UNM Researchers have demonstrated that the extinction of dinosaurs 65 million years ago paved the way for mammals to get bigger - about a thousand times bigger than they had been. The study titled, "The Evolution of Maximum Body Size of Terrestrial Mammals," released today in the prestigious journal Science, is the first to quantitatively explore the patterns of body size of mammals after the demise of the dinosaurs. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=8137](http://news.unm.edu/?p=8137)

The Bernard Osher Foundation recently awarded the University of New Mexico's Division of Continuing Education $1 million to establish an endowment in support of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNM. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=8427](http://news.unm.edu/?p=8427)

A phony e-mail impersonating a UNM employee from the Office of the President was distributed to the Anderson School of Management faculty and staff this morning. The e-mail requested recipients to participate in a bogus survey that directed them to unmsurveys.org. The website was built to imitate a UNM log-in page that requested a UNM net id and password. Under no circumstances should you allow your log-in information to be compromised by logging onto this site. If you did log in, change your password immediately. Questions should be directed UNM IT Security at security@unm.edu.

President David Schmidly recently signed the Administrative Support Alliance charter, establishing ASA-UNM as a professional organization within the university. The charter states that ASA-UNM was established as a network of administrative support professionals committed to the advancement of UNM's mission through service to leadership, promotion of best practices among peers and fostering collaboration between university offices and units. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=8407](http://news.unm.edu/?p=8407)

The UNM School of Architecture and Planning recently celebrated 10 years of landscape architecture at UNM. Landscape architect Baker Morrow spoke about the decades it took to bring it to reality, former interim dean Ric Richardson talked about taking it to the New Mexico State Legislature for approval, former dean Roger Schluntz regaled its early history and the good fortune in hiring Alf Simon as the first, and to date only, director the program has known. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=8325](http://news.unm.edu/?p=8325)

The final installment in the iArchitecture Lecture Series in the UNM School of Architecture and Planning honors Louis (Lou) L. Weller, FAIA, Caddo/Cherokee, who died October 2 at 74 years of age. The event is Monday, Dec. 6 from 5:30 – 6:45 p.m. in the Pearl Hall auditorium. A reception follows the lecture. The lecture and reception are free and open to the public. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=8495](http://news.unm.edu/?p=8495)

UNM's oldest student run campus tradition, the "Hanging of the Greens," begins Friday, Dec. 3 at 5:45 p.m. outside the UNM Bookstore. An open house reception complete with hot chocolate, biscochitos and the traditional presentation of the wreath will follow at University House from 6 to 8 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring an unwrapped children's book to place under the University House tree. Books will be donated to UNM Children's Hospital. The entire UNM community is invited. [http://news.unm.edu/?p=7130](http://news.unm.edu/?p=7130)
THE 47TH ANNUAL ASUNM Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair continues through Friday, Dec. 3 in the SUB ballroom. More than 75 booths featuring arts and crafts including jewelry, pottery, t-shirts, soaps and more will be on display. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8419

THE MAXWELL MUSEUM of Anthropology will hold a gallery talk and exhibit opening on Friday, Dec. 3 at 5 p.m. Bruce T. Martin, an American fine art photographer who uses photography to document the world, explore perceptions, and question viewpoints will discuss his new book. “Look Close See Far, a Cultural Portrait of the Maya” is published by George Braziller, Ins. NYC. The book is a collection of images and ideas gathered while Martin traveled throughout Central America.
http://news.unm.edu/?p=8385

STUDENTS AND FACULTY members interested in applying for a Fulbright grant may attend a visit by Maria Jesus Pablos, director of the Fulbright Commission of Spain, on Monday, Dec. 6, 2-4 p.m. UNM Honors Lounge, located in the basement of the Student Health Center. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8354

THIS WEEK ON NEW MEXICO in Focus, panelists discuss the debate surrounding whether women should be ordained as priests in the Catholic Church. Viewers will catch a sneak peak of “Pink Smoke Over the Vatican,” a new documentary exploring women’s role in the church. KNME’s one hour public affairs show New Mexico in Focus airs Fridays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 6:30 a.m. on Channel 5.1. The show can also be seen on KNME’s Digital Channel 9.1 on Saturdays at 5 p.m. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8486