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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO was ranked in HispanicBusiness Magazine's 2009 top 10 schools for Hispanics in engineering, business, law and medicine. For the third consecutive year, the UNM School of Law ranks No. 1.

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THE NATIONAL SCIENCE Foundation has awarded the Configurable Space Microsystems Innovations and Applications Center (COSMIAC) a \$474,000 grant for the Research for Engineering Undergraduates (REU) program. The Center is part of the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at UNM. Professor Christos Christodoulou is the chief research officer.

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RESEARCHERS AT THE Mind Research Network have announced the findings of a scientific study that used brain imaging and Tetris to investigate whether practice makes the brain efficient because it increases gray matter.

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DIGGING DITCHES isn't how UNM students usually expect to spend their summers. But this low tech task is part of an Ibero-American Science and Technology Education Consortium (ISTEC) program to remap and reestablish the old acequia system that Spanish and Tlaxcalteca settlers once used to irrigate Albuquerque's South Valley with water from the Rio Grande.

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COMADRE A Comadre, the University of New Mexico's College of Education program that provides education, resources and breast health support for Hispanic/Latina women, received a grant for \$50,000 from the Central New Mexico (CNM) Komen for the Cure Foundation. The grant is titled, "Addressing the Barriers to Education, Resources and Support among Hispanic/Latina Women with Breast Cancer."

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IT'S CALLED "Hook You Up" salsa, and Paul Panas wants to hook up the University of New Mexico and its students with a donation through the sales of his specially bottled hot sauce. Panas, who operates the barbershop downstairs in the UNM Student Union Building, has started a semester-long campaign to sell as much of his homemade salsa as possible. For every \$4 bottle of salsa he sells, he'll donate \$1 to the General Scholarship Fund at the UNM Foundation.

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PRESIDENT DAVID J. Schmidly is asking students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends of the New Mexico to show their pride in living color by issuing a Presidential Decree that recognizes every Friday as "Lobo Red Fridays."

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THE SEPTEMBER EHPP newsletter is now available. This month's features include: Managing Your Child's Asthma, 5K Event Training, Tuition Remission, and Art for Health and Cholesterol Education Month. Read all about UNM wellness and upcoming EHPP events at: <http://hr.unm.edu/documents/ehpp/EHPP-September-2009.pdf>

THE ROBERT WOOD Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy at the University of New Mexico presents the opening of 'Recent Work from the Arid Southwest,' a photo exhibit by John A. Trotter. The exhibit, featuring photos from California's Death Valley National Park and New Mexico's White Sands National Monument, opens with a reception on Thursday, Sept. 3, from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit runs through December. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004218.html#more>

THE PROVOST'S COMMITTEE for Staff is hosting the UNM Volunteer Fair on Tuesday, Sept. 8 from 11 to 1:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballrooms A & B. This is an opportunity for staff, faculty and students to "One-Stop-Shop" for the agency or group that best fits their personal interests. Make a difference. Create a memory. Be a volunteer. Refreshments will be served. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004228.html#more>

THE UNM ANDERSON School of Management is offering assistance to its current students and graduates by helping them get ahead in the job market during these tough economic times. Anderson Career Week begins on Tuesday, Sept. 8, featuring workshops on job search, resume building, interviewing, and networking with employers. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004216.html#more>

THE ANDERSON School of Management is now accepting nominations for the 21st annual Hall of Fame awards ceremony and dinner. The deadline for nominations is Sept. 29, 2009. The Anderson Hall of Fame ceremony and dinner will take place on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at the UNM Student Union Building. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004227.html#more>

ALL FACULTY AND STAFF employees are eligible to participate in UNM's supplemental retirement plans. To encourage employees to learn more about this valuable benefit, the Division of Human Resources is sponsoring a Retirement Vendor Fair. On Wednesday, Sept. 9 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the SUB Ballrooms B and C, Faculty and Staff will have the opportunity to meet UNM's 403b and 457b vendors, ask questions, and learn about supplemental retirement benefits. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004237.html#more>

DONALD PUFFER, program project manager at the Mind Research Network will speak on "Neurosystems for National Security" on Thursday, Sept. 10, at 11:45 a.m. in MRN's Large Conference Room. NeuroSystems for National Security is a new research and development program at the Mind Research Network (MRN). This is a brown bag lunch event. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/004233.html#more>

THE SIGNATURE PROGRAM for Child Health Research hosts a series of brief presentations and round table discussions led by successful UNM Health Science Center researchers. The event, titled '3x5x5' (3 speakers, 5 slides, done by 5), will be held Thursday, Sept. 10 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in rm. 2112 at the Domenici Center. Plan to learn more about research at UNM, network with colleagues, establish collaboration, find a mentor/mentee or just enjoy some stimulating discussion.

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THE NEXT ETHICS, Law and Medicine Forum, titled 'Refusing Blood,' will be held Thursday, Sept. 10 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., in rm. 203 at the Basic Medical Science Building. The forum is free and open to the public.

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IT'S AN ART PROJECT of global proportion. This week, New Mexico In Focus explores in-depth the months-long project called LAND/ART, where more than 60 artists and 25 arts organizations explore the relationships of land, art, and community. The show airs Friday, Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. on KNME, Ch. 5.1 and repeats Sunday, Sept. 6 at 6:30 a.m.

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