Gamertsfelder to students: go for the gold

Gary Gamertsfelder first arrived on the Luna Community College campus in the fall of 2009. Like many college students, Gamertsfelder didn’t know what to expect. Everything was new to him.

Today, Gamertsfelder is one of the college’s leaders making a name for himself and LCC by finishing in the top 10 two years ago in the National SkillsUSA refinishing (auto collision) competition. Gamertsfelder is the New Mexico SkillsUSA College Student President. And his advice to LCC SkillsUSA competitors is simple—get involved in your college—and stay involved in your college.

“The importance of being involved in your college is you make the most out of it,” says Gamertsfelder. “By getting involved you get the most out of your education.”

Gamertsfelder will be graduating from LCC in May with a degree in vocational technical studies. He will study business at UNM in the fall. Over the next few weeks, Gamertsfelder wants to help out as many LCC students as he can.

“I really want to help out all Luna students who will be competing at the state competition now in March,” says Gamertsfelder. “If anyone needs any material for their information, they need to call me.”

Gamertsfelder says SkillsUSA is important to LCC.

“SkillsUSA is a great recruiting tool for the college,” says Gamertsfelder. “When we go to state competition, our programs here at Luna Community College are regarded in a high manner.”

Gamertsfelder says that LCC has a lot to offer to students.

“Our programs are great here, more students out there need to know what we have here. This is a great college,” said Gamertsfelder. “If we had more students, we could be more of a leader in the workplace.”

LCC students traditionally do well at SkillsUSA.

“I’m confident that the students this year will do great,” said Gamertsfelder. “We have great advisors and our students have an understanding of what to expect. They know what it takes to get the gold.”

Gamertsfelder is expected to speak at the this year’s opening ceremony.

“Dorothy Simpson, our public speaking instructor is awesome; she has taught me a lot. She’s the one that has taught me a lot on how to address an audience,” says Gamertsfelder.

One last piece of advice from Gamertsfelder.

“Don’t be afraid to shoot for the stars. Don’t give up,” he says.
The Luna Community College baseball team took a 4-3 win over New Mexico Military Institute on Sunday in a nine inning game at home. The win puts them at 8-18 on the year. They are scheduled to play NMMI in a doubleheader on Monday and Trinidad State at home on Friday and Saturday.

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Luna Community College fared well at the 2012 legislature. LCC will receive a 3.7 percent increase for instruction and general purposes. It will also see consistent funding in the nursing program and an increase in athletics.

In addition to the funding, a $4 million appropriation that will be used for renovation will be part of the statewide general obligation bond election in November. Should it pass, it will allow LCC to renovate the building trades, automotive, welding and auto collision buildings. An appropriation of $300,000 that was intended to purchase two buses for Luna Community College was vetoed.

The college would like to thank Student Government President Joanna Tsyitee and the LCC Student Senate for their support.

Other local appropriations include: $6 million for Highlands University’s Trolley Building (GOB) and $4.7 million for the New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute.

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Meet your Rough Riders

Ccatchers top photo (l-r) are: Hayden Mauch, Anthony Martinez, Alex Sallard, and Bryson K. Aoki.

Infielders (top, l-r): Rico Ortega, Jaron Dorcinez, Carlos Arreguin, Matthew Martinez, Gregory Siqueiros and Hayden Mauch, (Bottom, l-r): Omar Villa, Manuel Soto, Michael Baloin, Kris Martinez and Ridge Hoopii-Haslam.

Outfielders top photo (l-r) Michael Valois, Paul Canepa, Edwin J. Pacris, Spencer Reed, Matthew Martinez, Andres Urrutia, Ricky Gonzalez and Ridge Hoopii-Haslam.

Pitchers bottom photo (l-r) Marco Velez, Edwin Huez, Matt Houser, Michael Martinez, Matthew Martinez, Scott Schlosser, and Quintin Mansfield. (bottom, l-r) Ian Arthur, Alex Meza, Seth Joe, John Tafoya, Brandon Barela and Daniel Holyoke.

LCC: “The People’s College”
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8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Fire Refresher Training SWFF Crew/Advanced Training USDA Forest/Pecos Ranger District (Allied Health/LO-1) 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Monthly Water Board Meeting (Technologies/126B)

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Pea and Ben Salad
Recipe from Patricia Kuhlman
1 can green beans (drained)
1 can peas (drained)
1/2 large onion (chopped)
1 cup cubed cheddar cheese
1 small can green diced chili
Put all ingredients in a salad bowl and put 1/3 cup of Miracle Whip and toss together.

Bread
Banana Bread
Recipe from Daniel Montoya
2 eggs
1 cup sugar
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1/2 cup vegetable shortening
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 cup chopped nuts
1 cup mashed bananas
1/2 cup sour milk (buttermilk)
1 tsp baking soda
Cream shortening and sugar, add eggs and beat well. Mash bananas, add to creamed mixture. Combine flour, salt, soda and milk and add to previous mixture. Add nuts. Bake for 1 hour at 250 degrees in a loaf pan to make muffins baking for 20 minutes.

Dessert
Classic Boston Cream Pie
Recipe from Carissa Duran
1/3 cup shortening
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup milk

Rich Filling (recipe follows)

Dark Cocoa Glaze (recipe follows)

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour one 9 inch round baking pan.

Beat shortening, sugar, eggs and vanilla in large bowl until fluffy. Stir together flour, baking powder and salt; add alternately with milk to shortening mixture. Pour batter into prepared pan.

Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan to wire rack. Cool completely.

Prepare Rich Filling. Using long serrated knife, cut cake horizontally into two even layers. Place 1 layer on serving plate cut side up; spread filling over layer. Top with remaining layer, cut side down. Prepare Dark Cocoa Glaze. Pour glaze over top of cake, allowing glaze to drizzle down sides. Refrigerate several hours or until cold. Cover; refrigerate leftover dessert.

Rich filling

Makes about 2 cups filling
1/3 cup sugar
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1 1/2 cups milk
2 egg yolks, slightly beaten
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

In a medium saucepan; gradually add milk and egg yolks, stirring until blended. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to a boil. Boil and stir 1 minute. Remove from heat; stir in butter and vanilla. Cover; refrigerate several hours until cold.

Dark Cocoa Glaze

Makes about 1/4 cup of glaze
3 tablespoons water
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 tablespoons Hershey’s cocoa
1 cup powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Heat water and butter in small saucepan over medium heat until mixture begins to boil; remove from heat. Stir in cocoa immediately. Gradually add powdered sugar and vanilla, beating with whisk until smooth; cool slightly.
Title V Newsletter

Luna Community College’s Title V Mission:

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TITLE V CONTINUES TO MOVE FORWARD!

The Title V program notes its successes that have transpired in the last five years. The staff has been the contributing factor. We all continue to push the limits on what’s best for the students.

Title V would like to thank Luna Community College’s Grant Manager Georgia Baca for her role in keeping the financial records for Title V in order. Georgia’s expertise, dedication and professionalism are truly appreciated by the staff. Luna Community College is fortunate to have Georgia in the fiscal office!

Welcome Chris Kelly to Luna Community College as our Title V online tutor. Hours are as follows:
- Mon: 12:30pm – 2:00pm
- Tue: 10am – 2:30pm
- Thur: 4:00pm – 9:00pm
- Fri: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Title V Director Lorraine Martinez has been asked once again to present at the National Conference in San Antonio, Texas on Institutionalization. Title V has been a major investment for Luna Community College.

The Recording Studio was recently used during the noon hour for Luna Community College baseball and softball pictures. Thank you Jesse Gallegos, you did a GREAT job!

Successes
- Courtesy Calls to Students
- Online Enrollment
- Standardization
- Syllabus
- PLATO
- Trainings
- Online Tutors
- Online Services
- Registration
- Payment
- Financial aid

Weaknesses
- Santa Rosa Lab Completion
- LCC Buy In
- Pecos Lab Location

Title V Staff
- Lorraine Martinez, Project Director
- Tiffany Young, Administrative Assistant
- Larry Pairs, Instructional Designer
- John Terman, Online Student Services Developer
- Rick Roybal, Distance Education Technician
Luna Community College Athletic Director Ron Gonzales (far right) supervises a Rough Rider baseball game recently at Brandt Park. Gonzales says that although the recent bus proposal for the college was vetoed, the college is still committed to acquiring them.

Luna Community College students Michael Rivera, Carlos Jose Gonzales, Tom Nitcznski (automotive instructor) and Lucio Garcia change out some ball joints on a truck. For more information on LCC Automotive Classes, please call 505/454-2590.