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1. THE BUDGET SCENARIOS that will be considered at next week's UNM Budget Summit can now be viewed on the summit website. Also available is a bulletin board on which members of the University community can provide thoughtful responses to UNM's budget issues. The summit will be held Thursday, April 1, from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Rodey Theatre at the Center for the Arts. An audio webcast of the morning's session will also be provided. http://www.unm.edu/summit/index.html

2. WILD FRIENDS, a proponent of legislative measures to protect wildlife and make roads safer for motorists, was recently honored with the New Mexico Wildlife Society’s 2003 Professional Award for outstanding contributions to wildlife conservation. The Center for Wildlife Law and the UNM Institute for Public Law founded Wild Friends, a statewide network of 500 students, teachers and mentors. http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-17wildfriends.htm

3. THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING had its graduate certificate program in historic preservation approved by the State Board of Finance recently. The certificate will be a tool for city planners, government cultural resource professionals and those in architecture, landscape architecture and planning to understand what is distinctive and vital to a community to revitalize and restore the heritage.

4. SCHOOL OF LAW PROFESSOR Leo Romero has been elected president of the National Order of the Coif. Coif promotes and honors academic and scholarly excellence and is the national honorary society for law, akin to Phi Beta Kappa for undergraduate colleges. Graduates from law schools with Coif chapters are elected to the Order of the Coif if they graduate in the top 10 percent of the their class.

5. THE UNM CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN Association of University Professors will host a discussion titled, "Contingent Faculty at UNM," Thursday, March 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Ortega Hall 334. UNM non-tenure track faculty comprise 51 percent of all main campus faculty and 87 percent of branch faculty. The discussion will focus on ways to improve working conditions of non-tenure track faculty at UNM.

6. KNME-TV, Channel 5 and Lovelace Sandia Health Systems will join together for “Arthur’s Hooray for Health” at Sears in the Cottonwood Mall, Saturday, March 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The annual event will feature PBS character Arthur and will provide health information, including tips on nutrition, exercise, emotions and dental care, to Albuquerque's children. http://www.knmety.org/home/Arthur%20PR.PDF

7. THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE OF LANGUAGE Teaching will be held Thursday – Saturday, March 25-27, at the downtown Hyatt in Albuquerque. For the first time, the conference is free to all students. “It is an initiative to bring our newest language colleagues into the profession http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-22language.htm
8. THE GENERAL LIBRARY will recognize David Baldwin, director of Zimmerman Library, on Thursday, March 25, as part of its Faculty Acknowledgement program. Baldwin will present a short lecture titled, “One Librarian’s Experiences in Publishing” in the Willard Reading Room of Zimmerman at 2 p.m., which will be followed by a reception. The Faculty Acknowledgement program honors those with significant achievements in research, scholarly/creative publications and or projects at the university. [http://www.unm.edu/news/releases/04-03-18library.htm](http://www.unm.edu/news/releases/04-03-18library.htm)

9. THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT will conduct its next NEON at UNM (Navigating Employment Opportunities Network) workshop, and will host New Mexico’s African American community, on Saturday, March 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. NEON is a community outreach, weekend workshop designed to cater to the needs of specific populations within the state, which allows UNM an opportunity to fill a growing need for talented and diverse employees. [http://www.unm.edu/news/releases/04-03-16neon.htm](http://www.unm.edu/news/releases/04-03-16neon.htm)

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