



LAVC College Bulletin September 13-19, 2009

This Week's News & Events



Extended Hours for Fall Registration

From September 14-18, the Office of Admissions and Records in the Administration Building will be open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information regarding registration, visit the Admissions Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/studentserve/site/admissions/index.html>



Last Day for Refunds & Exchanges at the Bookstore is September 14

The last day for refunds and exchanges in the LAVC Bookstore is Monday, September 14. This date coincides with the college's last day for registration refunds. *Students who wish to refund or exchange their books must have their cash register receipt. Please read the Bookstore refund policy in the catalog or class schedule, and the return policy attached to the cash register receipt for more information.* The bookstore refund policy is posted in the Fall catalog (page 77-78) and the Fall class schedule (page 153) at www.lavc.edu/schedules.html.



Free Parent & Baby Sessions for Toddlers, Infants and Their Parents

The LAVC Family Resource Center and the Paraeducator Companion Assistant Training Program offers free parent and baby sessions to the community. The sessions are open to parents and their babies ages

birth to 30-months, and provide an opportunity for play activities, meet other parents with children and participate in lively discussions. The **Parent & Baby Sessions for Toddlers (walking) will be held on Tuesdays from 10-11 a.m. in Bungalow 49 from now until December 8.** The **Parent & Baby Sessions for Infants (not walking) will be held on Thursdays from 12 noon-1 p.m. in Bungalow 49 from now-December 10** (closed on November 26). For more information, contact the Family Resource Center at (818) 778-5612 or huffgf@lavc.edu.



Free Wednesday Music Concerts Start September 16

The LAVC Music Department will begin to hold its Free Wednesday Concert Series for the Fall 2009 semester. It will start with its **“Opening Concert: Faculty/Alumni Variety Show” on Wednesday, September 16 from 1-2 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall.** This on-going series of Free Wednesday Concerts will feature professional musicians and students performing a variety of classical, jazz, and popular music in the beautifully remodeled Music Recital Hall. For more information, visit the Music Department Web site at www.lavc.edu/music.



High Holiday Services at Hillel 818

Hillel 818, which comprises of Pierce & Valley College Hillel and CSUN Hillel, will hold its High Holiday services at CSUN Hillel at 17729 Plummer Street in Northridge. On **Friday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a “Rosh HaShanah Candlelighting & Evening Service” with Community Oneg to follow.** On **Saturday, September 19 at 10 a.m., a “Rosh HaShanah Morning Service” with Community Kiddush will be held.** Yom Kippur will begin on Sunday, September 27 at 6 p.m. with a “Yom Kippur Candlelighting & Kol Nidre Service”. On Monday, September 28, there will be a “Yom Kippur Morning Service” at 10:30 a.m. with a Yizkor (Memorial Service) at 4:45 p.m. and a light Break-the-Fast at 7:20 p.m. The High Holiday services are free for students and those under the age of 18, and \$125 per person for the community (all services). For more information, contact Hillel 818 at (818) 886-5101 or (818) 887-5901.



Reminder---LAVC is a Smoking Restricted Campus

Smoking is prohibited on campus except in designated smoking areas. The college has designated several locations on campus as areas where smoking is permitted, which are noted on the college map at www.lavc.edu/campusmaps/campusmap.html. To read the Smoking Policy, view page 152 of the Fall class schedule at www.lavc.edu/schedules.html.



LAVC Recently Hosted a Manufacturing Camp for Foster Youth

The Foundation for California Community Colleges recently held a weeklong Advanced Manufacturing Training Institute summer camp for foster youth at Valley College. *This camp, which was funded by Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs (NBT) and the Foundation of the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association, gave participants hands-on training with industry-related tools and software, work with qualified trainers to create products, tour a fabrication or manufacturing facility, and learn about related community college programs and services.* The goal of this camp was to provide an opportunity for foster youth to get hands-on experience in an area that they may want to explore as a career option. In addition, actor John Ratzenberger ('Cheers', 'Toy Story') came and spoke to the kids about the benefits of having a career in the fabrication and manufacturing industry. This camp was made possible by the efforts of Syed Hussain of LAVC Title 5, Roberto Gutierrez of LAVC Job Training and the LAVC Job Training staff.



Welcoming Michelle Lewis as the New HHLPS Chair

Michelle Lewis is the new department chair of the History, Humanities, Law and Political Science (HHLPS) Department at LAVC. As part of her duties she is responsible for the scheduling of classes in the HHLPS department, working with full-time and adjunct faculty members in her department, and teaches classes. Rose Drummond stepped down after serving as HHLPS department chair for more than 15 years, but continues to teach in the department. Michelle is also a member of the Curriculum Committee and the Campus Distance Education Committee (CDEC). Michelle would like to express her deep gratitude to Rose for all the support she has received. Michelle can be reached at lewismv@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2456.

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

LAVC in the News



September 9, 2009

Redesigned "LACCD Builds Green" Website Launched

The building program for Los Angeles Community College District has redesigned its Web site. The new site will better showcase the \$6 billion in modernization projects taking place at the District's nine colleges. LAVC is one of those colleges. To read the press release, visit www.sbeinc.com/news/article.cfm?content_id=2317

JewishJournal.com

September 2, 2009

Jewish Studies Pioneer Honored

The Jewish Journal featured an article on Zev Garber and the publication written in his honor entitled "Maven in Blue Jeans: A Festschrift in Honor of Zev Garber". To read the entire article, visit www.jewishjournal.com/education/article/jewish_studies_pioneer_honored_20090902/



August 25, 2009

Special education program gives developmentally disabled chance to attend college

In 2007, Valley College started in partnership with the Tierra del Sol Foundation to give developmentally disabled adults the opportunity to attend community college classes and work at the college. Today, the program has expanded to other community colleges in the San Fernando Valley. There are now 30 students in the program at Valley College with 16 more at Pierce College and the West Valley Occupational Center. To read the story, visit www.dailynews.com/breakingnews/ci_13195289.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **The Lion's Den will be closed during the Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 semesters.** If you have further questions please contact the ASU Office at (818) 778-5516.
- **Extended Hours for Admissions & Records from September 14-18.** The Office of Admissions and Records in the Administration Building will be open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. during the week of September 14-18. For more information, visit the Admissions Web site at <http://www.lavc.edu/studentserve/site/admissions/index.html>
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- **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.

Announcements for Faculty/Staff

Free Canvas Bags for Staff! To help the campus community be more environmentally friendly, the LACCD has provided Valley College with free canvas bags for faculty and staff. The faculty received their bags at Opening Day, but the staff can now pick up their free bag by visiting the Office of Public Relations in Administration 112. There is a limit of one bag for each full-time classified staff member. Questions? Contact Jennifer Fong at fongjc@lavc.edu.

Want to Teach Online at LAVC? You Need to be Etudes Certified. The next Etudes Certification Training class starts Friday, October 2 and lasts for three weeks. To teach online you need to be certified in the Valley College classroom management system, Etudes. This three-week course will enable you to teach online at Valley College and 25 other colleges in California. For complete information, contact Jim Marteney at martenji@lavc.edu.

Attention Faculty! Notification of Procedure for Filing Applications for Advancement in Rank. The filing period for advancement in academic rank for Spring 2010 began on Monday, August 31, 2009 at 9 a.m. and will conclude on Friday, October 9, 2009 at 12 noon. Applications will be available beginning on Monday, August 31 at 9 a.m. and conclude on Friday, September 25 at 12 noon. The final date to return an application for advancement in rank will be Friday, October 9 at 12 noon. Interested faculty should contact Kathy Snider, chair of the Academic Rank Committee, at sniderke@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2834.

Want to Announce News from Your Department? Faculty and staff are encouraged to notify the Office of Public Relations with department news or accomplishments, and upcoming department events. To request for assistance with posting announcements in the College Bulletin, the electronic marquee, the college homepage, or online Web calendar, please submit a PR Request Form (available at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html).

Retirement Workshop for STRS Members Who Plan on Retiring for Fall 2009 or Spring 2010. The Los Angeles Community College District is holding a retirement workshop for STRS members who are planning to retire this fall or the coming spring on Friday, October 16 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. in the LACCD Board Room on the first floor of the District Office at 770 Wilshire Boulevard in downtown Los Angeles. The workshop will cover District resignation policies, CalSTRS retirement forms, STRS Express Benefit form, and retiree health benefits. Coffee and pastries will be provided in the morning to participants by the Los Angeles College Faculty Guild. Participants will be on their own for lunch. Validated parking will be available at 757 S. Flower Street. Please RSVP by Friday, October 2 to Alesia Harris at (213) 891-2482 or harrisac@email.laccd.edu.

Need to Find Someone at LAVC? Search LAVC Phone & Email Online Directory. The LAVC Web site now features a searchable phone and email directory of LAVC faculty, staff, administrators, departments, offices and services. The searchable phone directory can be found by visiting www.lavc.edu/directory/ or by clicking the "Map / Directory / Hours" link on the homepage. If any information is incorrectly noted on the directory, please send the update information to Tom Jacobsmeyer to be added to the directory.

Calling All DE/Online Instructors! Distance Education Video Conference Training Session on October 16. The High Tech Training Center, in partnership with the STEM and Title V grants, will present two Distance Education Video Conference Training Sessions on Friday, October 16 in the Video Conference Room in Maintenance & Operations. The first training session from 10 a.m.-12 noon is for distance education/online instructors and will focus on instructional materials, instructional layouts, etc. The second training session from 1-3 p.m. will focus on distance education/online accessibility issues. Participants should bring a laptop with WiFi or make a request with STEM for a laptop to be checked out for the training. Please RSVP with Michelle Priest at (818) 778-5677 or priestma@lavc.edu.

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.

Sunday, September 13

Monday, September 14

Fall Semester 2009 Deadline to drop classes without incurring fees (in-person, by telephone and Internet)

Fall Semester 2009 Deadline to drop classes with refund of enrollment fees (in-person, by telephone and Internet)

Last day for refunds and exchanges in the bookstore

Greater Valley Glen Council Board Meeting @ 6- 10 pm (Faculty Lounge) Contact: GVGC (818) 772-
GVGC www.GVGC.us

Tuesday, September 15

Parent & Baby Session (Toddlers) @ 10- 11 am (Bungalow 49); Free – Contact: Family Resource Center (818) 778-5612 huffgf@lavc.edu [View Flyer](#) (PDF)

Wednesday, September 16

Music Department Presents "Faculty / Alumni Variety Show!!" @ 1 pm (Music Recital Hall - M106); Free - Contact: (818) 778-5633 www.lavc.edu/music/lavc-music-calendar.htm

Thursday, September 17

Parent & Baby Session (Infants) @ 12 noon- 1 pm (Bungalow 49); Free – Contact: Family Resource Center (818) 778-5612 huffgf@lavc.edu [View Flyer](#) (PDF)

Friday, September 18

Full Time Faculty Orientation sponsored by the AFT Faculty Guild @ 9 am- 12 noon (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: Deborah Kaye (818) 947-2569 kayedr@lavc.edu

High Holiday Services at CSUN Hillel "Candlelighting and Evening Rosh HaShanah Service" @ 6:30 pm (CSUN Hillel, 17729 Plummer St., Northridge, CA 91325); Cost: \$125 for Community (for all services), Students/18 & under Free – Contact: (818) 887-5901

Saturday, September 19

High Holiday Services at CSUN Hillel "Morning Rosh HaShanah Service" @ 10 am (CSUN Hillel, 17729 Plummer St., Northridge, CA 91325); Cost: \$125 for Community (for all services), Students/18 & under Free – Contact: (818) 887-5901

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.html. 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>

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