

New Mexico State University Administration and Finance A&F Weekly Report – Week Ending 1/15/2016

- **Rating Agency Site Visit:** On January 12th, Business Affairs (BA) hosted a site visit for representatives from Moody's Investors Service and RBC Capital Markets. While on campus they met with Chancellor Carruthers, Provost Howard, and Business Affairs' representatives Angela Throneberry, Anna R. Price, Celeste Bernal, and Jake Lucero. Business Affairs also provided a campus tour that included visits to ASNMSU Center for the Arts, Corbett Center Student Union, Chilled Water Plant, and the Undergraduate Learning Center.

- **NMSU's Firefighter of the Year:** Angelo Pacheco was awarded the 2015 NMSU Firefighter of the Year on Saturday, December 19. Chief Carrillo cited Angelo's positive attitude, mentoring abilities and leadership that made him stand out. Some of Angelo's accomplishments include: obtaining his EMT-Intermediate licensure, Driver/Operator certification on both the Engine and the Aerial, Fire Fighter II certification and he is currently working on his Lieutenant certification. Angelo is enrolled in NMSU's main campus and expected to graduate at the end of summer in 2016 with a Bachelor's in Applied Studies and minor in Geography. His career goal is to become a career firefighter.



- **Asprey Award Recipient:** James Kelly, ICT Telecommunication Services Technician, has been awarded the 3rd Quarter 2015 Asprey Award. The Asprey is an award that recognizes the most outstanding ICT employee of the quarter. James, also known as Jim, is a former Quest telecom technician who joined the ICT family five years ago. He has brought a remarkable amount of experience to the ICT team, which he has shared through the installation of Cisco Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) phones that run on the NMSU network. Jim has installed VoIP phones across most of the Las Cruces campus, in buildings such as Knox Hall, Gerald Thomas, and Regents Row. His vast knowledge in telecommunications and his exceptional customer service skills have served the needs of NMSU well.

- **AGGIE Welcome and Orientation: Aggie Welcome & Orientation:** Facilities Operations and Sodexo Dining Services helped prepare for the year's first Aggie Welcome Orientation held on January 15th. Discovery banners were hung along the International Mall and campus grounds spruced up by Grounds while Facilities Maintenance confirmed the operation of building ventilation systems and Custodians focused cleaning efforts on academic buildings. Sodexo Dining Services provided attendees with information on dining options and the meals plans. Sodexo also provided information during the International Student Orientation held on January 12th.



- **Price Matching Program:** Barnes & Noble has implemented a Price Matching program for textbooks. For more information, go to <http://nmsu-lascruces.bncollege.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/BNCBHomePage?storeId=59552&catalogId=10001&langId=-1>

- **New Golf Course Members Welcome:** As of February 1, 2016, up to 65 members of the Las Cruces Country Club group will be joining the NMSU Golf Course.

- **Winter Storm Damage:** Facilities Operations has been focused on repairing damage that the campus sustained during the snow storm which occurred on December 26, 2015. Grounds shop personnel have completed 90% of the tree branch removal and are scheduled to complete the remaining work by January 15, 2016. Numerous roof leaks were identified in Housing and Academic areas. A notice of incident was submitted for the campus and we will provide the insurance adjuster with a detailed list of storm damage and photographs when he visits the campus. Facilities Maintenance will be the lead department for the claim and restoration activities.



- **Campus Beautification:** Grounds shop personnel have a project to remove all of the turf from the East side of the NMDA building and replace it with Xeriscaping. A conceptual design was created and sent to the Campus Architect for review and approval. This week the crew has finished the turf removal and started installing the new plants and irrigations system. Currently, NMDA is working with the Campus Architect to identify art that may be installed in the area as part of “Art in Public Places”

- **Vehicle Extrication Course:** Three student NMSU firefighters attended the New Mexico State Fire Academy’s Vehicle Extrication course in Socorro, NM. The four day course was held December 9-12, 2015. The student firefighters that attended were Roger Hernández, Layne Southard and Arthur Trujillo. The Vehicle Extrication course is a pre-requisite to acquire the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Firefighter II certification.



- **Breland Hall, Dean’s Office Suite Renovation:** Construction on the Breland Hall, Dean’s Office Suite Renovation project began over the 2015 Winter Break with completion of the demolition phase, upgrading electrical power, and saw cutting the concrete slab for future in-floor power & data connections. As of this writing, new stud walls have been erected and new electrical infrastructure is being installed. The renovation is scheduled to be completed mid-February. The objective of this project is to utilize excessive corridor space for the relocation of the Suite’s Work Center and creating a new conference room where the Work Center once was.



- **Art in Public Places:** The Art in Public Places Program sets 1% of state funded projects aside to be used for art. The program is run by the Public Art Project Coordinator with the New Mexico Arts Department of Cultural Affairs. Below are some of the recent NMSU acquisitions for some of our satellite campuses:

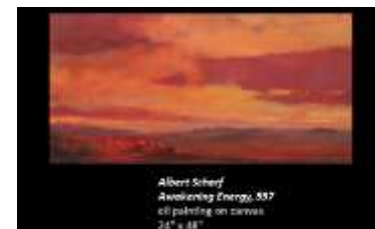
Grants Library



Alamogordo Trades Phase I



Corona Range Livestock Research Center



- **New Semester Prep:** The Golf Course is gearing up for the return of PGA Golf Management students and the Men's and Women's golf teams with the start of the new semester.