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1. FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR, students from the Chemical and Nuclear Engineering Department will zip up their flight suits and fly experiments on board the "Weightless Wonder," a microgravity KC-135 airplane at Johnson Space Center in Houston. The experiments are part of NASA's Reduced Gravity Student Flight Opportunities Program. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-02-27nasa.htm>
2. THE FOREIGN LANGUAGES and Literatures Department will hold its fifth annual World Language Expo, Saturday, March 6, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Ortega Hall on the UNM campus. Participants will get passports to explore many familiar languages - Spanish, Chinese, French, Japanese, German, Latin, Italian, Greek, Russian, Indonesian, Hindi, Esperanto, Czech, Swahili and Portuguese - and also some unfamiliar ones, like Wolof, Lingala and Welsh. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-02-10languageexpo.htm>
3. KEN FRANDBSEN, professor, Communications and Journalism, received "The Distinguished Service Award" given by the Western States Communication Association (WSCA) at its 75th annual convention held recently. The award is the association's highest honor recognizing individuals who have made significant and long-lasting contributions to WSCA and to the communication discipline. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-03frandsen.htm>
4. THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING's Joni Palmer, landscape architecture, and Jose Zelaya, architecture, present the "Santa Rosa Community Visioning Workshop," on Friday at the city hall in Santa Rosa, N.M. Along with their students, the two will present preliminary ideas for a redesign of the community's downtown courthouse square and proposals for a trail system for pedestrians and bicyclists along the Pecos River and El Rito. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-02-26HTdpac.htm>
5. NEW MEXICO'S TURBULENT history will be the focus of a lecture by Tobias Duran, director of the Center for Regional Studies, on Tuesday, March 9, at 2:30 p.m. in the Willard Reading Room at Zimmerman Library. Duran will discuss the social and political dimensions of U.S. colonialism in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and how race and class intersected in reform efforts from statehood through the 1940s. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-02duran.htm>
6. "MAURI," A GROUNDBREAKING FILM by noted Maori filmmaker Mereta Mita, will be shown Thursday, March 4, at 7 p.m. in the Anthropology lecture hall. Sponsored by the Anthropology Department, "Mauri" is Mita's first full-length feature and is told entirely from the perspective of the Maori, who are the indigenous people in New Zealand. Mita, who wrote, directed and produced the film, will be present to discuss the film after the screening. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-02-25mauri.htm>
7. JAMES L. McCLELLAND, professor of psychology and neuroscience at Carnegie Mellon University, and a well-known researcher in artificial intelligence, will present a

mini-course on connectionism relating to language on Monday and Wednesday, March 8 and 10 from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in DSH 136. McClelland will also present a colloquium on Thursday, March 11, in Woodward Hall 149, titled "On The Psychological Status of Linguistic Units." These events are open to the public and should be of interest to those in linguistics, psychology and computer science.