[Note: THE ULTIMATE FATE OF THE UNIVERSE has changed! SSP lecture moved from Friday to today, Thursday, July 17.]

July 17 - August 2, 2008

Thursday, July 17

SSP Guest Lecture: 2:30 p.m., Weir 102. Dr. Nicholas Suntzeff of Texas AM University speaks on "The Ultimate Fate of the Universe." Sponsored by the Summer Science Program; open to the Tech community.

EMRTC: An Explosive Retrospective: Macey Center Gallery. The exhibit will remain on display through Aug. 10. http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/events/2july01.html

Swing Dance: 8 to 10 p.m., SAC. 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. Sponsored by the New Mexico Tech Ballroom Dance Club.

Friday, July 18

Blood Drive:: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., SAC. Every donor will be entered in a drawing to win a $1,000 gas card!

TCCM Hawaiian Luau: 5 to 7 p.m., Copper Patio, Macey Center. Featuring Hawaiian appetizers, drink specials, island music, limbo and hula dancing contests. Tech Club - Club Macey is a social club for those 21 and over.

Tuesday, July 22

Master's Thesis Defense: 1 p.m., Cramer 221. Mayuri Shakamuri, graduate student in Computer Science, defends her thesis on "NetPDF: Network-Centric Parallel Digital Forensics."


Grade Option Deadline: 5 p.m., Registrar's Office. Last chance to choose S/U or Audit. Last chance to withdraw with a W.
Thursday, July 24

**Swing Dance:** 8 to 10 p.m., SAC. 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. Sponsored by the New Mexico Tech Ballroom Dance Club.

Saturday, July 26

**Honey-Doo Couples Golf Tournament:** New Mexico Tech Golf Course. http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/

Monday, July 28

**New Student Registration:** Fidel Center. Students starting in the Fall Semester of 2008 may register. Orientation is on Aug. 23.

**Senior PGA Sectional Qualifier Golf Tournament:** New Mexico Tech Golf Course. http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/

Tuesday, July 29

**Senior PGA Sectional Qualifier Golf Tournament:** New Mexico Tech Golf Course. http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/

Thursday, July 31

**Swing Dance:** 8 to 10 p.m., SAC. 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. Sponsored by the New Mexico Tech Ballroom Dance Club.

Friday, August 1

**Regents' Retreat:** The Lodge at Chama. Annual retreat to consider New Mexico Tech issues in depth.
Saturday, August 2

Regents' Meeting:: 8 a.m., The Lodge at Chama. The meeting agenda will be available on July 30, 2008 in the Office of the President, 217 Brown Hall, New Mexico Tech, Socorro, New Mexico. Legal and personnel items are to be considered in Executive Session.


SCOPE Notices

NEWS:


--Center for Innovative Teaching Announces Awards and Learning Communities Expansion, http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/news/2008/7july01.html

--Tech Adding Laboratory Building for Thriving Engineering Programs, http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/regents/08july3.html

ATTENTION PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS:

--NMIMT recently negotiated the FY 09 final fixed overhead rates with the Office of Naval Research. Effective immediately, the following rates supersede the current provisional rates and should be used on proposals submitted for projects beginning after July 1, 2008.

College Rates - Sponsored Research Activities

• On-Campus 27.1%
• Off-Campus 15.1%

College Rates - Other Sponsored Activities
• On-Campus 13.6%
• Off-Campus 12.9%

EMRTC (IERA/Playas) Rates - Sponsored Research Activities
• On-Campus 51.2%
• Off-Campus 18.6%

EMRTC (IERA/Playas) Rates - Other Sponsored Activities
• On-Campus 9.9%
• Off-Campus 7.9%

EMRTC Facility Support Rate 38.3%

IERA Building Lease Rate: 25.0%

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 "infoserv/business office/restricted funds department."

If you have any questions, please call the Cost Accounting Office at -5781.

CONSTITUTION DAY, SEPT. 17

--Constitution Day is coming on Weds., Sept. 17. The Public Information Office is looking for anyone who wants to hold non-partisan activities or events to commemorate the ratification of the U. S. Constitution.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:
• Fidel Center: landscaping on south and east sides, in progress
- **Kelly Petroleum Building**, construction bid has awarded to Stoven Construction.
- **Campus Sign**, corner of Leroy and Campus Drive. COMPLETE.
- **La Raj Demolition**, anticipated start date: August
- **Electrical Loop**, in progress; Facilities Management portion is completed. Finish date: Not established
- **Fine Arts East and West**, Drainage issues, in progress
- **Jones Hall Reconstruction**, in progress.
- **Mini Baja Shed**, in progress.
- **Gym Offices**, remodel, COMPLETE!

**REGISTRAR'S OFFICE:**

**Important Academic Dates:**

Tuesday, July 22: **Grade Option Deadline**: Last day to choose S/U or Audit. Last day to withdraw with a W on transcript.

Monday, July 28: **New Student Registration** for students entering Fall 2008. For information, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html

Friday, August 8: **End of classes and summer session**

Friday, August 22: **New Student Registration** for students entering Fall 2008. For information, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html

Saturday, August 23: **Orientation** for students entering Fall 2008. For information, see http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/or.html

Monday, Aug. 25: **Registration and Validation** 2nd Floor of Fidel Center.

Monday, Aug. 25: **Convocation** 3 p.m., Macey Center. The entire New Mexico Tech community is invited to this convocation marking the beginning of the 2008-09 academic year.

Tuesday, Aug. 26: **Classes begin**

Thursday, Aug. 28: **Late Fees begin**

Monday, Sept. 1: **Academic Holiday**

Friday, Sept. 5: **Online Registration Closes**

Friday, Sept. 12: **Registration Closes**
Wednesday, Oct. 15: **Midsemester**

Friday, Oct. 24: **Academic Holiday**: 49ers Celebration

Tuesday, Nov. 4: **Grade Option Deadline**: Last day to choose S/U, Audit, or withdrawal with a "W"

Thursday, Nov. 27: **Thanksgiving holiday**

Friday, Nov. 28: **Academic and staff holiday**

Dec. 1 - 5: **Registration for Spring 2009**: Monday, Graduate students and Tech Scholars; Tuesday, seniors; Wednesday, juniors; Thursday, sophomores; Friday, freshmen and special students. May register online at Banweb or in person at the Registrar's Office, 2nd floor of Fidel.

Friday, Dec. 12: **Last day of classes**

Saturday, Dec. 13: **Finals begin**

Thursday, Dec. 18: **Finals end**

--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.