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1. **THREE UNM REGENTS** are scheduled to be confirmed by the New Mexico State Senate tomorrow morning, Friday, Feb. 9. Gov. Bill Richardson appointed UNM law student Dahlia Dorman as the new student regent to succeed Rosalyn Nguyen. Local attorney Caroline Abeita, who earned both her undergraduate and law degrees from UNM, will succeed Sandra Begay-Campbell. Don Chalmers was re-appointed to the board by Gov. Richardson. Their appointments will be heard first by Senate Rules.
2. **ROBERT MCGRATH**, senior vice president for research at The Ohio State University, will be on campus tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 9, for a series of open forums – at 10:15 a.m. for staff, 3:45 p.m. for faculty and 5 p.m. for students, all in SUB Ballroom B. The final candidate, Oklahoma State University System President and CEO David J. Schmidly will be on campus next Tuesday, Feb. 13. To date, nearly 300 people have taken part in the faculty, staff, student and community forums for each of UNM's presidential candidates. If you have not been able to attend the forums, you can still watch how the candidates interacted with staff and faculty. Go to <http://www.unm.edu/faculty.html> to find the faculty forums and <http://www.unm.edu/~stafcom/> for the staff forums. UNM Regents want to see your comments on all of the candidates. Please send them to [search@unm.edu](mailto:search@unm.edu).
3. **UNM IS THE** most recent member of the Imageworks Professional Academic Excellence program, called IPAX. The announcement was made at the New Mexico MISP (Media Industries Strategy Project) Conference at UNM last Friday. The IPAX membership will support the interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media Program that is currently being developed at UNM. Other noted academic IPAX members include USC, Stanford, Carnegie-Mellon, and MIT. UNM, however, has the only membership given to an entire university. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001692.html#more>
4. **THE UNM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** will bestow its four annual major awards to outstanding alumni and faculty tonight, Thursday, Feb. 8, at the Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town. This year's recipients include Judith Rogala, James F. Zimmerman Award; Warren J. Baker, Rodey Award; Jim Hinton, Erna S. Fergusson Award; and Leslie Donovan, UNM Alumni Association Faculty Award. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001691.html#more>
5. **MICHAEL MORRIS** and Sally Seidel are 2006-07 Fulbright recipients. Morris, a research professor and director of the College of Education Office for Community Learning and Public Service, received a New Century Scholars award, the Fulbright's global program where scholars look at large issues impacting education and/or health for a year in a cohort group. Seidel, a professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy, is lecturing and conducting research on "Mapping and Research: Mapping the Strong Potential, The Subatomic Frontier," at Lund University, Lund, Sweden. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001693.html#more>

6. DR. SUSAN FOX, Sr. Associate Dean for Community Partnerships and Practice at the College of Nursing, was recently elected President-Elect for the New Mexico Organization of Nurse Executives.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=5703>

7. THE UNM TEACHERS' Institute is offering a multi-disciplinary series of one-day workshops on climate change. The institute draws upon expertise across the academic spectrum to educate and inform teachers about a topic of broad community and global interest, said Wanda Martin, associate professor of English and a founding director of the institute. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001682.html#more>

8. THE SARAH BELLE BROWN Community Service Award will be presented at a reception Saturday, Feb. 10, 2-3 p.m. in the Tow Diehm President's Pavilion, at the south end of the football field. The award recognizes UNM faculty and staff who have dedicated substantial time to volunteer activities and demonstrated a high level of commitment to public service.

9. ALBUQUERQUE HIGH SCHOOL students will literally be learning something about broken hearts when UNM students and professors meet with them on Wednesday, Feb. 14, to talk about tissue engineering. About 100 AHS students are expected to attend this special UNM Bioengineering Outreach program to interest minority students in engineering. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001695.html#more>

10. ALBUQUERQUE'S HISTORY – from the development of its metropolitan area to community activism in Martineztown – are articles in the New Mexico Historical Review's Winter 2007 issue, a must-read for Albuquerqueans. Stephen Wheeler, formerly of the School of Architecture and Planning, teamed up with Wade Patterson on the lead article, "The Rise of the Regional City: Spatial Development of the Albuquerque Metropolitan Area." <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001698.html#more>

11. UNM IS A MAJOR sponsor for "Creating a New Element," the theme of the 2007 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair scheduled for May 13-19 at the Albuquerque Convention Center and Expo New Mexico. The event will need 1,200 judges and 600 or more volunteers to assist with the events. Judges and volunteers can sign up on the event Web site: [www.intelisef2007.org](http://www.intelisef2007.org).  
<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001690.html#more>

12. SIXTEEN STUDENT teams from New Mexico and Colorado will be showing their proposals for a Mars mobile laboratory in the 19th Annual Space Design Competition at the Hotel Albuquerque on Monday, Feb. 12, from 8:30 to 10:45 a.m. The competition is just one element of the 2007 Space Technology and Applications International Forum, organized by UNM's Institute for Space and Nuclear Power Studies. This year's theme is "Space Renaissance: Inspiring the Next Generation."  
<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001688.html#more>

13. EXPERIENCE WALT WHITMAN's "Leaves of Grass," presented in dramatic fashion by Bruce Noll, a faculty member in the Educational Leadership Program who also teaches in the Freshman Learning Communities. The event, which will be held Monday, Feb. 12 in the Student Union Ballroom C, is a benefit for the Communication and Journalism graduate student organization: "Commgrads." Admission is \$5 for students and \$7 general admission. All tickets will be sold at the door.

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