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THE INSPECTION OF Public Records Working Group has given a report and policy recommendations to the president and chairman of the Board of Regents for their consideration. It is important to keep in mind that these are only recommendations for Regents' consideration and are not final approved policies. The report and policy recommendations can be viewed at: <http://www.unm.edu/~ubppm/>. See story at: <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003044.html#more>

REPRESENTATIVES OF UNM and Central New Mexico Community College signed a transfer agreement today that allows CNM students who earn an associate degree in liberal arts to transfer into UNM's College of Arts and Sciences. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003048.html#more>

UNM'S CANCER RESEARCH and Treatment Center will become the exclusive provider of medical oncology services for all Lovelace Health Plan members, beginning Oct. 1. With this new partnership, Lovelace Health Plan members will have access to new cancer treatment technologies and therapies through important clinical trials currently underway at the CRTC, a National Cancer Institute designated Cancer Center. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003043.html#more>

THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON Foundation Center for Health Policy at UNM and the New Mexico Medical Review Association, an independent health care quality improvement organization, have been awarded a project planning grant from RWJF as part of its national initiative, Aligning Forces for Quality. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003047.html#more>

FOUR CANDIDATES have been identified as finalists for KNME-TV's general manager position. They include: Janelle Adamak, Polly Anderson, Mark Stanislawski and Eugene Williams. The public will have an opportunity to meet each candidate at a community forum Monday, July 14, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Albuquerque Public Schools offices located at 6400 Uptown Blvd., N.E. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003032.html#more>

ALBERT PALMA and Zachery Watkins are the latest to carry on UNM's tradition of providing exceptional students excited to serve as Fulbright scholars. In the last five years, UNM has produced 13 Fulbright scholars in a variety of fields going to a number of different countries. John Smeltzer, who graduated from UNM with a bachelor's degree in May, also received a Fulbright grant. Tragically, he died while traveling in Spain this summer. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003042.html#more>

TWO PROFESSORS in the Mechanical Engineering Department and their graduate students are putting together a shock tube research facility that will be used to better understand a little known corner of physics. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003028.html#more>

EVERYONE WHO DRIVES down a New Mexico highway makes snap assessments of the condition of the pavement, but this summer teams of undergraduate students from UNM and New Mexico State University are examining every mile of every highway in the state. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003037.html#more>

WITH HELP FROM its friends, UNM has taken another step toward diversity in the arts. The UNM College of Fine Arts and the Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce finalized an agreement establishing the Clifton A. Reed Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce Endowed Scholarship, benefiting fine arts students of Hispanic descent. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003039.html#more>

UNM IS ONE OF 10 universities “doing the right stuff” as cited by the National Council on Teacher Quality as it pertains to teaching future teachers to teach elementary math. The new report, “No Common Denominator: The Preparation of Elementary Teachers in Mathematics by America’s Education Schools,” is the most comprehensive picture to date of how education schools prepare elementary teachers in math. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003040.html#more>

A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING was signed recently between the College of Education and the Secretary of Education in the Mexican state of Jalisco, to further develop teacher education, workforce training and to help improve higher education in Jalisco. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003041.html#more>

THE ANDERSON SCHOOL of Management has announced eight new members to its board of directors. Joining the Foundation Board are: Elizabeth "Betsy" Carlson, John Chavez, Victor A. Garcia, Ned A. Godshall, Richard Kilmer, Kenneth Sapon and John R. Shelton. Wayne Brown will be an advisory board member, serving as a volunteer, non-voting member of the board. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003027.html#more>

THE UNM DEPARTMENT of Parking and Transportation Services announced that parking permits for the 2008-2009 academic year will go on sale on Monday, July 14. Staff and faculty not enrolled in the automatic payroll deduction program must renew their permits annually and can purchase their new permits from the [PATS Web site](#) beginning at 5 a.m., July 14. Students may also begin purchasing permits at this time. New permit rates are effective Aug. 25. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/003046.html#more>

JIMMY SANTIAGO BACA will speak on “The Power of Poetry on My Life” Saturday, July 12 at 7 p.m. in Student Union Building ballroom A. Part of the Summer Sunset Lecture Series sponsored by University Libraries, the event is free and open to the public. Listen to an interview with Santiago Baca on UNM Live: <http://www4.unm.edu/unmlive/podcast/jimmysantiagobaca.mp3>.

THIS WEEK, KNME-TV’s prime time news magazine, “New Mexico in Focus” recognizes the teachers who are making a difference in our state. The Golden Apple

Foundation of New Mexico honored seven of “the best of the best” teachers this spring. Additionally, panelists take on the Albuquerque streetcar debate, forced changes due to rising gas prices and how you can help revamp the N.M. State Fairgrounds. The show airs Friday, July 11, at 7 p.m. and repeats Sunday, July 13, at 6:30 a.m.

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