

The Luna Light

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Students enjoy orientation; looking forward to their stay at Luna CC



Monique Ybarra
Carlsbad
General Studies

"It's a little nerve-racking; this is all new to me, but I'm sure it will be fine."



Alex D'arezzo
Los Lunas
Pre-engineering

"It's something new. I came here to play baseball. I want to join the military and be an officer one day."



Carmen Ortega
Las Vegas
Computer Science

"Coming to Luna is my first choice. I'm closer to family here. I want to start off here and then go on to a university."



Garret Garcia
Valencia
General Studies

"I like that it is a smaller campus where instructors get to help you more. Eventually I would like to get a four-year degree."



Ryan Anderson
Albuquerque
General Studies

"I'm excited about baseball and living on my own. I would like to be a physical trainer one day."



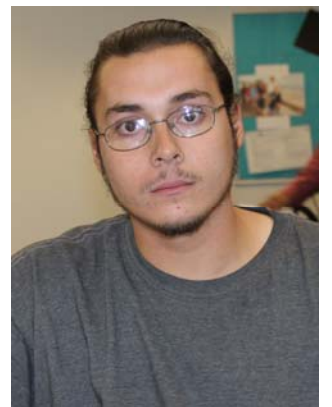
Jessica Howard
Carlsbad
General Studies

"I'm looking forward to college. I've been looking forward to coming to Luna for a while."



Marisa Garcia
Albuquerque
Dental Assisting

"I like the student-to-teacher ratio. You get more one-on-one attention here."



Arthur Torres
Las Vegas
Nursing

"I'm very excited and I like the campus. People here have a good attitude."

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Andrew Quintana
Pecos
Barbering

"I'm a retired detective from Santa Fe. I'm looking forward to being here. One day I would like to open up a barbershop in Pecos."



Aspen Salazar
Austin
Nursing

"It's beautiful here and a lot colder. I'm excited to start. Eventually I would like to be a traveling nurse and specialize in neurology."



Christina Jaramillo
Raton
General Studies

"I'm excited and nervous about this opportunity, but I'm looking forward to it."



Destiny Romero
Las Vegas
Nursing

"I'm excited to start something new. One day I would like to get a job in Albuquerque."



**Luna
Community
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Luna Community College's Marie Trigg leads new students around campus during student orientation.



Several Luna Community College employees attended the student orientation at the Santa Rosa Satellite. Pictured (bottom, l-r) are: Admissions and Recruiting Director Moses Marquez; Vice-President of Instruction Dr. Vidal Martinez and Humanities Instructor Cindy Armijo. Pictured (top, l-r) are: Computer Center Interim Director Daniel Atencio; Collision Repair Instructor Anthony Baca; Institutional Research Abran Romero; Veterans Specialist Joseph Cruz; Vocational Education Director Gary Martinez; Humanities Director Shirley Marlow; Allied Health Director Andrellita Chavez; School of Business Director and Faculty Instructor Carolyn Chavez; Santa Rosa Physical Plant Employee Marie Bachicha and Santa Rosa Satellite Director Albert Campos.

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Luna Community College students, faculty, staff and community, a Rough Rider Meal Card is available. The Rough Rider Meal Card can be purchased at the LCC Fiscal Office. For more information, call LCC Food Services Manager Paul Sandoval at 505/454-2581.

2015 Luna CC Student Orientation



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LCC Dental Assisting Program highlighted in national dental newsletter

The 2015 Luna Community College Dental Assisting class was recently recognized in the Dental Assisting National Board newsletter. Luna Community College students were recognized for their New Mexico Mission of Mercy participation in October of 2014. New Mexico Mission of Mercy is a group of volunteers in the profession that provide service to individuals in need of dental work.

“It is amazing to see our students get recognized in this national newsletter,” said Luna Community College Dental Assisting Administrator Gloria Pacheco. “I am very impressed with the students’ dedication and effort.”

Luna Community College was part of about 1,300 volunteers that provided free dental care in a two-day clinic last October.

**“The students had a lot of enthusiasm toward this. They had a great attitude and were very committed,—
Gloria Pacheco.**

“It was a lot of hard work,” said Pacheco. “Everyone had to get up very early and stay late. The students had a lot of enthusiasm toward this. They had a great attitude and were very committed.”

Pacheco said that although everyone

was exhausted after the second day of volunteering there was a sense of accomplishment.

“It was worth the effort for everyone,” said Pacheco. “There was a general feeling that it was great to give back to people in need.”

Among the services provided were oral surgery, restorations, cleanings and x-rays.

“We intend to do be part of this program again this year,” said

Pacheco. “Everyone is looking forward to this.”

Luna Community College’s Dental Assisting Program had 10 graduates last year. For more information the dental assisting program, call 505/454-2528.

Luna Community College students and employees took part of Meet Your Rough Riders Day, recently. The college provided hot dogs and sodas as part of Welcome Back Week. Some students took part of a volleyball game as part of the activity. For more photos, see next page.



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VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER



The Veterans Resource Center at Luna Community College is an area where Veterans and their dependents may seek information, guidance and support regarding educational opportunities as well as peer to peer mentoring.

Location

Access Center
Room #114
Student Services Building

Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 8:00am-5:00pm

Come and meet your
Veteran Student Specialist Joseph Cruz or
call the Veteran Resource Center at 505-454-5317



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BE THE VOICE OF THE STUDENTS!
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NOMINATIONS OPEN
AUGUST 24TH

DEADLINE FOR PETITIONS
SEPTEMBER 4TH BY 5:00PM

CANDIDATES WILL BE VERIFIED BY
SEPTEMBER 8TH

VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE
SEPTEMBER 16TH & 17TH



For more information contact SG Advisors Dawna Ortega-Gallegos & Joyce Garcia
at 505-454-2500 or email studentgovernment@luna.edu

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Luna Community College students enjoying new auto collision facility

Angel Benavidez had a few options of attending colleges that offered auto collision. Benavidez, a freshman, through assistance of her high school teacher Chris Coriz, made the decision to attend Luna Community College.

Benavidez says she made the right one.

"I was looking for schools and Mr. Coriz called up Anthony Baca (Luna Community College auto collision instructor) and he told us about the program," said Benavidez.

Benavidez and other students are learning in a new 5,100 square foot building with new equipment.

"I love the new building; it's so nice," said Benavidez. "I like the fact that when we sand we don't breath in all the dust; it's OSHA safety zone approved."

The new building is located on the southwest corner of the Luna Community College campus.

"With the new semester it looks really promising," said Baca. "When students see updated equipment and new facilities they realize that Luna Community College has invested a lot in this program. It is motivating the students a lot more."

Luna Community College is currently renovating the building technologies building. It will also renovate the auto technologies and welding building as well.



Luna Community College Auto Collision students Angel Benavidez, Russ Laughlin and Lawrence Valerio are just a few of the students that are enjoying a new building with updated equipment. Pictured with them is Luna Community College Auto Collision Instructor Anthony Baca.

LCC Santa Rosa and Springer Satellite Orientation



Luna Community College directors and instructors met with several dozen students from the Springer and Santa Rosa area during their orientation recently.



Luna Community College Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Instructor Sequoia Romero teaches local youth on exploring prototype basic circuits using kits and parts. The students lit up lights connected to switches and learned how electric cars work. They learned how things connect which is the most important aspect. They enjoyed playing games that incorporate circuitry. This was part of a youth camp offered by the Luna Community College's community education office.



Luna Community College students enjoyed music and food recently during a pizza party sponsored by the LCC ACCESS Center.



Luna Community College students Joshua Abeyta and John Sotres took some time to stop by and get some popcorn at the Student Services Building as part of Welcome Back Week. Luna Community College's ACCESS Center sponsored the activities.

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