1. DR. KARL JOHNSON, a world famous virologist and adjunct professor with joint appointments in the Biology Department and the School of Medicine, was recently awarded "La Orden de Manuel Amador Guerrero Medal" from Panama. The medal, named after Guerrero, the first president of Panama in 1903, is the highest honor the country awards in the field of science. http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/Oct25johnson.htm

2. “AN ART AFFAIR WITH BO DEREK” is the opening-night theme at the annual Weems ArtFest, Friday, Nov. 9, to benefit Children’s Hospital of New Mexico. Festivities will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Lujan Exhibit Hall at the New Mexico State Fairgrounds. In addition to an appearance by actress Bo Derek and an exhibit of her photography, the evening will include an elite art auction of works by 18 prestigious artists. http://hscapp.unm.edu/publicaffairs/displayRelease.cfm?id=87

3. EIGHT PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS received recognition during the Health Sciences Center’s (HSC) fifth annual Community Partnerships awards ceremony. The awards were presented to people and organizations that have partnered with clinical, educational and research components across the HSC's campus. The HSC's first vice president, Dr. Jane Henney, was the guest of honor and recipient of the HSC Cornerstone Award. http://hscapp.unm.edu/intranet/intranet.cfm