

The Luna Light



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The Luna Community College commercial is one step closer to being completed. LCC Mass Media students shot the last scene on Friday. Pictured are the lead actors (l-r): Novyembre Lucero (representing cosmetology); Gilbert Garcia (representing culinary arts); Amber Lynn Lucero (representing liberal arts); Tim Cochran (representing auto collision) and Shannon Saiz (representing dental assisting). Mass Media students will now edit and put the commercial together.

Students can register online during break!!!

Twas the Night before Christmas— The Jesse Gallegos version

Editors note: the following poem has been rewritten by Luna Light editor Jesse Gallegos. It is meant for people to enjoy his humorous side. This is the second consecutive year Gallegos has attempted to bring humor into people's lives.

*Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the casa,
Paul Sandoval had just run out of glasses and
asked people to use a tasa.*

*The stockings were hung by the
estufa with care,
in hopes that facilities director Ron Gonzales
would drive to campus to catch another bear.*

*The children were nestled
all snug in their camas,
thinking that Miguel Martinez would soon
take them to Mora to see all the llamas.*

*And mama in her 'kerchief,
and I in my cachucha,
We all heard Anthony Baca telling his
auto students que le cieran lucha*

*When out on the
lawn there arose such a rido,
Elaine Montañó looked outside and with a
sigh of relief, she said it was a conosido*

*Away to the window
I flew like Superman,
It was Moses Marquez coming back from a
recruiting trip lying outside working
on his tan*

*The moon on the breast of the
new-fallen snow,
it was Ernest Encinias complaining
as he had just stubbed his left toe*

*When, what to my wondering
eyes que me aparieco
He said his last name was
Maestas, his first name Joe*

With a little old driver,

*so lively and neat
I knew in a momento it had to be
Dr. Campos, his middle name was Pete*

*More rapid than palomas
his coursers they flew,
And he whistled, and shouted,
I learned math one plus one is two*

*"Now Elaine! now, Donna!
now, Lawrence and Maria!
On, Albert! On, Rosalie!
On Joseph and Don!
To the top of the portal!
He said these presents are heavy,
they must weigh a ton*

*As dry piñon that before the
storm it got wet,
it was John Tiernan and Lorraine Martinez
who had just met*

*So up to the house-top
the coursers they flew,
It was Mass Media
Director Kenneth Bachicha
directing his students right on cue*

*And then, in a twinkling,
I heard on top of the chante
It was building trades instructor
Joseph Montoya teaching
his student John Bustamante*

*Down the chimney Dr. Campos
Was all wide-eyed and ready.
He told his lead team, "just keep this college
going nice and steady"*

*He was dressed all in fur,
from his cabeza to his pie,
He looked tired and dehydrated,
he may have had some se*

*A bundle of Toys he had flung on his back,
he said his favorite actor was Nicholson
I think his first name was Jack*

*His eyes-how they twinkled! his
dimples how happy!
He was lost however, he stopped at
a gas station and bought a mappy.*

*His droll little mouth was drawn up
He looked like Yogi Berra,
And he yelled out "I have the best recruiter in
the land", his name—Tom Herrera*

*The stump of a pipe he held tight
in his boca,
it was clear
he had just had a smoka*

*He had a broad face and a
little round belly,
however, it was time for him to take a
shower, he was little smelly*

*He was heavy and a little gordito
He was late delivering presents,
he asked us all
to wait a little momentito*

*A wink of his eye he said
he had twisted his knee,
And to top it off
he had lost his key*

*He spoke not a palabra,
but went straight to his task,
And filled all the stockings,
one even with a mask*

*And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, he chose not to pose!*

*He sprang to his sleigh,
Some of his workers gave a yell,
His lead team freaked out,
some of them even fell*

*But I heard him exclaim, 'where's my tailor,
this Santa outfit fits me a little tight
Happy Christmas to all,
I want everyone to have a very good night!*

LCC's Fire Science Program aligned with Fire and Emergency Services Higher Education (FESHE) Model Curriculum

By Vidal Martinez, VP for Instruction

To promote higher education and enhance the recognition of fire and emergency services as a profession, Luna Community College has aligned its Fire Science Program with a nationally recognized curriculum. Through the United States Fire Administration, the National Fire Science Degree Programs Committee has articulated course titles, descriptions, outcomes, and outlines for core and non-core fire science courses. This model is known as the Fire and Emergency Services Higher Education (FESHE) Curriculum.

The purpose of aligning the curriculum to LCC is to establish a national model for an integrated competency-based system of fire and emergency services professionals, and to establish a system of higher education from associate degree to doctoral degrees. Furthermore, the alignment serves to develop a well-trained and academically-educated fire and emergency services professional. (http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/nfa/higher_ed/feshe.brochure.pdf)

In the last year, LCC has worked diligently to adopt the recommendations from the national committee, and as a result, LCC faculty are required to follow specific course objectives and learning outcomes. The instructors teach specific skills or concepts that students are expected to master throughout the duration of the course, and these skills or concepts must be measured and evaluated based on specific assess-

ment tools. Also, the learning outcomes provide a framework for the faculty to design curriculum and instructional methods on the basis of what is expected to be learned.

With the new LCC catalog, the Fire Science Program will be modified by adding additional fire science courses with several changes to course descriptions and titles. For example, FS230: Firefighter Officer I will be changed to Introduction to Fire and Emergency Services Administration. Additionally, the program will continue to be focused on theoretical content with 36 hours of general education core requirements. To meet specific training needs, LCC will continue to offer courses such as Hazardous Material Response, Introduction to Firefighting and Vehicle Extrication.

What will be the benefits to LCC students as a result of the alignment of the FESHE curriculum? First, the alignment with a national curriculum is a sign of quality based on best practices for associate degrees in Fire Science. Second, by following a national curriculum, students are exposed to the same curriculum as other fire science schools around the country, and finally, the national curriculum provides benchmarks to measure student success. For additional information on spring 2012 course offerings, visit the LCC Website or contact the ACCESS center.



LCC SKILLSUSA students took second-place in the non-profit category in this year's Light Parade. The float which was a ginger bread house with all the trimmings followed the parade theme Christmas in Candyland. The house was constructed by building technology SKILLSUSA students with the lighting, painting and decorating done by the automotive technologies and the cosmetology students. Pictured are Lee Rios, Dominique Anaya, Max Bustamante, Joseph Mares and Danielle Duran.

The next Luna Light will be printed on Monday, Jan. 9.

Springer Satellite Christmas party



Springer Christmas Party for staff and their family

By Vanessa Rollings

Dec. 8 was the Springer Satellite's Annual Christmas Party with staff and their families. It was a nice ending to the fall semester and a great jump start to the Christmas season. About 22 were in attendance.

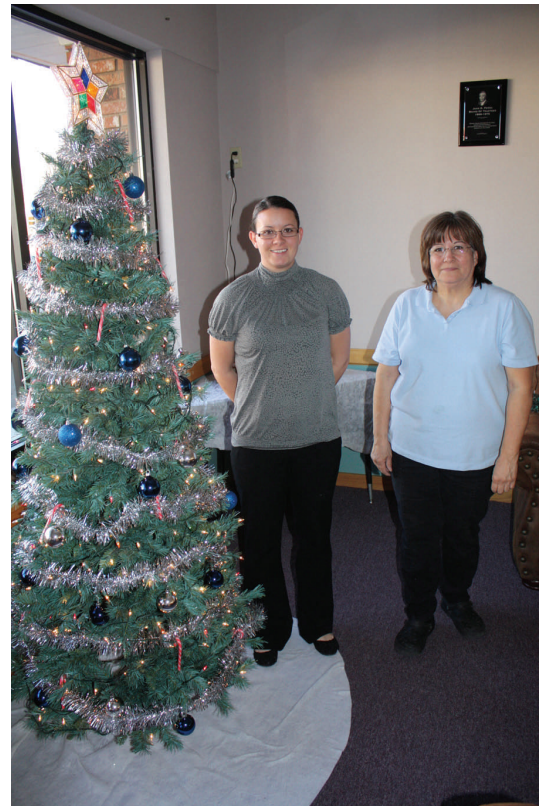
During the party there was an ornament exchange and everyone was happy with the ornaments they received. Springer Satellite would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Pictured clockwise are: decorations in the main hallway; Christmas Party for staff and family; A jingle bell cake; Showing off their new ornaments are: Louise Portillos, Carissa Duran, Vanessa Rollings, Sherry Goodyear, Patricia Kulhman, James Romero and Mike Turner; Louise Portillos opening an ornament; A Christmas tree and Vanessa Rollings putting up a Charlie Brown Christmas Display at the Springer Satellite.

LCC prepares for Christmas



Several Luna Community College employees got into the Christmas spirit putting up trees in their area of work. Pictured clockwise are Marcella Cannone; Emily Torres, Elaine Montañó and Susan Grohman and Santa Rosa Satellite employees Shawna Lerma and Marie Bachicha.

Luna Community College will be closed from Tuesday, Dec. 20-Monday, Jan. 2.

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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 Nursing Students Andrea Ulibarri and Jane Montaño do some last-minute studying for finals on Thursday morning. Both Ulibarri and Montaño are from Las Vegas.

Luna CC spring schedule

Students may pick up a hard-copy spring schedule at the following locations:

Springer

Springer Post Office, Wells Fargo, Springer International Bank, Springer Supermarket, Crossroads, City Hall, Springer Public Library, Springer Electric Co-op and Springer Drug Store.

Santa Rosa

Library, T&D Foodmart, Santa Rosa Post Office, Wells Fargo Bank, First National Bank of N.M., Community First Bank, Joseph's Restaurant, Denny's Restaurant, Silver Moon Restaurant,

V&S Variety Store, City Hall and Guadalupe County Offices.

Las Vegas

Wal-Mart, Bank of Las Vegas, First Community Bank, Wells Fargo, Las Vegas Post Offices, N.M. Workforce Connection, Carnegie Library, NMHU, Daylight Donuts, Charlie's Spic & Span, Traveler's Cafe, Plaza Drugs, Spic n Span, Wal-Mart, Chamber of Commerce, Better Stop, Franken Tire Center and Lowe's Super Save

El Valle

Villanueva Post Office, Villanueva General Store, San Jose Post Office, Pecos River Station and Ribera Post Office.

Mora

HELP Office, Cleveland Post Office, Russell's, Mora Post Office, Guadalupe Post Office, Mora County Offices, David Cargo Library and Mora High School

The schedule will be inserted in the LV Optic on Monday, Dec. 12.

Weekly Activities

Monday, December 12, 2011

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

5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. DWI Class (General Studies/102B)

Tuesday, December 13, 2011

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

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Mandatory Director's Policy Training (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. LCC Board of Trustees "Board Meeting" (Student Services/Conference Room)

Wednesday, December 14, 2011

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. SLOA Presentations (LRC/Lecture Hall)

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

Thursday, December 15, 2011

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

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Behavior Support Training/Sponsored: Citizens for Developmentally Disabled (LRC/Lecture Hall)

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Santa Fe Civic Housing Authority Mtg. (Mora Site/Library)

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Monthly Water Board of Director's Meeting (Techn./126B)

Friday, December 16, 2011

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Defensive Tactics and CPR/First Aid Training Spots: San Miguel Detention Center (LCC Wellness Center)

Holiday presents bring opportunity

By Dr. Pete Campos

Holiday presents come in many different packages. There may be a new child born into your family; a small puppy may bring excitement to your children; you may walk into mama's cozy kitchen filled with the aroma of fresh red chili, frijoles, tamales, tortillas, carne adovada and biscochitos that reminds you of the times when you were a kid and enjoyed playing with cousins and sneaking into the kitchen to wrap a piece of carne adovada in a freshly made tortilla or picking up a few biscochitos and taking big bites so you wouldn't get caught and told the biscochitos are for desert; and, your curiosity may get the best of you and you take a peek at the gifts under the tree. Regardless of the gifts, they come in many shapes and sizes. Some are miracles of creation, handmade or store bought and all of them are being given with love and sometimes with a little humor.

Whatever the case, families come together, some everyday during the holiday break and others just for an afternoon. The gifts you share with each other often bring opportunities never before experienced. That newborn child represents starting another generation, a small

puppy can teach responsibility to family members, mama's delicious cooking serves as the reason for families who haven't seen each other for awhile to come together and talk, and the gifts unwrapped could be the toys or tools that lead to children wanting to become a nurse or contractor or dad fixing his daughter's car.

Whatever the present, wrapped or not, brings new opportunities for families. Keep your hearts open; be observant of the gifts being given by a grandparent, spouse, friend and small child. This is the time of year when what you give each other could very well change your lives.

Dear Luna Family members you have already changed my life and given me my gift – you've grown and dedicated your lives to serving students, caring for your families and preparing for better times ahead. Your lives are filled with opportunity. Look out for that special gift which will be given to you.

May you take the gift you receive this holiday season (only you'll know which one it is) and use it to bring you and your families love for each other, good health and prosperity.



**Christmas
Light Parade**
Wednesday December 14th
Downtown Santa Rosa 5:00 p.m.
**Following Parade
at
City Hall**
Toys for Tots
Hot Chocolate ~ S'mores
Prizes for Parade Floats

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.



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