

# LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

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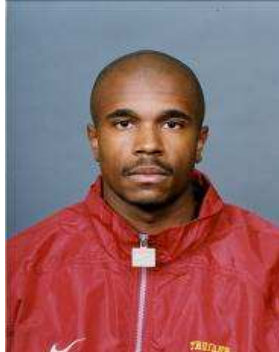
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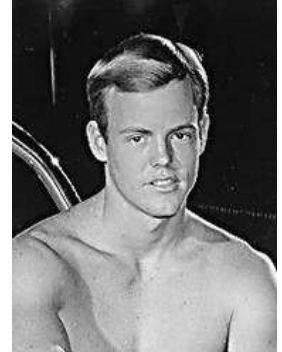
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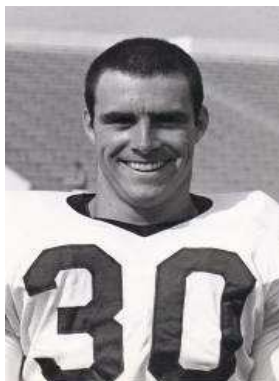
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1968, 69, 70 Cross Country Team

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JUNE 25, 2011!  
LAVC Athletic Hall of Fame c/o  
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## 2011 HOF Induction Class Selected!

**VALLEY GLEN, CA**—The Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) Athletic Hall of Fame Committee announced its selection for the 2011 LAVC Athletic Hall of Fame. An Induction Dinner will be held for all recipients on Saturday, June 25, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. on the LAVC campus. “Since its inaugural induction, many nominations continue to be received by the LAVC Hall of Fame (HOF) Committee and it was quite an honor to select our inductees who will make up the 2011 Class,” said HOF Nomination sub-chair Brick Durely. The Class of 2011 inductees include:

1. One of the greatest baseball players in the history of the California Community Colleges, **Doug Baker** played for the Monarchs in 1980 & 1981 for Valley College Hall of Fame Coach Dave Snow. He was named an All State shortstop in 1981. He starred for Arizona State University in 1982, and was drafted by the Detroit Tigers the same year. He is a member of the 1984 World Series Champion Detroit Tigers. Baker also played in the Major leagues for seven years for both Detroit and the Minnesota Twins.
2. One of the legendary track & field athletes in the history of Valley College, **Charles Lee** starred for the Monarchs in 1996 & 1997, setting school records in the 100m & 200m, and was the Western Conference Champ in both events. He was named the Valley College Athlete of the Year in 1997. He transferred to USC where he garnered All American honors in 1998 & 1999 in the 200m & the 1600m Relay, and was named the USC Track & Field Track & Field MVP in 1999.
3. **Don McKenzie** (posthumous) was a Gold Medal winner in the 100m Breaststroke and the 400m medley relay in the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City. He starred for the Monarch Swim team in 1966 & 1967, while setting a National Record in the 100 yard breaststroke (59:7), becoming the first Community College Swimmer to break one minute in the event. He later swam for the legendary swim coach Doc Councilman at Indiana University in 1968 & 1969 where he was a Big Ten Champion, and an All American. He is a member both the International Swimming Hall of Fame, and Indiana University Athletic Hall of Fame.
4. One of the great running backs in Valley College football history, **Wayne Quigley** starred for the Monarchs in 1966 & 1967. He garnered All Metro, All American honors in 1967, team MVP, while setting a then three school rushing records in the same year. He finished his college career with two great years at UOP in 1968 & 1969, being named Most Improved player in 1968.
5. Coming to Valley College from Polytechnic High school **Ted Calderone** came to Valley College in 1966. A World War II Veteran and a graduate of Occidental College, Ted coached winning programs in football, gymnastic and golf at Los Angeles Valley College. He also served as the Men’s Physical Education Department Chair for 8 years.
6. **George Goff** arrived at Valley College in 1964 after a great career as head football coach at Birmingham High School. He spent the next 27 years as head football Coach, and Athletic Director. During his tenure he coached many All-Conference and All-American football players, and his teams as Athletic Director, won numerous conference and state titles.
7. A graduate of Valley College, **Gail Malone** continued her educational goals receiving both a Bachelor and Master’s degree in Physical Education. In 2003, she was inducted into the California Community College Committee on Athletics Hall of Fame and in 2007 was a member of the Los Angeles Valley College Hall of Fame Class of 2007 being inducted as a member of the 1976 Women’s Volleyball team. Gayle (Castro) Malone represented the United States as a member of the 1996 Olympic Beach Volleyball Team.
8. In one of the great runs in California Community College **Men's Cross Country** history, the Monarchs of **1968, 1969, & 1970** won three straight State titles. All three teams were coached by Valley College Athletic Hall of Fame member Lazlo Tabori and George Ker.

Tickets to the Athletic Hall of Fame Induction banquet will be available starting May 23, 2011. Dinner tickets are \$60 per person. Sponsorship Opportunities are also available. For more information, call the Los Angeles Valley College Foundation at (818) 947-2618 or visit [www.lavc.edu](http://www.lavc.edu). Click “Community” and then “Athletic Hall of Fame.”

## HOF'er Profile: Ed G. Austin

Ed Austin was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2007. He was one of the founding members of the Los Angeles Valley College student body called "The Pioneers." He was also one of the most heralded athletes in early Valley College history lettering five times over two years in three sports including Track & Field, Football, and Basketball. Austin professes that he excelled the most in track and field having competed in the 440, 4 x 440 relay, and the high jump, where he jumped 6'3 1/2 in 1951, the second highest in the United States at that time.

Ed has also been a continuous donor to the Hall of Fame program and the Athletic Endowment. We asked Ed to write about what he enjoyed about Valley College then and now.

*In 1949 L.A. Valley Junior College opened for business and students from the five valley high schools, plus high schools from through out Los Angeles and out of state, soon became a family. It did not take long for the several hundred students to become friends.*

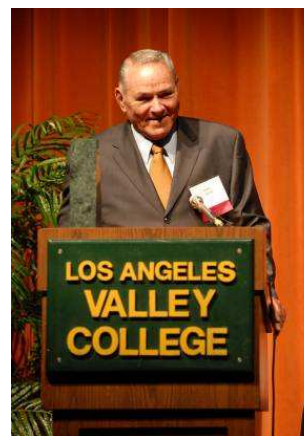
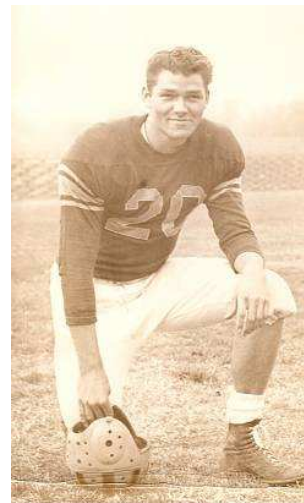
*Even though we were an annex to Van*

*Nuys High School we were all on the same adventure. The classes were not overly crowded so we were able to communicate with the instructors very easily.*

*We were truly pioneers. Now when I am on the Valley campus, I can't help but look back at the beginning of the present campus. We made do with some unusual classrooms. They were bungalows and houses. Health classes were held in a glass hot house. Each school club was allowed a house for their meetings. The Spanish Club had a house with a swimming pool. Needless to say they had a large membership. I spent many nights at the Letterman house studying algebra so I could pass Phil Clark's class.*

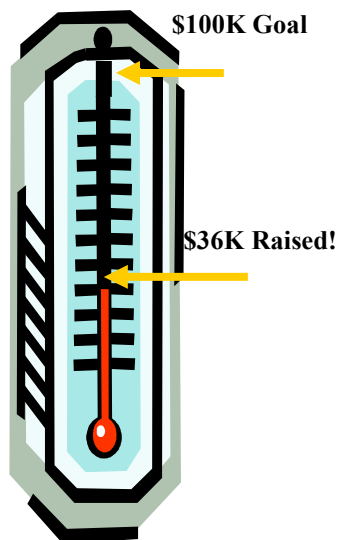
*It was a wonderful time in my life. During basketball season we had the opportunity to play Pierce College, which had also just opened (we won most of the games). And in track we were scheduled with another new school, Harbor College.*

*When I see the current Valley College track facility, it brings back memories of the time when the track team helped Jim Slosson and Phil Clark sur-*



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## Athletic Endowment Campaign Update



Over \$36,000 has been pledged and raised for the Athletic Endowment Campaign. The goal is to raise \$100,000 in the next three years. The purpose of the Athletic Endowment is to provide supplemental revenue for Athletic Department help cover expenses such as equipment, supplies, staffing, travel, and food.

The Athletic Endowment Advisory Board was formed two years ago to oversee the fundraising campaign. The Advisory Board, which is made up of Valley College alumni who were student athletes or involved with athletics cite that this endowment is very important to Athletics and Valley College!

"While we are grateful for the donations received thus far, we are a long way from achieving our goal," said Endowment Chair Phil Mundy.

"We implore everyone to support and contribute to the endowment including Hall of Famers, alumni, and anyone associated with LAVC Athletics at one time or another. With a \$100 annual donation, you can become a member of the Green & Gold Club. Donations can also be made in increments through out the year if you prefer.

There are a number of ways to donate including online by way of the LAVC Foundation at [www.lavcfoundation.org](http://www.lavcfoundation.org) or calling (818) 947-2618.



## Profiles in LAVC Athletics: Women's Head Basketball Coach Monica Hang



Born in Santa Ana, California in 1981, Coach Hang entered her first season as head coach for the Monarchs' women's basketball program. Hang came to LAVC from Glendale Community College, where she built that program into one of the more successful ones in Southern California. During Hang's coaching journey, she has helped many of her

athletes move forward to the four-year level to continue their education and/or their basketball career. Some of her athletes have transferred to such notable schools as the University of California-Los Angeles, San Diego Christian University, California State University of Monterey Bay, Hawaii Pacific University, Fresno Pacific University, Occidental College and Culver-Stockton College in Missouri, arriving on athletic or academic scholarships. Hang plans to do the same thing with her student-athletes at Valley College.

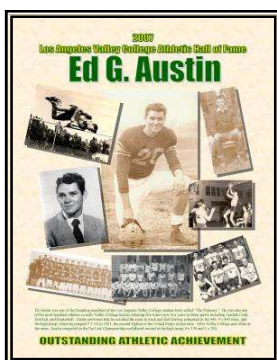
As a player, Hang was the starting point guard on the Mark Keppel High School varsity basketball team as a freshman. In 1998, she received Almont League MVP,

Pasadena Star News San Gabriel Valley All-West Player of the Year, LA Times San Gabriel Valley (East & West) Top Eight, and First Team All-CIF. After graduating from Mark Keppel, she went on to play basketball at Ventura College under the highly touted Ned Mircetic. As the point guard, she led her team to Back-to-Back to Back state championships from 2000-2002 and was an All-Conference and All-State Tournament selection.

After earning her associate's degree from Ventura College in 2002, Hang then transferred to Cumberland College in Kentucky on a full athletic scholarship. At Cumberland, she led her team to the Mid-South Conference Championship and an appearance at the Nationals. Still today, her 2003-04 team holds the school's best record at 28-4. Coach Hang was a two-time NAIA Scholar Athlete as well as a First Team and Academic All-Conference selection.

Hang earned a Bachelor's degree in Movement and Leisure Studies from Cumberland College in 2004. She received her Master's degree in Physical Education with an emphasis in teaching from California State of Los Angeles, CA in 2006.

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*vey the track, which was in a field of weeds. We put stakes in the ground where the inside of the track was to be. We then took a tractor and scrapped in the new Valley College track. The track today is close to the same location.*

*I'm still in touch with many of the former Valley Pioneers and most of them went on to higher education and have had very*

*successful careers. Attending Valley College was one of the best times of my life. Being inducted into the Hall of Fame was the "icing on the cake." It was a very special event for my family and me. I thank those responsible for this honor.*

*For the past few years, I have made a financial donation to Valley. I highly encourage all those that have attended Valley College to make a financial contribution. If you can't make a contribution, at least stop by and check out the facilities and some of the many functions.*

*Ed Austin  
Class of '51*

## Social Networking! Join In on the Fun!

If you enjoy the advantages of social networks, we encourage you to find Los Angeles Valley College on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Here's a few others you might want to try—it's so easy too!

Los Angeles Valley College  
L.A. Valley College Green & Gold  
LAVC Football  
LAVC Valley Star  
LAVC Historical Museum

## In Memoriam

It is with deep regret that the 1976 Women's Volleyball team lost a valuable and loved team member with the passing of Kathy Lonsinger. Kathy was a Hall of Fame Inductee, Class of 2007. We send our love and condolences to her family and friends.