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IT'S BEEN THE SUBJECT of a long-standing debate but researchers including UNM's Mousumi Roy, Earth and Planetary Sciences Department, and others at the University of Southern California and Utah State University, feel they have deciphered the mystery of what forces are responsible for the uplift of the Colorado Plateau. Their work appears in a paper titled, "Colorado Plateau magmatism and uplift by warming of heterogeneous lithosphere," published in the June 18, 2009 issue of Nature magazine.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004053.html#more>

AS THE HUMAN POPULATION continues to grow and resource demands soar, biodiversity conservation has never been more critical said University of New Mexico Biology Department postdoctoral researchers Ana Davidson and Marcus Hamilton in a paper released in the latest issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004051.html#more>

FORMER ASTRONAUT John Bennett Herrington worked with students attending the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp at UNM today as they competed to design rafts from straws and aluminum foil that could carry a cargo of pennies. The experience is part of a summer science camp in the School of Engineering at the UNM campus. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004058.html#more>

SURGEONS AT THE UNM School of Medicine Department of Surgery recently performed a new procedure called a Single Incision Laparoscopic (SILS) kidney removal through an incision less than two inches long. This is the first such procedure in the state of New Mexico and only a handful of surgeons nationally have been able to perform such a surgery.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=7828>

COMPETING WITH SOME of the best writers, designers, podcasters and editors in the country, the University of New Mexico garnered six awards in the National Federation of Press Women Communications Contest.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004056.html#more>

NEW UNM LIVE videos: Lyons discusses the recent shooting at the National Holocaust Museum; UNM Queer Straight Alliance marches with the Albuquerque Pride Parade; Simon Ortiz and others speak on "A Poetic Legacy of Indigenous Continuance; and Jerry Shea shares a Weekend Wonk. <http://www.youtube.com/unmlive>.

PRESIDENT DAVID J. Schmidly approved revisions to two existing policies with an effective date of June 19, 2009: Policy 4030 "Travel" was revised to increase the automobile reimbursement rate, and Policy 8210 "Tuition and Related Fees" was revised to provide more detailed guidance on course fees. They can be viewed at:

<http://www.unm.edu/~ubppm/>.

ABSTRACT CLASSICIST painter Frederick Hammersley died Sunday, May 31, in Albuquerque at the age of 90. After teaching in UNM's Department of Art and Art History 1968-71, Hammersley retired to devote himself to painting. The memorial is on Saturday, June 20, 1 p.m. at the UNM Alumni Chapel.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004045.html#more>

JOIN IN ON THE fun at the UNM Bookstore, Saturday, June 20 from 12 to 1 p.m. for Puppet Adventure Hour. Learn how to make your own puppet with an expert puppeteer, put on your very own puppet show and other activities. Children's book titles are also 25 percent off. Refreshments will be served. Parking is free on Saturdays.

<http://bookstore.unm.edu/>.

MATTHEW MCDUFFIE, professional screenwriter and instructor in UNM's Dramatic Writing Program, will lead two intensive, intimate workshops for filmmakers who are determined to create stronger stories and characters. The first class, Saturday and Sunday, June 20-21, is for mature writers who wish to develop their work into dynamic and powerful screenplays. The second class, Saturday and Sunday, June 27-28, is for young people interested in the foundations and practice of film writing.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004046.html#more>

PARENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL students have an opportunity to immerse themselves in a college experience through a new, free program offered at the University of New Mexico. Parents or guardians of students entering 9th through 11th grade are invited to live and dine on campus and attend casual, informative sessions during the second annual "Parent Experience Program" Friday and Saturday, July 24-25. The registration deadline is Friday, June 26. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004054.html#more>

STEVE MCKEE, president of Albuquerque's McKee Wallwork Cleveland Advertising and author of "When Growth Stalls: How it Happens, Why You're Stuck, and What to Do About It," talks about his five-year examination of more than 700 corporations and the book that resulted from that research on "New Mexico in Focus," KNME-TV channel 5's weekly hour-long public affairs show, will air Friday, June 19 at 7 p.m. and repeat Sunday, June 21 at 6:30 a.m.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004057.html#more>