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THE UNIVERSITY of New Mexico's 2009 United Way theme, "Live United" was based on the belief that humans are all connected and interdependent. Extending a hand to one disadvantaged person in the community can influence the conditions of many others. To that end, UNM once again set a lofty goal of \$1 million and surpassed it by raising \$1,010,604. Additionally, this year, more hands were extended as UNM added 243 new donors. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004751.html#more

RESULTS OF A REPORT by the New Mexico Higher Education Prevention Consortium on student use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs at seven state higher education institutions will be released Friday, Feb. 12, at a press conference at the MCM Elegante Hotel, 2020 Menaul N.E. in Albuquerque. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004752.html#more

A GROUP OF DISTINGUISHED alumni will be recognized by the UNM Alumni Association for their community efforts on Thursday, Feb. 11, at Hotel Albuquerque. Honorees include John Echohawk, Joe Diaz, Alan Morgan and Anita Obermeier. The event gets underway with no host cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The Hotel Albuquerque is located in Old Town at 800 Rio Grande Blvd. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, Feb. 5. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004750.html#more

VALERIE ROMERO-LEGGOTT, vice president for diversity at the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center, was honored recently at the Sweeney Convention Center in Santa Fe with the 16th Annual Hispano Round Table "Walking the Talk" Award for her commitment to creating positive change in the community.

http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004754.html#more

U NEWS is the first entirely student produced TV news show at UNM. The show covers issues students are talking about all over campus. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p NIRnLEsw

ALL IT-RELATED University policies are being reviewed, and where appropriate, revised. The proposal to review and revamp these policies - prior to the end of May 2010 - is available on the IT Standards and Policies page at:

http://cio.unm.edu/standards/Proposed Revisions IT-Related BigRed.pdf.

THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER for UNM Technology Business Plan competition, with expected prizes totaling \$40,000, is Friday, Feb. 5. Open only to UNM students, this competition fosters entrepreneurial activity and offers exposure to venture capital and angel funders as well as legal, accounting, and banking professionals.

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FORMER NEW MEXICO Governor Gary Johnson is making political waves once again, this time on the national stage as the honorary chairman of the new political organization, "Our

America Initiative." Does his involvement in this group mean he's laying the groundwork for a presidential run in 2010? This week "New Mexico in Focus" correspondent Sarah Gustavus asks him this and more in an exclusive one-on-one interview. New Mexico In Focus" airs Friday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. on KNME-TV Channel 5.1 and repeating on Sunday, Feb. 7 at 6:30 a.m. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004747.html#more

THE 12TH ANNUAL International Conference on Treatment of Addictive Behaviors, sponsored by the UNM Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse, and Addictions, is set for Sunday – Wednesday, Feb. 7 – 10, at the Eldorado Hotel in Santa Fe. The conference theme is "Evidence-Based Treatment in Real World Systems: Maximizing Service, Value, and Outcome. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004507.html#more