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EVERYONE IS INVITED to attend a farewell party for President and Mrs. Gordon at University House on Thursday, June 20 from 4 to 6 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Virginia Creepers and Amauta Espoch. Refreshments will be served.

TAOS NATIVE Dr. Alicia Fedelina Chavez has been named executive director of the UNM Taos Branch Campus effective Oct. 1, 2002. [http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/June12chavez.htm](http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/June12chavez.htm)

DR. ARUP DAS, associate professor of Ophthalmology at the UNM School of Medicine, recently received a $1.2 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to prevent blindness caused by diabetic retinopathy and macular degeneration. Das, who will be collaborating with Paul McGuire, associate professor of Cell Biology and Physiology, is developing alternative pharmacological approaches to suppress neovascularization in the eye. [http://hscapp.unm.edu/publicaffairs/StoryW.cfm?id=167](http://hscapp.unm.edu/publicaffairs/StoryW.cfm?id=167)

UNM ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR of Sociology Jane Hood has been elected vice president of the Pacific Sociology Association (PSA) for 2004. Established in 1929, the PSA is the professional association of sociologists for the western region of the United States and Canada. [http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/June12hood.htm](http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/June12hood.htm)

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