

# The Luna Light



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

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## Springer Satellite’s Arturo Arguello happy to pass on “wisdom” to students

At this point of his career Arturo Arguello wants to pass on his wisdom to his students. It’s as simple as that.

After working nearly 30 years as certified pipeline welder in Dalhart, Texas, the native of Yates, N.M. a little village outside of Roy, decided to come back home and pass on his knowledge to beginners.

Arguello is currently teaching two general welding classes in LCC’s Springer Satellite.

“I love my students,” says Arguello. “I love giving them my wisdom. When you die, your skin goes cold, your wisdom goes with you. Nothing makes me prouder than to see a student learn.”

Arguello has been welding since he was 18 years old and has learned quite a bit in the field.

“I remember being a rookie working with gas companies and my boss would tell me I was better than other veteran employees,” says Arguello. “I always wanted to learn. I made up my mind at a young age that I wanted to do things right. My theory is when I build something it has to be done right and if it suits me, it will suit other people.”

Arguello is the father of three daughters and one son. His wife of 47 years passed away in 2004.

“I wanted to come back to God’s country,” says Arguello. “New Mexico to me is like heaven.”

One of his students Michael Anderson received his American Welders Society certification in welding.

“To me the Luna Community College Satellite in Springer is important,” said Arguello. “Word of mouth is getting out that they like the instructor. I hope they never close this satellite down, it’s so important to so many

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**Jordan May and Cody Fullerton are two of Arturo Arguello’s students that take classes at Luna Community College’s Springer Satellite.**



**Arturo Arguello observes Cody Fullerton’s welding technique recently in class.**



# SAVE THE DATE



## ~ You're Invited ~ 2011 Women Veterans Business Workshop

Sponsored by  
The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services & the Veteran Business Outreach Center

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the  
**Small Business Development Center Luna Community College**  
366 Luna Drive  
Las Vegas NM. 87701  
(Registration starts at 8:30 a.m.)

Program is free but seating is limited. Register online at [www.nmvvoc.org/workshops](http://www.nmvvoc.org/workshops)  
or call 505-841-5559 for additional information

**Upcoming Workshops:**  
August 25 Embassy Suites Hotel for Women Veterans  
September 22 Kirtland AFB for Women Veterans  
February 16 Las Cruces NM for Women Veterans  
For additional information contact:  
Angela Smith at (505) 841-5559

Funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested at least two weeks in advance. Contact Lloyd Calderon at 300 San Mateo NE #106, Albuquerque, NM 87113 or 505-841-2956.

## Watch out for bears in the area

Due to recent sightings of bears on campus and within the city of Las Vegas, please review the below listed information.

### Bear Safety Tips/Facts:

- Never feed a bear, human trash accounts for 70 percent of bear-human conflicts.
- Bears will generally avoid humans unless they grow accustomed to eating human food or garbage.
- Black bears come in a variety of colors; cinnamon, brown, and black.

- They can be found in all mountainous areas of New Mexico.  
Safety: If you encounter a bear, follow these rules to be safe.
- Do not run! – stay calm, black bears can run up to 35 miles per hour
- Stand upright - slowly wave your arms
- Back away – slowly back away from the bear
- Look for cubs – do not come between a mother and her cubs, she will feel necessary to protect her cubs.

- Stay inside – if you see a bear as you exit a building, return inside. If you are in your vehicle, do not follow or taunt the bear, an adult bear is strong enough to rip doors off cars.

In all cases report the sighting as soon as possible:

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| Ron Gonzales     | (505) 699-9883 cell |
| Andrew Duran     | (505) 660-0386 cell |
| On-duty security | (505) 629-8244 cell |



# LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## Community Education - Fall 2011

### The Craft of Acting as Improvisation

This class will explore improvisation as a vital element in successful human communication in any medium or circumstance. We will take up an acting training program of exercises that strengthen performance skills: memorization, concentration, imagination, movement, voice, theatre games and basic stagecraft. These skills are useful in scripted and unscripted theatre as well as film. Students will be introduced to the theatrical styles of Italian Renaissance Commedia del Arte, Shakespeare, The Moscow Art Theatre, Chicago's Second City, and Playback Theatre—the international movement dedicated to the improvisation of personal stories.

SEP 23–NOV 18 FRIDAYS 6PM–9PM

LOCATION: FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Theatre Space

INSTRUCTOR: **CAROLINE RACKLEY**

COST: \$10 PER SESSION, \$90 FOR ALL 9 SESSIONS

To register, call LCC Office of Community Education at 454-5311, or call Caroline Rackley at 425-6092, cell (505)-217-6169, e-mail @ [designmtd@newmexico.com](mailto:designmtd@newmexico.com). We strongly encourage students to pre-register for this class.



### Weekly Activities

#### Monday, September 12, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Contractor Meetings for Procurement/  
Sponsored: Cooperative Educational Services (LRC/Lecture Hall)

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

#### Tuesday, September 13, 2011

No Activities Scheduled

#### Wednesday, September 14, 2011

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

#### Thursday, September 15, 2011

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. National Hispanic Month Celebration  
Fajita Bar (Technologies/Patio)

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Monthly Water Board of Director’s Meeting  
(Technol./126B)

Friday, September 16, 2011

No Activities Scheduled

#### Saturday, September 17, 2011

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. C.N.A. Testing (Allied Hlth/  
Nrsng.Lab#3, Comp.Lab#7, MO-11)

7:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Annual Regional & Early Care Education  
Conference Sponsored: Santa Fe Community College General  
Studies/Rooms - 102B, 103, 104, 109 & 110) 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
CDSMP Community Workshop (Student Serv/Conf. Rm.)



Luna Community College Family Night was a huge success! Parents and children shared in great conversation and activities with teachers and other preschool families. An overview of the assessment and instructional framework utilized by the preschool teachers was presented as well as other early childhood resources available to families. Highlights of the evening included endless pizza, dirt cup desert and lots of watermelon. The event was a collaborative effort of parents and preschool staff.

## PRIZES

### Back to School Parent Institute

## PRIZES

### Please Join Us For an Educational and Fun Filled day!

#### Parents, Teachers, & Children

Place: Luna Community College

Date: Saturday, October 1, 2011

Time: 8:00am - 2:00 pm

Questions? or to sign-up please call:

Edith Trujillo - 426-2269

or

Leandra Vigil - 426-2262

**\$20.00** Stipend per Family Attending!

#### Purpose:

To provide professional development opportunities to parents, grandparents, and teachers who want to improve educational outcomes for all students. Our Mission is to promote educational awareness through workshops and hands-on activities to enhance collaboration between schools, community, and parents.

**Breakfast & Lunch will be provided and a chance to win a LAPTOP computer & many other PRIZES!**

#### Workshops for

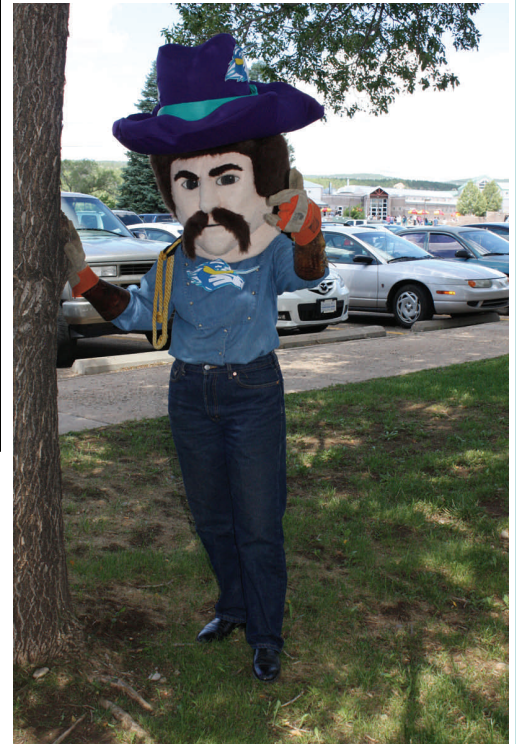
Parents &

Childcare &

Activities for

Kids!

Sponsored By:



The Luna Community College Rough Rider mascot recently toured the campus in an effort to promote school spirit among students, faculty, staff and administration.

## Arguello passing on his wisdom...

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students. The people here need this college.”

His students are from Cimarron, Maxwell, Springer and Wagon Mound.

Arguello says he uses an old-school approach to his teaching.

“My thought is my students learn more by being in the welding shop,” says Arguello.

“Students don’t learn as much when they are behind the desk. I learned more by experience instead of reading. I do teach theory as well, students need to know the rights and wrongs.”

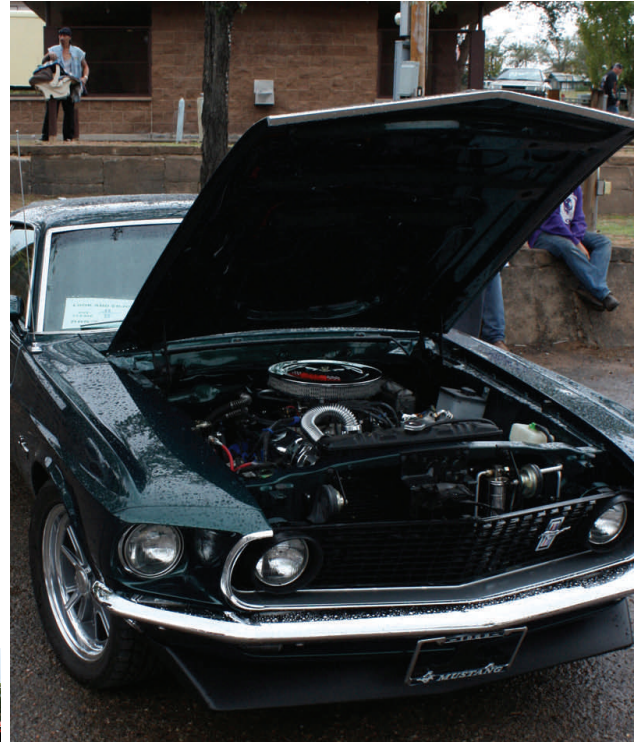
Arguello says that teaching welding for Luna Community College is something he wants to do for a long time.

“I want to teach here until I die or can’t teach anymore,” he says. “As long as I can motivate I will be teaching. This has been a dream to pass on my wisdom.”

# 2011 Santa Rosa Car Show



Luna Community College employees and students participated in the Santa Rosa Car Show this weekend and promoted vocational programs. Pictured are (l-r) Rick Roybal, Earl Varela, Gilbert "Guba" Martinez, Manuel Archuleta and Gene Sandoval.



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**Luna Community College’s Title V Mission:**

*“Developing a comprehensive online learning network for rural, time and place-bound students.”*

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**Online tutors ready for fall semester**



Pictured left to right: Katie Lopez, Anthony Lopez, Jennifer Buell, Michelle Trujillo, Alfred Kemm and Shirley Griego.

The LCC Title V *online tutors* recently had orientation in preparation for the fall semester with Director Lorraine Martinez and the rest of the Title V staff. The online tutors will support the students in English, math, language, history and nursing classes. The tutors are available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon on Friday’s . The nursing tutors are available daily and on weekends and assist the students for their nursing needs. On Sept. 13, the tutors will attend the IMT (Internal Monitoring Team) meeting and will give the members a short presentation on their job responsibilities and their role in supporting the students on a daily basis.

**IMT welcomes federal program officer to meeting**

On Aug. 9, Mr. Rick Gaona, Department of Education Program Officer, joined the LCC Internal Monitoring Team for the monthly meeting via WIMBA and web cam. Mr. Gaona was joined by Jennifer Gomez-Chavez, University of New Mexico Title V Director, and John Lopez, Title V faculty member. The focus of the meeting emphasized Year 5 and Year 6 institutionalization and the preparation required as the grant is in its final year of operation with distance learning services. The grant has fulfilled all of its obligations for Years 1-4 and Year 5 will entail the Smart Lab which will be located at the Santa Rosa site for students and community members taking online classes. Mr. Gaona emphasized the need to Institutionalize what the grant has provided so far and to continue the good work Title V has done for Luna Community College.

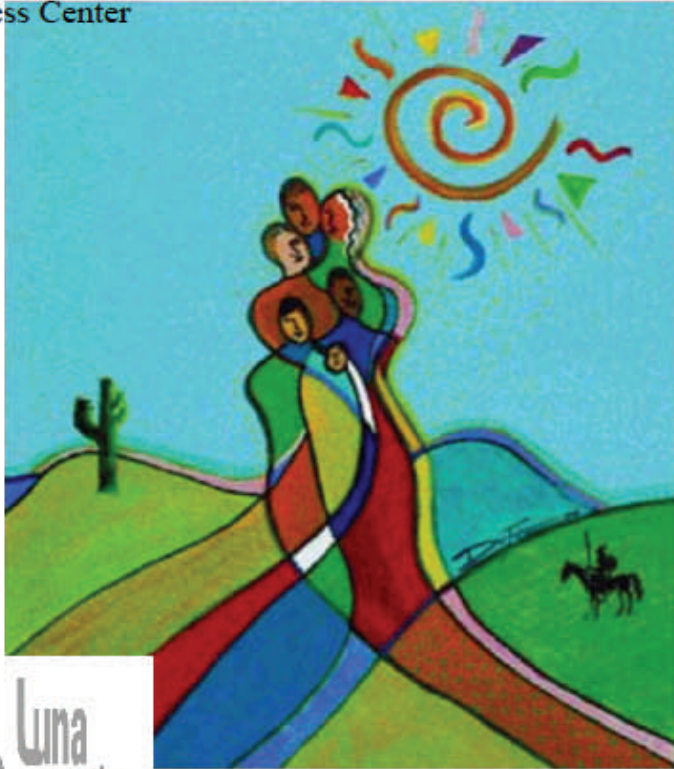


Pictured left to right: Matt Bowie, Renee Garcia, Elaine Luna, BOT Abelino Montoya, Donna Flores-Medina, Mike Adams, Conni Reichert, Lawrence Quintana, Maria Paiz, Shirley Marlow and Shaun Conway

**Title V Staff**  
 Lorraine Martinez, Project Director  
 Larry Paiz, Instructional Designer  
 John Tiernan, Online Student Services Developer  
 Rick Roybal, Distance Education Technician

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Zumba Classes available  
until October 25, 2011  
Monday & Wednesday  
1:00 p.m.– 2:00 p.m.  
Wellness Center



Sponsored by the Activities Office

## Celebrate National Hispanic Month with LCC

Fajita Bar and entertainment  
September 15, 2011  
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Tech Patio

September 20, 2011  
Lunch  
11:30 a.m.-12:30p.m.  
Learning Resource Center Atrium  
Symposium  
Learning Resource Center Auditorium  
11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

## WLV Class of 1986 reunion set for Sept. 23-24

The West Las Vegas Class of 1986 will be having its 25th Year Reunion on Friday, Sept. 23 and Saturday, Sept. 24. Classes from 1987, 1988 and 1989 are also invited to participate. Please RSVP by Aug. 31. You can Facebook West Las Vegas Class of 1986. For more information call Dawna Ortega Gallegos at 505/718-8774, Gary Gold at 505/718-2300 or Lori Trujillo Gonzales at 505/718-9640.

The itinerary is as follows:

**Friday, Sept. 23**—Tailgate Party at 4 p.m. outside Perkins Stadium; Attend Dons' Football Game at 7 p.m.; Social gathering after the game at El Rialto Rye Lounge.

**Saturday, Sept. 24**—Dinner on your own from 5-7 p.m. at El Rialto; Social gathering at Leger's at 9 p.m.

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# ELECTIONS

BECOME A STUDENT LEADER.  
RUN FOR LCC Student Government

VOTE  
VOTE  
VOTE

Elections to be held on

Thurs. Sept. 29th & Fri. Sept. 30th  
&

Pickup applications beginning Sept. 19th

For more information go to

[www.luna.edu](http://www.luna.edu)

or contact Student Government

at [studentgov@luna.edu](mailto:studentgov@luna.edu)



Applications may be picked up in the I.T. Dept.-Room TE-139 (Technology Bldg)