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STUDENTS IN TEACHER EDUCATION at CNM should find it easier now to transfer credits to UNM to complete their bachelor's degrees. A transfer agreement signed by representatives of both schools spells out precisely which credits can be transferred.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004869.html#more>

REGULAR FACULTY AND STAFF should have received an e-mail from Research & Polling, Inc. in their inbox this week. UNM has hired them to conduct an online survey on topics such as climate and communication. Everyone is asked to fill out the survey and return it as quickly as possible. Research & Polling Inc. is an independent research company not affiliated in any way with UNM. No administrators from UNM will have access to individual results so answers will remain anonymous.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004853.html#more>

ON MONDAY, MARCH 8, UNM's Board of Regents will vote on a proposal emphasizing students' preparation in high school, rewarding rigorous coursework and continuing to de-emphasize standardized test scores. The proposal would gradually increase the required grade point average from 2.25 to 2.5 and increase curriculum requirements from 13 to 16 units. Changes would be phased in over three years, beginning no earlier than fall 2011. The meeting will be held at 9 a.m. in SUB Ballroom C.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004849.html#more>

THE UNVEILING OF TWO initiatives for the advisement community and student success will be celebrated Friday, March 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The first is an open house to introduce the new "University Advisement and Enrichment Center," formerly known as the Student Services Center. The second is the formal release of LOBOTRAX - UNM's new interactive degree audit. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004836.html#more>

DR. VICTOR Strasburger, chief of the division of Adolescent Medicine, UNM Department of Pediatrics, addresses recent research on media affects on the health and well-being of children and adolescents in an article on the online version of Pediatrics, the Official Journal of the American Academy of Pediatrics. In the article, "Health Effects of Media on Children and Adolescents," Strasburger reviews the research that has found that media can influence children's beliefs and behaviors in terms of violence and aggression, sex, substance abuse, obesity and eating disorders.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004847.html#more>

DUE TO POPULAR demand, the UNM Bookstore lobby will be open again on Friday, March 5, at 10 a.m., to sell Mountain West Conference Championship t-shirts to recognize and celebrate the UNM Men's Basketball team's Mountain West Conference regular season championship. Also, on Monday, March 8, the UNM Bookstore, which is currently closed for inventory, will sell a complete line of MWC Championship merchandise at 30 percent off.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004870.html#more>

THE UNM DIVISION of Student Affairs seeks nominations for its annual “Louie” awards. The deadline to submit is Friday, March 12 at 5 p.m. Awards will be given in five categories including Student Affairs Employee of the Year and Student Affairs Student Employee of the Year. For more information and or questions, call Natalie Brigrance at 277-0952 or visit: <http://www.unm.edu/~ovpsa/>. The Louies will be presented to the winners at a reception on Wednesday, April 7 in the SUB.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004863.html#more>

IN PREPARATION FOR the second annual UNM Sustainability Expo set for Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, the event’s organizing committee announces an open call for student, staff and faculty participation. Event coordinators welcome individuals presenting research and organized groups and departments to showcase sustainability programs, goals, and initiatives in this campus-wide event. There is no cost to participate.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004852.html#more>

THE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS’ program is hosting a conference in Albuquerque, April 6-11, for approximately 40 women Fulbright scholars from Africa. They would like participants to have the experience of U.S. home stay families while in Albuquerque. If anyone is interested in hosting one or more of the participants, contact Ruth Frazier, Albuquerque Council of International Visitors, at (505) 250-9961 or (505) 828-1958 or e-mail, [rufrazier@aol.com](mailto:rufrazier@aol.com).

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004856.html#more>

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING Associate Professor Tariq Khraishi has been given the 2010 Outstanding Service Award by the Gulf-Southwest Section by the American Society for Engineering Education. The award is given for long-term service in the engineering community in general and engineering education in particular. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004860.html#more>

BALL AEROSPACE & Technologies Corp. donated \$15,000 to support three student organizations at the UNM School of Engineering and student research in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Ball Aerospace’s support and resources are directed to UNM student chapters of Women in Science Engineering, the Society for Women Engineers and the Hispanic Engineering and Science Organization. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004851.html#more>

THE JOHN SOMMERS Gallery presents the first Master of Fine Arts thesis show featuring interactive video projection, “Mortal Coil” by May Goldman Chaltiel. The exhibit runs March 4-12, with on opening reception on Thursday, March 4, 5-7 p.m.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004864.html#more>

THE REMAINDER of the Forever Tango tour has been canceled, including a visit to Popejoy Hall on Sunday, March 7. Ticketholders for Forever Tango can exchange tickets for other Popejoy Presents shows, including Cabaret, Ballet Folklórico de México, Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Three Mo' Tenors, Diavolo Dance Theatre or Ed Asner in FDR. The price of the tickets can also be accepted as a tax-deductible donation to Popejoy Hall, or refunded to the original buyer.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004858.html#more>

GANESH BALAKRISHNAN, assistant professor of Electrical Engineering, plays Indian mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan, and Riti Sachdeva, UNM theater graduate student, plays Namagiri, goddess of Namakal. Both have lead roles in the new Explora Theater play, Partition, showing at Explora Thursday-Saturday, March 4-6, 7 p.m.; Sunday, March 7, 2 p.m. For additional dates and ticket information visit: <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004854.html#more>

THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO County Water Utility Authority has begun construction work on Basehart Road that is expected to continue through March 12. During this time the two westbound lanes of Basehart Road will be closed, with traffic shifted to the eastbound lanes and one lane of traffic open in each direction. Commuters may want to avoid southbound University near the UNM South Campus. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004850.html#more>