

# August 20 - 31, 2007

## Monday, August 20

**Welcome Back Day:** Registration and Validation, second floor of Fidel.

**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

**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>

**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.

**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](mailto: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**

**Rugby Practice:** 4:30 to 6 p.m., Athletic Field. Candidates must be ready to run and should bring water. Practices held on Tues., Weds., and Thurs., every week. Women interested in forming a women's team, please contact director Dave Wheelock in the gymnasium office, 835-5854, [dwheelock@admin.nmt.edu](mailto:dwheelock@admin.nmt.edu).

## 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>

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## Thursday, August 23

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**Comedy Night:** 8 p.m., Macey Center. Comedian Dan Mengini. Tech students free with ID. NO BACKPACKS OR ALCOHOL. (Violators will be cited.) Sponsored by Student Activities Board.

**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.

**Welcome Back Tournament:** 6 p.m., Game Room, Fidel Center. Sign up in the Game Room for A, B, and C divisions. Get a coupon for a \$1 smoothie at Fire and Ice Coffee Shop.

## Saturday, August 25

**Inter-hall Olympics:** 2 p.m. Athletic Field. Residential Life Office sponsors this event, for teams of 10 people, open to students, faculty, and staff.

Registration from 1:15 to 2 p.m. Events include: Dizzy Izzy Volume Race, 11-Legged Race, Magic Carpet Race, Modified Balloon Toss, Orange Crush, Present in the Pie Puzzle Game. All people on the team will need to participate in all of the events. Bandannas for the first 20 teams to register. Grand prize for the winning teams hall council. Also raffles of small prizes.

## **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>

**Chamber Music Organizational Meeting:** noon, Jean Macey Music Annex. Instrumentalists who are interested in participating in MUS 361-Chamber Music but who have not yet been placed into a group are invited to attend this organizational meeting. For more information, please stop by Dr. Doug Dunston's office, Fitch 104.

**Hydrology Seminar/ Dissertation Defense:** 3:30 p.m., MSEC 101. Weon Shik Han, New Mexico Tech, speaks on "Simulation and Analysis of Geologic CO2 Sequestration: A Case Study of the Permian Basin, TX," a Hydrology Seminar and Ph.D. Defense.

## **Tuesday, August 28**

**Total Eclipse of Moon:** pre-dawn, western sky.

## **Wednesday, August 29**

**Club Fair:** times TBA, Tech Gym. Tech students, come see what Tech clubs have to offer to you! Clubs, to reserve a table, contact the Student Association.

**Master's Thesis Defense:** 2 p.m., MSEC 202. Lorie M. Dilley, graduate student in the Earth and Environmental Science Department, defends her thesis "Fluid Inclusion Stratigraphy: A New Method for Geothermal Reservoir Assessment."

**Faculty Luncheon:** noon - 1:30 p.m., Macey Center, Galena Room. Free luncheon for all faculty. Information about Tech's new faculty mentoring program. For more information and to RSVP by Friday, Aug. 24, 5 p.m., please email [tanja@nmt.edu](mailto:tanja@nmt.edu).

**Wednesday Poker Matches:** begins 7 p.m. Game Room, Fidel Center. Held every Wednesday.

## **Thursday, August 30**

**Geoscience Seminar:** 2 p.m., MSEC 101. Lorie M. Dilley speaks on "Fluid Inclusion Stratigraphy: A New Method for Geothermal Reservoir Assessment"

**Master's Thesis Defense:** 3 p.m., Jones 106. Jerimiah Robbins, graduate student in materials engineering, defends his thesis "Processing and Properties of Carbon Nanotube Reinforced Polycarbonate Matrix Composites."

**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 31**

**Online Registration Closes:** For the next week, students may still add or drop classes at the Registrar's Office.

**Master's Thesis Defense:** 9 a.m., Jones 106. Julianne Heffernan, graduate student in materials engineering, defends her thesis "Molecular Dynamic Simulations of Flexible and Semiflexible Polymer Chains."

**Black-Light Billiards:** 6 p.m. Game Room, Fidel Center. Play under black light, every Friday, 6 p.m. to closing.

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## **SCOPE Notices**

### **NEWS:**

--U.S.News & World Report Ranks New Mexico Tech Third in West,  
<http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/2007/17aug04.html>

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

<http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/2007/13aug01.html>

--N M Tech Listed First in the Nation in Industrial R and D Funding,  
<http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/2007/14aug01.html>

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

## **KUDOS:**

--Kudos to Dr. Brian Borchers, math dept., for being featured in a story in the *Albuquerque Journal's* Fitness section on Aug. 11, for his weight-loss and fitness regimen.

## **CLUB SPORTS:**

Want to form or continue a Sport Club? The department of Physical Recreation administers the campus Sport Club program. Completed registration packets should be turned in by Friday, September 7. Packets can be picked up by a club leader at the Gymnasium office 8:00 - 5:00 Monday through Friday.

## **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 and contacts 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](http://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](http://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. Contact: Kathy Hedges, 505-835-5618

## **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

## **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:**

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.

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***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.

