



President's Weekly Perspective

Good afternoon.

Veterans Day

UNM takes pride in its veterans and is committed to supporting them through [programs and resources that help them transition to students](#). We honor our veterans, and it is important that [we give thanks for their service and sacrifice](#).

There will be a ceremony with the [Posting and Raising of the Colors](#) at the UNM flagpole south of Scholes Hall at 9 a.m. tomorrow morning in honor of Veterans Day.

Thank you to everyone in the Veterans Resource Center for helping our institution better serve the student veteran community. I want to specifically thank Lt. Cdr. Marilyn (Mandy) Dykman for her leadership of the center. The Veteran's Day ceremony will be her last event at UNM. I wish her the best in her future endeavors and know that she will have an outstanding impact on higher education for veterans in her new role as New Mexico State Approving Agency Director.

Safety Walk

A [Campus Safety Walk](#) is organized for Tuesday, Nov. 11 beginning at 7 p.m. in SUB Ballroom C. Additionally, there will also be a North Campus Safety Walk (on the same day) starting in HSC's Domenici West, Room 3010 at 7 p.m. The walks are a great opportunity for the University community to gain additional insight on possible safety issues such as areas needing additional lighting or signage. With significant participation and feedback we can work better to ensure the safety of everyone on our campus. Thank you to the Dean of Students Office, Student Affairs and the HSC for this concerted effort to make UNM a safer place.

Athletic Sweep

Congratulations to our women's cross-country team on their seventh straight year as [Mountain West Cross Country Champions](#), and the men's team on their sixth. It takes determination and tenacity to win a title like this, and this winning streak is a testament to consistent leadership as well as the talents and dedication of our student-athletes to be the best that they can be. It is no surprise that head coach Joe Franklin was also awarded his seventh consecutive Mountain West Women's Coach of the Year and his fourth consecutive Men's Coach of the Year. Please join me in rooting for our students who will compete in the NCAA Mountain Regional Championship this Friday at the UNM North Golf Course.

As Cross Country approaches the end of its season, basketball tips off strong. Both our men's and women's basketball teams won their exhibition games, which I think this is a good indication of the teams' strength this year.

Voting Success

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who supported [GO Bonds B and C for libraries and higher](#)

education, and everyone who worked to build awareness of these important initiatives. Bond B for libraries passed with more than 62 percent in favor. For UNM, this means that nearly \$915,000 will go toward print and electronic books, journals, media and library technology.

Bond C for higher education, which will result in \$39 million for UNM Main Campus, the HSC and the branch campuses, passed with almost 60 percent in favor. This funding will allow UNM to increase our research potential, educational value and ability to care for the citizens of New Mexico. This is a tremendous success that will benefit the entire State of New Mexico.

Have a great week and Go Lobos!

Bob