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1. MESSAGE FROM ACTING UNM President David Harris – UNM Alert and emergency text messaging system: In the days following the tragedy at Virginia Tech, the University of New Mexico responded rapidly by procuring a text message system to be used should there be the need to notify the campus of an imminent threat to safety. What we have not adequately communicated to the campus are the circumstances that dictate when the system is to be used. I'd like to clarify that and clear up some misperceptions. http://www.unm.edu/news/07MayNewsClips/Harris_message.htm

2. SENATOR JEFF BINGAMAN will deliver the keynote address at the University of New Mexico spring commencement Saturday, May 12, at 9 a.m. in University Arena. Pueblo author Joe S. Sando, community organizer and political advocate Frank I. Sanchez and environmental health visionary Larry J. Gordon will receive honorary degrees at the ceremony. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001939.html#more>

3. BEGINNING SATURDAY, May 12, at 9 p.m. and continuing through Sunday, May 13, at 11 a.m., Information Technology Services (ITS) will power down all services, including the UNM network, for an Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) installation. UNMH will not be affected and all critical clinical services will be available. Main, North, South and all branch campuses will not have any Internet services. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001928.html#more>

4. THE BANK OF AMERICA/Larry Ahrens Golf Tournament will celebrate its silver anniversary benefiting the University of New Mexico Presidential Scholarship Program on Friday, June 15, at the UNM Championship Golf Course. For more information on sponsorships and benefits or to register, call (505) 277-5688. Interested participants may also register online. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001950.html#more>

5. SOLARFUSION, a special multimedia exhibition, recently opened at the National Atomic Museum in Albuquerque. The first astronomy-related exhibition launched by the museum, SolarFusion explores the complex structure and processes of the Sun, the interaction between Sun and Earth, star birth and death, and how the natural process of nuclear fusion supports life. The exhibition was developed by the museum in partnership with the National Solar Observatory in Sunspot, N.M. and UNM's Department of Physics and Astronomy Department. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001949.html#more>

6. NEW MEXICO ranks second from the bottom nationally in health insurance coverage. This week on "In Focus," find out what's being done on a grassroots level to change that. Go behind the scenes of "Cover the Uninsured Week," April 23-27. "Health Insurance Coverage In New Mexico, The Uninsured & The Governor's Veto" airs Friday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. and again Sunday, May 13, at 7 a.m. on KNME. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001948.html#more>