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Our Luna family



**By Dr. Pete Campos
LCC President**

Life can be difficult at times and it is at those times we need a support system. In our case, we need each other! Here’s what we have faced during the past two years; a declining world economy, a fiscal realignment of our state government and an expansive readjustment of our Luna educational plan. It has been painful, our emotions have been strained and we have not given up. Henri Bergson (French Philosopher) said, “To exist is to change, to change is to mature, to mature is to go on creating oneself endlessly.”

We are seeing the world with new-age accountability and efficiency lenses. Board of Trustee policies have or are being modified to align with today’s operational standards, emphasis on an employee chain of command serves as the basis for increased productivity, striving for ongoing college excellence continues to be the norm and following processes has strengthened our ability to reach out and assist more students in an organized manner.

Albert Einstein (Theoretical Physicist and Philosopher) said, “Intellectual
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Luna Community College students Jordan Bernal and Tasia Yara study and the ACCESS Center. One of LCC’s goals is to provide more assistance to students.

Luna CC students to launch rocket

Luna Community College students, faculty and staff from the Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Department (SMET) along with the Bridging Career to Success Department (BCS) as well as Tech Prep students are planning a rocket launch of excellent caliber to study what they have learned in physics, math and science. It will also expand their curiosity for possible career considerations in the future.

The rocket will be of high quality and will reach near

2,000 feet in air. The rocket payload will consist of several electronic components for taking measurements and hopefully a few photos of campus on re-entry. The measurements will be downloaded to a computer and analyzed by the students. The goal is to get this done before

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the end of July. With the right motivation, support, coordination, hard work, and favorable weather conditions the project should be seamless. Read future editions of **The Luna Light** for more information.



**Luna
Community
College**

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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Our Luna Family...

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growth should commence at birth and cease only at death.” Our Luna family goes back to the inception of what was then Luna Vocational Technical Institute (LVTI) and what is today referred to as Luna Community College (LCC). Past, present and – and I’m confident – future LCC Board of Trustees, administrators, faculty, staff and community supporters have and will give their full-fledged commitment and expertise to ensure the highest teaching standards possible are practiced to hone successful student learning and prepare those who attend Luna with at least mid-range employment skills to transition into the job market.

Mahatma Gandhi (Inspirational Social Change Leader) said, “You must be the change you wish to see in the world.” When family members gather around the kitchen table - they talk openly of changing the world. Things are said like, “When I grow up I want to own a business” or “I want to be a movie star.” Whatever the scenario, every

family member has a desire to contribute towards making this world a better place. That’s what we do at Luna! We strive, using our personal talents, to help others become better at what they do. While we may not totally understand the change or transformation we are going through at the time, at some period in our lives – a light bulb goes on – and we get it.

We can only become better at what we do! The 2010-2011 school year will be another time capsule filled with the successes we garner towards preparing students and ourselves to enjoy more knowledge and quality in our lives. Lao-Tze (Chinese Philosopher) said, “Watch your thoughts; they become words. Watch your words; they become actions. Watch your actions; they become habits. Watch your habits; they become character. Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.”

Our best can be realized if we support each other as Luna family members. *May you have a safe, happy and meaningful July 4th.*



Luna Community College Tech Prep students recently took their photo with Gov. Bill Richardson while he was on campus. Richardson was at LCC recently announcing the allocation of \$150,000 for the Media Arts Program. Pictured with Richardson are Elliott Valdez, Jovanna Archuleta and Justin Bustos. Valdez is a 2008 high school graduate from Pecos High; Archuleta is a 2010 graduate from St. Michael's High School and Bustos will be a junior next school year at Las Vegas Robertson. Archuleta and Bustos are both participants in the LCC Tech Prep Summer Program. The program provides students with the opportunity earn college credit and focuses on science, math and technology.

Famous Independence Day Quotes

“Freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed - else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die,”—*Dwight D. Eisenhower*

“In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved,”—*Franklin D. Roosevelt*



LCC PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Criminal Justice

Liberal Arts

Alternative Energy

Dental

Welding

Business Administration

Video Game Design and Development

Equine Science

Cosmetology

Fire Science

Early Childhood Education

Mass Media Communications

General Engineering

Culinary Arts

Automotive Technology

Computer Science

Sports Performance

Auto Collision

Office Administration

General Business

Teacher Education

Nursing

Furniture & Cabinet Making

Accounting

Equine Science

Sciences

Military Studies

Drafting



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FALL 2010 SEMESTER

Classes start on
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575.483.5009 (Springer)
575.472.1400 (Santa Rosa)
575.387.6760 (Mora)

Is mass media right for you?

By Rand Kennedy
LCC Mass Media Director

The term “mass media communications” may not sound very exciting, but it is among the most dynamic and fastest growing fields of study in the world. Mass media communications are the variety of ways used to communicate with very large audiences such as the population of a city or entire country. Mass media communications include books, magazines, newspapers, radio, television, film, and now the Internet. So if you’re interested in exploring a career in publishing, journalism, broadcasting, film, advertising, public relations, media art, or the new Internet media, check out the new Mass media communications program.

The new mass media communications program and associate of arts degree was initiated last fall and is part of Luna’s ongoing efforts to create the curricula, education, and training programs that will equip students for the new jobs and career opportunities of the 21st century. The main mission of the program is to provide quality education and training that will enable students to obtain entry level employment related to mass media communications and/or to pursue continued education regarding the various forms, and methods of mass media communication in institutions of higher education.

A secondary and complementary mission of the Program is to use its expertise to assist in the development of the area and its citizens by increasing the ability to identify, transmit, analyze, and create or enhance mass media communication services and products that will encourage economic growth and improve the quality of life.

Luna is committed to developing a state-of-the-art media education and training program. The construction of a \$7.2 million media arts center is underway, and Gov. Richardson recently provided \$150,000 to equip the new mass media program. This fall the program will be expanding to include the Film Technician Training Program. In partnership with the New Mexico Film Technicians Union, the new certificate program will train students for the wide variety of film technician jobs such as make-up artists, grips, and set construction in the growing and thriving New Mexico film industry.

Mass media communication is an important component of almost every business and industry, and new career and job opportunities in mass media communications are being developed nearly every day. So if you’re interested in learning more about the new mass media or in exploring a career in film, publishing, journalism, broadcasting, advertising, public relations, media art, or the Internet media, check out the new LCC Mass Media Communications Program.

Sports performance at Luna CC

By Rand Kennedy

The mission of the LCC Sports Performance Program is to provide quality education and training in the area of sports performance and related fields which will enable students to gain meaningful employment. The associate of applied science degree in sports performance is designed for students whose primary interest is in individual sporting careers, coaching, or officiating. The curriculum will provide a foundation to develop skills required for employment in the sports performance fields and/or advanced degree opportunities. Transfer credits are determined by the receiving institution on a course-by-course basis. The program follows National Standards for Sport Coaches.

The program is structured to provide training in accordance with the eight National Standards for Coaches. These are:

- Philosophy and ethics - clearly articulate the importance of an athlete-centered coaching philosophy and

professional accountability for fair play for all.

- Safety and Injury Prevention – maintains the core standards of coach responsibility for providing safe conditions and appropriate actions when emergencies arise.

The program is structured to provide training in accordance with the eight National Standards for Coaches.

- Physical conditioning is a description of coaching responsibilities in the areas of psychological training, nutrition education, and maintaining healthy environments.
- Growth and development maintains the coach’s responsibility in creating an inclusive learning environment that

leads all athletes to feel welcome and supported to have experiences that foster leadership skills.

- Teaching and communication focuses on identifying standards for sound instructional strategies and interpersonal behavior of the coach.
- Sport skills and tactics is focuses on the need for coaches to have basic sport knowledge and to be able to apply it to the competitive environment.
- Organization and administration identifies how the coach provides resources in the daily operation and management of the sport program.
- Evaluation teaches numerous assessment skills necessary to be an effective coach.

If you are interested in finding out more about the LCC Sports Performance Program, please call Rand Kennedy at (505)454-2564.



Members of the LCC Foundation Golf Tournament Committee gather recently. The 2010 Luna Community College Foundation Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Pendaries Golf Course in Rociada. A shotgun start is scheduled at 9 a.m. A four-person team sponsor is \$1,000 or \$250 per individual. Individuals are welcomed to play. A hole sponsorship is \$250. The entry fee covers green fees, a cart, and a prime rib dinner. All money raised will be used for scholarships. Prizes will be given for longest drive (men & women's division) and closest to the pin (men & women's division). A hole-in-one for a vehicle will also take place. Team prizes will be awarded for first through third place plus a first place gross score in a four-person scramble format. For more information, call Ernesto Salazar at 505-425-7584, Phil Wolff at 505/425-2080 or Lawrence Quintana at 505/454-2502.

Luna Community College President Dr. Pete Campos, who also serves as a state senator, was recently awarded the Soaring Eagle Outstanding Legislature Award from the New Mexico Association of Counties. This is the second time Campos has received the award. Campos was also awarded the Legislative Service Award from the University of New Mexico Alumni Association. According to UNM, the award is based on Campos' long term dedication in making difference in lives of all New Mexicans.



Many opportunities at Luna Community College

By Dr. Vidal Martinez

LCC Vice-President for Academics

Our certificate and associate of applied science degree programs are designed to provide entry-level preparation for employment and/or facilitate transfer to four-year institutions of higher education. Additionally, our associate of arts and associate of science degree programs are designed primarily for students intending to transfer and pursue a baccalaureate degree at a four-year

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institution.

Students completing courses prescribed in a particular curriculum will gain advanced technical skills combined with a strong academic foundation that will enhance their transition to either the workforce or higher education. While these programs emphasize preparation for employment, many of the courses will transfer to a baccalaureate degree program.

LCC Allied Health Department remains active

By Conni Reichert

LCC Health Sciences Director

The Allied Health Department has been quite active during these last few months.

Highlights include:

- Total graduates for fall 09/Spring 2010: 76 , 2 Allied Health Certificate, 30 LPN's, 28 RN's, 16 Dental Assisting .
- Submission of CODA accreditation self study for Dental Assisting for September 14-15, 2010 site visit
- Continue with NLNAC accreditation document for site visit for February 15-17, 2011
- Fall of 2010 intake of new students have been selected. Students have been notified.
- Projected number of students in nursing for fall 2010-78, and dental 12.
- Preparation of selected nursing classes in distance learning format for easier access to nursing education for fall 2010.
- Beginning pre-requisite classes in the Raton area fall of 2010 to matriculate into nursing programs of study.
- Partnership contracts to help serve New Mexico by sharing faculty and resources with other nursing programs in the state.
- LCC becoming an associate member of the New Mexico Nursing Consortium for looking at ways to increase the number of BSN prepared nurses throughout the state and to improve the efficiency, quality and education outcomes of nursing education across the state.
- All distance learning faculty trained (or in process) for WIMBA delivery of Blackboard classes.

- Submission of HED Nursing Enhancement Grant Fund
- Completion of the Systematic Program Evaluation Plan

The spring 2010 semester was especially busy. Preparation for accreditation has been the priority as well as providing quality education to all who walk past our doors.

Pictured below is the Allied Health Science Building. For more information on the LCC Allied Health Science Program, call 505/454-2521.



Flashback to success at Luna Community College



Students from the LCC Culinary Arts Department are pictured here with Chef Adrienne O'Brien. Back row (l-r): Michael Fram, Randy Benjamin and Hannah Alisiani. Front row (l-r): Samantha Garcia, Chef Adrienne, Ashley Hensley and William Evans.



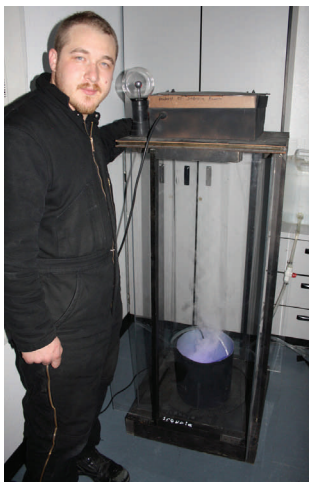
Las Vegas resident Ralph Archuleta has been lifting weights for about seven years, the majority of the time at the LCC Gerald Ortega Wellness Center.



LCC Tech Prep Summer Program students tour Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque. The Tech Prep Summer Program is designed to provide educational enhancement in the fields of math, science and technology.



Dental assistant students are learning oral dental charting while practicing oral evaluations. Pictured here are Angelique Marquez doing an evaluation on Roberta Fernandez.



LCC student Sequoia Romero is pictured here with a tornado machine that he built recently. Romero's tornado machine demonstrates the physics and vectors inside of a real tornado.



LCC softball player Devonne Martinez makes a sliding throw to second base as Marissa Navarro waits for the ball.

Flashback to success at Luna Community College



Danyelle Romero, the LCC Student Government President, is sworn in as an ex-officio member of the LCC Board of Trustees by local Municipal Judge Eddie Trujillo. Pictured with her are her grandfather Jack Romero and her fiancé Andy Ulibarri.



Luna Community College nursing student Maria Gallardo gives Leyba resident Predicanda Madrid a seasonal flu shot at the community-wide immunization drive held at the Mike Marr Gymnasium.



Dr. Twila Quintana, Cindy Armijo, Destiny Torres and Shalena Bailey are pictured here holding several Phi Theta Kappa awards. The LCC Chapter (Beta Mu) has received several national and international awards as being one of the best.



Gary Gamertsfelder, middle, along with Ricardo Baca (left) and Adolfo Bachicha raise their hands in the air during an awards ceremony. Gamertsfelder took first in the collision repair category. Bachicha and Baca took second and third, respectively. Gamertsfelder recently took 8th at nationals. Gamertsfelder said after the national competition. "Before I went to Kansas my goal was to finish in the top 10. It was awesome to represent Luna Community College. I'm proud of where I come from."



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"The People's College"

Graduation day at Luna Community College is different than at most colleges. The graduation takes place outside. Here graduates smile as they achieve one of their goals in life.

LCC recruiters active during the summer

By Tom Herrera
Senior Recruiter

Recruiting for potential students during the summer months is nothing short of interesting, fascinating and entertaining. None of the area high schools are in session, so we have to institute some creative ways to reach the masses here in northern New Mexico. Of course, the masses means much more than high school-aged students, whether it be fall, winter, spring or summer recruiting. What sets summer apart is we have to find where groups of people hang out, where they mingle, where they meet. Folks of all ages.

Lo and behold we've found those places! The LCC recruiters and volunteers can be seen at Wal-Mart, K-Mart, grocery stores, banks, county fairs, parades, and the perennial favorite—an outdoor swimming park in Santa Rosa. Just like the schools we visit in our service areas, we set up shop at some local business in each of those communities during the summer months and spread the word about LCC programs, classes, events and current course schedules. The effort is the same as usual; we're prepared to answer any



Tom Herrera and Moses Marquez set up a recruiting booth at Wal-Mart recently.

inquiry about LCC and academic programs, including GED/ABE inquiries. We are joined by a host of LCC faculty and staff who are very knowledgeable on a variety of subjects as they represent various departments and disciplines.

We all look forward to outdoor recruiting. Equipped with a large canopy, breeze chairs, a CD player and an occasional harmonica, we attract curious onlookers and bystanders at every outing. One individual who volunteered

at a recruitment booth earlier this summer commented: "Within a few hours you'll see most of Las Vegas at Wal-Mart. What a concept to recruit here." Same could be said of the LCC display set-up we have at most banks in Las Vegas. Prior to the start of every semester—including summer session—we set up the large display complete with pictures, class schedules, brochures and million dollar bill book marks in the lobby of those banks. These are our convenient "one-stop shops." What a concept!

Bring your shades, shorts, and Hawaiian shirts and join us for summer recruitment booths and parades. For the Las Vegas Fiestas Parade this Saturday, LCC volunteers will be walking the route handing out those favorite Otter Pops to the crowd.

Thanks to the following businesses and communities where you'll see LCC Recruiters and friends : SECU, 1st Community Bank, Bank of Las Vegas, Wal-Mart (Las Vegas), K-Mart, Super Save (Raton), Adelo's (Pecos), Valentine's Food Store, Handi-Way (Springer), Russell's Grocery (Mora), Park Lake, T&D Grocery (Santa Rosa).

Diversity in the Luna CC GED Program

By Geraldine Romero/ABE Director

The Adult Basic Education Program offers classes to a diverse population of learners both on campus and in the community. Diversity defines our program. The population of students that we serve is of all shapes, sizes, colors, abilities and capabilities, economic backgrounds, disabilities, and aspirations. For many students, the reasons they've selected the GED path are varied. Many students have failed to successfully acquire their high school diploma either because they have dropped out of school or because school was not for them. For many, it is the lack of self confidence or their poor academic performance in an educational setting. For some, financial responsibilities became more of a priority than an education; so many students left school to seek employment to help the family.

Others are academically gifted and are bored in a regular learning

environment. A major component of our ABE family is the at-risk students, those students that have been adjudicated by the courts to attend the program to acquire their GED as conditions of their probation. Many adult students are embarrassed to return to school because of their long absence from education and feared they lacked the skills to succeed. Our student population seems to get younger with every passing year, and because of our young population (70 percent of our student population are ages 16 to 24) and the maturity level of this particular population, the ability to retain students for longer periods of time becomes more difficult which affects their perseverance towards improving on their skills, and consequently, acquiring their GED.

Because of the diversity of our students, the ABE student may face more challenges as opposed to a student who acquired their high

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school diploma. Financial burdens, poorly developed academic skills, lack of child care, low-level confidence, problems with the courts, dropping out at a very young age, immaturity, transportation, and housing may make academic success more difficult to achieve.

These challenges have placed more of a burden on the programs who are trying to meet the goals of developing higher-level skills, acquiring a GED, transitioning students to a post-secondary institution, and

finally entering the work force to function effectively as a member of society. Our high number of graduates (47) for the fiscal year 2009-2010 confirms that many students do learn to overcome these adversities. Many GED graduates are first-generation or first-time college students who learn to navigate the higher education system. Through their persistence, commitment, and hard work, these graduates have overcome barriers to learn, to become successful, and to meet today's academic and economic challenges.

LCC Department of Humanities

Liberal Arts Degree and General Education Certificate Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

By Eloy Garcia/Humanities Director

College-Wide Abilities

Emphasizing core abilities provides a consistent educational focus that encourages students to develop knowledge, habits and skills for life-long learning. Students experience many opportunities across the curriculum to develop and apply college-wide abilities in preparation for their roles in an increasingly diverse, technologically complex, information-driven society.

Critical Thinking: Graduates receiving AA as well as certificates of 35 credits or more have the opportunity to examine and evaluate their own and others' thinking. The development of these skills requires that students learn to:

- Apply, analyze, synthesize and evaluate information;
- Identify arguments, evaluate claims and sources, consider multiple perspectives, and form conclusions based on sound reasoning and verifiable evidence;
- Recognize when additional information is necessary and locate it, using a variety of oral, print and electronic/web-based sources;
- Demonstrate logical, disciplined thinking habits while examining ideas and solving problems;
- When applicable/required, recognize cultural variations in reasoning processes.

Written and Oral Communication: Graduates receiving AA as well as certificates of 35 credits or more have the opportunity to express themselves in oral and written Standard English. The development of these skills requires that students learn to:

- Write and speak in a clear, logically organized manner, using appropriate supporting evidence;
- Employ effective delivery techniques in oral presentations; When required, use computer technology and/or media resources

to develop written documents as well as to generate and/or deliver oral presentations;

- Adapt writing and speaking to the forms, standards, requirements and audiences of individual programs/disciplines and contexts;
- When applicable/required, recognized cultural variations in writing and speaking styles.

Group Interaction: Graduates receiving AA as well as certificates of 35 credits or more have the opportunity to work productively in groups. The development of these skills requires that students learn to:

- Identify, practice, demonstrate and assess group interaction skills;
- Facilitate effective interaction and mutual understanding among group members for the purpose of working on a task, participating in a class discussion, or making a group presentation;
- When applicable/required, recognized cultural variations in communication and personal-interaction styles.

The LCC Department of Humanities works holistically and with individual instructors on the following:

- 1.) Explaining the uses and benefits of assessment rubrics; 2.) Developing assessment rubrics that reflect assignment outcomes and course objectives; 3.) Refining or creating departmental objectives; 4.) Aligning assignment design with course and program objectives; 5.) Building consistent instructional and assessment practices among full and part-time faculty.

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SMET program at LCC rocks

By Dr. Andrew Feldman
SMET Director

The Luna Community College Department of Science, Math, & Engineering Technology (SMET) has witnessed many changes over the past year, all to the benefit of our students. The department faculty and staff are excited and enthusiastic because the changes have led to a better environment for learning.

In the past year the department received money from the state to support programs with the purchase of new equipment. The physics and geology laboratory now has up-to-date experimental equipment for physics to help reinforce topics discussed in lecture including several computers with software for physics experiments. The state allocation also provided for new computers in the computer science lab.

The alternative and sustainable energy program (ASEP) has purchased equipment for student hands-on learning. We have installed a hybrid wind and solar powered system on the roof with the controls in the SM&ET lobby area. Students can use the wind and sun generated power to plug in their laptops in the lobby and use the Wi-Fi internet access. The ASEP is building a solar powered trailer for demonstration and laboratory use which can provide power in locations without electricity and will contain demonstration experiments to highlight the benefits and uses of alternative energy.

LCC in conjunction with New Mexico Highlands University was awarded a federal grant to institute the Bridging Careers for Success (BCS) program aimed at science, math, and engineering students. The overall purpose of the grant was to align science and math courses for a seamless transition from the community college to the university. In addition, the grant also provided money for improved learning environments at both schools. At LCC the SM&ET department underwent renovations to classrooms and built a brand new computer and tutor lab for students. The department has a new computer science lab, a conference room with instructional television (ITV) capabilities, and an updated video game computer lab.

The BCS program hires tutors and student instructional leaders (S.I.L.) that help students with traditionally difficult classes such as physics and calculus. Students who wish to become a tutor or S.I.L. get paid for their efforts and become better students in the process. The BCS program also provides money for exceptional students to work as an intern with various agencies. The department is dedicated to providing a



Pictured above is LCC Technologies Building. For more information on the SMET Department, call 505/454-5370.

solid educational foundation to students and the BCS program has provided many additional opportunities.

The department has several new programs that came into effect with the LCC 2009-2012 Catalogue. The video game design and development (VGDD) associates of applied science had five graduates this past May and also hosted a video game tournament in March, 2010. The VGDD program will be hosting tournaments on a regular basis with cash prizes and fund raising for the GAMERZ Club.

The math, physical science, and life science associate of science degrees are articulated with NMHU (and all other state schools) so that students may easily transfer from LCC to NMHU or other universities in the bachelor of science programs. If you are math challenged, LCC faculty and

staff can help you succeed with friendly faculty and tutors available in the Academic Center for Excellence Computer Lab.

The computer science program has undergone revisions to curriculum to keep up with ever-changing technology. The LCC Alternative and Sustainable Energy Program is becoming the hot new major as fossil fuels continue to exacerbate the global climate change crisis and the Gulf of Mexico oil leak has created an environmental mess.

The department has also started a SM&ET Scholarship Fund through the LCC Foundation. We are doing a 50-50 raffle to raise money for the fund where the winner will get 50 percent of the raffle ticket sales and the remainder of the money going into the fund. You could win \$1250 with the purchase of a \$5 ticket and the odds are 1 in 500. The first raffle drawing is set for September 1, 2010. The \$500 SM&ET Student Scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis through an application process. Tickets can be purchased through faculty and staff in the department.

There are many other changes happening in the Department of Science, Math, & Engineering Technology at LCC. As the United States moves towards a new energy economy highly-trained individuals in math and science are required to move our nation to a new level of global competition. Come by the department and talk with our dedicated faculty to find out what career opportunities await and how we can help you succeed!

Fiesta Schedule

Saturday, July 3	
9:00 a.m.	PARADE
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Boys of Thunder
10:00 – 10:45 a.m.	Legacy of Santa Fe
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.	Kenny Medina Y Suspiro
11:45 – 12:00	Reynaldo Maestas
12:00 – 12:45 p.m.	Ballet Folklorico Arco Iris Fantasticos
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Gonzalo
2:45 – 3:30 p.m.	Mariachi Luna de Plata
3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	Quemoso
4:45 – 6:15 p.m.	Los Blue Ventures
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.	T.B.A.
7:30 – 8:15 p.m.	T.B.A.
8:30 – 11:00	T.B.A.
Sunday, July 4	
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	FIESTA RUN
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	VETERANS PROGRAM
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.	Mariachi Paisano Del Valle
11:30 – 12:15	El Grupo Flor
12:30 – 1:15 p.m.	Baile Ilusion
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Cuarenta Y Cinco
3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	Ernestine Romero Y Malsangre
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.	Donald Martinez Y Nueva Vida
5:15 – 6:45 p.m.	Darren Cordova & Calor
7:00 – 7:45 p.m.	Deseo
8:00 – 8:45 p.m.	Agua Negra
9:00 – 11:00 p.m.	Los Gallegos Brozz
Monday, July 5	
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Martin Salazar y Diferente
10:00 – 10:45 a.m.	Slo Burnin
11:00 – 11:45 a.m.	Los Zapateados
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Headliner TBA
1:45 – 2:30 p.m.	Los Charros
2:45 – 3:30 p.m.	Mariachi Cardenal
3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	Camino Oscuro
4:45 – 6:15 p.m.	El Gringo

*Schedule subject to change

Friday, July 2, 2010

Fiesta Opening Mass
Our Lady of Sorrows
5:30 p.m.

Followed by the dinner & Gran Baile featuring Jerry Dean
\$10.00
El Rialto Patio

Title V moving forward in achieving goals

By Lorraine Martinez
Title V Director

When we think about improving ourselves and our college, we set goals. The problem with setting goals is that it is human nature to feel satisfied when we achieve our goals. Betterment is a constant journey and not a destination. Just because the goal is achieved does not mean the work is done. We should constantly be working to better ourselves. Working toward our individual improvement leads to the advancement of the college.

This is what Title V at Luna Community College is all about. The goals that are set forth by the grant each year are to help Hispanic-serving institutions expand their capacity to serve Hispanic and low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional stability, management, and fiscal capabilities. We are achieving our goals through three (3) distinct efforts. They are:

- Distance education
- Online Student Services
- Improved Technological Infrastructure

We are well on our way up to this point in having trained 28 instructors in developing and delivering online courses. This includes acquiring skills in **Blackboard** (Learning Management System for delivery of online



Title V Distance Ed Technician Rick Roybal sets up a computer at the LCC Student Services Building.

courses), **WIMBA** (web conferencing tool), and **PLATO** (Academic support application for delivery of supplemental instructional material). Instructors have received additional training in the state of the art Recording Studio, which allows them to record their lectures so that students can view the lectures online. This provides remediation and reinforcement of the skills the students are learning while taking their courses. *Online courses-an easier fit for busy schedules!*

Another plus in what the Title V program provides is that the students who are taking online courses are called by our administrative assistant, Michelle Bencomo, in assisting students with any issues they may be experiencing while taking an online course. The students are

given names and phone numbers of the “Online Help Desk” in order to experience success with their courses. In the summer of 2010, 230 students were taking an online class for eight weeks! Students now have the convenience of registering for classes at Luna Community College without leaving their homes. Students from remote locations can now register for their classes online. Springer, one of LCC’s satellites, has been provided with a Student Smart Lab that consists of 12 computers, a printer and a scanner. Students, who need to use the lab for their online courses, now have a lab that provides the state of art in technology

in this area. In Pecos, a Student Smart Lab is still under construction, but will provide the same effectiveness for the students and the community in the area.

Finally, the Title V staff, Michelle Bencomo, Rick Roybal, Larry Paiz, John Tiernan and Lorraine Martinez, will be going to the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque to get training in writing grants to continue the sustainability of providing Distance Learning services for students. The goals of the department never tend to cease and each day brings new learning initiatives. Yes, we are moving forward in providing online services to students and we continue training faculty and researching other avenues for stabilizing what Title V has accomplished so far.

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- Full-Time Welding Instructor-Trades Department

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- Full-Time Foundation Executive Director
Temporary Part-Time Office Specialist-Springer

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