

New Mexico State University
Administration and Finance
A&F Weekly Report – Week Ending 11/06/2015

- **New NMSU Tradition-Raising the Garrison Flag:** NMSU will be flying the Garrison flag on Wednesday, November 11, 2015, as part of NMSU's Veterans Day activities. Grounds personnel will raise the flag at sunrise and volunteers from Veterans Affairs and Military Programs will lower the flag at dusk. Tim Dobson and Art Lucero met with Jacobo Varela, Director of Military and Veterans Programs, to coordinate the event and look forward to this becoming a new tradition at NMSU.



- **ICT begins blocking certain email file attachments from the local Exchange email server:** With each passing semester, the number and sophistication of cyber attacks on NMSU's network and computing systems increases. One such attack involves the use of email attachments containing malicious programming code that hijack computers, inject tracking software, and steal passwords and personal information. To counter the proliferation of malicious email attachments, ICT is now blocking attachments of certain file types (.zip, .cab, .cmd, and many others) from being transmitted **on the local Exchange email server**. Faculty and staff can send legitimate files of the blocked types by renaming the files --- for example: filename.zip to filename.piz. The receiver of the file would then rename it back to the original name --- filename.piz to filename.zip. See <http://infosec.nmsu.edu/email-security-enhancements/> for a list of blocked file types and instructions.

- **Barnes & Noble at NMSU:** In conjunction with National Bullying Prevention month, the bookstore hosted a book signing and discussion for NMSU College of Education faculty member and Stan Fulton Chair, Dr. Azadeh Osanloo, of her recently published book, *Students, Teachers and Leaders: Addressing Bullying in Schools*, attended by over 30 NMSU faculty, staff, and students.



- **Lunch 'n Learn:** All faculty are invited to a Lunch 'n Learn, Tuesday, November 10th, at the bookstore. Faculty will meet with Leah Johnson, from XanEdu Publishing, to explore affordable custom textbook creation. Faculty will be provided options for appropriate steps, including publishing, original materials, and designing a custom textbook.

- **American Indian Heritage Month:** Taos Restaurant hosted an American Indian Heritage Dinner in recognition of American Indian Heritage Month. The dinner featured Hopi corn stew with blue cornmeal dumplings, green chile fry, roasted acorn squash, pinto beans and white corn, pueblo bread and baked pumpkin cornmeal pudding with sweetened cream and pecans.
- **NMSU Golf Course:** The golf course received notification of full compliance for accreditation from PGA of America for the PGA Golf Management Program. Every 5 years, the golf course operation is reviewed to ensure PGA Golf Management Students a model golf course while attending NMSU.
- **Sodexo Campus Dining: STOP Hunger with PB&J:** Sodexo organized a “STOP Hunger with PB&J” event at the Aggie Lounge in Corbett Center. The volunteers socialized and made over 800 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches that were donated to El Caldito Soup Kitchen. The Office of Sustainability and ASNMSU helped find about 20 volunteers for the program and the event made the front page of the Las Cruces Sun News.



ASNMSU sustainability student employee, Caroline Stapleton (pictured on right), along with two Environmental Science Student Organization students, also volunteered.



Cecilia España, Philip Cordero, and joni newcomer

- **Real Food, Real People Campaign:** This week featured Shelly Duran, NMSU’s Resident District Manager. A leader with Sodexo for over 30 years, she worked her way up the ranks. Thursday’s menu was the same as the first when she was learning how to cook – crepes supreme, wild rice pilaf, sautéed zucchini and squash, and banana cream pie in a graham cracker crust.
- **Operations Outreach:** University of Arkansas is installing a SOLAR natural gas fired turbine and they contacted NMSU to discuss turbine operations and maintenance. NMSU offered to host their staff and let the experience turbine operations and maintenance during our next scheduled outage in November. Mark Blachford and Pat Chavez have been coordinating the visit and turbine outage. The Utility Operations staff will be on campus November 20th and 21st. During that time they will witness normal turbine operations, a controlled shut down, scheduled preventive maintenance performed by SOLAR, and a restart of the system

- **Campus Beautification:** Grounds contracted Wasser and Wasser to remove the dead limbs from trees on campus. Last week they trimmed trees in the vicinity of Young Hall. They will be on campus for the next nine Fridays performing tree trimming.

