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

Tuesday, Aug. 22

Classes begin

Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Wild Tuesday" at Registrar's.

Milk Mustache: All day, Chartwells Campus Dining. Get your picture taken with a milk mustache and receive a free milk and a coupon for an espresso or smoothie for $1.00. Sponsored by Chartwells Campus Dining.

Coffee Happy Hour: 3-5 p.m., Coffee Shop. Guitar duo and 2-for-1 coffees, sponsored by SAB/Gym: [SAB=Student Activities Board]

Rugby Practice Begins: 4:30 p.m., Tech Athletic Field. Just show up to play; no experience required. Women's team dependent on number of candidates. Contact coach Dave Wheelock

International Orientation: 5 p.m., International Office (Fidel 2nd floor). International students are invited to an informative session with pizza and beverages! Learn about how to get a Social Security number and driver's license; how to stay legal in your F or J student status, what services and medical and emergency assistance are available to you, and many more useful things!

Wednesday, Aug. 23

Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Career Services Office Day." Stop by the Career Services Office in Student Affairs and take part in a chance to win an 8 GB flash drive! See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug23.

Rugby Practice: 4:30 p.m., Tech Athletic Field. Just show up to play; no experience required. Women's team dependent on number of candidates. Contact coach Dave Wheelock

Movie Night at Macey: 8:30 p.m., Macey Center. Sponsored by Student Activities Board (SAB).

Thursday, Aug. 24
Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Go for the Gold" at the Advancement Office. See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug24.

Rugby Practice: 4:30 p.m., Tech Athletic Field. Just show up to play; no experience required. Women's team dependent on number of candidates. Contact coach Dave Wheelock

Comedy Night at Macey: 8:30 p.m., ATHLETIC FIELD, MOVED FROM Macey Center. Comedian/ engineer Loni Love. Sponsored by Student Activities Board (SAB). A former engineer by day and comic by night, Loni's credits include "The Late Late Show with Craig Kilborn", "Comedy Central's Premium Blend," and The Best Damn Sports Show Period," in which she is a recurring sketch player. Her movie credits include a starring role in the independent film "With or Without You" and the MGM feature "Soul Plane." Loni Love plays Viola on NBC's mid-season comedy "Thick and Thin."

Friday, Aug. 25

Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Counseling and Disabilities Services Office Day." Celebrate Mardi Gras! Chair massages for students, faculty, and staff! Solve a word scrambler of 20 words and have a chance to win a portable DVD player. See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug25.

New Mexico MESA Conference: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Macey Center. MESA is Mathematics, Engineering and Science Achievement, Inc. Contact: Allison Costello, 505-366-2560.

Watermelon-eating contest: 5:30 p.m., Atrium. Students, faculty, and staff are invited! Winners receive $25 Tech dollars. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services. Sign up in Auxiliary Services by noon on Aug. 25.

Deadline to enter Saturday's Billiards Tournament: 5:30 p.m., Game Room

Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament: starts 6 p.m., Game Room. Students, faculty, and staff all welcome. Sign up in the Game Room

Tech Club/Club Macey Welcome Back Night: 4 to 7 p.m., Macey Center. For those 21 and over.

7-9-8 Billiards Tournament: deadline to sign up is 5 p.m., Game Room. For details, see http://infohost.nmt.edu/~billiard/tournaments/2006/fall/fidel_798/flyer.html

Saturday, Aug. 26

7-9-8 Billiards Tournament: play begins at 9 a.m., Game Room. For details, see http://infohost.nmt.edu/~billiard/tournaments/2006/fall/fidel_798/flyer.html

LAN Tournament: begins 11 a.m. in Fidel Atrium. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services.

Dodgeball Free-4-All: noon, Tech Gym.

New Mexico MESA Conference: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Macey Center. MESA is Mathematics, Engineering and Science Achievement, Inc. Contact: Allison Costello, 505-366-2560.

80s Movie Night and 80s Costume Party: 1 p.m. through 9 p.m. Dining Room. Door prizes, popcorn, pickles. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services.

Sunday, Aug. 27

Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Student Association Day." See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug27.

7-9-8 Billiards Tournament: continued from yesterday, Game Room. For details, see http://infohost.nmt.edu/~billiard/tournaments/2006/fall/fidel_798/flyer.html

LAN Tournament: continued from yesterday, Fidel Atrium. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services.

Auditions for "A Christmas Carol": 1:30 p.m., Macey Center. Students, faculty, staff, Socorro community invited to try out for parts in this musical, which will be presented on Dec. 1, 2, and 3. People interested in orchestra and tech should also come by and sign up. For details, see http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/auditions.html

Soccer Match: TBA, non-conference

Monday, Aug. 28

Health Fair: All day, Health Center. Brought to you by Student Health Center and Tech Gym. Students, faculty, and staff: check blood pressure, weight, calculate BMI and blood sugar. Flexibility tests, abdominal endurance test, percent body fat assessments.

Free smoothies & snacks: with coupons received at bookstore. Sponsored by Chartwells Campus Dining.

Face painting: 1 to 4 p.m., Atrium. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services

Thesis Defense: 3 p.m., Jones Annex 101. Tommie McSherry, a graduate student in Biology, will defend her thesis "Characterization and Identification of a Protease Contaminant in the Antibiotic Bacitracin."

Intramural Rosters Due: 5 p.m., Tech Gym. Sports for outdoor intramurals are soccer, volleyball, softball, and dodgeball. Fall Intramural league begins Tuesday September 5.

Texas Book Company (Campus Bookstore): Children's book giveaways. Two names will be drawn every hour from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 29

Grand Opening, Fidel Center: Today is "Admission Office and Advising Resource Center Day." At Admission, enjoy a Mexican fiesta and play Tech Jeopardy, from 9 a.m. to noon. Food, fun, and prizes! Top prize is dinner and a movie for you and three of your friends! At Advising Resource Center, pan for "gold"! "Nuggets" of wisdom can be redeemed for prizes big and small. See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug29.

Star Wars Trivia Game: till 4 p.m., Texas Book Company. Test your knowledge of Star Wars, for prizes! Contest closes at 4 p.m.; winner posted next day.

Dinner and a Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" will be playing in Dining Room all through dinner. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services.

Wednesday, Aug. 30


Greek Trivia Game: till 4 p.m., Texas Book Company. Test your knowledge of
ancient Greece, for prizes! Contest closes at 4 p.m.; winner posted next day.

**Dinner and a Movie:** "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" will be playing in Dining Room all through dinner. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services.

**Thursday, Aug. 31**

**Grand Opening, Fidel Center:** Today is "Student Accounts/Cashier and International and Exchange Programs Day." Stop by Cashier's or Student Accounts, fill out a form, and have a chance to win one of FOUR gift certificates to the Bookstore! Stop by International and Exchange Programs, play the flag-guessing contest. See http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/fidelgo.html#aug31.

**Movie Trivia Game:** till 4 p.m., Texas Book Company. Test your knowledge of movie trivia, for prizes! Contest closes at 4 p.m.; winner posted next day.

**Dinner and a Movie:** "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" will be playing in Dining Room all through dinner. Sponsored by Auxiliary Services. Chartwells Dinner features Chinese, French, German and Indian cuisine.

**Game Night:** time TBA, ground floor of Fidel. Come play Pictionary, video games, chess, checkers, and many more! Sponsored by Student Activities Board (SAB).

**Socorro County Fair and Rodeo:** through Sept. 3

**Friday, Sept. 1**

**Fidel Center Grand Opening:** Closing events. Drawing for GRAND PRIZES at noon in Fidel Atrium.

**Club Fair:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Fidel Atrium. Students, come find out what clubs there are at Tech that interest you! Clubs, find new members! Sponsored by Student Association.

**Stump the Website Game:** 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Fidel Atrium. Everybody gets a prize, and you go in a drawing for and you go in a drawing for a mini-virtually indestructible keyboard. Sponsored by Web Marketing Subcommittee.

**Socorro County Fair:** fairgrounds south of town. Through Sunday.

*For events further in the future, see the New Mexico Tech Calendar, [http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/calendar/mastercal.html](http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/calendar/mastercal.html)*
SCOPE Notices

NEWS:

--The Los Angeles Times has an article on the movie Morning Light, which will feature Tech student Kate Theisen: http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-sailing15aug15,0,4510476.story?coll=la-home-headlines

--The Albuquerque Tribune has an article on research on liquid explosives at New Mexico Tech: http://www.abqtrib.com/albq/nw_national_government/article/0,2564,ALBQ_19861_4907980,00.html

GRAND OPENING GAMES:

--EVERY DAY you can play the Sticker Game (get stickers from offices). EVERY DAY you can play Auxiliaries' Picture Puzzle Game (get puzzle from Auxiliaries on Fidel 2nd floor). STUDENTS: Check your campus box for your GRAND OPENING BOOKLET. More booklets available from Advancement (Fidel 2nd floor).

MEAL DEAL FOR TECH STAFF AND FACULTY:

--Chartwells Campus Dining offers special meal deals for Tech faculty and staff.

- Buy a block of 25 meals for $180 and get 1 bonus meal.
- Buy a block of 50 meals for $355 and get 3 bonus meals.
- Buy a block of 80 meals for $550 and get 5 bonus meals.

--Meals do not carry over to the next semester. To buy a block of meals, see a Chartwells cashier, who will give you a form and your bonus tickets. A bonus ticket may be used immediately, if you like. You need to turn in the form and pay at the Tech Cashier's on Fidel 2nd floor. You must have a current Tech ID card, with usb code and a 900 ID number. These can be obtained at Registrar's (right across from Cashier's).

FE EXAM:

--All Tech engineering majors are required to take the Fundamentals of Engineering exam (FE exam) in order to graduate. This semester's exam is on Oct. 28 and the deadline to sign up is Sept. 7. You may sign up online at http://www.els-examreg.org/. For details on Tech's test, see
SPORTS CLUBS:

--Want to form a new sports club or renew an existing one? Sport Club registration packets for 2006-2007 can now be picked up during business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) at the Department of Physical Recreation office in the gymnasium. Completed packets are due by 5 p.m., Friday, Sept. 8. Plan ahead! The packet takes time to fill out. It includes forms for club officers and membership signatures and waivers, advisor's signature, and a proposed budget summary outline.

--The New Mexico Tech Rugby Club, Tech's longest-running sport club, kicks off autumn training sessions at 4:30 on Tuesday, August 22 on the south rugby pitch. Women's team dependent on number of candidates. No experience required. Studded cleats useful, no jewelry or metal zippers please. Candidates must return waiver agreement and proof of insurance information. Training sessions every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday throughout the season.

--For more information contact Dave Wheelock, Rugby coach and club sport coordinator.

NEW ALBQ VAN PROPOSED:

--Andrew Tubesing in Electrical Engineering is trying to evaluate interest in a new commuter van from Albuquerque. Details would be adapted to the particular group who gets involved, but likely it will leave from Winrock Mall around 6:45 a.m. and depart NMT around 5:15 p.m. Depending on comfort preferences of the group, cost will be between $125 and $150 per person per month.

ENVIRONMENTAL FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE:

--Must be full-time student. Must be U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Must exhibit interest in the environment. Sponsored by the WERC program. Go to www.werc.net for more information. Fall 2006 Application Deadline: September 1, 2006. Please pick up application with Emma Aafloy, Brown 200A.

WHERE ARE THEY?

--During the past few months, many offices at New Mexico Tech have moved. Are you lost, confused, and distressed? NEVER FEAR! Here's help:

- Fidel Ground Floor as pdf: http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/image/Fidelfirst.pdf
- Fidel Second Floor as pdf:
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE (FIDEL SECOND FLOOR:)

Important Academic Dates:

Tuesday, Aug. 22: **Classes begin**

Monday, Sept. 4: **Academic and Staff Holiday**

Friday, Sept. 8: **Registration Closes**

Wednesday, Oct. 11: **Midsemester**

Friday, Oct. 20: **49ers Celebration. Academic Holiday**

Tuesday, Oct. 31: **Grade Option Deadline** Last day to choose audit, S/U, or withdrawal with a W on your transcript

Nov. 23 and 24: **Thanksgiving break**


Saturday, Dec. 9: **Finals begin**

Thurs., Dec. 14: **Last day of finals**

Friday, Dec. 15: **End of Semester**: Residence Halls close

--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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