AUGUST 25 - SEPT. 4, 2003

SCOPE is a service of the Office for Advancement.

Monday, Aug. 25

Registration and Validation: all day, Tech Gym. For schedule and instructions on registering and validating, please see <http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/registration/reg2003.html>

Independent Study Presentation: 10 a.m., Speare 102. Mehmet Inal, engineering management student, speaks on "A Data Mining Use of DEA-DA: Methodological Comparison of Eight Discriminant Analyses"

International Student Orientation: 3 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library. All first-time international students are urged to attend. This is your opportunity to ask all your questions about life at Tech and in Socorro and get a tour of the library, too. Refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, Aug. 26

Classes begin

Minority Student Welcome Reception: noon, Tripp Room, Skeen Library. All ethnic minority students are invited. Sandwiches and drinks will be served. Meet the academic and staff advisors for SHPE, AISES and AMP and mingle with fellow students. We'll discuss upcoming opportunities and brainstorm activities for the year.

Rugby Practices begin: 4:30 Tech Athletic Field. Meets same time, every Tues., Weds., and Thurs. Just show up, or contact coach Dave Wheelock in the Gym for more information, 835-5854. Details below.

Wednesday, Aug. 27

Seminar for all New Graduate Students: 6 p.m., MSEC 101. Graduate Dean Dave Johnson will hold a seminar for all new graduate students. Attendance is mandatory; refreshments will be served.

Karaoke Night: 8 to 11 p.m., SAC. A "Week One" event sponsored by SPLAT.

Mars Madness Party: 8:30 p.m., Etscorn Campus Observatory. Tonight, Mars is less than 35 million miles away, the closest it has been in 60,000 years. Don't
miss this chance to see the Red Planet up close! To reach the Campus Observatory, take Canyon Road past the Golf Course Pro Shop. Turn right on Buck Wolfe Drive and follow the signs to the observatory.

**Thursday, Aug. 28**

**Seminar for Teaching Assistants:** 6 p.m., MSEC 101. Graduate Dean Dave Johnson will hold a seminar for teaching assistants. Attendance is mandatory. Pizza and soda pop will be served.

**Comedy Night:** 8 p.m., Macey Center. Come laugh with Chris "Crazy Legs" Fonseca. Doors open at 7:30. A "Week One" event sponsored by SPLAT.

**Study Abroad in Brazil:** 8 p.m., MSEC 103. Learn about Tech's Brazilian exchange program and how you can participate for one semester. Meet our Brazilian students and Tech students who participated in this program. Open to all majors. Contact Dr. Aimone-Martin for more details ([caimone@nmt.edu](mailto:caimone@nmt.edu))

**Swing Dance:** 8 p.m. until about 10, SAC. Every Thursday. DJs will rotate. If you want to hear something specific bring your CD and we'll play it. Open to all and admission is free. Lessons available upon request (also free) and a new intermediate move will be taught

**Friday, Aug. 29**

**Human Resources Course:** 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Speare 113. Part II of a two-part series. Determine the core of a strong, vibrant workplace. Identify the roles great managers play. Learn how to motivate people. Hone the art of interviewing. Learn the "How To's" of performance management. Please sign up by calling 835-5955 or emailing JoAnn Salome at [jsalome@admin.nmt.edu](mailto:jsalome@admin.nmt.edu).

**Club Macey:** 5:30 p.m., M Mountain Grill. Meet for cocktails and appetizers along with Tech Club. Wear western attire for additional discounts or door prizes. Club Macey members will meet at Socorro Fair Grounds at 8 p.m. to enjoy the rodeo!

**Saturday, Aug. 30**

**Mall Trip:** Vans depart at 10 a.m. from Gym, to Cottonwood Mall in Albuquerque. Seating limited -- sign up in Gym. A "Week One" event sponsored by SPLAT.

**Monday, Sept. 1**
Academic and Staff Holiday

Tuesday, Sept. 2

Intramural Rosters due: Tech Gym.

Wednesday, Sept. 3

Organizational Meeting, Socorro Community Theater: 7 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library. The Socorro Community Theater's fall production will be "The American Car, the American Dream" and all interested people are invited to attend. Actors, prompters, readers, publicity organizers, costume crew and stage crew are all needed! If you cannot come to the meeting but would like to participate, please contact Diane Meier (505)615-4085 or Karen Fort (505)838-0379.

Thursday, Sept. 4

Swing Dance: 8 p.m. until about 10, SAC. Every Thursday. DJs will rotate. If you want to hear something specific bring your CD and we'll play it. Open to all and admission is free. Lessons available upon request (also free) and a new intermediate move will be taught almost every night.

For events further in the future, see the New Mexico Tech Calendar, <http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/calendar/mastercal.html>

SCOPE Notices

NEW ON THE WEB:


--A new page has been created for Tech's appearances in the news media. The page is at <http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/media.html>. Some of the media require that you subscribe in order to read the stories.

--People who subscribe to the New York Times may read about Christopher
Watts’ plasma research at

RUGBY CLUB:

--The New Mexico Tech Rugby Football Club, competing statewide and beyond, will hold practices on the athletic field every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoon at 4:30. No experience necessary. Call coach Dave Wheelock in the gymnasium office for details, 835-5854. (9/9)

STAFF NEWS:

--Richard Chamberlin, Sr. Field Geologist at the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, will be presenting results of an ongoing geologic study of Oligocene ignimbrite calderas and radiating mafic dikes of central New Mexico at an upcoming Penrose Conference in Hveragerdi, Iceland. Geochronologist/volcanologist Bill McIntosh and Emeritus Director, Chuck Chapin are coauthors of the conference abstract. The conference is titled "Plume IV: Tests of the plume paradigm and alternatives". Conference details and abstracts are available at <http://www.mantleplumes.org> (8/25)

INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK PICNIC:

--Please mark your calendars for the annual International Picnic on Sunday, September 7th, at 5:30 pm on the lawn south of Macey Center. Students, staff, faculty, and families are invited to join in. Please bring a main dish or salad or dessert to share - utensils, plates, cups, etc. will be provided. You might also want to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and your favorite international tapes or CD.s! This is a good chance to welcome all our new international students and faculty. Call Karen Schlue at 835-5022 for more information.

SPORTS CLUBS:

--The Sports Club program, administered by the Dept. of Physical Recreation, offers Tech community members the opportunity to join others in learning and enjoying a wide range of activities. Returning and prospective sports clubs who would like funding for 2003-04 should complete and return an Application Packet by Monday, Sept 8. Packets are available from the gym business office, 8 a.m. -5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. (9/8)

NEW MEXICO FIRST:

--New Mexico First is a statewide, non-profit, non-partisan organization in 1986
established to create a statewide network of informed and caring New Mexicans; to identify, fundamental Legislative policy issues; and to inspire New Mexicans to take positive action.

--New Mexico Tech students are invited to participate in New Mexico First's Town Hall October 16-19, in Albuquerque. The topic will be "Workforce Development: Preparing Employees for 21st Century Jobs." Approximately 150 participants will spend 3 ½ days discussing the topic.

--Application Process: By September 8, 2003 at 5 p.m., turn in, to Career Services, Wells 111, your resume and a letter (no longer than 1 page) addressing what you can contribute to this process, why you are interested, and why you should be selected. Scholarships will be available for the 2 students who are selected. Selection will be determined by an interview. (9/8)

--See New Mexico First's website at www.nmfirst.org

FINANCIAL AID:

Student work authorization forms are available from the Financial Aid Office in Wells. All students working on campus, whether part-time or on work-study, need a new authorization form for fall semester. (8/29)

CAREER SERVICES <http://www.nmt.edu/%7Estuaffs/> (WELLS 111):

--Faculty and staff: Looking for students to fill those student employment positions? On-campus student job opportunities can be posted and advertised on-line via MONSTERTRAK. For information and assistance, please call 835-5780 (Career Services) or e-mail matorres@admin.nmt.edu <mailto:matorres@admin.nmt.edu>

--Information Meetings: The companies listed below have scheduled information meetings for students who might be interested in working for them. For details and help with resumes, contact Career Services.

- Burlington Resources, Tues., Sept. 23, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library.
- Naval Air Warfare Center, Weapons Division, Weds., Oct. 1, 6 to 7 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library
- Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division, time TBA
- ChevronTexaco, Mon., Oct. 6, 6 to 8 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library
- Schlumberger, Thurs., Oct. 16, 7 to 9 p.m., Tripp Room, Skeen Library
Important Academic Dates:

September 2003

- Friday, Sept. 12: **Registration closes:** After 5 p.m. today, you may not add classes. If you withdraw from a class after today, there will be a "W" on your transcript, and you will be charged full tuition. See Registrar's Office, Brown 100.

October 2003

- Wednesday, Oct. 15: **Midsemester**
- Friday, Oct. 24: **Academic Holiday**, 49ers Celebration and Homecoming

November 2003

- Tuesday, Nov. 4: **Last Day to Change Grading Option:** Deadline is 5 p.m. today to choose S/U, Audit, or a letter grade, or withdraw with a "W". Registrar's Office, Brown 100.
- Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28: **Academic and Staff Holidays**

December 2003

- Friday, Dec. 12: **Last day of classes**
- Saturday, Dec. 13: **Finals begin**
- Thursday, Dec. 18: **Finals end**

--Senior Engineering Majors: as a requirement for graduation, you **must** take the Fundamentals of Engineering exam. The exam will be given on Oct. 25, but the deadline to apply is Sept. 8. Details are at <http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/registration/feexam.html>. For more information, contact Dr. Tom Engler, petroleum engineering, or the Registrar.

--You can add or drop classes until registration closes on September 12. The dropped classes will not show on your transcript. From September 15 to November 4, you may withdraw from classes. A "W" will appear on your transcript.

--If you plan to graduate in December 2003, turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office. (9/5)
--The up-to-date class schedule for Fall 2003 is online at banweb.nmt.edu <http://www.nmt.edu/~scope/banweb.nmt.edu>. Click on Class Schedule. Hard copies are available at the Registrar’s Office, Brown 100. (9/5)

--All academic notices are mailed to your campus post office box. If you don't have a campus box, please go to the Campus Post Office at the SUB and have one assigned to you as soon as possible. (9/5)

--If you don't have the prerequisites for a class you are enrolled in, you need to fill out a "Prerequisite Waiver Form." Failure to do so may result in your being disenrolled from the class. (9/5)

--Federal Education Right to Privacy Act: Under federal law, you have the right to withhold disclosure of any or all categories of "Directory Information." Any future requests for such information from non-Tech persons or organizations will be refused. New Mexico Tech will honor your request to withhold any of the categories, but cannot assume responsibility to contact you for subsequent permission to release them. Regardless of the effect upon you, Tech assumes no liability for honoring your instructions that such information be withheld. Category 1 - Name, address, telephone number, dates of attendance, class. Category 2 - Previous institution(s) attended, major field of study, awards, honors (includes honor roll), degree(s) conferred (including dates). To withhold any information, stop by the Registrar’s office and fill out a request form. (9/5)

--New students: You must submit final high school or college transcripts, if you have not done so. (9/5)

--Questions concerning academic policies, degrees, grades, etc. are welcome at our office. Come by and see us at Brown Hall, room 100.

**JOB OPENINGS AT TECH:**

Full descriptions of job openings are available at <http://infohost.nmt.edu/mainpage/job/hr.html>. New Mexico Tech is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

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- Use our Submit <http://www.nmt.edu/~scope/submit.html> form at www.nmt.edu/~scope/submit.html
- e-mail scope@nmt.edu <mailto:scope@nmt.edu>
• send your type-written notice in campus mail to SCOPE
• fax (505) 835-5825

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