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MORE THAN 2,400 students are expected to receive academic degrees Saturday, May 17, during UNM's Spring Commencement. The projected degrees include: 1,600 bachelor's degrees, 477 master's degrees, 74 doctorates, 90 juris doctorates, 80 medical doctorates, 85 pharmacy doctorates, 5 graduate certificates and 10 education specialists. The ceremony begins at 9 a.m. at University Arena.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002910.html>

TENTH CIRCUIT Court of Appeals Judge Harris L Hartz will be the keynote speaker for the University of New Mexico School of Law commencement scheduled for Saturday, May 17 at 1 p.m. on the School of Law's north patio area. The topic of Judge Hartz's speech will be "Respect."

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002927.html#more>

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL for Accreditation of Teacher Education has reaccredited the University of New Mexico's College of Education at the initial and advanced levels for their teacher, counselor and administrator preparation programs. The new accreditation period will last through 2014.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002911.html>

ENGLISH ASSISTANT Professor Gregory Martin and Economics Professor Catherine "Kate" Krause were named the 2008 Outstanding Teachers of the Year by UNM recently.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002932.html#more> - Martin

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002931.html#more> - Krause

INTERIM PROVOST and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Viola Florez has announced the 2008 Outstanding Staff and Workgroup Award winners. They are: Outstanding Work Group – Counseling and Therapy Services (CATS) and Outstanding Staff – Geoffrey Courtin, Josie Gibson and Susan Minter. They were honored recently at a reception at the UNM Student Union Building.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002933.html#more>

THE CHASE FOUNDATION donated \$100,000 to the New Mexico Poison and Drug Information Center recently. The money will be used to support the center's program in providing efficient and accurate poison and drug information to healthcare professionals and New Mexicans statewide.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002919.html#more>

THE UNM Health Sciences Center is the primary grantee of a \$50,000 Patient Safety Grant from the Cardinal Health Foundation. The grant will be used to fund a statewide collaborative project to reduce healthcare-associated bacteremias caused by methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* or MRSA, in participating hospitals.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6940>

IT TAKES MANY people to keep a large, busy hospital like UNM Hospital running smoothly. In addition to the hundreds of physicians, nurses, allied health professionals, technical, and administrative staff, there's another group of hardworking, dedicated people that can be seen in the hospital every single day - volunteers. UNMH has more than 800 volunteers come through their system every year.

http://hsc.unm.edu/about/features/2008_05b.shtml

NORTHERN NEW MEXICO has a pressing need for skilled technicians in a variety of fields, according to a labor market assessment conducted by UNM-Los Alamos over the past year. To meet that demand, the branch is developing a new Associate of Applied Science in Applied Technologies. Los Alamos National Laboratory has committed to support the program with a seven-year, \$700,000 grant.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002925.html#more>

FOUR UNM FACULTY and staff members will spend their summer learning how to write research grants for proposals funded by the National Institutes of Health. In turn they will act as a resource for faculty and staff members who are seeking grants from NIH.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002921.html#more>

THE NATIONAL SENIOR Citizens Law Center has announced the appointment of Paul Nathanson as the new executive director. Nathanson, a professor emeritus from the UNM School of Law, brings to NSCLC a wealth of experience and leadership in the field of legal services for the elderly. He was the first executive director of NSCLC, from its founding in 1972 until 1980, and has been a longtime member of the Board of Directors.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002930.html#more>

NEW RECYCLING bins will dot the UNM campus beginning in July. The UNM Recycling Program won 10 recycling bins in a competition co-sponsored by the National Recycling Coalition and Coca Cola recently. The UNM Recycling program also won an award from the New Mexico Recycling Coalition for the Best Community-Based Recycling Program.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002913.html#more>

A NEW EMAIL PHISHING SCAM is making its way around the UNM campus. Users have received an email asking them to reply with their password from the "UNM.EDU SUPPORT TEAM." This is a phishing scam and was not sent out by UNM. It appears these messages are coming from "news@unm.edu" These messages may be deleted, or forwarded to spamdrops@unm.edu. For email users who did respond to the email visit:

<http://its.unm.edu/security/id>. For more information on ITS alerts visit:

<http://hdesk.unm.edu/whiteboard/computing/page/computing.php#C821>

THIS WEEK, KNME's "New Mexico in Focus" will take a look at New Mexico's third congressional district and the two Republican candidates and the two independent candidates hoping for electoral success in the district. "New Mexico in Focus" will air on KNME-TV, channel 5, on Friday, May 16 at 7 p.m. The show repeats Sunday, May 18 at 6:30 a.m. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002929.html#more>

THE UNM ALUMNI Association will host a Memorial Day Celebration at the UNM Alumni Chapel Wednesday, May 21, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. The Memorial Day Celebration is to recognize alumni who died while serving our country, and alumni, faculty and staff who died in 2007. The Memorial Celebration is a campus wide event and everyone is invited.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002906.html#more>