



Los Angeles Valley College

LAVC College Bulletin *September 30-October 6, 2012*

This Issue's News & Events



LAVC PASS Offers Students a Chance to Win a \$1500 Scholarship by Participating in Achieving the Dream's "DREAM Big for College and Your Future Video Challenge

LAVC's Preparing All Students for Success (PASS) working with Achieving the Dream, Inc. is launching the "DREAM Big for College and Your Future" Video Challenge. In partnership with [GOOD](#) and [GOOD Maker](#), they are challenging community college students enrolled in Achieving the Dream Institutions nationwide (like Los Angeles Valley College) to tell their stories, in three minutes or less, for the chance to win one of three scholarships--\$1500, \$1000 or \$500 respectively. The video challenge asks students: "What is your dream job and how is your college helping you get there?" and encourages them to submit informal videos that tell their inspirational stories of how they are ultimately achieving their career goals. The first place video receives a \$1,500 scholarship, second place receives a \$1,000 scholarship, and third place receives a \$500 scholarship. Interested students should go to <http://dreambig.maker.good.is/> for contest rules, eligibility guidelines, and submission instructions. The submission deadline is 12 noon (PST) on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.



Student Services Offices Closed from October 4-8 to Move Back to the Student Services Center & Annex; Reopening on October 9

The Admissions & Records, Counseling, Career/Transfer Center, Financial Aid, EOPS, SSD, TRiO, Upward Bound, the Associated Student Union, and the Vice President of Student Services Offices will close on Thursday, October 4 at 4 p.m., and will reopen on Tuesday, October 9 at 8 a.m. During this closure, the offices will not be able to provide any services. Students are advised to plan ahead if they seek the services of any of the above-noted offices. This temporary closure will enable those offices to relocate back to their

permanent locations in the Student Services Center and Student Services Annex. All the Student Services Offices were temporarily relocated from March 30-April 9 due to the installation of the shade canopy, which is part of the final construction phase of the Student Services Complex project. For more information regarding the closure, visit www.lavc.edu/campusnews#sscmoveback.



American Red Cross Thanks the LAVC Blood Drive for Helping to Save 108 Lives

The American Red Cross acknowledged the efforts of LAVC's Blood Drive on September 24 for collecting a total of 36 units/pints of blood, which may help up 108 lives. It was a successful blood drive with 50 donors attendance. This year, donors who donate blood three times or 2 ALXY donations in the 2012-2013 school year will be recognized as a "Super Star Donor" with a certificate and special giveaway at a special recognition ceremony in Spring 2013. The next Blood Drive is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23. For more information on the upcoming Blood Drives, visit the Student Health Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/studenthealth/calendar.html.



LAVC's Women's Basketball Team Helps to "Keep LAVC Clean" with a Campus Clean Up

The LAVC Monarch Women's Basketball Team supported the effort of LAVC Sustainability Group and Maintenance & Operations by getting together to help clean up the entire campus on September 14. From 6:45-8:30 a.m., the team split into four groups that covered the entire campus. They picked up trash in the campus parking lots, walkways, the grass areas, etc. This effort by the women's basketball team will hopefully inspire other students to help maintain a clean campus by picking up after themselves and to stop littering on campus and in the community. A slide show to their efforts is posted online at www.lavc.edu/docs/WomensBasketballCampusCleanUp_09-14-12.pdf. Thank you to the Women's Basketball Team for Helping to "Keep LAVC Clean"!



Welcome to Chris Gibson—LAVC's New Research Analyst

Chris Gibson has recently joined LAVC as a research analyst in the Office of Research & Planning. Working with the Dean of Research & Planning, he will be responsible for preparing reports, and pulling data for annual plans, program review and accreditation. Prior to coming to LAVC, Chris worked in the Omaha Public School District as an evaluation specialist. He earned his bachelor's degree in Psychology, and a Masters in Industrial Organizational Psychology from the University of Nebraska in Omaha. Chris's office is located in the Administration 104F, and he can be reached at (818) 947-2434. Welcome Chris!



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 promoting news and events to the campus community and beyond. It can help with posting College Bulletin announcements, messages on the college's electronic marquee, events on LAVC's online calendar, announcements on the LAVC homepage, and announcements on LAVC's Facebook and Twitter pages.

Simply fill out a PR Request Form (available online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html) for your event or news item, and email it to news@lavc.edu. In addition, the Public Relations Office can help with the creation of Facebook pages, and the college's Web designer can help update and design Web pages for departments and programs! For more information, visit the PR Office Web site at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.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:

- **Want to Win a \$1500, \$1000, or \$500 Scholarship? Enter the "DREAM Big for College and Your Future" Video Challenge.** LAVC's Preparing All Students for Success (PASS) and Achieving the Dream, Inc., in partnership with GOOD and GOOD Maker, will hold a "DREAM Big for College and Your Future" Video Challenge for you to tell your story for a chance to win one of three scholarships - \$1500, \$1000, and \$500. In this video challenge, share "What is your dream job and how is your college helping you get there?" in an informal video that is three minutes or less. If you're interested, go to <http://dreambig.maker.good.is/> for contest rules, eligibility guidelines, and submission instructions. The submission deadline is Noon (PST) on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.
- **Do You Know How to Choose Web Sites to Cite in Your Papers? Come to the Writing Center's "Evaluating Websites" Workshop on October 2.** LAVC Writing Center will hold a workshop on "Evaluating Websites" on Tuesday, October 2 from 1-2 p.m. in LARC 203. The Writing Center offers free weekly workshops every Tuesday during the Fall semester. For more info, visit the Writing Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/writingcenter/workshops.html.
- **Want to Transfer to CSUN? Don't Miss Your Chance to Talk with a CSUN Admissions Rep on October 3.** The Career/Transfer Center will host an admissions representative from CSUN on Wednesday, October 3 from 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. in the Career/Transfer Center in Administration 126. Come get your questions answered about CSUN admissions application process, majors, and more! CSUN representatives will be on campus on selected dates throughout the semester. A complete list of dates that CSUN will be on campus is posted on the Career/Transfer Center Web page at www.lavc.edu/Transfer/index.html.
- **Thinking About Transferring? Come to the CSU Application & Admissions Workshop on October 3.** The Career/Transfer Center will offer a CSU Application & Admissions Workshop on Wednesday, October 3 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Career/Transfer Center in Administration 126. You will learn about the admissions process, and how to apply to a Cal State University (CSU) campus. For more information, contact the Career/Transfer Center at (818) 947-2646 or visit www.lavc.edu/Transfer/index.html.

- **Want to Go to Six Flag Fright Fest? LAVC Bookstore is Selling Tickets for \$40!** The LAVC Bookstore will be selling tickets to the 20th Annual Six Flags Magic Mountain Fright Fest. Fright Fest tickets are \$40 each (price at the park is \$64.99), and are valid on October 5-7, 12-14, 19-21 and 26-28. To buy your tickets, visit the LAVC Bookstore; hours of operation are Monday-Thursday from 7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m., and Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information, call the Bookstore at (818) 947- 2313.
- **Discounted Microsoft Office Software Now Available to LAVC Students!** As an LAVC student, you can now get Microsoft Office Professional Plus for only \$39.99 from CollegeBuys.org. CollegeBuys, which is powered by the Foundation for California Community Colleges, offers discount of up to 85 percent on a wide-range of educational products. For more information, download the promotional flyer at www.lavc.edu/flyers/CollegeBuy_MSOOffice_Discount_Flyer-Fall2012.pdf.
- **Save the Date—LAVC Theater Arts to Present the Play “Living Out” Starting October 11.** The LAVC Theater Arts Department will present its production of the play “Living Out” by Lisa Loomer on October 11, 12, 13 and October 18, 19, 20 in the LAVC Horseshoe Theater. Tickets are \$16 for general admission, \$10 for students, and \$12 for Seniors/Kids. Tickets may be purchased online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/276854; reservations may also be made by calling the 24 hour ticket line: (800) 838-3006.
- **Mark Your Calendar—Opening Reception for the LAVC Art Gallery’s “Translations: Artists of the Metro Orange Line” Exhibit on October 11.** The LAVC Art Gallery will hold an opening reception with an artists’ panel discussion on Thursday, October 11 from 6-9 p.m. in the LAVC Art Gallery. The artists’ panel discussion, which starts at 7 p.m., will include Lisa Adams, Ken Gonzales-Day and Anne Marie Karlsen, and will be moderated by Jorge Pardo, Metro Director of Art and Design, and Phung Huynh, Assistant Professor, Valley College Art Department.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

October 4—Financial Planning Workshop. LAVC Professional Development will offer a “Financial Planning Workshop” on Thursday, October 4 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1-2 p.m. in the Cafeteria Conference Room (CCR). The workshop topics include: strategies for budgeting, tax savings, retirement planning, supplementing your pension, ways to save for kids’ and grandkids’ college education, and life insurance. The workshop facilitator is Ryan Berkowitz, Financial Services Rep with First Investor Corporation (one of the LACCD’s 63 approved 403b vendors). For more information, contact Professional Development at (818) 947-2712 or profdev@lavc.edu, or visit www.lavc.edu/profdev.

October 3, 4, 10 & 11—Accreditation Q & A. LAVC Accreditation will hold an “Accreditation Q & A” on Wednesday, October 3, Thursday, October 4, Wednesday, October 10 and Thursday, October 11 from 1-2 p.m. in the Faculty/Staff Resource Center (LARC 200). LAVC is getting ready to finalize our accreditation self-evaluation report, in preparation for our visit by evaluators from the Accrediting Commission in March 2013, and would like your input. Find out what we discovered during the process, and come provide your feedback on our findings. The following four sessions will cover all of the standards: October 3 is the “Mission and Improving Institutional Effectiveness”, on October 4 is “Instructional Programs, Student Services, and Library & Learning Support Services”, on October 10 is the “Human, Physical, and Technology Resources”, and October 11 is “Financial Resources and Leadership and Governance”. For more information, contact LAVC Accreditation at (818) 947- 2569 or LAVCaccreditation@lavc.edu, or visit www.lavc.edu/accreditation.

Attention Faculty—Notice of Application Period for Advancement in Rank. The application period for advancement in academic rank for Spring of 2013 will begin on Monday, September 3, 2012 at 9 a.m., and conclude on Friday, October 12, 2012 at 12 noon. Specifically, applications for advancement in rank will be available beginning on Monday, September 3, 2012 at 9 a.m. and conclude on Friday, September 28, 2012 at 12 noon. The final date to return an application for advancement in rank will be Friday, October 12, 2012 at 12:00 noon. Applicants must inquire into this process on an individual basis; group or department requests will not be honored. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Kathy Snider, Chair of the Academic Rank Committee, at sniderke@lavc.edu. *Applications are not available on-line.* The necessary forms, including a letter of instruction, will be forwarded to the applicant upon request. Please include your full name, discipline/field/department;

campus e-mail; and, a telephone number where you may be reached and what rank you are applying for when requesting an application. This information will assist in processing your application for advancement in rank as promptly as possible.

Mark Your Calendar—Free TB Testing for Employees on October 15 & 16. LAVC employees are required to show that he/she is free from active tuberculosis (TB). The LACCD will offer employees a free TB skin test on Monday, October 15 from 7 a.m.-11 a.m. and Tuesday, October 16 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in Monarch Hall. The results of the skin test will be given on Thursday, October 18 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. in Monarch Hall. For more information, contact Cyndi Maddren at (818) 947-2421.

Save the Date—LAVC's Library & Academic Resource Center Dedication Ceremony on October 18. LAVC will be holding a dedication ceremony for our new Library & Academic Resource Center on Thursday, October 18 from 12:30-2 p.m. To view the invitation, visit www.lavc.edu/flyers/LAVC_LARC-Dedication-Invitation_10-18-12.PDF.

Is Your Contact Information Up-to-Date on the LAVC Phone & Email Directory? The LAVC Administrative Services Office can assist faculty, staff and administrators with updating or adding 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 the following information to your department chair or supervisor, who upon verification and approval will send the information to Arlene Stein in Administrative Services at (steinar@lavc.edu):

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

Arlene will notify your supervisor when the information has been updated online. If you have any questions, contact Arlene Stein at steinar@lavc.edu or by calling extension 2336.

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.

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/calendar/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for September 30-October 6, 2012

Sunday, September 30

All day UC Transfer Agreement Guarantee (TAG) Submission Deadline
Calendar: Students Events

Monday, October 1

1pm - 2pm Administrators Meeting
Where: President's Conference Room
Contact: LAVC President's Office (818) 947-2321
Calendar: LAVC Meetings

Tuesday, October 2

1pm - 3pm ASU Finance Committee Meeting sponsored by the LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

Contact: Associated Student Union (818) 778-5516 <http://www.lavc.edu/ASU/index.html>

Calendar: Students Events

1:30pm - 3pm IEC Meeting

Where: President's Conference Room

Contact: Josh Miller millerje@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/iec/index.html>

Calendar: LAVC Meetings

3pm - 5pm ASU Executive Committee Meeting sponsored by the LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

Contact: Associated Student Union (818) 778-5516 <http://www.lavc.edu/ASU/index.html>

Calendar: Students Events

Wednesday, October 3

9am - 1:30pm Club Days sponsored by LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Monarch Square

Contact: LAVC ASU, Raquel Sanchez, (818) 947-7215 <https://www.lavc.edu/asu/index.html>

Calendar: Students Events

9:30am - 6:30pm CSUN Admissions Representative sponsored by LAVC Career/Transfer Center

Where: Administration 126

Contact: Career/Transfer Center LAVC, <http://www.lavc.edu/Transfer/index.html>

Calendar: Students Events

1pm - 2pm Accreditation Self Evaluation Feedback - "Mission and Improving Institutional Effectiveness" sponsored by LAVC Accreditation

Where: Library & Academic Resource Center 201

Contact: LAVC Accreditation, lavcaccrreditation@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/accreditation>

Calendar: Faculty/Staff Events

1pm - 2pm Saxophone Quartet Concert (part of the Free Wednesday Concert Series) presented by LAVC Music Department

Where: Music Recital Hall

Contact: LAVC Music Department, (818) 778-5633 <http://www.lavc.edu/music/lavc-music-calendar.htm>

Admission: Free

Calendar: Arts/Music Events

6pm - 9pm GVGC Board Meeting sponsored by Greater Valley Glen Council (GVGC)

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Greater Valley Glen Council, Terry Anderson (818) 902-9066 tanderson@gvgc.us

<http://www.greatervalleyglencouncil.org>

Calendar: Community Events

Thursday, October 4

11:30am - 12:30pm Financial Planning Workshop sponsored by LAVC Professional Development

Where: Cafeteria Conference Room

Contact: LAVC Professional Development profdev@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/profdev>

Calendar: Faculty/Staff Events

1pm - 2pm Accreditation Self Evaluation Feedback - "Instructional Programs, Student Support, and Library and Learning Support" sponsored by LAVC Accreditation

Where: Library & Academic Resource Center 201

Contact: LAVC Accreditation lavcaccrreditation@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/accreditation>

Calendar: Faculty/Staff Events

1pm - 3pm ASU Inter-Club Council (ICC) Meeting sponsored by the LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

Contact: Associated Student Union (818) 778-5516 <http://www.lavc.edu/ASU/index.html>

Calendar: Students Events

1pm - 2pm Financial Planning Workshop sponsored by LAVC Professional Development

Where: Cafeteria Conference Room

Contact: LAVC Professional Development profdev@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/profdev>

Calendar: Faculty/Staff Events

1pm - 2pm STARS Committee Meeting

Where: Faculty/Staff Resource Center (Library & Academic Resource Center 200)

Contact: Deborah Kaye (818) 947-2569

Calendar: LAVC Meetings

1:15pm - 3pm PEPC Meeting

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Rebecca Stein steinrl@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/pepc/index.html>

Calendar: LAVC Meetings

Friday, October 5

7pm - 9pm Self-Help Valley Group for Adults with Epilepsy sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles (310) 670-2870

Calendar: Other Events

Saturday, October 6

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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