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1. DR. PAUL ROTH, dean of the UNM School of Medicine, has been appointed by UNM President Louis Caldera to serve as the interim executive vice president for the Health Sciences Center, effective immediately. Roth, who has been dean of the medical school since 1994, will serve in this position until the search for a new executive vice president is completed, while continuing to serve as dean. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000751.html#more]

2. THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Office of Science recently awarded the University of New Mexico $375,000 for suspension flow research. UNM will team up with Los Alamos National Laboratory, Sandia National Laboratories and the University of California, Santa Barbara for a total award of $2.4 million over three years. This award is one of 13 selected from approximately 170 proposals. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000740.html#more]

3. DEBORAH FISHER, associate professor of civil engineering, has been selected to receive the 2005 Society of Women Engineers Distinguished Engineering Educator Award. The award will be presented to Fisher at the SWE Awards Banquet at the Anaheim Convention Center in November. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000747.html#more]

4. REGISTRAR KATHLEEN SENA received the Distinguished Service Award for 2005 at the 28th annual Rocky Mountain Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (RMACRAO) in Boulder, Colo. recently. Sena, who has represented UNM in the organization for 17 years, has served on the Board of Directors in various capacities including president, president-elect, past president and treasurer.

5. STUDENTS FROM HIGH TECH HIGH, a new charter school that opened its doors on Monday, are visiting the UNM campus this week. Tours are being given of Johnson Center and Zimmerman Library. On Thursday, students will participate in a campus scavenger hunt. Beginning in September, approximately 90 HTH freshmen will be bussed to UNM, where they will attend physical education classes. UNM has signed an agreement with the school to allow access to resources and facilities.

6. UNM IS OFFERING 10 additional courses, from undergraduate mathematical foundations of computer science, all the way through graduate level courses on statistical data structures and algorithms at the Los Alamos branch campus this fall in response to a request by Los Alamos National Laboratories to offer more computer science courses in the region. The courses have been made available by the UNM School of Engineering's computer science department and are facilitated by UNM's Extended University. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000748.html#more]

7. A NEW GROUP IS being established for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender faculty, staff, graduate assistants and teaching assistants. The group will provide an opportunity to meet, network and advocate for LGBT rights and celebrate the valuable
role of LGBT staff on campus. All are invited to attend a Gathering of "Family" salon and brown bag lunch on Aug. 18, noon to 1 p.m., at the Women's Resource Center, Mesa Vista Hall. Contact the WRC at 277-3716 or women@unm.edu for more information.

8. DAVID DUNAWAY, professor, Department of English, received a bronze world medal at the 2005 International Radio Festival for his National Public Radio documentary, "Christiania, Denmark?" Christiania is located on the outskirts of Copenhagen. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000752.html#more

9. UNM’S CENTER ON ALCOHOLISM, Substance Abuse and Addictions (CASAA) Runaway and Homeless Youth Program will host an open house in conjunction with The Life Link on Monday, Aug. 22, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The open house will be held at CASAA’s drop-in facility located at 317 Washington S.E. and will mark the transition of CASAA’s Homeless and Runaway Youth Program to The Life Link, a non-profit organization offering supporting housing and behavioral health services.

10. UNM WILL HOST more than 1,000 prospective students and their families on main campus during “Senior Day,” designed to introduce high school seniors to campus life, Saturday, Sept. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tours of campus and the residence halls will be provided along with information about admission, financial aid, scholarships, academic programs and student activities. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/000750.html#more