July 12 - 22, 2007

Thursday, July 12

**Dissertation Defense:** 2 p.m., Cramer 221. Qingzhong Liu, graduate student in the Computer Science Department, defends his Ph.D. dissertation "Feature Mining with Computational Intelligence and Its Applications in Image Steganalysis and Bioinformatics"

**NRAO Colloquium:** 2 p.m., AOC. Bob Dickman of the National Science Foundation speaks on "Testing Gravity in the Galaxy"

**SSP Guest Lecture:** 2:30 p.m., Weir 102. Dr. Eric Davis of the Inst. for Advanced Studies at Austin speaks on "An Assessment of Faster-Than-Light Spacetimes: Make or Break Issues." Sponsored by the Summer Science Program. Open to faculty, and staff.

**Swing Dance:** 8 to 10 p.m., SAC. Sponsored by New Mexico Tech Ballroom Dance Club. Not limited to swing dancing. If you want a special song or style please bring a CD for us to play. Open to everyone; includes short lesson, if requested.

Friday, July 13

**New Student Registration:** Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall semester 2007 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 18. For schedule, see: http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html

**Blood Drive:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., SAC. Residential Life is sponsoring the summer blood drive by United Blood Services. To reserve your time to donate, see http://externalweb.nmt.edu/reslife/

**Grade Option Deadline:** 5 p.m., Registrar's Office. Deadline to choose Audit, S/U, or Withdraw.

Saturday, July 14

**SSP Guest Lecture:** 10 a.m., Weir 102. Dr. Larry Sverdrup of Ophthonix, Inc. speaks on "Mad? Science." Sponsored by the Summer Science Program. Open to faculty, and staff.
Tuesday, July 17

**SSP Guest Lecture:** 2:30 p.m., Weir 102. Dr. Eileen Ryan of New Mexico Tech speaks on "Asteroid Hazards and the Magdalena Ridge Observatory 2.4m Telescope." Sponsored by the Summer Science Program. Open to faculty, and staff.

Thursday, July 19

**Swing Dance:** 8 to 10 p.m., SAC. Sponsored by New Mexico Tech Ballroom Dance Club. Not limited to swing dancing. If you want a special song or style please bring a CD for us to play. Open to everyone; includes short lesson, if requested.

Friday, July 20

**SSP Guest Lecture:** 2:30 p.m., Weir 102. Dr. Nicholas Suntzeff of Texas A&M Univ. speaks on "Cosmology." Sponsored by the Summer Science Program. Open to faculty, and staff.

SCOPE Notices

**NEWS:**


--Long Time Chemical Engineering Staff Member, John Marshall, Passes Away, http://infohost.nmt.edu/~cheme/marshallnews.html


VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR GUS MACKER BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:

--New Mexico Tech is hosting the Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament on Saturday, July 21 and Sunday, July 22. The event is sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club of Socorro and will be held on campus. Volunteer scorekeepers are needed, for half-days or full-day, either day. Water and lunch will be provided. To volunteer, please contact Melissa Begay at 835-5120.

PROVISIONAL OVERHEAD RATES BEGINNING JULY 1

--Principal Investigators: Tech has recently negotiated the FY 08 provisional overhead rates with the Office of Naval Research. Effective immediately, the following rates supercede the current proposed rates and should be used on proposals submitted for projects beginning after July 1, 2007.

College Rates - Sponsored Research Activities

- On-Campus 39.8%
- Off-Campus 12.7%

College Rates - Other Sponsored Activities

- On-Campus 43.0%
- Off-Campus 9.8%

EMRTC (IERA/Playas) Rates - Sponsored Research Activities

- On-Campus 34.4%
- Off-Campus 8.3%

EMRTC (IERA/Playas) Rates - Other Sponsored Activities

- On-Campus 12.2%
- Off-Campus 11.5%
EMRTC Facility Support Rate 28.2%

PLEASE NOTE: projects awarded under prior proposed rates may be adjusted, in accordance with OMB Circular A-21 Section G.7, once the project is completed. These will be reviewed on an individual basis.

These rates can also be found on the Restricted Funds website under "inforserv/business office/restricted funds department." If you have any questions, please call the Business Office at 835-5781.

WRITERS WANTED!

Write reviews, columns, and editorials! Get paid! Contact paydirt@nmt.edu for more information. Paydirt is the student newspaper of New Mexico Tech.

Schedule:

- Content due: Aug. 28; paper should appear Sept. 4
- Content due: Sept. 11; paper should appear Sept. 18
- Content due: Oct. 2; paper should appear Oct. 16. Pre-49ers issue
- Content due: Oct. 16; paper should appear Oct. 23. Post-49ers, special color issue
- Content due: Nov. 1; paper should appear Nov. 6
- Content due: Nov. 19; paper should appear Nov. 26
- Content due: Nov. 26; paper should appear on Dec. 7. Finals issue

GRAPHICS POLICY:

--The Public Information Office has a new policy on use of the graphic artist's resources. Please see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/policies/graphics.pdf for details.

REGISTRAR’S OFFICE (FIDEL SECOND FLOOR:)

Important Academic Dates:

Friday, July 13: New Student Registration, Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall semester 2007 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 18.

Friday, July 13: Grade Option Deadline: 5 p.m., Registrar's Office, Fidel Second
Floor. Last day to choose audit or S/U or to withdraw with a W.

Monday, July 30: **New Student Registration**: Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall semester 2007 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 18.

Friday, August 3: **End of classes and summer session**

Friday, August 17: **New Student Registration**: Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall semester 2007 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 18.

Saturday, August 18: **Orientation**: Fidel Center. For new students starting in the Fall semester 2007.

Monday, August 20: **Welcome Back Day**: Registration and Validation, second floor of Fidel  
**New Student Convocation**: 5 p.m., Macey Center.

Tuesday, Aug. 21: **Classes begin**

Friday, Aug. 31: **Online Registration Closes**

Monday, Sept. 3: **Academic and Staff Holiday**

Friday, Sept. 7: **Registration Closes** Last day to add or drop classes without a "W" on your transcript.

--Questions concerning academic policies, degrees, grades, etc. are welcome at our office. Come by and see us.

**JOB OPENINGS AT TECH:**

Full descriptions of job openings are available at Job Openings, http://externalweb.nmt.edu/hr/. New Mexico Tech is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

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**SCOPE is a twice-weekly newsletter for the New Mexico Tech community, provided as a service by the Office for Advancement.** SCOPE is generally emailed on Mondays and Thursdays during academic semesters. There is no specific deadline. Events are entered on a rolling basis as they come in.