



# Los Angeles Valley College

## LAVC College Bulletin *July 22-28, 2012*

### This Issue's News & Events



**Want to Know the Latest on Campus Construction? Visit LAVC's Parking & Construction Updates Web Page**

*LAVC regularly posts announcements about upcoming and current construction projects that the campus should be made aware of on the LAVC Parking & Construction Updates Web page at*

*[www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html](http://www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html). This Web page, which is part of the Revitalizing Valley College Web site, provides the most up-to-date information from Yang Management, the college's construction project management team. In addition, there are links to information about Valley College's \$626 million renovation and building project that is funded through voter supported Proposition A and AA, and Measure J. To learn more, visit [www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/index.html](http://www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/index.html).*



**LAVC Named as One of Largest Colleges and Universities in the San Fernando Valley**

*The San Fernando Valley Business Journal has ranked Los Angeles Valley College on its 2012 list of "Largest Colleges & Universities". LAVC is listed as the third largest institution of higher education in the San Fernando Valley. The San Fernando Valley Business Journal regularly ranks the Valley-based colleges and universities by the total number of students (full-time equivalents) in 2011-2012. Congratulations!*



**Ted Fickel Selected as the New Chair of the LAVC Chemistry/  
Physics Department**

**Theodore “Ted” Fickel, professor of Chemistry, has been selected as the new department chair of the LAVC Chemistry/Physics Department. He assumed his new role on July 1, 2012.** As department chair, he hopes to make the department more efficient and increase the number of students it can serve. Ted had been teaching Chemistry at LAVC for the past 17 years. His office is located in Allied Health Sciences 322, and he can be reached at [fickelte@lavc.edu](mailto:fickelte@lavc.edu). Congratulations!



**LAVC Art Faculty Member to be Part of a New Exhibition at the Chinese  
American Museum**

**Phung Huynh, assistant professor of Art, will be one of the artist featured in the new “(de)Constructing Chinatown” exhibition at the Chinese American Museum from July 26, 2012 – November 4, 2012.** This exhibit brings together local artists to create new art that breaks down commonly-held notions about Los Angeles’ Chinatown, while re-envisioning new perspectives that reflect a more genuine understanding and appreciation of the community’s history, culture and role as an essential part of the city’s changing landscape. There will be an opening reception for the exhibition on Thursday, July 26 from 7-8 p.m. for the public and non-members (with a special reception for museum members from 5-7 p.m.). For more information, visit <http://www.camla.org/upcoming.html>.



**Attention New Parents! The Family Resource Center has a Free Baby  
Clothes Exchange for Newborns to Size 3**

**The LAVC Family Resource Center offers a free baby clothes exchange (newborns to size 3) for the community in the new Family Resource Center located in the Child Development and Family Complex.** New parents are encouraged to bring their clean, gently used (e.g. in good condition) baby clothes and trade them for other gently-used baby clothes. Donations of clean and gently used baby clothes to be used in the exchange are also welcomed. In addition, the Family Resource Center also offers other services and resources for new parents. For more information, contact the Family Resource Center at (818) 778-5612 or visit [www.lavc.edu/child\\_development/frc.html](http://www.lavc.edu/child_development/frc.html).



**Plan Your Child's Next Birthday with Pool Party at Valley College!  
LAVC Community Services Now Offering Pool Parties**

***The LAVC Community Services is offering the community the opportunity to hold a pool party at the LAVC Aquatics Center. Pool parties will be available on Saturdays and Sundays between 1-4 p.m. from now until October 2012.*** The cost of the pool party includes 1-1/2 hours of private supervised pool time and a 1/2 hour for cake and refreshments, and decorations (balloons, etc). Cake and refreshments are not included in the cost, but a personalized birthday cake can be arranged for an additional fee. For more information or to book a pool party, contact the LAVC Community Services Office at (818) 947-2577, ext. 4172.



**Calling All Faculty—Do You Want to Nominate a Colleague for the  
“Distinguished Professor Award”?**

***The Academic Senate of Los Angeles Valley College is accepting nominations for its newly created Distinguished Professor Award.*** In order to nominate a colleague for this award, he/she must have demonstrated excellence in the areas of instruction or non-instruction or extraordinary scholastic or creative contribution(s) to Los Angeles Valley College. In addition, this faculty member must be a full-time Professor at Los Angeles Valley College at the time of the nomination. The nomination period will begin on May 1, 2012, and conclude on August 1, 2012. For the nomination form and/or additional information regarding the Distinguished Professor Award, please contact Kathy Snider at (818) 947-2834 (campus voice-mail) or [sniderke@lavc.edu](mailto:sniderke@lavc.edu) (campus e-mail).

Additional news and events are posted online at [www.lavc.edu/campusnews/](http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/).

## LAVC in the News

# Los Angeles Times

July 12, 2012

### **L.A. Community College District elects new board president**

The Los Angeles Times featured a story on the Board of Trustees for the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) electing Trustee Steve Veres as its new president of the board. In addition, Trustee Tina Park was elected first vice president of the board, and trustee Nancy Pearlman was elected as second vice president. LA Valley College is one of the nine colleges in the LACCD. To read the story, visit

<http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/lanow/2012/07/la-community-college-district-elects-new-board-president.html>.



July 12, 2012

**Former San Fernando mayor appointed president of Los Angeles Community College District's board of trustees**

The Daily News announced that Steve Veres, of San Fernando, has been elected by his fellow trustees to serve a one-year term as president of the board leading the nation's largest community college district. LAVC is part of the Los Angeles Community College District. The article is posted online at [http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci\\_21064444/former-san-fernando-mayor-appointed-president-los-angeles](http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci_21064444/former-san-fernando-mayor-appointed-president-los-angeles).

**Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff**

**Want to be Featured on KVCM as a “Professor of the Week” This Fall?** KVCM, LAVC’s radio station, is looking for faculty members who are interested in being featured in a new radio segment called “Professor of the Week”. Faculty members who are interested in being featured as a “Professor of the Week” must submit their bio, a list of 10 important questions and/or topics you want to discuss on the radio, and their phone number and email address to [KVCM@lavc.edu](mailto:KVCM@lavc.edu). Advanced students from Professor Beaton’s Broadcasting 10 class will interview LAVC instructors, and discuss various subjects, careers, and hobbies in an effort for the campus radio station to appeal to a broader campus-based listenership. The featured faculty members will be chosen at random. This new segment will begin airing on weeknights at 9 p.m. during the Fall 2012 semester.

**Check Out the New Commencement Ceremony Photos Now on Display in the Administration Building.** New photos from the recent 2012 Commencement Ceremony have been posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building. The collage of photos, which are located in the hallway outside the Personnel and Payroll offices, showcases the diverse group of students who earned an associate’s degree or certificate in the 2011-2012 academic year. Additional graduation images will be added to the commencement collage every month throughout this summer.

**Save the Date—TechFest 2012 is August 20-22.** The LAVC Professional Development Center will be offering a three-day TechFest 2012 from August 20-22. These workshops will help faculty and staff improve their skill in using technology. More details regarding TechFest will be available later this summer.

**Mark Your Calendar!—LAVC Opening Day is August 23.** The LAVC Professional Development Center reminds all faculty that Opening Day 2012 will be held on Thursday, August 23. Additional information will be provided at a later date.

**Want the Latest News on LAVC’s Construction and Parking Updates?** Information on construction projects that impact the college community are regularly posted on the LAVC’s ReVitalizing Valley College Web Site. Check out the Construction and Parking Updates link on the LAVC Web site, or visit [www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html](http://www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html).

**Activities this Week**

The following is a list of selected campus event and meetings that are scheduled to take place at LAVC. Please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information. A complete list of campus activities is posted on the calendar at [www.lavc.edu](http://www.lavc.edu).

**Symbol Key:** For Students; For Faculty/Staff; Arts/Music; Athletics; Deadlines

**Sunday, July 22**

**Monday, July 23**

## Tuesday, July 24

 *LAVC Chairs and Directors Meeting @ 1:30- 3 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Maria Real [realmi@lavc.edu](mailto:realmi@lavc.edu) [Chairs & Directors Web Page](#)*

 *History Department Lecture Series sponsored by LAVC History Department @ 7- 10 pm (Monarch Hall); Parking: Lot B – Contact: Michael Powelson (818) 284-5275*

## Wednesday, July 25

 *AFT Staff Guild Chapter Meeting sponsored by AFT Staff Guild, Local 1521A @ 12 noon- 1 pm or 1- 2 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Cyndi Maddren [MaddreCT@lavc.edu](mailto:MaddreCT@lavc.edu)*

*LACCD Board of Trustees Meeting @ 3:30 pm (LACCD District Office - 770 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90017) - Contact: [Office of the LACCD Board of Trustees Web Page](#)*

## Thursday, July 26

*Bond Work Group (BWG) Meeting sponsored by LAVC Administrative Services @ 3 pm (President's Conference Room) – Contact: Yang Management (818) 756-0950 [BWG Web Page](#)*

## Friday, July 27

## Saturday, July 28

*West Hollywood Aquatics Swim Practice @ 10- 11:30 am (Aquatic Center); Parking: Lot E – Contact: [West Hollywood Aquatics Web Page](#)*

### **Vision Statement**

*Los Angeles Valley College serves the community as a leader in instructional excellence, facilitating the success of its diverse students, developing critical thinkers and life-long learners, and contributing to the economic and cultural vitality of the San Fernando Valley and beyond.*

### **Mission Statement**

*Los Angeles Valley College is a comprehensive community college located in the center of the San Fernando Valley. The College serves the community by providing transfer, degree, career-technical, foundational, transitional and continuing education programs in an attractive and accessible learning environment that fosters student success. Embedded in these programs are the greater goals of critical thinking and life-long learning which are necessary for success in the workplace and for advancing one's education, personal development and quality of life.*

To read the entire Mission Statement, visit [www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/](http://www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/)

***The LAVC College Bulletin is distributed to the campus community every Wednesday for the following week's activities and events. A PDF version of the College Bulletin is also posted at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin> every Friday.***

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