



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC Aquatic Center will be a Host Facility for the Annual "World's Largest Swim Lesson" Event on June 18

The LAVC Community Services Center will be hosting a free water safety class as part of the global record attempt for the "World's Largest Swimming Lesson™" (WLSL) on Tuesday, June 18 in the LAVC Aquatic Center from 8-8:45 a.m.; registration begins at 7 a.m. This event, which for the fourth year in a row brings together tens of thousands of kids and adults at aquatics facilities around the world to set a Guinness World Record for the largest simultaneous swimming lesson, is designed to raise awareness that "Swimming Lessons Save Lives" to millions around the world. LAVC will be participating as a host facility this year as they try to break the world record again. Tragically, drowning remains the leading cause of unintended, injury-related death for children ages 1-5, and the second leading cause of accidental death for children under 14. Research shows participation in formal swimming lessons can reduce the risk of drowning by 88% among children aged 1 to 4, yet many kids do not receive formal swimming or water safety training. Parents are invited to learn more about this phenomenal event by visiting www.worldslargestswimminglesson.org/. For more information about the World's Largest Swimming Lesson at LA Valley College, contact Conor Jeffries in the LAVC Community Services Center at (818) 778-5644.



Summer 2013 Hours for the Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons, and CCaTT Lab

The LAVC Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons and the CCaTT Lab will be available for students enrolled in Summer Session 2013. The following are their Summer 2013 hours of operation:

- The LAVC Library will be open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-7 p.m., and closed on Friday (Closed on 7/4);

- The Math Lab will be open Monday-Thursday from 11:15 a.m. - 6:15 p.m., and Friday from 11:15 a.m. - 2 p.m. (Closed on 6/10, 7/4 & 7/12);
- General Tutoring will be open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., and closed on Friday (Closed on 6/23-6/28, 7/1 & 7/4);
- Writing Center will be open Monday and Wednesday from 2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., and closed on Friday (Closed on 7/4);
- Computer Commons will be open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. (Open on 6/12 from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Closed on 7/4);
- CCaTT Lab will be open Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., and Friday from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. (Closed on 7/4)

For more information on types of services available at and location for each location, visit the Academic Resources and Tutoring Services Web page at www.lavc.edu/tutor.html.



www.lavc.edu/kvcm

LAVC's KVCM Monarch Radio to Re-Broadcasts Commencement 2013

LAVC's KVCM (Monarch Radio) will be re-broadcasting the entire 2013 Commencement Ceremony on air and online during the month of June at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily. This re-broadcast gives graduates, their family and friends, and anyone else to listen to the recent graduation ceremony that took place at Valley College on June 5. KVCM can be heard on the LAVC campus at 95.1FM, online at www.lavc.edu/KVCM, or through iTunes and the TuneIn App on smart phones. To listen online, visit www.lavc.edu/KVCM.



Assemblymember Nazarian Recognizes LAVC Student Achievements

The Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian (CD-46) has recently recognized several LAVC students for their achievement. The following students have received a recognition certificate from the Assemblymember:

- Ani Avanesian, Hannah Ascencio, Heidi Gomez-Madrid, Alejandra Marquez, Lydia Pope, Chelsea Rhamdeow, Jackie Sanchez, Jordan Santiago, Doshnie Montalvo, Bobbie Morgutia, Chantel Robinson, Melissa Ruiz, Jecenia Trinidad, and Kalia Turner of the LAVC Women's Basketball Team for being the Western State Conference Champions;
- Melanie Hernandez for being named to the top of the first California Academic Team by the California Junior College Association and Phi Theta Kappa;
- Vahe Matevosyan for being named to the California Academic Team by the California Junior College Association and Phi Theta Kappa;
- Annie Avanesian for being selected as the 2013 California Community College Athletic Association's (CCCCAA) and the California Community College Sports Information Association's (CCCSIA) January Female Athlete of the Month;
- Jamie Lopez for being awarded a paid summer internship at Northern Illinois University

Valley College would like to thank Assemblymember Nazarian for recognizing LAVC students.



Eight LAVC Students Receive \$500 LACCD Achieving the Dream Scholarships

The Los Angeles Community College District awarded Achieving the Dream Scholarships to eight LAVC students. The following students were awarded the \$500 scholarships: Rakeb Abbra, Anush Ambartsumyan, Pilar Campos, Jessica Craven, Elizabeth Enriquez, Roberto Flores, Eric Forsberg, and Jan-Loi Christine Francisco. The scholarship was open to all students enrolled at one of the nine colleges in the LACCD who met the following criteria: a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, completed at least 15 units but no more than 30 units completed, completed the assessment exam on campus, successfully completed an English or Math course with a "C" or better, submitted an essay on the steps students can take to be more successful in college, and submitted a faculty letter of recommendation. The LACCD secured outside funding for the scholarship. It aligned with the goals student success outlined by Achieving the Dream, a national non-profit that is dedicated to helping more community college student succeed, particularly low-income students and students of color, to stay in school and earn a college certificate or degree. Congratulations to all the scholarship recipients!



Another LAVC Student Selected to Participate in the TANMS Research Experience for Undergraduates at CSUN This Summer

Antonella Pinola, an LAVC student in the UCLA/LAV-CEED program, is a second Valley College student selected to participate in a research opportunity with the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Nano Systems Engineering Research Center for Translational Applications of Nano Scale Multiferroic Systems (TANMS) Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program. This research experience will be held this summer at California State University, Northridge (CSUN). Antonella, who is interested in mechanical engineering, will conduct cutting-edge research on Nano technology at CSUN as part of a collaboration between UCLA, Cornell University, UC Berkeley, CSUN and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) in Zurich. She joins Nancy Acevedo, another UCLA/LAV-CEED student at Valley College, to be selected for this research opportunity. Congratulations!



Got News to Share? LAVC's PR Office Offers College Departments/Programs/ Services with Publicity Assistance

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 announcements in the College Bulletin, on the college's electronic marquee, on LAVC's online calendar, on the LAVC homepage, and 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 the completed form to news@lavc.edu. In addition, the Public Relations Office can help with the creation of Facebook pages for college

departments and programs. *Please note: The LAVC PR Office is unable to fulfill requests from organizations not directly affiliated with Los Angeles Valley College.* For more information, visit the PR Office Web page 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:

- **Relive the Excitement of Graduation!—Listen to KVCM for a Re-Broadcast of the 2013 Commencement Ceremony.** LAVC's campus radio station, KVCM Monarch Radio, will re-broadcast the entire 2013 Commencement Ceremony during the month of June at 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. You can listen in on campus to 95.1 FM or online around the world at www.lavc.edu/KVCM. The campus radio station can also be heard through iTunes and the TuneIn App on your smart phone. To listen online, visit www.lavc.edu/KVCM.
- **Looking for a Place to Study or Help with Your Classes? LAVC's Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons, and CCaTT Lab will be Open this Summer.** The LAVC Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons and the CCaTT Lab will be open during Summer Session 2013. For a list of services offered, locations, and its hours of operation, visit the Academic Resources and Tutoring Services Web page at www.lavc.edu/tutor.html.
- **Want to Be Alerted During a Campus Emergency? Sign Up for AlertU and Get Emergency Updates on Your Cell Phone.** LAVC is offering an SMS-based emergency notification service for your mobile (cell) phone. In the event of an emergency, you will be alerted in real-time by text messaging with important security information. To sign up for AlertU, visit www.lavc.edu (click the "AlertU" button on the left hand side of the page, enter your cell phone number and click "go", and reply with a "Y" to the text you receive). To learn more, visit www.alertu.org.
- **Attention Students! The LAVC Cafeteria is Closed; Food is Available in LAVC Bookstore and On-Campus Vending Machines.** The LAVC Cafeteria is currently closed, and food items will be available for purchase in the LAVC Bookstore and in vending machines on campus. The Cafeteria was closed in preparation for the upcoming demolition of the existing cafeteria building to make way for the construction of our new Monarch Center.
- **Did You Know? Get the Latest Financial Aid Info on the LAVC Financial Aid Facebook Page!** The LAVC Financial Aid Office has recently launched a new Facebook page. The Financial Aid Office will post important announcements that you should be aware of including financial aid deadlines, financial aid events, and more! Visit www.facebook.com/LAVCFinancialAid, and click "Like Us".
- **Want More Info on Financial Aid? Check Out Financial Aid TV (FATV) Online!** The LAVC Financial Aid Office recently launched Financial Aid TV (FATV), an exciting new online video service for Valley College prospective and current students. Come check out the online library of short video clips (60-90 seconds) on topics such as financial aid, financial literacy, loans, grants and more in an easy-to-understand style. Visit the LA Valley College's FATV site at <http://lavc.financialaidtv.com>.
- **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 homepage, or visit www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html.

Announcements for Faculty/Staff

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.

The Faculty/Staff Resource Center (LARC 200) is Open This Summer! The Faculty/Staff Resource Center, which is located in LARC 200, will be open during the Summer. Stop by to pick up useful handouts, check out training DVDs, use a computer/printer/scanner, or talk about teaching strategies. For more information, contact the LAVC Professional Development Center at (818) 947-2712.

Want to Learn Something New This Summer? Visit the Professional Development Center Web Site! The LAVC Professional Development Center has posted free resources for training for LAVC faculty and staff on its Web site. There are free tutorials from the Microsoft IT Academy (e.g. Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, etc), and from the Virtual Training Company (e.g. Photoshop, Dreamweaver, etc). In addition, you can download Gradekeeper to help you manage students' grades, and free educational videos for your face-to-face and online courses. To access these free resources, visit the LAVC Professional Development Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/profdev/freeresources.html.

Attention Faculty! Check Out the Free Teaching Resource on the Professional Development Web Site. The LAVC Professional Development Center has materials that you can use in your classes (rubrics, icebreakers, games, plagiarism prevention, study skills handouts, and more) as well as ideas for creating a comprehensive syllabus and the statements required to be on it. Visit the Professional Development Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/profdev/teachingres.html.

Save the Date! LAVC Opening Day is August 22. LAVC Professional Development and the Office of Academic Affairs will hold the annual Opening Day on Thursday, August 22. For more information, contact LAVC Professional Development at (818) 947-2712.

Calling All New Adjunct Faculty—Mark Your Calendars for the Adjunct Orientation on August 24! LAVC Professional Development will hold an Adjunct Orientation on Saturday, August 24. For more information, contact LAVC Professional Development at (818) 947-2712.

Activities this Week

The following is a list of selected campus events 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 online LAVC calendar at www.lavc.edu/calendar/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for June 16-22, 2013

Sunday, June 16

Monday, June 17

Tuesday, June 18

8am - 8:45am World's Largest Swimming Lesson Event sponsored by LAVC Community Services
Where: Aquatics Center
Contact: LAVC Community Services (818) 947-5644; Registration required
Calendar: Community Events

Wednesday, June 19

Thursday, June 20

1:10pm - 3pm Academic Senate Meeting

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Josh Miller, (818) 947-2981, <http://www.lavc.edu/senate/index.html>

Calendar: LAVC Meetings

Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22

VISION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College inspires, educates, and enriches our diverse community, developing critical and creative thinkers and lifelong learners.

MISSION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College serves as a leader in student success, with pathways for certificates, degrees, transfer, and continuing education. We enable students to advance their education, personal development, and quality of life, empowering them to be productive and engaged members of the global community.

For the LAVC Mission and Vision Statements and Core Values, 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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