

The Luna Light



*“The People’s College”
Becoming The Premier Rural Community College in America*

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Armijo Elementary student Hanna Mora takes a photo with New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez and New Mexico Secretary of Education Hanna Skandera. Martinez visited Armijo Elementary School Friday afternoon emphasizing to students the importance of a good education. Martinez also took the time to read a book for one of the classes. For more photos, see pages 6 and 7.

Ortega earns certificate from UNM

Luna Community College Business Studies Instructor Elaine Ortega successfully completed a 10-week online Business Ethics Certificate designed for business ethics educators, program managers, or organizational ethics managers concerned with the development and implementation of ethics programs in the work environment. This course was broadcasted from UNM Anderson School of Management; which provided the framework and best practices to effectively teach business ethics.



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LCC enters into an articulation agreement with Ashford

Luna Community College and Ashford University of Clinton, Iowa recently entered into an articulation agreement to establish transferability of Luna Community College course credits to Ashford University. An analysis of all LCC courses is currently underway to determine course equivalencies.

The agreement formally recognizes that Ashford University and LCC are active educational collaborators, committed to providing greater educational opportunities and services for students transferring between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless transfer that embraces

the principle that transfer students should not be required to repeat competencies already achieved.

A Luna Community College link will be placed on Ashford’s Website as well as a list of articulated courses. The articulation of courses will be broad and of great benefit to all programs.

Rough Rider Baseball

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Date	Opponent	Location	Games	Times	Results
1/28/2011	Paradise Valley JC	Phoenix, AZ	2 7's	12:00	
1/29/2011	Paradise Valley JC	Phoenix, AZ	2 7's	12:00	
2/4/2011	Eastern Arizona	Thatcher, AZ	2 7's	12:00	
2/5/2011	Eastern Arizona	Thatcher, AZ	2 7's	12:00	
2/12/2011	Otero JC	La Junta, CO	2 7's	12:00	
2/13/2011	Otero JC	La Junta, CO	2 7's	12:00	
2/15/2011	Trinidad State JC	Las Vegas, NM	2 7's	12:00	
2/18/2011	Frank Phillips	Las Vegas, NM	2 7's	12:00	
2/19/2011	Frank Phillips	Las Vegas, NM	2 7's	12:00	
2/23/2011	Trinidad State JC	Trinidad, CO	2 7's	12:00	
2/26/2011	NMMI	Roswell, NM	2 7's	12:00	
2/27/2011	NMMI	Roswell, NM	2 7's	12:00	
3/3/2011	Western Oklahoma	Altus, OK	2 7's	12:00	
3/4/2011	Western Oklahoma	Altus, OK	1 9	12:00	
3/5/2011	Western Oklahoma	Altus, OK	1 9	12:00	
3/16/2011	Jack Howell Classic	Tucson, AZ	TBA	TBA	
3/17/2011	Jack Howell Classic	Tucson, AZ	TBA	TBA	
3/18/2011	Jack Howell Classic	Tucson, AZ	TBA	TBA	
3/19/2011	Jack Howell Classic	Tucson, AZ	TBA	TBA	
3/23/2011	Trinidad State JC	Trinidad, CO		1:00	
4/3/2011	Univ. of the South West	Hobbs, NM	2 7's	12:00	
4/4/2011	Univ. of the South West	Hobbs, NM	2 7's	12:00	
4/8/2011	West Texas JC	Snyder, TX	2 7's	12:00	
4/9/2011	West Texas JC	Snyder, TX	2 7's	12:00	
4/15/2011	El Paso CC	El Paso, TX	2 7's	12:00	
4/16/2011	El Paso CC	El Paso, TX	2 7's	12:00	
4/20/2011	Wayland Baptist JV	Las Vegas, NM	2 7's	TBA	
4/21/2011	Wayland Baptist JV	Las Vegas, NM	2 7's	TBA	
4/29/2011	NMJC	Hobbs, NM	1 9	2:00	
4/30/2011	NMJC	Hobbs, NM	2 7's	12:00	

Head Coach: Antonio Siqueiros
 Head Assistant Coach: Darren Wheat
 Assistant Coach: Ryan Bruns

Luna CC speaks out

What is your New Year's resolution?



Karl Sena
Criminal Justice

"I want to maintain a positive attitude no matter what and get in better shape."

Gabriella Espinoza
Cosmetology

"To diet and exercise more."

Theresa Romero
Administrative Assistant SBDC

"To not rush. I usually rush to do everything. I need to take my time."

Jerode Wilson
Sports Performance

"To get straight A's this semester."



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- Temporary Part-Time As Needed Substitute Teacher/Caretaker-Preschool/Education
- Temporary Part-Time Departmental Student Employees (10 Positions Available)
- Nursing Retention Specialist/Instructor Medical Surgical Nursing
- Temporary Part-Time Tutors-Title V Department
- Adjunct Faculty/Per Course Instructor

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

LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. ALL POSITION POSTING FOLLOW THE LCC AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN.

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The course assists in effectively determining business ethics content, resources, teaching methods, and complying with accreditation standards.

The objective of this course is to provide the participant a systematic and complete structure to understand and teach organizational ethics. Key frameworks and concepts for teaching business ethics are discussed to assist those who are teaching and/or are planning on teaching ethics. Underlining philosophical principles are linked to how decisions are made in an organizational context. Leading business ethics experts were available on podcast to also provide their perspective.

This program is funded by the Bill Daniels Fund, fostered by Dr. O.C. Ferrell and Dr. Linda Ferrell who visited with students enrolled in LCC Business Ethics this past fall semester here at Luna Community College.

“This was a prestigious honor to have these two intellectual presenters here at Luna Community College speaking to our business students regarding ethics, which is a requirement for all business majors,” says Ortega. “It is such an important hot topic today especially in regards to organizational mishaps. I truly am very fortunate to have the opportunity to teach students the importance of business ethics as we

prepare them for the workforce where many of these issues will be encountered.”

Ortega also attended the Bill Daniels Business Ethics Workshop in May where she met many keynote speakers from many universities who spoke about the following topics:

- The Challenges of Teaching Business Ethics
- How to Infuse Business Ethics in Your Curriculum
- Business Ethics Teaching Resources & Approaches
- Teaching Business Ethics

NOTE: Dr. O.C. Ferrell is a professor of marketing and Creative Enterprise Scholar at the University of New Mexico. In 2005-2006 he was the first Bill Daniels Distinguished Professor of Business Ethics at the University of Wyoming and in charge of a statewide business ethics initiative. He is also editor of www.e-businessethics.com and has developed a business ethics certificate program through the University of New Mexico's Management Development Center. His academic research focuses on ethical decision making, stakeholder relationships and social responsibility.



Luna Community College Cosmetology Student Aleana White takes time from her studies to smile for the camera recently. White, along with other LCC cosmetology students, will be hosting an LCC Cosmetology Open House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 27. The public is invited to attend.

Announcement

The Luna Community College Nursing Program will host a site visit review for initial accreditation of its associate nursing program.

The general public is invited to meet the Nursing Accrediting Commission Visiting Team and share comments about the program in person at a meeting scheduled for 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011 in the LCC Allied Health Building.

Written comments are also welcome and should be submitted directly to:
Dr. Sharon Tanner, Chief Executive Officer
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 500
Atlanta, GA 30326
or e-mail:
stanner@nlac.org

All written comments should arrive at the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. by Thursday, February 10, 2011.

NEED HELP NAVIGATING YOUR ONLINE CLASSES?

Then you need to attend one of LCC's

Blackboard Student Trainings

- Tuesday, January 11, 2011
- Wednesday, January 12, 2011
- Wednesday, January 19, 2011
- Thursday, January 20, 2011
- Tuesday, January 25, 2011
- Wednesday, January 26, 2011
- Wednesday, February 2, 2011
- Thursday, February 3, 2011



All trainings will be held at 10:00am in the
Student Online Learning Lab

Student Services Building Room 204

For more information please call 505-454-5362

* Times and Dates subject to change due to weather conditions and/or work schedule changes.

Transparency is often uncomfortable

By Jesse Gallegos
*A Different
Perspective*

I've said this before and I will say it again, I have been involved in journalism for the last 24 years. I know, I know, I may not look that old, but unfortunately I am. Over the years working as a student reporter and editor of *La Mecha* at New Mexico Highlands, *The Las Vegas Daily Optic* as both a sports reporter and editor and as a columnist and sports journalist for *The New Mexican*, I have come up with many conclusions including this one—I believe transparency increases credibility.

Investigative reporters are rarely beloved. They make it their business to reveal the often uncomfortable perceptions of which some of the public is suspicious of. For example: The general public in the Mora County area are encouraged by the support of legislators and county officials to fund the construction of public facilities like a County Office Complex and a Community Center. But, some are not happy with the progress and therefore call upon investigative reporters to paint a dismal picture of those in charge and the current situation.

That's wrong, but it is reality! Instead, we should work out the details and our differences at the local level. That's what open, transparent and good government is all about!

What are we currently dealing with? Individuals who have reported Luna Community College and said, "Luna has an auto collision building that is not complete and is a waste of tax payer dollars!" Actually, the building is going to be a state-of-the-art auto collision hands-on and instructional facility when it is complete. Although it has been a few years since its first-phase completion, the state has undergone tough economic times and additional revenues have not been made available to complete the final phase of construction and adequate equipping of the facility. But, we have not, nor are we going to give up! Eventually, our students will reap the benefits of our vision and aggressive approach to complete and equip the building.

Webster's Dictionary defines transparent as: free from pretense or deceit; easily seen through; readily understood; and, characterized by visibility or accessibility of information. The foundational element of transparency is truth telling, being open, honest and sincere in putting one's self out there. We've done that! The essence of truth-telling is being comfortable in one's own skin. So, you may ask, why the need for transparency? The answer, trust! All conscious, healthy relation

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Gov. Susana Martinez visits Armijo Elementary



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Transparency...

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ships thrive on the basis of trust, integrity and transparency and that is what Luna Community College personnel build their existence on.

Being transparent in what we think, say and do creates a container in which others see us as being congruent and in alignment with who we think and say we are, and who we really are, leading to win-win, trusting and healthy relationships.

However, the reverse is also true. When we lack transparency, others relate to us at an

arm's length, viewing us suspiciously, vigilantly looking over their shoulder at us, and feeling untrusting and unsafe around us.

The reality is that we do care about students and seek resources that will build programs and enhance facilities, and most importantly, work hand-in-hand to provide students with a solid foundation that will strengthen their future. You be the judge. Should we collapse, give-up and say; those who criticize and undermine our educational objectives win out or should we stand up for what we believe

and what the future can bring to benefit all students? The answer is straightforward. It's important to not let any individual bring down an educational institution that serves its students well. Luna Community College serves its students well and will never be undermined by the negative reporting of those who could care less about the services we provide to students and the taxpayer. Transparency seems so simple, but it is not easy!

I believe in Luna Community College and so should you.

Community Colleges are necessary

By Lorraine Martinez
LCC Title V Director

Attending Luna Community College for 2 years and transferring to a four year college/university is a wise investment. *Information + Preparation = Success.* According to Rosenbaum, preparing for success in college requires more than just encouraging students to attend. Students need to be informed early in their high school career about what's required to do well in college.

Are community colleges necessary in this day of budget restraints? The purpose of community colleges is to serve the community and people. Fulfilling the educational needs of individuals who have uncertain career goals is a smart option in this day of so many economic hardships.

What are the *advantages* of attending Luna Community College?

Students at four-year schools can cut down on educational costs by taking summer classes at a community college when home for the summer.

Title V: Students can register online to take online classes at their leisure from the convenience of their home with well qualified, trained instructors. Through the use of the state-of-the-art technology at Luna Community College, students can pursue a higher education at this college from home, meeting the rigid standards that students must meet to achieve academically.

LOW COST: Community colleges are meant to provide an af-

fordable education to their communities. Because of this, the funding at the community colleges is able to offer classes up to 50 percent less than public universities.

Correctional Facility: Luna Community College is providing services to Guadalupe County Correctional Facility under the Vocational Trades Department in *Barbering* so that the inmates can earn a certificate in that area.

Dual Credit: Luna Community College allows high school students to take college level courses for high school and college credit, thus giving students an advantage to graduate with part of their college credit already completed.

Community colleges are necessary in adapting to the demands of the times. Today's technology, specifically in the Title V and information technology programs at LCC, are main factors that are affecting most of the demographic, economic, and academic challenges that community colleges face. Community colleges continue to address changing educational and training needs, at an affordable cost!

As the New Mexico State Legislature has just started this past week, Dr. Pete Campos, Luna Community College President, is in the forefront in advocating for community colleges. What better resource does the community have than Dr. Campos promoting the fine education that is offered at Luna Community College?

College Night

It is time again to prepare for another College Night! College Night 2011 will be held from, **5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 9** at the Abe Montoya Recreation Center.

At this time I am taking your requests for tables/chairs and AC power (if needed) for your respective departments. E-mail or call Tom @ ext. 1204. We will be in touch with more information.

Thank you,
Tom Herrera

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Community Education – Spring 2011

Digital Photography

Feb 8-Mar 31 Tue/Thur 5:30-7pm
LCC Main Campus, Media Arts Lab
Instructor: Rachel Montoya Cost: \$50



In this class, learn the basics of photography as you explore the capabilities of your digital camera. Find out how and when to use flash, and experiment with photographic composition to get the most out of your camera – and yourself. Learn how to use the point-and-shoot capabilities of your camera, practice downloading photos from your camera to a computer, and eventually printing your photos. The class is recommended for the novice photographer as well as film photographers who want to make a switch to digital. Bring your digital camera, manual and extra batteries to class.



Las Vegas Day at the State Legislature



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Legion Park students participate in LCC Board Meeting





Luna Community College Computer Center Director Mike Adams gives a speech at the State Capitol last Thursday urging lawmakers to continue funding technology. Adams states: "The New Mexico Council on Technology in Education recognizes that educational technology is an essential tool for living and learning in a complex information age. The Council strongly believes that the widespread and thoughtful use of technology in our schools enhances the learning process and future opportunities for our children." The Council presented at this year's legislature with presentations from schools around the state giving demonstrations on technology projects.

Weekly activities

Monday, Jan. 24, 2011

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program (General Studies/ Room 102-B)*

6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. *Intro. Sport Performance & Nutrition Class (LRC/Lect. Hall)*

Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. *Skills USA Cosmetology "Breakfast Stop"(Admn. & General Studies/ Hallway)*

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program (General Studies/ Room 102-B)*

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. *Annual Meeting for BLM Grazing (Stud. Servs/Conf. Rm.)*

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program (General Studies/ Room 102-B)*

6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. *Intro. Sport Performance & Nutrition Class(LRC/Lect. Hall)*

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *CACFP Training/Daycare Providers(Early Childhood/Rm101)*

Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. *Small Business Taxes (Student Services/Conf. Room)*

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program (General Studies/ Room 102-B)*

Friday, Jan. 28, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Defensive Driving Class/ Spons: Citizens for Developmentally Disabled (LRC/Lecture Hall)*

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program (General Studies/ Room 102-B)*

Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. *C.N.A. Testing(Allied Hlth/ Nrsng.Lab#3,Comp.Lab#7,MO-11)* 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Dare To Be You Substance Abuse Prevention Program General Studies/Room 102-B)*

KRQE's Barker to do investigative story on LCC

KRQE Investigative Reporter Larry Barker is doing a report on Luna Community College's unfinished collision repair building.

Barker interviewed Luna Community College President Dr. Pete Campos last Wednesday.

The report is scheduled to be broadcast sometime in February.

Campos reported this information in last week's regular LCC Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting.

The LCC Auto Collision Building, which was started in 2007, was never completed due to lack of project funding.

Dr. Martinez monitoring day-to-day operations

Luna Community College Vice President for Academics Dr. Vidal Martinez will monitor day-to-day operations of the college and will keep in close contact with LCC President Dr. Pete Campos during the 60-day legislative session.

2011 Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee

Elizabeth Juarros
Susan Olson-Smith
Gil Martinez
Jeanette Mercedes Nolan
Debby Trujillo
Rand Kennedy
Renee Garcia

Spring 2011 Presenters:

Jeff Garcia	Intro to SMET
Rita Surdi	College algebra
Denise Fox	TEAS Prep
Angie Manafy	Environmental Science
Donna Flores	Step Aerobics
Vidal Martinez	Firefighter Officer 1
Shirley Marlow	Beginning Spanish 1
Frank Madrid	Adv. Woodworking Projects
Nichole Collins	Script Writing for Video Games
Janice Encinas	Computer Fundamentals
Eric Spencer	Accounting Principles II
Linda Chibante	Intro to Quilting and Sewing
Amalinda Arguello	Intro to media Arts
Kenneth Bachicha	Intro to Digital Filmmaking
Antonio Siqueiros	Sports Leadership
Karen Sickler	Intro to Special Education
Julieanna Ortega	Health Safety and Nutrition
Pablo Montoya	Intro to Furniture and Cabinet Making
Cynthia Riley	Intro to Public Speaking
Gwendolynne Mares	General Math