



LAS POSITAS CONNECTION

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Honoring Veterans Day at Las Positas College

November 7 was the kick-off for the 13th annual Honoring Veterans Day at Las Positas College. It was our opportunity as a community to show our gratitude and honor our Veterans who have given so much for our freedom.

The College welcomed keynote speaker Terry Burgess, a parent of fallen U.S. Army Sergeant Bryan A. Burgess who gave his life in combat in Afghanistan. A Vietnam Era Huey helicopter landed on campus that was carrying VIP's that included our Vice Chancellor of Education Dr. Theresa Fleischer-Rowland.

Additionally, on Saturday, November 9 there was a 2.2 and 5k run that was emceed by former Assembly Member Catherine Baker.



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Child Development Center's Trike-A-Thon

Every year, the children and staff at the Child Development Center raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by participating in the St. Jude Trike-A-Thon. This year the event was held on Friday, October 25. This was a great opportunity for our community to give back.



CDC Children participating in the Trike-A-Thon

Comida de Las Americas - Food of the America's



On October 15 Las Positas College Puente Club, HSI Club, Student Government, and staff hosted a feast that included foods from all around the globe. There was mariachi music, desserts, drinks, and a large variety of food available for sampling. This was the last college event for the LatinX-Hispanic Heritage Month.



LPC staff and students at Food de Las Americas

Undocumented Week of Action

During the week of October 14 to the 18 Las Positas College hosted the 3rd annual Undocumented Week of Action. Three years ago the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office encouraged and supported all California Community Colleges to plan activities around advocacy for a permanent path to citizenship for our undocumented students.

During this week, the UndocuAlly Taskforce provided information about valuable resources that are available to undocumented students, so they can succeed in higher education. The taskforce conducted informational webinars, offered multiple financial aid workshops, and provided encouragement to undocumented students' allies facilitating voter registration, as well as general educational workshops regarding undocumented students on campus.

LPC believes that every student deserves an education. Events like these are designated to be inclusive and inviting to one of the most marginalized communities on our campus. We invite students, staff and educators to join in future events that promote equity among all students and help our students achieve their educational objectives.

The DocuAlly Taskforce would like to thank the State Chancellor's Office, the entire Chabot Las Positas Community College District, and the LPC community for supporting the events during this week of action.



Share your story booth and volunteers.

Fall Flex Day 2019



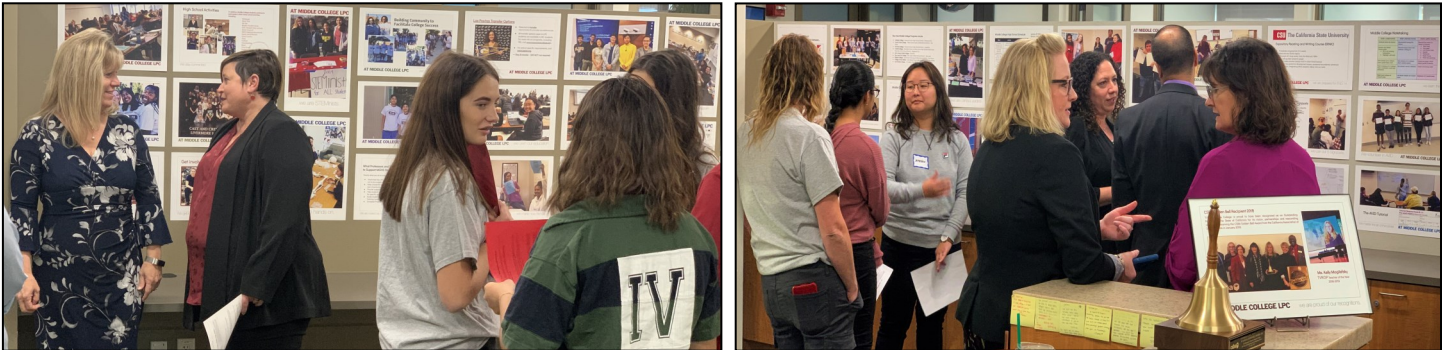
Top: Keynote Speaker, Dr. Newton Miller

Bottom: Middle College Open House

On October 22, Las Positas College held its Fall Flex day for all LPC Faculty and Classified Staff. The Professional Development Committee offered 33 classes that educated and helped faculty and staff with professional growth opportunities.

The keynote speaker was, Dr. Newton Miller, an Associate Dean in the College of Education at Ashford University. He delivered the professional development session, “*Constructing Culturally Responsive Academic and Student Services Systems*,” which bases experimental and experiential data that considers cognitive and non-cognitive factors which contribute to low retention and high failure rates of at-potential students.

Dr. Miller believes educators are the foundations that stimulate the thinking that changes the world, thus his mantra is: *Educate...Motivate...Help Them Grow!*



4th Annual Library Card Drive

Las Positas College in conjunction with the Livermore Public Library, the Alameda County Library, the Pleasanton Library, and the San Francisco Public Library held its fourth annual library card drive to encourage the college community to use the free library services available to them, as well as use this opportunity to have college community sign-up for library cards.

This library card drive issued 170 new library cards to students, college personnel, and the community. The college was able to process cards for students beyond the October 16th drive with the community libraries.

If you are interested in a library card, please visit the LPC Library.



Calendar

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

- November 08 The Day of the dead, A Mexican Folk Art Exhibit
- November 13 MADD Presented by Deidre Carrick
- November 13 Great American Smoke Out
- November 13 Job Fair
- November 14 Campus Campfire
- November 14 Vocal Ensembles Concert
- November 14 Evil Dead—The Musical
- November 14 Responding to Chemical Warfare
- November 14 Fall Festival at the CDC.
- November 18 FastPass Admission
- November 19 The Market Food Pantry
- November 20 Chill and Chat

Men's Basketball

On the last week of October the LPC Men's Basketball team and staff went to Lawrence Elementary where they offered a basketball clinic, played games, and handed out prizes with the 250 children in grades 1st through 5th.

On November 3rd the team won the Tony Costello Tip-Off Classic tournament and are currently ranked third in the state.

GO HAWKS!

LPC Basketball Team and Coaches at the Tony Costello Tip-Off Classic



Stephen Sorokoff

Shawn Ryan's Master Class at Las Positas College

Las Positas College Foundation and the New LPC Film Studies Program hosted Shawn Ryan's Film Master Class and the showing of his Cannes Film Festival entry, "Charlie" with a workshop and Q&A session that followed. The event was sponsored by an LPC Foundation Grant and was free to attend.



Photo: Elizabeth Wing Brooks and Shawn Ryan

LPC News in Brief

Evil Dead the Musical: Las Positas College Theater Arts presents the musical production of "Evil Dead: The Musical." Opening night is Friday, November 8th at the Black Box Theater in the Mertes Center for the Arts at Las Positas College.



Fall Vocal Ensembles Concert: The Vocal Ensembles invite you to attend their concert that will be held on Thursday, November 14 at 7:00 PM at the Mertes Center for Arts. This concert will re-introduce the Concert Choir, which will be under the direction of our newest faculty member Ash Walker!



Fast Pass: Las Positas College will be hosting FastPass from Monday, November 18, 2019 through Thursday, November 21, 2019. FastPass is an opportunity for prospective and returning students to complete the "Six Steps to Success" which include the admissions application, financial aid application, orientation, guided self-placement, receive a student educational plan, register for courses, and pay fees.



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