

The latest news from Luna Community College

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Cosmetology program to celebrate 20 years on Oct. 31

Luna Community College’s cosmetology program is celebrating 20 years of bringing quality education to its students. They will be having a formal event beginning at 9 a.m. that will run through 4 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31 (Halloween day) at the cosmetology clinic on the main campus. Everyone is invited.

The 20-year celebration was originally scheduled for May 5, but because of the fire danger at the time, it had to be postponed.

The theme for the event, scheduled on Halloween, is to celebrate a “Spooktacular milestone.” As part of the event, there will be drawings for free haircuts and Luna souvenirs.

Along with cosmetology, Luna also will be celebrating its barbering program.

“We are planning to recognize students and instructors and other people in the public who have been part of our programs throughout our 20-year history,” said Luna Cosmetology Instructor Germaine Sandoval who has been teaching at Luna since January 2002.

Instructors Rosalie Ortega, Andrew Quintana, Connie Ortiz, Clarice Bonney have joined Sandoval over the years.

Sandoval has had one of the most consistent programs at Luna, with her biggest graduating class being 18 students.

“Our students have gone on to work or start their own businesses not only here in Las Vegas but in cities such as Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Las Vegas, Nev.,” said Sandoval. “Many of our former students will be



Luna cosmetology students Katterin Hutchinson and Ana Gandara practice their skills during a recent class. Luna will be celebrating its 20th year of the cosmetology program on Monday, Oct. 31 on the main campus.

joining us throughout the day.”

Students can earn certificates in cosmetology or barbering within the Department of Career & Technical Education.

The two programs are aimed for students to develop basic skills, safety, work habits and attitudes; they are designed to meet New Mexico state board standards. Students gain knowledge in such areas as sterilization, sanitization, bacteriology, shampoos, rinses, scalp treatments, chemical rearranging, perms and relaxers, hairstyling, hair coloring, bleaching, highlighting, hair cutting,

facials, manicures and pedicures, salon management and retail sales.

As part of the programs, students practice skills in the college’s salon lab and in professional settings as preparation for state board examinations.

“I have always believed that education is freedom and it’s easy to teach motivated people,” said Sandoval. “Our students want to learn.”

For more information, please contact instructors Germaine Sandoval (505-454-5345, gsandoval@luna.edu) and Clarice Bonney (505-454-2572, cbonney@luna.edu).

Sherry Goodyear says she likes the opportunities Luna presents

The following is a one-on-one interview with Rough Rider Mentorship and College Readiness Program Director Sherry Goodyear.

Name: Sherry Goodyear

Position: Rough Rider Mentorship and College Readiness Program Director

What year did you start working for Luna? 2001 - I started as an adjunct instructor teaching basic reading, English, and math at the Springer Satellite.

What do you like most about Luna and why? What I like most about Luna is the amazing opportunity it gives students who might not otherwise go to college. Luna is a bridge for so many; a way to attain a degree many wouldn't otherwise attain.

What does your job entail; what does a day at Luna look like for you? Since becoming the Mentorship Program Director in June 2022, my days are filled with imagining possible opportunities for our area middle and high schools and figuring out how to make those possible opportunities a reality. In September, we began visiting with students in Springer, Maxwell, West Las Vegas, and Robertson with visits to other schools in the works. We have already presented to roughly 200 students, with those numbers continuing to grow. In the mentorship program, we aim to make student's lives better by showing them the possibilities. Through the mentorship program, the goal is for students to feel supported by LCC and for them to have a better chance at their best lives.



Sherry Goodyear has been with Luna since 2001.

Favorite food and why? Tacos because they are quick, delicious, and versatile.

Favorite TV show and why? Right now I am watching the Netflix series *Brigerton*. With all the beautiful sets and period clothing, it is like eye candy.

Where would you like to see yourself in five years? I hope to be retiring from Luna's very successful Mentorship and College-Readiness Program.

What is your greatest strength? My creativity, my compassion for others, and my love of teaching and meeting students where they are. For me, there is little more enjoyable than watching the light come on in students' eyes as I get them to think

about things in a way they didn't before.

What would you consider your biggest accomplishment in life and why? On a professional level, I have worked for Luna for 21-years and for me, that is a big accomplishment as I have seen administrations and "new plans" come and go, but what I do has always been about the students and what I can teach them. On a more personal note, I have been blessed with a husband and daughter who are the real reasons I get out of bed in the morning.

What do you consider a good day in your life? A good day is one where I feel accomplished in my work and personal life. It is sometimes hard to strike a balance and not become completely absorbed by work, so if I can feel like I am doing a good job both professionally and personally, it is a good day.

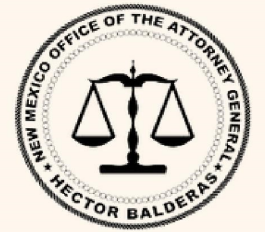
What do you enjoy doing outside of working at Luna? I like to spend time with my family, read, write, garden, learn about new things, do crafts, shop, take walks, enjoy the company of my pets, cook, and talk to my friends. I have so many interests, I generally don't have time to do them all as much as I would like to do them.

Any final comments? For those wanting to know more about the Mentorship and College Readiness Program, check out our website:

<https://sites.google.com/luna.edu/lcc-mentorship-college-readine/home>

Luna students, faculty and staff are invited!

New Mexico Office of the Attorney General



INSPIRING LEADERSHIP

in our Communities



A conversation with :

Hector Balderas

New Mexico Attorney General

Oct. 26, 2022

9:00am - 10:30 am

NMHU Student Union Building
Room 321 & 322

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More Info
Melissa Casias
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CAREER WRITING WORKSHOPS

WHEN

Oct. 21
9 a.m.-11 a.m.

WHERE

Student Services Building
ACE - Computer Lab

**FEATURING • Cover Letters, Resume Writing,
and Customer Service**

STUDENTS & ALUM INVITED

OCT. 21

**Onboarding/
Orientation -
Why am I here?**

OCT. 28

**Cover Letter Writing
Workshop**

NOV. 4

**Resume Writing
Workshop**

NOV. 11

**Customer Service &
Soft Skills Workshop**





ENROLL NOW!!

8-WEEK COURSES

Monday, October 17
through Friday, December 9

Several courses are on tap this semester!

For more information, visit

luna.edu/schedule

or visit a department director

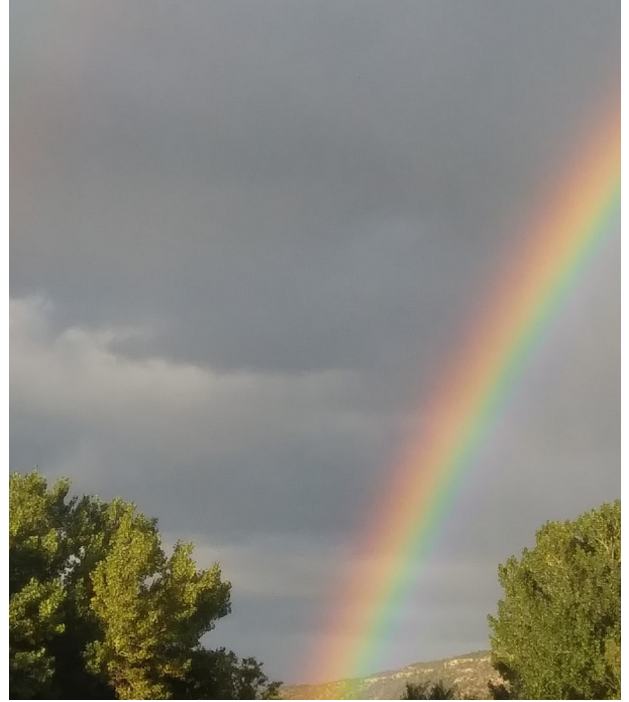
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This picture of the edition depicts a beautiful rainbow overseeing the mountains in El Pueblo, recently.

LUNA COSTUME CONTEST

HALLOWEEN DAY

LOCATION: ADMIN BUILDING

TIME: 3PM

GHOSTLY GREETINGS! JOIN US IF YOU DARE FOR A HALLOWEEN SCARE!

ALL DEPARTMENTS WELCOME FOR A SCARY GOOD TIME



Luna Community College Student Senate are conducting a Thanksgiving Food Drive. They are pictured with Gobble the traveling Turkey that will be in a different building every week where individuals can drop off non-perishable food items. Pictured (l-r) are Charlie Wisneski, Wilmer Henriquez, Amaliah Cruz, Jayce Gutierrez, Demi Garcia, Paige Gown and R.J. Baca. Gobble the traveling Turkey was made by Luna employee Karen Wezwick. Donations will be accepted through Friday, Nov. 18. All donations will be given to the Samaritan House.

College Scorecard:

The U.S. Department of Education's College Scorecard has the most reliable data on college costs, graduation and post-college earnings. Visit collegescorecard.ed.gov

Luna Community College baseball players participated in a City of Las Vegas Clean-up on Saturday, Oct. 15.





APPLICATION LUNA CAR SHOW STUDENT GRANT

Submission Deadline: November 1, 2022

The Luna Community College Car Show raised funds to provide \$500 grants for four (4) Luna Community College students who have been impacted by the fires and floods in northern New Mexico. To apply, a student must complete this application and all attachments.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be an actively enrolled in at least 6 semester credit hours at Luna Community College during the fall of 2022.
- Applicant must have at least a 2.0 GPA.
- Applicant must have been impacted by the fires and/or floods in the spring, summer and fall of 2022.
- Applicant must complete all sections of this application. Failure to complete any section will disqualify the application.

Student Information

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

LCC ID: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____
City State Zip

Application Questions

Responses must be typed and submitted as an attachment with the applicant’s name in the top, right hand corner of each page. How have you been impacted by the Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon or Cook’s Peak fires and/or the subsequent floods? What are your career goals?

Required Attachments

- Completed Application
- Responses to application questions
- Transcript from LCC, documenting enrollment during fall, 2022 semester
- Email from Registrar or faculty, or other documentation demonstrating at least a 2.0 at mid-term.

References

Three references who can attest to the applicant’s experiences during the fires and floods must be provided.

Name _____ Phone _____ email _____

Relationship to applicant _____

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Submission information

Application documents may be mailed or hand delivered to:

- Car Show Committee
- LCC President’s Office
- 366 Luna Dr, Las Vegas, NM 87701 or emailed to Executive Assistant to the President at agarduno@luna.edu

Completed application packages must be received in the LCC President’s office by 5 p.m., Nov. 1, 2022. Incomplete packages will not be considered.

Certification: By signing below, I certify that the information and documentation that I have provided is true, correct and complete, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date Signed

Luna's Dr. Carol Linder leading CROP Walk efforts at college

Initiative raises funds to fight hunger

Luna's Allied Health Sciences and Public Service Director Dr. Carol Linder will be leading the college's CROP Hunger Walk scheduled for 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 27.

This is the third consecutive year that Luna is participating in the CROP Hunger Walk.

Luna begins its walk at the Maria H. Paiz Administration Building and circles the picturesque campus.

CROP Hunger Walks are community-based walk events held in cities and towns across the nation, raising funds to support the global mission of Church World Service, a faith-based organization that responds to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster around the world.

Locally, 25 percent of all donations will go to support local entities: Comedor de San Pascual Soup Kitchen, Las Vegas Community Soup Kitchen and the Samaritan House.

"I'm very pleased that Luna will be participating again this year in such a worthwhile cause," said Linder. "We've already had commitment from the Rough Rider softball and baseball teams and the student senate and hope to involve more groups and indi-



In this file photo, Luna students and employees participate in the in the college's CROP Hunger Walk last October in response to hunger, displacement and disaster around the world. Donations are being requested.

viduals."

Luna is one of several entities from around the community that have joined the worthy cause. This is the 22nd year for Las Vegas' CROP Hunger Walk, The CROP Project was organized in 1947 when farmers were asked to donate food and seed crops in post-World War II Europe and Asia. In 1969, the first walk events were organized

in Bismarck, N.D., and York, Pa., to raise money. Since then, CROP Hunger Walk events have been held in communities all over the United States, raising millions of dollars in an effort to eradicate hunger and poverty.

"Please consider joining us in our goals to end hunger in our community and the world by walking and/or giving," said Linder. "We will provide more information on this year's CROP walk through our college's social media and local radio."

Register for a team and/or donate online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/lasvegasnm>. Checks or money orders made out to CWS/CROP can be mailed to the CROP Treasurer, c/o First United Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 37, Las Vegas, NM 87701.

November 14 - 18th, 2022

Luna Community College
Law Enforcement Training Center
Building

Contact Kim Baca
505-429-5962
letc@luna.edu

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\$300 For Advisory Board Members
Includes Free Individual First Aid Kits

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Space limited to 24

- Hate Crimes
- Child Abuse or Neglect Investigations
- Domestic Violence Training
- Missing Person/AMBER Alert
- Ensuring Child Safety Upon Parental Arrest
- Interaction with Mental Impairments
- Legal Update
- Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST) Updates
- Tourniquet & Trauma
- Firearms and Use of Force training with VirTra V-300 Simulator



Lunch and Refreshments Provided!

Biennium Training Course Schedule

(subject to modification as necessary)

Monday, November 14, 2022

Domestic Violence Training	8:30 am – 9:30 am	Deputy Stumberg (Mora County)
Missing Person/AMBER Alert	9:30 am – 10:30 am	Chief Romero (NMHU)
Child Abuse or Neglect Investigations	10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Chief Romero (NMHU)
Lunch Provided	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	
Ensuring Child Safety Upon Parental Arrest	1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Chief Antonio Salazar (LVPD)
Tourniquet and Trauma	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Sergeant Theo Chavez (NMHU)

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Interaction with Mental Impairments	8:30 am – 10:30 am	TBA
Hate Crimes	10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Officer Johnathan Bernal (NMHU)
Lunch Provided	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	
Legal Update	1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	District Attorney Tom Clayton

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

Safe Pursuit	8 am – 12 pm	Deputy Chief Caleb Marquez (LVPD)
Lunch Provided	12 pm – 1 pm	
Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST) Updates	1 pm – 5 pm	Under Sheriff Americk Padilla (Mora)

Thursday, November 17, 2022

Firearms Training	8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Lieutenant David Lautalo (LVPD)
Lunch Provided	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	
Use of Force	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Officer Juan Gonzales (NMHU)

Friday, November 18, 2022

Annual Firearms Day/Night Qualifications	All Day	
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CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

LUNA STRONG MURAL OR SCULPTURE NEEDED



Winning design to be determined by Luna Community (faculty, staff, students)



Scan this code to learn more about Luna Strong and submit your proposal

Deadline to submit your proposal is November 18th by midnight

Luna Strong is calling all artists to submit a design for a mural or sculpture for our campus to represent the Luna Strong program. The theme should highlight the resilience shown by students, staff, and faculty in the face of the recent challenges in our community.

lunastrong@luna.edu

PUBLIC TREE WORKSHOP SATURDAY OCTOBER 22

Come join us for a fun morning & learn from the tree experts!
LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FROM 9AM TO 1PM
ALLIED HEALTH AUDITORIUM

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THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES

JOHN SPENCER

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ELIZABETH GARDNER

PRUNING YOUR TREES; WHEN & HOW

TOM LAMBERTH

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now."

- Chinese proverb

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

For more information and RSVP - Jeff @ 505-454-0332

Yvonne @ 281-813-9513

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate, please contact Jeff in advance at (505) 454-0332 or jeff@nm360.com.

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Luna students work diligently in Bernadette Maldonado's drawing class, recently. For more information on Luna Humanities courses, please call Rick Baca at 505-454-2565.



Querencia in Action: Seed Harvesting Workshop



Saturday, Oct. 22
San Ignacio, Las Dispensas
8 AM - 3:30 PM

Free workshop on how to find viable seeds and harvest ethically, identify ripe seeds, collect, store, and reseed. Meet at 8 AM at the San Ignacio Fire Station, 108 County Road A3A. We will travel then to the workshop sites.

Instructors: Cameron Weber, habitat conservation director, Rio Grande Return and Erika Larsen, herbalist and San Ignacio resident impacted by fire. Wear sturdy boots or shoes good for hiking! Bring water and snacks.

Register at [LUNA.EDU](https://luna.edu)



FOR MORE INFO CALL
KAREN WEZWICK AT
505-454-5308 OR
KWEZWICK@LUNA.EDU





Luna level 1 and level 3 nursing students collaborated and hosted a midterm potluck BBQ to engage in team building and supporting one another on Tuesday, Oct. 11. For more information on Luna's nursing program, please call 505-454-2523.



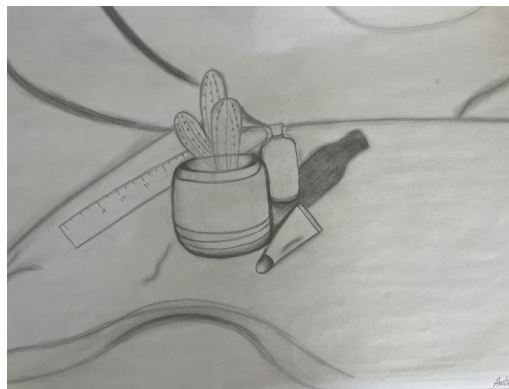
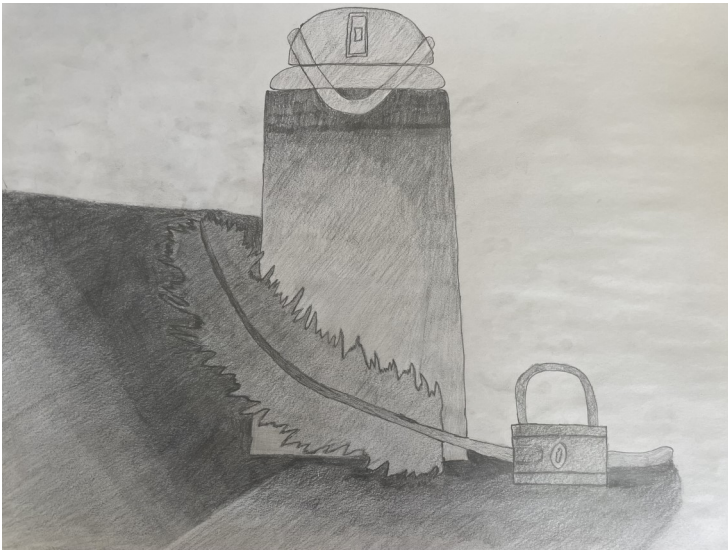
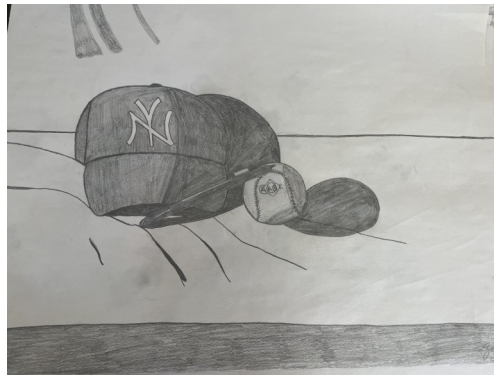
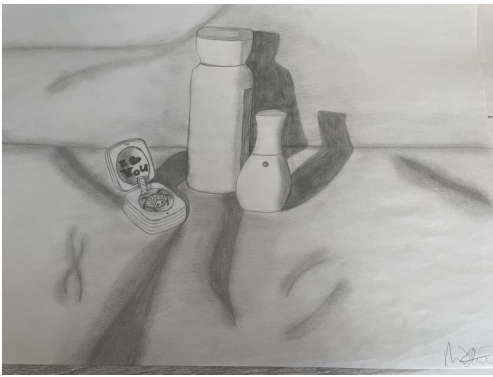
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Work of Art

Luna students show their talents

Luna students in Bernadette Maldonado's drawing class learned how to set up and draw a still life using objects they brought in themselves. In addition, they set up the

lighting and fabric themselves learning what makes a good composition. Then they spent several weeks drawing them. Here are some examples of their work.



Luna students' drawings are Marisa Archuleta (top left); Zachary Santoru (top middle); Ramiro Cepeda (top right); Gavin Millard (middle left); Reagan Shackelford (middle right); Gabriel Caseres (bottom left) and Amber Varela (bottom right).

Many people attend food pantry grand opening



Luna Community College held a grand opening for its Rough Rider "Tiendita" Food Pantry on Wednesday, Oct. 19. Many Luna students have enjoyed the Rough Rider "Tiendita" Food Pantry since July of this year. The "Tiendita" was created through a partnership between Luna and the Luna Foundation. Through this partnership, several donations have been received. Among them are Neighbors Helping Neighbors, the Las Vegas Community Foundation, Guadalupe Credit Union, State Employees Credit Union and private anonymous donations. Luna students can get a bag of non-perishable food items and toiletries free of charge. Luna President Dr. Edward Martinez gave an opening speech at the event, which was attended by Luna students, employees and community members. Luna apologizes in advance if anyone who has donated to the Luna Food Pantry was inadvertently left out.





*Early Spring
Registration
begins Nov. 14.*

Luna President Dr. Edward Martinez spoke at the Guadalupe County Commission meeting recently (top photo); Dr. Martinez recently participated in a meeting with New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham, Sen. Ben Ray Lujan and Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernandez (middle left photo); Cindy Branch recently recruited at the New Mexico Balloon Fiesta (middle right) and Karen Wezwick poses with Gobbler, a creation she made.

