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Pictured are the 2014-15 Luna Community College dental assisting class. (top, l-r): Gloria Pacheco (instructor), Kristen Flores, Olivia Gonzales, Melanie Fernandez, Dawna Ortega-Gallegos (instructor), Jamie Lovato, Chelsea Navarrete, JoAnn Williams and Amy Archuleta, (bottom, l-r): Genevieve Atencio, Tiffany Chavez and Lauren Sandoval. Not pictured is Adelita Encinias. Both the students and instructors are looking forward for an awesome, productive and enthusiastic school year.

LCC students receive SIL training

Four Luna Community College science students, together with New Mexico Highlands University students, received an all-day Supplemental Instruction Leader (SIL) training recently at the ARMAS Education Center at Highlands University.

The training was delivered by NMHU SIL Supervisor Russell Baker, and LCC SIL Supervisor Monica Rossetti who both received their training at the University of Missouri.

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Pictured (l-r) are Luna Community College SIL's Chris Torres, Donovan Velasquez, Auritha Roybal, SIL Supervisor Monica Rossetti and Rene Walden.

SIL training...

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The Supplemental Instruction (SI) Program is funded through the federal PASS grant, which was received by NMHU and LCC and whose goal is to further increase participation, as well as retention, of minority students in science and math.

The training was focused on peer tutoring, collaborative learning and the essential elements that make up the SI program that is currently implemented at both institutions to support students seeking an Associate Degree in Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) disciplines at LCC and students that seek a four-year degree in these disciplines at NMHU.

LCC will have SIL's this fall semester in the following courses:

Auritha Roybal—BIO110 General Biology I

Donovan Velasquez —GEOL101 Survey of Earth Science

René Walden—CS 112 Intro to Operating Systems

Christopher Torres—MATH195 Calculus I

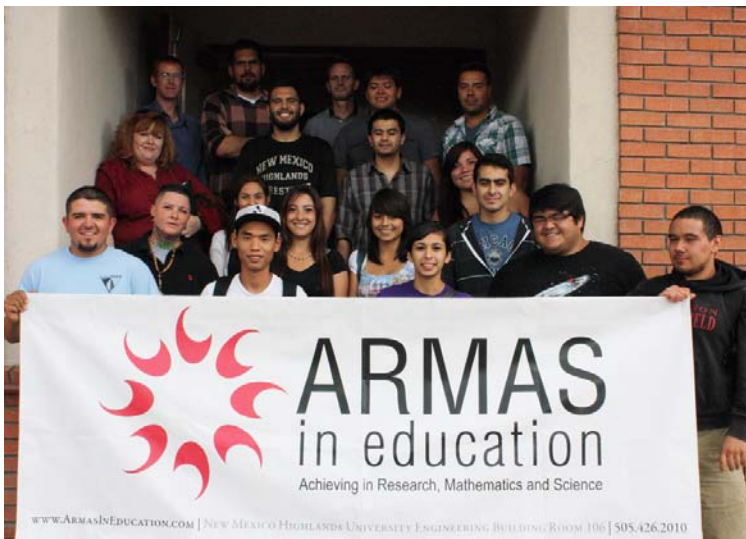
The SI Program is housed in the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Lab in the Technologies Center. The ACE Lab is equipped with computers for student use and offers additional tutoring for math and science classes. For tutor schedules please drop by the lab.

ACE Lab fall semester hours:

Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

For more information regarding the SI Program and the ACE Lab please call Monica Rossetti Tel. 505 454-5306 Ex. 1053 or e-mail mrossetti@luna.edu



In the top photo, LCC SIL's are with NMHU students at the ARMAS center after an all-day training. In first row on the left, LCC General Science student Donovan Velasquez, right behind him, LCC General Science student Auritha Roybal, third row to the left, LCC Computer Science student René Walden and second to the right on front row is Chris Torres, LCC SIL and tutor for mathematics. In the second photo, SIL René Walden enjoys a moment of humor at the training. Rene just moved from Indiana to seek an associates in computer science at Luna Community College. In the left photo, Donovan Velasquez (center) and Chris Torres (right), discuss one of the major concepts involved in becoming an effective SIL.

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Luna Community College Food Services Manager Paul Sandoval (middle) along with his staff Estevan Tenorio and Vanessa Mendez were complimented for the food they prepared for New Mexico legislators who were on campus last week for meetings. Sandoval's staff not only provided meals for the legislators, but were also available for daily operations for Luna Community College students, staff and community members.



President Pete Campos, Board Chairman Abelino Montoya and LCC Student Ambassadors address the NM State Legislators during the opening session of the LFC/ESC joint meeting. The students shared their stories regarding the significant impact LCC has had in positively changing their lives. (Students Ambassadors L-R) Anyssa Romero, Daniel Kelly, Lisa Cox, Caroline Cobos, Lorenza Marcais, Derek Morales and Raymond Benavidez.

Luna Community College students Amberlyn Sena and Victor Ramirez accepted an ice bucket challenge on Friday. They raised money for the LCC Foundation that will be used for student scholarships.



Student Government Game Room Hours

Located at the
School of Business
Room 116

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 - 5	8-10	8 - 11	*	8 - 1:30
	11:30-1:30		*	*
		12 - 5	12 - 1	*
	4 - 5		*	*

Pool Table

Ping Pong

Foos Ball

and more games to come

*Note: Depending upon supervision availability

For more information contact: Amanda Lucero, Office Manager 505.454.2557

Sharing a compliment

In today's fast-paced world, oftentimes we don't take time to appreciate one another. The Luna Light is beginning a segment where people can share compliments. What is interesting about this segment is that the individual that shares the compliment will not have their name published. Anyone wishing to share a compliment about someone can e-mail their quote to jgallegos@luna.edu. We hope to publish this segment on a regular basis.

Evelyn Montoya

Amanda Lucero, office manager for the Luna Community College School of Business extends a heartfelt "THANK YOU" and "YOU ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED" to Evelyn Montoya, executive office manager for finance.

Since joining the Luna Family, I've always been able to rely on Evelyn for help. At times when I'm needing assistance with budgetary matters, I can walk into Evelyn's office and she'll greet me with a smile and make me and my needs her top priority.

Her warm and caring personality lets me know that I am not a burden and taking her away from her work. Evelyn's patience in explaining to me whatever I may need at the moment-whether it be related to travel, procurement, etc., is greatly appreciated. Her professionalism, dedication to her duties, and commitment to helping me have not gone unnoticed.

Note: The author wanted her name mentioned in this compliment.

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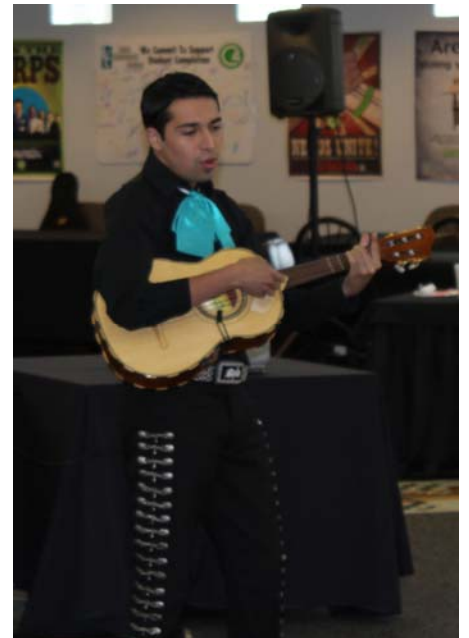
State legislators at Luna Community College



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Luna Community College would like to thank state legislators for their hard work, diligence and dedication for New Mexico.

One-on-one with Luna CC's Auto Technology Instructor Gene Sandoval

Tell us about your professional experience and educational background.

As far as my professional experience, I bring quite a bit of experience, I started working on cars at a young age. I went into the military and became a heavy construction equipment mechanic. I worked on many things ranging from dozers and scrapers to generators and dump trucks—I did this for 20 years as a United States Army Reservist. I worked at the local fiber board plant as a mechanic for six years.

While there I worked on forklifts, to big bucket loader tractors, performing functions such as engine rebuilding, electrical, and hydraulic repair to name a few. I've also worked at a dealership in Santa Fe for about nine years also as an automotive technician. So I feel as though I've walked the walk so now I can talk the talk.

Describe your teaching style or teaching philosophy.

My teaching style, I guess you can say, I got from the military. There you have to crawl before you walk, and you have to walk before you run. I can say, I guess, we're doing pretty good as an automotive technology program as our classes are growing and so are our instructors. Without the good help that we have here, our program would not be a success, Kudos to us!

What is your favorite part of your current job and why is it your favorite part?

The favorite part of my job is seeing students face light up when



Gene Sandoval

they learned something and by the end of the semester all those little things they learned add up and make them more confident and more determined to finish the program.

I guess one of my favorite parts of my job is attending the graduation ceremony because I, as an instructor, can see my hard work (the students) walking up to receive their diploma, as well as the students hard work paying off and having them feel proud to have their hard work pay off as well.

What are one or two of your proudest professional accomplishments?

The proudest professional accomplishment is receiving my AAS in vocational technical studies; it took me awhile but I got it done. Having gone through that, I also push my students to try and get theirs as well, it will only make them stronger as an individual in the workforce.

How does your background and experiences strengthen academics at LCC?

I feel that my background and experiences in the automotive field strengthens not only LCC but my students because I can tell them

real-life situations and experiences they will encounter while being an automotive technician at a dealership, working for the State Highway Department, a mechanic at a local shop, or even a mechanic in the military. We as an automotive department are working on bringing in newer technology and equipment that will keep current and future students up to date and interested in the automotive field.

In an effort to improve our readership, we are asking employees and students to submit e-mail addresses of anyone interested in receiving The Luna Light to jgallegos@luna.edu. Thank you.

Luna Community College students, faculty, staff and community, a Rough Rider Meal Card is available. The Rough Rider Meal Card can be purchased at the LCC Fiscal Office. For more information, call LCC Food Services Manager Paul Sandoval at 505/454-2581.

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Title V Newsletter

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

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It’s not the *Bionic Woman*; it’s our own *Sim Mom Nicole*

Shannon Myers Laerdal Engineer, visited, trained and provided maintenance on three mannequins in the LCC SimLab. Sim Mom Nicole, her Sim NewB and Sim Jr. Jason were all serviced. This included new skins, replaced valves and major overall in making sure equipment in the mannequins were functioning properly. The students are now actively involved in Sim recordings to enhance their learning potential with state-of-the-art mannequins.



Pre-Bid Meeting Tour of Auto Collision Building



A pre-bid meeting was held on August 5, 2014 regarding the overall scope of work. John Montoya, Project Manager, discussed the bid sheet, bid date and time, contractors access during bed preparation and, the anticipated project scheduling. Because the Title V timeline for year 2 ends on September 30, 2014, construction impacts the funding for Year 3. Montoya also informed the group that they could do a walkthrough of the building site. Finally, the announcement of the bid date and time was discussed.

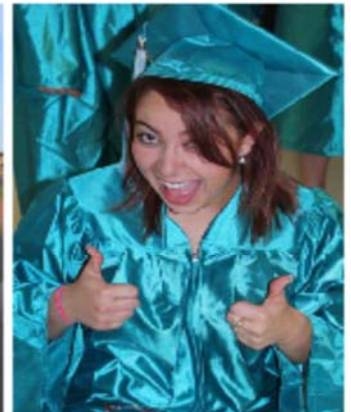
Title V Staff

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

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**We would like to thank all students, parents,
faculty, staff and everyone who supports our college.**

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"Our best will be realized if we support each other as Luna family members. Together we can have a very successful school year,"—LCC President Dr. Pete Campos.



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