

## The latest news from Luna Community College

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**Luna students Alexis Solis and Arielle Gomez** speak with Luna STEM **Director Francisco Apo**daca during Early Registration Mondays at the college. As part of Early Registration Mondays, students have the opportunity to meet with program directors and academic advisors at the Student Services **Building. Luna has one** more Early Registration Mondays event scheduled from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 20. Spring 2024 classes begin on Tuesday, Jan. 16 and the last day to register is Monday, Jan. 22. For more information visit luna.edu

# Luna coffee shop opens; bookstore gets new apparel

If you want a snack, a soft drink, a cup of coffee or a small meal, you may want to visit Luna's coffee shop that recently opened.

Ron Duran, a 22 year veteran at Luna, is the coffee shop's manager. Duran says that the official name of the venue is Luna Café and Bookstore. It is located in the Learning Resource Center in the first floor of the college's library. The Luna Café and Bookstore is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is closed from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. daily.

"Many students and employees are coming in and taking full advantage of this," says Duran who added that the community is also welcomed.

For those that like to eat something in the morning, Duran sells breakfast burritos.

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Luna employee Ron Duran and Luna student Ryan Rice are pictured at the Luna Café and Bookstore.





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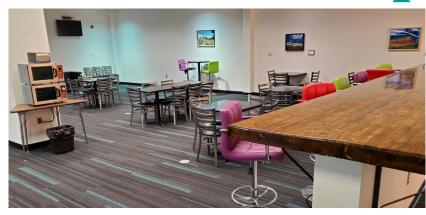


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# Luna coffee shop....





Luna students can eat and study at the Luna Café and Bookstore and while there, pick up some Luna apparel.

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A burrito is \$2.50.

If it's is a quick lunch you want, Duran is selling a slice of pizza, a bag of chips and soda for \$5. You can substitute a hamburger or hot dog for the same price.

"I want to keep the prices for students, employees and the public reasonable," says Duran.

Among other items that can be purchased are donuts, Twinkies, beef jerky, pistachios, candy bars and lemonade. In addition, the bookstore recently got a new shipment of

Luna apparel such as hoodies, t-shirts, caps and Polo shirts.

"One of the better things for the students, is they can hang out here. We have tables and chairs where students can sit down and relax," says Duran. "For those who want to study and do homework, we also have Wi-Fi."

Duran says that soon he will establish a game room with a pool and Foosball table.

"I really have enjoyed my 22 years working here at Luna," says Duran. "I love what I do."



Luna students enjoy a
Thanksgiving meal Monday at the college. A special thanks to the Luna
student senate, the office
of campus life and administration for providing the
Thanksgiving gathering.
The Thanksgiving meal,
was served at the college's cafeteria.

# Drawing and painting students explore talents outdoors









Dr. Bernadette Maldonado's drawing and painting students get to show their talents in the open air during a couple of recent classes. In one trip, students got to see the beautiful scenery in Sapello. On their most recent adventure, students drove up to KFUN Hill overlooking the town of Las Vegas. "There is a difference experience when you draw in the open air. Our students had beautiful sceneries and they enjoyed the outdoors," said Dr. Maldonado.

# Students say they have fun, relax in ceramics class



Pictured are Kim Baca, Isaiah Baca (NMHU student), Miranda Lujan (NMHU student), Dr. Bernadette Maldonado Reyna Medina, and Daylene Ponzar. Students say they enjoy the ceramics class.

If there's one thing you can sav about Dr. Bernadette Maldonado's ceramics class is that her students enjoy it—a lot.

"It's therapeutic, it teaches patience and relieves stress," said Maldonado who is teaching the class for the first time at Luna.

Maldonado says that her ceramics class has been successful with 13 students signed up this semester with several others looking forward to next years class.

"It's my favorite class," savs Luna student Revna

Medina. "I hope Luna funds more art classes in the

Kim Baca and Reyna Medina shape their pro-

jects during a recent class.

future. Everyone has fun here, there is a lot of dialogue. I started off in drawing class and I always wanted to learn about ceramics."

Ceramic objects are made by combining raw materials, such as clay, earthen minerals, and water. Students shape them into forms using hand-building, wheelthrowing, or mold casting techniques.

"It's a great class; I really like everything about it," says student Daylene Ponzar. "I intend to take Ceramics 2 next semester."

Maldonado says that she has been working with ceramics for nearly 30 years.

"It's awesome," says Maldonado.

Luna President Dr. Edward Martinez speaks with Santa Rosa High School students on Friday, Nov. 3 at the college. Santa Rosa High School food science teacher David Lueras brought his students to use the college's community kitchen. For more on Luna, please call 505-454-2500 or visit luna.edu.





## Luna to be closed Nov. 23-24 in observance of Thanksgiving Holiday

Luna Community College in Las Vegas and its campuses in Mora, Santa Rosa and Springer will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23 and Friday, Nov. 24, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The college will resume its regular hours on Monday, Nov. 27.



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Luna Allied Health and Public Service Director Dr. Carol Linder advises Alex Urioste during an Early Registration Mondays event.



Robertson High School seniors Ashley Vigil and Abigail Atencio speak with Luna Nursing Director Maxine Hughes. Both Vigil and Atencio intend to attend Luna and major in nursing next year.





Luna barbering instructor Andrew Quintana is pictured with student Andrea Chavez.



In the above photo, Luna President Dr. Edward Martinez and Luna Vice President of Instruction and Student Services Dr. Norma Guzman Duran are interviewed by Las Vegas/San Miguel Chamber of Commerce President and Vice President Phillip Martinez and David Luna.

(Left photo) Luna employees participated in the WIN (Northern New Mexico Workforce Integration Network) Conference in Taos, recently. WIN creates pathways for the unemployed and underemployed into high paying jobs in the building trades and healthcare industries. For more information on the WIN grant, call Luna Director of Allied Health and Public Service Dr. Carol Linder at 505-454-5387.



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For more information about registration details, fees and requirements

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