

# The Luna Light



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## College Night scheduled for Feb. 12

Luna Community College, along with New Mexico Highlands University will be sponsoring “College Night 2013” from 5-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at the Abe Montoya Recreation Center Gymnasium. The event is open to high school juniors and seniors along with their parents as well as anyone interested in obtaining college information.

Faculty and staff from both institutions will be available to discuss such things as admissions, financial aid, registration, certificate and degree programs, scholarships and transferring of courses.

“It’s important for prospective students to attend this event,” said Luna Community College Director of Recruitment and Admissions Moses Marquez. “Both the student and their parents will receive valuable information.”

Faculty and staff members from Luna Community College and New Mexico Highlands University will be on-hand featuring academic and vocational programs.

Luna Community College is a comprehensive community college with a broad range of vocational and technical programs at the certificate and associate level. Luna Community College faculty and staff are committed to helping students succeed.

Luna Community College offers flexible class schedules, which includes day, evening, weekend, short term, ITV and distance learning courses.

For more information regarding “College Night 2013,” contact the Luna Community College Office of Recruitment and Admissions at 505/454-5312.



**Luna Community College Business and Professional Studies Director Renee Garcia talks with LCC Admissions and Recruiting Director Moses Marquez and Highlands University Recruiting Director Gil Gonzales during the LCC Half Hour Radio Show at KNMX on Wednesday. The program airs at 1 p.m. every other Wednesday. The show is available to students, faculty, staff, administration and community members that want to discuss educational issues. To be a guest on the show, please call Jesse Gallegos at 505/454-2510 or email him at [jgallegos@luna.edu](mailto:jgallegos@luna.edu).**

Anyone interested in sending a column, article, photo or information that they would like to see included in The Luna Light, please e-mail [jgallegos@luna.edu](mailto:jgallegos@luna.edu) or call him at 505/454-2510.

The last day to register for classes is Tuesday, Jan. 22

LCC: “The People’s College” welcomes you  
and wishes everyone a prosperous 2013

# Rough Rider Grill receives an A+

The New Mexico Environment Department for Food Establishment Inspections/ Risk Assessments Report has once again given Luna Community College's Rough Rider Grill an A+ approved facility. The Rough Rider Grill passed its inspection with flying colors.

This is the sixth consecutive year that the kitchen passed with a green sticker.

"It's taken a lot of hard work from many people to get where we are at today," said LCC Food Services Manager Paul Sandoval. "I am very appreciative of everyone's effort."



**Paul Sandoval**

## 2013 can be your year

By Jesse Gallegos

### *A Different Perspective*



Raise your hand if at any point in your life you have wanted to improve it. Needless to say I have my hand raised.

My next question is why can't or why shouldn't 2013 be your year? I really mean this. Going through the school of hard knocks has taught me that at the end of the day if we want change, we have to start from within.

At the very least give me a chance to explain myself before you give up on this column. As the world continues to turn and perhaps evolve, our challenges have become bigger and broader.

However, there is nothing wrong with a new beginning. Most mistakes that we have made throughout our lives can be overcome. But it starts with each of us to stop blaming others for our misfortunes or misdeeds and taking a closer look at the mirror. And if the mirror doesn't break with my reflection, it shouldn't break with yours.

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Luna Community College student Carmen Lopez happily displays here fondness of the NFL's Miami Dolphins. Lopez, who is taking a computer class at the college, has been a lifetime Dolphin fan. Lopez wanted Jim and John Harbaugh to meet in the Super Bowl. Jim coaches the Baltimore Ravens, while John coaches the San Francisco 49'ers. Lopez is taking a computer class for self enrichment.

### *Weekly activities*

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lead Advisory Team (L.A.T.) Meeting (Student Services 102)

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. LCC Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting (Student Services Bldg. 102)

Friday, January 25, 2013

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. AHEC San Miguel Health Council Members Meeting (Student Services Bldg. 102)

Saturday, January 26, 2013

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. C.N.A. Testing (Rooms NO-7 & MO-11)



# 2013...

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Start with small and obtainable goals. You will be amazed on how little subtle changes can play huge dividends in the future.

Perhaps some of us need to avoid situations that get us into trouble or that are simply troublesome. At times as a society we over-think and that can be dangerous. We are conditioned to think that things are bad; therefore misery and drudgery takes place. That doesn't have to be the case. We have to at least try to not let negative thoughts in our mind, which eventually, can get out of hand.

The year 2013 could very well be the time for us to have more patience with one another—to listen rather than to speak, to give more of ourselves and not expect much from others.

**If we can all gain a better understanding of being nicer to one another, 2013 may just be the year that we all prosper.**

In America, the beginning of the year is a time when we reflect on the past and look to the promise of the present and future. To bring true change in oneself can either be a sprint or a marathon. Timetables are set, but it is only when we began to be true to ourselves that we see real change. We all have good intentions and probably have failed in many of them. However, true success could very well be in the fact that we get up time after time and try again.

How many of us are prideful, thinking that we can do everything by ourselves, or that without us things won't get done. We have to make more effort to cooperate with our fellow workers, instructors, students and family members. If we do this, things will get better.

I don't want be like many people and tell you the sky is the limit. To many of us, it's not. But if we have good intentions in everything we do, things may just fall into place. Sometimes we end up cheating ourselves of our own happiness.

If we can all gain a better understanding of being nicer to one another, 2013 may just be the year that we all prosper.



**These photos of the Pecos River were taken on Wednesday morning in El Valle, N.M. Although they are picturesque, they may signify something even bigger. The top photo shows the results of a recent snow storm and freeze, while the bottom photo shows the sun shining brightly allowing the river to start flowing smoother—the end of something and the beginning of something else.**

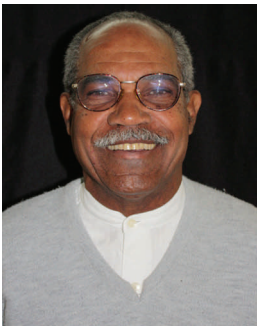




Luna Community College nursing students Enrique Montoya and Dan Thomas enjoy the snow last week. Montoya is from Chapel, N.M., and Thomas is from southern California. For more information on the nursing program, call 505/454-2521.

### ***Celebrity Look-Alike Contest***

*We are asking individuals to vote on which picture looks closer to our Luna Community College employee. Please e-mail your vote to [jgallegos@luna.edu](mailto:jgallegos@luna.edu) or by calling extension 1200. Votes will be taken until 3 p.m. on Tuesday. If you would like to volunteer for a look-alike, please call ext. 1200. Remember this is all in fun.*



**Harry Anderson**

and



**Lionel Richie**

or



**Anthony Baca**

and



**Al Pacino**