1. LINGUISTICS PROFESSOR JOAN L. BYBEE has been named UNM’s 49th Annual Research Lecturer. The lecture, “Say it again: how usage shapes language,” will be presented on Friday, April 30, at 7 p.m. in the Continuing Education Building. The annual research lecturer title is the highest honor UNM awards faculty members. 
http://www.unm.edu/news/04-04-19/bybee.htm

2. HISTORY PROFESSOR Virginia Scharff has been elected a Fellow of the Society of American Historians (SAH) “in recognition of the literary and scholarly distinction of historical work.” Scharff was one of 13 individuals elected this year.

3. A DEDICATION AND GRAND OPENING is planned for the Nano Electron Scanning Microscope at the School of Engineering on Monday, April 26, 11:30 a.m to 12:30 p.m., in the basement of the Ferris Engineering Building. The instrument is the first of its kind to be installed at a U.S. university and will allow researchers to study nanomaterials at unprecedented resolution. Abhaya Datye, professor of chemical and nuclear engineering and director of the Center for Microengineered Materials is director of the SEN microscope laboratory.  http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-04-21microscope.htm

4. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS is the focus of a new task force (formerly known as the UNM Circle on Sovereignty and Sustainability) assigned to Paul Nathanson, associate provost for Academic Affairs. The task force will identify central themes within the university’s teaching, service and research activities to broaden UNM’s international profile. Faculty and staff involved with international projects or programs are asked to join.  http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-04-21nathanson.htm

5. THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE and Planning Alumni Association hosts “Understanding the New Mexico State Water Plan: A continuing education event,” on Friday, April 23, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Acoma Room, Student Union Building. David Henkel, director of Community and Regional Planning, will moderate an informative discussion by a panel of experts from around the state on the functional and practical impacts of the recently approved State Water Plan.
http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-04-15panel.htm

6. THE TRIBAL VIRTUAL NETWORK (TVN) will have a blue ribbon cutting ceremony event on the Access Grid (AG) tomorrow from 10 a.m. to noon. The TVN/AG is a consortium of five New Mexico tribes and the UNM Arts of the Americas Institute – all working on a technology project that uses Access Grid or AG technology to enable real time audio/video communication between multiple sites using Internet connectivity.  http://finearts.unm.edu/tvn/

7. THE 22nd ANNUAL Bank of America / Larry Ahrens Golf Tournament, benefiting the UNM Presidential Scholarship Program (PSP), will be held Friday, June 11, at the
Championship Golf Course at UNM. Over the past 21 years, the tournament has raised more than $900,000 and provides at least 40 Presidential Scholarships each year. The 2003 event raised more than $75,000 in scholarship funds and set a record in terms of proceeds. The tournament is annually the single, biggest one-day fundraiser at UNM.
http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-04-21golf.htm

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