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1. THE FIRST-EVER Higher Education Staff Summit held last week at the University of New Mexico resulted in the formation of the New Mexico Higher Education Staff Association. Employees from 13 institutions – representing New Mexico’s two- and four-year colleges and universities – gathered at UNM to discuss issues facing staff in the upcoming legislative session.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001346.html#more>

2. INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS at UNM has won NCAA certification for the next 10 years, UNM and the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification announced recently. The Committee issued certification with no conditions.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001343.html#more>

3. ACTING PRESIDENT DAVID HARRIS has announced the appointment of Michael Schwantes as acting Associate Vice President for Financial Services on main campus while Bill Britton is on short-term leave.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001342.html#more>

4. CANDIDATE OPEN FORUMS have been scheduled for the position of assistant dean for Graduate Studies. Each forum will be held from 11 to 11:45 a.m., in rm. 108 of the Humanities Building. Faculty, staff, students and members of the UNM community are all invited to attend the open forums.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001344.html#more>

5. THE UNM POLICE Department recently recognized two of its employees, Officer Gaspar Garcia and Dispatcher Ann Landis, as officer and civilian of the year, respectively. Garcia and Landis were each selected for their contributions to the department as well as to the UNM community.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001345.html#more>

6. ARMED WITH LAPTOPS and divided into six two-person crews, UNM School of Engineering students are examining more than 7,500 miles of pavement in the northern part of New Mexico. The Department of Transportation has hired them, along with New Mexico State University students who are examining the southern part of the state, to inspect the state’s roads and evaluate conditions.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001341.html#more>

7. MORE THAN 60 national leaders, including health care providers, researchers and librarians, shared experiences on the challenges in accessing and delivering healthcare information and data to Native Americans at a two-day conference hosted by UNM’s Health Sciences Library and Informatics Center recently. Attendees, some from as far away as Alaska, also planned the development of a comprehensive Native American health information network to continue building and sharing progressive practices.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=516>

8. PSYCHIATRIST JOEL YAGER was recently honored by the American Association of Technology in Psychiatry with its Marvin J. Miller Lifetime Achievement Award for his overall contributions to the field of psychiatry, including his recent innovative work using e-mail as an effective outreach for treating New Mexico patients with eating disorders.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=5160>

9. DECOLORES, Inc., a non-profit, all volunteer organization founded in 1974, has created and developed programming which celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month by offering month-long series of community activities held September 15 through October 15. Consider nominating an "Unsung Hero" to be honored this year. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001348.html#more>

10. THE NEW MEXICO Learning Network Planning Summit, a chance for New Mexico leaders in higher and public education, government and economic development to come together to plan a new direction for distance learning in the state of New Mexico, takes place Thursday and Friday, Aug. 3 and 4, at the New Mexico State University Albuquerque Center, located at 2444 Louisiana Blvd. NE. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001347.html#more>