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THE UNM BOARD of Regents approved an addendum to the employment contract for David Harris, who now serves as acting UNM President. When the current presidential search is completed, Harris will become the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer for the university. In a related announcement, Harris named Michael Kingan as UNM's Vice President for Advancement. Kingan had been serving in that position on an interim basis since August.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001607.html#more>

RESEARCHERS FROM THE Physics and Astronomy Department, in collaboration with researchers at the Collider Detector at Fermilab or CDF and the Department of Energy's Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, recently discovered rare types of particles that are exotic relatives of the much more common proton and neutron.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001606.html#more>

SCIENTISTS IN COLLABORATION from the University of New Mexico and New Mexico State University have made a remarkable breakthrough in breast and women's cancers. Publishing in two top tier medical research journals, Science and Nature Cell Biology, this team has discovered a novel receptor for the female hormone estrogen.

[http://hsc.unm.edu/about/features/2006\\_12a.shtml](http://hsc.unm.edu/about/features/2006_12a.shtml)

KRISTIN UMLAND, assistant professor of math education in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, heads up La Meta, or Mathematics Educators Targeting Achievement, a College of Arts and Sciences program designed to bring content area instruction and teaching methods to math instructors. The goal – and that's what 'La Meta' means in Spanish – is to improve student learning of math.

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PROFESSOR DENISE FORT, School of Law, has been appointed to serve on a committee of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program. This program of the U.S. Department of Commerce integrates federal research on climate and global change from a number of federal agencies. The committee Fort serves on will review the response and adaptation to climate change with respect to water resources.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001608.html#more>

KARL SCHWERIN, professor emeritus, anthropology, continues to give to UNM. This time it's his books. The Latin American and Iberian Institute hosted a reception today to honor and thank Schwerin. After moving the books twice to accommodate office changes, Schwerin decided to donate them.

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UNIVERSITY COLLEGE announced the winning research projects showcased at the recent Research Quest Symposium. More than 140 students and their faculty mentors participated in the event, about 85 percent of whom are also participating in a University College initiative such as a Freshmen Interest Group, Learning Community, Living and

Learning Community, Freshman Learning Community or Research Service Learning Program. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001605.html#more>

MARIANNE BERWICK was awarded the 2006 Established Researcher Award of the Society of Melanoma Research this fall at the third annual International Melanoma Research Congress held in Noordwijk, Holland. Berwick received the award in recognition of her 20-year career in melanoma prevention.

<http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=5557>

THE UNM MEDICAL/Legal Bookstore will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 18-19 to move to its new location. The store will reopen on Wednesday, Dec. 20. Stop by and check out the Medical/Legal Bookstore's new home located on the first floor of the new Domenici Education Center.

SCHOOL OF LAW DEAN Suellyn Scarnecchia and Earth and Planetary Sciences Professor David Gutzler are speakers at the "Climate Change Impacts, Laws, and Policies Conference" tomorrow in Albuquerque. Congressman Tom S. Udall, Santa Fe Mayor David Coss and New Mexico PRC Commissioner Jason Marks will also speak. The conference is open to the public and organized by the Natural Resources Section of the New Mexico State Bar along with the UNM School of Law Utton Center.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/001611.html#more>