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DEAN BRENDA J. CLAIBORNE recently announced this year's recipients of the College of Arts & Sciences Award for Teaching Excellence. Faculty awardees include Timothy Graham, professor of history; Derek Hamilton, assistant professor of psychology; and Michael Rocca, assistant professor, political science. Graduate student awardees are Iliana Rucker, Communication and Journalism, and Leah Sneider, English. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005128.html#more>

THE 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SARAH Belle Brown award winners were announced by the Committee for Public Service and Community Engagement yesterday. The 2010 recipients included Adelamar Alcantara , Sr. Research Scientist from the Bureau of Business and Economic Research, Vanessa Apodaca, University and Community Liaison from the Vice President's Office for Community Health and Regents' Professor of Biology Maggie Werner-Washburne.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005146.html#more>

THE HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER has determined that the Biomedical Research Facility, damaged by fire yesterday, is ready to be occupied again EXCEPT for the laboratories that were damaged. The decision, in effect as of 2 p.m. today, Thursday, May 6, is for the undamaged areas on the 2nd and 3rd floors. The basement, ground floor and first floor were open for occupancy at 8 a.m. today. <http://hsc.unm.edu/>

THE HUMAN RESOURCES has sent out final notice for any employee intending to retire before July 1, 2010. Be sure to notify your department of your plans to retire as the department must have all separation paperwork submitted to the Division of Human Resources by May 10 for monthly employees and June 4 for bi-weekly employees. This paperwork is separate from the ERB application for retirement submitted by the employee directly to the Division of Human Resources Retiree Services. For more information about retiring before July 1, 2010, read the full article at:

<http://hr.unm.edu/articles.php?ID=321>.

THE UNITED STATES Distance Learning Association recently presented its 2010 International "21st Century Award for Best Practices in Distance Learning" award to the University of New Mexico's Project Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (Project ECHO) for its innovative healthcare program that helps provide care of chronic and complex diseases in rural and medically underserved areas of New Mexico.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=8720>

RESIDENCE HALL STUDENTS recently competed in the first "Green Residence Hall" competition, sponsored by the Office of Sustainability and the university's "Eco Reps." The competition started on "Earth Hour," Saturday, March 27 at 8:30 p.m. and ended on "Earth Day," Thursday, April 22. Winning dorms were Alvarado Hall for electricity, Laguna/DeVargas Hall for steam, and the Student Residence Center for chilled water. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005140.html#more>

DID YOU KNOW the Mechanical Engineering building is heated and cooled by solar panels? After finding some old solar panels in the basement of the building in 2008, ME faculty, graduate students and PPD designed and installed a system that could save 100 tons of CO2 per year. There are also solar panels on

the top of Tech Education Center that provides 7 percent of the building's electricity. The new parking structure, being constructed on Yale and Lomas, will have solar panels and a electric meter running backward. For more information on sustainability at UNM visit: <http://sustainability.unm.edu/>.

FOUR FINALISTS for the position of director at UNM Press have been announced. The finalists include John Byram, Joan Catapano, Clark Whitehorn and Joann O'Hare. An open forum is set for each candidate from 3:45-5 p.m. in the Roberts Room at Scholes Hall. The open forums are scheduled for May 12, 13, 14 and 17, respectively.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005136.html#more>

TWO UNM PRESS AUTHORS were among the winners of the 2010 Arizona Book Awards announced by the Arizona Book Publishing Association at a gala banquet at the Phoenix Country Club recently. Rebecca Reider won the award for Adult General Nonfiction for her book Dreaming the Biosphere: The Theater of All Possibilities, the tangled tale of the creation, and eventual disintegration, of the experimental ecotopia known as Biosphere 2. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005142.html#more>

SCHOOL OF LAW Dean Kevin Washburn and New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson recently announced a new law school course designed to strengthen the state's ambitious campaign to reduce DWI and domestic violence incidents. The course, DWI and Domestic Violence Prosecution in Practice, debuts in the fall 2010 semester and will provide targeted instruction and training in DWI and domestic violence prosecutions. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005145.html#more>

THE UNM COLLEGIATE CHAPTER of the American Marketing Association presents UNM's second annual Undie Rock 'n' Run will be held tonight at Johnson Field beginning at 8 p.m. The Undie Rock 'n' Run is an event where participants shed their clothes and run one mile through main campus in their underwear (or comfort clothes). The purpose of the run is to promote school spirit and relieve stress before finals while collecting clothes for charity. The event, originally shceduled for last Thursday, but postponed due to high winds and cold temperatures, is free and is open to all UNM students.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/005132.html#more>

THE UNM STUDENT UNION continues its "Late Night Breakfast" tradition on Sunday, May 9 from 9 to 11 p.m. The free student event is held every semester before finals week providing breakfast, giveaways, and live entertainment. The first 200 students in line get a free T-shirt. UNM ID required.

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JIM LEHRER HAS been a fixture in public broadcasting for more than three decades, and is one of the most respected and beloved journalists of our time. This week on "New Mexico in Focus," Lehrer sits down with host Gene Grant and talks about the changing face of broadcast news and Lehrer's attempts to adapt to those changes. "New Mexico in Focus" airs Fridays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 6:30 a.m.

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