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UNM WILL UTILIZE several communications methods in the event of a weather delay and or closure. University Communication and Marketing will send out a message on the All-University list serve, post the alert and updated information on the UNM homepage, post a message on the UNM portal, issue a Special News Minute and a TextMe alert, and update the Snow Hotline at 277-7669 (SNOW).

NOW IS THE TIME for staff to document their performance for 2009 by completing a performance review self assessment. Performance reviews for 2009 are due to the Division of Human Resources by March 1, 2010. In tough economic times, when monetary rewards are unlikely, the question arises, why do employees have to complete performance reviews? The answer is rooted in the misconception of the primary purpose of performance reviews.

VICE PRESIDENT Cheo Torres and the Division of Student Affairs aim to help feed New Mexico’s hungry this season by donating to the Roadrunner Food Bank. They invite others across campus to participate by donating non-perishable food items between now and Friday, Dec. 18.

A REMINDER FOR DONATIONS benefiting the Animal Humane Association and City of Albuquerque Animal Welfare Department is ongoing through Friday, Dec. 11. Sponsored by UNM Staff Council’s Work+Life Committee, the agencies are requesting specific items limited to peanut butter, bleach, milk bones (all sizes), cat treats, kitty litter, canned kitten or cat food, new washable cat toys or Kong label dog toys.

KNME PRESENTS A NEW, hour-long program, Painting Taos, exploring the colorful history that allowed six relatively unknown painters, known as the Taos Society of Artists, to turn a small mountain village into a premiere American art destination in just a few short decades. Drawing from collections across the United States, Painting Taos shares masterpieces of this pioneering group of artists. Painting Taos premieres Monday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m., statewide on all three New Mexico PBS stations.

ON WEDNESDAY, Dec. 9, Jeffrey Hanson, with Statistical Research, Inc. will give a talk titled, “From Unknown to Known: the identification of the remains of three Buffalo Soldiers from the Fort Craig Cemetery, Socorro County, New Mexico” at 4 p.m. in Room 105 of the Hibben Center at UNM. His talk will detail a two-year investigation conducted by federal agents from the Bureau of Land Management into the removal of human remains from the Ft. Craig cemetery.

HUGH GARAVAN, an associate professor in the School of Psychology at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland will present a talk at MRN on Dec. 10. Titled, “The
neurobiology of cognitive control and its role in addiction,” the talk will begin at 11:45 a.m. in the MRN large conference room. MRN is located in Pete and Nancy Domenici Hall on UNM’s North Campus.

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ON THURSDAY, Dec. 10 at 3:30 p.m., UNM Army ROTC cadets will step forward to receive awards as they prepare to contract to become Army officers. The awards highlight accomplishments achieved during their time as UNM Army ROTC cadets. They went through background checks, medical exams and passed a physical fitness test to contract. They will take their oath in front of their peers at the ceremony, which is set to take place in the UNM Student Union Building Lobo rooms A&B.

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THE UNM BOOKSTORE again features 3-Point Thursdays during basketball season, Dec. 10 - Feb. 25, 2010. 3-Point Thursdays, available at both the main campus and north campus locations, provide a 30 percent discount on purchases of $30 or more of regularly priced Lobowear and Lobo Spirit merchandise.

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THE UNITED WAY Prize Patrol will be in the Student Union Building this Thursday, Dec. 10, from 12 to 1 p.m. giving away more gifts to those wearing their United Way lapel pin. Among the prizes are Starbuck cards, UNM T-shirts, totes, pens and more.

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AT ART SALES by the Tamarind Institute and UNM Department of Art and Art History faculty and students, holiday shoppers can find one-of-a-kind gifts while supporting the arts. The Tamarind’s Holiday Haul It Away Sale offers hundreds of original lithographs created 1970-2003 by internationally recognized artists at discounts of 50 percent or more. The sale will be at the Tamarind Gallery, 110 Cornell Drive SE, Friday, Dec. 11, noon-7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Call (505) 277-3901 or visit:

http://tamarind.unm.edu./

THE HARWOOD MUSEUM of Art of UNM rings in the holiday season and celebrates the beauty of Taos with Lighting Ledoux, a free community event on Saturday, Dec. 12, 5-7:30 p.m. The Harwood and other museums, galleries, shops and salons on historic Ledoux Street open their doors to share music, food and fun. In a centuries old tradition, luminarias line the street and farolitos burn in courtyards.

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UNDERGRADUATE AND graduate students, faculty and staff, engineers, scientists, mathematicians, computer scientists, botanists, psychologists, social workers and counselors are all needed to help judge the 2010 Central New Mexico Science & Engineering Research Challenge. Judging takes place in the Johnson Center South Gym on Friday, March 19, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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