THE LONG TERM ECOLOGICAL Research (LTER) Network is the recipient of the 2010 Distinguished Scientist Award by the American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS). UNM’s LTER is one of 26 field stations in network. According to AIBS, the Distinguished Scientist Award has been presented annually since 1972 to individuals or groups who have made significant scientific contributions to the biological sciences, integrative and organismal biology in particular. The award ceremony took place earlier this week in Washington, D.C. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005187.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005187.html#more)

THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION recently awarded a five-year, $485,000 Research Coordinating Network grant to UNM’s Museum of Southwestern Biology; Museum of the North, University of Alaska; Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, University of California Berkeley; and the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University. The Principal Investigator is UNM’s Joseph Cook, in the Earth and Planetary Sciences Department. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005192.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005192.html#more)

THE UNM STAFF COUNCIL has elected a new executive committee for 2010-11. New officers include: Merle Kennedy (Admissions Office) - president; Mary Clark (Office of Sustainability) – president-elect; Linda McCormick (Recycling) - speaker; Karen Mann (KNME) - treasurer; Elisha Allen (Extended University) and Robert Christner (Accessibility Resource Center) - Grade at Large representatives; Maria Daw (Economics) and Richard Goshorn (Extended University) - Precinct at Large representatives. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005190.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005190.html#more)

THE UNM VOLLEYBALL team raised $5,000 at the fourth annual Grass Bash held recently at Johnson Field, doubling the amount raised in 2009. The money raised this year benefits two entities, UNM Children's Hospital and the Jeanne Fairchild Endowed Scholarship. More than 170 teams participated in the various divisions of the grass volleyball tournament. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005189.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005189.html#more)

THIS WEEK ON “New Mexico in Focus,” correspondent Gwyneth Doland sits down with Susana Martinez to discuss her qualifications and her top priorities for the state. Doland also talks one-on-one with the Democratic nominee, Lt. Governor Diane Denish. Find out what Denish thinks of her potential Republican challengers and how she plans to win in November’s general election. “New Mexico in Focus” airs Fridays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 6:30 a.m. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005193.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005193.html#more)

IN ORDER TO strengthen UNM's IT infrastructure, IT will be performing a necessary upgrade to a central data storage service that is shared by many University systems. The upgrade will improve both performance and storage capacity, and will occur during a routine maintenance window on Sunday, May 23, from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m. This date was selected by constituent groups across campus because of its lower student impact during semester break. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005161.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005161.html#more)

THE ANDERSON SCHOOL of Management, the Vice President for Business and Finance, and the Vice President of Health Sciences are sponsoring scholarship opportunities for UNM staff employees and
faculty interested in attending the Anderson School of Management's Executive MBA (EMBA) Program. An EMBA Open House for UNM staff and faculty will be held on Thursday, May 27, from 12 to 1 p.m. in GSM 302. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005188.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005188.html#more)

THE CURRENT SCHOOL year is quickly coming to a close and not many people are thinking about school supplies for next year - except for the UNM Alumni Association. With the current economic crisis, it is predicted there will be a much greater need next year for school supplies. To help meet the need, the UNM Alumni Association has once again partnered with APS for its annual APS/UNM School Supplies Drive. The drive is currently underway through Friday, May 28, 2010. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005159.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005159.html#more)

THE UNM SANTA FE BACHELOR & Graduate Program has announced a group exhibit of artwork by Art and Art History students now on display in the Visual Arts Gallery located at Santa Fe Community College. The students have displayed artwork, both drawings and paintings, created for the exhibition in the BFA-Studio program offered through UNM on the SFCC campus. The show will be on display through Aug. 16. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005191.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005191.html#more)