

The Luna Light



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

Softball, baseball season underway

New Mexico talent fills both rosters

Both the Luna Community College softball and baseball team will open up its home season at noon on Friday, Feb. 6 at the city’s La Plaza Fields.

The softball team will be making its debut, while the baseball team is in its fourth year. Both squads will take on Frank Phillips College of Borger, Texas.

LCC President Dr. Pete Campos along with Vice-President of Instruction Dr. Vidal Martinez are scheduled to throw the first pitch.

Forty-nine of the 51 players listed on both rosters are from New Mexico. The 96 percent of New Mexico players on both LCC squads is believed to be the highest percentage of any athletic teams in the state’s public colleges.

All of the softball members are from The Land of Enchantment, while 32 of 34 players on the baseball team are from New Mexico.

The players range virtually from all sections of the state: Las Cruces, Estancia, Albuquerque, Las Vegas, Raton, Gallup, Clovis and Carlsbad.

All the members of the softball team are freshmen, while the baseball team has several freshmen and sophomores on its roster.

“We are very proud of our softball and baseball teams. Both have worked diligently in the classroom and on the playing field.” said Dr. Campos. “We are making every effort to make sure their experience here at the college is a good one. We emphasize that they are student-athletes, meaning they are students before they are athletes.”

Notes: See more softball and baseball on page 2.



2009 LCC Softball Team

Top (l-r) Melanie Alderette, Rebecca Marrujo, Shelby Sandoval, Amanda Diaz, Devonne Martinez, Jennifer Inocencio, Jessica Aragon and Brandi Rodriguez. Bottom (l-r) Coach Dawnette Garcia, Jade Luna, Jasmine Gabaldon, Jamie Montoya, MariaElena Martinez, Heather Kline, Adri Gabaldon, Tomasita Smith, and Marissa Navaro. Not Pictured: Assistant Coaches Meredith Gilpin and Marlayna Aden.



2009 LCC Baseball Team

Top (l-r) Isaiah Dominguez, Richard Simes, Andrew Areallanes, Ricardo Taddy, Jacob Trujillo, Martin Arias Jr., Sean Trancosa, Victor Nevarez, Pablo Sanchez, Cory Kraft and Howard Browne. Middle (l-r) Jaren Romero, Nick Contreras, Eric Jaramillo, Nick Chavez, Brad Thompson, William Wilson, Levi Hannon, Colby Curry, Dylan Wisneski, Raul Adam Sotelo and Dominic Serna. Bottom (l-r) Eric Gonzales, Ryan Urban, Ronnie Chavez, Isaiah Aguilar, Gavin Lujan, Steven Wells, Matthew Flores, Manuel Chavez, Marcos Griego and Andrew Gillard.

2009 LCC Softball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Feb. 6	Frank Phillips	HOME	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb 9	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	1 p.m./3 p.m.
Feb. 10	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
Feb. 20	Midland CC Tournament	Midland, Texas	TBA
Feb. 21	Midland CC Tournament	Midland, Texas	TBA
Feb. 27	El Paso CC Tournament	El Paso, Texas	TBA
Feb. 28	El Paso CC Tournament	El Paso, Texas	TBA
March 4	Clarendon Junior College	Clarendon, Texas	Noon/2 p.m.
March 13-15	Phoenix Classic Invite	Phoenix, Ariz.	TBA
March 20	Otero Community College	La Junta, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
March 21	Trinidad State JC	Trinidad, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
March 22	Trinidad State JC	Trinidad, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 3	Seward Community College	Liberal, Kan.	1 p.m./3 p.m.
April 7	Lamar Community College	HOME	Noon/2 p.m.
April 8	Lamar Community College	HOME	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 14	Clarendon Community College	HOME	1 p.m./3 p.m.
April 18	College of the Southwest	Hobbs, N.M.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 22	Otero Community College	HOME	1 p.m./3 p.m.
April 24	Howard College (Texas)	HOME	Noon/2 p.m.
April 25	Trinidad State JC	HOME	Noon/2 p.m.



2009 LCC Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Jan. 30	Paradise Valley CC	Phoenix, Ariz.	Noon/2 p.m.
Jan. 31	Paradise Valley CC	Phoenix, Ariz.	Noon/ 2 p.m.
Feb. 1	Yavapai JC	Prescott, Ariz.	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 5	Frank Phillips JC	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 6	Frank Phillips JC	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 13	El Paso CC	El Paso, Texas	Noon
Feb. 14	El Paso CC	El Paso, Texas	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 15	El Paso CC	El Paso, Texas	Noon
Feb. 20	Lubbock Christian JV	Lubbock, Texas	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 21	Lubbock Christian JV	Lubbock Texas	Noon/2 p.m.
Feb. 23	Dodge City CC	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
March 3	Trinidad State JC	Trinidad, Colo.	12:30 p.m./2:30 p.m.
March 5	Western Oklahoma State	Altus, Okla.	1 p.m./3 p.m.
March 6	Western Oklahoma State	Altus, Okla.	Noon/2 p.m.
March 11	Pima CC Wood Bat Tourney	Tucson, Ariz.	TBA
March 12	Pima CC Wood Bat Tourney	Tucson, Ariz.	TBA
March 14	Pima CC Wood Bat Tourney	Tucson, Ariz.	TBA
March 21	Trinidad State JC	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
March 22	Trinidad State JC	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
March 27	Wayland Baptist Univ. JV	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
March 28	Wayland Baptist Univ. JV	Home	Noon/2 p.m.
April 4	College of Santa Fe	Santa Fe, N.M.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 8	Seward County CC	Liberal, Kan.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 11	Air Force Prep School	Colorado Springs, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 17	Wayland Baptist JV	Plainview, Texas	2 p.m./4 p.m.
April 18	Wayland Baptist JV	Plainview, Texas	Noon/2 p.m.
April 22	Otero JC	La Junta, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 23	Otero JC	La Junta, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 25	College of Santa Fe	Home	Noon/2 p.m.



Team Luna: standing the test of time

Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President

Through good times, difficult times and growing times; Luna Community College personnel have withstood the test of time. Our employees are hard working, conscientious, dedicated to task and constantly seeking better ways to deliver instruction and support services to students.



Dr. Pete Campos

Our employees work daily at finding solutions to problems and shortcomings that interfere with the focus on student success. That means we don't blame each other for honest mistakes, when classes don't make or student enrollment doesn't meet our expectations. Rather, we figure out what happened, why it happened and how to overcome the hurdles

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that block us from reaching realistic and positive goals for student accessibility, advancement and achievement.

Yes, there are personality differences and in some cases, personal history that still impedes full throttle institution progressivism! We are learning to talk about and overcome our personal impediments and switch our energy, intellect and experiences to *improve the big picture* for student and institution success. We are doing this by genuinely forgiving others and setting aside our human driven and deep rooted hurts, jealousies and obstruction to the success of others.

We are all significant. We are all independent. We all require meaningful recognition for our contributions. We all have the need to stand out. We all want to be in the loop. At Luna Community College we are attempting to understand the human dynamics

behind these feelings.

We are working daily to balance our individual needs with the real and holistic need to build **TEAM LUNA** into a group that will share in student success and employee accolades never before imagined.

Student success depends on us

Dr. Pete Campos, EdD LCC President

First of all, I wish to extend my most sincere appreciation to the entire Luna Community College staff for a job well done during the spring registration period. The focus placed on student registration, financial aid and alleviating extenuating circumstances (roadblocks) that would hinder student success is admirable. I would especially like to thank the financial aid department for working closely with students to assist them with their financial matters.

It takes a devoted team who is willing to work tirelessly, unselfishly and wholeheartedly to help all students, and in particular, first time students with the guidance necessary to enroll and remain in their coursework of choice. As one institution, by putting aside our individual differences, it is imperative that we hone in on the real issue and that is to educate and provide the support needed for optimum student learning, progression and eventual job placement.

Think about it! Anytime we lose full focus of our mission; that diminishes the time and

dilutes the effort essential to successfully accomplish our objectives. In our case, the last thing we want to do is send our students into the world of work or the world of advanced education with mediocre knowledge, training, life skills or undiagnosed or untreated behavioral issues.

A positive transformation is evolving at LCC. We are accelerating our focus on academic rigor, expanding our extracurricular activities, remaining highly cognizant of the need for gender equity in athletics, expanding our academic and vocational program offerings, expanding our service area with the enthusiastic approval of communities and the Higher Education Department (HED) and finding new financial



LCC President Dr. Pete Campos talks with Student Senate Treasurer Earl Gonzales and Student Senate President Thurston True at College Night recently.

resources to leverage existing funds.

By focusing on the future success of our students, in the long run, we unequivocally best serve our institution.

There is no doubt, it is about our students!

Fall 2008 Dean's List announced

Luna Community College is pleased to announce its Fall 2008 Dean's List. Inclusion on the Dean's List requires students to successfully complete, without incomplete grades included, a minimum of 12 graded credit hours with at least a 3.66 grade point average or higher. Graded credit hours do not include S/U graded courses, audits or credit by exam.

Hannah L. Alisiani, Aggie L. Bachicha, Cecilia J. Blea, Sara P. Brown, Silvia E. Carr, Diane C. Crespin, Theodore J. Cruz, Laurie Cunningham, Nicole Dahlquist, Rolinda Lee Dunmire, Carlos Duran, Leigha A. Gallegos, Louise H. Garcia, Marcus A. Garcia, Cynthia A. Garofalo, Andrew P. Gilliard, Amberlyn L. Gonzales, Benjamin D. Gonzales, Treshunna G. Gonzales, Shirley A. Griego, Lawrence D.

Hare, Roy D. Koehn, Brooke E. Lindsey, Jeannette H. Louis and Stephanie C. Lucero.

Kathy Maes, Alicia M. Martinez, Andrew J. Martinez, Erica J. Moberg, Misty R. Ogata, Theresa A. Ortega, Juan P. Ortiz, Wynette R. Philemonof, Lisa N. Quintana, Amy L. Romero, Cortney L. Romero, Marina E. Romero, Miranda L. Romero, Ezra Roybal, Nicolas P. Roybal, Alma A. Rudolph, Andrew E. Salazar, April M. Sandoval, Melissa A. Scarver, Gary L. Stoddard, Bradley S. Thompson, Julie R. Trambley, Barbara A. Travis, Jessica A. Travis, Chris J. Trujillo, Christopher T. Trujillo, Ryan M. Urban, Lynnsey Ann Valencia, Angelo A. Vasquez, Denise F. Velarde, Thurston Velez-True, Karen D. Weathers and William W. Wilson.



Luna Community College's Student Government recently participated in 10th Annual College Night. Pictured are: Treasurer Earl Gonzales, Sen. Aggie Bachicha, President Thurston True, Vice-President Naomi Ortiz, Sen. James Gallegos and Sen. Diane Carrillo. See future editions of *The Luna Light* for more on College Night.

Quote of the Week

"It is better to know nothing than to learn nothing,"— Hebrew Proverb.

Blast from the past

Can you guess which LCC employee's baby picture this is? The first person to give the right answer will get a free meal from the LCC Rough Rider Grill. You may enter the contest by e-mailing your answer to jgallegos@luna.edu or calling extension 1200. LCC employees are encouraged to turn in a baby photo of themselves to Jesse Gallegos at the LCC Student Services Building.



Last week's winner:
Cathy Gonzales
Last week's picture:
Dawna Ortega

Valentine's Fair

If you're looking for that unique Valentine's gift for that special someone, please join us at our Second Annual Valentine's Fair Thursday, Feb. 12 From 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Student Services Building.

Bake Sale sponsored by SkillsUSA Club.

Sponsored by the Activities Office

SET YOUR DIRECTION AT CAREER-TRANSFER DAY

Explore your options!

DATE: TUESDAY, MARCH 3
TIME: 8 a.m. to noon
LOCATION: INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS CENTER (IPC CAFETERIA)

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