



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC Astronomy Group to Hold a Free Lecture on the Mars Rover "Curiosity"

The LAVC Astronomy Group will sponsor an astronomy lecture on the Mars Rover "Curiosity" with guest speaker Dr. Diana Blaney of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory on Sunday, May 6 at 7:45 p.m. at the LAVC Planetarium. In early August, an unmanned rover the size of a VW will be landing on Mars, and will begin exploration on the "red planet" Mars. This one-hour talk, which is free and open to the public, will share how the latest rover "Curiosity", which is on its way to Mars, will look at the chemistry on the surface of Mars in an effort to determine if life had, or currently, exists on that planet. Dr. Blaney is the co-investigator of the Chem Cam Instrument that will be on "Curiosity", the Mars Science Laboratory. This lecture is sponsored by the Valley College Astronomy Group as part of its public outreach program. For more information, contact the LAVC Planetarium at (818) 947-2335.



Get Fit This Spring!—Be a Part of the First Annual "Body-Fit Challenge" starting May

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The LAVC Fitness Center and the Kinesiology Department is holding its first annual "Body-Fit Challenge" from May 7-June 4 to help raise funds for the Fitness Center and to help motivate the campus community to begin shedding excess and undesired weight, and to tone up their muscles. There is a \$10 entry fee, and participants will have a weigh-in/BMI-check on Monday, May 7 at the Fitness Center between 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m. This month-long competition, which is open to anyone who wants to participate, will challenge all participants to lose as much weight as possible and become the "most" fit individual in four weeks; consultation is available to all participants. There will also be some prizes awarded to winners, and this activity is co-sponsored by HealthyCA Food Factory, Copy Hub, Sharky's,

Subway, Pedalers West Bicycle Shop and private donors. For more information, contact Louis Jones at (818) 632-7750 or email joneslh@lavc.edu.



Free Wednesday Concert Sponsored by the LAVC Music Department on May 9

The LAVC Music Department will offer a free “Applied Music Student / Faculty Mentor Concert” on Wednesday, May 9 at 1 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall (Music 106). This concert, which is part of the Spring 2012 Free Wednesday Concert Series, will feature a performance by LAVC’s Applied Music students and their faculty mentors. For more information, contact the LAVC Music Department Concert Hotline at (818) 778-5633, or visit <http://www.lavc.edu/music/lavc-music-calendar.htm>.



Attention All Faculty and Staff—You’re Invited to the Annual “Years of Service Recognition, Monarch Awards and Ice Cream Social” Event

LAVC will host its annual “Years of Service Recognition, Monarch Awards and Ice Cream Social” for faculty and staff on Thursday, May 10 from 1-2:30 p.m. in Monarch Hall. The college will recognize employees for their service of 5 years to 40+ years. In addition, it will recognize newly tenured faculty and retired faculty and staff. LAVC faculty and staff are invited to come and celebrate the accomplishments of their colleagues, and enjoy delicious ice cream courtesy of the President’s Office, the Academic Senate, Faculty Guild, Teamsters, Staff Guild and the LAVC Vice Presidents. For more information, contact Maggie Lopez in the LAVC President’s Office at lopezm@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2321.



LAVC Dance Program to Present its Spring 2012 Production “EBB AND FLOW”

The LAVC Dance Program will present its annual spring dance production called “EBB AND FLOW” on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12 at 8 p.m., and a matinee performance on Saturday, May 12 at 2 p.m. in the Main Stage Theater. This production, which will feature performances by students, is choreographed by faculty, students, and guest artists. Tickets for the evening performances are \$14 for general admission, and \$11 for students with I.D., and the matinee performance tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for students with I.D.; tickets may be purchased online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/239843. For more information, contact Geordie Wright at wrightga@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2908, or Liz Casebolt at caseboev@lavc.edu.



Thanks to All the Blood Donors—Recent LAVC Blood Drive Exceeds Its Goal by 133%

The LAVC Student Health Center and the America Red Cross would like to thank all the recent donors for the successful drive, and helping them exceed the Blood Drive goal by 133%. The LAVC Blood Drive, which was held on April 25, 2012, collected a total of 44 units of blood from 58 donors for the American Red Cross. The need for blood is constant, and the American Red Cross applauds the efforts of LAVC donors who have helped to ensure that a safe and stable blood supply is available for people in need.



Reminder—All Student Services Offices Now Located in New Temporary Locations until August 10

Students, faculty, staff and prospective students are reminded that all the offices formerly located in the Student Services Center and Student Services Annex have temporarily relocated to alternate locations on campus between April 10-August 10. The following offices are now operating in the following temporary locations until August 10, 2012:

- *Admissions & Records, Counseling, Career/Transfer Center, Associated Student Union, and Outreach & Recruitment* are located in the Administration Building;
- *Financial Aid* is located in the old Financial Aid Bungalow (west of the North Gymnasium);
- *Services for Students with Disabilities* is located in Campus Center 100;
- *EOPS and Upward Bound* is located in Campus Center 102; and the
- *Office of the Vice President of Student Services, the Assessment Center, and SSS/TRiO Program* are located in the Lion's Den.

To learn about the services offered at each office, and their hours of operation, visit their individual Web pages on the LAVC Web site at www.lavc.edu or view the LAVC Office Hours Web page at <http://www.lavc.edu/officehours/index.html>.

Additional news and events are posted online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Reminder—Admissions, Counseling, Financial Aid and Other Student Services Offices Have Moved!** From April 10-August 10, Admissions & Records, Counseling, Assessment Center, Career/Transfer Center, Financial Aid, Services for Students with Disabilities, Associated Student Union, Outreach & Recruitment, EOPS, Upward Bound, SSS/TRiO Program and VP of Student Services will be operating from new locations on campus. A complete list indicating where each office has been relocated to is posted online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews#sscclosure.
- **Calling All Child Development Majors! Come to the Child Development Career Fair on May 8.** The LAVC Child Development Department and Family Resource Center invites you to attend the "Child Development Career Fair" on Tuesday, May 8 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on the sidewalk between the Child Development Department and Child Development Center in the Child Development and Family Complex. Come meet representatives from

Bright Horizons, Child Care Resource Center, LAUSD Early Education, Volunteers of America, Cal State Northridge, Cal State LA, Pacific Oaks, and many more. For additional information, contact the Family Resource Center at (818) 778-5612.

- **You're Invited to the LAVC Dance Program's Spring 2012 Production "EBB AND FLOW"**. The LAVC Dance Program will present its annual spring dance production called "EBB AND FLOW" on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12 at 8 p.m., and a matinee performance on Saturday, May 12 at 2 p.m. in the Main Stage Theater. It will feature performances by students and it is choreographed by faculty, students, and guest artists. Tickets can be purchased online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/239843; evening shows are \$14 for general admission, and \$11 for students with I.D., and the matinee show is \$12 for general admission and \$10 for students with I.D. For more info, contact Geordie Wright at (818) 947-2908, or Liz Casebolt at caseboev@lavc.edu.
- **Planning on Transferring? Don't Miss the Upcoming UC/CSU/Private University Representative Visits**. All students who are interested in transferring are welcomed to make an appointment to see a university representative on specific dates at the Career/Transfer Center. The following admissions representatives will be on campus to meet with students: UC Santa Cruz on May 10 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; UC Merced on May 14 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; UCLA on May 17 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., CSUN on May 10 from 2-6 p.m.; Mt. Saint Mary's on May 10 and 31 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Antioch University on May 15 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Pacific Oaks University on May 22 from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; Arts Institute on May 15 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and May 29 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information, visit the LAVC Career/Transfer Web page at www.lavc.edu/transfer.
- **Are You Graduating this Spring? Graduation Announcements & Class Rings Available at the LAVC Bookstore**. Students who will be participating in the Commencement 2012 Ceremony on June 6 can purchase graduation announcements from the LAVC Bookstore starting April 30, 2012. For orders with personalized name and degree cards, please allow one week turnaround time; the last day to order personalized announcements is May 18, 2012. There will also be a representative selling LAVC Graduation rings on the following days: Monday, May 14 from 10 a.m.-12 noon at the bookstore; Tuesday, May 29 from 2-4 p.m. at the bookstore, and Wednesday, June 6 from 4-6 p.m. at Monarch Stadium. For more information, contact the LAVC Bookstore at (818) 947-2313.
- **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 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 to trade them for other 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.
- **Thinking About Transferring to UC Santa Barbara? Sign Up Today for the UCSB Bus Trip on May 18**. The LAVC Career/Transfer Center will be offering a bus trip for students who are interested in transferring to UC Santa Barbara on Friday, May 18. The bus will depart LAVC at 7:45 a.m. and return at 5 p.m. Interested students should sign up at the Career/Transfer Center in Administration 126; there is a \$5 fee to reserve your spot (refundable). For more information, visit the Career/Transfer Center Web page at www.lavc.edu/transfer.
- **Want to Buy Magic Mountain and Hurricane Harbor Tickets? LAVC Bookstore Now Selling Discounted Tickets**. The LAVC Bookstore is now selling discounted tickets for Magic Mountain and Hurricane Harbor. It is selling regular admission tickets for a discounted price of \$33 each (regular price is \$61.99), and discounted Hurricane Harbor admission tickets are \$24 each (regular price is \$37.99). To purchase tickets, visit the LAVC Bookstore on Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. or Friday from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information, contact Mary John at (818) 947-2713.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

May 8—Death by PowerPoint. Title V and Professional Development will offer a workshop for faculty called "Death by PowerPoint" on Tuesday, May 8 from 1 - 2:30 p.m. in the PDC (Bungalow 83). Did you know that Microsoft estimates that 30 million PowerPoints are presented each day, and 50% of them are unbearable? Come learn more about how you can create PowerPoint presentations that get your students thinking and involved, and don't put them to sleep. You will leave

with many ideas for improving your presentations...and some ideas for what to avoid. The facilitator of this workshop will be Jim Marteney. For more information, contact the Professional Development Office at profdev@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2712.

May 10—Create, Edit, and Upload Videos. Professional Development and Title V will present a “Create, Edit, and Upload Videos” for faculty on Thursday, May 10 from 1 - 2:30 p.m. in the PDC (Bungalow 83). Faculty have more tools than ever before to create, store, and show videos that can stimulate student learning. In this session, we will look at a variety of ways to create, upload, and present videos from cameras to computer "cams" to iPhones -- using the Portal, YouTube and EduStream. Jim Marteney will facilitate this workshop. For more information, contact the Professional Development Office at profdev@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2712.

Mark Your Calendars—Faculty Hour on May 21. Please join Academic Senate and the Local 1521 Union for a Faculty Hour on Monday, May 21 from 1-2 p.m. in the LAVC Art Gallery. Come socialize with your peers, tour the LAVC Art Gallery and view the 'best of art' by our own LAVC students. You will enjoy freshly baked goodies, coffee (regular/decaf.) and water. You're welcome to bring your own lunch. For more information, contact Roana Thornock at (818) 947-2455 or thornorm@lavc.edu.

Want the latest news on construction and parking updates? Check out the Construction and Parking Updates Web page on the LAVC Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html>.

Are You a Cancer Survivor and Want to be Honored at a Relay for Life Event? Heather Trojan, adjunct assistant professor in the LAVC Child Development Department, is looking for cancer survivors who want to be honored at the American Cancer Society's Studio City - North Hollywood Relay for Life on May 19-20 2012, at Walter Reed Junior High School. Cancer survivors kick off the event with the survivor lap and are the honored guests; so if you are interested please register as a survivor at www.relayforlife.org/studiocitynohoca or email Heather Trojan, who is the event's survivor chair, at trojanhc@lavc.edu.

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.

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


Sunday, May 6

 **Spring Semester 2012 – Last Day to Drop classes with a “W” (by Internet only)**

 *Kadima String Quartet Performance sponsored by LAVC Community Services @ 2- 4 pm (Music Recital Hall) – Contact: Beth Elliot (818) 780-9596*

  *Lecture on Mars Rover “Curiosity” sponsored by LAVC Astronomy Group & Earth Science Department @ 7:45- 9 pm (LAVC Planetarium); Parking: Lot A – Contact: David Falk (818) 947-2335*

Monday, May 7


 *The New School New York Admissions Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 10 am- 1 pm (Monarch Square) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

 *“Undecided Major/Career” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 5- 6 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


Greater Valley Glen Council Meeting sponsored by Greater Valley Glen Council @ 6- 9 pm (Faculty Lounge); Parking: Lot B – Contact: Terry Anderson (818) 902-9066


Tuesday, May 8

 *CSUN Peer Mentor sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 10 am- 2 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


 *Child Development Career Fair sponsored by Child Development Department & Family Resource Center @ 11 am- 1 pm (Sidewalk between Child Development Department/ CD Center) – Contact: CD Center (818) 778-5612 [View Flyer](#)*


 *LAVC Classified Staff Development Meeting @ 12- 1 pm (Faculty Lounge) – Contact: Mary John (818) 947-2717 johnms@lavc.edu [Classified Staff Development Committee Web Page](#) [LAVC 411 Update](#)*



 *UCLA Peer Mentor sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 12 noon- 5 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


 *“Death by PowerPoint” Workshop for faculty sponsored by Title V & Professional Development @ 1- 2:30 pm (PDC Bungalow 83) – Contact: Professional Development Center (818) 947-2712 [Professional Development Web Page](#)*

Wednesday, May 9


 *ASU Club Day sponsored by the Associated Student Union @ 9 am- 2 pm (Monarch Square) – Contact: Associated Student Union (818) 778-5516 [ASU Web Site](#)*

 *CSUN Peer Mentor sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 10 am- 2 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


  *Free Wednesday Concert sponsored by LAVC Music Department @ 1 pm (Music 106 - Music Recital Hall) – Contact: Music Department Concert Hotline (818) 778-5633 [Music Department Web Page](#)*


 *“Undecided Major/Career” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 1- 2 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

Thursday, May 10

 *UC Santa Cruz Admissions Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 9 am- 1 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

 *Mt. St. Mary’s Admissions Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 10 am- 1 pm (Administration Bldg. Room 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

 *Years of Service Recognition, Monarch Awards and Ice Cream Social sponsored by the President’s Office @ 1- 2:30 pm (Monarch Hall) – Contact: Roxy Zamora (818) 947-2321*

 *“Create, Edit, and Upload Videos” Workshop for faculty sponsored by Title V & Professional Development @ 1- 2:30 pm (PDC Bungalow 83) – Contact: Professional Development Center (818) 947-2712 [Professional Development Web Page](#)*

 *CSUN Admissions Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 2- 6 pm (Admin bldg. Rm 126) – Contact: Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

Friday, May 11



GED Practice Test sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs @ 9 am (Bungalow 14); Walk-in registration accepted – Contact: Margie Thomas (818) 947-2976 [CalWORKs Web Page](#)

  *Student/Faculty Softball Game sponsored by LAVC Associated Student Union @ 11 am- 2 pm (LAVC Softball Field) – Contact: Tino Manzano (818) 947-2691*

Astronomy Group Planetarium Show sponsored by LAVC Earth Science Department @ 8- 9pm (LAVC Planetarium); Parking: Lot A – Contact: David Falk (818) 947-2864

  *“EBB AND FLOW” performance sponsored by LAVC Dance Program @ 8- 10 pm (Main Stage Theater); Tickets: General Admission \$14, Students w/ ID \$11– Contact: Geordie Wright (818) 947-2908 [BrownPaperTickets](#)*

Saturday, May 12

  *“EBB AND FLOW” matinee performance sponsored by LAVC Dance Program @ 2- 4 pm (Main Stage Theater); Tickets: General Admission \$14, Students w/ ID \$11– Contact: Geordie Wright (818) 947-2908 [BrownPaperTickets](#)*

  *“EBB AND FLOW” performance sponsored by LAVC Dance Program @ 8- 10 pm (Main Stage Theater); Tickets: General Admission \$14, Students w/ ID \$11– Contact: Geordie Wright (818) 947-2908 [BrownPaperTickets](#)*

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/

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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