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1. ACTING PRESIDENT David Harris recently announced the appointment of Mary Kenney as interim associate vice president for Facilities Management. Kenney has been the associate director of Facility Planning for the UNM Health Sciences Center and was recently appointed director of Planning and Programming for the university. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001243.html#more]

2. UNM STAFF COUNCIL elected its executive committee for 2006-07 at yesterday’s meeting. David Groth, Health Sciences Center Library, will serve as president, and Vanessa Shields, Provost Office, as president-elect. Mimi Swanson, Human Resources, is speaker, Blanca Garcia, Extended University, is treasurer; and Elmo Riggs, Physical Plant Department, and Nicholas Spezza, Employee Health Promotion Program, were elected grade-at-large representatives. Ann Armendariz, College of Education, and Sabra Basler, Communication and Marketing, were elected precinct-at-large representatives. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001242.html#more]

3. A NEW HYBRID has emerged at UNM – one being explored by biology, English, Religious Studies and other College of Arts and Sciences departments. It’s the hybrid class. “Hybrid” is the name for courses that combine face-to-face classroom instruction with computer-based learning. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001242.html#more]

4. STUDENTS AND FACULTY at the School of Medicine were honored for their professional, academic, research and community service achievements at the Second Annual School of Medicine Student and Faculty Awards Ceremony held on the Health Sciences Center Plaza recently. [http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=495]

5. THE UNM COLLEGE OF NURSING conferred an all-time high of nursing degrees this semester with 66 basic students receiving their degree. That number is more than double the number the CON is used to seeing during graduation time. [http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=495]

6. THE 2006 JEFF APODACA Celebration of Life Scholarship applications are now being accepted and all applications must be submitted by Aug. 11. The winner will receive $5,000 toward tuition and books. Applicants eligible are pediatric cancer survivors attending a four-year college or university in New Mexico. [http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=495]

7. REGENTS’ PROFESSOR Bruce M. Thomson has been appointed to a four-year term as director of the Water Resources Program at UNM, announced Peter L. White, dean, University College. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001239.html#more]
8. **UNM HAS NAMED** Belen High School's Candace Lea Sapier the 2005-06 Outstanding High School Teacher of the Year. A member of the Penobscot Indian Tribe of Maine, Sapier has been a teacher in New Mexico for 26 years. For the past 16 years she has taught art at Belen High School. Sapier earned a master's in art education from UNM in 1984. [http://www.unm.edu/news/06MayNewsRelease/06-05-11teacher.htm](http://www.unm.edu/news/06MayNewsRelease/06-05-11teacher.htm)

9. **LOOKING FOR A SPOT** where your children can spend a fun summer exploring the arts? UNM offers four programs designed to stimulate creative potential in youth. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001241.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001241.html#more)

10. **UNM’s CENTER for Regional Studies** is seeking graduate students interested in fellowships for the 2006-07 academic year. The fellowships all involve research conducted at the Center for Southwest Research. Each of the fellowships is for $15,000 and requires 20 hours of work a week during the fall and spring semesters. The application deadline is June 2, 2006. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001240.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001240.html#more)

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