# **LA VISTA Newsletter**

Los Ojos de la Familia

2015 Fall Scholarships

August 5, 2015



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# UPCOMING EVENT!

Less than 3 weeks!!



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United Way of Central New Mexico

and we encourage you to consider asking that your donations go toward this charity.

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<u>United Way Contribution Form</u>
For a full calendar of assistance and scholarship deadlines, visit our website

www.losojosdelafamilia.org



# **LODLF General Scholarships**

As part of our mission, to support the educational development in our community we provides scholarship opportunities to students. Our scholarship programs award students based on financial need, school and community activities, and academic achievement. We were happy to award five more praiseworthy students the \$500 scholarship. We are looking forward to seeing each of these young people impact the world and their communities in positive ways.



#### Mariela Hernandez

Mariela is a senior at UNM, studying Communication and Journalism, and she has maintained a 3.93 GPA over the last three years of her college career. She has been deeply involved in community service for the last three years, in her church - where she works with children and leads teenage studies - and with Los Ojos de la Familia events. She is especially driven to succeed and excel, not only for her own sake, but also for her sisters, and all of those who look up to her. "I want to be successful, but I want those around me to do the same."

#### Shae Lucero

Shae is a sophomore at CNM, studying to become a veterinarian. She comes from a family of farmers and ranchers, an upbringing which taught her the importance of hard work early on. She is working part time while she attends school, and she also participates in Los Ojos de la Familia events as often as she can. She is a firm believer in hard work, and considers herself privileged to have a job, as there are so many struggling just to find one. She is a firm believer in hard work, and considers herself privileged to have a job, as there are so many struggling just to find one. A compassionate, yet strong-willed young woman, Shae is determined to become a success, refusing to give up easily, finding creative ways to overcome obstacles, no matter what the difficulty.

## **Robyn Lee Lucero**

Robyn is a sophomore at UNM, studying General Management, who worked full time last semester, to help her mother who is in early remission from breast cancer and going through a divorce. She managed to attend

school full time also, maintaining her more than 3.0 GPA. She fought and won against depression, and found new strength in working to help her mother. Robyn also volunteers with various community organizations including The Greening Youth Foundation, Life Teen, the Storehouse, and Los Ojos de la Familia. She hopes to use her management degree to help others like herself as well as those struggling in the community.

## **Jerry Montoya**

Jerry is a sophomore at UNM ,majoring in mechanical engineering. He has been involved in his community for several years, through MESA (Math Engineering Science Achievement), Explora Science Nights and Rio Rancho Special Olympics. He is passionate about architecture, and recently joined the HESO (Hispanic Engineering and Science Organization) in the hopes of encouraging other young potential engineers to become interested in the STEM fields.

## **Leroy Sandoval**

Leroy recently graduated from Volcano Vista high school, and plans to study Business Management at UNM this fall, with a focus on marketing and advertising. He found his passion for business through his participation in DECA throughout high school, an organization which helped him become involved in community service, including projects at his school and local elementary schools, as well as the Susan G Komen event. He is especially driven to succeed, in order to fight racial stereotypes and encourage others from his tribe to want better and more for themselves. He plans to earn his degree, to reach his dreams, impact his community positively, and leave an encouraging legacy.