THE HONORARY degree committee, on behalf of the Office of the Secretary requests nominations for honorary degrees for those who contributed significantly to cultural or scientific development of the Southwest, or to the spiritual or material welfare of its people. Nominations are due by Friday, Oct 15 at 5 p.m.  http://news.unm.edu/?p=4442

FACULTY SENATE hosts an on-campus Forum on Higher Education in New Mexico on Wednesday, Oct. 13 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in ballroom C of the Student Union Building on the UNM main campus. Everyone is invited to attend. If you are unable to attend, a live broadcast will be available at approximately 11:45 a.m. For more information on the forum visit: http://news.unm.edu/?p=5251. To listen directly visit: http://mtsmediasite.unm.edu/unm/Catalog/pages/catalog.aspx?catalogId=29075bb4-3321-4bae-8116-24d766721674.

THE INDIGENOUS ARCHITECTURE Monday Night Lecture Series in the UNM School of Architecture and Planning continues today with a Regional Practitioner's Colloquium from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. in the Pearl Hall Auditorium. A reception precedes the presentation from 4:45 - 5:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5512


IN A RIBBON-CUTTING ceremony set for Wednesday, Oct. 13, UNM Professors Karl E. Karlstrom and Laura Crossey, Earth and Planetary Sciences Department, will join Grand Canyon National Park Superintendent Steve Martin and Chief of Interpretation Judy Hellmich-Bryan and many other dignitaries to dedicate a new interpretive exhibit, the Trail of Time, that focuses on Grand Canyon vistas and rocks. The Trail of Time was developed through a partnership between the Grand Canyon National Park, the National Science Foundation and UNM. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5277

THE STC.COM FALL Seminar Series continues on Wednesday, Oct. 13 from 12 to 1 p.m. with “Venture Capital 101 – Myth vs. Reality,” by David Blivin. Blivin, founder and managing director, Cottonwood Technology Fund, will discuss when venture capital is the right answer, how it works and clarify typical misconceptions. The seminar will be held in the Student Union Building, Upper Level, Acoma A&B. http://news.unm.edu/?p=4118

UNM HAS BEEN SELECTED by CNN as an advance screening venue for their latest film, Almighty Debt – A Black in America, on Wednesday, Oct. 13 from 2 – 4 p.m. in Africana Studies located in Mesa Vista Hall 4th Floor at UNM. Africana Studies hosts the event in conjunction with Black Student Union, Anderson School of Management, UNM School of Law and Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5554
UNM AND THE NATIVE American Studies Indigenous Research Group sponsors a 2010 Navajo Nation Presidential Forum on Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. in the Student Union Building, ballroom C. Presidential candidates Ben Shelly and Lynda Lovejoy will speak at the event, which is cosponsored by Diné UNM. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5534

THE SCIENCE & SOCIETY Distinguished Public Talks Series presents “Who Says Neandertals Are So Different?” with David Frayer, professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Kansas, on Thursday, Oct. 14 at 5 p.m. in rm. C of the UNM Continuing Education Conference Center located at 1634 University Blvd. N.E. A meet and greet will also be held prior to the talk at 4:30 p.m. The lecture is free and open to the public. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5172

THOSE SEEKING A change in New Mexico policy regarding social justice, health equity and racial tolerance are invited to engage in reflection and planning with Camara Phyllis Jones, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, on Thursday, Oct. 14, from 6 to 8 p.m. The event, "Steps to Address Institutional Racism," is sponsored by the New Mexico Health Equity Working Group and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy at UNM. http://news.unm.edu/?p=3661

THERE’S STILL TIME to register for the 9th annual UNM Golf Fiesta on Friday, Oct. 15. The tournament, to be held at UNM’s Championship Golf Course, is open to the UNM community including all students, faculty, staff, alumni and retirees. The registration fee of $60 per person/$240 per team includes green fees, cart, free range balls, prizes and a post-tournament buffet. The tournament is limited to the first 30, 4-person teams. The Golf Fiesta helps to kick-off UNM’s United Way campaign. http://news.unm.edu/?p=4900

THE INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE Simulation Center, along with the Leonard M. Napolitano, Ph.D. Anatomical Education Center, will host an open house for the HSC Community on Oct. 15 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. IHSC, occupying the first floor of Domenici Phase II, is the newest learning environment at the Health Sciences Center and houses interprofessional simulation based education. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5079


POLITICAL SCIENCE Professor Lonna Atkeson will receive the “Jack Taylor Award” from Common Cause New Mexico, Saturday, Oct. 16, at the organization’s 40th anniversary luncheon from 12 to 2 p.m. Atkeson, a professor and Regents’ Lecturer at UNM, will be honored for her important research explaining how New Mexicans understand the process behind elections in the state, and the confidence that voters have in the election process in New Mexico. The luncheon will be held at the UNM Continuing Education Building, 1634 University Boulevard, N.E. http://news.unm.edu/?p=5666

THE 2ND ANNUAL Southwest Regional Symposium on Global Health will be held Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 18-19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days in the Domenici Center Auditorium. The conference, titled “The
Southwest Regional Symposium on Global Health,” is organized by the Center for Global Health at the UNM School of Medicine. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=5663](http://news.unm.edu/?p=5663)

ENRIQUE LAMADRID and Miguel Gandert are the featured speakers in October’s International Task Force meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, Oct.19, from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Scholes Hall Roberts Room. Their talk is titled, "International Travel, Developing Multi-disciplinary, pedagogical and new media strategies for students and colleagues, recent case studies, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Spain." RSVP to Kathryn R. Padilla no later than Monday, Oct. 18 by 5 p.m. to katpad@unm.edu. Lunch will be provided. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=5184](http://news.unm.edu/?p=5184)

UNM WILL UPGRADE the Banner system outside the normal maintenance window, beginning Friday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. and continuing through Monday, Oct. 25 at 7 a.m. Services that will be unavailable during the upgrade include: Banner INB, LoboWeb, and the MyUNM portal. However, MyUNM portal access will be redirected to a web page with direct links to the remaining available services. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=5707](http://news.unm.edu/?p=5707)

THE ANNUAL UNM Mentoring Conference, “Mentoring Theory and Practice: Learning from the Past & Envisioning the Future,” will be held Oct. 27-29 in the Student Union building, ballroom C. The keynote speaker will be Kathy Kram, Shipley Professor at Boston University and author of many publications in mentoring. In addition, pre-conference workshops will include plenary sessions, numerous panels, round tables and poster presentations related to this year’s theme. For more information and to register visit: [http://news.unm.edu/?p=4400](http://news.unm.edu/?p=4400).

THE 12TH ANNUAL New Mexico Data Users Conference will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 10, beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the University of New Mexico Continuing Education Conference Center. The Continuing Education Conference Center is located at 1634 University Blvd., NE. The annual event is presented by UNM’s Bureau of Business and Economic Research. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=4735](http://news.unm.edu/?p=4735)