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1. THE UNM CANCER CENTER, the State of New Mexico's Official Cancer Center, broke ground Tuesday on the state's first world-class cancer diagnosis and treatment center. The groundbreaking is the first phase of construction of a new 190,000 square foot, \$90 million world-class, ambulatory cancer treatment and clinical research facility. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6023>

2. AS PART OF A \$2.22 million Upward Bound grant award to higher education institutions across New Mexico, the University of New Mexico's Upward Bound program received \$443,998 to serve 125 program participants, announced Vice President for Student Affairs Eliseo "Cheo" Torres. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001965.html#more>

3. UNM HAS RECEIVED a two-year \$79,000 matching grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The grant is from the Title VI A Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language (UISFL) program and funds Languages and Internationalization Across the Curriculum: Health and Cultural Integrity, a program offered through UNM's Latin American and Iberian Institute. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001961.html#more>

4. THE UNM SCHOOL of Medicine is ranked 41 while once more ranking among the top 10 – rural medicine, 2, and family medicine, 10. Additionally, in health disciplines, UNM's nursing/midwifery program is ranked 3. The School of Law is ranked 75, while ranking 3 for law school diversity and 6 in clinical training. The rankings included 184 accredited law schools and were based on a weighted average. The College of Fine Arts is ranked 51, with its photography program ranked 2 in the nation. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001968.html#more>

5. THE UNM FOUNDATION elected nine new members and re-elected four members to its Board of Directors recently. New members include: Sandra Begay-Campbell, Lou Ann Lujan Byrd, Michelle Coons, Gus Foster, Peter Johnstone, Mark Leshner, Jack Olive, Steven Petranovich and Elizabeth Wiggins. Re-elected members include: George Friberg and Yolanda Jones King, 3rd term, and John Lopez and Robert Taichert, Esq., 2nd term. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001967.html#more>

6. GLORIA DYC, professor of Arts and Letters at the University of New Mexico-Gallup, has been named a UNM Regents Professor in English, a first for a branch faculty member. The three-year appointment includes a stipend used to further their research or professional projects. The title, one of the highest honors UNM bestows on faculty, can be used for life. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001960.html#more>

7. THE INSTITUTE FOR American Indian Education, a mentoring and support organization for American Indian students pursuing teaching degrees and administrative licensure, received an award of \$140,000 from the New Mexico Higher Education

Department. The American Indian Teacher Quality grant addresses the dearth of American Indian teachers in New Mexico. Although New Mexico's population is 10 percent American Indian representing 22 tribal nations, less than one percent of all teachers in New Mexico are American Indian.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001969.html#more>

8. COTILLION SNEDDY picked up her bachelor of science from UNM-Gallup last week. Sneddy, like many of her classmates, is Navajo. One of seven to earn degrees in early childhood/multicultural education there this semester, she is already making a difference in how Native Americans are educated.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001970.html#more>

9. DELLA DANIEL, clinical education, University Hospital, is named UNM's Biggest Loser by Employee Health Promotion Program Manager Nicholas Spezza. Daniel lost 20 pounds during EHPP's 12-week weight loss challenge.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001952.html#more>

10. IT'S THE START of a new era at UNM. In a couple of weeks, David J. Schmidly begins his tenure as the University's 20th president. "In Focus" host Kate Nelson sits down with UNM's new leader for a one-on-one conversation about his plans for the state's flagship university in his first in-depth interview here in New Mexico. The show airs on KNME Channel 5 Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. and repeats Sunday, May 20 at 7 a.m. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001966.html#more>

11. IN 2005, AFTER nearly 30 years at the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Howard Yonas, decided to make a change. UNM Health Sciences Center was searching for a department chair for its Neurosurgery division, and Yonas was searching for a new challenge.

http://hsc.unm.edu/about/features/2007_05b.shtml

12. GIRL SCOUTS OF CHAPARRAL Council, Inc. recently announced seven recipients for its 2007 Hall of Fame including Dr. Cheryl Willman, CEO of the UNM Cancer Center. The 2007 Hall of Fame honored women in science, technology and engineering professions.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6022>

13. MEDICAL RESIDENTS within the UNM School of Medicine Department were rated first in the nation when they took their national board exams in diagnostic radiology. The seven UNM radiology residents who took the written board exam in September scored #1 out of 203 programs in the US, according to the American Board of Radiology.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6024>

14. ANDERSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT Associate Professor Rich Brody has been named to the Association of Certified Fraud Examiner's Editorial Advisory

Committee. Brody will serve one year on the committee, and his insights will be used in publishing Fraud Magazine.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001963.html#more>

15. ARTIST DAVID KOZIKOWSKI will exhibit his weavings at the UNM Hospital Fifth Floor Art Gallery from May 18 - July 18. The exhibition, 'Greater Than, Less Than,' includes both classic and new works, ranging from contemporary abstraction to landscape and figurative motifs. Opening reception: Friday, May 18, 4 – 6 p.m. For more information, contact Chris Fenton at 272-9700, or cfenton@salud.unm.edu.