Facilities and Services

FACILITIES AND SERVICES
SOMETIMES MONDAY MORNING MEMO

FROM THE AVP —
As we start to wrap up 2016, I didn’t realize it had been so long since we had a newsletter. And, as I go back and read the last one, I realize that some things are still the same. I started out the last newsletter with the comment that NMSU is a business, and that revenue is down; that staff and expenses need to shrink to match; and that anything else is not sustainable. This is all still true.

I wrote you that, “HOPE IS NOT A STRATEGY AND DENIAL IS NOT A PLAN” and that there is no such thing as MORE WITH LESS, there is only LESS WITH LESS. As good stewards, we will do our best to identify what LESS means strategically as opposed to across-the-board. To that end, the Transforming NMSU Initiative is progressing proactively, with an Employee Council update on December 5th. NMSU is acting to right size the university and the communications about this are numerous. FS hopes to close Regents Row by June as our contribution.

Throughout this newsletter, I mention CHANGE quite a bit. We have been through a lot, and there are more changes coming. There are two important things to recognize about this: change is necessary, and most people struggle with it. The best move I made was to use an Employee Assistance Program when I needed it, and the university has numerous resources available.

Please check out the Employee Assistance Program information here:

Employee Assistance Program
“Transforming Lives Through Self-Discovery”
http://chc.nmsu.edu/eap/

Hang in there – NMSU is still a great place to work, and you make a difference!

Glen

OUR MISSION IS TO EFFICIENTLY PROVIDE A SAFE, WELL MAINTAINED, AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY... ...AND IT TAKES EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

NMSU IS ALL ABOUT DISCOVERY!!
WELCOME TO THE CARING COMMUNITY

Peter Nieto, Student Fire Fighter; Brannun Armstrong, Student Aide; James Cardenas, EMT, Basic; Juan Padilla, Structural Maintenance Tech; Kevin Dalke, Laborer; Guilherme Denadai, Laborer; Ofelia Martinez, Custodial Worker; Michael Maese, Custodial Worker; Ruben Montes, Custodial Worker; Kimberly Acosta, Accountant, SR; Thomas Ontiveros, Student Fire Fighter; Mark Allen, Student Assistant; Alberto Herrera, Groundskeeper; Felipe Parra, Facilities Tech; Jon Webster, Assistant Director, Facilities; Michael McLeskey, Painter; and Enrique Saenz, Assistant HazMat, Project Manager.

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE PROMOTION/RECLASSIFICATION

Les Alejo, Plumber, LD.

BEST WISHES TO AND WE WILL MISS

Bernardo Flores, Groundskeeper; Robert Sedillo; Structural Maintenance Tech, LD; Lance Repp, Facilities Tech; Dennis Padilla, Groundskeeper; David Silva, Groundskeeper, Supervisor; Randall Limon, Facilities Tech; Anthony Legarda, Facilities Tech; Nathaniel Munoz, Laborer; Richard Trujillo, Custodial Worker; Christopher Madrid, Student Assistant; Peter Nieto, Student Fire Fighter; Frank Sage, Student Fire Fighter; Ramon Rodriguez, Facilities Tech; David Coogler, Groundskeeper, Supervisor; and Bobby Harding, Asst HazMat Project Manager.

WORK AT NMSU WITH PRIDE; AGGIE PRIDE

PERFORM AT THE BEST LEVEL THAT YOU POSSIBLY CAN

FOCUS ON THE ENTERPRISE: STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF

- NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D.
OTHER CONGRATULATIONS
FS would like to congratulate Norma Noel, who has agreed to serve as the University Controller and Ermelinda Quintela, currently the Assistant Vice President for Auxiliaries and who now will become the university’s new chief audit officer.

Also, we extend our best wishes to Associate Controller Celeste Bernal, who is leaving NMSU at the end of December; to Board of Regents Chief of Staff Janet Green, who is retiring in February; and to Associate VP for Budget / University Controller Anna Price and to Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance Angela Throneberry, who have announced their retirements for later this spring. Congratulations to all!!

ANNUAL REPORTS
Even though we published these before, a Best of 2016 Newsletter would not complete without it, and we are proud that most Facilities departments still can find time to prepare annual reports. The old saying is that, “YOU CAN’T MANAGE WHAT YOU DON’T MEASURE” and it is more important today than ever:

Environmental Health and Safety
(bottom of page)
https://safety.nmsu.edu/

Fire Department
https://fire.nmsu.edu/annual-reports/

Sustainability
http://sustainability.nmsu.edu/annual-reports/

Project Development and Engineering
https://facilities.nmsu.edu/pde/about-us/

Facilities Operations / Facilities and Services Business Office
https://hr.nmsu.edu/ofs/wp-content/uploads/sites/57/2016/03/080-Departmental-KPI_All.pdf

Facilities and Services Award for Excellence submission (multiple reports and KPIs)
https://facilities.nmsu.edu/appa-award/appa-reference/
EthicsPoint

We all have the right to work and study in a positive environment and with that right comes the responsibility of acting in an ethical manner and letting the appropriate people know if someone is not acting appropriately. By working together, we can maintain a healthy and productive environment, which helps us to fulfill our responsibilities to each other and to the taxpayers. We encourage you to speak with supervisors and report inappropriate behavior through established channels whenever possible; however, we recognize that there will also be situations when you may not feel comfortable or secure doing so.

To address this, NMSU has provided Ethicspoint® as a confidential reporting system that provides students, faculty, and staff an alternate and confidential method to report a business concern or suspected/observed misconduct, in lieu of, or in addition to, existing grievance procedures. Reports submitted through Ethicspoint® will be forwarded to the appropriate official for confidential investigation, and no employee shall be subjected to retaliation or reprisal for making a report in good faith or for seeking guidance on dealing with suspected improper behavior.

https://auditservices.nmsu.edu/reporting-line/


Our Values

- A Safe Environment
- Professional Organization
- Integrity and Accountability
- Open and Respectful Communication
- Teamwork and Partnership
I FEEL A CHANGE COMIN’ ON
Okay, so some of us are Dylan fans, but if those moves and retirements mentioned above aren’t enough, "THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN.” These next three are ones that will impact all of us, some for many years to come.

ESPINA STREET
Over the break, if the prices from the bids are acceptable, NMSU will be reducing Espina from two lanes to one with bicycle lanes. This was presented to the University Administration Council last spring, but doing the project over the summer just did not work out for us and we hope to get this accomplished over the winter break. Look for more in the President’s Activity Report this week.

UNIVERSITY AVENUE AT TRIVIZ
The New Mexico Department of Transportation continues to plan for an expansion of Triviz as it enters campus.

How big a change could this be? Well, one drastic idea is at the right.

Other options to the left and below are slightly less dramatic. NMSU has formed a team led by University Architect Heather Watenpaugh and University Engineer Dale Harrell to track and comment on these proposals, so stay tuned.

We will be seeking your opinions as well.
Finally, and speaking of comments, the University Architect and Campus Planning Officer and her team are hard at work on the Campus Master Plan for the next decade. We need to hear from you, and we will have draft information on our web page soon. We should have this plan ready later this spring.

HTTP://MASTERPLAN.NMSU.EDU/

**BEFORE YOU FLY**

NMSU University Administrative Council has adopted Rule 16.30 – Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS aka “Drones”). The purpose of this rule is to provide mechanisms for the safe operation of UAS as part of academic, research, and public safety; to ensure the protection and safety of university students, employees, and guests; and to maintain privacy rights of those on university premises. This is also related to our proximity to the hospital heliport. Whether the request is for promotional pictures, for class, for infrastructure inspections, from outside agencies such as the city or the county, or just for weekend recreational use - learn the rules before you fly.
THE FACILITIES 2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

Here are some of our favorites from this past year –

JANUARY

SANTA’S VISIT
Santa and one of his elves made a special visit to NMSU’s Las Cruces campus Student Family Housing on Saturday, December 19, 2015.

Santa was escorted by the brightly lit fire engines and the NMSU firefighters who cheerfully serve our community. Several children gave Santa letters they had prepared.

PS: SANTA WILL BE BACK THIS YEAR

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 and 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 create a conference room where the Work Center was.
**NMSU 2015 OSHA 300 LOG**

Environmental Health & Safety notes the annual summary of employee injuries and illnesses is posted on the NMSU safety website. This log lists summary information on cases and lost work days or days with restricted work because of a reportable injury or illness by NMSU employees in 2015.

The chart shows a continued trend of less injury and illness cases over the recent five-year period compared to previous years. Under New Mexico law the annual OSHA summary log must be posted from February 1 through April 30. Employees are reminded to report work-related injuries and illness to their supervisor, and supervisors are obligated to complete a Supervisor Accident Investigation Report and determine cause of the incident and what mitigation steps should be taken. EH&S reviews reports and provides recommendations to the supervisor.

**McFie Circle**

Smith & Aguirre Construction is busy changing the ‘hard-scape’ on Phase I of McFie Circle. Eventually all McFie Circle will be repaved with a lighted pedestrian and bikeway side-by-side. McFie Circle is in the center of campus encompassing Milton Hall, Zuhl Library, and Parking Lots 17 and 45.

The long-term plan is to turn this into a green park space so that it once again becomes a hub for outdoor activities. McFie Circle will provide a more direct access into the east entrance of Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center. The expected completion of Phase I is the end of March.
**GREEK WEEK 2016**
Operations worked closely with Greek Life to coordinate the activities for Greek Week community service days March 3rd through March 4\textsuperscript{th}. Approximately 400 students participated in the events. During the first day, emphasis was placed on campus beautification. The volunteers worked with a Grounds crew to clean up vacant back yards in Student Family Housing and another group worked with the Sign Shop to touch up the paint on campus building signs. On the second day, the volunteer students continued with back yard clean up, planted new flowers in the Chamisa village planters and painted the “A” on A Mountain.

**PLANT OPERATIONS OUTREACH**
Plant Operations hosted a tour of the Central Utility Plant for Dr. Prasad’s Electrical Engineering Computer Control Systems class. Mark Blachford, Plant Operations Supervisor, conducted a 30-minute presentation of plant systems and operations followed by a walking tour of the plant. Thirty students participated in the event.
**Hawks**

The hawks have returned and Operations is working with USDA officers to try and encourage the hawks to build a nest in a different location. This week they removed a second nest from the trees north of Rentfrow Gymnasium. This was done after verifying that the nest was empty. After removing the nest, paper plates with faces drawn on them were tied in the tree as recommended by the USDA / APHIS Officers. This worked for a while then reconstruction began. Nest removal will continue until they are discouraged or an egg is found in the nest. USDA / APHIS will be present when we perform the removal to document the event.

Note: The final score was Hawks 1, FS 0.

**Personnel Recognition**

Congratulations to Fred Madrid who received the “A” Mountain Award at Founder’s Day on Friday, April 15, 2016. He was nominated by the staff in Military and Veterans Program for the support he provides to NMSU veteran students. His positive attitude and problem solving skills coupled with his experience as an Army Veteran make him a valuable resource for our students.

**Recycle Mania**

New Mexico State University Facilities and Services finished in third place in the grand champion division of the 2016 RecycleMania competition with a recycling rate of 81 percent. RecycleMania is the nation’s premier waste reduction and recycling competition among colleges and universities, and the 2016 tournament featured 350 schools participating from 48 states in the United States, the District of Columbia and Canada, with an enrollment of 4.4 million students.
MacArthur Elementary School toured the Satellite Chiller Plant, Central Utility Plant, Fire Department and the Environmental Education Center. Pat Chavez, Mark Blachford, Robert Boehms, Angelo Pacheco, and joni newcomer gave four half-hour tours to different age groups from kindergarteners to 6th grade. Each group learned about all the great things that we do at NMSU. Students also visited the Police Station, Dance Studios, and an entomology lab.

NMSU FIREFIGHTERS GRADUATE

Congratulations to NMSU graduates and Student Firefighters Tyler Aguirre and Patrick Armijo!

Tyler was awarded his Bachelor degree in Public Health. Tyler joined the Fire Department in December of 2015. He played for the NMSU Aggies Baseball team as a pitcher from 2012-2015. He has decided to continue his education at DACC to obtain his Paramedic licensure and hopefully one day becomes a career firefighter.

Patrick Armijo received his Bachelor’s degree in Management. He graduated as a Crimson Scholar with a triple major in Human Resource Management, Small Business Management, and Managerial Leadership. Patrick has been a firefighter at NMSU since April of 2013. His plan is to pursue a career in the Fire Service. Patrick will be leaving NMSU’s Fire Department in July to pursue his dreams. Currently he is competing for a position with the Albuquerque Fire Department.
**Los Lunas Agriculture Science Center Gas Line Replacement**

The replacement of the existing natural gas distribution network serving the east and west water wells at the Los Lunas Agriculture Science Center was recently completed. Other improvements to the gas distribution system were also completed including the addition of isolation valves to separate the system into zones so that portions of the system could be shut down for repairs without shutting down the entire system.

**Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center**

A bust of Justin Morrill now resides in the second-floor lobby space of the Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center due to the generosity of donors, Dr. John and Dr. Virginia Owens.

Justin Smith Morrill (April 14, 1810 – December 28, 1898) was a Representative (1855–1867) and a Senator (1867–1898) from Vermont, most widely remembered today for the Morrill Land-Grant Colleges Act that established federal funding for establishing many of the United States’ public colleges and universities. New Mexico State University was founded in 1888 as a land-grant university, so it is with much thanks and appreciation that he is honored here.
JULY

CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS
This picture is of the renovated planters in the east stairwell of Corbett Center.

NMSU FIREFIGHTERS LOGGED 3,944 TRAINING HOURS IN CALENDAR YEAR 2015!
This July, the teams focused on rope rescue. Throughout the year, NMSU firefighters are trained to respond to emergency medical, fires, hazardous materials and technical rescues. Student firefighters are employed year-round—they do not go home for the summer or winter holiday break. Shown in the photo on the left is student firefighter Korina Jimenez tending the main rope descending line. On the right, student firefighter Alex Cordova performs edge safety duties as career firefighter Richard Largent rappels off the wall.

FIRE ARSON ORIGIN AND CAUSE INVESTIGATION CERTIFICATION
Fire Captain John Guerin attended the Fire Arson Origin and Cause Investigator class held at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland from July 11-22. The course is designed to meet or exceed the applicable sections of NFPA 1033, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator. The NMSU Fire Department now has two certified investigators to identify the origin and cause of a fire, conduct a technically and legally sound investigation, and pursue the case through the judicial system. Fire Captain Kellen Tarkington is the other certified investigator.
Sisbarro Community Park
All preparation work has been completed at the Sisbarro Community Park. The grass has sprouted and Grounds personnel are performing routine maintenance to promote grass growth. Grounds will be erecting barricades south of the Student tailgating area to prevent access. The student tailgating area will still be available for student events and Grounds will coordinate access with ASNMSU.

Children’s Village Beautification
Grounds shop personnel performed a landscaping restoration project at Myrna’s Children’s Village by clearing a 3,800-square foot yard and installing a new irrigation system. The crew laid sod in the yard to make it available for use on opening day of classes, and they also trimmed the pine trees and power washed the building. Structural Maintenance will reattach the section of fence that was removed to allow access into the yard. This project provided the children a nice grass play area and improved the appearance of the building from the street.

Aggie Bike Expo
Kenny Coppedge and Curtis Brown, two staff members from Activity Center Outdoor Recreation, and Joni newcomer, sustainability manager, met with a local bicycle advocacy group, Velo Cycle, to begin planning the Aggie Bike Expo at the Activity Center on the front lawn on September 1st.

Besides having fun and tuning up bikes for the fall semester, we hope to share safety information for all our bicyclists and pedestrians on campus. We’ll have bike maps, free safety inspection, free slime for bike tubes, safety tips, a proposed bike swap, drawing for a free bike, and registration forms to register your bike with the Police Department.
Move In Day 2016

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank the entire Aggie community that helped us complete a successful move-in experience and kick-off a great beginning to the 2016-2017 academic year. A couple of quick observations:

Thank you to our facilities partners for being so ever-present and helping us get our residential communities in great shape. Special thanks goes to Al, Art, Bud, and Tim for leading their team to a strong opening for our halls from a facilities standpoint. And thank you for the Facilities and Services team, especially Tina in the sign shop for helping us make our amazing welcome banners and signage for this first week of school. Finally, to Ben for getting our Cervantes Community Center renovated and ready for us by August 20. We are so excited to re-engage our south campus students in large scale programming for the first time in five years* – *(email edited, many others were also acknowledged)

Matthew Crouse
Director of Housing & Residential Life
New Mexico State University
OASIS (Organization of Aggie Students Inspiring Sustainability), ESSO (Environmental Science Student Organization), engineering students, and the Office of Sustainability are preparing a submission for an EPA storm water project to keep our precious resource where it belongs - on plants and not parking lots (or going to Texas!). The winning submission will receive a prize of $5,000. All students, faculty, and staff are welcome to join the fun in helping our environment. For more details, please contact the Office of Sustainability.

DACC Central Campus, Building 341
Phase I construction began on April 19th along Corridor 100 in Building 341 at the Doña Ana Community College Central Campus and was completed in time for the start of the fall 2016 classes. Phase I increased the number of area classrooms from five to six, increased the size and number of plumbing fixtures in the Men’s and Women’s Restrooms, improved lighting, added water stations in the corridor, and put a new face on the interior that will eventually be extended throughout the building. Phase II began on May 19th along Corridor 120 with a scheduled completion for the end of November. The end product for Phase II will be upgraded laboratory and classroom spaces, a new Americans with Disabilities Act lift installed on the west side, code compliant west stairs, new interior finishes and improved lighting, re-roofing, stabilization of the building foundation, and the installation of a new fire sprinkler system and updated fire alarm system throughout the entire building. Incidentally, this building was recently named for Dr. Alex Sanchez, the founder and first president of DACC.
CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION
Grounds personnel worked all summer to enhance the appearance of the campus. This picture was from the refurbishment of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) planter on the International Mall by Hardman Jacobs. The modified planter includes a xeriscape border and a red mulch planting area. All of the work was designed to complement the new landscaping installed as part of the McFie Circle project.

CUSTODIAL RECOGNITION
Rosa Fleenor was recognized by the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences for her outstanding customer service. Rosa approached an anxious student who was having difficulty finding her classes. She spent time talking with the student to calm her down then helped her find her class. This act of kindness helped a student and demonstrated that that we truly are a CARING COMMUNITY.
HISTORICAL STORY TREE LIVES ON

The Story Tree once stood in a tiny park located between the Las Cruces lateral and the Seed Barn, the oldest building on campus. The Cedar Lebanon tree provided a canopy of shade and shelter from the wind. Located along The Pike, this tree-sheltered area is where the State College Story League, a literary group, gathered to read literature aloud in the 1920s.

When it came time to remove the Story Tree, due to old age and deterioration, FS Grounds Services Manager Bud Jones held onto the wood with the intention of using it to build benches.

A backless bench has been crafted. With donor support, more will be built and placed around campus. From a preservation, sustainability and historical standpoint, this creative thinking and reuse of materials from the Story Tree into future usage pays homage to a piece of NMSU historic landscape.

The location of the original Story Tree will be marked in the proposed Interpretive Trail plans at Heritage Farm. The trail access from College Avenue will include a similar tree at the entry node along the irrigation ditch, with signage to commemorate the historical tree.

Contact University Advancement if you are interested in providing donor support to build the benches.

NMSU WELCOMES AFTER THE FIRE

On October 25, 2016, NMSU Fire Department, Housing & Residential Life and Dean of Students hosted the After the Fire presentation in the Corbett Center Ballrooms. The audience was composed of Resident Assistants, members of campus fraternities and sororities, student firefighters and NMSU students. The keynote speakers, Alvaro Llanos and Shawn Simons, used a documentary about the January 2000 Seton Hall Freshman’s Resident’s Hall fire, to discuss the impact the fire made on their lives as well as the lives of others involved in that tragic fire.
A Spooktacular Evening at the Fire Station

Children of all ages enjoyed a fun filled evening at the 1st Annual Halloween Extravaganza held at the NMSU Fire Station on Friday, October 28th. The event was hosted by Facilities and Services and Housing and Residential Life. Co-sponsors included: NMSU’s Police Police Department, Sodexo, El Paso Electric, NMSU SAE Baja Team, Student Health, Dona Ana County Fire Administration, and the Las Cruces Fire Department.

Activities included: bobbing for donuts, painting pumpkins, four square, bean bag toss games, nerf shooting galleries and the all popular cake walk. El Paso Electric provided a child electrical safety demonstration and the Dona Ana County Fire Prevention trailer was on site teaching children and adults on exit drills in the home (E.D.I.T.H.). There were prizes given for best costume and pumpkin painting. One family won tickets to the upcoming Harlem Globetrotters event in January. The event was enjoyed by everyone and was well attended.

Custodial Service Appearance Improvements

You may have heard the term, “if you can’t measure it, you can’t manage it” and with that said, our FS Custodial Management Team is in the process of conducting APPA appearance and cleanliness level audits with in-house supervisor personnel for our NMSU Academic and Non-Academic facilities. These audits are an effective first step in managing a first-class custodial operation. The information will be utilized as a benchmark for discussion with each of our Building Monitors about our goals and expectations concerning the building’s appearance and cleanliness level. Studies repeatedly show that employees and students perform better in facilities that are orderly and clean.

Furthermore, prospective students often rank the appearance of buildings and grounds high on their list of considerations when determining the university or college that they will attend.
NMSU Fire Department Awarded $100,000 Grant

The FY2017 State Fire Protection grant process was extremely difficult this year as there were over $28 million in needs and only $10.1 million to distribute. With this award, the Fire Department will be acquiring 20 complete sets of firefighting turnout gear with in-mask communication, 5" supply hose, forcible entry training props and a face mask tester. The NMSU Fire Department is composed of 14 full-time students and 6 career staff. This new equipment will enhance the safety of each of the firefighters while responding to emergencies.

Sustainability Outreach

Presentations were made to three groups last week to talk about sustainability on campus. NMSU Sustainability Manager, joni newcomer, spoke to a DACC blueprint class about LEED v4; Tom Dormody’s AXED466 “John Muir” class about the 10 Sustainability Initiatives; and was interviewed along with the Carolin Scott, student coordinator for “Take Back the Tap,” by KRUX radio station DJ William Peck. It was a busy week educating about the importance of climate change resilience and adaptation.

“Keep It Labeled” and “Keep It Closed”

Environmental Health & Safety implements new visual reminders for those working with hazardous materials. The stickers are attached to waste collection areas to facilitate compliance with the NM Environment Department regulations for hazardous waste collection and handling. These efforts help avoid monetary fines. Thanks to Steve Moates and Michael Lucero for initiating this effort to emphasize our procedures for hazardous waste management and promoting safety to students and staff dealing with the waste hands on.
DECEMBER

STUDENT FIREFIGHTERS RECEIVE CERTIFICATION

Congratulations to NMSU Student Firefighters Tyler Aguirre, Matthew Castrejon and Korina Jimenez, pictured in same order, who recently received their International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Firefighter II certification. Each is a full-time student at NMSU in addition to working full-time at NMSU’s Fire Department. Great accomplishments!

WE DID THIS AS A TEAM IN 2016

New Mexico State University was one of three universities recognized with this year’s APPA Award for Excellence in Facilities Management.

The award recognizes excellence in educational facilities operations and highlights the essential role facilities operations plays in overall institutional mission and vision, APPA officials said. The Award for Excellence designation is valid for five years.

“The entire team in New Mexico State University Facilities and Services is extremely proud of this achievement and that is exactly how we think about it, that we received this award primarily because we place a premium on teamwork,” said Glen Haubold, NMSU associate vice president for facilities.

“The institutions that receive the Award for Excellence are true leaders in educational facilities management,” said Paul Wuebold, APPA’s vice president of professional affairs and chair of the Awards and Recognition Committee. “In 2008, NMSU used the APPA Award for Excellence criteria to develop an Outline for Excellence for the institution’s facilities. Regular progress checks to ensure the Outline’s goals were on track have resulted in a facilities department that is a standard-bearer for the industry. NMSU’s Las Cruces campus and satellite facilities across New Mexico provide the highest quality educational facilities to serve the student population and community as a whole.”

Award for Excellence nominations are in the areas of leadership; strategic and operational planning; customer focus; information and analysis; development and management of human resources; process management; and performance results. Nominated institutions also submit to a site review conducted by an awards evaluation team.*
This award was really about recognizing your efforts – and you should all be proud:

HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=N8bkCMnCC3U

Meet NMSU’s Facilities and Services team who received the 2016 Award for Excellence from APPA Leadership in Educational Facilities in recognition for their outstanding achievements in facilities management. The award is designed to highlight the essential role of facilities operations in the overall institutional mission and vision.

For more information:

HTTPS://FACILITIES.NMSU.EDU/APPA-AWARD/

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That’s it for this year. Don’t forget the annual Strickland Awards – I’m looking for nominees!

One thing that is for sure, and you can take this to heart: if you believe that 2017 will be better than 2016 and work to make it so – then it will be. That’s what I’m doing, and I hope you’ll join me.

Happy Holidays everyone -

Glen

Associate Vice President for Facilities
One Team / One Goal

AND AS ALWAYS – THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!

NMSU IS ALL ABOUT DISCOVERY!