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1. THE UNM SCHOOL OF LAW is the No. 1 ranked law school for Hispanics, according to the September issue of the Hispanic Business Magazine. The school was recognized for its small classes, easy student-faculty interaction, and special programs in clinical, Native American, natural resources and international law. Other schools ranked at UNM are the School of Medicine (No. 4), noted for its sustained history of recruitment and retention of underrepresented students; and the School of Engineering (No. 10), which was noted for its student body and the demographics reflecting diversity. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001407.html#more

2. THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE for Public Service and Community Engagement is conducting a campus-wide survey seeking to more formally document its public service and community engagement activities. The survey can be found at: https://esurvey.unm.edu:443/s?s=656&i=32584&k=sPzH&ro=

3. BARBARA CARVER, program operations director for the executive vice president’s office at the Health Sciences Center, has been appointed Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies. In this new position, Carver will work with Graduate Studies Dean Amy Wohlert to develop and implement Office of Graduate Studies’ initiatives and will oversee day-to-day operations. She will begin her new duties in OGS on Sept. 25.

4. ONCE EVERY THREE years, the International Astronomical Union recognizes scientists from the Meteoritical Society for their achievements in the field with a unique award that’s simply out of this world – they bestow names of scientists on asteroids. UNM Research Assistant Professor Barbara Cohen was one of 35 scientists recognized with an asteroid in her name, ‘Asteroid 6816 Barbcohen.’ http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001405.html#more

5. BARBARA FORM, a fourth/fifth grade teacher at Manzano Mesa Elementary School, was one of 21 teachers nationally to take part in the Library of Congress Teacher’s Summer Institute. Form is a mentor teacher for the career development program, a partnership program between the UNM College of Education and Albuquerque Public Schools. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001399.html#more

6. THE ANDERSON SCHOOLS of Management have enrolled a record number of new MBA and Master's of Accounting students for the fall 2006 semester - 68 percent more students than were enrolled during the same semester in 2005. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001402.html#more

7. UNM Professor of Pharmacy, Robert Atcher, has been elected the 2006-07 vice president-elect of the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM). Atcher is the program manager for the Department of Health and Human Services programs with Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, N.M. http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=5273
8. THREE UNM PRESS authors were recently chosen as finalists for the Women Writing the West's Willa Award. Sharon Niederman, author of the novel, ‘Generations set in New Mexico, Return to Abo,’ and Paula Paul, author of ‘Crazy Quilt,’ a story of a woman's reawakening after breast cancer, were selected in the fiction category. Mary Beath was chosen in the poetry category for her book, ‘Refuge of Whirling Light.’

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9. LONG-TIME UNM employee Theo Crevenna, ISTEC, Inc., received the Orden Mexicana del Aguila Azteca, the highest award given by the Mexican government to a foreigner. The decree, issued by Mexican President Vicente Fox, recognized Crevenna’s lifetime of service looking out for the interests of the Hispanic community, especially for Mexican nationals. He will be honored at an event Thursday, Sept. 7, from 4-6 p.m. at the Student Union Building ballroom C.

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10. A FREE, PUBLIC reception will be held Friday, Sept. 8, to highlight an exciting new exhibit at the National Hispanic Cultural Center. The event, which will be held from 6 to 8 p.m., will feature images from the Sam L. Slick Collection of Latin American and Iberian Posters. The exhibit, titled “Latin American Posters: Public Aesthetics and Mass Politics,” is currently on display at the Center for Southwest Research in University Libraries.

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