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TO EASE COMMUTING costs during the traditionally slower summer session, UNM will offer staff members the option of working a compressed workweek. The program, available June 16 through Aug. 15, 2008, will provide most full-time employees on main campus the opportunity to work a four-day workweek by extending their workday to 10-hour days. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002989.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002989.html#more)

THE FIFTH ANNUAL Staff Appreciation Week kicks off Saturday, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. with the Staff Picnic at the Rio Grande Zoo. Events continue June 16-20. On June 16, UNM administrators will serve a pancake breakfast sponsored by Human Resources from 7:30-9 a.m. in Student Union Building ballrooms B and C. Additionally, the Staff As Artists exhibit opens with a reception form 4:30-6 p.m. in the John Sommers Gallery on the second floor of the Art and Art History Building. The exhibit continues through Friday. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002955.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002955.html#more)

THE UNIVERSITY'S Internal Audit Department is asking managers throughout the institution to take a web-based assessment survey to determine any potential risks they see in relation to five major categories including: Strategic Risk, Financial Risk, Operational Risk, Compliance Risk and Reputational Risk. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002970.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002970.html#more)

A FEW OPENINGS still remain for the 26th annual Bank of America/Larry Ahrens Golf Tournament benefiting the University of New Mexico Presidential Scholarship Program on Friday, June 20 at the University of New Mexico Championship Golf Course. On UNMLive Today, tournament spokesman Steve Carr talks about the Presidential Scholarship Program, tournament history and how to sign up for the most fun you'll ever have helping pay college tuition. [http://www4.unm.edu/unmlive/podcast/talks_golf.mp3](http://www4.unm.edu/unmlive/podcast/talks_golf.mp3). For additional information and to signup directly visit: [http://www.pspgolf.org](http://www.pspgolf.org)

THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL Protection Agency has given UNM an Energy Star Combined Heat and Power award for reducing energy use on campus by 20 percent. “Combined Heat and Power,” also referred to as cogeneration, is an efficient, clean, and reliable approach to generating power and thermal energy from a single fuel source. UNM was rewarded for its natural gas-fired CHP system at the Ford Utility Center. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002984.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002984.html#more)

UNM IS NOW on the fifth phase of a multi-phase project that began eight years ago that enhances the domestic water system on campus. Construction is in progress in front of the La Posada dining hall and is expected to end the last week of September at Redondo and Yale Boulevard. The overall goal of the project is to strengthen the university’s domestic water system and provide additional water pressure for fire hydrant and building fire sprinkler systems. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002986.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002986.html#more)
THE UNM ECONOMICS department is conducting a computerized water usage simulation as part of a study of how customers of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority might react to changes in water rates. The investigators will make appointments with residents who want to participate between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays beginning June 14. It’s expected the study will run through July 12.

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‘HERE’S TO PETE,’ a celebration of Senator Pete Domenici’s service to New Mexico and the nation will be held Saturday, June 28 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Roy E. Disney Center for the Performing Arts at the National Hispanic Cultural Center. The celebration will feature a wide range of civic leaders, business groups, musicians, school groups and other organizations that will honor the Senator in a light-hearted, humor-filled event, which is sponsored in part by UNM. The cost is $25 per ticket. For more information visit: http://nmfirst.org/townhalls/thankspete_overview.html

THE UNM SCHOOL of Engineering recognized 24 outstanding students, faculty and staff at their 2008 Annual Awards ceremony recently. Several faculty members received awards for teaching and research at junior and senior levels, and the Harrison Faculty Recognition Award honored innovative community service on a societal, national and or local level. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002982.html#more

LIFEGUARD, New Mexico’s first hospital-based helicopter and fixed wing air emergency transport service, is celebrating 25 years, June 14, with a gathering of crew members and others who have made Lifeguard such a successful air emergency service. Lifeguard Air Emergency Services is a program of University of New Mexico Hospital, with medical direction from UNMH’s Department of Emergency Medicine. http://hsc.unm.edu/about/features/2008_06b.shtml

UNM SCHOOL OF MEDICINE Professor Leslie A. Morrison was awarded a fellowship by the Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine Program for Women. Morrison, along with 47 other women representing 46 medical, dental and public health institutions, will compose the 14th class of fellows in the ELAM program of the Institute for Women’s Health and Leadership at Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa. http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=698

SURGICAL PATIENTS with untreated Obstructive Sleep Apnea are known to have more complications after surgery and anesthesia. However, according to Lee Brown, professor of Internal Medicine and medical director of the UNM Sleep Disorders Center, a few simple questions can determine if a person may have OSA and give them an opportunity to be treated for the condition before surgery. http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=699
THE GOLD STREET PROJECT, the result of a challenge issued by Albuquerque Mayor Martin Chavez to developers for high density, environmentally friendly, “green” buildings in Albuquerque’s main traffic corridors, was delayed when some area residents argued that the proposed project is too large for their neighborhood. This week, KNME’s “New Mexico in Focus” examines the issue with Gold Street residents for and against the project, as well as developers and city planners. “New Mexico in Focus” will air Friday, June 13 at 7 p.m. on KNME-TV, channel 5. 
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