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1. DAVID J. SCHMIDLY will be officially installed as the University of New Mexico's 20th president during a ceremony Sunday, Oct. 7, at 2:30 p.m. in Popejoy Hall. The public is invited to the ceremony as well as the reception that follows at University House. Free reserved seating tickets are available at ticket offices at the UNM Bookstore or UNM Arena. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002247.html#more>

2. UNM WILL CELEBRATE its 82nd annual homecoming, Sept. 24-29, with a catchphrase everyone should know, "Everyone's A Lobo! Woof! Woof! Woof!" Homecoming week will feature more than 50 separate events all leading up to the big football game Saturday, Sept. 29, when UNM takes on BYU. The festivities begin Monday, Sept. 24 with a variety of student activities on tap. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002214.html#more>

3. RESEARCHERS AT THE UNM School of Medicine and the University of Northern Colorado have discovered a mechanism by which deer mice might escape disease despite being infected with the Sin Nombre virus that causes Hantavirus cardiopulmonary syndrome. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6312>

4. THE NEW MEXICO POISON and Drug Information Center has received a three-year \$375,000 Health Resources and Services Administration grant in collaboration with poison centers in Arizona, Nebraska, Maryland and San Diego, the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, and a number of additional venomous snake and snakebite experts, to create a national strategic, exotic (non-native species) anti-venom system. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6318>

5. THE UNM HEALTH SCIENCES Center Project ECHO recently came in first in an international competition to identify programs that are changing the paradigm of how medicine is practiced. Project ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) is a collaborative partnership between the UNM School of Medicine faculty, the New Mexico Department of Health and the State Department of Corrections that treats complex diseases in remote, rural and underserved communities. <http://hscapp.unm.edu/calendar/output/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.release&EntryID=6313>

6. UNM WAS RECENTLY selected as one of the 24 partners to take part in the Earth System Science Education Alliance (ESSEA), an innovative professional development program for pre-service and in-service middle and high school teachers. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002242.html#more>

7. CHIEF ECONOMIC Development Officer John A. Garcia has been appointed by President George W. Bush to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, an

independent federal agency that promotes the preservation, enhancement and productive use of our nation's historic resources.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002241.html#more>

8. VICE PRESIDENT FOR ATHLETICS Paul Krebs announced recently that beginning with this week's home game against Sacramento State, UNM will no longer sell standing-room-only tickets to Lobo football games. Krebs says the decision is in the best interest of all fans. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002245.html#more>

9. THE MAIA CHAPTER of Mortar Board at UNM was recently presented with the Golden Torch Award and was one of five finalists for the Ruth Weimer Mount Chapter Excellence Award for the 2006-07 academic year at the organization's recent national conference. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002231.html#more>

10. GLORIA VALENCIA-WEBER, an Indian Law expert and professor with the UNM School of Law, has been elected to the American Law Institute – an organization of judges, lawyers and legal scholars.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002237.html#more>

11. THE UNIVERSITY'S VOICEMAIL system will be out of service today, Sept. 20 beginning at 5:30 p.m. for approximately one hour for routine maintenance and to prepare the system for a software upgrade. No messages or greetings will be lost. For more information on Information Technology Services outages visit:

<http://its.unm.edu/computing.html>

12. TWO NEW BOARD members were elected to STC.UNM board recently. New Mexico Secretary of Economic Development Fred Mondragon and Executive Vice President and Deputy Laboratory Director of Sandia National Laboratories John Stichman are joining the board of STC.UNM. Mondragon has extensive experience in economic development, while Stichman joined Sandia in 1972, and is responsible for lab operations, staff and facilities.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002236.html#more>

13. REDONDO DRIVE on the west side of campus will be closed between Hodgin Hall and Martin Luther King Blvd. on Saturday, Sept. 22 between 6 a.m. and noon. The closure will allow a crane to place air handlers on the top of the new Centennial Engineering Center.

14. 'NEW MEXICO IN FOCUS' is KNME Channel 5's newly reconceived and invigorated prime-time news magazine show covering the events, issues and people that are shaping life in New Mexico and the Southwest. This week's topics include: Both Sides Of The Debate - The Albuquerque School Board Recently Approved a Plan to Arm Its Officers During The School Day; Why Are So Many New Mexicans Carrying a Firearm?; Is a Gang Registry Really the Best Way to Handle a Growing Problem in Albuquerque? The show airs on KNME, Channel 5 Friday, Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. and repeats

Sunday, Sept. 23 at 6:30 a.m.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002246.html#more>

15. EXPLORA'S BI-MONTHLY Adult Night, which will be held Friday, Sept. 21, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at 1701 Mountain Rd., N.W., will feature live music by "Holy Water and Whiskey," a bluegrass/gospel/traditional band featuring UNM biology Professor Maggie Werner-Washburne, her husband Bruce from the VA Hospital and Scott Altenbach, retired professor from the biology department. The theme for this event is "Creative Construction." Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and museum members will be admitted free. The event is for adults 18 and older.

<http://www.explora.us/ExploraPHP/english/adultnight.php>