



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC to Host a Free Speech Lecture on September 14 in Honor of Constitution Day

The LAVC Student Activities Office and the Associated Student Union (ASU) will hold a free Constitution Day lecture entitled "Photography as Artistic Expression" on Wednesday, September 14 from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Art Building, Room 103. This free lecture by Professor Dennis Reed will cover the following topics: "Porn or Protected Speech", "What is Social Value", "What is Commercial Speech", and "How Free is Free Speech". All attendees will receive a Free U.S. Constitution Pocket Guide. For more information, contact Elizabeth Ortiz (818) 947-2702.



LAVC Music Department Kicks Off its Fall Concerts Series with a Concert by Dave Damiani and the No Vacancy Orchestra

The LAVC Music Department will feature its first concert of the new school year with a free performance by LAVC Alumnus Dave Damiani with his nine-piece "No Vacancy Orchestra" on Wednesday, September 14 from 1-2 p.m. in the Music Instrumental Room (Music 112). This concert of swinging show tunes, which is part of the department's Fall 2011 "Free Wednesday Concert Series", will also include the opportunity to meet the performers after the performance. A complete schedule of Music Department concerts is available on the LAVC Music Department Web site at www.lavc.edu/music. For more information, contact the Music Department's Concert Information Line at (818) 778-5633 or email concerts@lavc.edu.



LAVC to Offer the GED Test on September 16-17

LAVC will offer the GED (General Educational Development) Test on September 16-17. Registration for the test begins 2 weeks prior to the test, and space is limited. All test takers must have a valid form of identification at registration. The GED testing fee is \$150 and the partial re-test fee is \$35 per subject; all fees must be paid at the time of registration. The LAVC CalWORKs Office is an official GED Testing Site, and offers the test every month. Additional test dates are: October 21-22 and November 18-19. For more information, contact Margie in the LAVC CalWORKs Office at (818) 947-2976 or visit www.lavc.edu/calworks.



LAVC Career/Transfer Center Holds Special Events to Help Students Prepare to Transfer to a University

The LAVC Career/Transfer Center is hosting a series of special events and activities for students interested in transferring to a four-year college or university during the Fall 2011 semester. It will host webinars on the UC Transfer Agreement Guarantees (TAG) and UC Transfer Applications, and will also host admissions representatives from various colleges and universities to answer student's questions. For more information on the Career/Transfer Center and its upcoming events, visit the Career/Transfer Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/Transfer/index.html.



Attention LAVC Faculty & Staff—Need a Copy of the LAVC Logo?

The LAVC Public Relations Office has posted the electronic versions of the LAVC logo, LAVC Signature, and LAVC document templates on the LAVC Graphic Standard & Style Guide Web page for LAVC faculty, staff and administrators. This newly revised Web page contains downloadable copies of all the different variations (for print and for the Web) of the LAVC logo and the LAVC Signature (e.g. logo with the name of the college). The Web site can only be accessed on campus with a faculty, staff or administrator network login. To access the LAVC Graphic Standard & Style Guide Web page, visit <http://www.lavc.edu/styleguide/index.html>.



Calling All New Parents! The Family Resource Center has Free Baby Clothes 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 and good condition used 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) 778-5528 or visit http://www.lavc.edu/child_development/frc.html.

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

LAVC in the News

Presidio Sports

SANTA BARBARA'S ONLINE SPORTS NEWS

September 2, 2011

Ann Wright hired as UCSB diving coach

Ann Wright, former LAVC diving coach, has been appointed as UC Santa Barbara's diving coach. The announcement was made by UCSB's head swimming coach Gregg Wilson. To read the entire announcement, visit <http://presidiosports.com/2011/09/ann-wright-hired-as-ucsb-diving-coach/>.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Attention All Students! The Deadline to Drop a Class without Fees and/or to get a Enrollment Fee Refund is September 12.** Students are reminded that the deadline to drop a class without incurring fees (in-person or online) and the deadline to drop a class with a refund of enrollment fees (in person or online) for the Fall 2011 semester is Monday, September 12. For a complete list of Fall 2011 deadlines, view the Fall 2011 Schedule at <http://lavc.edu/schedules.html>.
- **Don't Get a Ticket! Remember to Properly Display Your Student Parking Pass Starting September 12.** The LAVC College Sheriff's will begin issuing parking citations starting Monday, September 12 to vehicles parked in campus parking lots without a valid student parking pass. 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/.
- **Worried About Not Being Accepted to a UC Campus Next Fall?** The LAVC Career/Transfer Center encourages students to sign to participate in the UC Transfer Agreement Guarantee (TAG) program; the deadline to apply is September 30. TAG offers guaranteed admission to students who complete a core of courses at a community college. For more information, visit the Career/Transfer Center located in the Student Services Annex.
- **Don't Miss LAVC's Free Wednesday Concert Series!** The LAVC Music Department will hold a free concert by LAVC Alum Dave Damiani and the "No Vacancy Orchestra" on Wednesday, September 14 from 1- 2 p.m. in the Music Instrumental Room (Music 112). Enjoy some swingin' show tunes as the LAVC Music Department kicks off its Free Wednesday Concert Series this Fall. For more info and a complete schedule of all concerts, visit www.lavc.edu/music or call the concert hotline at (818) 778-5633.
- **Learn More About the Free Speech at the Constitution Day Lecture on September 14.** The LAVC Student Activities Office and the Associated Student Union (ASU) invites you to attend its Constitution Day lecture entitled "Photography as Artistic Expression" on Wednesday, September 14 from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Art Building, Room 103. Presented by Professor Dennis Reed, this free lecture will cover the following topics: Porn or Protected Speech, What is Social Value, What is Commercial Speech, and How Free is Free Speech. All attendees will receive a Free U.S. Constitution Pocket Guide. For more information, contact Elizabeth Ortiz (818) 947-2702.

- **Learn How to Get Guaranteed Admission to Transfer to a UC Campus.** The LAVC Career/Transfer Center will offer University of California TAG (Transfer Admission Guarantee) Webinars on Wednesday, September 14 at 2 p.m. and Thursday, September 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the Counseling Department in the Student Services Annex. Other upcoming webinar dates include: September 20 and 22 at 5:30 p.m., and September 21 and 27 at 1 p.m. These webinars will share information about the UC Transfer Admission Guarantee Program. 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.
- **Attention Female Students! Are You Interested in Playing on the Soccer Team?** The LA Valley College Women's Soccer Team is looking for a few more players to complete our roster for the 2011 season. Any female soccer players (with experience) that are interested in playing college soccer should contact Coach Shane Watkins at (818) 778-5523 or email at watkinst@lavc.edu by September 15.
- **Want to Get Involved on Campus? Apply Today to be an ASU Officer!** The ASU (Associated Student Union) is now taking applications for the following open positions: Chief Justice, Parliamentarian, ICC Senate Representative, Commissioner of Athletics, Commissioner of Ethnic & Cultural Affairs, Commissioner of Evening Division, and Commissioner of Political Affairs. Applications must be turned into the ASU Office located on the 2nd Floor of the Student Services Center by Friday, September 16 at 12 noon. For more information, contact the ASU Office at (818) 778-5516.
- **LAVC Business Office has New Office Hours this Fall Semester.** From now until September 23, the Business Office will have extended hours from Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-7 p.m., and Friday from 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Starting September 26, it will return to its regular hours of Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m. For more information, visit the Business Office Web site at www.lavc.edu/businessoffice/.
- **Get Smart—Rent, Use, and Return! Save up to 50% by Renting Your Textbooks from the LAVC Bookstore.** The LAVC Bookstore is renting textbooks to students, which can save you up to 50% off the cost of traditional textbooks. The best part is that renting textbooks is easy, and better than shopping online—there are no shipping fees! For more information, contact the LAVC Bookstore at (818) 947-2313.
- **The CARE Program is Now Taking New Students!** The LAVC EOPS/CARE Office is now accepting new students for its CARE Program. This program is for full-time LAVC students who are single parents, a CalWORKs recipient, and have a child or children under the age of 14. If you meet the above-mentioned criteria, you may qualify for the CARE program. CARE benefits include 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.
- **Attention New Parents! The Family Resource Center has Free Baby Clothes 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 and good condition used 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) 778-5528 or visit www.lavc.edu/child_development/frc.html.
- **Attention Students! Come Be a Part of the TAE Honor Society.** Tau Alpha Epsilon (TAE) invites all interested students to join one of LAVC's honors societies. TAE is the oldest club on campus, and it can offer you that "edge" to help get you accepted to the top colleges and universities. It is also the only club on campus that will put a special notation on your official transcript for your participation. Feel free to swing by and see what TAE has to offer you. TAE meets in CC208 on Tuesdays from 1-2 p.m. and Thursdays from 5-6 p.m. For more information, visit www.lavc.edu/tae.
- **Are You Prepared to Apply to a University of California Campus? Sign Up Today for the UC Application Webinar.** The Career/Transfer Center will offer a University of California Application Webinar on October 6, 11 and 20, and November 8, 16 and 22 at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. 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. 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.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

September 13—Using the MyLAVC Portal. LAVC Professional Development and Title V will hold a “Using the MyLAVC Portal” workshop on Tuesday, September 13 from 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the PDC. The MyLAVC Portal allows you to post information, such as syllabus, assignments, and announcements; upload videos; maintain a faculty profile; and hold online discussions. The portal will save you time and paper while giving your class an online presence. It's easy to use...you will love it! The facilitator will be Khaled Hussain. For more information, contact Professional Development at (818) 947-2712 or profdev@lavc.edu, or visit <http://lavc.edu/profdev>.

Did You Know? Motorcycle Parking Spots Now Available in Parking Lot A! Designated motorcycle parking is now available for faculty, staff and students in Parking Lot A. The motorcycle parking area is located between the Fulton Avenue entrance of Parking Lot A, and the Student Services Center.

Check Out the Updated Committee Schedule Posted on the LAVC 411 Web Page. An updated schedule of campus committee meetings has been posted on the LAVC 411 page at www.lavc.edu/411/. The schedule, which is in an Excel format, notes the meeting dates of all Tier 1 and Tier 2 shared governance committees, and other selected workgroups. Individuals with questions regarding a specific committee and/or its meeting date, should contact the appropriate committee contact noted on the LAVC 411 Web page.

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.

Special Discounts on AT&T, Verizon, and Sprint Mobile Phone Plans for LAVC Employees! LAVC employees are eligible for discounted rates on selected mobile phone service plans through AT&T, Verizon and Sprint.

- **AT&T** offers LAVC employees a 15% discount per month on qualifying AT&T services. For more information, visit www.att.com/wireless/laccd or visit an AT&T Store with your employee ID card or pay stub to show proof of eligibility (mention discount code *FAN: 2902361*).
- **Verizon** will give LAVC employees up to 15% off the monthly access fee on qualifying voice plans with a monthly access fee of \$34.99 or higher, and up to 25% off accessories. For more information about the discount, please visit <http://vzwmail.vzwshop.com/cgi-bin8/DM/y/niv10MVMQy0A07soj0Ev9BzwVBSDRjAu>
- **Sprint** offers a 18% discount on select regularly priced Spring service plans (requires a new two-year agreement) for LAVC employees. For more information or to sign up, visit the Sprint Store in Studio City, or visit www.sprint.com/californiahighereducation (mention discount code: *GAUNV_SCA_WS_ZZZ*).

September 30—All CalSTRS Retirement Workshop. 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, September 30, 2011 from 9:30 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) across from TE-101; for those taking the Metro Blue Line, the exit for LATTC is Grand Avenue. If you have not sign up for "MyCalSTRS", you may do so before attending the workshop by visiting www.calstrs.com. Please RSVP by phone or email by Friday, September 23, 2011 to Corrina Alvidrez at CALvidrez@email.laccd.edu or (213) 891-3500, or Leticia Rito at RitoL@email.laccd.edu or (213) 891-2120.

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, September 11

Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions

Southern California Handweavers' Guild Meeting sponsored by the Southern California Handweavers' Guild @ 9 am- 3 pm (Allied Health & Sciences Center, Room 143) – Contact: Sally Raskoff (818) 947-2937

Monday, September 12

 **Fall Semester 2011 - Deadline to Drop Classes Without Incurring Fees (In-person or Online)**

 **Fall Semester 2011 - Deadline to Drop Classes With a Refund of Enrollment Fees (In-person or Online)**


Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions

Screen Writing Group Meeting sponsored by LAVC IDEAS Program @ 7- 9:30 pm (Campus Center 104); Parking: Lot B – Contact: Dan Watanabe (818) 778-5569

Tuesday, September 13



Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions


 *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](#)*

 *"Using the MyLAVC Portal" workshop for faculty/staff sponsored by LAVC Professional Development and Title V @ 1- 2:30 pm (Professional Development Center – Bungalow 83) – Contact: Professional Development (818) 947-2712 profdev@lavc.edu [Professional Development Web page](#)*


Wednesday, September 14

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  *"Photography as Artistic Expression" Constitution Day lecture sponsored by LAVC Student Activities Office and the Associated Student Union (ASU) @ 1- 2:30 pm (Art Building, Room 103); Free – Contact: Elizabeth Ortiz (818) 947-2702*


 *University of California TAG (Transfer Admission Guarantee) Webinar sponsored by Career/Transfer Center @ 2 pm (Student Services Annex – Counseling Department) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 778-5576 [Career/Transfer Web Page](#)*


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

 *Dave Damiani and the No Vacancy Orchestra Concert sponsored by the LAVC Music Department @ 1-2 pm (Music 112 - Music Instrumental Room); Admission: Free – Contact: LAVC Music Department Concert Hotline (818) 778-5633 [Music Department Web Page](#)*

Thursday, September 15

Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions

 *TRiO Welcome Back Seminar sponsored by LAVC TRiO Program @ 1- 3 pm (Student Services Center – Multi-Purpose Room) – Contact: Barbara Schneider (818) 947-2483*

 *University of California TAG (Transfer Admission Guarantee) Webinar sponsored by Career/Transfer Center @ 5:30 pm (Student Services Annex – Counseling Department) – Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center (818) 778-5576 [Career/Transfer Web Page](#)*

Friday, September 16

Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions

General Educational Development (GED) Test (1 of 2) sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs @ 12:30- 5:30 pm (TBA); Registration required – Contact: CalWORKs Office (818) 947-2976 [CalWORKs Web Page](#)

Epilepsy Support Group Meeting sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles @ 7- 9 pm (Faculty Lounge) – Contact: Gregory Portillo (818) 908-9939

Saturday, September 17

Fall Semester 2011 - Filing Period for Fall 2011 Graduation Petitions

General Educational Development (GED) Test (2 of 2) sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs @ 9 am- 2 pm (TBA); Registration required – Contact: CalWORKs Office (818) 947-2976 [CalWORKs 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/

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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