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Becoming The Premier Rural Community College in America

Ana Pacheco to speak at LCC graduation

She is the founder and publisher of La Herencia Magazine

A native of Santa Fe, Ana Pacheco, the founder and publisher of *La Herencia Magazine*, will be the guest speaker Luna Community College’s graduation which will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 9.

She’s the daughter of Jesús Pacheco and Natalie Ortiz. Both families have been in Santa Fe since at least the 17th century. Natalie Ortiz was a direct descendant of *don* Diego de Vargas. Don Gaspar Street in Santa Fe is named after Natalie’s great-great grandfather, Don Gaspar Ortiz. The Ortiz Room at the Santa Fe Hilton Hotel and Ortiz Street located in the plaza area are named in honor of Eleanor and Beatrice Ortiz, Natalie’s aunt and grandmother, respectively. The busy thoroughfare Pacheco Street is named after Ana’s great-great grandfather Jose de la Cruz Pacheco.

Ana Pacheco began her publishing career in 1979 in New York. She has held various positions with entertainment, Hispanic and financial service publications. Ms. Pacheco returned to Santa Fe in 1991 after living in New York for sixteen years. Pacheco served

on the Board of Directors for the National Hispanic Cultural Center for the state of New Mexico for seven years. She hosted a weekly Hispanic radio show for Citadel for three years and is currently on the Wells Fargo Community Advisory Board. Pacheco writes the weekly column *A Wonderful Life* in the *Santa Fe New Mexican*.

On January 14, 2009 Pacheco received a Certificate of Appreciation from Santa Fe County for her work with the Hispanic and elderly communities in Santa Fe. Pacheco received the 2008 Heritage Preservation Award by the City of Santa Fe for Excellence in Community Traditions for her work with *La Herencia*. She is also a 2007 recipient of the New Mexico Community Foundation *Luminaria* award for her leadership and contribution to the state of New Mexico. In September 2006 in Denver, Pacheco was awarded two national awards by the National Association of Press Women. The first award, in the inspirational book category, as the author of *Saints & Seasons: A Guide to New Mexico’s Most Popular Saints*. The



Ana Pacheco

second award, in the history category, was for editing, *Albuquerque Feliz Cumpleaños: Three Centuries to Remember*.

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LCC student receives international accolades



Shalena Bailey

Luna Community College nursing student Shalena Bailey finished as the first runner-up for Phi Theta Kappa’s International Vice President in Division IV at the 91st Phi Theta Kappa International Convention in Dallas, recently. She is the first Phi Theta Kappan from New Mexico to run for an international officer position.

“It doesn’t matter where you’re from or who you know, or how small your town is, as long as you put your mind to it, you can do anything,” said Bailey, a native of Whiting, Ind.

Bailey was joined by fellow Phi Theta Kappa officer Naomi Ortiz and advisors Cindy Armijo and Dr. Twila Quintana.

“Shalena is a model student who exemplifies what it takes to be successful in life and she gives give her best, never gives up and because of her approach to life she is positively impacting the lives around her,” said LCC President Dr. Pete Campos. “I am very proud of her accomplishment and am very confident that she will continue to be a remarkable leader.”

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Pacheco says she's proud of being part of LCC

Dental instructor likes to eat healthy, hunt and fish

Name: Gloria B. Pacheco

Position: LCC Dental Assisting Program Instructor/Coordinator

How many years at LCC (what year did you start)? I started January, 2001.

Favorite food and why? I like anything healthy, such as, fish, chicken, and salads. I love salads

Favorite hobby and why? Hunting and/or fishing. I LOVE the mountains and the excitement of being out there where the air is fresh and crisp, the scent of pine, juniper, oak etc.; and the sounds of the trees are swaying with a gently breeze while I walk searching through brush, trees and meadows in the early morning hours. I can say that I enjoy most sports, in conjunction too, drag racing (legal on a strip) is also fun!!

Favorite TV show and why? Don't have one, not enough time to watch TV. As far as movies, I like *Fast and the Furious* and most car racing movies.

Where would you like to see yourself five years from now? Still at LCC but with all my master's degree COMPLETED, and with the most prominent and successful Dental Assisting Program in New Mexico, delivering excellence throughout the dental arena.

What do you like best about LCC? The department I work for, and the program I



Gloria B. Pacheco

oversee are great and offer many opportunities for persons interested in the medical field. The employees are friendly and helpful. I am proud to be part of the Las Vegas Community College which offers many opportunities for just about anyone seeking exciting careers.

What do you like least about LCC? I can't think of anything.

What is your greatest strength? Ultimately, my optimism and dedication. For the most part, I see the good in just about every situation.

Anyone wishing to nominate an LCC employee to be featured in this section should call Jesse Gallegos at 454-2510 or e-mail him at jagallegos@luna.edu.

Pacheco would like to see the LCC Dental Assistant Program as the most successful in New Mexico someday. She says that employees at LCC are friendly and helpful.

Mana del Norte scholarship application due June 30

MANA del Norte is accepting scholarship applications for the 2009 – 2010 academic year. Applicants must be a resident of one of the following northern New Mexico counties: Rio Arriba, Taos, Los Alamos, Mora, Santa Fe, or San Miguel. This year, 10 \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to selected recipients.

The purpose of the MANA del Norte Scholarship is to assist Hispanic women from northern New Mexico in continuing and/or completing their post-secondary education. The philosophy of the founding members of MANA del Norte was to focus on the non-traditional student, such as single heads of household, re-entry women, and first-generation college bound. Although this criterion is not exclusive in awarding scholarships, MANA del Norte strongly endorses this philosophy. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, strength of personal statement, and letters of recommendation.

The deadline for applications is June 30, 2009 (postmarked). Sub-

mit to: MANA del Norte Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 9236, Santa Fe, NM 87504. For application guidelines and forms contact Terry M. Ortega, Chair, MANA del Norte Scholarship Committee, via email at tmortega51@hotmail.com or phone 505.660.0321.

Selected applicants will receive their scholarship awards and be honored at MANA del Norte's Annual National Hispanic Heritage Month Scholarship Banquet in September 2009. Date and location to be announced.

MANA del Norte is part of MANA's national community of informed Latina activists working to: Create a better life for all Latinos; achieve full and equal participation of Latinas in our country's political, social, educational, and economic domains; and enhance and enrich the quality of life in our country through the active sharing of our Latina/Latino heritage and values.

SEED Program

June 1, 2009-July 24, 2009

Summer

Excellence (in)

Educational

Development



Get the Edge on the Competition!

What is the SEED Program?

The LCC SEED Program is for pre-college students who want to accomplish their educational goals, whether they are looking for college credit or just wanting to discover their passion. Academics are at the core of the SEED Program experience, with over 162 summer courses to choose from, in a variety of formats and course lengths.* [See Summer Schedule.](#)

Who is eligible?

Public High School students who are classified as a Junior or Senior for the 2009-2010 academic school year.

How do I apply?

The **first step** in applying for the SEED Program is to fill out an application at the LCC Dual-Credit Office located within the Technologies Building in Room TE-144.

The **second step** is to complete the LCC COMPASS Assessment with the LCC ACCESS Center in the Student Services Building if COMPASS has not yet been completed or student has not taken the ACT.

The **third step** is to bring in a copy of your LCC COMPASS Assessment or recent copy of ACT scores and meet with LCC Dual-Credit staff to complete career cluster survey and advisement.

Each student who is accepted in the SEED Program will receive an Educational Care Package (ECP) that includes:

Tuition Waiver

Book Fee Waiver

\$150 Stipend

Each student will be assigned to a College Success Mentor.

Summer extracurricular activities will also be available for students participating in the SEED Program.

*Prerequisites may apply

(505) 454-5377 or 1-800-588-7232 X1075

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Pacheco is also the 2004 recipient of the Governor's Award for outstanding women of New Mexico. She also received an award from PEN New Mexico in 2004 for her efforts to preserve Hispanic culture, history and language. PEN New Mexico is the state's affiliate of the largest international professional association of writers, editors, and translators.

To commemorate *La Herencia's* Ten-Year anniversary in 2004, Pacheco published *Las Comidas de los Abuelos*. The cookbook contains 128 pages and features an index of the 490 authentic New Mexico recipes. In December 2004 Pacheco published *¡Concha!: The Authorized Biography of Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven, Matriarch of a Three Hundred Year Old New Mexico Legacy* written by Kathryn M. Córdova. In June 2005 Pacheco's company published *Albuquerque Feliz Cumpleaños: Three Centuries to Remember* written by Nasario García and Richard McCord, to commemorate Albuquerque's Tri-centennial. In November 2005

Pacheco wrote and published *Saints & Seasons: A Guide to New Mexico's Most Popular Saints*.

LA HERENCIA

La Herencia was founded by Santa Fe native, Ana Pacheco, in 1994 in response to the rapid decline of the Spanish language, Hispanic culture and history in New Mexico. The quarterly publication provides information on culture and history with articles written by local historians. The editorial consists of oral history, Spanish language and Southwestern literature, book reviews, poetry, recipes, myths and other forms of folklore retold with documentary photographs and illustrations. Current issues and trends are also covered. *La Herencia* is the only publication of its kind documenting the oral history of people in the New Mexico and throughout the Southwest. You can visit the website at www.herencia.com

Shalena Bailey...

Bailey, 27, will be graduating this May as a registered nurse. She plans to pursue her bachelor's in nursing at the University of New Mexico and eventually attain a master's in nurse anesthesia.

"I am so proud and honored to represent Luna Community College," said Bailey. "I recommend students to participate in Phi Theta Kappa; you learn more of yourself than anything else."

As a finalist for international vice-president, Bailey gave a speech in front of 3,500 people where she talked about "affluenza." "Affluenza" is a portmanteau of *affluence* and *influenza*. This term is often used by critics of consumerism to describe the bloated, sluggish and unfulfilled feeling that

results from trying to keep up with the Joneses. It is also referred to as an epidemic of stress, overwork, waste and indebtedness caused by the pursuit of the "American Dream" as well as an unsustainable addiction to economic growth.

"It was amazing," said Bailey of talking in front of a capacity crowd. "It was an excellent opportunity; everyone has the same goal—and that is to better themselves and better society."

Bailey said that as a unit, Phi Theta Kappa raised over \$2 million for the American Cancer Association this past year.

"I want to thank Naomi, she was an integral part of my campaign team," said Bailey. "I also want to thank Cindy and Twila. They are the backbone of this organization. Thank you

is not enough, they go above and beyond and are great educators. They are pioneers when it comes to service, leadership and education in our community."

Bailey also said that she is thankful to Allied Health Director Conni Reichert and her nursing staff for allowing her to attend the Phi Theta Kappa events. In addition to Bailey's accolades, LCC's Beta Mu Nu Chapter received a 2009 Distinguished Chapter Award, ranking it in the top 25. Quintana also received her third Paragon Award for advisors with less than five years of service and Armijo received a Distinguished Chapter Advisor Award.

For more information on Phi Theta Kappa, call 505/454-2558.

Blast from the past

Can you guess which LCC employee's baby picture this is? The first person to give the right answer will get a free meal from the LCC Rough Rider Grill. You may enter the contest by emailing your answer to jgallegos@luna.edu or calling extension 1200. LCC employees are encouraged to turn in a baby photo of themselves to Jesse Gallegos at the LCC Student Services Building.



Last week winner: Leticia Archuleta
Last week's picture: Dr. Pete Campos

LCC President Dr. Pete Campos gives a motivational speech at Santa Fe Community College recently. In the background is Northern New Mexico College President, Dr. Jose Griego.



LCC Weekly Activities

By Ron Gonzales/Physical Plant Director

Monday, April 27, 2009

5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *DWI Class (General Studies/Room 102-B)*
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. *Hair Show Rehearsal (AHC/LO-1)*

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. *Student Government Barbeque & Field Day (Across from Admn./Basketball Courts/Parking Lot)*
12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Mental Health/Internet Sex Crimes Workshop (LRC/Lect.)*
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *San Miguel Health Council Mtg. (Student Serv./Conf. Rm.)*
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *LCC Softball Banquet (IPC/Cafeteria)*

Wed., April 29, 2009

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. *Preceptor Luncheon (IPC/Cafeteria)*
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. *Hair Show Rehearsal (AHC/LO-1)*
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Nutrition Workshop / Daycare Providers (LCC Pre-school)*

Thurs. April 30, 2009

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. *History of Drugs Workshop (Student Services/Conf. Room)*

Noon – 2:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
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5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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Friday, May 1, 2009

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
(Pre-school)
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 2, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
(Pre-school)
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 3, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

Monday, May 4, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

Hair Show "First Show" (Allied Health/LO-1)
Hair Show "Second Show" (Allied Health/LO-1)

RHS Dream Maker's HealthCareer Club(Stud

Phi Theta Kappa/Spring 2009 Induction Cere-

C.N.A. Testing (Allied Health/N7&3)
SFCC Exploring Childhood Series Workshop

LCC Baseball Banquet (IPC/Cafeteria)

Fifth Annual LCC Hair Show set for April 30

Luna Community College will have its Fifth Annual Hair Show on Thursday, April 30 at the Allied Health Auditorium.

Two shows are scheduled on that day. The first show is scheduled from noon to 2 p.m. with the second taking place from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Both shows are free and open to the public.

Throughout the show, LCC cosmetology students will showcase their coloring, cutting, and styling by using models to feature their talents. Over 50 models are scheduled to participate in the event.

"Students, faculty and staff have all been working hard putting this show together. I guarantee that everyone in attendance will enjoy it," said Melissa Lopez, LCC interim activities coordinator.

The theme for this year's event is "Blast from the Past" with the models executing their fashionable looks from the 1920's to the 1980's. LCC cosmetology students work on models' hair, nails and make-up for Thursday's shows.

In Thursday's 5:30 p.m. show, individuals will have their hair cut on stage and have it donated to *Locks of Love*. *Locks of Love* is a Palm Springs-based national charity that takes donated human hair tied into pony-tails or braided and makes it into special hairpieces for financially disadvantaged children who have lost their hair because of medical conditions.

For more information, call Lopez at 505-454-5357.



Luna Community College cosmetology student Earl Gonzales applies hair spray to model Darlene Ortiz backstage in last year's LCC Hair Show. Over 50 models are expected to participate this year. LCC students showcase their coloring, cutting and styling throughout the show.

Several LCC business students take home awards

The following students received awards during the 4th Annual LCC Business Awards for Academic Excellence and Recognition Ceremony held on Monday, April 20.

Computer Fundamentals

Margarita Gonzales – Perfect Attendance

Frances Tweed – Perfect Attendance/Academic Excellence

Microsoft Excel

James F. Gallegos – Perfect Attendance

Microsoft Access

Linda Cordova – Perfect Attendance

Linda L. Dangberg – Perfect Attendance

James F. Gallegos – Perfect Attendance

Susan Marquez – Perfect Attendance

Desktop Publishing

Linda L. Dangberg – Perfect Attendance/Academic Excellence

Germaine M. Baca – Perfect Attendance

Linda Cordova – Perfect Attendance

Rachael D. Romero – Perfect Attendance

E-Commerce

Silvia Carr – Perfect Attendance

James F. Gallegos – Perfect Attendance

Shirley A. Griego – Perfect Attendance/Academic Excellence

Business Ethics

Rachael D. Romero – Perfect Attendance

Evelyn M. Montoya – Academic Excellence

Human Resource Management

Vanessa Herrera – Perfect Attendance

Sandra G. Rivera – Perfect Attendance

Silvia Carr – Perfect Attendance

Principles of Macroeconomics

Angela Johnson – Academic Excellence

Vivian Ulibarri – Academic Excellence

Nathan Stafford – Academic Excellence

Principles of Microeconomics

Mark Alsfeld – Academic Excellence

Nathan Stafford – Academic Excellence

Principles of Small Business Management

Linda L. Dangberg – Academic Excellence

Jeanette M. Louis – Academic Excellence

Administrative Procedures

Sherry L. Garcia – Academic Excellence

Jeannette M. Louis – Academic Excellence

Business Writing

Sherry L. Garcia – Academic Excellence

Natasha J. Lopez – Academic Excellence

Leandra E. Vigil – Academic Excellence

Medical Office Procedures

Linda L. Dangberg – Academic Excellence

Business Law

Rachael D. Romero – Perfect Attendance



Pictured clockwise are: Meta Levister, instructor and Natasha Lopez; Business & Professional Studies Director Renee Garcia and her assistant Rose Tapia; Vivian Ulibarri, and Harry Anderson, instructor; Rachel Romero, Elaine Ortega, instructor, Linda Dangberg, Linda Cordova, and Germaine Baca.



LCC biology, chemistry and environmental science students tour Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Luna Community College Students went to the Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge on Tuesday, April 14. It consisted of a guided tour with information about native birds, animals and plant species. Also, the tour showed the students what nature looks like with little human intervention.

Students were allowed to take samples of plants and soil back to class. They will be able to learn the differences of the samples taken at the refuge and other samples around Las Vegas. With students learning the differences in the samples, it teaches the students what people really do to contaminate the environment.

The classes that went on this trip were Angie Manafy's Biology 110, Biology 105, Chemistry 105, and Environmental Science 102. These classes have also recently taken trips to the water treatment plant and the sewage treatment plant in order to learn what is done with our water and sewage.



Pictured clockwise are: Luna Community College science classes in front of the Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge; Latishia Cano looking at a poster with native plants; Levi Hannon looking at wildlife from the viewing area at the Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge and Ernie Lujan and Christopher Romero examining exhibits inside the Refuge on the fieldtrip.



The LCC Allied Health Science Department had a tree ceremony in memory for former LCC faculty member Dana Konno (RN, BSN) at the college on Thursday, April 23.

Pictured clockwise watering the newly dedicated tree are: Lindy Lucero, PT LCC faculty and good friend of Dana Konno; Jim Terr, brother of Dana Konno; Toby Konno, son of Dana Konno; Robert Lopez, LCC RN student and good friend of Dana Konno and Mildred Terr, mother of Dana Konno. LCC Allied Health Director Connie Reichert says Konno "Will be greatly missed."

Quote of the Week

"To be able to be caught up into the world of thought—that is being educated,"—**Edith Hamilton, (1867-1963).**

Don Perkins speaks to capacity crowd



Approximately 275-300 people attended Luna Community College's "A Conversation with the Community" at noon on Tuesday, April 21 featuring former Dallas Cowboys' star running back Don Perkins. He also signed autographs for approximately 75 minutes after his presentation. Several local high school students attended, including: West Las Vegas High, Robertson High, Springer High, Santa Rosa High and Pecos High. Pictured are LCC business student Ernie LeDoux with Perkins and LCC faculty member Henry Sanchez introducing Perkins while he is watching a video clip of his playing days with the Cowboys.



Two LCC BBQ's planned

No. 1—11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28 at the basketball courts. It will feature a dunking booth with LCC President Dr. Pete Campos and a Don Perkins autographed poster will be raffled.

No. 2—11:30 –1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5 at the cafeteria patio. Entertainment by Miguel Angel and Los Jinetes Arrojadados.