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1. UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATORS are planning to reopen portions of Zimmerman Library to the public sometime in June. The ground floor, second and third levels will all be opened while cleaning and repair of the basement level is underway.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001225.html#more>

2. CAMPUS POLICE are asking that anyone who was in Zimmerman Library on April 30 after 5 p.m. to contact them. Officers hope to interview people who were in the library late Sunday afternoon and evening about anything they might have seen as they continue to investigate the fire that forced the closure of Zimmerman. Campus police can be reached at 277-2241.

3. SAYING THEY WANT to lighten the financial burden on students, UNM regents revisited their decision of last month and set the 2006-07 tuition/fee increase at 5.5 percent, down from 6.11 percent.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001234.html#more>

4. ASSOCIATE PROVOST for Academic Affairs Wynn Goering is looking to draw more students into the classroom during summer term, and he thinks a price break (based on fall 2006 tuition), is a great way to do it. Summer enrollment has become increasingly important for a number of reasons. From the university's standpoint, it's a cost-effective way to make use of laboratories, classrooms and other facilities that otherwise go unused said Goering. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001232.html#more>

5. UNM HAS FILED an application with the State of New Mexico Public Employee Labor Relations Board (PELRB) in mid-January requesting approval of a new labor relations resolution for the University. The new resolution represents a complete overhaul of the Board's long-standing policy regarding labor relations at the university.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001233.html#more>

6. MORE PROGRAMS at the UNM School of Engineering are ranked nationally than ever before. Five UNM engineering programs are listed in recent annual rankings. U.S. News & World Report's 2007 edition of "America's Best Graduate Schools" ranks the University of New Mexico computer engineering program No. 54 and its electrical engineering program No. 61 among all universities ranked.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001226.html#more>

7. IN ITS May 8 issue, Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education presents its annual lists of top 100 colleges for Hispanics. UNM is featured prominently across degrees and disciplines. The magazine reports that UNM ranks No. 9 for awarding doctoral degrees to Hispanics, No. 19 for master's degrees and No. 13 for awarding bachelor's degrees to Hispanics. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001236.html#more>

8. THE UNM FOUNDATION elected six new members and re-elected five members to its Board of Directors recently. New members include: Carl Alongi, Laura Heuter Bass,

John Cordova, James Ellis, Sonnet McKinnon and Robert Murphy. Re-elected members include: Dr. George Omer, Dorothy Rainosek, Michael Emerson, Lou Weller and Anne Yegge. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001230.html#more>

9. DR. MARY LIPSCOMB has been appointed executive dean of the UNM School of Medicine. Since coming to UNM as chair of the Department of Pathology in 1996, Lipscomb has a long list of accomplishments. One of the most notable is leading a group of pathology and internal medicine faculty in a winning proposal for an National Institutes of Health-funded Specialized Center of Research in Asthma, one of only eight in the country.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=4952>

10. LEAH STEIMEL has been appointed the first director of the UNM Health Sciences Center Office of Community Affairs, announced Executive Vice President for Health Sciences Dr. Paul Roth. Steimel will help coordinate special community relations projects and work to strengthen community ties.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=4951>

11. BRENDA BOVA, professor and senior advisor to acting UNM President David Harris, will receive the Spirit of Achievement Award from the National Jewish Medical and Research Center on May 8. The award is presented to individuals who have built a legacy of contributing their time, talents and resources in all areas of life.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001224.html#more>

12. UNM'S EMPLOYEE HEALTH PROMOTION Program will launch an eight-week weight-loss program in mid-June based on NBC's popular program, "The Biggest Loser." The show spawned weight loss clubs, Web sites and copycat competitions worldwide. UNM will capitalize on the fervor to help employees improve health through diet, exercise and lifestyle. Registration begins today and is limited to 175 individuals.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001231.html#more>

13. FOR THE SECOND consecutive year, a team of MBA students from the Anderson Schools' of Management has advanced to the final round in the 2006 Cadillac Case Study Competition. The team is one of two finalists who will present their case studies to a panel of Cadillac executives on May 25 in the annual competition held each year in Detroit, Mich. Last year, an MBA team from UNM took top honors in the competition.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001227.html#more>

14. STUDENTS ENTERING grades 7 and 8 in the 2006-07 academic year are invited to explore the world of law at UNM's Summer Law Camp. The camp is free, including classes, room and board, activities and transportation. Two one-week sessions will be held June 5-9 and June 12-16. Applications are due by May 20.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001229.html#more>

15. A TWO-DAY WORKSHOP for public officials interested in economic development in New Mexico towns and cities, "Town Center Revitalization in New Mexico: Creating Place," is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, May 17-18, at the MCM Elegante Hotel in Albuquerque. Experts in the field of community-based economic development will discuss what it takes to create a great town and what aspects of physical design support creating vital public spaces. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001235.html#more>