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THE UNM BOARD OF REGENTS was presented with a three-year financial strategic plan for main campus at its last meeting. The plan will be used to guide the university through a process that will preserve the core values of UNM. To review the plan, ask questions or provide comments visit: http://news.unm.edu/?p=8963

MORE THAN 1,600 students from UNM's main campus and Extended University are projected to receive degrees during UNM's fall commencement exercises on Friday, Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. in Tingley Coliseum at Expo New Mexico. Integrative medicine expert Dr. Andrew Weil will deliver the keynote address, "How to be Happy and Healthy in a World that's Not." http://news.unm.edu/?p=8837

THE 2010 'UNM LIVES UNITED' campaign for United Way officially comes to an end Friday, Dec. 17. However, those who wish to donate after that date can do so until the end of December at: http://unitedway.unm.edu.

WITH THE HELP of a three-year, \$980,000 grant from the National Science Foundation, the Measurement Astrophysics (MAP) Research Team in UNM's Department of Physics and Astronomy has devised instruments and techniques for acquiring more accurate measurements of the brightness of stars and galaxies using ground-based telescopes observing through the Earth's weather-dominated atmosphere. http://news.unm.edu/?p=9052

ACTING PRESIDENT DR. PAUL ROTH is encouraging all faculty, staff and students to conserve energy during the winter break by participating in the Winter Setback Program. For more details on how you can become involved visit: {PDF link to letter from Roth will come from Jane/Mara}

UNM'S OFFICE FOR EQUITY & Inclusion recently hosted Human Rights Day in the SUB atrium. The event celebrated 62 years since the signing of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8882

THE COMMUNITY WAS RECENTLY INVITED to try out games students in an Electrical & Computer Engineering class crafted for their final project. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8869

THE PHASE I WING of UNM's Castetter Hall, which houses the biology department, was among 10 recipients to receive the 2010 Award of Excellence presented recently by the NAIOP, a commercial real estate development association. http://news.unm.edu/?p=9006

THE JEFF HARNAR AWARD for Contemporary Architecture is now accepting submissions for the award to be announced on Friday, Feb. 25, 2011. This noteworthy prize is made in honor of the late Jeff Harnar, who was well known for his groundbreaking work in contemporary architecture in Santa Fe. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8934

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR energy performance, the Health Sciences and Services Building (HSSB), which houses a combination of academics, finance and administrative functions, has earned the EPA's

Energy Star recognition award based on its lowered energy use of more than 27 percent over the last two years. It's the first UNM building to receive this recognition. http://news.unm.edu/?p=8923

THIS WEEK ON New Mexico in Focus, panelists engage in an impassioned discussion about overcoming the state's digital divide and managing children media consumption. This is the fourth installment in KNME's series of partnerships with the community in a new project titled, Public Square. 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=9027