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#### **Message from the VP**



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful morning as we round out the final weeks of classes with vibrant campus traditions and celebrations. Be sure to visit the areas around the SUB today for Lobopalooza and come get a root beer float at the Duck Pond over lunch on Thursday.

Earlier this week I had the honor of joining the Veterans and Military Resource Center at their annual graduation and awards ceremony. Of particular note was the number of VMRC employees completing degrees at UNM this year. When you see them, be sure to congratulate this team of lifelong learners on a job well done! With so many evening events, I've had to make sure that the lights on my bicycle are charged up.

For the past year, I have been participating in the UNM 5K Commuter Club offered by UNM Recreational Services Outdoor Adventure Center. The challenge is to commit to bike commuting to and from UNM a total of 5174 miles at 5174 feet (UNM's elevation). Beyond the benefits to the environment and physical health, the program also comes with perks such as free tune-ups and single use parking passes for those who do not have a UNM parking pass. As of this morning, I have officially recorded over 800 miles of bike commuting to and from UNM on over 300 rides. I hope you will join me in helping them reach their goal of over 100 participants by this fall.

I know I will see many of you at the Recognition Reception this Friday where we will celebrate student excellence and achievement from across campus. Enjoy the spring weather. It's great to be a Lobo!

With appreciation, Eric

#### Lobopalooza



Show your Lobo spirit at this year's Lobopalooza today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. around the SUB. Enjoy mechanical bull rides, zipline and food trucks.

## Fajitas and F.R.I.E.S



Join the Women's Resource Center and fellow lobos at 6 p.m. tonight in the WRC Courtyard for food, games and to learn about the F.R.I.E.S acronym, consent and building boundaries.

### UNM 5K Commuter Club Celebrates Anniversary



Last April, UNM Recreational Services Outdoor Adventure Center (OAC) <u>launched the UNM 5K</u> <u>Commuter Club</u> in conjunction with Student Affairs, the Provost's Office, and Parking and Transportation Services. The program was created to help UNM meet its 2040 sustainability goal.

This year, the <u>UNM 5K Commuter Club</u> will celebrate its first year anniversary at the <u>UNM</u> <u>Sustainability Expo</u> on Thursday, April 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Cornell Mall where they will offer free bike diagnostics, chain cleaning, and help registering for the club.

The club is open to students, staff, and faculty commuters. By joining, commuters are committing to bike commuting to and from UNM a total of 5,174 miles at 5,174 (UNM's elevation) at their own pacing and logging their miles via GPS tracking.

To date, more than 60 commuters have strapped on their helmets, answered the call and began logging miles. "We are hoping to increase that number to 100 this fall," said Charles Gwinn, OAC coordinator.

The cost for students is \$35 and \$50 for staff and faculty and eligible for Tuition Remission, and Personal Enrichment benefit. Benefits of participating include a free bike tune-up and two UNM parking scratchers, UNM 5K t-shirt, merchandise discounts, limited edition sticker after completion and more.

For more information or to register, visit the UNM 5KCommuter Club webpage

# UNM to Honor Lobos at Student Memorial Ceremony



Join us as we remember our students who have passed away and honor their Lobo legacies.

Student Memorial Ceremony

MONDAY April 29, 2024 UNM SUB Ballroom C 6:30 p.m.

The University of New Mexico community will take time to remember and celebrate the lives of Lobos who passed away during the last year. A Student Memorial Ceremony will be held on Monday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building, Ballroom C.

"The ceremony will be a way for folks to gather and pay tribute to the lives of our students who have passed away this year," said Nasha Torrez, J.D., UNM Dean of Students.

Family members and the Lobo community are invited to join Torrez, University administrators, and staff from the Division of Student Affairs as they honor the lives and legacies of these students.

This year, eleven students will be remembered, they are: Joshua Adogla, Tyler J. Ahrens, Sidney K. Alvarez, Christopher L. Coca, Jaydan Flores-Winters, Raphael Garcia, Henry Ho, Jade Lucero, Tyler P. McNamara, Debora Peters, and Wilson A. Ramirez Chabur.

"We can better process loss when in the presence of love and support from the folks who were positively impacted by the students' lives," said Torrez. "All are welcome to attend this special event to honor our students who have passed."

The formal ceremony will include the calling of the names of the students as well as remarks from UNM administrators and a moment of silence.

For more information email the LoboRESPECT Advocacy Center.

