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University of New Mexico Press Acquires High Desert Field Guides

ALBUQUERQUE—The University of New Mexico Press is pleased to announce the acquisition of High Desert Field Guides. As of December 1, 2016, UNM Press will distribute all High Desert Field Guides titles. Founded in 2006 by Dick and Kathryn Huelster, High Desert Field Guides is a Santa Fe publisher of printed field guides and maps relating to the history, culture, and landscapes of New Mexico and the Southwest.

“High Desert Field Guides’s expertly-produced publications complement UNM Press’s list of regional travel-related books, and we look forward to further expanding the audience for these products,” said UNM Press Director John Byram. “As part of our ongoing efforts to support New Mexico’s tourism industry, UNM Press will retain the HDFG brand and continue to produce additional maps and guides under that imprint in the coming years.”

Dance Ceremonies of the Northern Rio Grande Pueblos, the first guide published by High Desert Field Guides, provides information about the Native American dances and related ceremonies for the eight Northern Rio Grande Pueblos. Other guides include *Valles Caldera National Preserve: Geologic History of the Southwest’s Youngest Caldera*; *Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument: Trail Map and Geology*; *Roads to the Past: Highway Map and Guide to New Mexico Archaeology*; *Tony Hillerman’s Landscapes: Southwest Map & Guide*; *Rock Art Images of Northern New Mexico*; and *All Trails Lead to Santa Fe: Guide and Map for Three National Historic Trails Connecting Santa Fe to the Rest of the World*.

“We are extremely proud to announce the sale of our publishing business, High Desert Field Guides, to the University of New Mexico Press,” said Dick and Kathryn Huelster. “Over this past decade we have strived to create and distribute to our customers the finest quality in each of our products about New Mexico. It is with our total confidence that we pass on our legacy to UNM Press, one of the finest university presses west of the Rocky Mountains.”

Established in 1929 by the Regents of the University of New Mexico, UNM Press ranks within the top third of publishing houses in the Association of American University Presses (AAUP) and is the fourth largest university press west of the Rocky Mountains in publishing new titles. With over 1,200 titles in print and as a distributor of more than 700 titles for thirty-five local and regional publishers, the Press is an important element in enhancing the scholarly reputation and worldwide visibility of the university.

High Desert Field Guides publications are available at bookstores or directly from the University of New Mexico Press. To order, please call 800.249.7737 or visit www.unmpress.com.

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