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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Associate Chief Nurse proud to be Luna CC graduate

*Cassandra Duran, Associate Chief Nurse—
MHA, BSN, RN has had an outstanding career*

Cassandra A. Duran has several degrees and certificates on her office wall at the New Mexico Department of Veterans Affairs, Hospital in Albuquerque. And the first one you see is the one she earned at Luna Community College in 1987. It proudly displays that Duran graduated as a Licensed Practical Nurse, (LPN). That was just the beginning.

Since then, Ms. Duran has earned an Associate Degree in Nursing ADN, an Associate Degree in Science from New Mexico Highlands University, a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing, BSN from the University of New Mexico and a Master of Health Administration, MHA from the University of Phoenix. It may not end there. Duran is

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Among her many degrees in her office, Cassandra Duran is very proud to be a Luna Community College and Highlands University graduate.



Chapter member Dora Molina explains Phi Theta Kappa's Commit to Complete Project initiative to newly inducted member Nicolette Gonzales. The Beta Mu Nu Chapter has participated in the Commit to Complete initiative for the last two years in an effort to promote community college completion. To date, the chapter has acquired more than 700 signatures from students promising to complete their education. A separate poster board has been signed by numerous LCC faculty and staff, committing to support student completion.

Duran...

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contemplating earning a degree in Doctor Nursing Practice (DNP).

So how did all this get started?

"I wasn't someone who wanted to be a nurse," says Ms. Duran. "I was working at Russell's Super Save in Las Vegas and I attended a career fair at Highlands University. Luna Community College had a booth there and what motivated me was a sign that said you could be a nurse in two years. Once I became a nurse, early in my career I realized that I was good at managing people and resources."

Ms. Duran is currently an Associate Chief, Nurse of Ambulatory Care at the New Mexico VA Health Care System—Veterans Affairs

Hospital. She manages all nursing staff in Albuquerque (22 providers) and nine Community Based Clinics across the state and southern Colorado.

"I like the mission, vision, and values of the V.A.," says Ms. Duran. "When people come to work here, we work for the veterans—it's a mission-driven service."

Duran's 26-year career in the medical profession spans many arenas, including stints at Northeastern Regional Hospital in Las Vegas, St. Vincent's Hospital in Santa Fe and working for the New Mexico Department of Health, Public Health Division out of Santa Fe. During her tenure at the Department of Health, Duran helped address law and legislation at the state level and represented New Mexico at the CDC, and Washington D.C., leading New Mexico in emergency preparedness and bio-terrorism training events in post 911. She says that the highlight of her career is when she helped bring primary care and public health models together across rural health in New Mexico.

"Nursing is the No. 1 most trusted profession," says Duran. "When you look at the data, kids trust their school nurse more than anyone. A nurse has to be right, honest, and live a good lifestyle. It is a career of integrity and accountability. A nurse's duty does not begin or end at work. You're always a nurse 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Your community will always call you for advice."

Duran has had her share of adversity to go along with triumphs.

"I was raised in a household of 18 foster children and five brothers, and I am a single parent with three kids," says Duran. "After the death of my parents, I worked two jobs and went to college. I always felt an internal struggle and I often would ask myself if school is worth it.

Does it interfere with the limited time I had to be with my kids. So, to make that transition I chose to make my children part of my schooling. They would help me study; they felt they had ownership of my degrees. When I received my master's degree, my kids encouraged me to walk the graduating line and they were right there cheering me on in the audience. When I looked out at them—there was Devyn and Robert."

"Your always a nurse 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Your community will always call you for advice,"—Cassandra Duran.

With an already busy schedule, Duran fits in teaching at Grand Canyon University. She currently teaches public health to BSN level students. She wants to do the same at Luna Community College.

"I would like to pay forward to the community of nursing and teach at Luna," says Duran. "Nursing school takes a lot out of you. It will pass—do your best. When it comes to nursing school, it's not for the weak of heart; it's for those that endure—it takes courage. If you don't get a good grade, try again. Go back. Grades do not define success. All it takes is one caring adult in nursing school to keep you on task—find a mentor for those times when nursing school makes you feel vulnerable."

By the way, during her master's program, Duran had a 3.95 grade point average.

"I always tell the people I manage 'what are you going to do for your patients today,'" says Duran. "Don't get caught up in a lot of things, focus on your patients. Always keep your patients up front in your decision."

Although Duran's career has been stellar, one of her goals is to position herself for a Chief Nurse position.

"I tell everyone I earned my degree from Luna Community College," says Duran. "And it's been a great degree and a really rewarding career."

Attention students:

Luna Community College registration for the summer and fall semester is ongoing.

You may look at the schedule online at www.luna.edu.

Hard copy schedules for the summer semester are now available.

Please see the LCC Office of Admissions for schedules.



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IS ASKING ALL
LCC ALUMNI TO HELP
SUPPORT LCC STUDENTS!

For more information
Call Sarah Flores at
(505) 454-5367 or email: sflores@luna.edu



Luna Community College 2012-13 Student Senate. Pictured (l-r): Angel Torres, senator; Mikaela Hughes, treasurer; Julie Silva, secretary and Amanda Leora Martinez, president. Superimposed in the photo is Chris Castellano, vice-president.

LCC Foundation awards scholarships

The Luna Community College Foundation awarded 19 scholarships for the 2013 spring semester. Each student was awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$300. The Foundation awards over \$5,000 in scholarships for the spring and fall semesters. In addition, the Foundation awards \$2,000 in scholarships for the summer semester.

The following students are recipients of the spring scholarship:

Nathan Alaimalo, Carlos Arreguin-Martinez, Angela Arrieta, Brandon Baca, Priscilla Barboa, Jose Castillo, Jessica Encinias, Franchesca Flores, Richard Flores, Andrew Garcia, Theodore Garcia, Cassie Lucero, Curtis Lucksinger, James Maldonado, Kevin Montoya, Jason Pacheco, Marisol Sanchez, Chelsea Trujillo and Shantel Whitfield.

In order to process a student's application for the LCC Foundation Scholarship, the following is required to complete the application process:

- Completed FAFSA application- on file with the LCC Financial Aid Office
- Completed scholarship application
- Typed letter of addressing financial hardship
- Current official transcript - \$2 fee at Registrar's office
- Must have 2.0 GPA or better
- Current class schedule
- Book store receipts
- You must not have a degree or certificate in any field from a four or two-year institution.

You can pick up an application at the Foundation office located in the Cosmetology area of the administration building. You can also call Sarah Flores, executive director at (505) 454-5367.

Lady Rough Riders make history at Luna CC

The Luna Community College Softball Team set several goals at the beginning of its season. One of the goals was to make the post-season. They did this by qualifying as the sixth seed in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference Tournament.

The top six teams in the regular season advanced to the post-season. It is the first time in the team's five-year history that they participated in post-season play.

"This was the biggest goal of the year," said LCC Interim Head Coach Nathan Trujillo. "We talked about it since day one. During our first workout in the fall, we discussed being in the conference tournament."

Perhaps what makes this even more impressive, is that the Lady

Rough Riders are in their first year as members of the WJCAA.

The Lady Rough Riders finished 18-34 on the year and 9-19 in conference.

"Being that it was our first year as a conference member, we surprised a lot of teams,"—Nathan Trujillo.

"We did an excellent job coming together as a team," said Trujillo. "I think a lot of our opponents felt we weren't going to be as good as we were. Being that it was our first year as a conference

member, we surprised a lot of teams."

The Lady Rough Riders lost to El Paso Community College 5-4 and to Howard College 7-2 in the double elimination tournament.

Notes: The LCC Baseball Team finished 10-40 overall and 9-27 in conference play.



The Luna Community College Softball Team advanced to the post-season for the first time in school history. Pictured are: (bottom, l-r) Celeste Paez, Kari Mays, Alexis Murillo and Marquita Zamora; (middle row, l-r): Veronica Holloman, Marissa Valencia, Shannon Taraddei, Kayla Roberts, Renee Roybal, Denise Otero, Ashton Borunda and Savannah Miller. (Top row, l-r) are: Montana Martinez, Mary Medina, Kaitlyn Gross, Larissa Gallegos, Mercediz Bileen, Stephanie Rose, Gabriella Negeiros, Amber Harding, Yadira Carrasco, Krynisha Betoni, Jasmine Hernandez and Adrienne Chavez.

Meet your Rough Riders

Name: Daniel Garcia
Nickname: DG
Position: Third base, pitcher
Major: Liberal arts
Classification: Freshman
Hometown: Farmington
High School: Farmington High
Favorite movie, why? Remember the Titans, because they overcame adversity as a team and became successful.



Daniel Garcia

If you could trade places with someone, who would it be and why?: Bryce Harper. I would like to see what it's like to be in the major leagues at such a young age.

How important is academics to you?: Very important. It's the tool that will help me make money in the future.

Plans after graduation: Be working somewhere in the medical field.

What is on your bucket list? Skydiving.

Favorite food, why?: Chinese

Favorite athlete: Chipper Jones

What would you like to contribute to society? Some kind of help to those in need.

Whom do you admire the most and why? My parents, because they raised me well and gave up a lot for me since they had me as teens.



Lloyd Edwards

Name: Lloyd Edwards
Position: Pitcher
Major: Sports performance
Classification: Freshman
Hometown: Honokaa, Hawaii
High School: Hanokaa High
Parents and family: Terry and Evangeline Edwards

Favorite movie, why? Aladdin. It has always been my favorite movie since I was a little kid.

If you could trade places with someone, who would it be and why?: Tim Lincecum

How important is academics to you?: It is one of my priorities.

Plans after graduation: Continue my education at a four-year school.

What is on your bucket list? To travel all of Europe.

Favorite food, why? Mom's cooking. Who doesn't love mom's cooking?

Favorite athlete: Tim Lincecum

What would you like to contribute to society? Hopefully open my own business and create jobs.

Whom do you admire the most and why? My father, for doing everything he did to get me here.

Name: J.D. Heredia
Position: Pitcher
Major: Liberal arts
Classification: Sophomore
Hometown: Las Cruces
High School: Mayfield High
Parents and family: Mike and Stella Heredia

If you could trade places with someone, who would it be and why?: I'd trade places with my brother so I could be a kid again.

How important is academics to you?: It's the gateway to success.

Plans after graduation: Continue baseball and school.

Favorite food, why?: BBQ. It's delicious and nutritious.

Favorite athlete: Clayton Kershaw.

What would you like to contribute to society?: I would like to help advance the current state of society and in turn make the world a better place.

Whom do you admire the most and why? I admire my dad. He's a smart, strong man.



J.D. Heredia

Remember to register for summer and fall classes at
Luna Community College

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Interested in receiving
Financial Aid
this summer?

Summer Interest forms for Summer 2013
are now available in the
Office of Student Financial Assistance

Pick yours up today!!!

Priority Deadline to submit form is

May 10, 2013



ATTENTION

INCOMING HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND
SENIORS NOT SURE WHAT TO DO THIS
SUMMER?

HOW ABOUT TAKING PART IN THE SUMMER
STUDENT ADVANCEMENT ACADEMIC
INSTITUTE (SAAI) AND EARNING
COLLEGE CREDIT?



PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE:

- Tuition Waiver (homeschooled/private school students not eligible for tuition waiver)
- Textbook Waiver
- Distance Learning Fee Waiver
- Access Code Waiver
- \$100 Stipend (at end of summer session with acceptable passing grade)
- College Credit
- High School Credit (as approved by participants high school)

SPACE IS LIMITED

IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT:
LCC ACCESS CENTER 505.454.2500 ext 1014
REGISTRATION BEGINS: APRIL 2, 2013



Foundation
Presents a
Scholarship Fundraiser
Bingo!

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013
TIME: 1:00 P.M.

PLACE: ELKS LODGE NO. 408
2305 COLLINS DR.

PRICE: \$5.00

GRAND PRIZE: \$300

Call Sarah Flores for tickets
(505) 454-5367

SPRING 2013
PRESENTERS FOR

LCC ASSESSMENT
REPORTING
FRIDAY, MAY 17TH
8:30AM LRC LECTURE HALL

HUMANITIES

PSYCHOLOGY:
Amy Barreras
Andrew Garcia

FRESHMAN COMP I:
Cythia Riley (pilot project)
Leslie Dennis

GRAMMAR USAGE & WRITING
Cythia Riley (pilot project)

PUBLIC SPEAKING:
Justine Creggin

FRESHMAN COMP II:
Leslie Dennis
Molly Boyle

VOCATIONAL
Wedding Level I
Lyndee Padilla
Wedding Level I
Cory Moore

SM&ET

NETWORK CONCEPTS I:
Nichole Collins

BASIC MATH
Bruce McAllister

COLLEGE ALGEBRA
Eliisa Flores-Villegas

BUSINESS
WEB DESIGN:
Ashli L. Lomas

COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS:
Janice Brubaker

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Exercise & Wellness

Step, Kick, Punch & Jam!

June 3 - July 26, 2013 (M-T-W)

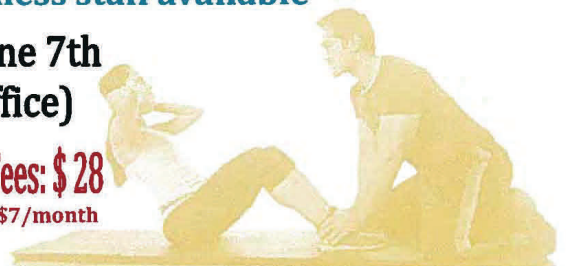
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- Cardiovascular machines
- Cardio-conditioning equipment
- Free weights
- Boxing equipment
- Exercise balls
- Toning & abdominal equipment
- Wellness staff available



Last day to enroll, June 7th
(LCC Registrar's Office)

Regular Fees: \$ 41 -- Senior Fees: \$ 28
Approx. \$10/month Approx. \$7/month



Wellness Center 505-425-8767

Registrar's Office 505-454-5314

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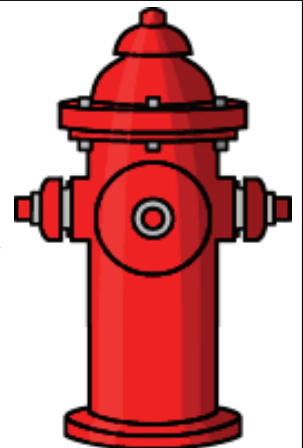
Be Part of the Team!

LCC Fire Science Program

Summer 2013

FS115:
Introduction to Firefighting

Tuesday &
Thursday
5:15PM, Main Campus



Limited liability company's (LLC)— are they for you?

By the LCC Small Business Development Center

What is a limited liability company (LLC)?

An LLC is a form of business entity that offers its members limited liability along with partnership taxation, also known as flow-through taxation. LLCs combine the best of both corporate and partnership structures: protection of personal assets and tax advantages respectively.

What is limited liability?

Say an LLC contracts with a supplier and is unable or unwilling to pay that supplier. The members of the LLC will not be sued personally, nor will their personal assets be at risk solely because they are a member of the LLC. However, members' investments in the LLC will be at risk, but that is the limit. (There are exceptions to almost every generalization, depending on the facts.)

What is partnership or flow-through taxation?

One of the major characteristics of partnership tax treatment is that partnerships (or LLCs) are not taxed at the entity level; corporations, by contrast, are taxed on profit, and then shareholders are taxed on income distributed to them. Other tax planning opportunities may be available, depending on the LLC and members' overall pictures.

What types of businesses are using the LLC form?

Almost all types. Family-owned businesses, which may want to take

advantage of some estate planning flexibility available to LLCs, are using this form as are professional practice groups, such as accountants, architects, lawyers, and physicians. Joint ventures, where two or more independent entities want to join in a single enterprise, which prior to the advent of LLCs would have been done as a partnership, can also benefit from forming LLCs.

What if we have been operating as a partnership - can we convert?

Yes. And from a liability perspective, you should consider doing so. Any entity can become an LLC, including a sole proprietorship. Business owners, together with their accountants and lawyers, should add limited liability companies to the list of considerations when structuring a business.

What if I don't have any partners, can I still form an LLC?

Yes. In the state of New Mexico you can form what is called a single member LLC. The process is the same and the benefits are the same.

For FREE information on the application process to form a LLC, contact the LCC SBDC at 454-2582 or 1-800-588-7232 ext. 1759. For an up to date listing of all SBDC services and trainings visit our web page at www.nmsbdc.org.

LCC Foundation Alumni of the Month: Leah Bustos

**By Sarah Flores
LCC Foundation Director**

When Leah Bustos decided to attend Luna Community College, she thought that she would register in dental assisting.

"I went to register to be a dental assistant and blurted out cosmetology." said Bustos, a 2005 LCC Graduate. "My friends and family always encouraged me to do hair."

Bustos is a proud mother of three children and now works at Serene Touch Salon & Spa located on 127 Bridge Street. Leah was also the business owner of Allure Hair & Body.

As a student in the cosmetology department, she served as vice-president of SkillsUSA of the New Mexico chapter. Bustos also has various trainings in Redkin products, Matrix and has attended several hair shows in Las Vegas, Nev.

She also specializes in haircuts for men, women, and children, color, highlights, perms, waves, waxing, eyebrow tinting, formal styling, extensions, scalp massage, deep condition and various coloring techniques.

When interviewing Bustos, I asked her what advise she had for

aspiring cosmetologists.

"Education! Strive to be better than what you are. There is always more to learn and know," said Bustos.

After interviewing Leah and having been one of her customers, in my opinion she is very diligent with her clients and is always booked well in advance. You will not be disappointed with the results at the end of your appointment.

Bustos would like to thank her advisors Germaine Sandoval, Rosalie Ortega and Connie Ortiz for all their support and encouragement!

If you are interested in having your story been told and you are alumni of Luna Community College, please contact the Foundation office at (505) 454-5367 or email at sflores@luna.edu.



Leah Bustos

Garcia already competing against nation's best barbers

He and his wife want to open up a shop

Andrew Garcia starting cutting his own hair when he was a junior in high school. Today, Garcia has a client list reaching three figures.

"They're not all faithful, but they all have come back," says Garcia a freshman barbering student at Luna Community.

Garcia is quickly gaining a reputation of being one of the top amateur barbers around. He proved this when he took second at the BARBA National Barber Competition in Albuquerque where he took second place. His competitors were from New Mexico, California, Colorado and Texas.

He probably should have won his category (fastest fade); however, he was docked some points. His four-minute fade hair cut was the fastest. It included a line up.

"Part of participating in this competition was that I was able to see a lot of talented people from across the country," says Garcia.

Participants included students and licensed barbers.

"I've always liked to cut hair as a hobby," says Garcia. "I look at it as an art form. One day my friends starting asking me to cut theirs. I want to learn as much as I can in this profession."

Part of the program allows students to do hair cuts as part of the learning process. And it is not uncommon to see Garcia busy from the start of the day to the end.

So how does a young student like Garcia



Luna Community College barbering student Andrew Garcia can give a fade hair cut in four minutes.

have such a following.

"Ask the guys that I cut their hair and let them tell you," says Garcia. "I want to say thank you to all the guys that come and cut their hair here. They're probably the most important part of what I do."

Garcia, a 2007 Robertson High graduate, attended Highlands University for three years and took several classes in business management. He intends to earn his barbering certificate by the end of the year.

In a rarity, Garcia and his wife Jessica are both in the same class. Jessica is majoring in cosmetology.

"It's a blessing to have similar interests and that we can provide for our family," says Garcia. "Someday we hope to open our own shop."

Because of his success in a national competition, Garcia wants to enter more.

"I want the experience," says Garcia. "There's always somebody better somewhere that can always teach you something."

How much does Garcia enjoy barbering?

"It doesn't feel like work and it doesn't feel like school," says Garcia.

**"There's always somebody better somewhere that can always teach you something,"—
Andrew Garcia**

**9th Annual Luna Community College Car Show—Saturday, June 15
Call Anthony Baca at 429-0425 for more information**

Luna Community College / Summer 2013 / Schedule of Classes / <https://pathways.luna.edu> / 505.454.2550 / 800.588.7232

Course	Sec	Hours	Title	Days	Dates	Times	Campus	Bldg	Room	Instructor	Reg/Max
AH105	01	4.0	Nursing Assistant Training	-MTWRF-	05/20/13 - 05/31/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO8	Lucero, L	0/8
AH105	02	4.0	Nursing Assistant Training	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/01/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO8	Lucero, L	0/8
AH105	03	4.0	Nursing Assistant Training	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/02/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO8	Lucero, L	0/8
AH105	04	4.0	Nursing Assistant Training	-MTWRF-	07/08/13 - 07/18/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO8	Lucero, L	0/8
AH105	05	4.0	Nursing Assistant Training	--T-RF-	06/06/13 - 06/21/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO10	Hollis, S	0/8
AH113	01	2.0	Medical Terminology	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 10:50AM	Main Campus	AHC	NO9	Hollis, S	0/20
AH210	01	3.0	Nutrition	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	9:30AM - 12:20PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO9	Bird, D.	0/20
AH210	02	3.0	Nutrition	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 3:50PM	Main Campus	AHC	NO9	Hollis, S	0/20
ANTH221E	01	3.0	Cultures of the World (DL)	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 4:50PM	Online Course	EWEB		Bell, J.	0/25
ART110	01	3.0	Introduction to Art	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:15PM	Main Campus	GEN	111	Bohm, N	0/25
ART210	01	3.0	Art History	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	101	Bohm, N	0/25
AUTO124	01	4.0	Heating and Air Conditioning	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 3:55PM	Main Campus	AUTO		Sandoval,E	0/15
BIO105	01	4.0	Biology for Non-Majors	-MTW---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:40AM	Main Campus	ADMN	103	Montano R	0/18
BIO105L	01	0.0	Biology for Non-Majors Lab	---R--	06/06/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 1:50PM	Main Campus	ADMN	103	Montano R	0/18
BIO201	01	4.0	Medical Microbiology	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 11:50AM	Main Campus	AHC	LO1	Despain,R	0/15
BIO201L	01	0.0	Medical Microbiology Lab	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:50PM	Main Campus	AHC	MO1	Despain,R	0/15
BT215	01	4.0	Concrete Finishing I	--TW--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	BTRD		Montoya, J	0/15
CDL130L	01	4.0	Commercial Driver's License Lab	U-----S	06/01/13 - 07/21/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	BTRD		Saiz, L	0/5
CRT120	01	3.0	Collision Repair II	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 4:00PM	Main Campus	AUTO		Martinez,G	0/15
CRT130	01	3.0	Auto Restoration and Customizing	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 4:00PM	Main Campus	AUTO		Martinez,G	0/15
CS105	01	3.0	Introduction to Computer Science	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:40AM	Main Campus	TECH	125A	Collins, N	0/18
CS245	01	3.0	Security*	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:40PM	Main Campus	TECH	125A	Collins, N	0/18
CS267	01	3.0	Network Concepts II	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	3:00PM - 4:40PM	Main Campus	TECH	125A	Collins, N	0/18
CSA150	01	3.0	Computer Fundamentals	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 4:50PM	Main Campus	BUS	112	Gutierrez	0/14
CSA150	40	3.0	Computer Fundamentals	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:30AM - 2:20PM	Off Site	OFFS	RTN3	Rigdon, A	0/16
CSA150E	01	3.0	Computer Fundamentals (DL)	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	5:30PM - 9:20PM	Online Course	EWEB		Gutierrez	0/20
CSMT126	40	5.0	Hair Cutting	-MTWRF-	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	7:00AM - 11:00AM	Off Site	OFFS	GCF1	Ortega, R.	0/20
CSMT139	40	4.0	Cosmetology Theory II	-MTWRF-	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	12:00PM - 4:00PM	Off Site	OFFS	GCF1	Ortega, R.	0/20
CUL250	01	3.0	Healthy Cooking Techniques	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 12:50PM	Main Campus	CAFE		Dimsey,G	0/15
DENT209	01	2.0	Professional Ethics	-M----	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 2:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	DO10	Ortega, D	0/12
DENT220	01	2.0	Dental Office Management	--T----	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	11:00AM - 4:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	DO02	Pacheco, G	0/6
DENT270	01	3.0	Clinical Training/Practicum II	---WR-	06/05/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 3:00PM	Main Campus	OFFS		Ortega, D	0/6
DENT270L	01	0.0	Clincl Trng Practicum II/Seminar	-----F-	06/07/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 3:00PM	Main Campus	AHC	DO10	Ortega, D	0/6
DTEC107	01	3.0	Intermediate AutoCAD	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:40AM	Main Campus	TECH	106	Whitten, J	0/14
ECME257	01	3.0	Asmnt of Child & Evaltn of Prgms	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	5:00PM - 7:50PM	Main Campus	EARL	117	Trujillo,D	0/15
ECON209E	01	3.0	Pncpls of Microeconomics (DL)	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	5:30PM - 8:20PM	Online Course	EWEB		Anderson,H	0/25
ENG075	01	4.0	Introduction to Grammar	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:50PM	Main Campus	GEN	103	Crespin, J	0/25
ENG098	01	3.0	Essentials of College Writing	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	102A	(Staff)	0/25
ENG098R	40	3.0	Essntls of College Writing (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	11:30AM - 12:45PM	Off Site	OFFS	RTN2	(Staff)	0/5
ENG098R	41	3.0	Essntls of College Writing (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	11:30AM - 12:45PM	Off Site	OFFS	DCL2	(Staff)	0/5
ENG098T	01	3.0	Essentials of College Writing	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	11:30AM - 12:45PM	Main Campus	GEN	108	(Staff)	0/15
ENG111	01	3.0	Freshman Composition I	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	112	Dennis, L	0/25
ENG111	02	3.0	Freshman Composition I	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:15PM	Main Campus	GEN	112	(Staff)	0/25
ENG111E	01	3.0	Freshman Composition I (DL)	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 11:50AM	Online Course	EWEB		Romigh, M.	0/25
ENG115	01	3.0	Freshman Composition II	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:30PM - 3:45PM	Main Campus	GEN	112	Boyle, M	0/25
ENG115E	01	3.0	Freshman Composition II (DL)	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 12:50PM	Online Course	EWEB		Romigh, M.	0/25
FCMK100	20	3.0	Intr to Furniture & Cabinet-Mkng	---W---	06/05/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 8:00PM	Springer	BTRD		Kuhlman, P	0/10
FCMK104	40	3.0	Planning, Layout, and Design	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	5:00PM - 9:00PM	Off Site	OFFS	WMS1	Sena, E	0/10
FS115	01	4.0	Introduction to Firefighting	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	5:15PM - 10:00PM	Main Campus	GEN	109	Duran, A	0/20
FS250	01	3.0	Research Methods in Fire Science	-----S	06/01/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 3:00PM	Main Campus	TECH	126B	Martinez,V	0/5

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SUMMER SCHEDULE

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HD260	01	3.0	Critical Thinking & Prob Solving	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:15PM	Main Campus	GEN	108	Dennis, L	0/20
HD260R	20	3.0	Critical Thnkg/Prob Solvng(ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Springer	FORR	107	Gonzales,L	0/5
HD260T	01	3.0	Critical Thinking & Prob Solving	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	111	Gonzales,L	0/20
HIST101	01	3.0	Western Civilization to 1500	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 11:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	102A	Gonzales,L	0/20
HIST161E	01	3.0	American History to 1865 (DL)	-M-W--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 4:50PM	Online Course	EWEB		Beil, J.	0/25
HIST220	01	3.0	History of New Mexico	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	103	Sickler, K	0/20
HPS250E	01	4.0	Sports Internship (DL)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 12:50PM	Online Course	EWEB		Abreu, A	0/15
MATH055	01	3.0	Basic Mathematics	-MTW---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Main Campus	TECH	126A	McAllister	0/20
MATH075	01	4.0	General Mathematics	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Main Campus	ADMN	112B	Gallegos,I	0/20
MATH075E	01	4.0	General Mathematics (DL)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Online Course	EWEB		Martinez,L	0/20
MATH075R	20	4.0	General Mathematics (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 3:50PM	Springer	FORR	107	Raven, N.	0/4
MATH075R	40	4.0	General Mathematics (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 3:50PM	Off Site	OFFS	DCL1	Raven, N.	0/5
MATH075R	41	4.0	General Mathematics (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 3:50PM	Off Site	OFFS	RTN1	Raven, N.	0/5
MATH075T	30	4.0	General Mathematics	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:00PM - 3:50PM	Santa Rosa	MAIN	104	Raven, N.	0/15
MATH095	01	4.0	Algebra with Applications	-MTWRF-	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 10:50AM	Main Campus	TECH	130	Sanchez, B	0/18
MATH095	02	4.0	Algebra with Applications	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:50PM	Main Campus	ADMN	112B	McAllister	0/20
MATH095R	20	4.0	Algebra with Applications (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	4:00PM - 5:50PM	Springer	FORR	107	Raven, N.	0/4
MATH095R	40	4.0	Algebra with Applications (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	4:00PM - 5:50PM	Off Site	OFFS	DCL1	Raven, N.	0/5
MATH095R	41	4.0	Algebra with Applications (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	4:00PM - 5:50PM	Off Site	OFFS	RTN1	Raven, N.	0/5
MATH095T	30	4.0	Algebra with Applications	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	4:00PM - 5:50PM	Santa Rosa	MAIN	104	Raven, N.	0/15
MATH116	01	4.0	Intermediate Algebra	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:50PM	Main Campus	TECH	102	Peterson,C	0/30
MATH116	40	4.0	Intermediate Algebra	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Off Site	OFFS	DCL1	Castillo,L	0/15
MATH180	01	4.0	College Algebra	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Main Campus	TECH	102	Bustos, M	0/30
MATH190	01	4.0	Trigonometry	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	11:00AM - 12:50PM	Main Campus	TECH	126A	Bustos, M	0/20
PE112	40	1.0	Physical Fitness	-TWRF-	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	4:30PM - 5:20PM	Off Site	OFFS	MOR1	Abeyta, J	0/15
PE112	41	1.0	Physical Fitness	-TWRF-	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	6:00PM - 6:50PM	Off Site	OFFS	MOR1	Abeyta, J	0/15
PE117	01	1.0	Kickboxing and Step Combo	-MTW---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	12:00PM - 1:10PM	Main Campus	WELL		Marr-Monto	0/30
PE135	30	1.0	Yoga	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	9:00AM - 10:50AM	Santa Rosa	MAIN	102	Digerness,J	0/8
PHIL101E	01	3.0	Introduction to Philosophy (DL)	-T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	2:30PM - 5:20PM	Online Course	EWEB		Gnego,J,S	0/25
PHYS111	01	4.0	Introduction to Physics	-MTW---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:40PM	Main Campus	TECH	136	Martinez,C	0/18
PHYS111L	01	0.0	Introduction to Physics Lab	----R--	06/06/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 4:50PM	Main Campus	TECH	136	Martinez,C	0/18
PSYC101	01	3.0	Introduction to Psychology	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 12:50PM	Main Campus	GEN	103	Barreras,A	0/20
PSYC101	02	3.0	Introduction to Psychology	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	2:30PM - 5:20PM	Main Campus	GEN	101	Garcia,A	0/25
PSYC242E	01	3.0	Developmental Life Span (DL)	-T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	12:30PM - 3:20PM	Online Course	EWEB		Hughes, R	0/25
QUIL108	01	3.0	Foundation Piecing	-----S	06/01/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Main Campus	LRC	102	Chibante,L	0/15
READ075	01	4.0	Basic Reading	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:50AM	Main Campus	GEN	110	Nolan, J	0/20
SOC101	01	3.0	Introduction to Sociology	-MTWR--	05/20/13 - 05/31/13	9:00AM - 3:30PM	Main Campus	GEN	104	Armijo C	0/20
SOC101	02	3.0	Introduction to Sociology	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 12:50PM	Main Campus	GEN	109	Baca, G	0/20
SPAN101	01	3.0	Beginning Spanish I	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	12:30PM - 1:45PM	Main Campus	GEN	110	Ortega, J	0/20
SPCH111	01	3.0	Public Speaking	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	1:00PM - 2:15PM	Main Campus	GEN	104	Tapia, L.	0/20
SPCH111	02	3.0	Public Speaking	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	11:00AM - 12:15PM	Main Campus	GEN	104	Tapia, L.	0/20
SPCH111R	30	3.0	Public Speaking (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Santa Rosa	MAIN	103	Crespin, J	0/5
SPCH111R	40	3.0	Public Speaking (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Off Site	OFFS	RTN2	Crespin, J	0/10
SPCH111R	41	3.0	Public Speaking (ITV)	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Off Site	OFFS	DCL2	Crespin, J	0/5
SPCH111T	01	3.0	Public Speaking	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:15AM	Main Campus	GEN	108	Crespin, J	0/10
SPCH112E	01	3.0	Interpersonal Communication (DL)	--T-R--	06/04/13 - 07/26/13	10:00AM - 12:50PM	Online Course	EWEB		Goodyear,S	0/25
VGDI06	01	3.0	Script Writing and Storyboarding	-MTWR--	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	8:00AM - 9:40AM	Main Campus	TECH	125B	Collins, N	0/15
WLDG148	30	3.0	Ornamental Art Welding	-M-W---	06/03/13 - 07/26/13	5:00PM - 10:00PM	Santa Rosa	SRHS		Padilla, L	0/15

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Humanities Department honor graduates during ceremony on April 24



The following students received an Academic Achievement Award for the General Studies Program. From Left to right pictured are: Gilbert J. Garcia, Rachel Ridgeway, Christopher Cavazos and Shirley Marlow, academic director.



Mary A. Duran, student services specialist and Shirley Marlow, director. Duran was recognized for her outstanding service and hard work.

The following students received an Academic Achievement Award for the Criminal Justice Program. From left to right pictured are: Twila Quintana-criminal justice instructor, Quentin Mansfield, Dora N. Molina-Landeros, Amari Ortiz-Vigil, Amanda L. Sanchez Marisol Sanchez, and Cindy Armijo, criminal justice instructor. There were five other students who were also recognized but not present.



Pictured are the LCC Department of Humanities Faculty Members who were recognized/received awards for their outstanding service. Pictured (l-r) are: Andrew Garcia-psychology/abnormal psychology instructor, Laura Gonzales-history and critical thinking instructor, Juan Ortega, Spanish instructor, Kenneth Bachicha, media arts courses instructor, Jeanette Nolan, developmental courses instructor, Twila Quintana, criminal justice courses instructor, Michael Withnall-anthropology instructor, Cindy Armijo, criminal justice instructor, Cynthia Riley, theatre & English instructor, Nancy Bohm, art instructor, Leslie J. Dennis, English and critical thinking instructor. Several other faculty members were recognized but were not present.





The following students received an Academic Achievement Award for the General Education Program. Pictured are: Jeanette Nolan, developmental studies instructor, Ashley Lovato and Shirley Marlow, director.



The following students received an Academic Achievement Award for the Liberal Arts Program. Pictured are: Leslie J. Dennis, English instructor, Jacob Heredia, and Shirley Marlow, director.



Torres Leyba was the guest speaker. He is former New Mexico Phi Theta Kappa Regional President and a 2012 UNM graduate.



The following students received an Academic Achievement Award for the Media Arts Program. Pictured (l-r) are: Keith Valdez, Ashlyn Chavez, Tye Martinez-Metzgar and Kenneth Bachicha, program instructor.

El Teatro de Luna theatre group from LCC performed at the ceremony. Pictured (l-r) are: Cynthia Riley, theatre instructor, Actors: Tristan Padilla, Leslie J. Dennis, Billy Ortiz, Raymond Flores and Manuel Valdez.



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Business and Professional Studies Department honor top students at 8th Annual Ceremony



The annual ceremony was held on Thursday, April 25. Over 100 people were in attendance to celebrate student success in education! One hundred and sixty eight recognition awards were distributed to dual credit high school students, distance learning online students, and main campus degree pursuing students.



Solo musical entertainment was provided by local musician/music teacher Ms. Emily Maestas.



Business and Professional Studies Department Pictured (l-r) are: Harry Anderson, Meta Levister, Renée T. Garcia (director), Dolores Gutierrez, Brendaigh Lobato, and Elaine Ortega.

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Elaine Ortega with her students who were recognized for Academic Achievement and perfect attendance. Pictured (l-r) are: Karen Wezwick, Alicia Chacon, Lorinda Valdez, Elaine Ortega (instructor), Melissa Cordova, Gary Gray, Bonita Shwenk, Victor R. Ramirez and Freddy Sena.



Pictured (l-r) are: Three dual credit high school students: Leah Montoya, Kaitlyn Romero, Chris Cavazos, Dolores Gutierrez (instructor), Lonnie Romero, Jose Castillo, and Dustin Johnson.

Meta Levister (instructor), Leandra Vigil, Lonnie Romero, Alyssa J. Gelinas, and Jessica James.





Pictured (l-r) are four dual credit high school students: Kaitlyn Romero, Chris Cavazos, Leah Montoya, Elena Martinez, Lonnie Romero, Dolores Gutierrez (instructor), Amanda Delagarza, Karlee Bradley, Dustin Johnson, Jose Castillo, Jessica James, Crystal Mora, and Diego Rivera.



Pictured (l-r) are: Elena Martinez, Renée T. Garcia, academic director, Lorinda Valdez, Bonita Shwenk and daughter Rosa, and Lyla Apodaca.



Pictured (l-r) are: Harry Anderson (instructor), Elena Martinez, Elena Tenorio, Melissa Cordova, Dustin Johnson, Ida Sue and Roderick Lujan.



Pictured (l-r) are: Renée T. Garcia (director), Julio Serna (dual credit student), Victor R. Ramirez, and Elena Tenorio.



Pictured (l-r) are: Gianni Gabriel Majorenos, Loretta Gonzales, Brendaleigh Lobato (instructor), Lorinda Valdez and GloriAnna Baca.



Pictured (l-r) are: Gary Gray, Renée T. Garcia (director), and David Martinez.

Pictured (l-r) are: Joe Maestas, and Meta Levister (instructor).



Pictured (l-r) are: Joe Maestas, Elena Martinez, Karen Wezwick, Melissa Cordova, Elaine Ortega (instructor), Gary Gray, and Victor R. Ramirez.

Nursing School: An insider's perspective

The following is a column written by Luna Community College nursing student Inez Bolivar. Bolivar would like to share her opinion with fellow students, staff, faculty and the community of the life of a nursing student. This is the fifth in a series.

My name is Inez Bolivar and I am currently a second year, second semester nursing student at Luna Community College (LCC). I have had wonderful experiences during my time in the nursing program. Caring for a precipitous labor and delivery female patient and completing my first indwelling male catheter for an older male patient with congestive heart failure are amongst my most prized memories from nursing school thus far. I have cared for (with nursing instructor supervision) patients at every stage of life, from birth to those gravely ill living their last months of life. Providing care and comfort to someone dying is unexplainably special and being present and supportive for a joyous event in a family's life is my privilege. These moments have changed my life and have molded me for a fulfilling future in health care. Last year, I began writing articles for **The Luna Light** to tell my amazing stories, while still maintaining patient privacy and patient dignity. It will be my continuing pleasure to continue sharing my moments and interpretations regarding my educational experience while I am a LCC nursing student. (The stories and experiences of my classmates could perhaps be included.)

Week four through 13

These last weeks have consisted of reading text books, writing papers and test taking. A typical evening was spent studying for the next day's class discussions and the tests and quizzes in all classes. Two APA style research papers, and three demanding classes, with weekly tests and quizzes and weekly clinical visitations, with assigned clinical paper work, have been the final semester activities of LCC 2013 RN class. Completing the required Kaplan and ATI tests and Evolve Case Studies took discipline and meticulousness to meet all the deadlines and are regarded as highly beneficial for the students. If one was missed, the electronic supplements could not be reopened; meaning the student missed out on those valuable points, and in nursing school, every point achievable is important.

During week ten, I was fortunate to shadow and assist a wound specialist nurse. As we began our day together, I was able to observe and assist in wound care for interesting medical cases. The most memorable case consisted of wound care for multiple amputations to various digits and limbs, caused by calciphalexia due to kidney deficiency, for which the patient underwent peritoneal dialysis. Calciphalexia pathophysiology and etiology is currently not fully understood. However, the best explanation for this outcome was contributed to calciphalexia. The patient suffered horrific kidney disturbances, which contribute to excess vitamin D and calcium in the blood and the tissues, which then calcified in the vascular system and caused thrombosis

causing necrosis of those tissues. My day's mentor, explained assessment of the wounds and then changed the dressings. The patient was in constant pain, even though medicated, during this time. The prognosis was poor; the patient was eventually discharged home and referred to hospice for comfort care. I was humbled by the moment and noted that even during the most abject circumstances, nurses provide care and comfort measures.



Inez Bolivar

As I endured and successfully navigated these last two years, I approached my nursing program demands week-by-week with euphoric optimism. If I had taken the time to grasp the enormous amount of work ahead of me when I first started, I would have been frightened.

After all finals, our last class clinical requirement was to attend the New Mexico State Board of Nursing Disciplinary Hearings. This activity solidified the phrase "To Err is Human" (Institute of Medicine, 1998), and despite some nurses angelic ambience; even the loveliest and kind nurse is human after all. As a class, we were exposed to the disciplinary action nurses undergo when accusations and adequate evidence supporting charges are filed. This clinical appropriately concluded my educational experiences at LCC. It also brought realism to my hopes for my nursing future. Despite ones greatest intentions, unscrupulous events can still occur and the best and brightest of nurses may still be infallible. However; as a future nurse, I was pleased to see nurses defending and uplifting one another, for professional reasons and patient safety.

Some of my classmates have worked through nursing school to provide for their families. As previously expressed, I have deep respect for the demands of the nursing program and caring for a family. I suppose, the aforementioned multitasking, precociously prepares one for the actual rigors of nursing. Efficacious nurses brilliantly juggle many thoughts and tasks at one time. (Perhaps multitasking parents have a natural knack for the nursing profession?)

In conclusion, as I reflect on my educational demands, I realize how demanding it all was. As I endured and successfully navigated these last two years, I approached my nursing program demands week-by-week with euphoric optimism. If I had taken the time to grasp the enormous amount of work ahead of me when I first started, I would have been frightened. (Who has time for anxieties when one is being molded for a future in healthcare?) We in the nursing program have dared to be great, and thankfully have succeeded, despite little or no time to grasp the magnitude of our undertaking.



Title V Newsletter

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“Creating a Pathway to Success in High-Demand Programs”

Simulation Mannequins Have Arrived!



The month of April showered Title V with the arrival of simulation equipment. The most exciting shipment arrived on three pallets full of boxes. Laerdal representatives, Allen Jakob and Jason McKenny, visited the campus to finalize the setup and programming of the simulators in preparation for the completion of the Allied Health Simulation Lab. Laerdal is one of the leading companies in simulators for health care providers. Simulation technical training will be scheduled to take place over the summer break to ensure faculty readiness for scheduled classes in August. All this preparation will enhance our students’ clinical experiences through simulated practices.

Open House May 21, 2013

“Student success through simulated practices”



The Title V Program at Luna Community College and President Dr. Pete Campos cordially invite you to attend an Open House at the Allied Health Simulation Lab Tuesday, May 21, 2013 12pm - 2pm 366 Luna Drive Las Vegas, NM

Title V Staff

Lorraine Martinez, Director Veronica Serna, Activity Director Tiffany Young, Office Manager
Susan Olson-Smith, Sim Lab Supervisor Larry Paiz, Instructional Designer

Retired couple make state-of-the-art entertainment center at Luna CC

Late last summer Billy and Rita Sanchez were listening to the radio when they heard that Roberto Ortiz was teaching a furniture and cabinet making class at Luna Community College.

Nine months and two semesters later, the retired couple from Sena, N.M. took home a state-of-the-art oak entertainment center that they made in class.

“We both took a class with Robert about 11 years ago and we decided to do it again,” says Billy. “We wanted to build an entertainment center and little by little it got done.”

Ortiz estimates that the value of the project is a little over \$4,000.

“Billy and Rita were willing to learn along the way,” says Ortiz.

“They are a good example of what couples can accomplish together. I invite other couples to take this class.”

Before the project started, the Sanchez’ had a 27-inch television. With their new entertainment center they intend to buy a 50-inch plasma screen television.

“I love the class,” says Rita. “For one, I’m a hands-on person. We are very pleased with the final project. Our instructor was great.”

The couple were able to overcome some disagreements that occasionally surfaced along the way.

“At times we had different opinions on how to approach the project,” says Billy. “But we always had a mutual agreement in the end. If you were to buy this at a store, you would pay a fortune for it and it wouldn’t be this type of quality. This should be around for the rest of our lives and our kids will inherit it.”

The Sanchez’ intend to take a break this summer and take another furniture course in the fall.

“Even though we’re both retired, we’re still learning,” says Rita.

“We made some mistakes along the way, but with Robert’s help we were able to fix it.”



Luna Community College instructor Roberto Ortiz (far left) stands next to Billy and Rita Sanchez who both made an entertainment center made out of oak. The project took nine months.



Luna Community College’s Monica Garcia (right) is the first-place winner for SkillsUSA in dental assisting. She is representing New Mexico in the national competition in Kansas City on June 24. Garcia is pictured with LCC Dental Assisting Instructor Gloria Pacheco.

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Historic period (2008-2013)

By Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President

What a wonderful journey! During the last five years Luna Community College weathered a deep recession where over \$ 591,300 in funds (claw backs) were cut from LCC's budget by the State of New Mexico because the funds were not available. During this time, we have maintained our mission (to serve students), vision (to build the student programs possible) and values (to maintain institutional rigor and integrity) to provide our students with quality and affordable education, college personnel (without layoffs or furloughs) and area residents with access to education that will lead to good paying jobs.

We have entered into and maintained over 200 Memorandums of Understandings (MOU's) with other entities to build our college relationships with other agencies that provide support services to our students, updated our Board of Trustee policies to comply with State Statutes and the Community College Act, developed a chain of command that provides clear leadership and are completing an update to our strategic plan to guide us towards the goals that will make LCC premier.

We have earned a record number of accreditations, recognitions and accolades for our academic, athletic, vocational and extra-curricular programs. For example: For the first time we earned: 1] National Accreditation for our nursing program. This means our nursing students – once fully qualified, can work at any federal, state or private health care facility; 2] Baseball and Softball acceptance into the Western Junior College Athletic Conference – Region 5; and, 3] numerous certifications for our vocational programs.

We have developed and maintained the best educational programs possible to provide the most effective learning and teaching environments so students would comprehend, benefit and prepare for their futures. We've aligned our curriculum, expanded our in-class, on-line

and hybrid class offerings.

Now, we are preparing for reaffirmation of accreditation and after receiving the Quality New Mexico Piñon Award, we are now pursuing the Roadrunner Award. Our quest for academic rigor, institutional transparency, accountability and integrity are crucial to the core of providing the best college services to students. We are focused on building the best educational system possible so students learn and are well prepared to enter the world of work.

Today's educational delivery methods have changed. For example: A] a high school student can take concurrent enrollment classes both in-class and on-line and potentially earn a high school diploma and LCC certificate. Achieving this credentialing

simultaneously leads to students potentially entering the post-secondary system as a University Junior.

Unfortunately, some of today's social media is not providing factual or validated information from which you can accurately judge the work we do for students. Please, before you accept the prejudices of biased and unfounded social media visit our institutional website or ask for a copy (hard or electronic) of our Board of Trustee policies, annual audits or accreditations. We are reputable, quality and affordable.

Audrey Hepburn, humanitarian, said, "A quality education has the power to transform societies in a single generation, provide children with the protection they need from the hazards of poverty, labor exploitation and disease, and giving them the knowledge, skills and confidence to reach their full potential."

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Culinary Students Raquel Lujan (left) and Adrian Montoya (right) helped to cater Phi Theta Kappa's Induction Ceremony on May 3.

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Students working hard at LCC ACE Lab

Students have been working hard in the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) lab all semester. The number of student visits have increased in the lab within the past year. The count of student visits from fall 2011 was 616. In the fall 2012 it was 2877.

The lab has been meeting the needs of students who are taking online classes. The hours during the fall and spring semesters are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. from Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday. Summer semester hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

"Our athletes have been doing their study hours in the lab," said LCC Path Coordinator/ACE Lab Director Betsy Sanchez.



The following are the Supplemental Instruction Leaders (SIL): Eric Benavidez, John Hinkle, Edward Maes, Gabriel Maestas and Marco Velez. They have been assisting students here on campus in the ACE Lab.

Congratulations goes out to three of the SILs who will be graduating on May 11 from the Science Math and Engineering Technology Department: John Hinkle, Edward Paul Maes, and Marco Velez.

Students Preparing for Final in the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Lab. Hayden Mach, Paul Canepa, Kodie Lynn Martinez and SIL Edward Maes.

Success continues at Luna CC's Mora Site

By Wanda Martinez/Mora Site Director

Another semester comes to a close here at the Mora Site; students prepared and took finals and for many, all in preparation for this year's graduation ceremonies. It really has been another successful year here because word has spread that we are open for students until 8 p.m., 9 p.m. or sometimes on those rare occasions, at 9:50 p.m. for those who are taking online courses, GED or who just need a place to study.

Our reward for doing this is seeing the many students who will "walk the line" on Saturday. You all know how excited we get for you guys and yes we know we embarrass you-let us have our fun. We are **SO** proud of you and your success. Continue on your educational goals or if you are "done" good luck in your career opportunities. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our very

own colleague and my assistant, Melissa Cordova, who will be one of Saturday's participants and plans on continuing her education at NMHU.

Mexico University in the fall and major in biology (She will not be participating in the ceremonies as she will be competing in Florida for BPA Nationals).

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Dimitry Chavez-is attending Eastern New

13 have an interest in staying to take courses at Luna Community College and begin their educational journey. We would like to again thank the administration, staff and faculty at Mora High School who do an awesome job with the students. May our successful collaboration continue into many other semesters!

Congratulations to Mora High School Class of 2013!

Amber Duran- is attending New Mexico Tech and major in engineering.

Shyann Vigil-is attending Luna Community College as a nursing student.

Out of the 33 Mora High School graduates,

Vocational students work on several projects



Auto refinishing II class students painted a metal bed made by welding students. Pictured (l-r): Joshua Rico (Pecos High), Chord Bowles (Pecos High), Patrick Villanueva and John Adam Dimas.



Luna Community College auto collision and auto technology student Karl Sanchez is restoring his 1941 Chevy from the frame up. He has a V-8 engine with a Mustang front end. Sanchez' goal is to have it running by the end of the summer semester.

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Mona and Shawn Tenorio made bottom kitchen cabinets.



Napoleon "Nappy" Quintana made a kitchen cabinet with corner sinks.



Twenty-one students accepted membership and were inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa Beta Mu Nu Chapter on May 3, 2013. Membership into Phi Theta Kappa is by invitation; whereby, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 and have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of college level courses. Induction Ceremony participants are pictured as follows: Back Row (l-r): Sherry Cornett, Ramon Ortega, Dominique Montoya, Crystal Cordova, Casey Compton, Josie Lucero-Villanueva, Jessica James, and Gregory Medina-Romero. Middle Row (l-r): Chapter Officer Ashley Lovato, Chapter President Rachel Ridgeway, Dolores Gonzales, Nicolette Gonzales, Kimberly Pacheco, Chapter Member Dora Molina, Marla Roybal, M. Leighann Roybal, and Chapter Officer Destiny Torres; Front Row (l-r): Chapter Advisor and N.M. Regional Coordinator Cindy Armijo, President Pete Campos, Keynote Speaker Professor Leslie Jae Dennis and Chapter Advisor Dr. Twila Quintana. Members inducted but unable to attend the ceremony include: Ashton Borunda, Arturo Castro, Andrew J. Duran, Daniel Huffhines, Gabrielle Manus, Crystal Ann J. Mora, Mark Simons, and Jacob Skorka.



The first Phi Theta Kappa chapter was chartered in 1918. This year, Beta Mu Nu is celebrating 10 years as a chartered chapter at Luna Community College. LCC's chapter quickly rose to the top and has served as one of the leading chapters in the N.M. Region during the last eight years. While the chapter and advisors have received numerous awards and recognitions at both the N.M. Regional and International levels, pictured here are Phi Theta Kappa International Hallmark Awards received by the chapter and advisors. In 2011, Beta Mu Nu was named Fourth Most Distinguished Chapter out of nearly 1,300 chapters internationally. This is the highest level of accomplishment any chapter in the N.M. region has achieved. At this year's International Convention in San Jose, Chapter Advisor Cindy Armijo was recognized and awarded the Continued Excellence Award for Chapter Advisors. Also under the leadership of Ms. Armijo, the N.M. Region of Phi Theta Kappa received one of three Regional Milestone Awards. Phi Theta Kappa is divided into 30 regions. Armijo serves as the coordinator of the N.M. Region, which currently maintains 20 chapters from community colleges across the state.

Establishing a culture of completion

By Cindy Armijo

Based on research findings showing a decline in American education where the United States dropped from No. 1 in the world to No.17, along with the alarmingly high number of unfilled jobs requiring skilled and credentialed individuals, in 2010 President Obama initiated a White House Summit calling for increasing graduation rates by at least 50 percent by 2020. This spurred Phi Theta Kappa and five other prestigious higher education associations to jointly initiate “Democracy’s Colleges – Call to Action” and the College Completion Challenge, pledging to support community college completion.

As the largest and most active honor society in post-secondary education, the more than 1,280 Phi Theta Kappa chapters accepted the challenge to assist in college completion through the establishment of the C4 Community College Completion Corps. The C4 initiative’s foundation is supported by the concept of students helping students. First, each honor student is asked to make a commitment to complete their certificate or associate degree. Next, honor students are asked to each reach out to help at least one other student complete their credential by being a support system for that student, whether by serving as a mentor, by offering tutoring or by serving as a peer resource link to other needed services. Here at LCC, the Beta Mu Nu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa has held signing day events on several occasions since November, 2011. Chapter officers and members have provided students, faculty and staff with pertinent statistics and information highlighting the importance of college completion. Since last November we have acquired nearly 700 student signatures, demonstrating their commitment toward completion.

In the fall of 2012, Beta Mu Nu Chapter extended the challenge to administrators, faculty and staff to commit to support student completion. A pledge and banner to support student completion was unveiled

during a presentation to faculty and staff held Friday, Aug.17, 2012 at the Allied Health Auditorium. The presenter, Executive Director of Phi Theta Kappa Dr. Rod Risley, visited LCC’s campus to discuss the imperative necessity for supporting C4 by establishing a culture of completion. Not only has our chapter asked students to make the commitment to graduate from LCC, but we also asked the campus community to change the predominant culture from students having a right to fail, to providing requisite support and services to help students complete their community college credentials. As advisors of Phi Theta Kappa, Dr Twila Quintana and I are working alongside the Beta Mu Nu Chapter officers and mem-



After the Scholars Reception at the 2013 Phi Theta Kappa International Convention, Cindy Armijo, Rachel Ridgeway and Dr. Twila Quintana take a photograph with Executive Director of Phi Theta Kappa Dr. Rod A. Risley

bers to actively engage the campus community in realizing the need to support college completion. Our goal is to assist in opening the channels of communication by bringing key leaders, on campus and in the community, together to discuss and develop improved ways of helping students succeed. We understand the future of our national, state and local economic security is at stake if we do not begin to embrace a culture of completion.

Quote: “We are all stakeholders in ensuring students are provided every opportunity and the support required to succeed in acquiring a certificate and/or associate degree. We are all affected by recruitment, retention and specifically, completion. I take supporting student completion personally and I challenge every LCC employee to actively and purposefully take it personally as well!”

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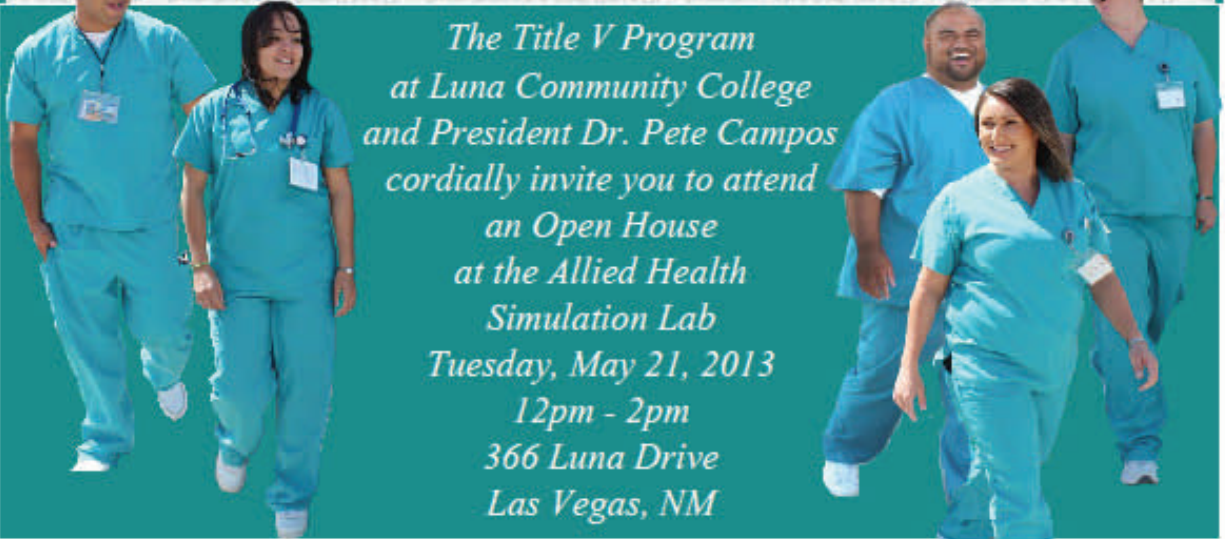
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