



Los Angeles Valley College College Bulletin February 17-23, 2008

LAVC Campus News



Campus Closed Monday, February 18 for Presidents' Day

LAVC will be closed on Monday, February 18 in observance of Presidents' Day. There will be no instruction on Saturday and Sunday, February 16 and 17, but the campus will be open for some activities. *Please note: The campus will also be closed on Friday, February 15.* LAVC will fully reopen on Tuesday, February 19.



"Faculty / Student Variety Show" – This Week's Free Wednesday Concert

The LAVC Music Department's free concerts are moving to selected Wednesdays at 1 p.m. The first free Wednesday concert for the spring semester is a "Faculty/Student Variety Show" on February 20 in Music Recital Hall (Music 106). The complete listing of the Music Department's Spring 2008 Concerts is available at <http://www.lavc.edu/communitylinks.html> under "For Community". For more information, contact (818) 947-2347.



Free Lunar Eclipse Observation Session at LAVC

Members of the LAVC Astronomy Group will be offering a free lunar eclipse observation session on Wednesday, February 20 from 6 – 8 p.m. at the LAVC main archway (off of Fulton Avenue). Telescopes will be available so students and the community can watch the Moon darken as it passes through Earth's shadow. For more information, contact the LAVC Astronomy Group at (818) 947-2335.



Kristine Aslanyan, New CalWORKs Program Counselor

LAVC welcomes Kristine Aslanyan, who is a new counselor, vocation/career assessor and learning disability evaluator in the CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids) Program. She received her B.S. degree in Rehabilitation Services and M.S. in Counseling from California State University, Los Angeles. Kristine speaks Armenian, Russian and Spanish and is a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC). She can be reached at (818) 947-2976 or at panosyk@lavc.edu. Welcome Kristine!



DSPS Program Awarded \$74,000 Grant

LAVC's Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS) has been awarded a \$74,000 grant by the California State Chancellor's Office to caption instructional videos and DVDs that are used in the classroom. If you have a video or DVD that needs to be closed captioned, contact Steve Loving at (818) 947-2684.



New Changes to the LAVC Homepage

If you haven't noticed, there have been several small changes to the LAVC homepage in recent weeks. On the homepage, you will now find new special calendars of student events, faculty/staff events, community events, athletic games, and the fine and performing arts performances. Most recently, a "News & Events" section on the homepage was unveiled, which highlights selected campus news and events each week. This new section will give departments and programs more opportunities to feature their event/news on the homepage. If you have an upcoming event or news item that you would like to request be posted, please download the updated PR Project Request Form (available at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin/bulletin.html>) and email the completed form to Jennifer Fong at fongjc@lavc.edu.

Campus Activities

There may be a charge to attend the below events, please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information.

Sunday, February 17

Monday, February 18

President's Day (Observed) – Campus Closed

Tuesday, February 19

SPRING 2008 Last day for students to drop classes without incurring fees (in person, by telephone and Internet)

SPRING 2008 Last day for students to drop classes with refund of enrollment fees (in person, by telephone and Internet)

Professional Development/STARS "Microsoft Word Basics: Creating & Formatting Tables" Workshop @ 1-2 pm (Professional Development Center) – Professional Development/STARS (818) 947-2712

Virtual Valley "Introduction to Online Learning and Etudes" @ 1:30-2:30 pm (Monarch Den) – Jim Marteney (818) 947-2808

Virtual Valley "Introduction to Online Learning and Etudes" @ 5-6 pm (Humanities 106) – Jim Marteney (818) 947-2808

Wednesday, February 20

Free Wednesday Concert - Faculty/Student Variety Show @ 1 pm (Music 106); Admission: Free – Music Dept (818) 947-2347

Lunar Eclipse Observation Session @ 6-8 pm (LAVC Main Entry Walkway); Admission: Free – LAVC Astronomy Group (818) 947-2335

Thursday, February 21

Professional Development/STARS "Microsoft Excel Basics: Developing a Multiple-Sheet Workbook" Workshop @ 1-2 pm (Professional Development Center) –Professional Development/STARS (818) 947-2712

Professional Development/STARS "Sharing Best Practices: Grading Essays Efficiently" Workshop @ 5-6 pm (Professional Development Center) – Deborah Kaye (818) 947-2569

Friday, February 22

Technology Institute "The Power of Photoshop" @ 9 am-12 noon (Media Arts Lab) – Jim Marteney (818) 947-2808

Pacific Southwest Collegiate Forensics Association's Speech Tournament @ 3 pm-8 pm (various campus locations) – Duane Smith (818) 778-5537

Saturday, February 23

Pacific Southwest Collegiate Forensics Association's Speech Tournament @ 8 am-8 pm (various campus locations) – Duane Smith (818) 778-5537

Virtual Valley "Introduction to Online Learning and Etudes" @ 9-10 am (Professional Development Center) – Jim Marteney (818) 947-2808

Technology Institute "Instant Blogs with Pizazz" @ 12 noon-1 pm (Professional Development Center) – Jim Marteney (818) 947-2808

Committee Meetings

For Spring 2008 LAVC committee meetings, visit <http://www.lavc.edu/committeessp08.html>

Campus Announcements

The deadline to apply for the Faculty Guild's district wide elections is this Tuesday. The Los Angeles College Faculty Guild, AFT 1521, will elect district-wide officers (President, Executive Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) this spring. A Guild member who desires to become a candidate for the above noted positions must notify the Guild Office *in writing* no later than 4 pm on Tuesday, February 19.

Friday, February 22 is the deadline to RSVP for the upcoming "Retirement Workshop for STRS Members". This workshop for faculty who are planning on retiring in Spring or Fall 2008 and will be on Friday, March 7 from 10 am-2:30 pm in the LACCD Board Room. To RSVP, contact Alesia Harris at (213) 891-2482 or email harrisac@email.laccd.edu

There will be a "Calculating your CalPERS Pension & Post Retirement Pension Benefits" workshop on Tuesday, March 11 from 9 am-12 noon in the LAVC Cafeteria Conference Room. The LACCD Retirement Unit and the AFT Staff Guild Local 1521A will also be hosting another workshop on Monday, March 17 from 9 am-12 noon at the LACCD Board Room. Please register online at www.calpers.com by Monday, March 5. Participants should bring a calculator and their PERS statement. For more information, contact Selma Cohen at (818) 947-2637.

Check out the newly published LAVC Fact Book 2006-2007 and the Fall 2007 Profile brochure on the LAVC Web page. View the documents by clicking the "About LAVC" on the homepage and go to the "LAVC Statistics & Research" link, or visit <http://www.lavc.edu/research/index.htm>.

PLEASE ANNOUNCE TO ALL STUDENTS: Want money to help to pay for school? Apply now for a student scholarship through the LAVC Foundation. Scholarship applications are now available for pick-up in the Administration Building, Room 100. The application process is easy, and you can apply for as many as you want. Don't wait! The application deadline is March 14, 2008. For more information, call the LAVC Foundation at (818) 947-2619.

PLEASE ANNOUNCE TO ALL STUDENTS: Need money to pay for school? Don't forget to apply for financial aid for the 2008-2009 academic year! The deadline to apply is March 2, 2008. If you miss the deadline, you can still apply for financial aid but some funding is limited. For questions, contact the Financial Aid Office at (818) 947-2412.

PLEASE ANNOUNCE TO ALL STUDENTS: The LAVC Child Development Center offers a School Age Program (for children in kindergarten up to 13 years of age) on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2:30-10:20 pm, Tuesday from 1:30-10:20 pm, and Friday from 2:30-5 pm. The center is located in the northeast parking lot near the corner of Ethel Avenue and Oxnard Street. For applications and information, contact the Campus Child Development Center at (818) 947-2600, extension 2931.

PLEASE ANNOUNCE TO ALL STUDENTS: Want to study in Paris, France or Rome, Italy this summer? LAVC has two study away programs you can participate in during the summer. If you want to study this summer in Paris, check out the LAVC Summer in Paris Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/paris/>. If you want to study in Rome this summer, check out the LAVC Study Abroad in Rome Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/RomeStudyAbroad/index.htm>

Bond A/AA Updates

For updates on Bond A/AA projects, visit <http://www.lavc.edu/propa/index.html>

The LAVC College Bulletin is distributed to the campus community every Wednesday for the following week's activities and events.

To submit a request to post news items/events in the College Bulletin, a message on the campus marquee and/or for public relations assistance, complete the PR Request Form at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin/bulletin.html>

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