Beverly and Felix Grossman to Donate $150,000

Long time Valley College supporters Felix and Beverly Grossman have pledged to donate $150,000 to the LAVC Foundation for the benefit of Music Department programs and students. The gift is made in memory of the Grossmans’ son Bruce, an alumnus who attended Valley College in the mid 1980’s and studied Commercial Music.

Details of how the Grossmans’ gift will be applied is currently under discussion. They will establish an endowed scholarship and a department endowment. The Grossmans will also apply part of the gift to benefit the Commercial Music program in the Music Department.

Beverly Grossman is Vice President of the Valley Institute of Visual Arts and is also a member of the LAVC Art’s Council, which promotes LAVC Arts in the community. Felix Grossman is an attorney with Perry & Grossman. In the past, the couple have sponsored the Artists in Residence Program as well as the Concert Series at LAVC. Arts Council Chair and Dean of Fine Arts Dennis Reed said, “This is a wonderful and very timely gift from the Grossmans.” Music Department Chair Michael Arshagouni said, “The Grossmans are so generous, and their contribution will go a long way to help our department and our students.”

Alumni Update

In 2007, David Martinyan took an Environmental Engineering course at Valley College. At that time, he never imagined that it was going to lead him to a path of higher environmental consciousness as well as a career and business in it. Martinyan is president of All e-Waste based in Sun Valley. The mission of All e-Waste is to responsibly recycle all of our electronic wastes that include computers and its monitors, televisions, and appliances to name a few.

Former Foundation board member and LAVC Alumnus Ed Sugar was recently honored and recognized by the Marketing Research Association (MRA) as the recipient of the “Meritious Service to Marketing Research.” This award recognizes an industry professional who over their career has demonstrated tremendous leadership and dedication resulting in remarkable contributions to the marketing research profession. Sugar has chaired a number MRA key committees to promote marketing research. He has also served as President of the Southern California chapter of the American Marketing Association. He also is a past president of the LAVC Foundation and past chair of its scholarship committee.

Foundation Awards $206,000 in Scholarships in 2011/2012

The LAVC Foundation awarded just over $206,000 in scholarships during fiscal year 2011/2012 to 310 LAVC students. This is the most awarded by the Foundation in a single year since its inception in 1974.

Large donations from the Fred J. Aves Trust, the Ageton Pittenger Trust, and the Bernard Osher Endowment have contributed to the increased growth over the past year.

For the 2013 Fiscal Year, the Foundation is off to a great start and has already awarded nearly $70,000 in scholarships. Students were recognized at the annual Scholarship Program in August. “We are extremely grateful to the Foundation for the wonderful work it has done in awarding scholarships. We are equally appreciative to scholarship donors for their generosity,” said LAVC President Dr. Sue Carleo.

Nursing student Andrew Dayao received $1,500 in various scholarships. “I cannot express enough how grateful I am for these scholarships. It will assist me with tuition, books, and other educational expenses. I want to thank all donors who contribute to scholarships. You help students like me in so many ways. I am so grateful!”
Commencement 2012

Photos contributed by Bob Dodds and Grad Images.
It's time to go back to school. For educators and students alike that thought evokes a sense of anticipation and excitement. We are beginning a new teaching/learning cycle. We are full of hope about what the year will bring. For Valley College the new academic year promises another round of budget reductions and the prospect of turning away more students. Without the LAVC Foundation the struggle for many of our students would be even greater. The scholarships awarded on behalf of our generous donors really do make a difference. Despite our continuing hardships, 2012-13 promises to be rewarding and productive thanks to our continuing spirit of excellence. Valley College, with the help and support of our Foundation, is here to make a lasting difference in our community.

A. Susan Carleo, Ph.D.
President

Historical Museum Getting Ready for Move Into the LARC!

Museum Curator Bill Carpenter has been crazed in organizing the LAVC Historical Museum's move from the old bungalow along Burbank Blvd. into the new Library Academic Resource Center (LARC) along Fulton Ave. Carpenter said, “I am going to miss the old bungalow because it has that feeling of grandfather’s attic where one can discover wonderful things.” The museum was founded in 1976 by Dr. James Dodson and is dedicated to the history of the San Fernando Valley and is a repository for Valley College memorabilia. In the 1980’s and 1990’s, Austin Conover was the museum's director and often invited speakers to talk about the Valley’s rich history.

Carpenter is also excited about the move into the LARC. The exhibit space is so much larger than the current exhibit space. There are brand new display cases and cabinets that will enhance guests’ experiences. The new space also has a prep room and storage space, which will house the museum’s library of books dedicated to the history of the San Fernando Valley.

Carpenter and Foundation Executive Director Raul Castillo are looking to have a museum open house some time in November. A number possible exhibits are in the works as well as collaborations with other local community groups.

The museum is supported in large part by the LAVC Foundation Museum Endowment. If you would like more information about a visit or providing financial assistance, please call (818) 947-2373.

Athletic Hall of Fame Inducts Nine in 2012

Nine individuals were inducted on June 30, 2012 into the LAVC Athletic Hall of Fame. The inductees included David Babiracki - Cross Country; Tim Knappen - Track & Field; Jim Malkin - Basketball; Rock Richmond - Football; Diana Hoffman - Volleyball & Basketball; Terrel Ray - Football & Track & Field; Jim Arellanes - Football; Mike Wiley - Coach in Aquatics; and Trung Nguyen (posthumously) - Manager in Football.

200 people were in attendance to pay tribute to this year’s honorees. This is the sixth year of the Hall of Fame which reunites Valley College alumni and coaches with the college. Proceeds from the Hall of Fame induction go to benefit the LAVC Athletic Endowment. For more info to support the endowment, please call (818) 947-2619. Or go to the website at www.lavcfoundation.org.
A Message from the Foundation President

I can’t believe that I’ve already served a year as your Foundation President. I would like to thank you once again for your support and for being our partner for student success.

California community colleges continue to woe as it faces more uncertainty from the troubled state economy. I will give the Governor credit for his effort to generate revenue through a proposed tax hike in November, but I think many of us won’t be holding our breath. So often, all of us seem to forget and take for granted the contributions made by community colleges like Valley College. It has been a springboard for academic and career success as well as a place to retool our skills and giving us a second or third chance in a new career. It becomes even more important for friends like you to continue to support our students; our college. Last year, I asked you to think of your support as an investment that will pay dividends for years to come. I still feel that way!

As our Executive Director Raul Castillo mentioned in his Annual Report, the Legacy Society was established last January. If you haven’t notified Raul about your planned gift, please do so. We want to recognize your generosity now. Not when you have passed on. We want to be able to thank you and not your executor! For those of you who have been thinking about getting your estate in order, think about including Valley College in your will or trust. Simply ask your attorney, accountant, or a financial planner for guidance and direction. And don’t forget to inform Raul!

Lest, I forget about our Foundation’s goal set last year to increase our assets to $7 million by 2017. We have a few things brewing in the pot as they would say that puts us on a course to attaining that goal. We are focused on increasing our endowments which continues to grow thanks to very generous donations from folks like Felix and Beverly Grossman who have pledged $120,000 in establishing a couple of endowments. You don’t have to make a six-figure donation to an endowment. In fact, if you name a bench or sitting area on campus for $1,000 to $2,000, you will be supporting the LAVC Endowment fund. With new buildings being completed on campus, come naming opportunities to support other endowments including the Library, Athletics, Media Arts, Arts, and Museum endowments.

Our Foundation has made some wonderful strides in helping Valley College and its students. We realize our success is due in large measure to the support received from friends like you. Your continued generosity is what will allow our Foundation to increase its support for Valley College and hopefully one day close that gap between what it needs and what the State is able to provide. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

Bob Oberstein,
President
Los Angeles Valley College Foundation
Class of 1968
Contributing to the LAVC Foundation

Los Angeles Valley College friends contribute through the LAVC Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the students and campus of Los Angeles Valley College. It welcomes outright gifts of cash, securities, and properties.

The LAVC Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization, and all contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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