



NOVEMBER 13, 2018

GOOD TUESDAY MORNING

It has been a busy week, but I hope that your weekend and day off were restful.

First off, I would like to thank all veterans as we just observed a day honoring their service, especially those who call Trade Tech their community college. It is an honor to see how many veterans have sought our assistance in providing their higher education. Thanks also to Kookie Murray and her staff for making a real difference in the lives our student veterans.



Also, my thoughts are with those lost, displaced and affected by the tragic fires in LA and Ventura counties as well as up north. I have heard stories from a community college president outside Paradise where local residents were trapped as they tried to evacuate and were pulled from their oven-like cars by firefighters and sheltered under the water spraying from trapped firetrucks as fire blazed all around. Our sisters and brothers at Pierce College have done a remarkable job in housing both nearby residents and also so many animals from the ranches in the San Fernando Valley as well as the L.A. Zoo animals from the Griffith Park brush fire in this time of emergency. We have offered support to our sister colleges, and I hope that the work being done by our district colleges helps ease the situation in some way.



Cash for College (Last Week)



While some of his attention was diverted to the fire situation, Mayor Eric Garcetti was able to attend the second day of the Cash for College Convention here on campus this past Saturday. I got a chance to walk him around as he spoke to a couple of workshops and then swung by our outreach booths. This is the third consecutive year that the LA Chamber of Commerce

has selected our campus to host this event which answers the question in the affirmative, "Can I afford college?" Over two days, more than 6,000 high school and middle school students walked through the expo filled with our programs and pathways. While each LACCD college had a single booth, we had more than 20. I want to thank everyone who came out and joined in the recruitment of students. We collected hundreds of prospect cards from student visitors. The new president



of the LA Chamber of Commerce, Maria Salinas, also walked the campus as she learned that the original name of our college, the Frank Wiggins Trade School, was named after the twenty-five year head of the L.A. Chamber who lobbied hard for the creation of this college in 1925. Both Board of Trustees President Mike Fong and LACCD Chancellor Dr. Francisco Rodriguez

joined in the final presentation of scholarships at the event. One of the students who won a \$1000 scholarship is dual enrolled in our Applied Sciences program taught by LATTTC faculty member Dr. Velveth Klee who was cheering him on.

Financial Aid

Disbursements are still being made to eligible students. The Financial Aid office is on hand to assist you with any documentation that you may have outstanding. Every eligible student should have financial aid. If you have questions, please send an email to tfinaid@latttc.edu. Please visit either the Financial Aid Office (Juniper Hall, 1st floor) of the Financial Aid Resource Center (Juniper Hall, Room 314) Monday–Thursday: 8:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. and Friday: 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.



Food Pantry on Tuesdays

Just a reminder that we are holding our weekly food pantry partnership today with the St. Francis Center. Come by the K-Mall today with your student ID and you can pick up fresh produce, food items and drinks for free.



Deans' Awards November 13, 3:00 p.m., South Tent

Today is one of the special days of the semester. We will be honoring student success at today's Deans' Awards in the South Tent. We have invited families and friends to join those students who have distinguished themselves by making the Deans and President's List. This is a significant accomplishment and is a testament to your hard work in the classroom. Let us celebrate your work at the awards.



Performing Arts Club

The Performing Arts Club is still taking donations for the its Thanksgiving food and clothes drive. You have until Wednesday to donate. Drop off at the Public Relations office in Juniper Hall ST-533.

The Performing Arts Club is putting together a presentation this Thursday at noon in the South tent. This will be a chance to enjoy some dramatic art being offered by your fellow students. The show will begin at noon, so come on out and support your fellow students.



Last Day to Submit Graduation App for Fall: November 15

For those students completing in December, this Thursday, November 15 is the deadline for submitting your petition for graduation. Please make sure that you visit with your counselor and you submit your petition before the deadline. And congratulations on completing.

Care Harbor

This Saturday, November 17, Care Harbor will be on campus again. This organization puts together the free health care event every year. This Saturday, the organization will offer free eyeglasses and vision advice to anyone who needs it. The event will start at 8:00 a.m. this upcoming Saturday. If you have questions, please email Care Harbor.



Theatreworkers Project(s)

On Thursday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m., a group of local residents who have already served life sentences are performing their own play, "On the Brink," in Aspen Hall, Room 101. And then on Tuesday, November 20, from 11–12:30 p.m., five individuals who have returned from incarceration, including one of our students, are performing their own play, "Right Road Lost . . . Found" in Cedar Hall, K-126. Please come by. You are welcome.

So we are coming up on the Thanksgiving holiday next week, but let's finish this week strong as we come down the stretch of the Fall semester. Keep working hard.

Larry Frank

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