Welcome back for a new semester! Events are posted on the SCOPE website at http://www.nmt.edu/gen/scope/, on the Tech calendar at http://www.nmt.edu/gen/cal/ and on the Tech homepage (events for next three or four days.) Virtually any event on the Tech campus that is open to the public is acceptable. Sorry, SCOPE does not do classified, real estate, or lost-and-found ads.

August 17 - 27, 2007

Friday, August 17

**New Student Registration:** Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall semester 2007 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 18. Contact: admission@admin.nmt.edu or 1-800-428-TECH. For schedule, see: http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html

Saturday, August 18

**Orientation:** Fidel Center. For new students starting in the Fall semester 2007. See schedule at: http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html

**Socorro Community Yard Sale:** all day, around Socorro. Stock up for the new semester! On Plaza: Farmers' Market, arts and crafts, music. Sidewalk sale around town by Socorro merchants. Yard sales all over town. For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/2007/12july02.html

Sunday, August 19

**Book Sale:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., near Fidel. Benefits Miners' Ink. To donate books, contact Karen Balch at 835-5412. Also selling raffle tickets for books autographed by New Mexico authors.

Monday, August 20

**Welcome Back Day:** Registration and Validation, second floor of Fidel. For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/welcome.html

**Children's Center Countdown:** 134 days! Donations received by Dec. 31 will be matched. For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/giving/cc.html

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books, contact Karen Balch at 835-5412. Also selling raffle tickets for books autographed by New Mexico authors.

**Community Info Fair:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fidel Atrium. Community businesses and groups can make contact with Tech students. To reserve a table, contact jasplen@nmt.edu.

**New Student Convocation:** 5 p.m., Macey Center. Keynote address: Dr. Lynda Walsh speaks on "Sins Against Science."

**Tuesday, August 21**

Classes begin

**Wednesday, August 22**

**Auditions:** 5:30 p.m., Macey Center. Auditions for "Wings," a musical comedy based on a Mark Twain story, by Socorro playwright George Terrell. Directed by Eileen Comstock. For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/auditions.html

**Thursday, August 23**

**Swing Dance:** 8 - 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, August 24**

**Tech Club-Club Macey:** 4 - 7 p.m., Macey Center. Welcome back! TCCM is a 21-and-over club for New Mexico Tech faculty, staff, students, and friends.

**Monday, August 27**

**Children's Center Countdown:** 127 days! Donations received by Dec. 31 will be matched. For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/giving/cc.html

**Hydrology Seminar/ Dissertation Defense:** 3:30 p.m., MSEC 101. Weon Shik Han, New Mexico Tech, speaks on "Simulation and Analysis of Geologic
SCOPE Notices

NEWS:

--NM Tech Named "One of America's 25 Hottest Schools",

--NM Tech Listed First in the Nation in Industrial R and D Funding,

--New Mexico Tech is one of five colleges featured in Popular Science's September 2007 issue.

575 COMING!

--On October 7, the state of New Mexico will be split into two area codes. The northwest region of the state (including Albuquerque) will retain its current area code (505), and the rest of the state, including Socorro, will get a new area code (575).

--This change will apply to wireline and wireless service as well as other communications services. Local calls within 575 will continue to be dialed with 7-digit dialing; local calls from Socorro to 505 will require 10-digit dialing. All long-distance calls will require 1+10-digit dialing. Remember:

- Reprogram any speed dial numbers you have on office and private phones.
- Change the area code on such things as stationery, business cards, signs, and advertisements.
- Always include Socorro's area code when you give the phone number.
- Notify all customers that the area code has changed.
- Encourage customers to request assistance if they have trouble calling you.

--If you have questions, please visit www.Qwest.com/announcements/NewMexicoAreaCodeSplit or call Qwest. Residential, please call 1-800-244-1111; Wireless, call 1-800 244-1111; Small Businesses, call 1-800-603-6000. Or, contact the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission at www.nm575.info or 1-888-4ASK-PRC.
NMT AT STATE FAIR:

--New Mexico Tech will have an outdoor booth for two days at the State Fair in Albuquerque. Admission and Public Information personnel will be present, but any Tech departments, divisions, or organizations who want to display or demonstrate things are also welcome.

- Monday, Sept. 10, COLLEGE DAY. Contact: Allison Costello, 505-366-2560.
- Friday, Sept. 14, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DAY.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CURRENT STUDENTS:

--Tech's Office of Financial Aid has announced several scholarships of interest to Tech students.

- New Mexico Space Grant Consortium has scholarships available for graduate and undergraduate engineering, science, and math majors. Scholarships are $5000 for graduate students and $2000 for undergrads.
- Chevron/Texaco has scholarships available for majors in chemical, mechanical, and petroleum engineering.

For details, see http://www.nmt.edu/prospective/admin/sch/drkpurple.htm or visit the Financial Aid Office, 2nd floor, Fidel Center.

INTERNATIONAL FLAGS:

--The international flags in front of Fidel Center represent countries that Tech students come from. The U.S. and New Mexico flags fly in front of Brown Hall daily.

--From Aug. 13 through 24, Fidel flags represent Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, and Brazil

COMMUNITY INFORMATION FAIR:

--The Student Association will host a community information fair on Monday, August 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Fidel Atrium. Community groups, including local businesses, who want to reach new and returning Tech students, are invited to have a table at the fair. To reserve a space,

BOOKS SOUGHT: --Miners’ Ink is accepting book donations for the upcoming
book sale, to be held on Sunday, Aug. 19. We will gladly accept any type or
genre. To arrange a pickup, call 835-5412 or drop off at Fitch 111.

WRITERS WANTED!

Write reviews, columns, and editorials! Get paid! 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

REGISTRAR’S OFFICE (FIDEL SECOND FLOOR:)

Important Academic Dates:

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Fall semester 2007.

Monday, August 20: **Welcome Back Day:**

**Registration,** Registrar’s Office, 2nd floor, Fidel Center

- Graduate students: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.
- Seniors: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- Juniors: 10:30 a.m. to noon
- Sophomores: Noon to 1:30 p.m.
- Freshmen and Special Students: 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**Validation**

- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Cashier’s Window
- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Student Accounts, 2nd floor, Fidel Center
**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.

**Wednesday, Oct. 10:** **Midsemester**

**Friday, Oct. 19:** **Academic Holiday, 49ers Celebration**

**Saturday, Oct. 20:** **49ers Celebration**

**Thursday, Nov. 22:** **Academic and Staff Holiday**

**Friday, Nov. 23:** **Academic and Staff Holiday**

**Nov. 26 - 30:** **Registration for Spring 2008:** Monday, Graduate students and Tech scholars; Tuesday, seniors; Wednesday, juniors; Thursday, sophomores; Friday, freshmen.

**Friday, Dec. 7:** **Last Day of Classes**

**Saturday, Dec.:** **Finals begin**

**Thurs., Dec. 13:** **Last day of finals**

--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.

SCOPE is a twice-weekly newsletter for the New Mexico Tech community, provided as a service by the Public Information Office. 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.