



Los Angeles Valley College College Bulletin *August 9-15, 2009*

This Week's News & Events



Calling All Job Seekers...Join the LAVC Job Club!

The LAVC Job Training will hold the next meeting of the LAVC Job Club on August 14 from 9 a.m.-12 noon in the Faculty Lounge. This popular group connects job seekers with a golden opportunity to network with others, search job leads, meet with professional job counselors, and get tips to refine job search techniques. The LAVC Job Club is a free service of the office of Job Training, and is open to students and community members. For more information, visit www.lavc.edu/jobtraining/jobclub.html.



Breaking News: Enrollment Fee Increase to \$26 Per Unit for Fall 2009

The California State Budget, which was signed by Governor Schwarzenegger on July 28, 2009, includes an enrollment fee increase from \$20 per unit to \$26 per unit. This fee increase is effective for the Fall 2009 semester. ***Students who have already paid for their Fall classes will have to pay an additional \$6 per unit. Virtual Valley students need to pay their additional fees prior to the start of class to ensure that they are able to log-in to their online, hybrid or Web-enhanced class.*** More information

and answers to students' most frequently asked questions are available on the LAVC Web site homepage, or by visiting <http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/breakingnews.html>.



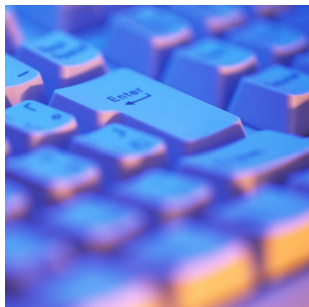
LAVC Top Recycler in the LACCD

In the past year, the **LAVC campus has collected more recycled materials than all nine colleges in the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD)**. According to figures released by Recycling Strategies, it reveals that **LAVC has collected more than 65 tons of recycling from June 2008-June 2009**. Other LACCD college campuses have only collected between 9 to 40 tons of recycling. Kudos to the Maintenance & Operations staff on a job well done!!!



Improving Distance Education with a Mentor Program

Through a Title V grant, LAVC Distance Education was able to match experienced distance learning instructors with new distance learning instructors to help improve the quality and reduce the frustration of new faculty teaching their first online course. The following mentors are paired with mentees and the distance learning class they are working on: Marion Heyn with Bill Wallace (Opera as Literature), Michelle Lewis with Pete Parkin (Introduction to Theater), Michelle Lewis with Cathy Pyles (Play Writing), Patti Melody with P.E. Staff (Health), Sally Raskoff with Duane Smith (Public Speaking), Sally Raskoff with Nina Berson (Art Appreciation), Rebecca Stein with Eva Bitar (CSIT), Rebecca Stein with Pamela Byrd-Williams (Biology), Cherine Trombley with Bahram Badiyi (Engineering Certificate Program), and Michael Cooperman with Mike Julian (Music Production).



Mark Your Calendar– TechFest Summer 2009 is Next Week

The LAVC Professional Development and Virtual Valley will present TechFest Summer '09 for faculty on August 17-19 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at various locations on campus. The three days of workshops, which are sponsored by Title V and a STEM grant, are designed to improve faculty use of technology in face-to-face and online courses. Lunch will be provided. For more information on TechFest Summer '09, contact Jim Marteney at martenji@lavc.edu.



Got News or an Event? Let the LAVC Public Relations Office Help You

The LAVC Public Relations Office can assist LAVC departments, programs and services with promoting their news and events to the campus and the community. ***It can help you with sending out press releases to local media outlets, posting information in the College Bulletin, posting information on the LAVC homepage, posting events on the online calendar on the LAVC Web site, and posting announcements on the LAVC Facebook, MySpace and Twitter pages.*** To make a request, simply click on the "More News" link on the homepage and download the PR Request Form (or visit <http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html>) and email it to fongjc@lavc.edu.

Additional news items are posted at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/index.html.

LAVC in the News

Los Angeles Times

August 5, 2009

California budget crisis weakens world-renowned higher ed system, threatens economic recovery

The State of California has slashed funding to its 110 community colleges, the 23-campus California State University and the 10-campus University of California to close its massive budget deficit. The article mentions how the Los Angeles Community College District, which LAVC is one of nine colleges in the district, has been affected by budget cuts to community colleges. To read the entire story, visit

<http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/wire/sns-ap-us-california-college-crisis,1,3594359.story>.

Los Angeles Times

August 2, 2009

Reader praises community college education

David Tulanian of Los Angeles, who is an alumnus of LAVC, wrote a letter to the editors of the Los Angeles Times commending President Obama's education plan. He praised the "wonderful value of a community college education." To read the letter, visit <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-bizletters2-2009aug02,0,3213623.story>.

George Mason University's

History News Network

Because the Past is the Present, and the Future too.

July 24, 2009

Historians Join Other Holocaust Scholars in Praising Uganda's Darfur Arrest Threat

Zev Garber, Professor Emeritus of Jewish Studies at LAVC, and 99 other leading Holocaust and genocide scholars from around the world signed a petition praising the Ugandan government for blocking Sudan's president from attending a conference in Uganda, because of his role in the Darfur genocide. The petition was signed by scholars from the United States, Germany, Canada, Israel, England and

Australia, including the most distinguished figures in the field of Holocaust and genocide studies. To read the article and the petition, visit <http://hnn.us/roundup/comments/106078.html>.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Need to Contact Your Professor?** LAVC now has an online searchable directory with phone numbers, email addresses and office locations of faculty, staff and college administrators. Just click on the "Map / Directory / Hours" link on www.lavc.edu and select the link for "LAVC Phone/Email Dir".
- **LAVC is Now on Twitter.com!** If you want to get the latest news from Valley College, then follow LAVC at www.twitter.com/LAValleyCollege.
- **Connect with LAVC on Facebook.** LAVC is now connecting with students, prospective students and alumni on Facebook. You can find our page by going to www.facebook.com/lavalleycollege.
- **Mark Your Calendar—Summer Movie Nights Featuring Goonies on August 22.** The LAVC Summer Movie Nights will feature the movie Goonies on Saturday, August 22 on the campus lawn (between Art and Theater Arts). Star of the movie and LAVC alumnus Sean Astin is scheduled to present the movie. The movie begins at dusk, and will be open to the public starting at 6 p.m. For more info, contact the LAVC Foundation Office at (818) 947-2619.
- **Calling all Actors and Singers!** The LAVC Theater Arts Department will be holding auditions for its Fall production of the "25th Annual Putnam Co. Spelling Bee" on Wednesday, September 2 from 6:30-9 p.m. and Thursday, September 3 from 3:30-6 p.m. in the Horseshoe Theater. Individuals auditioning will be asked to sing the selected audition song in the correct key. The performances are scheduled for October 15-17 and 22-24. For more information, email pylescsp@lavc.edu.

Other News & Announcements

Mark Your Calendar—Summer Movie Nights Featuring Goonies on August 22. The LAVC Summer Movie Nights will feature the movie Goonies on Saturday, August 22 on the campus lawn (between Art and Theater Arts). Star of the movie and LAVC alumnus Sean Astin is scheduled to present the movie. The movie begins at dusk, and will be open to the public starting at 6 p.m. For more info, contact the LAVC Foundation Office at (818) 947-2619.

Professional Development Center Will be Open All Summer! The Professional Development Center (PDC) will be open during the summer. It has computers, a reference library of free books, and offers help with computer skills. The PDC is located in Bungalow 83 and will be open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Questions? Contact the Professional Development Center at (818) 947-2712.

Attention Full-Time Faculty—Opening Day 2009 is coming. Opening Day 2009 for all full-time faculty will be held on Thursday, August 27. This is a mandatory event for all full-time faculty and optional for adjunct faculty. For details, contact Deborah Kaye at (818) 947-2569.

Activities this Week

There may be a charge to attend the below events, please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information. A complete list of campus events is posted on the calendar at www.lavc.edu, including a complete faculty/staff calendar.

Sunday, August 9

Monday, August 10

Campus Cafeteria closed during Summer Session 2

Tuesday, August 11

Campus Cafeteria closed during Summer Session 2

Bilingual Parent & Baby Session (for Infants & Toddler) @ 10:30- 11:30 am (Bungalow 49); Free - Contact: Family Resource Center (818) 778-5518 weislekm@lavc.edu View Flyer (PDF)

Sesiones de Padres y Bebes En Español (Para Bebes y Niño Pequeño) @ 10:30- 11:30 am (Bungalow 49); Gratis - Contact: Family Resource Center (818) 778-5518 weislekm@lavc.edu View Flyer (PDF)

Wednesday, August 12

Campus Cafeteria closed during Summer Session 2

Thursday, August 13

Campus Cafeteria closed during Summer Session 2

Friday, August 14

Campus Cafeteria closed during Summer Session 2

Fall Semester 2009 concurrent enrollment admissions application deadline for 14 years old and under students

LAVC Job Club @ 9- 12 noon (Faculty Lounge); RSVP – Contact: Job Training (818) 778-5832 www.lavc.edu/jobtraining/jobclub.htm

Saturday, August 15

Committee Meetings

LAVC has several committees that meet on a regular basis. A schedule of all LAVC committee meetings is available at www.lavc.edu/committees.htm. This link contains meeting dates, committee chair contact info, and committee Web pages. For more information regarding a specific committee, please contact the committee chair noted below the committee name.

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 every Friday.

To submit a request to post news items/events in the College Bulletin, post a message on the campus marquee and/or for other kinds of public relations assistance, please submit a PR Request Form, which is available at <http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html>

Available in alternate media formats