

The Luna Light



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"The People's College"

Becoming The Premier Rural Community College in America

December 5-December 11, 2011

LCC to host Quilt Show

If you want to see beautiful, colorful quilts, table runners and other holiday items the place to be is at the Luna Community College Learning Resource Center Fiber Arts Classroom on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

LCC Quilting and Sewing Instructor Lin Chibonte said that about 25 to 30 items will be on display.

"My students have worked really hard to put on this show," says Chibonte. "There are four classes that have worked on this project."

Some of the designs include: Hunter's Stars and Over By The Pond.

Cookies, coffee and soft drinks will be served.

"There will also be a lot of decorative pillow cases," says Chibonte. "One of our community projects this semester has been to donate pillow cases and matching Teddy Bears to the CASA Organization. Many of these kids have been moved out of their homes and placed into foster homes. We want each of these kids to have something to hold on to."

Potential students that are interested in sewing or quilting have the choice of taking classes that teach beginning to advanced skills.

"If you are a beginner and want to quilt or sew don't hesitate because we start at the skill level of each student," says Chibonte.

For more information on quilting and sewing classes, call Chibonte at 505/429-9361 or call the vocation office at 505/454-2530.



The Luna Community College Quilting and Sewing classes will be having a quilt show from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6 at the LRC Fiber Arts Classroom. There will be several quilts, table runners and holiday items on display. Introductory class students include: (l-r) are Emilia Rivera, Mary Loera, Marcelina Sandoval, Gloria Mejillas, Lin Chibante (instructor) and Stacey Montoya.



Luna Community College Registrar employee Francine Crespin assists Andres Urrutia earlier this week. Urrutia is one of several hundred students that have taken advantage of early spring registration. LCC Vice-President of Instruction Dr. Vidal Martinez encourages students to register as early as possible. Hard copy schedules are available. You may view and print spring schedules online at www.luna.edu. Classes begin on Jan. 17.

10 entrepreneurial traits for success

By Luna Community College
Small Business Development Center

Are you tired of marching to the beat of someone else's drum? Does the idea of being your own boss appeal to you? Are you entrepreneur material? Here are ten traits that successful entrepreneurs have in common:

An eye for opportunity: Many entrepreneurs start by finding a need and quickly satisfying it.

Independence: Even though most entrepreneurs know how to work within the framework for the sake of profits, they enjoy being their own boss.

An appetite for hard work: Most entrepreneurs start out working long, hard hours with little pay.

Self-confidence: Entrepreneurs must demonstrate extreme self-confidence in order to cope with all the risks of operating their own business.

Discipline: Successful entrepreneurs resist the temptation to do what is unimportant or the easiest but have the ability to think through to what is the most essential.

Judgment: Successful entrepreneurs have the ability to think quickly and make a wise decision.

Ability to accept change: Change occurs frequently when you own your own business, the entrepreneur thrives on changes and their businesses grow.

Make stress work for them: On the roller coaster to business success the entrepreneur often copes by focusing on the end result and not the process of getting there.

Need to achieve: Although they keep an "eye" on profits, this is often secondary to the drive toward personal success.

Plan Everything: Planning every aspect of your home business is not only a must, but also builds habits that every home business owner should develop, implement, and maintain. The act of business planning is so important because it requires you to analyze each business situation, research and compile data, and make conclusions based mainly on the facts as revealed through the research. Business planning also serves a second function, which is having your goals and how you will achieve them, on paper.

Is this your profile or would you rather do your job, pick up your paycheck and leave the headaches to someone else? Most of us, quite easily, choose the latter. If you are interested in exploring entrepreneurship and would like more information on starting your own business, contact the **Luna Community College Small Business Development Center** at (505) 454-2582 or 1 (800) 588-7232 ext. 1758 or visit our website at www.nmsbdc.org.



Luna Community College gave out several Thanksgiving Food Boxes last week. Pictured (top photo) are LCC Students Monica Cochran, Timothy Cochran, LCC Auto Collision Instructor Anthony Baca and LCC ACCESS employee Janice Medrano helping organize the LCC Activities Committee Food Drive. The bottom photo displays several baskets given out by the fiscal office. The fiscal office would like to thank the following LCC employees for their generous donations: Urszula Abeyta, Cathy Gonzales, Georgia Baca, Francina A. Martinez, Dr. Andrew Feldman, Donna Flores-Medina, Connie Ortiz, Lawrence Quintana, Rochelle Mueller, Dr. Vidal Martinez, Michael Montoya, Marcella Cannone, Kayleen Encinas, Evelyn Montoya, Maria Paiz, Miguel Martinez, Jesse Gallegos, Ron Duran, Louie Benavidez, Gary Martinez and an anonymous donor.

Capital Outlay resources spent wisely

By Dr. Pete Campos

When you drive around the main Luna Community College campus or visit one of our auxiliary locations you immediately experience a sense of buildings that are well kept, not fancy and depictive of the area economy. That being said, there is still much to do to update what once were old military barracks, the need to complete the internal space of existing stucco and metal buildings, upgrade heating and cooling systems in decades old buildings, construct essential vocational shop areas and equip vocational facilities to best prepare students for their chosen careers.

While a shift has occurred with our students to acquire a portion of their education online; a greater need exists to provide hands-on practitioner training in modern kitchens, carpentry and metal shops, properly ventilated spray booths, technological auto mechanic shops and every vocational training center where we provide practical, technical and proper hands-on training so students can secure employment as a journeyman, crafts person or provider of essential services to ensure creative hair styling and nail and skin care, safe home construction, vehicle repair or valuable quilt making.

To prepare students in the area of vocational education we must complete our trades, mass communication, wellness and technology classrooms and working space. The media has already highlighted some of our unfinished vocational shops. However, our need and di-

lemma is greater than that already revealed. Our service area has significant capital outlay needs to complete unfinished buildings, start metal vocational shops to train students in small rural communities and purchase modern equipment and tools that are used in today's technologically driven world of manufacturing, fabrication, food preparation, film making, dentistry, physical health and development, construction and the many aspects of just taking care of our own homes, property infrastructure, nutrition and transportation.

The pictures shown in the capital outlay section of today's Luna Light depict the needs we still have to bring our college current. Now, the work really begins for all of us to support efforts to secure resources to complete our efforts to prepare future film makers, chefs, health care providers, welders, carpenters, auto collision repair experts, artisans, hair and body care professionals and so much more.

Luna Community College has established its academic and vocational niche in northeastern New Mexico. It is now time to join together to let others know of our needs, hopefully secure the funds necessary to bring all of our facilities current and keep our efforts at a level where students will always benefit first and foremost from the best education possible. *Top rated instruction, facilities and equipment lead to students ready to make a good living anywhere they choose to live.*

Editor's Note: For photos, see pages 4-7.

**The Luna
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Capital Outlay needs when addressed will deliver more student opportunities

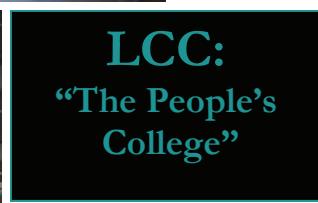


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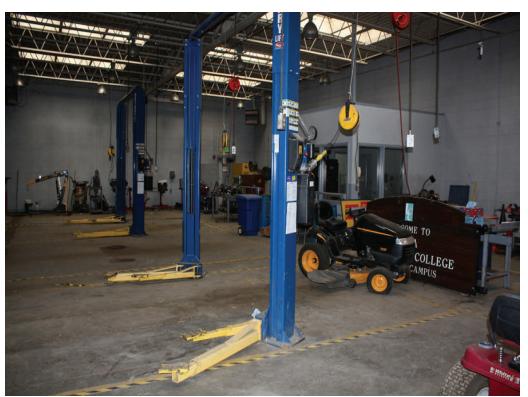
Luna Community College Capital Outlay needs include (clockwise): Automotive classroom; unfinished mass media auditorium; unfinished auto collision building; different angle of auditorium; auto mechanics work area and building exteriors.

Capital Outlay needs...



Pictured (clockwise) are: LCC Santa Rosa Satellite Director Albert Campos reviewing the unfinished Wellness Center; Campos and LCC student Alfred McIntosh touring the Santa Rosa facility; future technology lab in Santa Rosa; exterior automotive building (main campus); LCC Welding Shop and exterior of the future Wellness Facility.

Capital Outlay needs...



Pictured clockwise are: LCC Springer Satellite Welding Shop; LCC President Dr. Pete Campos along with student Alfred McIntosh viewing the interior building condition at Santa Rosa; main hallway at the Springer Satellite; future spot for LCC Santa Rosa Vocational Building; a classroom at Springer; exterior automotive and welding shop at Springer and automotive shop at Springer.

Capital Outlay needs...



Pictured (clockwise) are: exterior of Woodshop Building at Springer; Springer Satellite Furniture and Cabinet Making Instructor Patricia Kuhlman showing some much-needed improvements in her shop and older building on main campus waiting improvements to utilize classrooms.



Santa Rosa project overview

Phase one, the exterior renovation of an 8,000 square foot building in the heart of downtown Santa Rosa has been completed. Luna Community College is striving to participate in the down town Main Street beautification efforts. The recently renovated Square Deal Food Market was built in the early 60's because of its location and the ease of access by members of our community.

The proposed completion of the second phase would be a complete interior upgrade to include; HVAC, electrical, interior partitioning for classroom areas, Computer lab with ITV access with teleconferencing capabilities, instructor guided spinning course training. Open areas will consist of Cardio area, free weight areas. Also included will be both women's and men's ADA approved facilities and dressing areas.

Degree granting programs will include but not limited to, Health Safety and Nutrition, Homeland Security, Criminal Justice, tactical training and self defense, structured fitness courses for credit will also be offered.

This facility once completed will employ one full time and numerous adjunct instructors. It will help in revitalizing traffic to the down town area both auto and pedestrian and help in attracting business to our downtown merchants.

Santa Rosa has had the need for a facility such as the Luna Community College Regional Health and Safety Center. The improvements done already bring many compliments and anticipation for the day the doors are opened and the use of the building can begin.



The projected costs of LCC projects

Vocation Education Complex—\$5 Million
Media Education Ctr. Phase II—\$5.8 Million
Santa Rosa Wellness—\$1.4 Million
Santa Rosa Vocational—\$1.3 Million
Springer Satellite Complex—\$3.5 Million



Luna Community College's Title V Mission:

"Developing a comprehensive online learning network for rural, time and place-bound students."

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Title V Evaluation

Having completed the fourth year of Title V, Dr. David Caffey visited Luna Community College for its yearly evaluation. The project focuses on the goal of developing online academic programs, along with student services, technology, and support structure to sustain success.

Dr. Caffey noted eight strengths in what Title V is doing for the college in online services. Institutionalization of distance learning services will sustain what Title V has developed. In the entry and exit meetings, the initiatives that the program has done and continue doing were discussed thoroughly. Dr. Caffey interviewed 13 Luna Community College employees and was very impressed with the support offered to Title V. Finally, the 20 page evaluation report will be available in the next couple of weeks.



Renee Garcia meeting with Dr. Caffey

Eight Notable Strengths

1. Luna Community College sets and maintains high standards of instruction. Title V faculty are trained and encouraged to use an array of online tools and resources.
2. Development of online student services.
3. Title V utilizes the Internal Monitoring Team for visibility on the Luna Community College Campus.
4. Title V nurtures faculty participation in use of instructional technology and online course delivery.
5. Placement of computer labs in the satellites.
6. Students exposed to technological applications of wireless services in Student Services, WIMBA and Blackboard.
7. Luna Community College requested and received approval from the Higher Learning Commission to offer more than 50% of credits online.
8. Title V endowment matches funds for the Luna Community College foundations for student scholarships.



Title V Exit Meeting

Left to right: Board of Trustees, Abelino Montoya, Matt Bowie, Dr. Pete Compos, Dr. David Caffey, Rick Roybal, Larry Paiz, Elaine Luna, Lorraine Martinez, John Tierman and Lawrence Quintana



Title V Staff

Lorraine Martinez, Project Director
Tiffany Young, Administrative Assistant
Larry Paiz, Instructional Designer
John Tieman, Online Student Services Developer
Rick Roybal, Distance Education Technician

LCC
Spring Class
Registration
is ongoing.
The last day to
register is Jan. 24.

Hard copy schedules are now available—You may view and print spring schedules online at www.luna.edu.



Luna Community College Bookstore Director Ron Duran displays Hoodie Jackets that were recently purchased. These jackets are being sold at \$25 each. For more information on LCC apparel, call Duran at 505/454-2569.

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Luna Community College Food Service Manager Paul Sandoval is encouraging students to purchase a meal ticket for the spring semester. For more information, call Sandoval at 505/454-2581.

Weekly Activities

Tuesday, December 6, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Public Safety Seminar/ Sponsored: San Miguel Detention Center (LRC/ Rm104)

10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Annual Quilt Show (LRC/Quilting Room)

2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Theatre Class Production (LRC/Lecture Hall)

Wednesday, December 7, 2011

7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Student Speech Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Public Safety Seminar/ Sponsored: San Miguel Detention Center (LRC/ Rm104)

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. LCC Board of Trustees "Work Session"(Student Services/Conference Room)

Thursday, December 8, 2011

7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Student Speech Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Public Safety Seminar/ Sponsored: San Miguel Detention Center (LRC/ Rm104)

Friday, December 9, 2011

2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Student Speech Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Defensive Tactics and CPR/First Aid Training Spons: San Miguel Detention Center (LCC Wellness Center)
5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Tierra Y Montes Annual Meeting (IPC/ Cafeteria)

Saturday, December 10, 2011

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. LCC Holiday Craft Fair (IPC/Cafeteria)

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. C.N.A.

Testing(Allied Hlth/ Nrsgr.Lab#3, Comp.Lab#7, MO-11)

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Animal Spay & Neuter Clinic at LCC (Motor Pool)

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Defensive Driving Class (General Studies/102B)

Sunday, December 11, 2011

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Animal Spay & Neuter Clinic at LCC (Motor Pool)



Luna Community College Carpentry Club SkillsUSA members Ralph Gallegos, Anthony Martinez, Peter Olivas, Roderick Lujan, and Joseph Montoya (advisor) work on the roof system of the LCC Skills float entry in the Las Vegas Light Parade held on Saturday.

ECONOMIC & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

LEAD CERTIFICATION TRAINING IN RATON, NM

*All firms performing work that disturbs lead-based paint in homes, child-care facilities, or schools built before 1978 must be certified by the US EPA and follow specific work practices.

*Santa Fe Community College's classes are approved for purposes of certification under section 402 of the Toxic Substances Control Act, Accreditation # NAT RV-I-19212-1-EN.

*Information about EPA's Lead RRP Rule and requirements for firm certification can be found at epa.gov/getleadsafe, or, 1-800-424-5323.

*For information, contact Joe Rodman at (575) 445-2874, or jrodman@onestopnnm.org.

Lead Certified Renovator, Initial – 8 hours: You will acquire the skills, knowledge and certification to comply with EPA's Renovation, Repair and Painting rule while learning safe work practices for renovating housing with lead-based paint. This training is required for any contractor who is involved in any construction activity that may disturb lead-based paint in housing constructed prior to 1978, in facilities that can be occupied by children under the age of six, or where pregnant women reside. After completion of the training and passing the written exam, students will be certified per regulatory requirements. The NM Real Estate Commission has approved this course for 3 hours of education category continuing education credit. Each class is limited to 30 students.

Student Fee: \$225

Wednesday, December 7, 2011, 8am – 5pm

Location: Raton High School, Media Center, Raton, NM

This class is WIA-approved for Green Job training and most students are eligible for fee assistance through the State Energy Sector Partnership Grant. Just download and complete the pre-application form at www.greenjobs.state.nm.us/pdf/SectorFlyer7-21-11.pdf, and bring the completed form and applicable documents to Raton, New Mexico Workforce Connection Office, 1144 S. 2nd Street for processing and approval by November 15, 2011.



Former Luna Community College Instructor Joe Pacheco signs a letter that will be sent to the New Mexico Secretary of the Veterans Commission. Sitting next to him is LCC Board of Trustees Secretary Abelino Montoya. Both Montoya and Pacheco are Vietnam War Veterans. Montoya served in Vietnam from 1970-71 and was in the U.S. Army from 1969-76. He served as the Veterans Certified Official at Luna from 1977-83. LCC is looking at various avenues on how it can help veterans.

Request for Proposal

2011-LCC004

Luna Community College is seeking sealed proposals for the following service:

HSI Title V Grant Proposal Development and Management Services

Sealed Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. December 9, 2011.

Proposal requirements may be obtained by contacting Miguel Martinez at the email address, mmartinez@luna.edu, referencing RFP 2011-LCC004 in the subject line.

Sealed proposals must be mailed or hand delivered and include proposal

#2011-LCC004, HSI Title V Grant Proposal Develop-

ment and Management Services

Request for Proposals on the outside of the envelope to:
Luna Community College
Director of Purchasing
Miguel Martinez
366 Luna Drive
Las Vegas NM 87701

Luna Community College reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities, and accept the proposal it deems to be in the best interest of Luna Community College.

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LCC Mass Communication student Jimmy Maldonado directs students right before filming of the college's commercial. Several students and staff members are taking part in this project.

Top photo: Luna Community College students Chris Castellano, Max Bustamante and Anthony Rivera display a candy cane they worked on for The Light Parade. In the bottom photo, LCC employees Manuel Archuleta and Norman Sena share a light moment with LCC President Dr. Pete Campos.

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING VACANT JOB POSITIONS:

- Adjunct Faculty/Per Course Instructor
- Full-Time Faculty-Medical Surgical Nursing
- Full-Time Administrative Assistant-Early Childhood Department

FOR JOB DESCRIPTION(S) AND/OR CLOSING DATES, CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AT (505) 454-2503 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.LUNA.EDU

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. ALL POSITION POSTING FOLLOW THE LCC AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN.



(505)699-5372



**JAN 2 - MAR 1
TUES & THURS
5:30-6:30 PM \$50
INSTRUCTOR-DONNA F-MEDINA**



LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
VO-AG BLDG ROOM 101
NORTH EAST END OF CAMPUS
CALL TOM HERRERA AT (505)454-5311
TO PRE-REGISTER

Christmas Light Parade

Wednesday December 14th

Downtown Santa Rosa 5:00 p.m.

Following Parade
at
City Hall



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