

# The Luna Light



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*“The People’s College”*

*Becoming The Premier Rural Community College in America*

## LCC working on school song

*Individuals asked to contribute ideas to final version*



**Renowned local musician Robert Lucero (right) speaks with Luna Community College employee Lawrence Quintana about the college’s school song. Lucero wants to contribute to Luna Community College’s success. He has written a rough draft on the college’s school song.**

Luna Community College would like to have a school song in place by fall and its asking students, staff, faculty and community members to contribute their ideas.

Robert Lucero, a renowned local musician, has come up with an initial

version, but is encouraging individuals to help him with the final draft.

The current version is:

*We are the students of Luna si si, oh  
Luna to thee we sing;*

*We have come here with our dreams and  
our hopes for better opportunities;*

*We are the students of Luna C.C., to thee  
do we pledge our trust; Should all the quittance  
be forgot, oh Luna to thee we hail;*

*Somos estudiantes de Luna si si; Aqui les  
cantamos, aqui venimos con nuestro sueños y fe  
para mejor vida pa’ mi;*

*Somos estudiantes de Luna si si; pa’ uste  
le damos la fe; Con todo la alma le com-  
promeso así nuestro fe y amor.*

According to several longtime employees at LCC, the college has never had an official school song.

“I have tried to combine the philosophy and ideals of the college into the song. Luna Community College is about hopes and dreams. I would like to have as much input in this as possible. A school song has a lot to do with spirit and the mission of the school” says Lucero.

Anyone wishing to contact Lucero about the schools song can call him at 505-426-4043.

## LCC: There is no better place

**By Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President**

We want the best for our family members; good health, hoping they don’t get into trouble or experience any serious setbacks and wishing that they reach their goals in education and work. With these thoughts in mind, there is no better place than Luna Community College to prepare for life and future career opportunities.

If you are a high school junior or senior, LCC offers affordable classes this summer that will give you a knowledge and course credit advantage when you graduate; if you are a college or university freshman or sophomore attending school in another community and will be home in Las Vegas this summer, check out taking classes that will help you better understand subject matter or meet credit requirements towards your degree; if you are a graduating high school senior and have been admitted to a university in another community sign up for summer courses that will apply to-

wards your core classes and degree; and, if you haven’t made up your mind where to go to college, stop by LCC and check into the many degree programs that will lead to a meaningful career or good paying job.

We are preparing students with a strong core element of educational basics like math, science and technology. This foundation is then used by students to springboard into academic, athletic, civic and vocational pathways. LCC is expanding its program offerings to give students a much broader opportunity of degree selections. These degrees range from preparing students to; teach at the college level, meet military expectations and advance in rank and formerly become educated and trained as a fire fighter. The list goes on and on.

Ultimately, we want to play a significant role in the overall development of each student who attends LCC.

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# LCC's Adrienne O'Brien wants to take culinary arts program to another level



**Adrienne O'Brien has been working at Luna Community College since August, 2001. Her favorite hobby is gardening and her favorite television show is The Simpsons. One thing she would like to see improve at the college is communication from within.**

**Name:** Adrienne O'Brien

**Position:** Lead instructor, culinary arts.

**How many years at LCC (what year did you start)?** 8 years, August 2001.

**Favorite food and why?** Whatever's fresh and local. It's better tasting and better for me.

**Favorite hobby and why?** Beginning to enjoy gardening because it's great to see where dinner got its start.

**Favorite TV show and why?** *The Simpsons*, still funny after all these years.

**Where would you like to see yourself five years from now?** Still working at Luna, taking it to the next level with my students.

**What do you like best about LCC?** Touching the lives of my students.

**What do you like least about LCC?** The lack of institutionalized communication, the robustness of the grapevine.

**What is your greatest strength?** My juggling ability.

*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 [jgallegos@luna.edu](mailto:jgallegos@luna.edu).*

## LCC: There is...

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We want to stimulate learning; offer educational rigor, extensive tutoring and guidance so every student leaves with a better understanding of who they are; and, we want to be part of the reason every student who completes a degree program will enter the work force and live a life filled with genuine meaning, zest for living and self fulfillment. Plato, a Greek philosopher said: "do not train a child to learn by force or harshness; but direct them to it by what amuses their minds,

so that they may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each." We hope each student who attends Luna Community College will use their time with us to find the genius stimulated by their inner beings.

On behalf of the entire Luna Community College family, we hope you choose us this summer and in the future for your educational needs. **We care** and will do all that is possible to steer you towards a lifetime of success.



**REGISTER  
TODAY FOR  
SUMMER  
CLASSES!!**

**FOR INFORMATION:  
LAS VEGAS 505.454.2500  
SANTA ROSA 575.472.1400  
SPRINGER 575.483.5009  
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**CLASSES BEGIN MONDAY, JUNE 1st. GO ONLINE FOR SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AT  
[WWW.LUNA.EDU](http://WWW.LUNA.EDU)**

# LCC offers several degree and certificate programs

## Associate of Applied Science Degree

Business Accounting  
Business Administration  
Office Administration  
Nursing  
Computer Science  
Drafting Technology  
Electronics Engineering Technology  
Equine Science  
Fire Science  
General Agriculture  
Sports Performance  
Video Game Design And Development  
Vocational/Technical Studies

## Associate of Science

Alternative and Sustainable Energy  
General Engineering  
Life Science  
Mathematics  
Physical Science

## Associate of Arts Degree

Early Childhood Multicultural Education  
Teacher Education  
Criminal Justice  
General Business  
Liberal Arts  
Mass Media Communication

## Certificates

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

# Luna CC family brings value to education

By Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President

There are staff members at Luna Community College who work from the philosophy that production is more important than just working 8 to 5. That dedication has permeated throughout our service area to students who have chosen LCC for a class, program, certificate or degree. The point being; our staff is committed to serving the holistic needs of students and their quest for meaningful opportunity. In essence, when we teach others, we teach ourselves.

John F. Kennedy, 35<sup>th</sup> U.S. President said, "Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. The human mind is our fundamental resource."

This profound message resonates with the Luna family and stands as the base for our future efforts to educate our youth and adult learners. Ralph Waldo Emerson, a famous poet stated, "the secret in education lies in respecting the student." This quote ties in with the mission by which we abide. When we truly care for each other, intertwine our strengths to serve as one unit and respectfully work together to improve our weaknesses the students we serve and educate are given the encouragement needed to develop their confidence, become lifelong learners and give back to their families and communities for what has been shared with them.

The value our Luna family brings to education is immense and filled with the human attribute to always value each other. Carl Gustav Jung, a Swiss psychologist and psychiatrist said, "One looks back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touched our

human feelings. The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the child." It is the same at LCC, although there is structure, our valued staff prides itself in providing the best educational services possible. This radiates at all levels. Whether our staff is landscaping the campus, cleaning classrooms, updating curriculum or teaching techniques, applying for

stimulus funds to improve the delivery of educational services or getting their second wind to never lose sight of the contributions they can make to inspire others to learn more or make Luna Community College better, we value each other and will always maintain that purpose to bring out our best, *always for the*

*benefit of our students.*

As the president of this fine institution, I recognize, acknowledge and truly appreciate the value of each employee. To our students and the residents of our service area, *I wholeheartedly attest that we are working together to make Luna Community College premier!* We are doing this by accepting the challenges before us posed by students, society and each other. Edward G. Bulwer-Lytton, a British politician and critic said, "The best teacher is the one who suggests rather than dogmatizes, and inspires his listener with the wish to teach himself." We are becoming better teachers, within ourselves and outwardly at every level, all with the intentions and hopes of better serving our students this summer and for years to come. Our students deserve the best each of us has to offer!

*Over time, we will just get better!*

*"As the president of this fine institution, I recognize, acknowledge and truly appreciate the value of each employee," Dr. Pete Campos.*

# Luna Community College

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"The people's college..."

Get PAID to take  
Video Game Classes !!  
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## SUMMER SCHEDULE:

# VGD 128 Intrdn to Video Game Development

## T-R 9:00AM - 12:40PM

# VGD147 Game Analysis and Critique

## M-W 9:00AM - 12:40PM

SEE BACK FOR SEED FLYER

The LCC SEED program will give a \$150 Stipend, waive tuition and book fee for all accepted students.

## Recruiting activities

- Tuesday, May 26** – KFUN Radio, Tom Herrera & Guests, 8 a.m.  
Topics: LCC Community Ed classes, Car Show, Registration, Summer Session
- Wednesday, May 27** – Alta Vista RH Senior Circle Health Faire  
Abe Montoya Rec. Center, 10am—2pm
- Thursday, May 28** – no activities planned
- Friday, May 29** – Recruitment Booth, Wal-Mart (outdoors), 10 a.m.—2 p.m.
- Saturday, May 30** – no activities planned

## LCC

### summer activities

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| June 2  | Welcome to LCC         |
| June 8  | Movie Night            |
| June 13 | Car Show               |
| June 17 | Basketball intramurals |
| June 23 | Kite Day               |
| June 30 | Ice-cream social       |
| July 9  | Volleyball intramurals |
| July 9  | Bring a friend to LCC  |
| July 13 | Movie Night            |
| July 16 | Campus Luau            |
| July 22 | Ice-cream social       |



### 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 e-mailing your answer to [jgallegos@luna.edu](mailto: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: Sandra Rivera  
Last week's picture: Mary Duran

## Quote of the Week

"Education either functions as an instrument which is used to facilitate integration of the younger generation into the logic of the present system and bring about conformity or it becomes the practice of freedom, the means by which men and women deal critically and creatively with reality and discover how to participate in the transformation of their world,"—Paulo Freire.



# 5TH ANNUAL Custom Car Show & SHINE 2009



Saturday, June 13, 2009 – Felix Martinez Parking Lot on the NMHU Campus  
– 10 am to 3 pm – Set up time 8 am – 10 am

Categories: Lowrider, Rod & Custom, Truck, 4 x 4, Euro, Import, Motorcycle, Pedal Bike/Car, Muscle, Original and Unfinished.

\$15.00 per entry – All paid entries receive a t-shirt and free lunch while supplies last. In addition, first 100 paid entries will receive a plaque. Entries will be received until day of event.

For entry information, please contact:

Anthony Baca @ 454-2591 or 429-0425, Rick Roybal @ 454-5362 or 429-3428 or Ron Duran @ 454-2569 or 718-9201.

For vendor booth availability, please contact Margaret Gonzales @ 454-3495.

To download an entry form, go to: [www.luna.edu](http://www.luna.edu) and click on 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show under Events.

Sponsored by LCC Student Activities Office and the NMHU Office of Campus Life.



The Luna Community College Early Childhood Center continues to see improvements.

LCC wishes to honor our veterans and their families

## LCC weekly activities

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

CPR Training/Citizens for Dev. Disabled (LRC/Lecture Hall)

4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Rio Gallinas Charter School/Award Event (IPC/Cafe)

Thursday, May 28, 2009

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Presentation/Educating/ Essential Oils (LRC/Lecture Hall)

Friday, May 29, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, May 30, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

C.N.A. Testing (Allied Health/ N7&3)

10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Video Game Tournament (IPC/ Cafeteria)

Sunday, May 31, 2009

No Activities Scheduled

## CALL OF DUTY - WORLD AT WAR TOURNAMENT

Prizes

MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> 2009 @ 11 AM

Pizza

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAFETERIA

10 DOLLAR ENTRANCE FEE.

More Info  
454-5370

Get Your Tournament Registration Form

at [Luna.edu](http://Luna.edu)

More Info  
454-2554

\*This game carries a "MATURE" rating and parent consent is required for participants under the age of 18 in order to participate in the tournament. Must be 12 years of age or older to participate. Contact Francisco Romero, Ernesto Coca or the Department Of Technology at 1-800-588-7232 for more information.



# LCC Springer Trustees honored

Twelve former Luna Community College Board of Trustees that have represented the Springer area were honored during a ceremony at the college's satellite campus recently.

Also in attendance was newly elected Board of Trustee David Gutierrez.

"The Springer Board of trustees have led with commitment and focus so that students at Luna Community College are best served," said LCC President Dr. Pete Campos. "The trustees commitment speak well for the commu-

nities that the Springer Satellite serves. They have been and continue to be strong advocates of education. Our current trustee David Gutierrez has hit the ground running."

Plaques with photos along with a brief description of their accomplishments were placed at the lobby area of the Springer Satellite Campus. Honored were: Joseph Macaron Jr., Levi Cruz, Tim McCoy, Samuel Ramirez, Robert Walton, Sid Barret, Eldie Cruz, David Wright, Wilfred Lackey, H.L. Willoughby, James Steinepries and Don Shaw.



Pictured clockwise are: Marian Vigil unveiling a plaque for Don Shaw; Eldie Cruz unveiling his plaque; Joe Macaron Jr. unveiling his plaque; James Steinepries unveils his plaque; Joe Macaron Jr. along with his family before the unveiling; LCC Springer Satellite Coordinator Louise Portillos and LCC President Dr. Pete Campos stand in front of the Wall of Honor and current LCC Trustee David Gutierrez unveils a plaque for Samuel Ramirez.

## LCC's Moses Marquez leads offerings seminar

Luna Community College's Interim Director of Admissions and Recruitment Moses Marquez led an LCC Offerings Seminar in an effort to inform and gain feedback on services offered to prospective, new and returning students on Thursday, May 20. The seminar took place at the Allied Health Lecture Hall. About 20 employees attended.



Pictured (l-r) Regina Madrid, financial aid; Marquez; Francina Martinez, fiscal office and Melissa Lopez, ACCESS. The bottom photo shows individuals that attended the seminar.



## LCC Foundation Golf Tourney set

The 2009 Luna Community College Foundation Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22 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. 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.

Awards will be given for longest drive (men & women's division); shortest drive (men & women's division) and a hole-in-one for a vehicle. Team prizes will be awarded for first through third place in a four-person scramble format.

For more information, call Tournament Co-Director Ernesto Salazar at 505-425-7584 or Theresa S. Vigil at 505-454-5367.

The Pendaries Golf Course is located about 30 minutes north of Las Vegas and is known for its stunning views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains.

The 2009 Luna Community College Foundation Annual Golf Tournament is dedicated to the memory of longtime LCC employee Manuel "Leroy" Ulibarri.



In a joint effort, West Las Vegas teacher Kirk Ludi and his students along with LCC students were involved in the process on how to build an electric car. In this case, the students used a 1970 Porsche 914. It uses six twelve volt batteries (72 volts) to power the car between 60-80 miles and the car is capable of going 60-80 mph. It takes anywhere from 8-12 hours to charge the depleted batteries. In this class, 25 students from WLVHS and between 20 to 30 students from LCC were involved.



## Students!

Are you looking for on-the-job training? Are you seeking skills for a new career? Do you want to gain experience in your field of study? Do you want to gain college credit? If you answer yes to any of these questions, the LCC Small Business Internship Program can help.

### LCC – Connecting Students to the Workforce!

Luna Community College will “launch” a pilot program this fall called the Small Business Internship Program. The purpose of the program is to provide LCC students opportunities in workforce experience by applying educational skills and knowledge to meet the needs of the statewide workforce community.

#### Program Goals:

- ↳ Provide students access to business experience that could lead to gainful employment
- ↳ Involve students in community projects, collaborations, and partnerships
- ↳ Provide students an opportunity for a stipend salary contingent on available funding

#### Program Benefits:

- ↳ Classroom instruction is integrated with practical on-the-job experience
- ↳ Create future employment opportunities
- ↳ Students can make career decisions based on practical work experience.

If you want to participate in the Small Business Internship Program please contact Don Bustos at 505-454-2595 or [dbustos@luna.edu](mailto:dbustos@luna.edu) for further information.

## LCC Video Game Tourney

LCC Video Game Tournament to be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 30 at the Luna Community College Cafeteria. There is a \$10 entrance fee. Get your tournament registration form at [www.luna.edu](http://www.luna.edu). Participants under the age of 18 need parental consent. For more information, call Francisco Romero or Ernesto Coca at 1-800-588-7232. Co-sponsored by LCC, GAMERZ Club, KNMX, and 96.7 FM.

# Luna Community College: “The People’s College”

## LCC

### Foundation

## Scholarship Fundraiser

Friday, August 28, 2009

Plaza Hotel

Reverse Drawing begins at  
7:30 p.m.

# GRAND PRIZE

  

## \$5,000.00

#### Other Prizes Include:

First Ticket Drawn Wins	\$300.00
Every 50th Ticket Drawn Wins	\$100.00
The 100th Ticket Drawn Wins	\$200.00

*For More Information Please Contact:*

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*(505) 454-5367 or [tvigil@luna.edu](mailto:tvigil@luna.edu)*

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Your \$100.00 Donation includes a  
Beef Brisket Dinner for two  
provided by The Plaza Hotel.

Dinner served from  
6 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

*Entertainment by Los Tropicales*