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1. DAVID J. SCHMIDLY will be officially installed as UNM'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 HAS A BROAD RANGE of events and activities on and around campus to celebrate the University and President Schmidly's inauguration. For a complete list visit:

<http://www.unm.edu/inauguration/eventsdetail.html>

3. ON TUESDAY, OCT. 2, from 3 to 5 p.m., a reception with President Schmidly will be held on the lawn of University House. President Schmidly, who will be installed as UNM's 20th president Sunday, Oct. 7, will greet and share this special time with the university community. There will be dessert and tours of University House as well. Faculty, staff and students are all invited to attend. A similar reception will also be held Thursday, Oct. 4, 1 to 3 p.m., at the Domenici Plaza at the Health Sciences Center.

4. UNM WILL HOST Senior Day Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., an event designed to introduce high school seniors to campus life. In conjunction, the university is hosting the first "Explore UNM" campus open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is aimed at prospective students of all ages as well as current UNM students and families. Senior Day begins with early riser tours at 9 a.m. and a general information session at 10:30 a.m. in the Student Union ballrooms. Registration will be held near the Center for the Arts, east plaza. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002277.html#more>

5. FRESHMEN RETENTION at UNM has reached an all-time high, with 76.6 percent of students returning for a second year in fall 2007. In addition, retention of Hispanic freshman jumped more than three percent, from 73.1 percent in 2006 to 76.8 percent in 2007. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002282.html#more>

6. UNM HAS BEEN NOMINATED as one of the Best Places to Work in New Mexico. UNM is a great place to work and there's a lot to be proud of including the quality of our staff and faculty, strong relationships between peers and colleagues, and a shared sense that we are all a part of something important. To vote in a survey to help determine the Best Places to Work visit:

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002279.html#more> and click on the "Best Place to Work" link.

7. UNM IS HOSTING a symposium, "Educating for Innovation: Connecting UNM to the World's Challenges," to present ideas from national keynote speakers and regional leaders about how to strengthen the culture of innovation and educate students to be able to innovate. The symposium, which begins at 9 a.m., will be held Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the Student Union Building Ballrooms A and B.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002278.html#more>

8. THE COMMITTEE FOR Public Service and Community Engagement at UNM will present a public talk, Friday, Oct. 5, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. with Dr. Ira Harkavy, associate vice president of the University of Pennsylvania and director of the nationally and internationally recognized Center for Community Partnerships at Penn. The talk, titled "The Civic Mission of Universities," will be held in the Mirage / Thunderbird Room of the Student Union Building.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002280.html#more>

9. THE UNM ATHLETICS Department will conduct National Anthem auditions for 2007-08 Lobo basketball games on Saturday, Oct. 6, from noon to 3 p.m. at The Pit. Those individuals wishing to try out should be at The Pit by noon and must have an assigned time. For more information contact, Lori Ann Salgado via e-mail at: loriann@unm.edu or (505) 925-5014 by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 4. A reservation is required. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002263.html#more>

10. THOMAS J. SCHOEMAN has been chosen to receive the 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of New Mexico School of Architecture and Planning. A 1973 graduate with a bachelor's degree in architecture, Schoeman will be honored at the school's honor convocation Friday, Oct. 5, at 5:30 p.m. in the UNM Student Union Ballroom. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002270.html#more>

11. THE UNM SCHOOL of Architecture and Planning has announced its inaugural exhibition, "inside PREDOCK," at the recently completed George Pearl Hall. The show will open on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. on the UNM campus and continue through Jan. 25, 2008. <http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002248.html#more>

12. HASSAN ABASSARY, a cook at the UNM-Gallup Child Care Center, has been named as one of the recipients of the UNM Provost's Committee for Staff Academic Support Scholarships. He will be recognized in a meeting with Interim Provost Viola Florez on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at UNM's Albuquerque campus. The scholarship, created by the Provost's Committee for Staff, is for a UNM employee who is using his or her tuition remission benefit to obtain a degree or professional certificate as well as to take professional development classes.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002274.html#more>

13. UNM'S CENTER FOR SCIENCE, Technology, and Policy is co-sponsoring the Santa Fe Council on International Relations' Fall 2007 International Lecture Series "Safety in a Nuclear World: Fears, Hopes, and Realities." The series kicks off on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m. with Richard Rhodes presenting, "Where Have All the Secrets Gone? A Layman's Guide to Nukes." This event will take place at The Forum, College of Santa Fe.

<http://www.unm.edu/~market/cgi-bin/archives/002281.html#more>

14. **THIS WEEK** on UNM Live podcasts: University Archivist Terry Gugliotta explores the history of UNM presidential inaugurations in an interview with Senior Communication Representative Karen Wentworth. <http://unmlive.unm.edu>.