McFie Circle: Phase Two
Hardman-Jacobs Learning Center Green Project is well underway along McFie Circle. This is the second phase of a three phase project which will eventually make a meandering circle where the historic McFie Circle once was. There are now improvements being made along the Frenger Food Court and Zuhl Library and along the International Mall. A new desert sculpture garden with an Ocotillo shade structure, which will have Solar-powered charging stations, will be installed. Thank you for your patience as we make improvements to the campus!

Josh Garcia receives for the 3rd Quarter Asprey Award
Josh Garcia, ICT Associate Enterprise Network Developer, is the most recent recipient of the Asprey Award. The award, which recognizes the most outstanding ICT employee of the quarter, is given in recognition of ICT employees who have displayed outstanding service to the university. Josh was instrumental in installing the campus wide VoIP phone implementation, working tirelessly weekends, evenings and mornings to design, configure, and install network equipment in almost every distribution closet on campus. Josh also works closely with ICT Telecommunications to troubleshoot, service, and maintain other networks, as well as ensure end-to-end phone connectivity.

Alumni Visitor Center Addition and Renovation Project Underway
Construction on the Alumni Visitor Center began on February 28, 2017. This project will enhance the indoor space of the Zuhl Collection Museum. It will provide a new entrance, a larger gallery, and a kid’s corner. The estimated completion date is July 2017.

AVP Awarded to Louis Huber
Deputy Chief Louis Huber was awarded the 2017 Facilities and Services Associate Vice President (AVP) Award on Friday, March 31, 2017. This award started in 2012 and is presented for excellent customer service annually by our Facilities and Services Associate Vice President Glen Haubold. Louis has been instrumental in developing and enforcing compliance standards on NMSU’s fire detection systems, fire suppression systems and building inspection program. He works closely with our Building Monitors, Project Managers, and NMSU’s Architect to insure the buildings on campus are safe and built to the newest construction standards. What makes Deputy Chief Huber so effective is that he truly believes in the mission and wants to make a difference.
Professional Development
Facilities and Services hosted the APPA Supervisor’s Toolkit training session this week. This training class was attended by 32 employees from Facilities and Services, Auxiliary Services, and DACC Facilities personnel who are supervisors or may become supervisors in the future. The class provides instruction and group activities to develop supervisory and communication skills, and leadership development. Instructors for the class were Hilda Cordero, Texas Tech University, Cloriza Lomeli, GLHN Architects and Engineers, and Mark Blachford, NMSU Facilities Operations.