

Administration and Finance
Weekly Activity Report
Week Ending: August 22, 2014

- **A Warm Welcome** – Housing and Campus Life opened on-campus housing Sunday, August 17th and welcomed nearly 1500 students and their families. The day culminated with the annual Aggie BBQ and the start of Aggie Welcome and Orientation. Housing and Campus Life would like to thank the hundreds of volunteers who came out to help welcome our students!
- **ICT holds the fall ACANS meeting and annual department picnic** – ICT held its Association of Computer and Network Support (ACANS) meeting in mid-August. ACANS is an organization made up of computing and network professionals who support information technology across the NMSU system. The meeting was held to update NMSU’s technology professionals of critical projects underway at ICT, and to discuss future technology and technology needs of the university. Following the meeting, the annual ICT picnic was held at Preciado Park. A selection of burgers, dogs, and chips were on the menu along with fun and games for techies of all ages. A great time was had by all in attendance.
- **Who is that Mystery Man?** – Aggie P. Magee represented NMSU Transportation and Parking Services for the first time as part of the 2014 Aggie Welcome Week - Scavenger Hunt on Monday, August 18, 2014. Aggie P. Magee is a mysterious NMSU parking meter with a storied past. A direct descendant of the world’s first parking meter, Park-O-Meter No. 1 that was patented by Carl C. Magee (a former New Mexican) in 1935. Aggie P. Magee is a fierce defender of “Cowboy Ethics” and has been known to ride with Pistol Pete’s posse from time to time. Aggie P. Magee’s mood can change in the blink of a red LED eye so care must be taken never to offer foreign coins or “heaven forbid” metal slugs in exchange for parking minutes. No one knows what the initial “P.” stands for....it could be Pete or Parker or even Pistol. We may never know for sure.
- **Helping Student’s Prepare** – Barnes & Noble Bookstore at NMSU had a busy week for the opening of the fall semester. We held a Happy Event for the Discovery Day Program for students and offered treats and tours of the tech shop and textbook department. We participated in Move-In Day and held a VIP night for students with store tours, discount offers, spirit wear giveaways, games with prizes, treats from Papa John’s Pizza, and a DJ. Comcast Xfinity has been outside all week with giveaways and a drawing for an I-Pad Mini. The Barnes & Noble staff members volunteered their time for Aggie Fest, New Faculty Orientation, and New Student Orientation.
- **ICT upgrades NMSU’s job scheduler** – ICT completed its upgrade of NMSU’s automated job scheduler Automic, previously known as Appworx. This product currently runs 32,000 jobs a week and provides efficiency in processing by automating job scheduling across a number of computer applications and computing platforms without human intervention. ICT is investigating other areas where Automic can be used to increase efficiency and accuracy across the NMSU system.

