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## LCC Lady Rough Riders to scrimmage Highlands University on Saturday



**LCC's Kaitlyn Gross races to first base while Celeste Paez prepares to catch the ball during practice on Wednesday.**

It will be a classic game between David vs. Goliath. The Luna Community College Lady Rough Riders are more than happy to play the role of David as they take on NCAA Division II Highlands on Saturday. LCC is scheduled to scrimmage Highlands at 10 a.m. and El Paso Community College at 2 p.m. LCC will scrimmage Adams State at 2 p.m. on Sunday. All games will be played at the Highlands campus.

"We have been preparing all fall season with hard conditioning and fundamentals. We have played some tough competition this off-season and I hope that we continue to keep getting better and stronger every practice and game," said LCC Coach Meredith Gilpin.

Although all games are scrimmages, LCC will not be taking them lightly.

"We take every practice and every game serious. We want to pride ourselves on fundamentals and doing the little things right. We will hustle and compete to our fullest," said Gilpin.

Scores will not be kept. Official games are played in the spring. However, the opportunity to play up in competition is great for LCC.

"We want to try and be as competitive as possible and our goal in playing all these University's is to get our athletes exposure to that level and to help them to get recruited to these schools. It is important that we play "Luna" softball no matter who our opponent is," said Gilpin. "The ladies will play hard and we should play very fundamental softball."

## LCC Faculty Senate moving forward

**By Leslie Jay Dennis**

For some time now, Luna Community College Student Government has given all students a voice in issues affecting their academic experience. For instance, thanks to them, we now have two new beautiful buses and safe transportation to and from LCC activities. Meanwhile, faculty members had to rely on their department directors to be heard on matters affecting faculty and academics. At most nationally accredited academic institutions across the country, there is some form of faculty governance in place to bring the front lines of

student and faculty concerns to the floor of college-board meetings. This concept has a long-standing, even global, tradition first encountered in the Yale Report of 1828. Here at LCC, another challenge of meeting this nationally-recognized standard for higher education has been reached, our own system of faculty governance. Those absent from the metaphorical confetti popping and balloon dropping on Sept. 19 in Santa Rosa, missed a major turning point in LCC history. Thanks to the hard work and determination of a group of LCC faculty, the Board of Trustees' officially

approved a faculty proposal to form a faculty senate. This accomplishment is the latest marker of academic excellence at LCC, and congratulations goes out to all those who helped, even in a small way, to prepare for this momentous occasion.

Led by Culinary Arts Chef, Adrienne O'Brien, those faculty members who have participated in this process now reach out to the rest of LCC faculty members to become involved in this significant opportunity.

**To read the full story, see Monday's Luna Light**