Administration and Finance Weekly Activity Report Week Ending: May 8, 2015

• **Finals Night Breakfast** - Nearly 900 guests celebrated the finale of another semester at the Taos Restaurant on Tuesday. Students enjoyed a festive breakfast, danced to music, enjoyed games and prizes, and interacted with administrators.

• DACC Main Campus Infrastructure

Upgrades: The DACC Central Utilities Upgrade project passed a major milestone on April 30th with the installation of a new cooling tower and chiller on the southeast side of Building 341. The placement of the cooling tower was placed on its new pad with relative ease compared to the skill and coordination required between the crane operator and the ground crew to maneuver the new chiller off of the flat bed and into the mechanical yard. With only an inch or two to spare between the building and existing mechanical equipment, the unit was successfully lowered in front of the mechanical room door. With only a couple inches to spare to fit the chiller through the doorway, the unit was winched and hoisted into place onto its concrete pad. Once the new cooling tower and chiller are operational, the computer controls will be integrated. The system will provide DACC Central Campus with the redundant cooling and automated switching capabilities necessary during times of





maintenance or repair. This construction project began in late January and is expected to be completed by the end of July.

- **De-stress Fest** Barnes & Noble at NMSU provided an opportunity on Wednesday for students to de-stress. They gathered to enjoy video game competitions and gift card prizes. Students received a free stress ball to help them get through finals week.
- ICT's Marquita Calderazzo is 1st Quarter 2015 Asprey Award recipient. The Asprey, which recognizes the most outstanding employee of the quarter, was awarded to Marquita Calderazzo. Known as a "go-to" staffer in the Administrative Management group, Marquita develops data models and reports to help clients around the university get their jobs done. She's been integral to the success of university-wide initiatives such as the implementations of EPAF, Research Initiative, Employee Evaluation, Payroll Process Improvement and Cognos 10.2.2 upgrade. Not only is she a great worker, Marquita is a wonderful person as well; she's quick with a good word and a smile that illuminates the computer center.

- Golf Course Renovations -Bunker renovation project continues on schedule as the NMSU Golf Course prepares to host the West Texas / New Mexico Amateur Championship in June. Players Grill provided festive atmosphere during Cinco de Mayo week.
- Intramural Field The upper Intramural Field located south of the NMSU Activity Center, on the corner of South Locust street and Wells street, will be fenced off beginning May 8 through August 8, allowing the Grounds department to perform various maintenance activities. During that time, the field will undergo aerification, fertilization, topdressing and irrigation repairs. Normal activity will resume August 8. For more information on the summer use of the intramural fields, please contact Landscape and Grounds Manager Bud Jones at 575-646-5957.
- **Job Shadowing** Middle School students participated in job shadowing with the Barnes & Noble general manager and learned the ins and outs of being part of a business. Job shadowing provides the student an opportunity to gain knowledge in the areas of customer service, stocking, and the managers responsibilities.
- **Hazardous Waste Processing** Environmental Health and Safety completed the quarterly hazardous waste processing and shipment. They are now ready to accumulate campus waste for another shipment in three months.