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THE CENTER FOR EVOLUTIONARY and Theoretical Immunology (CETI), housed in the UNM Biology Department, was recently awarded a five-year, $10.7 million grant from the National Institutes of Health National Center for Research Resources Centers for its Biomedical Research Excellence program. [Link]

A REMINDER THAT various flu shot clinics are available to UNM students, faculty and staff for the dates Oct. 10 – 16. These flu shots are for the seasonal flu vaccine only and are free to everyone. [Link]

THE DIVISION OF HUMAN Resources' Benefits and Employee Health Promotion Program have announced the dates for its annual Preventive Health Week with health services available to UNM faculty, staff and adult dependents (age 18 and older). Preventive Health Week will be held Tuesday, Oct. 13 through Thursday, Oct. 15 in the UNM Student Union Building. [Link]

FACULTY, STAFF and students are encouraged to signup for UNM’s Emergency Notification System that is available for emergency messages to the Albuquerque campus. TextMe UNM, which was implemented in 2007, is an opt-in text messaging system that provides UNM students, faculty and staff with fast, convenient, real-time message alerts. For direct access to the signup page visit: [Link]

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS of UNM will host their annual community service and campus beautification event, Fall Frenzy, on Friday, Oct. 9 at 9 a.m. Fall Frenzy gives students an opportunity to participate in service projects that benefit both the UNM and Albuquerque communities. [Link]

THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS for honorary degree recipients has been extended through Friday, Oct. 23. Honorary degrees are awarded to persons who have contributed significantly to the cultural or scientific development of the Southwest, or to the spiritual or material welfare of its people. [Link]

AN IMPRESSIVE GATHERING of students and community leaders helped launch the 2009 UNM Technology Business Plan Competition Kick-Off at a recent reception. The kick-off event at the Anderson School Jackson Student Center gave UNM students the opportunity to learn more about creating a business plan for a high-tech startup firm and compete for prize money. [Link]
IVANA PALUNKO is one of three winners of the 2009 award “Science” given by the National Foundation for Science, Higher Education and the Technological Development of the Republic of Croatia. She won in the technical and biomedical category for a paper accepted by the Journal of Intelligent & Robotic Systems on “Small Helicopter Control Design Based on Model Reduction and Decoupling.”
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UNM REGENTS’ LECTURER and Biology Professor Tim Lowrey was elected recently to the Board of Directors of the Flora North America Association, a bi-national collaboration of more than 30 U.S. and Canadian institutions and organizations involved in a project titled, Flora of North America. The project involves botanists who are studying and characterizing the plants of the region and the need for authoritative information for basic and applied research, conservation and resource management.
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NICARAGUAN ARTIST and activist Winston Miranda is visiting UNM through Oct. 13. In conjunction with his visit, an exhibition and a presentation are scheduled. UNM students, staff and the public are invited to hear Miranda speak Thursday, Oct. 8, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., in Pearl Hall Auditorium. Miranda will discuss his work in front of his paintings that he is bringing from Nicaragua. The paintings are on display at the Department of Art and Art History Gallery through Friday Oct. 9.
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JOSE RIVERA PUBLISHED Acequia Culture: Water, Land and Community in the Southwest, in 1998. The book has now been translated into Spanish, La Cultura de la Acequia: Agua, tierra y comunidad en el Suroeste de los Estados Unidos de América, translated by Luis Pablo Martínez and published by the Universidad de Valencia in Spain. Rivera is a research scholar, UNM Center for Regional Studies and on faculty in the School of Architecture and Planning’s community and regional planning department.
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GAME DAY FRIDAYS mean great savings at your UNM Bookstore! Visit the UNM Bookstores on Main and North Campus and save 25 percent off all Lobowear and Spirit merchandise every Friday before a football game. It's the perfect time to stock up for Red Fridays - Go Lobos! Additionally, the UNM Bookstore’s Fall Sidewalk Sale continues through Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the main and north campus locations. For more information visit: http://bookstore.unm.edu/.

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT’S Nineteenth Century Group hosts its first event of the year, a brown-bag presentation by Associate Professor Jesse Alemán, “(Re)-Inventing American Literature in the Age of the Americas,” on Monday, Oct. 12, noon-1 p.m. at the Student Union Building, Sandia room.
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ALBUQUERQUE HAS A new mayor for the first time in eight years, Mayor-elect Richard Berry. Berry is also the first Republican to lead Albuquerque in 25 years. This
week, “New Mexico in Focus” will break down Berry’s victory and its implications for the city’s future. “New Mexico In Focus” is KNME-TV’s weekly hour-long public affairs show airing on Friday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. on KNME-TV channel 5.1 and repeating on Sunday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 a.m.
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