

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Maestro Williams -- An Alumni Treasure

Stellar LACC Alumnus John Williams paid a special visit to campus on April 2 as part of our Composers' Club Concert series. Our congratulations to the Music Department and the LACC Foundation for sponsoring this "Fundraiser," where, per his request, a limited number of donors, music students, emeriti, alumni, and guests were treated to a Q&A session with the maestro before enjoying the student composers' concert. His words inspired many students, as he explained how after first composing music at North Hollywood High School, he left UCLA to come to LACC's music department because we had a jazz stage band.

"The instructors were fantastic," he said of LACC's music and history department faculty. "They really turned me on."

Williams only attended one semester here before he was drafted, but chose to go into the Air Force during the Korean War. He played in the Air Force band and scored his first movie there. After the war, he played contract orchestra for Columbia Pictures and scored commercials, bad films and television shows for 20 years before an auspicious lunch meeting with Steven Spielberg, who was working on "Sugarland Express," the film that preceded "Jaws" and its famous music score.

Williams admitted that in the 20 years preceding that lunch, he was discouraged many times. He told LACC musicians to "be prepared for a tough, long grind...and don't give up!"

Know other stellar alums? Call the Foundation at ext. 2081

Silent Auction and Open House

The Office of Special Services (OSS) is holding an open house from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on April 17th. The goal of the OSS is to provide academic and classroom access to students with disabilities while enrolled at LACC. Proceeds from the silent auction will go toward the OSS Scholarship Program and the OSS Tutorial Center. If you have items to donate, send them to OSS no later than Friday, April 11th. All check donations are tax deductible and should be made out to the LACC Foundation - Office of Special Services. For more information, call ext. 2285.

DATES TO KNOW

*Happy 50th Anniversary to our
Radiologic Technology Dept.!*

**Monday, April 21st is the
Deadline for the Metro Rewards
"Share the Ride" Program !**

Contact Vera Tylecek, Employee
Transportation Coordinator. Visit her
in AD 317 or call ext. 2410

Spring Calendar Highlights

April is:

Financial Aid Awareness Month at
California Community Colleges
and
Earthquake Preparedness Month

Mon. April 14 = African American
Heritage Committee Scholarship
Deadline

Tues. April 15, 1 p.m. =
icanaffordcollege.com workshop in
in the EOP&S office

Thurs. April 17 = OSS Silent Auction

Tues. April 22 = Earth Day
www.earthday.net

Tues. April 23 = Administrative
Professionals Day & Denim Day

Thurs. May 15 = Bike to Work Day

Spring Holidays

Mon., May 26, 2008 = Memorial Day

Sat. May 24 = Campus is OPEN

Summer 2008

Priority registration begins April 14

Continuing students - April 17

New students - May 12

Session 1: 5 weeks beginning 6/16

Session 2: 8 weeks beginning 6/16

Session 3: 5 weeks beginning 7/21

New Capitol Days Scheduled

The Community College League of California is actively working to increase presence in the State Capitol. In response to the state's budget and property tax shortfall – both of which greatly impact community colleges – they have added an additional Capitol Day event on April 15.

The first Capitol Day, held March 12, was met with great enthusiasm and success by participants. Even though only a small number of community college representatives were present, the impact was significant. Capitol Day is a one-day event offering small advocacy teams a chance to visit with local legislators and key budgetary legislators and staff to discuss the impact of the state budget on our colleges. The League provides the overview, the talking points, handouts and lunch. It is our hope that each college sends at least one person to one of the remaining event dates. Upcoming Capitol Days are scheduled for: **Tuesday, April 15; Tuesday, May 20; and Tuesday, June 17.**

**California Community College Collaborative (C4)
at the University of California, Riverside**

In co-operation with Riverside Community College District Presents

Community Colleges and A Master Plan for Higher Education in California: A Need for Renewal?

Friday, May 16, 2008

11:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Canyon Crest Country Club

975 Country Club Drive

Riverside, California 92506

Parking on site

Mexican buffet lunch will be included

Keynote speaker: Dr. John Aubrey Douglass

Senior Research Fellow, Center for Studies in Higher Education at University of California, Berkeley
and author of *The California Idea and American Higher Education*.

Panelists: Dr. Jerome Hunter, Chancellor, North Orange County Community College District;
Dr. Rita Cepeda, President, San Diego Mesa College; Dr. Ray Maghroori, Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs,
Riverside Community College District; Dr. Richard Mahon, Senate President, Riverside City College;
Dr. Mark Drummond, Chancellor, Los Angeles Community College District.

Send \$26.00 check to "University of California Regents" and RSVP by April 28 to:

April A. Salas

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(Limited space is available, so it is first come first served)

Looking for Some More Interesting Reading?

We regularly receive a variety of newspaper and magazine articles from the state Chancellor's Office! Education articles are sent to us frequently and spotlight local, state and national college events, announcements and news. Just click:<http://www.lacitycollege.edu/facstaff/staffdev/acadnews.html> The link to the Education Articles is on the top bar of the Faculty & Staff page as well. <http://lacitycollege.edu/citymain/facultystaff.html>

LACC Emeriti News



Rosella Kanarik (left) and **Evelyn Malueg** will be honored at the May 2nd meeting of the LACC Emeriti. Since 2008 is the year of their 100th birthdays, we think that deserves a celebration!

Born in Hungary, Rosella came to America in 1913 when her father became worried about the anti-Semitism he felt building in Europe. At the University of Pittsburgh in 1934, she became the first woman in the university's history to receive a Ph.D. in mathematics. In Los Angeles, Rosella taught advanced mathematics from 1946 until she retired in 1974—first at USC and then at LACC, but she never stopped tutoring on the subject. Hundreds of students passed through her house over the last 35 years, and she refused to charge for her time.

Evelyn will be 100 in November. She was a member of the last UCLA class to graduate from its Vermont Ave. campus in 1929, just before UCLA moved to Westwood. She began her teaching career at Garfield High School in Los Angeles, received her M.A. from USC and then was hired to teach secretarial science at LACC. After 20 years in that department, she moved to the Counseling Dept., from which she retired in 1971. At age 90 she learned the computer in order to keep up with her children and grandchildren. Evelyn says she is proud and happy with her accomplishments as she helped many students to successfully reach their goals.

City Chem Seminar April 9th

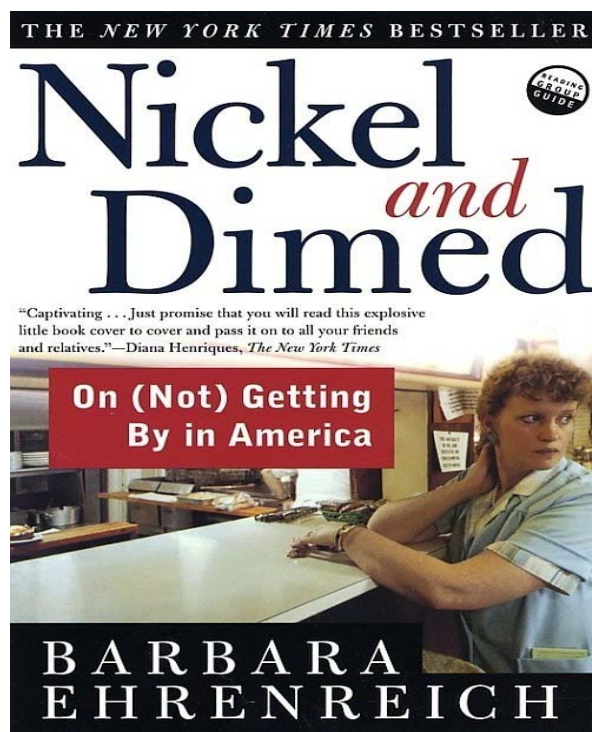
Dr. Paul Shin will present "Close to the Edge: A Chemist's Role as a Specialist Reserve Officer in the LAPD HazMat Unit" at 4 p.m. on Wednesday April 9th in Room 3 of the Chemistry Building. All are invited and refreshments will follow the seminar. For more information, contact Dennis Mitchell at ext. 2602.

Irish Art Topic of Friday Meeting

The next meeting of the LA Geographical Society is Friday, April 4th, at 8 pm in Franklin Hall 101. The topic is "Wall Murals of Belfast Northern Ireland". The speaker is Irene Naesse from Orange Coast College. FLEX credit is available for faculty. This is the 55th year that this group has been meeting.

Spring Book Program Discussion Set

Come join us and comment, challenge, question or support the premise of "Nickel and Dimed: on (Not) Getting By in America" with **Author Barbara Ehrenreich**, who will visit the campus at **11 a.m. Wednesday, May 7th**.



LACC Goes Blue to Get Green

Staff and faculty can bring any paper that tears to the **blue bins** in the mailroom, AD317, financial aid office, reprographics, library, physics FH 223 or near the Harris Construction trailer. This new, to be expanded recycling pilot program is being coordinated by the Student Environmental Club and our Facilities Department. Volunteers will move and empty bins and plan Earth Day activities.

The Sound of Music, LACC Style

The Chamber Chorale (Music 561), an auditioned choir, meets Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 6:50 pm and the College Choir (Music 501), open to all, meets Mondays from 11:10 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and Wednesdays from 11:10 a.m. 12:10 p.m. The Spring Concert repertoire will include pieces by Benjamin Britten, Randall Thompson, Z. Randall Stroope, John Williams and more. Private auditions can be set up. Chamber Chorale has participated in the Music Association of California Community Colleges Conference each fall for several years and has also been featured at Disneyland as part of the Community Arts Showcase, two years in a row. Be a part of this great music making. Join now! For questions, please e-mail or dial extension 2885.

Security!

In our on-going effort to enhance the overall safety and security on the campus, the sheriff's office provides a student escort service. Escorts are available free of charge Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Call #3 from an office phone, or 323.662.5276, or stop in the sheriff's office and make arrangements for a uniformed security officer or police cadet to safely escort you to your vehicle in an LACC lot.



I encourage all of you to attend TechEd 2008, April 13-16 at the Ontario Convention Center! Please encourage students who are interested educational careers to attend. Registration is Free! Please follow instructions on: <http://www.techedevents.org/lacc/> Our own Prof. Evan Kendall (English/ESL Department) is a presenter!

Title: Disinformation Technology Beta - Learning Management Systems and Web Hosting

Presenter: Evan Kendall **Room #:** 105

Date: 4/15/2008 @ 1:15PM - 2:15 PM

Category: Concurrent Theme: Virtual Learning Sub Theme: New & Emerging Technologies

Ed Level: ALL EDUCATIONAL LEVELS

Tech. Prof.: INTERMEDIATE KNOWLEDGE, ADVANCED KNOWLEDGE

Organization: Los Angeles City College

Description: Learn HOW and WHY you should be the Web Master of your own domain. Set up a local test server to easily test drive FREE applications, like Moodle, SMF, Joomla. Also, contracting with a hosting company. Run your own show. Dr. Kendall teaches online and has explored many platforms (Moodle, Dokeos, ATutor, Joomla (CMS), SMF (Forums), etc...) and is willing to share. As part of the revolution, we are duty bound to learn how to disseminate information, not let decisions be made for us. Evan Kendall will show you how to do it yourself. Independence is always revolutionary.