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1. NOTICE TO MANAGERS: Staff performance reviews are due in the Department of Human Resources by next Friday, March 31. Acting President David Harris strongly endorses this formal performance evaluation process as a means to provide feedback to staff on their work and to document progress on goals. For those staff eligible for merit pay, Harris described the evaluation process as absolutely necessary to support and justify merit pay decisions. It is his expectation that managers complete performance evaluations for all staff.

2. THE ANDERSON SCHOOLS of Management will honor seven outstanding alumni and one outstanding faculty member at its 17th Annual Hall of Fame celebration. Selected for their professional success, contribution to the community, and ongoing commitment to education, Hall of Fame, Young Alumni and Anderson faculty honorees join a distinguished roster of leaders in New Mexico and around the country.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001112.html#more>

3. THE OFFICE FOR POLICY, Security and Technology, a collaborative venture by UNM and Sandia National Laboratories (SNL), has selected four groups to receive grant awards in support of the development of new interdisciplinary undergraduate and or graduate courses that highlight the relationship between public policy and science and technology (S&T). <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001126.html#more>

4. WORLD WATER DAY will be marked at UNM with a free film and follow-up discussion about how people from different cultures work together to share a water resource. The program, co-sponsored by the Utton Transboundary Resources Center and Environmental Law Student Association, is today from 5-6:30 p.m. at the UNM School of Law, rm. 2405. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001116.html#more>

5. THE UNM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION will honor six distinguished women alumni who have made a profound impact on students, schools and communities at “The Stars Among Us Gala” fundraising dinner April 1. Distinguished alumni awards will be presented to: Kathy Lou Jones; Dora Ortiz; Diane (Rivera) Bryant; Barbara Vigil-Lowder; Fannye Irving-Gibbs; and Karen Abraham.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001121.html#more>

6. RESEARCHERS AT THE UNM Prevention Research Center have received a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Research Initiative to test if a positive, hands-on experience with fresh and affordable foods - including fruits and vegetables - will increase children’s preferences for consumption of these healthful foods. Researchers will partner with school food and nutrition programs in Santa Fe, Las Cruces and Gallup to explore the ways children learn about and choose foods.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=4812>

7. THE UNM CANCER AND RESEARCH Treatment Center received 11 of 54 award nominations from The People's Caring Awards this year. Presented by and benefiting People Living Through Cancer Inc., the awards pay tribute to individuals and health care professionals for their compassion and support for cancer survivors within the community.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=4803>

8. KNME SCIENCE CAFE will present a UNM expert on robotics, Mars rover and moon robotics as its Science Cafe topic on Friday, March 24, when KNME TV Channel 5 invites those 18 and older to experience "Adult Night at Explora Science Center.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001118.html#more>

9. NATIONAL ALLIANCE on Mental Illness presents "In Our Own Voice: Living With Mental Illness," Monday, March 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in SUB ballroom B. Co-sponsored by UNM Human Resources and psychiatry, the free talk is open to the university community and family members. For information, contact Mimi Swanson at 277-1781 or mswanson@unm.edu. To learn more about NAMI visit:

<http://www.nami.org/>.

10. UNM'S CAMPUS OFFICE of Substance Abuse Prevention (COSAP), along with Bernalillo County prevention organizations, Educational Enterprises, Inc. and The Cornstalk Institute, will convene a town hall meeting on Tuesday, March 28, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Loma Linda Community Center located at 1700 Yale, S.E. The town hall is part of a comprehensive plan to reduce underage alcohol use and risky drinking by youths and young adults. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001114.html#more>

11. UNM WILL HOST the 2nd Annual Peace and Justice Fair featuring more than 50 exhibits and several panel discussions and performances on Wednesday, March 29, from noon to 10 p.m. in the Student Union Building ballrooms. This year's theme is "Question Violence: Wage Peace." The event is free and open to the public and will feature panel discussions focusing on students integrating a commitment to social justice with life in the classroom. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001111.html#more>

12. THE FEMINIST RESEARCH INSTITUTE and the Office for Policy, Security and Technology are co-sponsoring a "Forum on Opportunities and Challenges for Women in Science and Engineering" on Wednesday, March 29, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Acoma Room at the UNM Student Union Building.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001128.html#more>

13. LAII HOSTS COLONIAL STUDIES COLLOQUIUM THIS WEEKEND

The Latin American and Iberian Institute presents a spring colloquium, "Interdisciplinary Methods in Colonial Studies: Approaches to the study of texts, images, and space," Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25 in the Ortega Hall Reading Room on the UNM

campus. The event is free and open to the public.

http://laii.unm.edu/display.pl?action=display_item&event_id=349