



# Board Report

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## KEY DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 21, 11 a - 1 p  
*Women in Technology Open House*  
Building 800

- May 22, 5:30 p  
*Welcome Reception for Dr. Pollard*  
Casa Real

- May 30, 6:00 pm  
*LPC Graduation*  
PE Complex

- Through May 31  
*Photography Exhibit*  
Main Library  
Livermore

- June 12, 5:30 p  
*VCOM Reception*  
Bankhead Theater

### Art Festival Exhibits Through May 30

*Dublin*  
SPCA

*Pleasanton*  
Worthington Gallery  
West

*Livermore*  
Bankhead Theater

## KUDOS: Student, Faculty & Staff Recognitions

- Dr. Teri Ann Bengiveno for coordinating the wonderful conference “Italian Farming in the Central Valley: Origins, Culture, and Innovations” held last month.
- Our Veterans Club and Veterans First Initiative for the success of their outreach and fundraising efforts at the Spaghetti Feed and Castro Valley Chili Cook-Off.
- The Welding Club for taking home a 3rd Place finish at the Castro Valley Chili Cook-Off.
- LPC student Patrick Sullivan for being selected as Valedictorian and “Academy Battalion Chief” at his graduation from Alan Hancock Fire Academy and for 81 of his fellow LPC Fire Service students for being hired with the U.S. Forest Service.
- Dr. Ted Kaye for his hard work planning another overwhelmingly successful *Best of the Best*, which showcased our students, our campus, and the best the Tri-Valley has to offer in food and wine.
- The Performing Arts Department for a top-notch show and the rave reviews of their Spring musical, *Iron Curtain*.
- Tina Inzerilla and Dr. Karin Spirn for conducting the “Research Papers 101” workshop and encore session for students.
- The One-Stop Center for earning an excellent rating during the recent survey of its customer satisfaction.
- ASLPC for putting on its entertainment-filled First Annual Talent Show.
- The faculty, staff, and administrators honored at our recent 10-20-30 Awards Ceremony: Jackie Fitzgerald, Donna Hawkinson, Jeff Lawes, Judy Martinez, Diana Navarro-Kleinschmidt, Birgitte Ryslinge, Robert Breuer, Keith Jolly, and Marge Maloney.
- All of the students, faculty, staff, and administrators that make up the Las Positas College family — for getting through the end of the semester and always rising to meet any challenges put before them!



Image from the invitation to the Campus Hill Vineyards dedication ceremony, held on May 12, 2008. (Design by Ogden Costa Creative Group)

### Values Statement

Las Positas College thrives as a teaching and learning community committed to integrity and excellence. To nourish this environment and the communities served, we:

- ◊ promote and celebrate lifelong learning ◊ anticipate and meet the needs of the ever-changing workplace ◊ demonstrate social and environmental responsibility ◊ promote tolerance and mutual respect in a diverse community ◊ foster a climate of discovery and creativity ◊ hold firm to the belief that each of us makes an astonishing difference ◊



## Global Responsibility

### LPC Bookstore Goes Green

Yesterday the Las Positas College Bookstore announced that it is now stocking Green Books in place of Blue Books for exams. The Green Books are both environmentally-beneficial and wallet-friendly: they are constructed of 100% recycled paper, including 30% post-consumer content, and bring no additional cost to our students. This is yet another example of the ways in which the College is incorporating sustainable efforts into its everyday

operations and working to reduce its environmental impact.

### Campus Palette Will Be Environmentally Pleasing

After months of product research, review, and guideline development, the Campus Finishes Palette Task Force — a sub-group of the Facilities Committee — has recommended a host of options for the interior finishes of College facilities going forward. This palette includes

selections for paint colors, flooring, countertops, fabrics, and more, all coordinated to provide flexibility and consistency in design. These products are not only pleasing to the eye, but also pleasing to the environment — the vendors offer eco-friendly options, such as low impact/zero VOCs (volatile organic compound) paint. In addition, these sustainably-smart decisions could play a role in achieving LEED status for some of the new facilities.



## Respect for Diversity

### Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Award

The Campus Change Network and the Office of the President recently accepted nominations for the newly established “Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award.” This award will be presented to a member of our campus community who, through their work, embodies the mission of CCN. This work

can take many forms — from high profile activities to everyday kindnesses — and could include designing curriculum, planning events, or just making the extra effort to always include and meet the needs of those around them. They need only approach things as CCN asserts in its Mission Statement: “with conviction, courage, and compassion.” The

nominations were reviewed and vetted by College Council, with representation from all constituency groups, and the recipient of the first Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award will be announced during our afternoon session at Convocation.



## Adapt to Change

### Listening Tour Wrap-Up

During her first 100 days in the President’s Office, Dr. Pollard has dedicated time to learning about Las Positas College through the eyes and voices of the campus community. She conducted a “Listening Tour” across the College, holding four 2-hour sessions where faculty, staff, and students could talk

about the things they love most at LPC and the things they feel need the attention of the President. The “tour dates” had broad participation and generated a great deal of valuable feedback. This information will be compiled and then shared with the College at Convocation, and it will play a central role in planning for 2008-09.

### LPC Bids Beloved Deans Farewell

This month Las Positas College paid tribute to two extraordinary administrators who are leaving at the end of the June: Marge Maloney and Birgitte Ryslinge. We thank them for their many years of dedication and service to our students and District, and wish them all the best in their future endeavors!

## Make a Difference

### Graduation 2008

This year Las Positas College will hold commencement on Friday, May 30, at 6:00 pm in the PE Complex. The new time and location present some significant logistical changes, but the Graduation Task Force has met every challenge head on — lining up another well-planned celebration for the entire campus community. Led by Vice President Luster and her Student Services team, the Task Force has worked diligently to ensure that

the ceremony is as special for the students and their families as their educational achievements being recognized that day. Because seating is limited, graduates will receive four tickets each — however an overflow room with live streaming video of the ceremony will allow more family and friends to share in the moment.

### Vineyard Dedication Ceremony

On Monday, the College and community gathered to celebrate the dedication of Campus Hill

Vineyards. The event highlighted the efforts of the faculty, students, staff, and administrators who have poured themselves into bringing the vineyard to life, and recognized our community partners — including sponsor Concannon Vineyard — without whom this long-time dream could not have been realized. The ceremony included remarks from Board President Vecchiarelli and Chancellor Kinnamon, and closed with the traditional blessing of the vines.



## Creative Thinking

### There's Music in the Air...

Once again the Performing Arts Department delighted the College and community alike with its Spring Concerts. This annual music series featured performances from the Orchestra and Concert Band, Vocal Jazz group, Instrumental Jazz group, Choir, and Chamber and Concert Choirs, and concerts were held

on campus and at two locations in Livermore.

### Talking Their Way to the Top

Our LPC "Talk Hawks" finished the season as the second-ranked Forensics Program in Northern California, capping off one of their most successful years to date — marked by nearly 100 individual and team awards. Two

of those awards were won by Lauren Hochman and Stacy Shaw, who took home Gold Medals in Duo Interpretation at both the State Championship and the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament in Chicago. Congratulations to all of the Talk Hawks and coaches for all of their accomplishments and bringing such wonderful recognition to LPC.



## Lifelong Learning

### Honors Transfer Symposium

On May 5, the campus community had the opportunity see some of the "best and brightest" at the College in action. Five Honors Transfer students — Elaine Naples, Brooke Smith, Jennifer Hennings, Lindsey Cunha, and Katharine Holland — presented their projects, with topics ranging from combining

Eastern and Western medicine and philosophies to political awareness among LPC students. The Symposium was engaging and thought-provoking, and demonstrated the critical thinking, and research that the students put into each project. Congratulations to the students and their mentors for a job well done!

### Transfer & Recognition Ceremonies

At the Transfer Reception (May 8) and Student Recognition Ceremony (May 12), the College acknowledged the many students transferring to another institution or who have been awarded a scholarship for their academic achievements. We applaud them on their success and reaching their educational goals.



# Facilities Update



## Campus Boulevard Phase I

Construction Documents were submitted to DSA on December 17, 2007. Subsequently the project estimate was completed. The estimated construction cost exceeds the budget by 50%. The Design Team is working on a simplified design which will be presented to the user group April 28, 2008. If approved the simplified design will be estimated to determine if it is within budget and resubmitted to DSA.



## College Center for the Arts

The project is planned to bid on May 29, 2008. There are six qualified general contractors planning to bid the project. This is a significant milestone for Las Positas College, with this two-story, 55,000 sq. ft., LEED Silver building — estimated at \$37.3M in construction value — anchoring the leading edge of the College. The award of a contract is to be submitted to the Board of Trustees at their meeting in June.

## District-wide Information Technology Building

DSA comments have been received, and final approval is expected this month. Additional geotechnical information will have been reviewed and approved by the Californian Geologic Survey (CGS), which facilitated DSA approval. The project begins the procurement process this month and is planned to bid in September.

## PE Complex & Multi-Disciplinary Education Building

The Forensic Architect issued a final report which has been delivered by our counsel along with a notice of defects to the project architects and general contractor. The campus project manager is working to develop a strategy to design and implement both short term and long term remedies should the Architect and Contractor choose not to respond to the building issues. A meeting is scheduled with the General Contractor for June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to understand their response to the reported construction defects by the Forensic Architect. Work continues on other warranty items to include the MD Building accessible lifts which are expected to be fully operational this month.

## Central Utility Plant

The Design Build contractor, Southland Industries, has begun construction operations by marking all existing utilities in the vicinity of the hot and chilled water loop layout utilizing “dig Safe” and completed the potholing of the inner campus trench lines. We have closed a major portion of the northern side of the loop road to the start of the trenching in the areas that are need for future project access. Also the loop pipe on site fabrication and installation has begun with several sections of the loop trench completed ahead of schedule. Expected impacts of this work on college activities, including partial closure of the Loop Road, has been communicated via email and Town Hall meeting presentations.

## Maintenance & Operations Facility

In order to maintain the current schedules of the IT Building, Central Utility Plant, and Child Development Center, and due to an inadequate M&O Facility project budget, this project was divided into multiple bid packages. These bid packages consist of pre-purchase of a modular building and pre-engineered building components to avoid contractor markups, and a separate site work package — including the M&O Facility site preparation and utilities/roadway grading to the M&O site. This project is planned to bid next month.

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

Schematic Design has been submitted for review by the end user committee. The project will be bid with 3 alternatives so that each alternative can be authorized based upon the available budget. The Architect has been release to begin working towards the 50% construction document phase due to be delivered in the month of June.

## Parking Lot H

Design of the new parking lot is complete and the solar shade structures are underway. The Board of Trustees approved incorporation of photo-voltaic shade structures at their February 19, 2008 meeting. At that meeting the Board of Trustees also approved award of a design-build contract to Chevron Energy Services for design and construction of the photo-voltaic shade structures. To maximize efficiency, the parking lot construction and shade structure elements are combined into one project under the Chevron Energy Solutions ESCO contract.



## Child Development Center

DSA comments have been received and, based on the scope of those comments, final approval is expected next month. The User Group has met to review and establish performance criteria for Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment (FF&E) to begin the procurement process for this significant component of the project. The project is planned to bid in August.



## Aquatics Center & Soccer Field

Excavation for construction of the two pools took place this month. The application of the artificial turf on the soccer/multi-use field began on May 19, and the project is on schedule to be turned over for beneficial occupancy in time for use during summer session which begins June 16, 2008. The approved contract extension is expected to show final project completion in December 2008.

## Student Services & Central Administration

The Design Team completed Schematic Design and submitted required deliverables. This project has been approved by Board resolution for use of the Design/Build delivery method. The final delivery method and approach is being developed, along with a procurement plan definition, schedule, and selection committee requirements. The identification of necessary project and design information is also underway. The amount and location of construction at the College over the next 36 months needs to be analyzed and considered when to develop the design build milestones for this project.