



## President's Weekly Perspective

Good afternoon!

There is a lot happening on campus during the coming weeks so my message is a bit longer than usual—but I wanted you to be aware of all these important events and notifications.

### GO Bond / Voting Reminder

If you have not already taken the time to vote in this year's general election, do not forget that tomorrow is your last opportunity to do so. One of the last items on the ballot is [GO Bond C](#), which will have a substantial impact on UNM, including our branch campuses. This bond will improve higher education facilities throughout the state, increasing research and education possibilities, and it will not increase taxes. As you review the ballot, please consider the critical impact this will have on New Mexico students and scholars.

### ASUNM Senate Elections

Undergraduate students, your early voting opportunity for ASUNM Senate Elections will be this Thursday, Nov. 6. It is important that all of our students have a voice in the student body governance, so vote this week or next and let your voice be heard.

### UNM@125 Showing in the SUB

[UNM@125](#) will be shown at the SUB tomorrow, twice in the atrium and at 2 p.m. in the [ASUNM Southwest Film Center](#). The film's producer and director, Arcie Chapa, will be at the theater showing for a question and answer session. Please take advantage of the opportunity to watch this extraordinary film and hear from a phenomenal UNM filmmaker. It's a very entertaining way to learn more about the history of UNM, from our pioneer past to our modern achievements.

### United Way Campaign Update

We are halfway through our [United Way campaign](#), and I am pleased to see that so many people have already donated or enrolled in the yearlong giving campaign. Please remember that something as simple as \$5 per pay period can make a huge difference in the lives of our friends and neighbors. The United Way is an outstanding resource through which you can give to organizations that are most important to you, and to organizations that support our community. Don't forget that the [United Way Prize Patrol](#) is surprising six random donors with select gifts each Friday through the end of the campaign on Friday, Nov. 21.

### Characters Unite Campaign

On Wednesday, Nov. 12, USA Network will bring the [Characters Unite](#) campaign to the SUB from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The campaign, designed to "combat prejudice and intolerance while promoting understanding and acceptance," is going traveling to colleges to "stop hate and discrimination and prevent dating violence." This aligns perfectly with the respectful campus climate that we continue to promote. Tweet what you want to see stop, like hate or violence, by using the hashtag [#IWontStandFor](#) -

[@CharactersUnite](#) and let's show everyone how important these ideals are to the Lobo community.

### **Campus Resources**

I want to recognize our LGBTQ Resource Center for all of the work that goes into making UNM a safer, more inclusive University. UNM was recently named one of the [Top 30 Best Colleges for LGBT Students](#), a ranking that represents the overall climate of the University and all of the services and support that the Resource Center offers.

Another outstanding resource on campus, the Office of Career Services, has two events this week. The [Employer to Student Networking Event](#) will be held on Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. In addition to this networking opportunity, a [Public Service Career Showcase](#) on Thursday will bring government and non-profit organizations to campus looking for ambitious, potential employees. The office provides year-round support to prepare students for the work force and connect students with employers.

Thank you to all of our resource centers who go above and beyond in many ways to make this campus exciting, and welcoming to all, while preparing students for their next steps in life.

### **Community Engaged Scholarship Forum**

Several UNM schools, colleges and programs have teamed up to coordinate the [2014 Community Engaged Scholarship Forum](#) on Friday, Nov. 21. The forum will give us an opportunity to gain greater insight about "institutional structures, policies and funding to support and sustain community-engaged research, teaching and learning." The full day event will undoubtedly create discussion about how to keep the entire community engaged with our institutional goals. The last day to RSVP for this event is Friday, Nov. 7.

### **Winter Alumni Award Nominations**

This Friday is the deadline for the [Alumni Association Awards](#) so if you know an outstanding Lobo alum please take a moment to tout their success and service. The Alumni Association will be giving four prestigious awards: Faculty Teaching Award, Erna S. Fergusson Award, Bernard S. Rodey Award, and James F. Zimmerman Award.

Have a great week and Go Lobos!

Bob