1. ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION Senior Vice President John Lumpkin joined with Acting UNM President David Harris and other university leaders today to announce the establishment of a national center for health policy at the University of New Mexico. Started with an initial commitment of $18.5 million, the interdisciplinary center will have dedicated leadership and staffing as well as its own physical location on UNM’s main campus. [link]

2. DUANE ARRUTI HAS been named associate vice president for Human Resources at the University of New Mexico. He will be responsible for providing strategic leadership, integration and coordination of the Human Resources information technology and finance functions. He will begin his new duties Feb. 1. [link]

3. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE faculty member Brian Gregory Solan has been selected as a finalist for the 2006 Association of American Medical Colleges Humanism in Medicine Award, presented by the AAMC through the support of the Pfizer Medical Humanities Initiative. Solan is currently an assistant professor in the department of Family & Community Medicine. He is one of 52 honorees from across the nation nominated by the Organization of Student Representatives chapter of each U.S. medical school. [link]

4. JIM HULSMAN, long-time Albuquerque High School basketball coach and athletic director, is presenting his extensive collection of scrapbooks and yearbooks to the Center for Southwest Research Special Collections and University Libraries. The collection includes 125 volumes, many of them created by Hulsman and documenting the careers of Albuquerque High athletes, several of them went on to play at UNM. [link]

5. GRADUATE STUDENT Lisa Gill recently received one of the nation’s top awards for poets – the National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowship in Poetry. She is one of 50 selected from a pool of 1,056 applications to receive this two-year, $20,000 fellowship. She was chosen based on poems from her first book, “Red as a Lotus.” [link]

6. THE WINNERS of the L.F. “Tow” Diehm Inspirational Award for 2005-06 are Chris Carlson and Lars Loeseth, while Maja Kovacek is the recipient of the Leslie Self Inspirational Award. Started in 1997-98, the awards are presented annually to University of New Mexico male and female student-athletes based on leadership, character, determination and commitment to team. [link]

7. THE FIRST FLOOR reference area at Zimmerman Library will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 16. There will be a celebration ceremony and reception at 10 a.m. The reference area
in the east wing of the library is directly above the fire that occurred last April in the basement. The books and materials on the first floor suffered soot and smoke damage during the fire and were sent out of state for cleaning. The books have now been returned and are ready for use. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001634.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001634.html#more)

8. KIRSTEN PAI BUICK will receive the University Libraries Faculty Acknowledgement Award on Jan. 18, at 2 p.m. in the Willard Reading Room of Zimmerman Library. Buick is an assistant professor of Art History and the associate director of African American Studies at UNM. As part of the event, Buick will deliver a talk titled “Writing the Woman Artist: Mary Edmonia Lewis.” [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001639.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001639.html#more)

9. MARJORIE PERLOFF, a prominent scholar of modern literature and the retiring president of the Modern Language Association, will speak at the University of New Mexico on Friday, Jan. 19, at 3:30 p.m. in Woodward 147. The event is free and open to the public. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001641.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001641.html#more)

10. UNM WILL HOST a will host a visionary talk on the future of information technology in a research university setting featuring the influential Daniel Reed, who is currently the vice chancellor for Information Technology and chief information officer at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. The talk, titled “Computing the Future,” will be held Jan. 22, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Ballroom B of the Student Union Building. It is free and open to the public. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001637.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001637.html#more)

11. UNM IS SPONSORING two grant writing workshops Jan. 29 - Feb 2, 2007 and Feb. 5-9, 2007 at UNM’s Continuing Education Conference Center. The Grantsmanship Center, Inc. (TGCI), the world’s oldest and largest training organization for the nonprofit sector, will conduct the five-day workshops. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001635.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001635.html#more)

12. THE CINEMAS ALBUQUERQUE Latino Film Festival is New Mexico’s premiere festival showcasing films that focus on the diverse social and cultural themes of the Latino voice. This year, it will be held Thursday, Feb. 15, through Sunday, Feb. 18, at various sites around Albuquerque. Projects from Panama, Spain, Brazil, Venezuela, Argentina, Chile, Mexico and Uruguay, as well as works by New Mexican filmmakers, will be screened at local venues. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001640.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001640.html#more)

13. THE ANDERSON SCHOOLS of Management will conduct a six-week GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test) preparation program this spring. The program, which runs March 24-May 12, is designed to teach participants the math and verbal skills they’ll need to be successful on the exam. The deadline for enrollment is March 7, but students are encouraged to enroll early because last year’s summer program sold out a
month before it started.
http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001633.html#more

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