

THE LUNA LIGHT

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I don't study to know more, but to ignore less.

Sor. Juana Inez de la Cruz

LUNA STRONG LAUNCHES “LUNA EATS,” A FREE LUNCH PROGRAM

Whoever said, 'There's no such thing as a free lunch' hadn't met us yet! Today and every Tuesday at noon, all Luna students can now enjoy a fresh and healthy lunch—absolutely free! **Luna Eats** is just one of the ways **Luna Strong** supports and cares for Luna students. Career & Technical Education Director Cristino Griego (pictured below with students) says well-fed minds learn better. *Panza llena, corazón contento.*



“Luna Eats” Quick Facts

Who Qualifies:
All Luna students.

What You Get:
A free healthy lunch.

When It Happens:
Every Tuesday at Noon.

Where It Happens:
The Luna cafeteria.

Why:
We like you, and food is awesome.

(Staff & faculty can eat for \$5 but must buy a ticket in the cashier's office.)



Marcelino Molinar

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Nominated by: Professors Terence Garcia & Kimberly Baca

Both teachers said Molinar, an aspiring TV sports reporter, is a hardworking student who goes out of his way to be kind to others. Way to go, Marcelino!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Students, Faculty and Staff,

As mornings grow crisp with the advance of fall, you can feel a new excitement on campus. Whether it's the inspired focus of our student athletes training, enthusiasm from our Halloween Trunk or Treat planning committee, or the launch of Luna Strong's new Luna Eats free lunch program, you can sense it: There are great things happening at Luna Community College. You'll also see some unfamiliar faces among our faculty and staff as we welcome accomplished new members to our team. In this week's issue of Luna Light, you'll find more information about all of this, and more. I hope you all have a fabulous week!



Dr. Carol Linder
Interim President
LCC

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STUDENT ARTISTS AT STORRIE LAKE

Artists from all over the world come to northern New Mexico for its spectacular light and landscapes. Luna Art Professor Bernadette Maldonado, MFA, treated her Painting & Drawing class students to an inspiring field trip to beautiful Storrie Lake last week. "Their watercolors were as gorgeous as the day," says Maldonado.

Dr. Christopher Smith Named STEM/Humanities Director

Dr. Christopher Smith, PhD, has joined Luna Community College as its new Director of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and Humanities. Dr. Smith comes to Luna from Trinidad State College in Colorado and, before that, Vermont Technical College. Please make him feel welcome!



Tuesdays with Terence

Everyday creator tips from film, TV and photography professor, Terence Garcia



"When taking selfies, use natural light. Face a window for soft, even lighting. Avoid harsh overhead or backlighting, which can create unflattering shadows."

Q&A with Dr. Christopher Smith

Book That Changed Your Life?

Pilgram at Tinker Creek by Annie Dillard. Hand's down.

Song You Never Get Sick Of?

"You Can Never Hold Back Spring" by Tom Waits.

Red or Green?

That's easy. New Mexico Green. It defeats Colorado green.



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SCOUTING FOR FUTURE HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

- Luna's Nursing Department attended the Transitions Fair at NMHU recently, and spoke to high school students from across the state about the benefits of a career in nursing.
- A report in May of 2024 from the New Mexico Dept. of Workforce Solutions said the state had more than 6000 unfilled nursing jobs.



Erick Wright to Now Lead Allied Health Department in Addition to Coaching the Baseball Team

Luna Community College's head baseball coach, Erick Wright, has recently stepped into an additional role as the college's new Director of Allied Health.

"I'm excited about the new challenge and the opportunity to contribute to the college in a different way," Wright said.

Congratulations, Awardees!

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
- Nelson Mandela

We are thrilled to share that our **Fall 2024 Scholarships** have been awarded! Out of 40 talented applicants, 15 deserving students received scholarships! It was a tough decision, reflecting the hard work and dedication of all who applied. We are proud of our students and their accomplishments!



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Doubleheader Showdown! Luna Softball vs. Colorado Slammers & New Mexico Grind This Sunday

Join us this Sunday, Oct. 13, at Rodriguez Park in Las Vegas for an exciting day of softball as the Lady Rough Riders take on two tough opponents in a thrilling doubleheader!

Our team will face off against the Colorado Slammers, a talented travel team known for their strong pitching and defense, at 12 p.m., followed by a game against the New Mexico Grind, a fierce local competitor with a reputation for power hitting. at 2 p.m.

Admission is free, so bring your friends and family to cheer on the Lady Rough Riders in what promises to be an action-packed day of softball!

BASEBALL PLAYERS WENT TO KANSAS

Luna Community College baseball coach Erick Wright took the following players to a Sophomore Showcase Camp in Larence, Kansas on Sept. 16.

Congratulations to the following players who had the opportunity to attend the camp!

- Garrett Darner
- Justin Peterson
- Sloan Robertson
- Kaleb Carnes
- Keagan Scott
- Jose Galindo
- Padraig Callan
- Troy King
- Manuel Chaco

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- Increased Job Security
- Set a Positive Example
- Personal Growth
- Access to Military Careers
- It's Never Too Late

learn more: <https://luna.edu/abe>



Luna Community College Hosts Social Flight Luncheons

Luna Community College's College and Career Readiness Institute is excited to host Social Flight Social Luncheons, led by department director Lisa Bentson. These gatherings will feature Social Flight videos, offering aviation enthusiasts a chance to connect and share their passion.

Bring your own lunch or enjoy light snacks provided by the college. The first event is on Wednesday, October 9, at noon in MEC-152. Join us for an inspirational webinar and good company!

STUDENT CORNER



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There's still time to register for second-week courses in:

CourseNumber	Title1	Credits	Section#	Subsession	Column1	Days	BeginTimeString	EndTimeString	Campus
CRT115	Metal Working	4	81	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-M-W---	9:00AM	11:50AM	MAIN
ECED1110E	Child Growth, Development, and	3	99	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	Async			EWEB
ECED1115E	Health, Safety, & Nutrition(DL)	2	98	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	Async			EWEB
EDUC2340E	Multicultural Education(DL)	3	99	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	--T-R--	4:00PM	7:20PM	EWEB
HLED1115	American Heart Association CPR	0.5	88	F2	10/16/2024	---W---	8:00AM	2:50PM	MAIN
HLED1115	American Heart Association CPR	0.5	89	F2	11/16/2024	---W---	8:00AM	2:50PM	MAIN
HLED1510E	Medical Terminology	3	98	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	Async			EWEB
PSYC1110E	Introduction to Psychology(DL)	3	99	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	Async			EWEB
PSYC2210E	Abnormal Psychology (DL)	3	99	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	Async			EWEB
WLDG118	Welding Level I	2	82	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-----S	8:00AM	9:00AM	MAIN
WLDG118L	Welding Level I Lab	1	82	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-----S	10:00AM	4:00PM	MAIN
WLDG120L	Welding Level I Application Lab	4	81	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-MTWR--	1:00PM	3:50PM	MAIN
WLDG133	Pipe and Plate Code Testing	2	82	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-M-W---	8:00AM	8:50AM	MAIN
WLDG133L	Pipe and Plate Code Testing Lab	1	82	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	-M-W---	9:00AM	11:50AM	MAIN
WLDG148	Ornamental Art Welding	2	81	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	--T-R--	8:00AM	8:50AM	MAIN
WLDG148L	Ornamental Art Welding Lab	1	82	F2	10/14 - 12/6/2024	--T-R--	9:00AM	11:50AM	MAIN

To register, please visit luna.edu/schedule or contact a Student Success Specialist

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Your Vote Counts!

To register to vote, visit your state's election website or a local government office, fill out the voter registration form, and submit it online or by mail. Be sure to check registration deadlines before upcoming elections.

If you have received your Federal or State work study award, you are now eligible to apply for a work study position. Open positions are posted on the Luna Community College Employment Opportunities website: LCC Jobs.

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FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
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Tickets: \$10

SATELLITE CAMPUSES

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ROUGH RIDER MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS



SANTA ROSA

The students in the Santa Rosa after-school mentorship program made string-art lights last week, and had an absolute blast!

SPRINGER

In Springer, the mentorship students had fun with board games and also got crafty with a variety of creative projects, including making these adorable pumpkins!



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAMS

Luna Community College's Future Rough Rider Mentorship and College-Readiness Program is hosting a Fall After-School Program. This program allows students to engage in interesting STEAHM-related activities while simultaneously having fun with their peers. The After-School Program occurs on Fridays at the Luna Springer Satellite from 4:30-6:30 P.M. Students of all ages (K-12) from Colfax County are welcome though we ask that K-2nd grade students be accompanied by an older sibling or adult.

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LUNA LIGHT LAST WEEK

IN PICTURES

TRAILBLAZING RETREAT

Faculty and staff gathered at King's Stadium Friday for lunch, fun, and brainstorming.

