Campus Beautification:
Facilities and Services Grounds Shop personnel have begun the restoration project on the north side of Chamisa Village H Complex. This project will complete the landscaping between the Regents Grove and Chamisa Village. The crew has cleared the area and trimmed the trees adjacent to the duck pond. They have begun installing the irrigation system, and will seed the area in the spring of 2017. The use of grass seed instead of sod generates a savings of approximately $10,000, which will be allocated to another beautification project.

Computer Labs Extended Hours During Finals’ Week: To accommodate the needs of NMSU students during finals’ week, ICT’s Student Technology and Planning group extended the hours of the Pete’s Place and Hardman Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center (HJULC) computer labs. During the semester, the labs are open until midnight, but for finals’ week, the operating hours were extended to 2 a.m. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate and snacks were provided to students in the HJULC. Students reported that the extra kick of caffeine and sugar was just what they needed to get them through the long nights of studying.

Finals Late Night Breakfast
On December 6th, Sodexo Campus Dining served over 900 guests for the Finals Late Night Breakfast. It is an end-of-the-semester tradition for the NMSU community and every year the students look forward to prizes, games and an abundance of breakfast food favorites.

Operations Welcomes New Supervisor
Pat Chavez, Director of Utilities and Plant Operations, is pleased to announce that we have a new Skilled Crafts Supervisor for the Utilities Shop. Robert Carrasco joins NMSU from the City of Las Cruces Water Utilities division. He has his water level 4 certification and many years of water experience. Welcome Robert to NMSU and Facilities and Services!

Operations Professional Development
The Grounds Shop sent a Grounds Supervisor and two Groundskeepers to a half-day training session on Pesticide Application Workshop. This was a professional development opportunity for the staff and is the beginning of the licensing process. Classes were taught by NMSU Agriculture Department professors and Cooperative Extension Department professors.

Winter Junior Golf Program
The Golf Course began the Winter Junior Golf Program on Dec. 4th. Fifteen Junior Golfers will participate in the program over the next 8 weeks.

At the Players Grill
Stake, Spud and a Beverage continues to be popular at the Players Grill on Thursdays with on average 15 customers enjoying the special!
Just for Fun
Dec. 8th students enjoyed live holiday tunes performed by the student musicians of the NMSU Corno Crew and a full hot cocoa bar.

Game Night
Game Night Nov. 30th was attended by 35 students who enjoyed the games and snacks. The next Game Night is set for February 16th. Photos can be found at:
https://www.facebook.com/nmsu.ccsu/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1612703122358431

Noche de Luminarias
The annual Noche de Luminarias was held on Dec. 4th. This community event provided enjoyment to all! Corbett Center assisted with programs, a photo booth, pictures with Santa, and candy canes.

Therapaws
The programming staff in Corbett Center arranged the following events for Finals Week Stress Relief Dec. 5-11: Therapaws allowed 429 students a chance to pet and hug the dogs, Paint Therapy to make your own masterpiece, giant games of Connect 4 and Jenga, coloring pages to relax with, and craft projects.

Surviving Finals
Finals Snack Survival Kits were provided at Corbett Center to help with studying.