

The Luna Light



*“The People’s College”
Becoming The Premier Rural Community College in America*

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July 12-July 18

LCC rocket launch to take place on July 20



Although final details are currently being worked on, the date of a Luna Community College student-driven rocket launch has been set for Tuesday, July 20. The launch is scheduled to take place between noon and 3 p.m. for that day. The exact time of the rocket launch and the location will be settled later this week. LCC students, faculty, staff and community are invited to attend the event.

Sequoia Romero

LCC student Sequoia Romero is leading the project. Involved in the rocket launch are students, faculty and staff from the Science, Math and Engineering Technology Department (SMET), Bridging Career(s) to Success Department (BCS) and Tech Prep students.

“The rocket will have instrumentation that will read back data to the students for further study,” said Romero. “This will be an event for everyone to see. It’s not just for science and math students. This is a project for the excellence of Luna and the community.”

The rocket is expected to reach a certain height and deploy a parachute and safely return to the campus. The launch itself will have a countdown and will be fired by a remote control device. Students will assemble the rocket.



Luna Community College Business and Professional Studies graduate James Gallegos celebrates by singing during the Fourth of July Parade. For more photos, see pages 6 and 7.

Why is a 2-year degree important in today’s economy?

The job market tends to work in cycles. When the economy is good and there are more jobs to fill, employers look for workers with experience. When the economy is not so good, the number of available jobs decreases as the number of available workers increases. The employer’s emphasis then shifts from experience to education.

Therefore, with that said, it is time to consider enrolling at your community college – Luna Community College. Luna Community College offers courses in the following areas of study:

- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Multicultural Education
- General Business

- Liberal Arts
- Mass Media Communications
- Teacher Education
- Business Accounting
- Business Administration
- Computer Science
- Drafting Technology

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John Lopez says that Luna CC is conscious about providing a meaningful education



Name: John J. Lopez

Position: Adjunct professor teaching sociology 101, history 101, and history 220.

How many years at LCC (what year did you start)? Started in 2008 with the beginning group of Title V Distance Learning

Favorite food and why? Enchiladas

Favorite hobby and why? Do not really have one.

Favorite TV show and why? Do not really have one.

Where would you like to see yourself five years from now?

Retired from education and maybe on the radio somewhere as a DJ.

What do you like best about LCC? LCC is very conscious of its students and works very hard to make their education experience as meaningful as possible.

What do you like least about LCC and what would you offer as a solution? Do not have any dislikes.

What is your greatest strength? I can communicate with others very well.

John Lopez holds a copy of his book he recently wrote titled Pues Llamame Padre (Just Call Me Father). It is a historical novel addressing some of the history of New Mexico as well as the pop culture history of the middle 1960's. It is set in Santa Fe and is about a young Hispanic attending a minor seminary and the challenges that he faces especially whether he should become a priest. The book was published in May, 2010 and can be purchased online at Amazon.com or iuniverse.com which is the Website of the publisher.

Christian Garris and Estevan Romero sign with Luna CC

Rio Grande High graduate Christian Garris and Valley High graduate Estevan Romero have each signed a national letter of intent to play baseball for Luna Community College.

Garris is a second baseman while Romero is a first baseman.

"Both are great hitters and both will bring a lot of power to our team," said LCC Baseball Coach Antonio Siqueiros.

Christian Garris (left) and Estevan Romero sign a national letter of intent to play baseball for Luna Community College.



A quick look at Garris and Romero

Name: Christian Garris
High School: Rio Grande
Position: Second Base
Swings: Left
Throws: Right

Name: Estevan Romero
High School: Valley
Position: First Base
Swings: Right
Throws: Right

WELDING

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

GENERAL EDUC/LIBERAL ARTS

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 575-483-5009
 1-800-588-7232 Ext. 1901
 www.luna.edu

Register today for fall classes

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE—SPRINGER
CLASSES BEGIN MONDAY, AUGUST 23RD.
GO ONLINE FOR A SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AT www.luna.edu

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BUILDING TRADES

NURSING PREREQUISITES

**EARLY CHILDHOOD/TEACHER EDUCATION
 BUSINESS ADMIN
 CRIMINAL JUSTICE
 AND MANY DISTANCE
 LEARNING COURSES**

Why is a 2-year degree...

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- Electronics Engineering Technology
- Equine Science
- Fire Science
- General Agriculture
- Military Studies
- Nursing
- Office Administration
- Sports Performance
- Video Game Design and Development
- Vocational/Technical Studies
- Alternative & Sustainable Energy
- General Engineering
- Life Science
- Mathematics
- Physical Science
- Allied Health
- Auto Collision Repair Technology
- Automotive Technology
- Barbering
- Building Technology
- Business Accounting
- Commercial Driving License
- Computer Application Specialist
- Cosmetology
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts
- Dental Assistant
- Early Childhood Development
- Furniture and Cabinet Making
- General Education
- Office Administration
- Practical Nursing
- Small Business Management
- Welding Technology

LCC OFFICE OF RECRUITMENT – RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES

(and other events)

WEEK OF July 12 thru July 17

Monday, July 12 – Teen Art Camp, IPC, 1-5 p.m. (7/12-7/16)

Tuesday, July 13 – Campus Tour (Teen Camp), 1 p.m.

Wednesday, July 14 – no activities planned

Thursday, July 15 – no activities planned

Friday, July 16 – Recruitment Booth, Santa Rosa, 10am

Saturday, July 17 – no activities planned

NMSBDC network Strategic Mission
 New Mexico Small Business Development Center

We provide quality direct assistance, entrepreneurial education and resource links for potential and existing businesses to strengthen the economy of New Mexico.

Don't feel like you are all alone when trying to start your business – the SBDC is here to HELP!

Benefits of utilizing SBDC Services

- FREE Expert Counseling in all areas of business
- Increased overall business knowledge
- Business guidance throughout the life of your business
- Increased Sales = More \$\$\$\$

Call the **Luna Community College** **SBDC**

at (505) 454-2582 or (800) 588-7232, ext. 1759 to schedule an appointment.
 You can also visit our website:
www.nmsbdc.org/lasvegas

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REGISTER TODAY
FALL 2010 SEMESTER

Classes start on August 23, 2010
www.luna.edu

505-454-2500 (main campus)
 575-483-5009 (Springer)
 575-472-1400 (Santa Rosa)
 575-387-6760 (Mora)

Luna Community College **Symposium**

"Improving Student Learning for Career-Technical Programs"

Monday, August 2, 2010 and Tuesday, August 3, 2010

MUST Register ONLINE

Deadline for Pre-registration Tuesday, July 20, 2010

<http://luna.edu/media/symposium.html>

Registration Fees \$150.00/waived for registered attendees



Luna Room Rate Discount \$59.99
Internet high speed upgrade available with registration

<http://www.plazahotel-nm.com>

DAY ONE

10:30am-11:30am	Registration
11:30am-1:00pm	Introduction/Lunch
1:00pm-4:00pm	Breakout Sessions
4:00pm-5:30pm	Break
5:30pm-8:00pm	Dinner and Group Discussions

DAY TWO

9:00am-11:50am	Breakout Sessions
12:00am-1:00pm	Lunch/Door prizes and Evaluations

Symposium Information: registration@luna.edu
Director: Michael Adams 505-454-5368

DAY 1

1:00pm -1:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"What is Career & Technical Education?"	Michael Adams	
"What is Assessment? How does it Impact Our Students?"	Dr. Andrew Feldman	
"Dual Credit: Benefits and Challenges for High School Students"	Patricia Romero	

2:00pm -2:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"Distance Learning: The Way of The Future"	Title V Staff	
"Developing Measurable Student Learning Outcomes (SLO's) for Career-Technical Programs"	Renee Garcia	
"A New Pathway for Vocational/Trades Programs at LCC"	Gary Martinez	

3:00pm -3:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"Understanding and Teaching Generation <u>NEXT</u> for Career-Technical Programs"	Rand Kennedy	
"Why Should We Care About Assessment Tools for Student Success?"	Debbie Trujillo	
"Roundtable Discussion: Careers in the Healthcare"	Elaine Luna	

DAY 2

9:00pm -9:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"Roundtable Discussion: What Happens when the Oil Runs Out?" Training in Alternative-Sustainable Energy"	Dr. Andrew Feldman	
"Developing Measurable Student Learning Outcomes (SLO's) for Career-Technical Programs"	Renee Garcia	
"Dual Credit: Benefits and Challenges for High School Students"	Patricia Romero	

10:00pm -10:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"Why Should We Care About Assessment Tools for Student Success?"	Debbie Trujillo	
"A New Pathway for Vocational/Trades Programs at LCC"	Gary Martinez	
"Roundtable Discussion: The Future of Film and Digital Age"	Rand Kennedy	

11:00pm -11:50pm

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Location</u>
"Roundtable Discussion: Impacting the Hispanic Educational Crisis"	Dr. Vidal Martinez	
"Understanding and Teaching Generation <u>NEXT</u> for Career-Technical Programs"	Rand Kennedy	
"What is Assessment? How Does It Impact Our Students?"	Dr. Andrew Feldman	

Celebrating at the July 4 Parade



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PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Luna Community College offers 43 Associate Degree and Certificate study options in the areas of Business & Professional Studies, Humanities, Science, Math & Engineering Technology, Allied Health, Vocational Studies, Education, and Mass Media Communications. Luna Community College can prepare you for transfer to a bachelor's level program at a four-year college or university, for immediate entry into a career field after graduation.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

- ▶ Criminal Justice
- ▶ Early Childhood Multicultural Education
- ▶ General Business
- ▶ Liberal Arts
- ▶ Mass Media Communications
- ▶ Teacher Education

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

- ▶ Alternative and Sustainable Energy
- ▶ General Engineering
- ▶ Life Science
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Physical Science

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

- ▶ Business Accounting
- ▶ Business Administration
- ▶ Computer Science
- ▶ Drafting Technology
- ▶ Electronics Engineering Technology
- ▶ Equine Science
- ▶ Fire Science
- ▶ General Agriculture

- ▶ Military Studies
- ▶ Nursing
- ▶ Office Administration
- ▶ Sports Performance
- ▶ Video Game Design and Development
- ▶ Vocational/Technical Studies

CERTIFICATES

- ▶ Allied Health
- ▶ Automotive Collision Repair Technology
- ▶ Automotive Technology
- ▶ Barbering
- ▶ Building Technology
- ▶ Business Accounting
- ▶ Computer Application Specialist
- ▶ Cosmetology
- ▶ Criminal Justice
- ▶ Culinary Arts
- ▶ Dental Assistant
- ▶ Early Childhood Development
- ▶ Furniture and Cabinet-Making
- ▶ General Education
- ▶ Office Administration Assistant
- ▶ Practical Nursing
- ▶ Small Business Management
- ▶ Welding Technology



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www.luna.edu
Register Online at <https://pathways.luna.edu>**

Luna CC ACCESS Center provides assistance to students

New students (first time enrollees), transfer students and students who have not declared a program of study are advised through the ACCESS Center. Returning students who intend on pursuing a particular certificate or degree program are advised through the appropriate academic discipline.

Counseling and Guidance services are available to all students. Professional staff is available to assist students in exploring their interests and needs, education plans, identifying

possible career, vocational and academic choices. These services are complimented with a community listing of local agencies which contains crisis intervention services located in the community, as well as referral services. These services will provide assistance for common issues that pose problems for college students. Samples of these issues include: alcohol and drugs, anxiety, depression, family issues, stress, homesickness, addiction, etc. These services are confidential. Additional information may be obtained at the LCC ACCESS Center.

Career Planning is designed for the student that is having a difficult time selecting a career or program of study at LCC. Educational advisors are available to assist students in exploring their interests and needs, educational plans, and identifying possible career, vocational and academic choices. The following resources are available at the ACCESS Center: Career Solutions Systems (a computerized career-decision making program), program of study sheets, career publications, New Mexico Workforce Connections publications and other career related periodicals, as well as internet sources.

Career Placement is designed to assist students and graduating students with job search strategies, resume writing, interviewing techniques, job retention, employment ethics, and information relevant to



The LCC ACCESS Center is located in the Student Services Building. For more information on the ACCESS Center, call 505/454-2546.

the labor market. ACCESS Center staff are available by appointment only to assist students in creating resumes. Students interested in internship possibilities are urged to contact the ACCESS Center for Career placement opportunities and other resources.

Disability Support Services for students with disabilities include counseling, advisement, academic accommodations, adaptive equipment, and liaison services between LCC and community agencies. Requests for such services can be made

by contacting the Adaptive Education Specialist at (505) 454-5355.

Educational Support Services

Tutoring Services are available in most academic areas. Any student registered at LCC is eligible for tutorial program services. Various tutoring software programs are available. A tutor schedule is printed every semester and posted throughout the LCC campus. The Tutoring Center is located at the Student Services Building, Room 111.

Student Success Strategies and Seminars are designed to provide students with techniques for educational and career success. A variety of learning techniques, seminars and workshops are held throughout the academic year.

Early Alert is an intervention process whereby students who are performing below average and/or have excessive class absences are referred by their instructors to the ACCESS Center for follow-up.

Assessment (Testing) incoming students are required to take the Computer-Adaptive Placement Assessment Support System (COMPASS), which covers proficiency requirements in reading, mathematics, and writing. Students who have taken the American College Test (ACT) may not be required to take the COMPASS; also available is the ETS Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress Exam.

Congratulations to AAA 2010 basketball and football all-stars





Luna Community College Vice-President for Academics Dr. Vidal Martinez (center) advises LCC Fire Science students Ryan Sena (left) and Estevan Flores. Both Sena and Flores are from Pecos. For more on the fire science program, see the flyer at the bottom of the page.

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Fire Science

Fall 2010 Course Offerings

- FS115 – Introduction to Firefighting**
- FS205 – Firefighter Tactics & Strategies**
- FS210 – Firefighter Leadership**
- FS220 – Fire Service Instructor I**
- STPS113E – Terrorism/Homeland Security**



OUR MISSION

The faculty and staff at Luna Community College are dedicated to the educational needs of our community. The **Fire Science Program** provides both academic and technical education to support professionalism and career opportunities.

PROGRAM GOAL

The goal of the program is to provide educational opportunities for students seeking a degree in fire science or for students seeking specific course knowledge in fire science or public safety.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- *Partnership with New Mexico Firefighters Training Academy
- *Promote public service professionalism
- *Enhance the quality of life for our community
- *Committed to delivering quality instruction in an effective, responsive and professional manner

For additional information on course offerings, visit our website at www.luna.edu



The public relations in mass media class meets with their "client" LCC Mass Media Director Rand Kennedy (brown shirt) to discuss their class project—to develop a public relation campaign to promote the new mass media program at LCC. The project is being conducted as if the class is a professional public relations firm. Teaching the course is James Gutierrez (far

Weekly Activities

Monday, July 12, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. Public Speaking Course Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon ACCESS Center Meeting (Student Services/Conf. Room)

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Art Classes for Teens (IPC/Cafeteria)

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

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Art Classes for Teens (IPC/Cafeteria)

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. LCC Board of Trustees "Work Session" (Stud.Serv/Conf.Rm)

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. Public Speaking Course Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall) 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Art Classes for Teens (IPC/ Cafeteria)

Thursday, July 15, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. Public Speaking Course Presentations (LRC/ Lecture Hall)

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Art Classes for Teens (IPC/Cafeteria)

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. LCC Foundation Golf Tournament Meeting (Admn./112-B)

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Annual Wage Reporting/Spons: SBDC (Stud.Serv.Conf. Rm)

Friday, July 16, 2010

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Art Classes for Teens (IPC/Cafeteria)

Saturday, July 17, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Phi Theta Kappa Regional Officer Training (Human102/104)

Sunday, July 18, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Phi Theta Kappa Regional Officer Training (Human102/104)

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

- Adjunct Instructors
- Temporary Part-Time Substitute Teacher/Caretakers-Early Childhood Education
- Full Time Welding Instructor-Trades Department
- Temporary Part-Time Assistant Softball Coach

- Temporary Part-Time AS NEEDED Cafeteria Prep Cook/Cook Helper
- Temporary Part-Time Cafeteria Prep Cook/Cook Helper

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