

Newsletter July 2024

Letter from the Director

Dear Friends,

As we enjoy the summer months, we would like to thank the individuals and organizations who have continue to support the Foundation. We are excited to include the digital version of the Foundation's 2022-23 Annual Report below. The previous fiscal year was an important year of growth focus, and we are grateful to our dedicated donors and benefactors for their generosity.

In regard to the fiscal year that just ended, I am happy to share that the Foundation continues to thrive. More than 1,100 people donated over \$500,000 in support of scholarships, athletics, the arts, academic departments and specialized programs this past year.

As we approach the college's 75th Anniversary this September, our motto is 'Come Back to Valley'. If you are an alum of the college, we want to hear from you! What are your best memories of LAVC? Who was your favorite professor? Did you play on a team? Perform in a show? <u>Tell us your story</u>!

Beginning next month, we will start sharing some of these stories with you, as we work together to tell the larger story of the incredible impact LAVC has made upon our communities.

Happy Summer!

Andrea Schmitt
Director, Los Angeles Valley College Foundation

Welcoming our Newest Foundation

Board Member



We are excited to welcome Pegi Matsuda as our newest member on the Los Angeles Valley College Foundation Board. Pegi Matsuda is the owner of <u>On Board Business and Community Consulting</u>. Since opening her own practice, she has worked with small business and non-profit clients to evaluate and redesign major processes to more effectively manage their business. She holds a Master of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership from Woodbury University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Relations and Organizational Behavior from the University of San Francisco. She also holds the designation of Certified Fund-Raising Executive ("CFRE") from CFRE International. We look forward to working with Pegi on our mission to support LAVC students.

Interested in making a difference in our community? We are looking to expand our Board of Directors and Friends of the Board. Contact Andrea Schmitt at 818-947-2618 or via email at schmittag@lavc.edu for more information.

2022-23 Annual Report



The LAVC Foundation is pleased to present its 2022-23 Annual Report. You can find the report on our website here.

LAVC Scholarship Spotlight: Kinesiology

Angelo Cimity was an athletic trainer at Valley College for over 30 years. He was dedicated to the well-being of the student athletes as well as being the main liaison with the team doctors. He was also the co-chair of the Monarch Center building project. Dedicated and passionate, he was proud to serve as a member of the Hall of Fame Committee. This scholarship will be awarded to a Kinesiology student who shares his spirit and compassion for athletes.

Interested in supporting this scholarship or others like it? Would you like to establish a scholarship in honor or memory of a loved one? <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Recent Events



Quarterback Skills Camp

On June 4, almost 50 young athletes from the local community attended the Monarch QB/Wide Receivers Skills Camp, learning various skills needed to excel on the field. LAVC Football coaches and players conducted drills and taught methods for the young quarterbacks and receivers. The successful practice ended with a BBQ lunch! Go Monarchs! 2



Photos by Dale Beck

Upcoming LAVC Community Events



First Day of Classes Monday, August 26, 2024

New and returning LAVC students will be officially starting the Fall semester on Monday, August 26, 2024. We are excited to welcome students to our beautiful campus and amazing programs!

Hall of Fame Barbeque

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Join us on September 14, 2024 for our biennial Athletic Hall of Fame Barbeque! Meet Hall of Fame inductees and enjoy a great meal with friends and family. Proceeds of the event will benefit the LAVC Athletic Hall of Fame Program.



Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) is a two-year community college in Valley Glen, CA and part of the nine-college Los Angeles Community College District. It serves a student body of over 18,000 students each year from some of the most disenfranchised communities in the San Fernando Valley. The Los Angeles Valley College Foundation's mission is to enhance the education of its students through community involvement and to provide additional financial resources to Los Angeles Valley College.

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