

Tutorial Center Celebrates 20 Years of Service

Question: Where can students go to get help with class work, finals prep, and study sessions? Answer: LPC's Tutoring Center, which this year celebrates its 20th Anniversary of serving our students. The center began the 1996-97 academic year with 18 tutors tutoring 1,300 hours. The 2015-16 year ended with 103 tutors tutoring 11,172 hours. Already this semester there is a record number of 600 requests for tutors, said Tutorial Programs Instructor and Coordinator Pauline Trummel. Students are attending scheduled tutoring, drop-in tutoring, tutor-led study groups, and class review and tutoring sessions. During the week of October 3rd, the center celebrated International Tutor Appreciation Week, applauding the work of LPC tutors and individual instructors who come to the Tutorial Center weekly to tutor students.

LPC Students Explore Manufacturing Careers



Mike Alvarez

Students get a tour of Topcon Positioning Systems, Inc., in Livermore, which designs, manufactures, and distributes precise positioning products.

LPC students got a first-hand look at manufacturing career opportunities in the Tri-Valley on October 7th, National Manufacturing Day. They toured local facilities that manufacture a range of products—from doughnuts to high-tech location systems—and discussed job skills, and even summer internship possibilities, with industry professionals. The day's events also included a luncheon, manufacturing exhibits, and presentations hosted by Electro Imaging Systems and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Silicon Valley Chapter, among others. Local government officials, business and community leaders, educators, and manufacturers joined students at the luncheon. "Through our innovative Career and Technical Education programs, Las Positas College provides a talent pipeline for local manufacturing businesses," said LPC President Russell. "Manufacturing Day was an excellent opportunity for our students to explore their interests in this industry." President Russell thanked the participating businesses and acknowledged other partners, including local educational institutions and the cities of Livermore, Pleasanton, and Dublin.

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Health Center Empowers Students



Mary Lauffer

Furry friends helped turn stress into smiles at LPC's September 21st "Be Well Fair." The Health and Wellness Center provided "therapy dogs" and much more, including education about healthy lifestyle choices and stress busters that help students succeed in college and beyond. The fair is among many health services supporting student success. The center offers a new Stress Management Support Group that meets 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays in Room 1726. It will host a behavioral health awareness event, "Each Mind Matters," 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., October 20th in the Quad.

Local Leaders Honor Two LPC Students



Jeanie Haigh

Ashley Kim LPC and was selected for the Summer Systematics Institute at the California Academy of Sciences, where

LPC students Ashley Kim and Danielle Leedeman achieved success by dreaming big and taking risks. They were honored at the September 22nd 7th Annual Dreammakers & Risktakers Awards Luncheon sponsored by Innovation Tri-Valley and the Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce. Biological Sciences transfer student Ashley Kim built a long list of accomplishments at

she studied nudibranchs—commonly known as sea slugs. Ms. Kim headed to UC Davis this fall where she is studying Animal Biology. As a member of LPC’s award-winning Talk Hawks forensics team, Ms. Leedeman won 10 awards last year, including Northern California Forensics Association Top Speaker and International Champion in After Dinner Speaking. In November, she will present a paper at the National Communication Association’s annual conference.



Jeanie Haigh

Danielle Leedeman

New Sculpture Graces Campus Quad



Mary Lauffer

Students enjoy the new sculpture in LPC’s Quad.

A steel sculpture created by an internationally-acclaimed artist was recently installed in LPC’s Quad area near the library. CLPCCD’s Board of Trustees designated funds from the sale of property once used by the Nike Missile site to acquire “Folded Circle Ring and L” by Fletcher Benton of San Francisco.

Many thanks go to the trustees and to LPC committees and numerous individuals who sought ideas and feedback from the campus community during the selection process. Some of the most respected museums in the world own works by Mr. Benton. Locally, his art can be found at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Louise M. Davies Symphony Hall, Palace of the Legion of Honor, Stanford University Museum of Art, and University Art Museum, University of California, Berkeley, among others.

Four-Year Colleges Recruit LPC Students at 9/26 Transfer Day



Photos by Mary Lauffer



Students Flock to Bourgeoning Music Program



Mary Lauffer

Music Instructor Dan Marschak works with a student in the Piano Pedagogy Program.

With two new faculty members added this past year, the Music Program has grown dramatically—offering more classes and more opportunities to more students than ever before. New classes include Jazz/Pop Piano, Jazz Combo, Music Recording and Technology, Music Business, and evening Concert

Choir. Additionally, the program has approved offering private lessons through LPC. New Music Instructor Ian Brekke notes that students are taking advantage of the program expansion, reflected in the rapidly increasing enrollment figures.

New Music Instructor Dan Marschak leads the Piano Pedagogy Program, where students learn to be piano teachers. He has added a Teaching Practicum which matches students with piano students who get free private lessons. The program offers two Certificates of Achievement: Teaching Beginning Piano and Teaching Intermediate Piano. With new pianos in the practice room, the program is ready for the influx of students. For more information about Music at LPC, please contact Coordinator Cindy Browne Rosefield. Watch the Performing Arts calendar for the many upcoming music events.

“They’re Creepy and They’re Kooky”

Addams Family: The Musical **Promises to be Frightfully Good**

Meet America’s favorite wonderfully weird family in LPC’s production of the comedy, *Addams Family: The Musical*, October 21st-30th in the Mertes Center. The LPC Theater Arts program has conjured up a special treat for the little ones just in time for Halloween: the Family Friendly Show at 12:30 p.m. on October 30th, with a costume contest and trick-or-treating for children; all guests are encouraged to come in costume. Enjoy the music and the laughs as the marvelously macabre Addams family hosts a dinner for the daughter’s “normal” boyfriend and his parents. Friday and Saturday

performances begin at 8 p.m. and the Sunday matinees start at 2 p.m. General admission is \$15 and tickets for students and seniors are just \$10. Scare up some tickets at www.laspositascollege.edu/performingarts or at the door.



Aaron Burg

Talk Hawks Capture 1st Place among All Community Colleges, Take 2nd Place Overall against Two- and Four-Year Colleges

LPC’s high-flying forensics team, the Talk Hawks, soared to victory in recent tournaments, winning first place among all Community Colleges and second place overall against two- and four-year colleges, including Saint Mary’s College, San Francisco State University,

San Jose State University, and Santa Clara University. LPC’s Vincent Walker, one of 11 Talk Hawks, was the top speaker of the tournament. Congratulations to the team and coaches! The Talk Hawks boast a long history of state, national, and international awards.

CALENDAR

Please visit our website for more details about the latest news and events.

October 19	Public Safety Majors Fair, 12-4 PM, Quad
October 20	Health Center Mental Health Event, 10:30 AM-1PM, Quad
October 21-30	<i>Addams Family: The Musical</i> , Friday/Saturday at 8 PM, Sunday at 2 PM; please see page 3 for family show info*
November 2	Choral and Orchestra Concert, 7 PM*
November 3	LLNL/LPC Science and Engineering Seminar Series, Brad Hart, Ph.D., "Forensic Science in Crisis: How Proteins Can Help," 6-7:15 PM, Room 2420, free
November 4	Jazz Concert, 8 PM*
November 8	Veterans Day Event, 10 AM-2:30 PM; see website for details
November 10	Music guest artist Kalil Wilson with the Dan Marschak Trio, 8 PM*
November 14	Business and Entrepreneurship Speaker Series, Adam Lavine, "Entrepreneurship in the Age of Mobile and Digital," 6-7:15 PM, Room 2420, free
November 16	President's Speakers Series, NASA Astronaut Commander Victor J. Glover, 11 AM, Mertes Center, free
November 16	Vocal and Jazz Combo Concert, 7 PM*

*Mertes Center. Tickets and info:
laspositascollege.edu/performingarts

Temple Grandin Visits LPC Labs, Classrooms



Temple Grandin, Ph.D., (left in above photo) visited labs and classes as part of her September 15th speaking engagement at LPC. Regarded as the world's most famous and influential person with autism, Dr. Grandin has spoken at LPC four times and, over the years, has become a great friend of the college. Psychology Instructor Ernest Jones said Dr. Grandin enjoys touring the campus during her visits and comments on the quality of our labs and instruction. "She says our labs are superior to those she's seen in most four-year institutions," Mr. Jones said.

Hawk Highlights

Follow the teams on the Athletics website!

Soccer. Men's player Marco Neves improved to No. 2 in the state in scoring and points with a goal in a 2-0 win over district-rival Chabot in a Coast Conference crossover game. The Lady Hawks (6-1-1, 1-0-1) extended their unbeaten streak to seven with a hard-fought 1-1 draw against Hartnell. They set the tone for their successful season with a trip to Hawaii, when they scrimmaged Hawaii Pacific and the Hawaii Rush club team. They will return to Hawaii next year to face D2 Hawaii Pacific and Chaminade.

Cross Country. David Frisbie and Jordan Kirby placed second and third as individuals, and the powerful Las Positas men's team finished a sturdy second in the Modesto Junior College Invitational.

Water Polo. The Las Positas women's team (5-6, 2-0) won its third straight contest, 6-4 over Pasadena in the College of San Mateo tournament. They also beat the host Bulldogs 8-0 in the event, after besting visiting West Valley 11-8 in conference play. The men's team (0-17, 0-1) dropped its conference opener 24-2 against West Valley. **LPC hosts the Water Polo State Tournament November 18-19.**



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