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THE UNM COLLEGE of Education will be the next beneficiary of the PNM Endowed Chair. Originally endowed by the PNM Foundation in 1985, the rotating PNM Endowed Chair will be filled by Dr. Viola Florez, former dean of the UNM College of Education and interim provost. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004171.html#more>

THE UNM BOARD of Regents have named the UNM Business Center at the corner of Lomas and University, NE for UNM's 12th president, John Perovich and his wife, June. Over a 40-year period, Perovich served as UNM's purchasing agent, comptroller, vice president for Business and Finance and president.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004169.html#more>

FORBES' SECOND ANNUAL "America's Best Colleges" places the University of New Mexico at 239 among the nation's top 600 colleges. Among public colleges, UNM is ranked at 38. The Forbes ranking boasts an unusual approach to scoring colleges - one based less on reputation and more on meeting students' needs.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004166.html#more>

SANJEEV ARORA, professor of Internal Medicine and director of the UNM Project ECHO program, has been named as an Ashoka Fellow for his development of the innovative telehealth model that is currently helping rural residents receive badly needed treatment for chronic diseases without having to travel hundreds of miles to visit specialists. The Ashoka Foundation supports individual social entrepreneurs who respond to social challenges and promote innovative change to address global social problems.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=7932>

UNM LANDSCAPE architecture students Katya Yushmanova, Kristina Guist, Anthony Fettes and Elaine Stevens, as well as fine arts student Felicie Regnier, won first place in the Wayne Grace Memorial Design Competition, a contest accepting submissions pertaining to projects affecting the natural and built environment. The students submitted a project they completed in their Art and Ecology class for a new storm water surge pond that the Albuquerque Metropolitan Flood Control Authority is in the process of developing on city's Westside.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004172.html#more>

THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE Mayor's Office of Volunteerism & Engagement recently recognized El Centro de la Raza Director Verónica Méndez-Cruz with the MOVE UP Award for her support of the Mexican Student Association (MexSA) and Latin American students and families at UNM and in Albuquerque. Méndez-Cruz has been at UNM more than 20 years and has been director of El Centro more than 15 years.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004162.html#more>

POPEJOY HALL IS hosting its Sweet Deal event on stage this Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Stop by for free desserts and one-on-one assistance with your Popejoy Hall

benefit. Staff and faculty are eligible for tickets at 50 percent off. The discount expires Aug. 29. Details about the discount are available at:
<http://popejoypresents.com/tickets/unm-discounts/>

THE AUGUST EDITION of the Employee Health Promotion Program (EHPP) newsletter is now available. Features in this month's issue include: myths and facts about fitness and nutrition, tuition remission for art for health, and benefits of quitting tobacco. Read all about UNM wellness and upcoming EHPP events at:
http://hr.unm.edu/documents/ehpp/EHPP_August_2009.pdf

THE IT DEPARTMENT at UNM, formerly known as ITS, is now called Information Technologies (IT). The departmental website at Information Technologies reflects the extensive IT services that are available and accessible to everyone on all campuses.
<http://it.unm.edu/>

BEGINNING TUESDAY, Aug. 18, the UNM wireless network, Lobo WiFi, will require users to login with their NetID and password to access the UNM network or the Internet. iPhone and SmartPhone users will need to open a browser to enter their NetID and password. A one-time software download is required for all users to access Lobo WiFi.
<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004173.html#more>

UNM WILL CELEBRATE Freshman Family Day on Sunday, Aug. 23. Held the afternoon before the start of fall classes, the event has become an annual tradition at UNM, welcoming incoming students and their families to the college community. The festivities begin at 4 p.m. with the Freshman Convocation at Popejoy Hall.
<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004163.html#more>