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1. A MEMORIAL SERVICE to celebrate the life and work of Terry L. Yates, UNM Vice President for Research and Economic Development and Professor of Biology and Pathology, will be held Friday, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m. in Popejoy Hall in the Center of the Arts on the UNM campus. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that contributions be made to the Terry Yates Endowment for Field Mammalogy at the University of New Mexico. Please send contributions to the Yates Endowment in care of the UNM Foundation, Inc., MSC07 4260, 1 University of New Mexico, 87131-0001.

2. YOU’RE CORDIALLY INVITED to celebrate the holiday season with the UNM President and First Lady! President David and Mrs. Janet Schmidly warmly welcome you to a Holiday Brunch in appreciation of all you do throughout the year. The reception will be held Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the Atrium of the UNM Student Union Building. Stop by anytime for food, music and fun and take the opportunity to talk with the President and First Lady about your memories of UNM. Attendees are also encouraged to donate an unwrapped toy for the Advancement Division’s annual Spirit of Giving Toy Drive benefitting Toys for Tots. For more information visit: http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002465.html#more

3. UNM HAS RECEIVED a five-year, $4.8 million grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to increase the quantity and diversity of nurses with knowledge of health policy.

4. THE MIND RESEARCH Network can delve deeper into Traumatic Brain Injury thanks to a $65,000 grant from the Albert Einstein Healthcare Network that will expand MRN’s TBI Program. TBI affects approximately 1.4 million people in the U.S. annually. The collaboration will involve Mind Research Network Research Scientist Andrew Mayer, along with the UNM departments of Neurology, Psychology and Emergency Medicine.

5. THE UNM HEALTH Sciences Center recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Santa Fe Indian School to officially announce a collaborative effort intended to prepare SFIS students for possible admission to the UNM School of Medicine and provide educational guidance and opportunities to Native American students interested in becoming health professionals.

6. THE UNITED WAY incentive prizewinners have been selected from a random drawing. They include: Shannon D. Garbiso - 2 tickets to The Chieftains at Popejoy Hall,
Monday, Feb. 18, 2008, 7:30 p.m.; Joseph E. Davis - 2 tickets to men's basketball game at The Pit, Sunday, Dec. 23, 2007, 1 p.m.; and Cynthia King, Jeffery A. Zumwalt, Cindy L. Shue, Miranda S. Eastham, Terry Babbitt and Teresa M. Ortiz each will received a $25 Starbucks gift certificate. Remember to turn in your United Way pledge forms to be qualified for a drawing to win either men's or women's basketball tickets. President David J. Schmidly will join the lucky winner. [http://unitedway.unm.edu/](http://unitedway.unm.edu/)

7. IN THE LAST five years, students from the UNM Department of Theatre and Dance dramatic writing program have claimed seven national playwriting awards. If 2007 is any indication, the program’s success will only grow. Once again, UNM playwrights have brought home national awards, but they have also added to that list with renowned fellowships and attendance in reputed national programs. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002475.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002475.html#more)

8. IMMIGRATION IS A hot topic in the United States, especially since the failure of President Bush’s June 2007 immigration reform legislation. During this time, media on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border provided stories, editorials, position papers and narratives about the trials, tribulations, successes and heartbreaks of people who have entered the United States. Those stories, and their impact on the people of the United States and Mexico, have been under the legal microscope of UNM Law professors Antoinette Sedillo Lopez and Gloria Valencia-Weber. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002481.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002481.html#more)

9. DR. PHILIP A. May, professor of Sociology and Family and Community Medicine from the UNM Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Addictions and director of the New Mexico Access to Research Careers program, recently received the Wayne S. Fenton Undergraduate Research Educator Award presented by the National Institute of Mental Health. He is the second individual to receive the award, which was initiated last year. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002490.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002490.html#more)

10. NOW ON UNM Live: Selections from a reading celebrating the 30th anniversary of Conceptions Southwest, UNM's student literary and arts magazine. [http://unmlive.unm.edu](http://unmlive.unm.edu)

11. LAST WEEK’S performance of the Verdi Requiem, featuring special Italian soloists and conductor, is already available in a two-CD set, said Bradley Ellingboe, who directed the nearly 300 performers from the UNM University Chorus and UNM Concert Choir. Also featured is the UNM Symphony Orchestra, directed by Jorge Perez-Gomez. [http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002493.html#more](http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002493.html#more)

12. A FILM CREW will be working on UNM's main campus from Monday, Dec. 17, through Sunday, Dec. 23, at the Center for the Arts, the Center of the Universe, and outside Woodward Hall. The film crew will park in the following locations: sections of A and E lots, west of Northrop Hall, south of Mitchell Hall, in the metered parking spots next to the Center for the Arts building, and along Redondo - east of Yale. Please be prepared for traffic and pedestrian congestion in these areas.
13. THIS WEEK ON ‘New Mexico In Focus’ guests and panelists look at the U.S. Senate race now that Albuquerque Mayor Martin Chavez has dropped out. Panelists will also discuss what was behind Chavez’s decision as well as what is next for him. The show airs Friday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. and repeats on Sunday, Dec. 16, at 6:30 a.m. on KNME, Channel 5. http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002489.html#more