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JULIA E. FULGHUM, chair, Chemical and Nuclear Engineering, has been appointed interim vice president for Research. Fulghum's immediate priority is to work with colleagues across campus to facilitate all aspects of on-campus research and also to extend collaboration with UNM's external partners.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002834.html#more>

UNM'S 53rd ANNUAL RESEARCH Lecture will be presented by Pathology Professor Larry Sklar. The lecture, titled "Team Science: Partnerships for Discovery and Innovation," will be held tonight beginning at 7 p.m. at the Domenici Auditorium at the UNM Health Sciences Center.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002585.html#more>

WHEN THE 7th International Conference on Hantavirus Ecology and Disease was held in Puerto Vargas, Chile earlier this month, it opened with a tribute to former UNM Vice President for Research and Economic Development Terry Yates. Yates, who died in December, was a well-known researcher into the ecology of rodent-borne diseases.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002838.html#more>

UNM HOSPITALS is currently working on a 'Tree of Life' glass door panel project to enhance the meditation room on the first floor of the UNM Hospital Pavilion. Glass artist Denise Taylor of Taylor Made Glass, the same artist who created the glass mural, will create the glass door panel inserts for the meditation room's double doors. The meditation room is a serene setting with the west wall made of a stained glass mural and a fountain in the center of the room, which brings a sense of peace to those who visit.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002840.html#more>

SAM TRUETT, associate professor of history in the College of Arts and Sciences, has been selected for inclusion in the History News Network's Top Young Historians feature.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002843.html#more>

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW Dr. Nikki L. Jernigan has been awarded the Parker B. Francis Fellowship. She is the sole UNM member of the Class of 2008 Fellows. Only 18 exceptional pulmonary science researchers were selected by the Foundation's Scientific Council of Advisors to receive the fellowship out of 65 applicants.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6869>

SANJEEV ARORA, professor, Department of Internal Medicine and Director of the groundbreaking Project ECHO (Extension for Community Health Outcomes) Program at the University of New Mexico, was recently honored as a Computerworld Honors Program 2008 Laureate. The Computerworld Information Technology Award Foundation, Inc. established the Laureate and Leadership Awards program in 1988.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6876>

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE Associate Professor C. Fernando Valenzuela was recently awarded the Earl A. Walker Award. The Walker Award is presented annually to a UNM faculty member who has demonstrated exceptional achievement in neuroscience research. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6883>

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY student, Regina Scott, has been selected to serve on the Pharmacy Student Executive Committee for the National Community Pharmacists Association. Scott will serve on the committee for two years. During her first year, she will act as a member of the Student Regional Council. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6866>

THE STAFF AS STUDENTS Fair, presented by the UNM Division of Human Resources, will be held Friday, Apr. 18 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Student Union Building Ballroom B. It will provide a fast and easy one-stop shop to help staff become students. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002836.html#more>

ANGEL GONZALEZ, emeritus faculty member in the University of New Mexico Department of Spanish and Portuguese and one of Spain's most prominent poets and member of a literary generation known for its opposition to the dictatorship of Gen. Francisco Franco, died in January at the age of 82. An event honoring Gonzalez is set for Saturday, April 19 at 7 p.m. at the National Hispanic Cultural Center's Bank of America Theater. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002833.html#more>

THE UNM NATIVE American Studies Lecture Series features two presentations, one offering insight on indigenous higher education in Canada on Monday, April 21, and the other focusing on the Iroquois on Wednesday, April 23. Both events are free and open to the public. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002841.html#more>

THIS WEEK'S EDITION of "New Mexico In Focus" will feature a special program, "Building Green," to celebrate Earth Day. "Building Green" will explore some of the realities and myths around green building development, such as: cost and design of the buildings, and will discuss the solutions, innovations and visionaries in building environmentally green buildings. "New Mexico In Focus" will air on Friday, April 18 at 7 p.m. and repeat on Sunday, April 20 at 6:30 a.m. on KNME-TV, channel 5. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002837.html#more>

THE UNM HEALTH Sciences Center Office of Diversity and UNM Hospitals, in partnership with other stakeholders throughout the state, are holding a two-day forum on Friday and Saturday, May 2-3 on growing and diversifying the pool of people entering and staying in the healthcare professions in New Mexico. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002839.html#more>