

The Luna Light

"The People's College"

Mission Statement: "Creating Opportunities for You!"

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Luna Community College students Jesus Perez, Donovan Velasquez, Javier Estrada and geology instructor Joel Stone put some extra time outside of class recently. Luna Community College students are encouraged to take advantage of many tutoring services offered by the college.

Higher Education Bond C passes

New Mexico voters approved G.O. Bond C by an overwhelming majority last Tuesday. By doing so, higher education institutions from across the state will receive \$139,755,000 in funding for much-needed improvements and renovations.

As of Nov. 5, results showed 267,746 votes for Bond C, while 180,006 votes against. The breakdown in percentages is 59.8 for with 40.2 against.

By the passing of Bond C, Luna Community College's Santa Rosa Satellite will receive \$1 million to complete the interior upgrade for the Regional Health and Safety Center to

include; HVAC, electrical, interior partitioning for classroom areas, computer lab with ITV access with teleconferencing capabilities, instructor guided spinning course training, yoga and aerobics. 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.

In addition, Luna Community College's Springer Satellite will receive \$380,000 for renovations to its main building. The money will be used for HVAC improvements which includes the lowering of the ceiling, all the ductwork and installation of the system

on top of the roof. The money will also be used to rewire most of the electrical system.

According to Mario Sanchez, of Cooney, Watson & Associates, Inc., Guadalupe and San Miguel County were fourth and fifth respectively as top performing counties by percentage in voting for Bond C.

Guadalupe County voters approved the measure with 66.31 percent, while 64.86 percent of the voters in San Miguel County voted for Bond C. Only Taos, McKinley and Santa Fe County approved the bond at a higher rate.

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The spring schedule of classes is now available online at www.luna.edu. Registration will begin on Monday, Nov. 17.

LCC students, employees making a difference in community



Luna Community College SkillsUSA Automotive Club President Domonic Lopez was part of a Luna Community College Pumpkin Drive that donated over 40 pumpkins to area children.



Over 100 students, employees and community members attended the Maria H. Paiz dedication ceremony last week.

Luna Community College student Cheyenne Cunico displays a cake she made for cosmetology bake sale recently. The cosmetology department raised \$260.



Luna Community College student Caroline Cobos serves guests at *Fridays at the Rough Rider*, Luna's restaurant run by culinary arts students.

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LCC Haunted House—successful again



The Luna Community College Haunted House raised \$2,545 this year. Five student organizations took part in this year's activities—SkillsUSA Automotive Club, Psychology Club, STEM Club, Student Nursing Association and LCC Student Government. An estimated 500 individuals attended the LCC event. Pictured clockwise are STEM students Levi Martinez and Rene Walden; auto technology student Santiago Sena and nursing students Kacy Cochran, Nate Alaimalo and Jane Montañó.



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EARLY REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2015 BEGINS NOVEMBER 17, 2014

Sample of Courses being Offered
(for complete listing visit the LCC website at luna.edu)

Composition I & II	Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II	Child Growth and Development
Algebra with Applications	Introduction to Criminal Justice	Essentials of College Writing
Calculus III	Introduction to Enforcement	American Literature from 1865
Accounting I & II	Introduction to Computer Science	Advanced Furniture/Cabinet Design
Cultures of the World	Criminal Law	General Math
Managerial Accounting	Web Design and Programming	Intermediate Algebra
General Biology I	Introduction to Programming	Statistics
General Automotive Services	Computer Fundamentals	College Algebra
Automotive Fundamentals	French and Italian Kitchen	Principles of Multimedia
Welding	Introduction to Special Education	Nursing
Introduction to Chemistry	Health, Safety and Nutrition	Cosmetology

Join a Club:

- *Student Government
- *Culinary Club
- *Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)
- *Student Nurse Association (SNA)
- *skills USA
- * and more

Register Early for Best Selection of Classes!!

Classes begin Monday, January 12, 2015

Look forward to seeing you here!!



Voters pass Bond C...

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A breakdown of local counties consists of the following.

Colfax

49.76 percent (1,773) For
50.24 percent (1,790) Against
Total Votes: 3,563

Guadalupe County

66.31 (866) For
33.69 (440) Against
Total Votes: 1,306

Mora County

55.09 percent (828) For
44.91 percent (675) Against
Total votes: 1,503

San Miguel County

64.85 percent (4,330) For
35.14 percent (2,346) Against
Total Votes: 6,676



"I'm excited to see the renovation at the Springer Satellite and we hope this will be a stepping stone. I want to say thank you to Colfax County and surrounding counties for approving this bond. This is a big step statewide in improving higher education," said LCC Springer Satellite Interim Coordinator Keith Gutierrez.

"We've been talking about this project for seven years. I want to thank Guadalupe County and the state of New Mexico for supporting education," said LCC Santa Rosa Satellite Director Albert Campos.

Notes: Voters in New Mexico also passed Bond B, which will allocate \$3.5 million for academic libraries across the state, which includes Luna Community College.

Luna Community College President Dr. Pete Campos and LCC athletic employees met with Western Junior College Athletic Conference Commissioner Lyndon Hardin on Thursday. Pictured clockwise are LCC Softball Coach Nathan Trujillo, Student Specialist Marie Trigg, LCC President Dr. Pete Campos, WJCAAC Commissioner Lyndon Hardin, LCC Athletic Director and Baseball Coach Antonio Siqueiros.




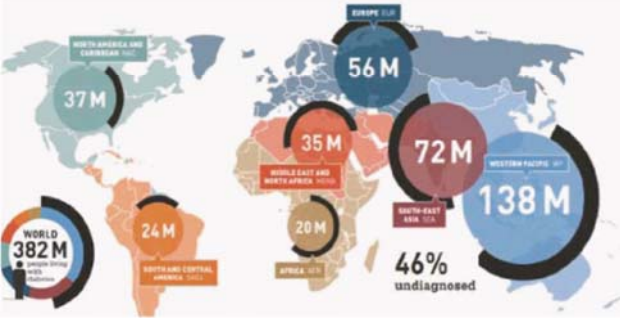



NMHU Sigma Xi

Diabetes Today!

A Prelude to World Diabetes Day





Worldwide prevalence of Diabetes, WDF 2013

When: November 12, 5:30-7:30 pm

Where: NMHU Student Center Ballroom (on the corner of 8th and National)

Agenda:

1. Presentation: What is Diabetes?
2. Panel Discussion:
 - William 'Lee' Dubois, Pecos Valley Medical Center
 - Alana Cordero, Pecos Elementary School
 - Loretta Overberger, Roy Schools
 - Llyod Goding, Retired Educator
 - Peggy Coryat, Del Norte Pharmacy
3. Open Discussion

Moderator: Lisa Bentson, Luna Community College

This event is free and open to the public. Light Diabetic friendly refreshment will be provided.

Come learn more about Diabetes: signs, symptoms, treatment, diet, the use of social media, and much more from local community members living with or directly effected by Diabetes Today



**Luna Community College's
Veteran's Center
together with
SkillsUSA Automotive
invites you to join us in
honoring all Veterans
November 11, 2014 at 3:00 pm
in the LCC Student Services Bldg.**

Refreshments will be served



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Lorenzo Chávez: “My dad is a hero”

LCC student says that Veterans Resource Center is a good idea for Luna Community College

Lorenzo Chávez said he learned at a very young age to respect veterans.

“Whenever we saw someone in uniform, my dad would tell us to tell them thank you,” said Chávez. “I try to thank them even if it’s a random person.”

Chávez is the son of Ernie Chávez, a Vietnam War veteran.

“I want to thank my dad and all military personnel for their service,” says Chávez. “It means a lot, not just to me, but to a lot of people. To me, my dad is a hero.”

Chávez says that he is happy that Luna Community College has a Veterans Resource Center that is run by the ACCESS Center. It is an area where veterans and their dependents may seek information regarding their educational opportunities.

Some services provided are: academic and career advisement; surrounding community resources and information regarding upcoming workshops. The Veterans Resource Center is located at the ACCESS Center in room 114.

“It’s a good thing for Luna Community College to have this Veterans Resource Center,” says Chávez. “It’s a good starter branch. It can help out the entire community.”

Chávez is a 2013 Mora High graduate. He plans on earning an associate’s degree in fire science from Luna Community College this fall.

“I took some dual credit classes in high school and it took off an entire semester here,” said Chávez. “I want to come back for a business management degree and then either attend Highlands University or the University of New Mexico.”

Currently, he is volunteering at the Guadalupita Fire Department.

“I couldn’t decide what to do when I came to Luna,” says Chávez. “I like the online classes that are offered here.”

Chávez says that he goes to the Mora Site, at the David Cargo Library, to take his online courses. He estimates he has taken about 12 or 13 courses online.

“I live 42 miles from the main campus, so it is nice to take online courses,” says Chávez. “I take courses on campus twice a week. There are always students at the Mora Site. The computers are constantly being updated.”

As far as the fire science experience, Chávez does training once a month and attends business meetings. Someday he would like to work for the Albuquerque Fire Department.

“Fire science has kind of grown on me,” says Chávez. “I like the program here, I just wish it would be more hands-on. Not everyone has the free time to volunteer.”

Chávez says part of the reason for his ambition to earn a business degree is that someday he may get the opportunity to go into the administration ranks.



Lorenzo Chávez

“I’ve talked to a lot of fire chiefs and they tell me that is the way to go,” says Chávez. “At some point the business administration degree will come in handy.”

Chavez says he wants to credit his dad for his work ethic. In hundreds of competitive games he played in organized basketball, he missed only one game during his career.

“Being a former athlete helps me with leadership roles; it helps you through the tough times,” says Chávez.



Luna Community College student-athletes met with Luna Community College President Dr. Pete Campos at 7 a.m. on Friday morning at the Multipurpose Education Center. Dr. Campos topics were: build confidence on who you are and sharing talents to become champions in life.

Time away from home

By Dr. Pete Campos
Luna Community College President

I remember my first few months away from home 33 years ago while attending the University of New Mexico. I called home, let my parents know how much I loved and missed them, and told my dad, “if you let me go back home, I’ll work hard at the café!” We were in the restaurant business at the time. In his own persuasive way, he convinced me to stay in school.

My parents have always been supportive and provided the early encouragement for me to become a lifelong learner. I’ve earned: a BA/double major, MA, EdD (dedicated to my wife Lori and son, Peter), over four years of study to be ordained a deacon, ongoing professional seminars and training to keep up with changes in my chosen fields of service to the public, and the list goes on.

That is the purpose of this article; I realize it is difficult for students to be away from home but it is important that every student take advantage of their time here at Luna Community College.

While at UNM, I was in a different environment, I missed home, but I knew it was important for me to make the best of my time while away from home. That is the purpose of this article; I

realize it is difficult for students to be away from home but it is important that every student take advantage of their time here at Luna Community College. For example: there is a student from Tucson working to complete a GED. It is important for those of us who have our permanent homes in Las Vegas to understand our students’ feelings and make their time away from home meaningful. Remember the hard times you experienced? Let’s find ways to pay-it-forward as help students as they go through their difficult hard times.

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LCC'S Beta Mu Nu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society presents

The Art of Storytelling

Sharing a Cultural Link from the Past to the Present & into the Future

Featured Storytellers:

Patricia Crespin
Antonia Apodaca
Cruz Flores
Miguel Angel
& more ...

Thurs., November 20, 2014

5pm - 8:30pm

Allied Health Lecture Hall
Luna Community College

Open mic: Stories from
the Audience are
encouraged.

Event will include
a Silent Auction
& Light Refreshments

Free for everyone!

For more information contact: Cindy Armijo at
505.454.2558 or carmijo@luna.edu



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Luna CC's Santa Rosa Satellite Regional Health and Safety Center being worked on



Insurance repairs have started on the Santa Rosa Downtown Building owned by Luna Community College. Due to the July 3, 2013 hail storm that hit Santa Rosa, the building's roof nearly collapsed due to the weight of 18 inches of hail. The repairs are well underway by Mich Rich Construction employees. The re-construction will consist of completely rebuilding the roof structure, new insulation and the installation of load bearing interior bracing. Thank you voters of New Mexico for the successful passing of GO Bond C. By the overwhelming support, it is evident that education is a priority in New Mexico. Funding of \$1 million for the interior of LCC's Regional Health and Safety Center will become available the early part of 2015. Interior design of the facility will begin immediately. I want to thank the Luna Community College Board of Trustees, President Dr. Pete Campos and Santa Rosa B.O.T. member Frankie Tenorio for helping secure this much needed facility—*Albert Campos. (photos by Albert Campos)*

Time away...

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Here are some practices I have used while at school and away from home: 1] find part-time job(s) to meet people and learn about different careers; 2] volunteer for community activities that help others; 3] attend guest lectures, athletic events, school activities and church services; 4] join clubs or organizations or find other persons with similar interests to feel more at home; 5] take courses like photography, jewelry making, glass carving, woodworking and other classes that will broaden my creative thinking skills; and, 6] spend time in the library researching, reading, writing and better under-

standing subject matter and satisfying my curiosity (why things are what they are).

I have found when doing these things my time away from home goes quickly. When I return home, I realize that I actually learned more and can apply what I have learned to help others and diversify my interests. I am sure by developing your own approach to spending time away from home, when you finish your education at LCC and return home, your family will be amazed at what you've learned and how your life has changed.

Military service personnel keep us free *Service men and women have not lost their lives in vein; veterans live every day with their sacrifice*

By Dr. Pete Campos
LCC President

Tomorrow, Nov. 11 is Veterans' Day, a time selected to honor men and women who have served in the military to protect the United States of America from harm and provide us with the confidence and freedom to do our best in life. We have come a long way! Our families have opportunities for education and career advancement; and purchasing power to care for our health, enjoy entertainment, travel by car or plane to visit family or friends or encounter a new experience and feel a sense of satisfaction when a family member accomplishes something.

Those currently serving in the military maintain the USA mission set in place by our veterans. They keep us free at great personal expense. When they leave their military roles and return to civilian life, they will come home with indescribable experiences they will keep to themselves, they will adjust the best they can to return to their families but they won't be the same, and they will live with the extraordinary sacrifices they made on our behalf without ever

complaining.

While we don't know what a veteran goes through within their minds and bodies because of military time experiences, we can continue to support and improve the benefits

Our thoughts and prayers will always be for those service men and women who lost their lives while serving to keep us free.

that will make their lives more meaningful. I go to the Raymond G. Murphy VA Medical Center in Albuquerque regularly. I observe and visit with veterans who are seeking and receiving medical and psychiatric attention. These persons suffer so much but do not have regrets. They are proud servants and defenders of our freedom. It is our responsibility to ensure they are provided the needed care they earned and deserve.

As the eldest son of a veteran who served during the Korean War, I have heard others tell of my father's return home from the war to raise and provide for his family,

he has never complained and now is in need of medical services and the love, support and caregiving of his family. He has been a mentor to me and my siblings. This is just one example of the many special Americans we will recognize on Veterans' Day.

This and every Veterans' Day is important because we will think of those who are serving, those who have served and the families who have been affected in some way by the military service of their loved ones. Many loved ones did not return from their unselfish service in the military, many are aging and require extensive medical care and all come home changed forever.

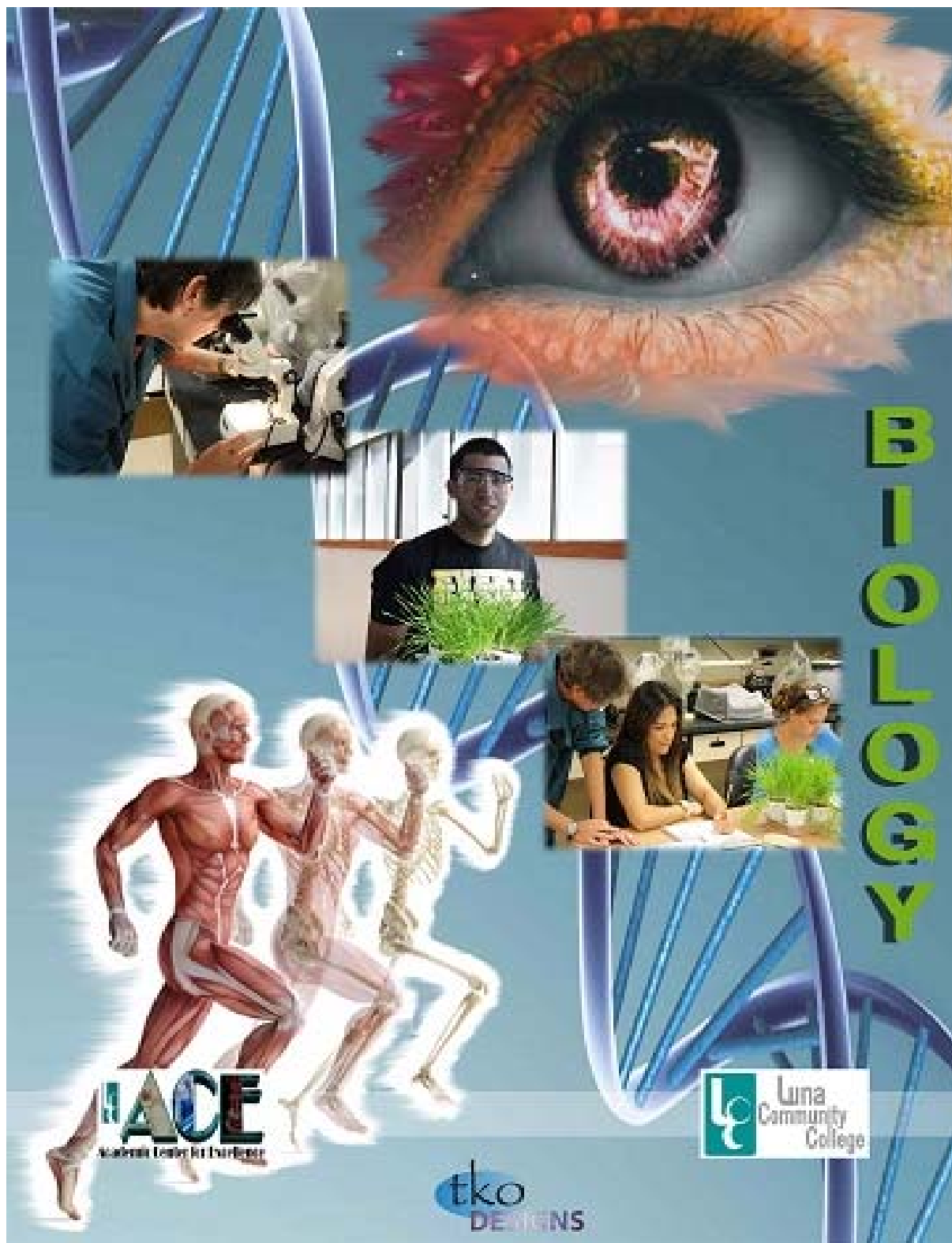
I wish we could tell every veterans' story in *The Luna Light*. While we may not be able to tell of every veterans' contribution in the military or here at home, we are dedicating a portion of *The Luna Light* to share stories with you throughout the year about their lives. We are grateful for every veterans' service and recognize the support they deserve here at home.

Our thoughts and prayers will always be for those service men and women who lost their lives while serving to keep us free.

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This poster was created by media arts and film technology student Lisa Cox as part of a series of posters created by students in the intermediate media arts course.