

Northeast Today



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HAPPENINGS

WEDNESDAY, July 21

Last day to receive refund for withdrawal from school.
dusk "Return of the Pink Panther," Red Barn Park

THURSDAY, July 22

Last day to drop classes without a code
8 p.m. "Whose Life Is It, Anyway?" Lit. Theatre, BH.
2 & 7:30 p.m. "The Last Epidemic," Rm. 2, SUB

THE LAST DAY TO RECEIVE REFUND for withdrawal from school is Wednesday.

"RETURN OF THE PINK PANTHER," will be shown at dusk Wednesday in Red Barn Park. The movie is sponsored by the Student Activities Board. Admission is free.

THE LAST DAY TO DROP classes without a code is Thursday.

"THE LAST EPIDEMIC," a film discussing the medical effects of nuclear war, sponsored by the World Peace Club, will be shown at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 2 of the Student Union Building. Admission is free.

"WHOSE LIFE IS IT, ANYWAY?," the last of the Summerplay '82 series features '81 NMSU graduate Michael Collins. It will be presented at 8 p.m. in the Little Theatre, Baldwin Hall. Admission price is \$1 for NMSU students, faculty and staff with I.D.

VOLLEYBALL AND HOMEMADE ICE CREAM will be offered at 7 p.m. Thursday at Wesley House, 903 S. Davis. Everyone is welcome.

NORTHEAST NOTES

Dr. Ronald Knight, mathematics, recently attended the fifth international conference on Trends in Theory and Practice of Nonlinear Differential Equations where he presented a paper entitled "Some Stability Notions."

Tim Bickhaus, Bob Horn, Carl Mueller and David Thompson are representing NMSU and the College Republicans on a special White House V.I.P. tour. While in Washington, D.C. they will meet with top White House officials.

Marlow Ediger, education, will have his article "Phonics and the Reading Curriculum" published in Query, a publication of the Saskatchewan English Teachers Association.

Dr. Kenneth Stilwell's appearance on the W/GEM Contempo program has been rescheduled for 12:45 p.m. Sunday. He will speak on the summer institute on Improving Mathematical Competencies of Teachers Certified in Areas Other Than Mathematics.

Internships bridge the gap between college and career

by Deb Woodson, student intern

It is said that experience is the best teacher. NMSU's internship program is making that saying a fact.

Each year approximately 200 students earn credit by working in a field related to their major through the University's internship program. Some of the interns are paid, others are not. Jan Fishback of Career Planning and Placements says this should not influence the student's decision to do the internship. "You don't get paid for going to school," she said, "and an internship is education."

The University gives student interns one hour of credit for every 40-hour work week they complete. Students are encouraged to do their internships in the summer so they can live at home and still earn college credit. Tom Churchwell, assistant to the dean of instruction, said.

Though the opportunities for internships differ with the geographical locations, some type of internship can usually be found close to home. Ligo Letuli, a junior from Pago Pago, Samoa is working this summer at the office of the Attorney General of Samoa. Senior Jean Bodell, Peoria, Ill., is working for the Peoria Symphony.

Another option is to work on campus in the summer to earn intern credit. Sophomore Lila Castleman is working for the Physical Plant office collecting and testing the water from the University's cooling towers. She is the third intern in the job and the second female. She is a chemistry major who plans to work in nuclear chemistry.

The internship is sponsored by Olin Water Service in Kansas City. Castleman said that the internship has helped her chances for a job after graduating. Both of the other interns had job offers with Olin and she feels certain they will offer to hire her, also.

Both Churchwell and Jan Fishback feel that interns are more employable as graduates because of the experience they gain. "It is possible for people with a B.A. or B.S. degree to graduate without any experience at all," Churchwell said. "The internship gives them experience."

Tom Fishback, junior, is a summer intern in the Computer Services Office. He shares the feeling that the internship will help him in his job hunting later. "I really am an employee here, doing what I hope to be doing when I'm out of school," he said. "I'm getting on-the-job training."

Other ways internships benefit students is by allowing them to find out if they are happy with the majors they have chosen and by previewing the jobs available in that area.

It is possible for a student to obtain an internship in three ways. Some students find the job themselves and

through the division heads. The other option is to go to the Dean of Instruction's Office. Churchwell has a list of available internships. The Business, Education, Practical Arts and Special Programs divisions handle their own internships.

As a new service to students on campus, the Career Planning and Placements Center is contacting NMSU alumni for possible internship openings.

The program began with only a few interns in the area of agriculture but Churchwell feels there has been an emphasis on internships in the last six or seven years, since the arrival of Dr. Darrell Krueger, dean of instruction. "He really believes in internships," Churchwell said. He also credits students with the increasing popularity of the program, "Students are realizing it makes them more employable."

Candidates for internships are selected carefully. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.75. Once hired, the intern is supervised both on the job and by a University adviser who makes on-site visits to watch the student in his work environment. The intern is also asked to keep a daily or weekly journal or to submit a term paper of his duties and feelings at the end of his internship.

Churchwell said most of the interns feel good about their internship. "After the internship is over, you have proved yourself."



Lila Castleman is the summer intern at the Physical Plant Office. She collects and tests water from the University's cooling towers.