Luna Community College lefty pitcher J.D. Heredia traveled West over the summer. As it turned out his status in the baseball community went north. Heredia, a graduate of Mayfield High in Las Cruces, caught the eye of college scouts as he went 4-2 with an earned run average of 5.1 for his Redding Colts in the Far West Collegiate League in California. Two of his victories came over the best teams in the league—Humboldt and Marysville.

“I knew it was going to be a good experience for him,” said LCC Assistant Head Coach Darren Wheat. “It excelled his playing level. Three players that were part of this league were drafted, including one in the sixth round.”

Heredia said that he learned a lot both on and off the field.

“It was a fun and learning experience for me. In the off days, you prepared for your next start. My head coach out there Greg Caderet played in the big leagues with the Yankees and A’s. I’m excited to bring what I learned back to Luna Community College,” said Heredia.

Heredia says that his goal is to play at a four-year college.

“This experience is going to help me play at another level; it was like a minor league atmosphere out there,” said Heredia.

There was very little rest for Heredia and his team, who often played five to six times a week.

“I had to become responsible being 1,000 miles away from home,” said Heredia.

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Luna Community College Foundation Board Chairman Ernesto Salazar (far right) recognizes the PNM team consisting of Paul Gutierrez, Mike D’Antonio, Sayuri Yamada and Matt Jaramillo as the gross winners of Saturday’s Annual Foundation Golf Tournament. Sixteen teams competed in this year’s tourney. For more on this year’s Foundation Golf Tourney see next week’s Luna Light.
J.D. Heredia...

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Heredia. “We were at the ballpark at 4 p.m. and were there until midnight.”

Heredia had the opportunity to compete against players from Oklahoma, Oral Roberts and the University of Michigan.

“I was very proud to wear my black LCC shirt everyday in practice.” said Heredia.

Wheat, who himself played in the league during the summer months when he was a member of the Highlands team, said that he hopes to get other Luna Community College players on board as well.

“This experience is good for any college player. Something I take pride in is networking with other coaches,” says Wheat. “J.D. represented Luna very well.”

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING VACANT JOB POSITIONS:

- Adjunct Faculty/Per Course Instructor
- Temporary Part-Time Assistant Softball Coaches (2)
- Temporary Part-Time Pecos Coordinator
- Full-Time Faculty- Medical Surgical Nursing Instructor
- Full-Time Faculty- Nursing Retention Specialist/Instructor, Medical Surgical Nursing

FOR JOB DESCRIPTION(S) AND/OR CLOSING DATES, CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AT (505) 454-2503 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.LUNA.EDU

Jesse’s quick hits

Remember to smile a few times a day. I hope this helps—Jesse

Why do wolves have bad table manners?
Because they wolf down their food.

What do you get if you cross a bear and a skunk?
Winnie the Phew

Shy do bears get cold?
Because they have bear feet.
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)-217-6158, e-mail @ designatlad@nemexisco.com. We strongly encourage students to pre-register for this class.

LCC Back-2-School BBQ

Tuesday, August 30, 2011
11:30a.m. - 1:00p.m.
@ the Cafeteria Patio
Music, Activities & Fun...
Meet your Rough Riders Day
LCC
“The People’s College”
Government contracting: A new path to more revenue

By Elaine Palin, Procurement Advisor, Procurement Technical Assistance Program at Santa Fe Community College

In times of economic upheaval when private sector output slows, government contracts may mean the difference between running a company at profit rather than loss. The Procurement Technical Assistance Program, set up by the New Mexico Small Business Development Network in 2009, is a non-profit organization that helps small businesses obtain government contracts.

PTAP counselors provide seminars and help clients identify government contract opportunities. Most PTAP services are provided free of charge. The federal- and state-funded organization has helped more than 600 New Mexico clients obtain over $70 million in government contracts.

PTAP also prepares businesses to become certified. Certifications can make it easier for businesses to win government contracts and prepare owners for the managerial and technical capabilities needed to compete for and fulfill contracts.

The many types of government certifications include 8(a) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise; Economically Disadvantaged Women-owned Small Business; HUBZone Small Business, for economically disadvantaged locations; Small Business and Small Disadvantaged Business, through the U.S. Small Business Administration; and Veteran and Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, through the New Mexico Department of Veteran’s Services.

New Mexico PTAP also offers certification to help every type of business compete for government contracts at any level of government procurement. This state-recognized certificate requires completion of five workshops in addition to at least four hours of counseling.

Pursuing certification only makes sense if it attracts more business, offers an advantage when bidding on a project, or offers access to otherwise unavailable government opportunities.

To become certified, the business must be a small business owned and operated by a U.S. citizen meeting the requirements of the desired certification. A veteran-owned small business, for example, must be owned and operated by a bona fide veteran. The applicant must be involved in the daily operation of the business and responsible for all decisions made on behalf of the business.

The ownership must be real, substantial and continuing — going beyond what might be reflected in a business’s ownership documents. The applicant must share in all risks and profits commensurate with his ownership interest. He must unconditionally own at least 51 percent of the business or — if it’s a publicly owned business — at least 51 percent of the stock.

Business owners interested in learning more about PTAP services and certification programs can obtain information from the seven Procurement Technical Assistance Centers in New Mexico. Counselors are available, and workshops are held in conjunction with New Mexico’s Small Business Development Centers. For additional information or to locate the nearest PTAP office, visit http://www.nmsbdc.org/ptap-government.html.
Weekly Activities

Monday, August 29, 2011
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Tuesday, August 30, 2011
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Welcome Back-2-School Barbeque (IPC/Cafeteria)
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Wednesday, August 31, 2011
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Thursday, September 1, 2011
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Friday, September 2, 2011
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Saturday, September 3, 2011
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102B

Sunday, September 4, 2011
No Activities Scheduled
ELECTIONS
BECOME A STUDENT LEADER.
RUN FOR LCC Student Government

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
or contact Student Government
at studentgov@luna.edu

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