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# Need CEUs? C U in March

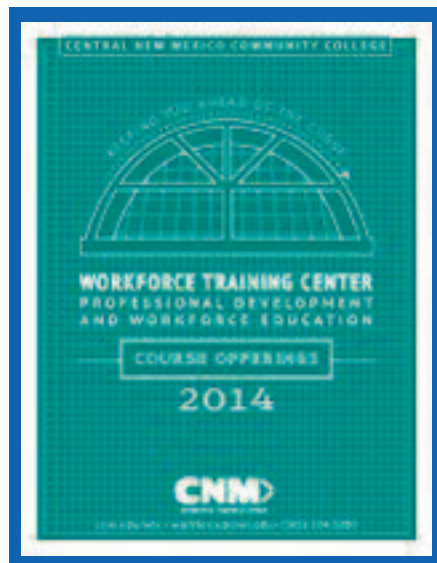
**C**ontinuing education unit (CEU) or continuing education credit (CEC) is a measure used in continuing education programs, particularly those required in a licensed profession, in order for the professional to maintain the license. In the facility world, examples of people who need CEUs include building engineers, facility managers, interior designers/interior architects, lighting designers, and architects. Generally, a CEU is defined as ten hours of participation in a recognized continuing education program, with qualified instruction and sponsorship. CEU records are widely used to provide evidence of completion of continuing education requirements mandated by certification bodies, professional societies, or governmental licensing boards. The records also provide employers with information on training received, pertinent to particular occupations.

Located in Albuquerque, NM, the Workforce Training Center's mission is to serve the needs of the local businesses and community members by providing quality industry education and testing. Whether the goal is to improve skills for a current job, to acquire the credentials needed to change or advance in a career, or to provide quality training for employees to increase productivity and profitability, courses are offered through the Workforce Training Center on a customized contract basis, or through open enrollment group classes, and through their online learning management system.



Cynthia Molnar, Business Account Representative, and David Licht, the Program Coordinator from Central New Mexico Community College's Workforce Training Center, will share information and resources towards meeting CEU requirements. Learn about the differences between CEUs and exam prep classes, the State of New Mexico Construction Industries Division requirements for CEUs for licensed journeyman, and the courses that CNM - WTC offers to keep your skills and licenses current.

Reservations are required for the breakfast meeting at 7:00 am on Wednesday, March 19th, at the Garduno's Uptown Restaurant near Winrock Mall in Albuquerque, NM. Cost for members is \$30.00, non-members pay \$35.00, and first-time facility managers or engineers are always in free! You must RSVP before March 17th by emailing carolee@fmanm.com (preferred) or by calling 505-975-6753.





## Executive Director - Carolee Griffin

**H**ousekeeping is my least favorite activity but a necessary evil. Here are some of the “rules of engagement” for the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico that you might find interesting!

If you are a facility manager and not a member of this group, please remember that you are welcome to attend **FOR FREE** as a guest of the organization at any meeting that catches your fancy. By the same token, if you are a supplier member to this group and would like to invite a non-member facility manager with whom you are working to join you at any of our functions, please, just let me know, and I will be sure that he or she is welcomed to the meeting **FOR FREE**, and made to feel comfortable as a first-timer.

This is our way of attempting to expand our facility manager component in the mix. Take advantage of it, especially if you are a supplier who wants to forge better relationships with the facility folks with whom you work. Suppliers, you are “out there” and you know everyone! Bring a new face to one of our informative, friendly events.

Next, we are ALWAYS looking for new **Facility Manager** members for our Board of Directors. Nothing like a little new blood to shake things up and keep it fresh. If you are even remotely interested, please contact me, and I will give you a thumbnail sketch of what involvement with the Board really looks like.

Last, please remember that timely reservations are essential so that the embarrassment attributed to unreserved guests with no meal and no name tag can be avoided. There are always the same repeat offenders to this rule, and you know who you are! An accurate number of RSVP’s must be turned into the restaurant so everyone can be fed in a mannerly fashion. Please endeavor to respect the Monday cut-off for the Wednesday meetings so we can welcome you with open arms.



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## Upcoming Events Calendar 2014

### Wednesday, March 19th

7:15 am, Garduno’s Uptown  
Need CEUs? We Can Help

### Wednesday, April 16th

7:15 am, Garduno’s Uptown  
Pest Management: The New Frontier

### Wednesday, May 21st

7:15 am, Garduno’s Uptown  
Water Treatment Options for Facilities

# Facility Managers Got Gas Options at the February Gathering

Since natural gas is a big expense for most facilities, a rapt audience listened, took notes, and questioned the presenters at the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico's monthly meeting in February. They were informed of options towards purchasing natural gas from a marketer instead of from a public utility. End-user facility managers learned how to access a "gas marketer" through the New Mexico Gas Company Transportation System, and took a step towards the possibility of saving money in this way.

Selby Lucero is a Facility Manager for Sandia Laboratories Federal Credit Union and he has used this method to procure this commodity for many years. He co-presented with Anthony Apodaca who represented Seminole Energy, a gas marketing company. The lively interactive format, which partnered an experienced facility manager with a supplier whose services he has found essential, provided for a highly credible, spirited, and informative presentation.

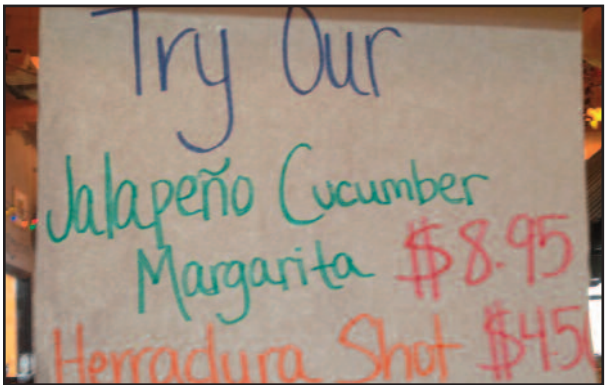
In essence, the New Mexico Gas Company makes their profit

on the gas transmission and gas distribution charges for the natural gas, rates that are set by the New Mexico Public Regulatory Commission (NMPRC). By law, they cannot make any revenue on the sale of natural gas. New Mexico businesses everywhere in the state (except for Las Cruces and Raton) have alternatives to buying natural gas from NMGC. NMGC's natural gas revenue comes from the tariff rates set up for gas transmission and distribution charges--NMGC is revenue neutral on their natural gas sales, as a straight pass through to the customer. For a variety of reasons, NMGC's natural gas costs are, on average, 10-30% higher than the San Juan Pipeline or Permian Basin prices. Transporting gas with a third party marketer can reduce natural gas prices anywhere from 14% to 25%, and possibly even more, depending upon usage.

More information and the power point version of this important presentation can be found by following a link on the FMANM website at [www.fmanm.com](http://www.fmanm.com).



# Got Gas cont'd



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## Need CEUs? We Can Help Wednesday, March 19th

Make reservations now to join the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico to hear important information on how to get continuing education credits. You must rsvp by 5 pm on Monday, March 17th, to be included.

**Please rsvp to [carolee@fmanm.com](mailto:carolee@fmanm.com) (preferred) or by calling 505-975-6753.**

**When:** Wednesday, March 16th, 2014, at 7:00 a.m.  
(Arrive early for coffee and connections)

**Where:** Garduno's Uptown  
2100 Louisiana Boulevard NE  
Albuquerque, NM (505) 880-0055

**Cost:** \$30 to Members  
\$35 to Non-Members



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