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THE LARGEST DEPARTMENT in the College of Arts and Sciences at UNM is the Biology Department. In the last 10 years, biology majors have increased 275 percent at UNM. The growing student enrollment has placed significant pressure on existing facilities to support research and instruction. Castetter Hall, which houses the department, was originally designed in 1968. Renovations the past three years have helped ease the burden of a 20 percent average increase spanning 10 years of department growth. General Obligation Bond D will help complete Phase II and III if passed in November's general election. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6117>

WITH HELP FROM A grant awarded by the Medtronic Foundation, UNM's Division of Cardiology is integrating the life-saving CPR training into the curriculum for all Albuquerque Public Schools ninth grade health classes. The grant paid for the training of school nurses and teachers as well for training materials and a set of CPR mannequins for each of the 13 APS high schools. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=9201>

THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY has been selected to participate in a research study known as the RAISE Early Treatment Program (ETP). UNM's Health Sciences Center is one of 35 locations across the U.S. that will be carrying out ETP, a study looking at the best ways to help people in the earliest stages of schizophrenia reduce their likelihood of experiencing long-term disability. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=9214>

DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR of American Studies Gerald Vizenor has received the lifetime achievement award from MELUS, The Society for the Study of Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States. Vizenor will receive his award at the Modern Language Association conference later this year. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=5927>

THE UNM ALUMNI Association is currently accepting nominee submissions for its 2010 UNM Alumni Association Awards. The association, which provides awards to individuals in acknowledgment of their exceptional achievements, offers four awards for UNM alumni, faculty and other individuals including the James F. Zimmerman, Bernard S. Rodney, Erna S. Fergusson and Faculty Teaching awards. The deadline for nominations is Friday, Oct. 22. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=5868>

PROFESSOR DAVID DUNAWAY and alumna Molly Beer deliver a multi-voiced telling of folk revivalism in the United States in the recently released "Singing Out: An Oral History of America's Folk Music Revivals." By editing and arranging interview segments and contextualizing them with back-story, Dunaway and Beer depict folk revivalism as it evolved over time and across interpretations. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6142>

DONNA SMITH, director, Safety and Risk Services, was inducted into the University Risk Management and Insurance Association Board of Directors at the annual conference held in Pittsburg, Pa. recently. Smith will be the Board Liaison for the 2011 conference and will also be serve on the Inter-Association Alliances Committee. URMIA is an international nonprofit educational association consisting of risk managers from higher education institutions throughout the country. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6254>

THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH Promotion Program has partnered with third party administrators Lovelace and Presbyterian to bring a useful tool - personal health assessments - to help employees stay healthy. By staying healthy, employees help themselves improve their quality of life, but they also help UNM control health care costs, since UNM funds all medical claims. According to research, staying healthy plays a significant role – 30 percent – in controlling health care costs. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6115>

E-MAIL HOAXES, phishing and spam attempts are a constant nuisance. Universities, companies and other organizations nationwide are frequently subject to mass e-mail hoaxes, and UNM is no different. The potential for computer security breaches is always there, and it is everyone's responsibility to keep personal information secure. Information Technologies offers some tips on handling e-mail hoaxes, spam and phishing attempts. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6119>

STUDENTS AND FACULTY members interested in leasing a communal apartment in Lobo Village can now sign up at the Student Union Building's lower level. The apartments, which are located on the South Campus just west of the Pit, have four individual bedrooms with private bathrooms, a communal living area, kitchen and washer/dryers. The apartments will be available for move-in next August. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=5820>

THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE and Planning is hosting an open house Friday, Oct. 22 from 12 to 5 p.m. As part of the open house students in each discipline in the school – architecture, landscape architecture and community and regional planning – will design a space along the bridge on the main floor of the building. The event is free and open to the public. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=5310>

THREE PERFORMANCES are coming to all the stages of the UNM Department of Theatre and Dance including Jean-Paul Sartre's "No Exit," student choreography showcase "Still/Moving" and Anton Chekov's masterpiece, "The Cherry Orchard." Shows begin Friday, Oct. 22. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6148>

THE UNM HEALTH SCIENCES Center will conduct its annual free, drive-thru flu shot clinic Saturday, Oct. 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the parking lot of the UNM Family Practice Center located at 2400 Tucker NE. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=4514>

IN THE SPIRIT of Halloween, UNM's Recreational Services will sponsor its Trick or Trot road race, Friday, Oct. 29 beginning at 7 a.m. at the east entrance of Johnson Center. Participants are encouraged to wear their best Halloween costume. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place and for best costume. On-site registration will be held. The registration fee is a can of food or \$5. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6240>

BEGINNING MONDAY, Nov. 1, UNM Police will only offer its escort service between 4 p.m. and 7 a.m. The escorts will be available for people who need to travel from one campus location to another, such as from an office to a parking lot. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6034>

THE UNM COMMUNITY including parents, students, family and friends are all invited to participate in the first-ever UNM Parent Association Golf Tournament set for Friday, Nov. 5 at the UNM Championship

Golf Course. The golf tournament is just one fun-filled event as part of UNM's annual Family Weekend. To register or for more information visit, <http://familyweekend.unm.edu>.

THE UNM CENTER ON Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Addictions (CASAA) is sponsoring Grantwriting 501, a 10-week seminar class team-taught by highly experienced and successful CASAA investigators and administrators, beginning Nov. 10, 2010. This seminar will focus on how to identify grant opportunities, how to prepare and justify a grant budget, how to write a strong application that will get funded and guiding your proposal through the Institutional Review Board. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6084>

SHOULD NEW MEXICO be a pioneer in the fight against climate change? That question is at the heart of a debate over stricter emissions regulations in the state, including a controversial cap-and-trade program. This week New Mexico In Focus weighs the pros and cons of the proposals that will soon be decided soon by the state Environmental Improvement Board. New Mexico in Focus airs Fridays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 6:30 a.m. on KNME, Channel 5.1. <http://news.unm.edu/?p=6249>