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Your life makes a difference in this world

By Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President

When we were born, our families were making over us and making comments like; he's a cutie, she's beautiful, she's going to be daddy's little girl, he's going to be a famous football player, and the list of compliments went on. Then, the parents' thoughts, dreams and commitment began. I wonder what my daughter or son will become. I'll give everything I have so my child will reach her or his goals? That's at the beginning of life.

At the end of a persons' life, people say good things like: she had a lot of faith, he was a good father, she loved her children and made them all feel special, and he taught his children how to hunt and fish. Why is it that at the beginning of life we have high hopes for each other and at the end of a person's life we speak well of them, but in-between, we may react differently? Jim Rohn, American entrepreneur,

said, "If you don't design your own life plan, chances are you'll fall into someone else's plan. And guess what they have planned for you? Not much."

When we think about it, what's in-between life and death makes the difference! Accidents unfortunately happen, students learn differently and pursue careers parents didn't expect, experienced supervisors lose patience with the work of new employees, parents express disappointment with their children's grades and choices made, and the list of unexpected daily happenings affect what we think of and how we respond to others. Eleanor Roosevelt, longest-serving First Lady of the United States (3-1933 to 4-1945), said, "Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people."

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Former Luna Community College Auto Collision student David Barela stands next to his 1969 Plymouth GTX at the Santa Rosa Car Show registration on Friday evening. To see more photos of both the car show and the Las Vegas Fourth of July Parade, please see inside pages.



Fall classes begin on Monday, Aug. 18

Makes a difference...

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Our reaction to life's struggles doesn't have to be discouraging or disparaging. Dictionary.com defines discouraging as: to deprive of courage, hope, or confidence; dishearten; dispirit. Merriam-Webster Online defines disparaging as: to describe (someone or

something) as unimportant, weak, bad, etc. Instead, our life's stories can be described and promoted as priceless, individualistic, and complementary. According to the Web, complementary is described as: combining in such a way as to enhance or emphasize the qualities of each other or another. The choice is ours! Do

we accept the negativity and cynicism of others who really aren't trying to help us, or do we put their self-interests aside, grasp each other's hands, move forward sometimes under pressure, and live up to the aspirations others had for us at birth and the accomplishments we will achieve that will be talked about at our passing? Tony Robbins, American life coach, said, "People who succeed have momentum. The more they succeed the more they want to succeed, and the more they find a way to succeed. Similarly, when someone is failing, the tendency is to get on a downward spiral that can even become a self-fulfilling prophecy."

Reality is what we make it! If we leave reality to someone else

to define for us, then we have no other alternative but to live with what they make of it. Let's garner valuable experience, don't blame; but believe in and support each other, work as a team, improve upon our current personal and employment situations, and contribute to making our college better.

Our students deserve the best academic, professional, and social environment possible. This will be delivered to them when we take the high road, perform to the best of our ability, continue to develop and master our skills, and respond to each other in a respectful manner. According to John C. Maxwell,

an American author, "There are three roads that we can take in life: The low road – where we treat people worse than they treat us; The middle road – where we treat people the same as they treat us; and, The high road – where we treat people better than they treat us."

What we do and how we treat each other in-between birth and death is the true measurement of our contributions to our success and the success of others. At Luna Community College, what's inbetween makes the difference. Harriet Tubman, African-American humanitarian, said, "Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."



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Luna Community College Auto Collision Instructor Anthony Baca was one of several people who participated in the 2014 Santa Rosa Car Show. He is pictured here next to his 1972 Buick Centurion. The LCC Automotive Club helps car shows throughout the college's service area. Baca was the lucky winner of a 350 Crate Motor.







Applications for the 2014-2015

School Year
Are NOW Being Accepted

Your child <u>MUST</u> be 4 years old <u>BEFORE</u> September 1, 2014.

Applications & Information available at Luis E. Armijo Elementary School (505) 426-2661

Please bring Birth Certificate and Proof of Income (Income does NOT determine eligibility)



Several Luna Community College students, employees and family members participated in the Las Vegas Fourth of July Parade on Saturday morning.



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Project GUTS-Growing Up Thinking Scientifically Summer Program



WHO: Calling all 5th,6th, 7th, & 8th Graders

WHAT: The Project GUTS Summer Program In Las Vegas, NM

Offers students an opportunity to:

- Learn Fundamentals of Computer Science
- Program a computer model or game
- Learn StarLogo and Scratch
- Explore a scientific topic of your choice
- Make a presentation using PowerPoint and EXCEL
- Learn the mathematics needed for each of the projects

WHEN: Monday, July 14th to Friday, July 18th

from 1:00pm - 5:00pm.

WHERE: Luna Community College

To Register: Contact Carla Romero phone: (505) 429-3095 or

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2014 Las Vegas Fourth of July Parade









Parade photos by Moses Marquez

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Sharing a compliment

In today's fast-paced world, oftentimes we don't take time to appreciate one another. segment on a regular basis. The Luna Light is beginning a segment where people can share compliments. What is interesting about this segment is that the individual that shares the compliment will not have their name published. Anyone wishing to share a compliment about someone can e-mail their quote to

jgallegos@luna.edu. We hope to publish this

Carolyn Chavez

I just wanted to say thank you to Luna Community College Human Resource Director Carolyn Chavez and her staff for the work that they do and for their assistance. In addition, I would also like to thank President Dr. Pete Campos. Also, a thank you to the board of trustees for the things they do, especially the little things like the Christmas bag of peanuts, candy, valentine cupcakes, cookies, and balloons. Kudos to the human resource department for their involvement in this project. Thank you.

2014 Santa Rosa Car Show

















































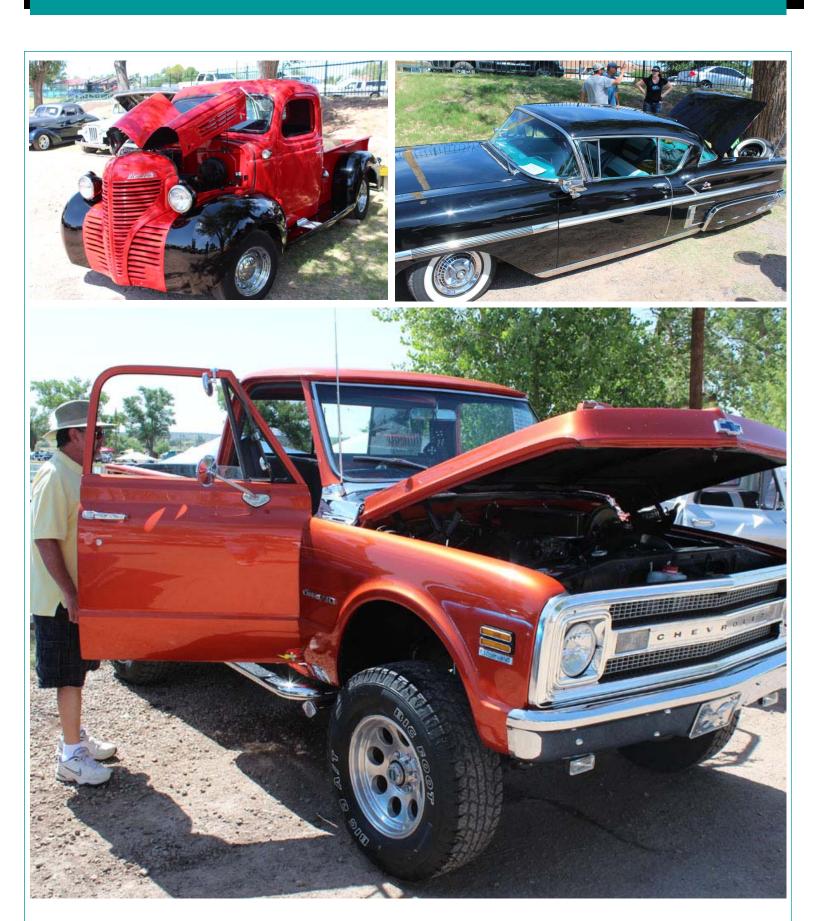












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