



## Board Report

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### Key Dates & Upcoming Events:

- President's Office Hours  
April 22, 4:00 - 5:00 PM
- Women in Law Enforcement  
April 23, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
MDB Lecture Hall (2420)
- EOPS Awards  
April 27, 12:00 - 2:00 PM  
Cornerstone Fellowship
- LPCF Best of the Best  
April 24, 6:00 PM  
MDB Atrium (Reading) Room
- Poetry Slam  
April 27, 7:30 PM  
Building 1600
- Annual Student Health & Wellness Ctr.  
American Red Cross Blood Drive  
April 28, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Student Center (1700)
- 32nd Annual Festival of the Arts  
April 26 - May 21  
Awards & Gala Reception  
April 28, 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
LPC Library
- State of the College Meeting  
April 29, 2:30 PM  
MDB Lecture Hall (2420)
- 10-20-30 Awards Celebration  
May 5, 2:30 - 4:30 PM  
MDB Lecture Hall (2420)
- Orchestra/Band Concert  
May 5, 7:30 PM  
Room 601
- Speech Performance Night  
May 6, 7:30 PM  
Bankhead Theater, Livermore
- Student Recognition Ceremony  
May 7, 7:30 PM  
MDB Lecture Hall (2420)
- Dance Performance  
May 7 & 8, 8:00 PM  
LPC Theater (801)
- Choir Concert  
May 11, 8:00 PM  
Centerpointe Presbyterian Church
- Vocal Jazz Concert  
May 14, 8:00 PM  
LPC Theater (801)
- AAUW \$tart \$mart Workshop  
May 15
- Instrumental Jazz Concert  
May 15, 8:00 PM  
LPC Theater (801)

### State of the College:

### People, Programs, Projects, Planning & Progress

On Wednesday, April 28, President Pollard will hold her second annual State of the College meeting to provide faculty and staff with updates on key College issues. With a focus on maintaining the forward momentum that has been generated throughout the academic year, the presentation will center around: planning — laying the foundation for the future of the College; programs — the delivery of exceptional instruction and services to our students; projects — special or significant initiatives that will frame and guide the work ahead; progress — accomplishments and accolades that continue to advance the institution; and, most importantly, people — the driving force behind the “LPC experience.”

One of the issues getting much attention on campus is the budget. Across the institution, discussions and meetings and strategy sessions — all related to the budget and its impact at the College — have taken place in an effort to keep members of the campus community informed and engaged. Whether at committee meetings, staff meetings, Division meetings, or constituency meetings, people are talking about the budget. And, through deliberate actions, dedicated efforts, and sometimes difficult decisions, people are doing working on the budget: developing innovative approaches to maximizing and leveraging otherwise limited resources, displaying an overall willingness to work together to get through challenging times, and achieving a significant reduction in operating expenses. Continuing the approach that has been utilized to date — which has included information posted on the College’s “Budget Updates” webpage, regular email messages from the Vice Presidents, and robust institutional dialogue — Dr. Pollard plans to present the latest information with open and transparent communication.

In addition to the budget, the State of the College meeting will cover such topics as the strategic planning process, Accreditation Follow-Up Report, facilities projects, community engagement and outreach, and partnerships. It is, of course, also an opportunity to celebrate the many individual and collective accomplishments achieved by students, faculty, staff, administrators, and programs at the College and garner valuable feedback from the campus community.

### PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

California Community Colleges CalWORKs Association Statewide Training Institute (speaker)	April 27
4th Annual Pleasanton “Community of Character” Luncheon (speaker)	May 6
Presidential Advisory Council ~ Fourth Quarter Meeting	May 12
Dublin Executive Roundtable Meeting	May 13

# Global/Social Responsibility



## College Continues To Explore Opportunities To Increase Sustainability Efforts

Since the launch of its new “Las Positas Goes Green” website, the College community continues to be actively engaged in furthering its commitment to sustainability. The Sustainability Task Force, which has played a key role in promoting green practices on campus over the last several years, has

received approval to become a formalized committee within the College’s governance system.

Not resting on past accomplishments, including play-



ing an integral role in enabling LPC to install the photovoltaic shade structures, the Task Force conducted a survey

aimed at exploring ways to improve and increase use of alternate methods of transportation to the campus. With statistics showing that more than 70% of the College’s carbon footprint comes from single-passenger vehicles traveling to and from LPC, their hope is that the institution will find ways to avoid parking shortages, decrease traffic congestion, and reduce greenhouse gases.

# Respect for Diversity



## NACC Exposition Week

From April 12 to April 17, the Native American Culture Club (NACC) held the second annual Native American Exposition on campus. This week-long celebration of Native American culture and history featured a film festival, traditional feed and performances, artifact exhibit and art display, and a presentation by LPC’s

own Dr. Amber Machamer. The activities culminated with the Pow Wow on Saturday in the Gymnasium. Sponsored in part by Campus Change Network and the LPC Foundation, the Expo and Pow Wow provided not only educational and experiential learning for attendees, but also an opportunity for the College to welcome the community to its campus.



# Adapt to Change



## Students Make Strides At March on March

On March 22, students from Las Positas College joined fellow students from across the state for the “March on March” at the Capitol. Accompanied by faculty and staff from the College, the LPC students traveled to Sacramento to advocate for higher education and to let their voices be heard by state legis-

lators. Kudos to these dedicated students, whose active engagement and leadership serve as an example to us all.

## LPC and AAUW Join Forces To Help Women Start Smart

Next month, LPC will host an AAUW Start Smart Workshop here on campus. This session, which will be open

to faculty, staff, students, and community members, is geared toward helping women develop and enhance salary negotiation skills. The Start Smart Workshop, a pilot program developed by AAUW and WAGE, is being conducted at a limited number of institutions across the country – Las Positas College is the only community college taking part in the pilot.

# Make a Difference

## Las Positas College Alum Hits The Road To Lend A Helping Hand

Last year, Tiffany Breger was blazing a trail as a student leader on the LPC campus: serving as ASLPC President, participating in AGS and other student life activities, winning countless awards and recognitions, and graduating with highest honors. Now, Tiffany has plans to travel a different

path and embark on a new kind of journey.

At the end of May, she will head for Tanzania to spend two months working with One Heart Source. This student led, non-profit organization focuses on tackling the HIV/AIDS epidemic in that country. In addition, it concentrates efforts on giving a home to some of the millions of children orphaned by this disease.

Tiffany has created a blog to share her journey with others:

<http://tiffanybreger.wordpress.com/>.

We wish her much success and safe travels as she prepares to set out on this new adventure and make an astonishing difference across the globe.



# Creative Thinking

## Festival Of The Arts

Once again Las Positas College prepares to celebrate the arts during the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Festival of the Arts. This month-long event, features submissions created by LPC art students in the last year. Next week on April 28, competition winners will be recognized at the Award Presentation & Gala Reception. Artwork will be displayed on campus in the Library

through May 21.



## LPC Gets "Slammed"

To celebrate National Poetry Month, LPC will hold its annual Poetry Slam on April 27. The evening will begin with a free slam-writing workshop for potential and promising poets. The College kicked off the month with a "Community College Poetry Day" featuring a panel of college representatives that included U.S. Poet Laureate Kay Ryan.



# Lifelong Learning

## LPC Psychology Conference Explores A "Mystery"

Last Friday, the LPC Psychology Department and Psi Beta Psychology Honor Society presented a day-long conference on "The Mystery of Sleep." The conference, which was free and open to the public, featured a series of events that included presentations from world re-

nowned experts. Dr. William C. Dement, widely regarded as the world's foremost authority on sleep, presented "The Essentials of Sleep and Dreams" and his insights on sleep education. Then attendees were treated to the world premiere of "The Mystery of Sleep," a documentary on sleep and dreams, and an appearance by award-winning director, Mel Stuart.



# KUDOS: Student, Faculty & Staff Recognitions

- Megan Miller, LPC student, selected to represent the College at this year's National Community College Aerospace Scholars at NASA's Johnson Space Center.
- Dr. TeriAnn Bengiveno, Catherine Suarez, and Richard Dunbar for their work on the successful, second annual Italian Film Festival.
- The Talk Hawks for ranking 3rd out of the thirty community colleges competing at the California Community Colleges Forensics Association's State Championship Tournament, and to the four "Hawks" who won a total of seven awards in individual events.
- The Librarians and LRC staff for organizing the celebration of National Library Week at LPC.
- Rich Butler and Mary Lauffer for their work to promote "AlertU Week" — and doubling the number of people signed up for the emergency alert service.
- The students, staff, and faculty bringing *RENT* to life on campus and leaving audiences wanting more — and getting more, with two extra shows added to the performance schedule!

## FACILITIES UPDATE



### Campus Boulevard Phase I-III

Design has stopped to coordinate with the design concepts for the Student Services & Administration Building.

### Science Building Phase II

The site layout and floor plan have been finalized. A second floor was added to provide space for four additional classrooms. The projected submittal to DSA was March 2010.



### College Center for the Arts

The exterior siding, stucco, and windows are 99% complete. The building interior is 97% complete in Segment "B" which includes the faculty offices and rehearsal rooms. The black box theater and the main auditorium infrastructure elements are continuing and will be completed this month. The final concrete walkways and ramps around the building and the Amphitheater are 98% complete. The total project is 95% complete.

### Fire Alarm System Upgrade

This project is complete.

### Central Utility Plant

The building has been completed, with the punch list 99% done. Training (for personnel) has also taken place. The building received substantial completion and was turned over to the campus in November 2009.

### Maintenance & Operations Facility

Construction has been completed and the facility is now occupied by the M&O staff.

### P.E. Phase III (Outside Loop Road)

Work continues on underground and electrical utilities.

### Parking Lot H & Photovoltaic System

The parking lot was completed for the Fall 2008 semester and is in use. All of the shade structures and solar equipment has been completed and is now functional. The display monitor is available for viewing in the Multi-Disciplinary Building.

### Student Services & Administration Building

Steinberg Architects is the firm selected to design the building. This project will participate in the new DSA Collaborative Process, and 30% design documents were submitted in December.

### Multi-Disciplinary Building & PE Complex

Repair work has been completed.



### Child Development Center

The application of exterior plaster is complete on all buildings. Installation of sheetrock continues in Building B and has been started on Building C. Rough grading for the OLEs has begun.

### Collier Creek Storm Water Outfall

Installation of the storm drain and retaining wall is complete. Work on the backfill at the retaining wall is ongoing.



### Aquatics Center & Soccer Field

The complex has been completed and is being used for Fall classes.

### District-wide Information Technology Building

The building is complete and received substantial completion in December 2009. Work on the punchlist is 99% complete. IT staff have been moving in to the new facility.