Administration and Finance
Weekly Activity Report
Week Ending: February 13, 2015

- **Smash Brother Tournament** – The Delta Sigma Phi fraternity sponsored this video gaming tournament in the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in Las Cruces on February 7th. Over 80 contestants competed and half of the registration fees were given to Casa De Peregrinos Food Bank.

- **Brenda Purcell wins ICT’s Asprey Award** – The award, which recognizes the employee who has gone above and beyond, was presented to “Ms. Brenda” for her exemplary service during the 1st quarter of 2015. Brenda, a Student Technology Tech Advisor, oversees the computer rental program, and more importantly, is the person students, faculty, and staff turn to when they need one-on-one help with using technology. And she does so much more. Brenda is not only a valued ICT staff member; she is recognized as an important part of the NMSU community. Kudos, Brenda, for all of your efforts!

- **Official NMSU Ring** – The official NMSU ring will be on display in the campus Bookstore as early as next week. To order, go to [http://www.balfour.com/nmsu/](http://www.balfour.com/nmsu/)

- **Facilities Operations** – Plant Operations and Energy Management personnel have been actively supporting the AMERESCO Performance Contract. This week they installed a new chilled water meter at the Music Building. This meter will be used for measurement and verification of utility consumption related to the performance contract.

- **Summer Preparation** – Plant Operations personnel are preparing the chilled water production systems for the summer cooling season. In addition to cleaning the chiller tubes to ensure production is maximized, they have inspected the piping in the thermal storage pool and are making the necessary repairs prior to the start of the summer cooling season. These activities will help us to efficiently operate the plant and reduce energy costs.
• **Irrigation Season Approaching** – Utilities shop personnel are performing scheduled maintenance on the water distribution system. These activities are being done prior to the start of the irrigation season to minimize impact to the campus.

• **NMSU Golf Course** – Representatives traveled to Albuquerque to take part in the 1st Annual New Mexico golf Expo. Experiencing the first great week of weather, the course hosted a high school tournament and 2 PGM tournaments.

• **Kick it Up a Notch Program** – Facilities and Services Custodial Operations “Kick it Up a Notch” program for 2015 has introduced a new Touch Free Electronic paper towel dispenser for keeping high-traffic areas up and running while reducing maintenance. The Touch Free operation reduces the risk of cross contamination since you only touch the towel. Metered dispensing of one pre-cut, pre measured towel discourages waste. One full loading of the dispenser offers more than 2,000 11” towels so maintenance visits can be reduced by as much as 50% which gives our cleaning staff more time to perform other needed cleaning tasks. It’s been a great success.

• **Campus Beautification** – Grounds shop personnel continue to work on the beautification of campus. The priority project for the shop is installing the new landscaping at the corner of Triviz Street and Wells Street. They are also working on a restoration project on the Northwest corner of the Chemistry building.