversity and experiences of our community members. The clinic offers space for University faculty, staff, and students to support

and learn from community residents that are in need of more intensive individual, family, and group services. As are all of the UNP Hartland programs, this mental health service will be offered at no cost to the community.

Contact Julianne Rabb, LCSW, for more information at 801-972-6055 or by email at julianne.rabb@partners.utah.edu

Community Corner Snapshots of wonderful west side businesses and restaurants

El Asadero **Mexican Restaurant**

If you've been to Partners in the Park, you've prob-

ably tasted the great food from El Asadero. On the corner of 1000 W and North Temple, this family-run business offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner, seven days a week.

Owner Margarito is very popular for his friendly



They take pride in their food and make fresh handmade tortillas each

Community members who come to Partners in the Park look forward to UNP partner. El Asadero's food each year.



STAFF **SPOTLIGHT** Julianne Rabb



Julianne Rabb, L.C.S.W., Clinical Director of the Bridge Training Clinic-UNP/Hartland, has over twenty years of experience with resettlement issues, youth programming, and mental health services in substance use and domestic violence. After completing her B.A. in Liberal Studies and Linguistics at the University of Montana, she spent time developing language education programs in Guatemala. Since returning to Salt Lake, she has focused on food justice and youth nutrition issues, capacity building with new arriving populations, environmental education, and homeless services. She has an MSW from the University of Utah, with emphases in International Social Work and School Social Work. An avid gardener, Julianne loves to grow and cook her own food, spend time with family, wander in the mountains and desert, and enjoys a good book of fiction.

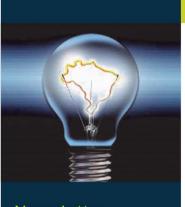
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Newsletter Contributions

Do you have ideas you would like to see in a future edition of UNP Partnership News? Is there a UNP Partnership that you would like to know more about? An area business that you'd like recognized? Submit your ideas to unp@partners.utah.edu

Upcoming Events

Scholarships

Applications for UNP's Wolf & Meritus, and Alumni Scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year are available. Applications and eligibility requirements can be found on our website at partners.utah.edu or at the UNP and Hartland offices.

Hartland Spring Festival

May 2—Save the date for the 7th Annual Hartland Spring Festival.

Partners in the Park

Watch our website and Facebook page for details about Partners in the Park events this summer.

> **UNP-Matt Bradley Jordan River Family Day** May 23 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Walk, bike, & canoe with us along the river from 200 S to 1700 S

