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1. UNM-GALLUP recently received a $150,000 endowment, the first of its kind at the branch campus. Established by the Rollies’ children, the Allen and Leone Rollie Scholarship Fund will benefit the UNM-Gallup nursing program by awarding scholarships to the school’s nursing students as selected by the program chair.

2. UNM CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER William Adkins announced today the reorganization of Computer and Information Resources and Technology (CIRT) and Telecommunications into one department. The reorganization includes services and staff that together will become Information Technology Services (ITS), effective July 1.

3. UNM MEDICINE, pharmacy and nursing schools are among the top 25 for graduating Hispanics, as reported in the June 5 issue of "Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education." The UNM Health Sciences Center puts New Mexico in the top five states for granting the most nursing degrees to Hispanics and among the top 10 states in granting medical degrees to Hispanics.

4. THE UNM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION recently honored three legislators and elected six new board members to its Board of Directors. Representative Henry “Kiki” Saavedra was honored with the 2006 Higher Education Distinguished Legislator Award, while Senator Cisco McSorley and Representative Joe Stell were recognized with the 2006 Legislator Service Awards. New board members include: Charles Barth, Steve Chreist, Mark Ortega, Matthew Martinez, Randy Royster and Jimmy Trujillo.

5. TED A. GARCIA, general manager and chief executive officer of public television station KNME-TV, Channel 5, has been elected to the University Licensee Association executive board. The University Licensee Association includes public broadcasting stations licensed to colleges and universities.

6. TRADITIONAL MEXICAN clothing will be seen around campus soon when curanderos from Mexico participate in a popular two-week course, “Traditional Medicine without Borders: Curanderismo in the Southwest & Mexico.” Curanderos are practitioners of an ancient craft using herbal medicines and knowledge of ancient healing rituals. The class begins June 19.

7. TAMARIND’S SUMMER Sweep!, featuring 50 percent reduction on hundreds of prints made between 1970 and 2000, will be held tomorrow, Thursday, June 8, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Tamarind Gallery, 110 Cornell Drive SE. To check out the types of prints on sale, visit: http://tamarind.unm.edu and click on “print inventory” on the left hand side.

8. UNM’S RECREATIONAL SERVICES Challenge Course Program is hosting an open house, Wednesday, June 14, from 1 to 4 p.m., to offer faculty and staff an opportunity to experience first-hand what services the Challenge Course Program offers.

9. ASSOCIATE DEAN of University Libraries Fran Wilkinson has been appointed interim dean of University Libraries replacing Dean Camila Alire, who announced her retirement effective July 1, 2006.

10. THE 4th ANNUAL Cognitive Systems Workshop, sponsored by Sandia National Laboratories, the University of New Mexico, the MIND Institute, the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory and the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, will be held June 27-29, in Santa Fe. The workshop will
emphasize emerging opportunities for progress in the neurosciences to spawn deeper understanding of the relationship between brain and cognitive processes, and the application of these advancements to innovative technologies.
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11. A NEW EPISODE of the KNME-TV Channel 5 series “Colores!” honors the Albuquerque Museum Foundation’s “Notable New Mexicans” of the year – Former U.S. Senator Dennis Chavez; sculptor and artist Allan Houser; jazz musician John Lewis; potter Maria Martinez and artist Georgia O’Keeffe. The program airs Friday, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. with a repeat on Sunday, June 11, at 6:30 a.m.
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