

## A Spooktacular evening at the Fire Station

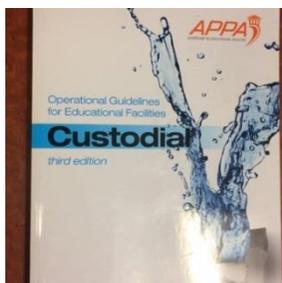
Children of all ages enjoyed a fun filled evening at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Halloween Extravaganza held at the NMSU Fire Station on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. The event was hosted by Facilities and Services and Housing and Residential Life. Co-sponsors included: NMSU's Police Department, Sodexo,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



## Cyber Security Awareness Continues

Even though National Cyber Security Awareness Month ended in October, NMSU's Chief Information Security Officer, John Roberts, reminds the NMSU community to continue to practice safe cyber security. "Only 10% of cyber security safeguards are technical. The remaining 90% of those safeguards rely on the users of technology." Easy-to-remember cyber security tips, which were recommended during the month-long training, include the use of sixteen character or longer passwords (ex. Iloveyourjobatnmsu), locking computers when left alone, changing passwords regularly, and being aware of malicious emails that may contain viruses or malware. For more information, please visit <http://infosec.nmsu.edu/>.

## Custodial Service Appearance Improvements



You may have heard the term, "if you can't measure it, you can't manage it," therefore our FS Custodial Management Team is conducting an APFA appearance and cleanliness level for all of our NMSU Academic and Non-Academic facilities. The information will be utilized as a benchmark for discussion with each Building Monitor, or designated representative, about the goals and expectations concerning the appearance and cleanliness level. Studies repeatedly show that employees and students perform better in facilities that are orderly and look 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.

## Environmental Health & Safety provided safety refresher to campus lab researchers

During October, Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) instructors provided the 2016 safety refresher to 442 NMSU lab faculty and researchers from 12 departments in the Colleges of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, Engineering and Arts and Sciences.

In the photo, Derrik Wootton, EH&S, discusses recent US lab incidents and preventive measures with Biology employees during the 2016 Laboratory safety refresher training at Foster Hall on October 27th. This annual training is in addition to the OSHA prerequisites required to work in campus labs. EH&S provides instruction on hazcom chemical safety, laboratory standard and hazardous waste management classes as well as specialized safety training for mitigating other hazards. Additional information on safety training requirements is provided on the NMSU Safety Website at <http://safety.nmsu.edu>



## Corbett Center Student Union

- Corbett center hosted Game Night October 26<sup>th</sup>. Students enjoyed giant Jenga, Giant Connect 4, pool, air hockey, table tennis and foosball. Everyone enjoyed the awards and snacks. The next Game Night is scheduled for November 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm. The full album can be found here: [https://www.facebook.com/nmsu.ccsu/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=1612703122358431](https://www.facebook.com/nmsu.ccsu/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1612703122358431)
- Corbett Center staff participated in the Discovery Fair on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Future students played Giant Connect 4 and received information on programming available to them once they are full-time NMSU Students



## Special Events

The Pan Am Center was the site for the “Look Who’s Dancing” celebrity fundraiser for the Dance Department on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Special Events staff and students supported the event along with the Men’s Basketball Season Ticket reception for Faculty and Staff, and Aggie football, soccer, volleyball and women’s basketball sporting events.

## Sodexo Dining Services

Sodexo Dining celebrated Halloween with a special dinner in Taos which included mummy meatloaf, bloody finger dogs and finger breadsticks. Chef Mike Guerra presented a Dia de los Muertos lunch on November 2<sup>nd</sup> with authentic celebratory cuisine.

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.

## Facilities Operations Retirements



Robert Sedillo, Structural Maintenance Technician Lead, retired this week after a 21-year career with Facilities and Services. He was well liked by his co-workers and the NMSU community. Robert’s skills and knowledge he provided to the NMSU community will be missed.

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Bernie Flores, Groundskeeper, retired after 31-years of service to NMSU. He started his career with Facilities and Services Grounds shop in 1984, transferred to Housing, then returned to Grounds during the Housing maintenance transition.

**Operations Outreach**

Facilities Operations distributed the bi-monthly Building Monitor newsletter. The newsletter included information on submitting customer requests in AiM, temperature set points, and property disposal. Building Monitors are important partners in helping Operations maintain the campus buildings. They are encouraged to provide us with suggested topics that will be addressed in future newsletters or meetings.