Break hours for various Tech facilities are posted at http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/calendar/breakhours.html. Monday, May 26, is the Memorial Day holiday for staff.

May 19 - June 02, 2008

Tuesday, May 20

MST Seminar: 4 p.m., Cramer 129. Shawn Price, graduate student in Master of Science for Teachers, presents his Independent Study "Robotics Activities for Middle School Physical Science." Public invited.


Thursday, May 22

New Life Insurance Coverage for NMT Employees: 9:30 a.m., Galena Room, Macey Center. New life insurance carrier, Fort Dearborn Life, will explain the coverage. There is a price decrease for some portions of the new coverage which will become effective on June 1, 2008. The open enrollment period is the month of June. Sponsored by Human Resources; no registration required.

Friday, May 23


Master's Thesis Defense: 10 a.m., MSEC 105. Abibata Essilfie, graduate student in Mineral Engineering, defends her thesis: "Stabilization of Socorro County Red Clay by Using Fly Ash." All are invited to attend.

NRAO Colloquium: 11 a.m., AOC. Malcolm Gray, NRAO, speaks on "SiO Masers in AGB Stars Revisited."

Saturday, May 24

Sunday, May 25


Monday, May 26

**Memorial Day**: Staff Holiday


Tuesday, May 27

**Conference on the Making of Energy Policy**: Lea County Events Center, Hobbs. Featured speaker: Sen. Pete Domenici. For details and to sign up, please see [http://nmcep.nmt.edu/](http://nmcep.nmt.edu/)

Friday, May 30

**Domenici Center Re-Dedication**: 11:30 a.m., NRAO/AOC. Students, faculty, and staff of New Mexico Tech and staff of NRAO are invited to attend the dedication of the Pete V. Domenici Science Operations Center.

**Summer Splash**: 1 - 4 p.m., Playas Day Care Center, Playas, NM. Toddlers through 12-year-olds are invited to a fun-filled afternoon, along with parents. Face-painting, alligator swimming pool, cup cake walk, tug-of-war (mud pit), shaving cream balloon relay, create your own T-shirt and play dough critter to take home.

Sunday, June 1

**Socorro Springs Open Golf Tournament**: NMT Golf Course. Senior program. [http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/](http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/)

Monday, June 2

**Socorro Springs Open Golf Tournament**: NMT Golf Course. Senior stroke play. [http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/](http://externalweb.nmt.edu/nmtgolf/)
Student Apartments Open: 5 p.m.

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**SCOPE Notices**

**NEWS:**

--Coming soon: Pygmies Capture Celtic Sevens Championship, will be posted later today on Tech homepage.


--Within a week, Distance Ed will post the video stream of Commencement at http://distance.nmt.edu.


**BIRDERS' REPORT**

--Have you seen birds with bright red heads and yellow bodies on campus? John Shipman informs us they are Western Tanagers. There has been a huge influx all up and down the valley, according to some postings in the local bird lists. It's spring migration, and the mulberries are starting to ripen. They're frugivores.

**SOLVE VANPOOL HAS OPENING:**

--The SoLLVE (Socorro- Los Lunas Vanpool Express) van has openings for interested commuters. The van leaves Los Lunas at 7 a.m. and picks up riders in Belen at 7:15, arriving at Tech between 7:50 and 7:55. Departure at 5:05 p.m. includes a swing past the research buildings west of campus. Cost is $100/month.

**GYM LOCKERS:**
--If you have a gym locker and wish to retain it, the annual $10 fee is due in May. Please see the Gym Office to pay the fee. Lockers which are not paid for are cleaned out, and contents are donated to Goodwill. Thank you.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:

• **Kelly Petroleum Building**, drawings near 98% complete and bid package near release stage.
• **Campus Sign**, corner of Leroy and Campus Drive. Foundation to begin after graduation.
• **La Raj Demolition** to begin Summer 2008
• **Golf Course Lavatories** Landscaping in progress. Estimated finish: open
• **Desert Maiden**, Landscape is near completion. Expected finish date: 5/08/2008
• **Electrical Loop**, in progress; Facilities Management portion is completed. Finish date: Not established
• **Driscoll Hall**, Shower remodel, construction to begin Summer 2008
• **Fine Arts East and West**, Drainage issues, in progress
• **Jones Hall**: water line replacement. Estimated finish: open
• **Jones Hall Reconstruction**: Bids due 5/06/2008
• **Jones Hall Annex**: Interior stabilization of pads to begin 6/2/2008
• **Mini Baja Shed**: project to begin after graduation.

REGISTRAR’S OFFICE:

**Important Academic Dates:**

Monday, June 16: **Registration and validation** for summer semester.

Monday, June 16: **Orientation** for new students, entering summer semester.

Tuesday, June 17: **Classes begin**

Wednesday, June 18: **Late fees begin**

Friday, June 20: **Registration closes**

Friday, June 27: **New Student Registration** for students entering Fall 2008. For information, see [http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html](http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html)

Friday, July 4: **Academic and Staff Holiday**
Friday, July 11: **New Student Registration** for students entering Fall 2008. For information, see [http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html](http://www.nmt.edu/mainpage/admission/registration.html)

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

Monday, Aug. 25: **Registration and Validation**

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

--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/](http://externalweb.nmt.edu/hr/). New Mexico Tech is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

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