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, 575.646.1613, if you are interested in providing donor support to build the benches.

Mike’s Magnificent Meals
The student engagement series, Mike's Magnificent Meals, served lemon rosemary garlic chicken halves, mashed potatoes and gravy, green chili stuffing, smothered green beans with bacon and onions and dinner rolls during this lunch event in the Taos Restaurant on Sep. 21.

Stone Steakhouse
Taos Restaurant hosted Stone Steakhouse for dinner on Wednesday, Sep. 21, serving classic cuts grilled to perfection with sides of beer-battered onion rings, baked potato, grilled corn on the cob, and garlic bread.

At the 3rd Floor Bistro
The Asian Cuisine Buffet was served Sep. 22 at The 3rd Floor Bistro. This all-you-care-to-eat buffet featured Asian barbecue pork, sweet and sour chicken, fried rice, sesame roasted carrots and broccoli, Asian salad, almond cookies and fortune cookies. For future event reservations, go to http://nmsudining.sodexomyway.com.

At the Golf Course
NMSU PGA Golf Management students and apprentices are required to pass a playing ability test as part of the requirements to becoming a PGA Member. The PGA of America’s Playing Ability Test (PTA) was taken by 46 students who played 36 holes and 42% of the players passed.
Auxiliary Semi-Annual Meeting
The NMSU Golf Course hosted the Auxiliary Services Semi Annual Meeting on Sep. 15. All departments were represented and each Director gave an update followed by employee recognitions. Following the meeting the golf course hosted a social featuring a putt-putt golf course and taco bar which was enjoyed by all.

Britton Young Memorial Golf Tournament
The Britton Young Memorial Golf Tournament was held Sep. 17 and attended by close to 150 players and volunteers. Britton Young is Lori Paulsen’s son. Lori, beloved by many in our community, passed away this past year and was very involved in our Athletics Program. Jason White, Director of the Golf Course, stated that it was an honor and a privilege to be able to be a part of the event and help out a family that has been through a lot.