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1. FOUR FINALISTS have been identified for the Dean's position at the Anderson Schools of Management. They include: Stefanie Lenway, associate dean, MBA Programs, University of Minnesota; Mohammed K. Najdawi, senior associate dean and professor, director of Graduate Business Programs, Villanova University; Charles Crespy, dean, College of Business, J.P. Morgan Chase Professor, University of Texas-El Paso; and Philip Regier, interim dean, W.P. Carey School of Business. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-15asmdean.htm>
2. HISPANIC MAGAZINE ranks UNM 23rd on its list of top 25 Colleges and Universities for Latinos in its March 2004 issue. According to the magazine, academic excellence and Hispanic achievement lead the list of qualities for schools receiving the honor. UNM is the only school in New Mexico to make the list. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-17rankings.htm>
3. EVALYNNE HUNEMULLER, deputy director of the New Mexico Educational Retirement System, spoke about the status of UNM's retirement fund to a standing room only crowd at a Town Hall yesterday at the SUB. More than 200 employees attended the Staff Council-sponsored event also broadcast live to branch campuses. Hunemuller suggested ways UNM members could improve their retirement benefits by staying informed and active. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-17erb.htm>
4. LEADERS FROM UNM and the U.S. Air Force signed an agreement today establishing the Air Force Institute of Technology in Albuquerque. The educational initiative will allow Air Force officers and civilians to earn advanced degrees in science, technology and management by combining credits from each institution. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-17soe.htm>
5. UNM LOST OUT ON MORE THAN \$725,000 in project monies from the severance tax bill and House Bill 2 (General Appropriations Act) when Gov. Bill Richardson exercised his line item veto. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-17veto.htm>
6. A RECENT STUDY, led by College of Education Assistant Professor Rick Kitchen, shows that students from low-income communities can excel in mathematics when schools make teaching and learning a top priority. The research examined the characteristics that distinguished nine high achieving schools serving low-income communities. <http://www.unm.edu/news/Releases/04-03-11kitchen.htm>
7. ALF SIMON, director of landscape architecture in the School of Architecture and Planning, has been elected vice president/president elect of the Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture. His term of office as vice-president commences in June 2004, and his presidency in June 2005.
8. THE AWARD-WINNING KNME-TV series "COLORES!," produced on-location throughout central and northern New Mexico, will premiere two new episodes. "Route 66: The Neon Road in New Mexico" and "We Were One: The Story of Albuquerque's Railroad Shops" will air on Saturday, March 20 at 5 and 5:30 p.m. respectively. <http://www.knmetv.org/programming/images/Neon-Railroads-PR.PDF>