



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



New Hours of Operation for the LAVC Student Services Center

From October 3-December 30, the Admissions & Records Office, International Students Office, Veterans Office, Financial Aid, Assessment Center and Vice President of Student Services Office located in the Student Services Center will be open Monday-Thursday and closed on Friday. Admissions & Records, International Students Office, Veterans Office and Financial Aid will be open Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., and will be closed all day on Friday; those offices will be closed each day from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. The Assessment Center will be open Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. - 12 noon and from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., and will be closed all day on Friday; it will be closed each day from 12 noon - 3 p.m. The Office of the Vice President will be open Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., and closed all day on Friday. For more information, please check the Web page for each of the above noted offices.



Help Us Improve Student Success by Playing "The Finish Line" at the STARS

Workshop on October 10

The STARS Committee and PASS (Preparing All Students for Success) will hold its next STARS Workshop entitled "The Finish Line" on Monday, October 10 from 1:30-3 p.m. in the Cafeteria Conference Room. Participants will play an interactive board game called "The Finish Line", in which they will take on the roles of students and experience college in their shoes. Following the game there will be a discussion about the multiple barriers our students face, structural inequities at LAVC, and ways we can help our students succeed by addressing these obstacles to success. Additional workshops of this session may be offered by contact the Professional Development Center. For more information, contact Professional Development at (818) 947-2712, profdev@lavc.edu or visit <http://www.lavc.edu/profdev/>.



Breast Cancer Awareness Event at ASU Club Day on October 12

The LAVC Dance Club, the Student Health Center and the Associated Student Union (ASU) will be holding a Breast Cancer Awareness Event on Wednesday, October 12 from 12:45-1:45 p.m. in Monarch Square.

During that time, there will be a dance performance vigil by the LAVC Dance Club featuring breast cancer survivor speakers. The campus community is invited to come and sign an inspirational quilt with encouraging words; the quilt will be donated to a local cancer clinic after the event. There will also be FREE pink support ribbons (while supplies last). For more information, contact the LAVC ASU Office at (818) 778-5516 or visit www.lavc.edu/asu.



Don't Miss the LACCD Strategic Planning Event for Students, Faculty, Staff and Administrators on October 13

The Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) is holding "Strategic Planning Focus Groups" for students, faculty, staff and administrators to help develop the District Strategic Plan for 2012-2017 on Thursday, October 13 in the Cafeteria Conference Room.

The following focus groups will be held: administrators will meet from 9 - 10:30 a.m., the staff will meet from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon, the faculty will meet from 1 - 2:30 p.m., and the students will meet from 2:30 - 4 p.m. Space is limited. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Maggie Lopez in the President's Office at lopezm@lavc.edu.



LAVC Theater Arts Presents Oscar Wilde's The Importance of Being Earnest

The LAVC Theater Arts Department will present The Importance of Being Earnest on Thursday, October, 13, Friday, October 14 and Saturday, October 15 at 8 p.m. in the LAVC Horseshoe Theatre. There will also be a special preview of the production on Wednesday, October 12 at 8 p.m.

This production of Oscar Wilde's deliciously subversive and sparkingly silly comic masterpiece is a reprise of LAVC's 2011 Summerfest production. The production features LAVC students Jeffrey Boulton, Kevin Wilkins, Lilit Arakelyan, Anna Carlise, Wendy Pigott, Sue Paoletti, Brandon Batham, Leo Amanse, Kathy Arevalo, Mookie Johnson, Stephanie Pressman, Rob Reale, and Tainy Contreras. Tickets are \$16 for general admission, \$10 for students, and \$12 for seniors and kids. It is directed by Christopher Coddington, with scenic design by Cesar Holguin, costumes by Suzan Meier, lighting by LAVC students Stephanie Pressman and Josh Holt. Persephone Clover is the stage manager, and Janette Jara and Briana Norman are the assistant stage managers. For more information, visit the Theater Arts Department Web page at www.lavctheater.com. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/196147> or by calling the BrownPaperTicket Hotline at (800) 838-3006.



You're Invited to the LAVC Child Development and Family Complex Dedication Ceremony on October 14

LAVC and the Los Angeles Community College District will hold a dedication and open house for the new LAVC Child Development and Family Complex on Friday, October 14 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. This event will showcase the building which houses the Child Development Center, Child Development Department classes and offices, and the Family Resource Center. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Jennifer Fong-Borucki in the Public Relations Office at (818) 947-2433.



LAVC to Host the 3rd Annual "Working with Young Children with Special Needs" Conference on October 15

The LAVC Family Resource Center will hold its 3rd Annual "Working With Young Children With Special Needs" Conference on Saturday, October 15 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Monarch Hall. The theme for this year's conference is "promoting inclusion in our schools and community." For additional information and registration forms, visit <http://lavc-frc.tumblr.com/2011Conference> or call (818) 778-5612.



Music Department and Valley Symphony Orchestra Benefit Concert

"Bonds of Love" on October 15

The LAVC Music Department and Valley Symphony Orchestra (VSO) will hold a benefit concert entitled "Bonds of Love: An Evening with Brian Asawa, Diana Tash and the Valley Symphony Orchestra" on Saturday, October 15 at 7 p.m. in the Main Stage Theater. This concert will feature internationally acclaimed artists Brian Asawa, countertenor, and Diana Tash, mezzo-soprano, performing the music of Handel, Mozart, Rossini, Verdi, Massenet, Gluck, and Weber. Proceeds from this concert will help to support the LAVC Music Department and the Valley Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are \$40 for general admission, \$65 for priority seating with artist reception following the concert; to purchase tickets online visit <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/201011>. For more information, visit the LAVC Music Department Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/music/lavc-music-calendar.htm> or call its Concert Hotline at (818) 778-5633.

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:

- **Help LAVC Improve Student Success by Playing "The Finish Line" Game.** The STARS Committee and PASS (Preparing All Students for Success) will hold a "STARS Workshop: The Finish Line" on Monday, October 10 from 1:30-3 p.m. in the Cafeteria Conference Room. Come play an interactive board game called "The Finish Line", which will lead into a discussion about the multiple barriers students face

and ways the college can help our students succeed by addressing these obstacles to success. For more information, contact Professional Development at (818) 947-2712 or profdev@lavc.edu.

- **Are You Prepared to Apply to a UC Campus? Sign Up Today for the UC Application Webinar.** The Career/Transfer Center will offer a University of California Application Webinar on Tuesday, October 11 at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. in the Career/Transfer Center located in the Student Services Annex. Come learn more about the application process, and what you will need to apply to transfer to a UC campus. The application filing period is November 1-30, 2011. Additional workshops will be held on October 20, and November 8, 16 and 22. For more information and how to sign up for the webinar, visit the Career/Transfer Center Web page at www.lavc.edu/Transfer/index.html.
- **Come to the Breast Cancer Awareness Event at the ASU Club Day.** The LAVC Dance Club, the Student Health Center and the Associated Student Union (ASU) will hold a Breast Cancer Awareness Event on Wednesday, October 12 from 12:45-1:45 p.m. in Monarch Square. LAVC Dance Club will have a dance performance vigil featuring breast cancer survivor speakers, and you can come sign an inspirational quilt with encouraging words (the quilt will be donated to a local cancer clinic). Pick up a free pink ribbon, while supplies last. For more information, contact the LAVC ASU Office at (818) 778-5516 or visit www.lavc.edu/asu.
- **LAVC CARE Program Still Accepting New Students Until October 14!** The LAVC EOPS/CARE Office is accepting new students for its CARE Program until Friday, October 14. The CARE program is for full-time LAVC students who qualify for EOPS, and are single parents, a CalWORKs recipient, and have a child or children under the age of 14. Students who meet the above-mentioned criteria may qualify for the following CARE Program benefits: personal counseling, tailored workshops and events, educational materials, and financial assistance. For more information, contact Margaret Sarkisyan at (818) 947-2432 or sarkism@lavc.edu, or visit the EOPS/CARE office in the 2nd Floor of the Student Services Center.
- **Want to Earn Up to \$13.25 Per Hour? Project GRAD at LAVC is Hiring!** LAVC in partnership with Project GRAD LA is hiring tutors for the following LAUSD Schools: Pacoima, San Fernando, Maclay, and Olive Vista Middle Schools. Tutors will earn between \$11.04-\$13.25 per hour. To be eligible to be a tutor, students must be attending college full-time (at least 12 units) with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Applications are available in the Office of Academic Affairs in the Administration Building, Room 101, or by contacting Nona Matatova, project coordinator, at (818) 947-2622.
- **October Specials at the LAVC Bookstore!** The LAVC Bookstore will have special sales in October in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. For the entire month of October, there will be 10% off on anything "pink" in the store (excluding books, food and drinks) and 20% off breast cancer awareness t-shirts, breast cancer awareness lanyards, breast cancer awareness keychains, breast cancer awareness pens and breast cancer awareness pencils. For more information, visit the LAVC Bookstore located in Campus Center, or visit www.lavcbookstore.com.
- **Do You Have Your Parking Permit? Remember to Properly Display Your Student Parking Pass or You May Get a Ticket.** The LAVC College Sheriff's are now issuing parking citations to vehicles parked in student parking lots on campus without a valid student parking pass. They will also be citing vehicles without a faculty/staff parking decal that are parked in any "staff" parking spot or in the faculty/staff parking areas. You can purchase a student parking pass in the Business Office, which is located on the corner of Campus Drive and Hatteras Street. For more information, visit the Business Office Web site at www.lavc.edu/businessoffice/.
- **Mark Your Calendars—Don't Miss the 3rd Annual LAVC College Fest on October 22.** LAVC Outreach & Recruitment will hold its 3rd Annual LAVC College Fest on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m.-12 noon in Monarch Square. This event is mainly geared towards high school students in LAUSD's District 2 and their families, but the public is welcome. There will be representatives from more than 50 college, universities and organizations, such as 8 UCs including UCLA, 7 CSUs including CSUN and Cal Poly, USC, Biola, MIt and more! There will also be workshops for high school students to help them prepare to transition to college. For more information, contact LAVC Outreach & Recruitment at (818) 778-5831 or email trudgej@lavc.edu.

- **Want to Study in Paris and Earn Up to 8 Units of Credit?** The LAVC Study Away Program will hold its first information session for its 2012 Summer in Paris Program on Saturday, October 22 from 12 noon-2 p.m. in the Foreign Language Building, Room 102. Come learn about the month-long study program with ESA (European Studies Association), which will take place from July 1-31, 2012. Participants can earn up to 8 units of credit at LAVC. Other information sessions will be held on November 19, December 10, January 14, February 18 and March 24. For more information, visit www.lavc.edu/paris or contact Professor D. Merrill at merridl@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2380.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

Don't Miss the CalSTRS Retirement Workshop at LATTC on October 14. The LACCD Human Resources/Retirement Systems Unit/Health Benefits Call Center and the AFT Faculty Guild will present a "Retirement Workshop for CalSTRS members who are planning to retire in Fall 2011 or Spring 2012" on Friday, October 14 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at LA Trade Tech in Building TE #101. Registration begins at 9 a.m. You will have the opportunity to learn about the district resignation procedures, retiree health benefits, and CalSTRS retirement forms. A CalSTRS counselor will be available to answer general questions regarding retirement. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided by The Los Angeles College Faculty Guild. Free parking is available in Lot B (between 22nd and 23rd Streets off of Grand); the Metro Blue Line exit for LATTC is Grand Avenue. Please RSVP by phone or email by Friday, October 7 to Corrina Alvidrez at CALvidrez@email.laccd.edu or (213) 891-3500, or Leticia Rito at RitoL@email.laccd.edu or (213) 891-2120.

Attention Faculty! Notice of Filing Period for Advancement in Rank. The filing period for advancement in academic rank for Spring of 2012 will begin on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 9 a.m. and conclude on Friday, October 21, 2011 at 12 noon. Specifically, applications for advancement in rank will be available beginning on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 9 a.m. and conclude on Friday, October 7, 2011 at 12 noon. The final date to return an application for advancement in rank will be Friday, October 21, 2011 at 12 noon. Applicants must inquire into this process on an individual basis. Group or department requests will not be honored. Interested faculty should contact Kathy Snider, Chair of the Academic Rank Committee, at sniderke@lavc.edu (campus e-mail). Applications are not available on-line. The necessary forms, including a letter of instruction, will be forwarded to the applicant upon request.

Latest Issue of the Monthly EAP Newsletter Now Available Online. The September 2011 monthly newsletter of the Employee Assistant Program (EAP) has been posted online. Topics covered on the September newsletter include "Communicating in today's world: Your body language speaks volumes", "Worklife balance: Listen up for better communication", "Communicating with Teens: Improving communication with teens", and "Getting past getting your way: A guide to cooperation". The newsletter can be accessed on the EAP Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/eap/newsletters.html>.

Need a Copy of the LAVC Logo? LAVC faculty, staff and administrators can now download the LAVC logo, LAVC Signature, and LAVC document templates off the LAVC Graphic Standard & Style Guide Web page. *Please note: This Web site can only be accessed on campus using your faculty, staff or administrator network login and password.* To access the LAVC Graphic Standard & Style Guide Web page, visit <http://www.lavc.edu/styleguide/index.html>.

Got News to Share? Let the LAVC PR Office Help You Publicize It! The LAVC Public Relations Office can assist LAVC departments, programs and services with posting: College Bulletin announcements, college's electronic marquee announcements, calendar listings on LAVC's online calendar, news & events announcements on the LAVC homepage, and announcements on LAVC's Facebook and Twitter pages. The college's Web designer can also help update Web pages, and design Web pages for departments and programs! To download the PR Request Form, visit www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html.

Is Your Information Correct on the LAVC Online Phone/Email Directory? Remember to Send Administrative Services Your Updates or Changes! The LAVC Administrative Services Office is assisting faculty, staff and administrators with updating information on the online LAVC phone/email directory at www.lavc.edu/directory. If an employee finds that his/her information is inaccurate or missing, please send an email (and copy your supervisor/department chair/vice president) to Yovanna Campos in Administrative Services (at camposyv@lavc.edu) with the following information:

- (1) employee's full name,
- (2) nickname (if applicable),
- (3) title,
- (4) department,
- (5) building location with room number
- (6) phone number,
- (7) fax number,
- (8) LAVC email address, &
- (9) secondary email address (if applicable)

Yovanna will then respond back to the supervisor/department chair/vice president when the updates have been completed. If any questions, please contact Yovanna at camposyv@lavc.edu or by calling extension 2337.

Calling All Faculty and Staff! LAVC's Accreditation Effort Needs You! LAVC has embarked on our college-wide self-evaluation—a process that will culminate in a visit by evaluators from the Accrediting Commission in spring 2013 to decide on our accredited status. It's not too late to get involved in this important project. We need your input as we make plans and set our course for the next several years. To find out more, go to www.lavc.edu/accreditation. To join a Self Evaluation Team, email LAVCaccreditation@lavc.edu. See you at the next team meeting!

Activities this Week


A complete list of campus events and meetings is posted on the calendar at www.lavc.edu. Please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information.


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


Sunday, October 9



Astronomy Group Business Meeting and Lecture sponsored by LAVC Earth Science Department @ 7- 9 pm (LAVC Planetarium) – Contact: David Falk (818) 947-2864


Monday, October 10


 *CSUN Peer Mentor sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 9 am- 1 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

 *CSUN Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 1- 5 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*

 *“How to transfer: UC/CSU/Private University” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 1-2:30 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


  *STARS “The Finish Line” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Strategic Team for the Advancement and Retention of Students (STARS) and Preparing All Students for Success (PASS) @ 1:30- 3 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Deborah Kaye (818) 947-2569*


 *National University Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 2:30- 4 pm (Monarch Square) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646 [Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)*


 *Dance Club Weekly Meeting sponsored by ASU Dance Club @ 3:30- 4:40 pm (Field House) – Contact: Liz Casebolt (818) 947-2912*

Tuesday, October 11


 *LAVC Classified Staff Development Committee Meeting @ 11:30 am- 12:30 pm (Faculty Lounge) – Contact: Arlene Stein steinar@lavc.edu [Classified Staff Development Committee LAVC](#) [LAVC 411 Update](#)*

 *University of California Application Webinar sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 1 pm (Student Services Annex – Counseling Department) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 778-5576*
[Career/Transfer Web Page](#)



 *University of California Application Webinar sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 4 pm (Student Services Annex – Counseling Department) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 778-5576*
[Career/Transfer Web Page](#)

 *“How to transfer: UC/CSU/Private University” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 5-6:30 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646*
[Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)




Wednesday, October 12


 *UCLA Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 9 am- 3 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646*
[Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)




 *ASU Club Day sponsored by LAVC Associated Student Union @ 9 am- 2 pm (Monarch Square) – Contact: Elizabeth Ortiz (818) 947-2702*

  *Breast Cancer Awareness Event sponsored by ASU & LAVC Dance Club @ 12:45- 1:45 pm (Monarch Square) – Contact: ASU (818) 778-5516*

 *LAVC Curriculum Committee (VCCC) Meeting @ 1- 3 pm (Faculty Lounge) – Contact: Sheri Berger*
bergersl@lavc.edu [VCCC Web Page](#) [LAVC 411 Update](#)

   *“Another Piano / Violin Duo Concert!” sponsored by the LAVC Music Department @ 1- 2 pm (Music 106 - Music Recital Hall); Admission: Free – Contact: LAVC Music Department Concert Hotline (818) 778-5633*
[Music Department Web Page](#)

 *“Undecided Major” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 5:30- 6:30 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646*
[Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)

   *Preview performance of The Importance of Being Earnest presented by LAVC Theater Arts @ 8 pm (Horseshoe Theater); Tickets: \$16 general admission, \$10 students, and \$12 seniors/kids – Contact: LAVC Theater Arts (818) 947-2352*
[Theater Arts Department Web Page](#) [Buy Tickets](#)



Thursday, October 13

 *LACCD Strategic Planning Event for administrators sponsored by LAVC Research & Planning @ 9- 10:30 am (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Research & Planning (818) 947-2437*




 *LACCD Strategic Planning Event for classified staff sponsored by LAVC Research & Planning @ 10:30 am- 12 noon (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Research & Planning (818) 947-2437*

 *LACCD Strategic Planning Event for faculty sponsored by LAVC Research & Planning @ 1- 2:30 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Research & Planning (818) 947-2437*

 *LACCD Strategic Planning Event for students sponsored by LAVC Research & Planning @ 2:30- 4 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Research & Planning (818) 947-2437*


  *LAVC Bond Work Group (BWG) Meeting @ 3 pm (President's Conference Room) – Contact: Tom Jacobsmeier (818) 947-2336 / Yang Management (818) 756-0950*
[BWG Web Page](#) [LAVC 411 Update](#)


 *“How to transfer: UC/CSU/Private University” Workshop sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center @ 5-6:30 pm (Career/Transfer Center) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 947-2646*
[Career/Transfer Center Web Page](#)




   *The Importance of Being Earnest presented by LAVC Theater Arts @ 8 pm (Horseshoe Theater); Tickets: \$16 general admission, \$10 students, and \$12 seniors/kids – Contact: LAVC Theater Arts (818) 947-2352*
[Theater Arts Department Web Page](#) [Buy Tickets](#)

Friday, October 14

  *Child Development & Family Complex Dedication Event sponsored by LAVC and Los Angeles Community College District @ 10 am- 12 noon (Child Development & Family Complex)*




 *Public Planetarium Show sponsored by LAVC Earth Science Department @ 8- 10 pm (LAVC Planetarium) – Contact: David Falk (818) 947-2864*




 *Food Safety Training sponsored by LAVC ASU @ 9 am- 3 pm (Student Services Multi-Purpose Room) – Contact: Elizabeth Ortiz (818) 947-2702*

   *The Importance of Being Earnest presented by LAVC Theater Arts @ 8 pm (Horseshoe Theater); Tickets: \$16 general admission, \$10 students, and \$12 seniors/kids – Contact: LAVC Theater Arts (818) 947-2352 [Theater Arts Department Web Page](#) [Buy Tickets](#)*

Saturday, October 15

 *“Working With Young Children with Special Needs” Conference sponsored by LAVC Family Resource Center @ 8:30 am- 2 pm (Monarch Hall) – Contact: Family Resource Center (818) 778-5612*

   *Valley Symphony Orchestra's Music Department Benefit Concert "Bonds of Love" sponsored by the LAVC Music Department @ 7- 9 pm (TBA); Tickets: \$40 general admission, \$65 concert and reception with artists – Contact: LAVC Music Department Concert Hotline (818) 778-5633 [Music Department Web Page](#)*

   *The Importance of Being Earnest presented by LAVC Theater Arts @ 8 pm (Horseshoe Theater); Tickets: \$16 general admission, \$10 students, and \$12 seniors/kids – Contact: LAVC Theater Arts (818) 947-2352 [Theater Arts Department Web Page](#) [Buy Tickets](#)*

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 is also posted on the LAVC Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin> every Friday.

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