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1. UNM WILL WELCOME more than 600 freshmen along with 2,000 family members and friends to the Freshman Family Day Convocation, Sunday, Aug. 20, at 4 p.m. in Popejoy Hall. The event serves as a prelude to fall semester. Approximately 2,900 freshmen are expected to begin classes next Monday.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001367.html#more>

2. A FIVE-YEAR, \$2.8 million Title V grant has been awarded to UNM to enhance support services for Hispanic students. In addition, the UNM Valencia campus received nearly \$2.5 million. The United States Department of Education awards the grants under the Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions program.

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3. FOR THE FIRST TIME, the College of Nursing will be offering its Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at the UNM Valencia and UNM Taos campuses starting January 2007. Faculty and administrators at both branch campuses have been working for several years in partnership with the CON to provide the required prerequisite courses for the BSN program.

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4. AT UNM-GALLUP'S South Campus in Zuni, Jean Martinez-Welles, a professor in Health Careers at UNM-Gallup, and John Welles invented and developed a solar oven. Their project is funded by a Center for Disease Control grant awarded to UNM-Gallup to develop a program to combat diabetes in the region.

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5. MORE THAN TWO YEARS have passed since the Lumina Foundation approved a \$400,000 grant to implement institutional change at UNM-Gallup through its Achieving the Dream initiative. Since then, the college has launched several initiatives designed to increase the success of underserved students. Targeting students in high school has been one of the college's primary goals with the Lumina funds.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001362.html#more>

6. PAM HURD-KNIEF has been appointed interim associate vice president for Development. Hurd-Knief will lead the day-to-day operations of UNM's Development programs, including university and health sciences fundraising units, and will serve as a senior advisor in planning and establishing UNM's upcoming comprehensive campaign. She will begin her new role Sept. 1.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001371.html#more>

7. PSYCHOLOGY Ph.D. CANDIDATE Jennifer Knapp Manuel is conducting a study of ways to make CRAFT, or community reinforcement approach and family training, a method more widely available to concerned family members of drug users. The self-study and group methods she is evaluating promise to make CRAFT more accessible to

those who want and need help.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001369.html#more>

8. UNM AND UNMH SHUTTLE SERVICES are combining resources to ensure that all Rail Runner passengers wanting a ride from the Alvarado station to UNM get one – free of charge. The courtesy shuttle service was initially offered on a trial basis to UNM and UNMH faculty and staff only.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001360.html#more>

9. THE FINAL SUMMER Staff Appreciation Concert will be at noon, Friday, August 18, featuring the band Jasper. The concert will be held in University Honors Plaza, near the SUB and Johnson Center. Come celebrate the last Friday before the start of classes at UNM. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001364.html#more>

10. UNM WILL HOST will host the next meeting of the state’s Information Technology Oversight Committee (ITOC), Tuesday, Aug. 22. The session runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the UNM High Performance Computing Center located on the northwest corner of Central Ave. and University Blvd. Commissioned by the New Mexico Legislative Council, ITOC is a 21-member group consisting of state senators and representatives. It is designed to facilitate and better support the legislative work during the next session.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001370.html#more>

11. THE RESOURCE CENTER for Raza Planning in the UNM School of Architecture and Planning hosts "University and Community Collaboration: The First 10 Years" on Thursday, Aug. 24, from 5-8:30 p.m. at the Wool Warehouse, 516 1st St. NW. The event celebrates the center's accomplishments, marks a change in leadership and, in the tradition of planners, charts a course for the future.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001372.html#more>

12. THE EIGHTH ANNUAL Jeff Apodaca Celebration of Life Gala benefiting the Children’s Hospital Cancer Program will be held Saturday, Aug. 26, at the National Hispanic Cultural Center.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=5216>

13. NEW MEXICO’S FIRST female federal judge, Chief Justice Martha Vázquez, is the keynote speaker for “Unsung Heroes,” the theme of De Colores’ 14th Annual Hispanic Culture Festival banquet, Saturday, Oct. 14, from 7 – 9 p.m. at the UNM Student Union Building Ballroom. Tickets are \$75. Table sponsorship is also available.

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