Message from the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Welcome Fall! Our two beautiful campuses are in full swing this semester and the academic year is off to a fantastic start. The campus is always buzzing with excitement when our students return. We look forward to showing our Viking pride in many ways this season. First, we will be inducting four outstanding Vikings into the Alumni Hall of Fame on October 17 (details included below). We will also celebrate our outstanding Athletic tradition at LBCC with Homecoming at Veteran’s Stadium on Saturday, October 20 at 5:00 p.m. We hope that our friends will come out in full force, proudly donning their red and black apparel, to cheer on our Vikings to victory against Bakersfield.

As always, we love to see you! Be sure to reach out so we can host you to a campus tour or a visit to the Culinary Arts department’s Bistro restaurant.

Go Vikings!

Warmly,

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FOUNDATION EVENTS
Upcoming Events

October 17, 2018
Alumni Hall of Fame
The Grand, 5:30 p.m.
Contact: Paula Barrow at (562) 938-4317 or pbarrow@lbcc.edu

October 20, 2018
Homecoming
LBCC vs. Bakersfield College Renegade Knights
Veterans Stadium, 5:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE - May 16, 2019
36th Annual Athletics Golf Tournament
Contact: Matt Guardabascio at (562) 938-4303 or mguardabascio@lbcc.edu

LBCC Alumni Association - 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame

Fall is here and the Alumni Association committee is working hard to prepare for our annual Alumni Hall of Fame Banquet on Wednesday, October 17 at The Grand in Long Beach. We are proud to recognize the 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame honorees Long Beach Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, Seal Beach Police Commander Stephen Bowles, Community Volunteer and our very own Emeritus John Fylpaa, and Founder and Co-Executive Director of Learning Rights Law Center, Janeen Steel. These four will join an elite group of 180 LBCC alumni and pillars of the community. In addition, they have been specifically chosen not only because of their leadership in their chosen fields, but how they continue to serve as important role models for our current students.

The event will take place starting at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails and will carry over to dinner and an evening of celebration. We have had the honor of meeting these candidates at our VIP Luncheon held recently in our very own campus Bistro and were touched by their stories. They truly represent the values and characteristics the College strives to uphold as true Vikings.

Tickets and program ad sponsorships are available at www.lbcc.edu/alumni-hall-fame. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Barrow at pbarrow@lbcc.edu or (562) 938-4317.
More than 300 supporters of Long Beach City College arrived on the red carpet on June 16, 2018 to celebrate the College's 90th Anniversary. The Central Quad at the Liberal Arts Campus was transformed into a swanky gala for attendees, many of whom dressed in 1920s-inspired clothing. The reception area was decorated with cocktail tables, flowers and twinkling lights in the College's signature red, black and white. In the dinner tent, guests were treated to beautifully decorated tables with flower centerpieces and an array of snacks. The served dinner included sea bass, filet mignon and churros with caramel sauce for dessert.

The LBCC Foundation hosted the event with Title Sponsor, Don Temple Family Charitable Foundation and Don Temple Storage, and sponsors Cordoba Corporation, LBS Financial Credit Union, F & M Bank, Port of Long Beach, Jean and Jerry Green, and P2S Inc. Following the dinner, Dr. Beverly O'Neill, LBCC Superintendent-President Emerita, was honored for her service to the Long Beach education system and the City of Long Beach.
More than $200,000 was raised from the evening, which included bidding on silent auction items that were comprised of unique adventures that could only be experienced in Long Beach or with Long Beach City College and a Live Ask auction that garnered more than $50,000 for the Long Beach College Promise. The Long Beach College Promise scholarships provide a tuition-free year at LBCC for local high school graduates. LBCC for local high school graduates.

Top photo: Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Romali and LBCCD Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia

Second photo: Former LBCC President and mayor of Long Beach, Dr. Beverly O’Neill and Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Romali

Third Photo: Title Sponsors Sumer Temple and Marlene Temple for Don Temple Family Charitable Foundation and Don Temple Storage

Fourth Photo: Ruby Sponsors Jerry and Jean Green

Scholarship Reception

The annual Scholarship Reception was held on June 6, 2018 with more than 400 students, families, donors and guests in attendance. More than $413,000 was awarded through 561 individual scholarships. In addition, approximately $500,000 was awarded through the Long Beach College Promise which provides a full year's tuition to qualified, local, graduating high school seniors who attend LBCC.
**2018 Commencement**

The 2018 LBCC Commencement Ceremony was held at Veterans Stadium on June 7, 2018.

A few highlights from the ceremony:

- 1,925 graduates earned Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degrees.
- 316 students earned Certificates of Achievement.
- 230 LBCC students achieved Honors by earning a 3.500 - 3.749 cumulative grade point average; 149 students graduated with High Honors (3.75 - 3.99 cumulative grade point average); and 44 students graduated with Highest Honors (a perfect 4.00 cumulative grade point average).
- Professor and author Dr. J. Luke Wood served as the keynote speaker.
- LBCC student Mackenzie Howard, a product of the Long Beach College Promise, served as the Valedictorian.
- Approximately 1,300 LBCC students transferred to four-year universities and colleges.

**LBCC Foundation Receives Real Estate Gift**

The LBCC Foundation recently received a gift of real estate, which turned into one of the largest donations in the Foundation’s history. The donation was from a Long Beach couple to support the Long Beach College Promise.

The residential property recently closed escrow and garnered almost $1 million. This money will be included in a permanent endowment for the Long Beach College Promise scholarship, which provides qualified Long Beach Unified School District high school graduates with a free first year of tuition at LBCC.
The Long Beach couple who so generously donated the property are both alumni of LBCC and CSULB, and requested anonymity. Their gift is one of the most significant LBCC has received. Since the Long Beach College Promise went into effect 10 years ago, its success has generated national awards for LBCC and inspired schools across the country to enact similar seamless education agreements with free community college options often included.

We hope others will be inspired to make similar investments in higher education to benefit the students of Long Beach. Donors can deduct the property’s fair market value while avoiding capital gains taxes when making donations of real estate to 501(c)(3) charities, such as the LBCC Foundation. If you are interested in donating property to LBCC, please contact Elizabeth McCann at (562) 938-4139 or emccann@lbcc.edu.

Bob Ellis Memorial Library

On Tuesday, September 11, 2018, the library at Long Beach Poly High School was dedicated to the late Bob Ellis, a former student and principal at the school. Bob and his wife, Barbara, have been long time supporters of LBCC. Bob served on the Foundation Board of Governors for many years and was inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame in 2014.

After graduating from Poly in 1941, Bob attended LBCC for one year and then enlisted in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Following the war, Bob re-enrolled at LBCC and completed his AA degree. He received his BA from the University of Missouri, Columbia and then returned to the Navy to serve in the Korean War. Upon his return he received his general administration credential and MA degree from CSULB. His career included teaching English and Journalism and serving as a counselor before becoming a school principal. He was principal at Avalon K-12, Fremont Elementary, Newcomb K-8, Hughes Junior High and Wilson High School before returning to Poly where he served as principal from 1979-1985. He returned to Jordan High School for the remainder of his career.

Bob made significant contributions while principal at Poly including creating the Center for International Curriculum magnet program, moving commencement to Veterans Stadium and renaming 17th Street Jackrabbit Lane. With the dedication of the library in his name, Bob’s legacy will continue to live on at Poly High School.
Long Beach College Promise Announces College Promise 2.0

The Long Beach College Promise announced a new milestone with the unveiling of Promise 2.0. Beginning in fall 2019, the enhanced initiative will feature a guaranteed transition from Long Beach City College (LBCC) to California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) for qualifying graduates of Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD). In addition, The Promise welcomed the Port of Long Beach as the first industry partner in the Long Beach College Promise. LBUSD graduates eligible for Promise 2.0 will attend LBCC to complete their lower division courses and thereafter receive guaranteed admission to CSULB.

By entering into Promise 2.0, LBUSD students would benefit by:

- Paying a lower tuition rate by attending LBCC, including free tuition for the first year.
- Earning transferable college credit at LBCC towards a bachelor’s degree from CSULB.
- Receiving priority registration for classes at LBCC.
- Earning a bachelor’s degree from CSULB.
- Ensuring a smooth transition from LBCC to CSULB. Students will be able to map out courses at both institutions. Students would also receive guidance from both LBCC counselors and CSULB academic advisors.
- Being part of a cohort of Promise 2.0 students.
- Receiving both LBCC and CSULB student ID cards that will allow students to enjoy benefits of both colleges, allowing them to participate in special events at both CSULB and LBCC.

The university, the community college and the school district first committed to The Promise in 2008, extending the promise of a college education to every student in the Long Beach Unified School District. The City of Long Beach and its Mayor’s Office joined the initiative in 2014. Since its inception, The Promise has served as a model for communities in California and across the nation to develop partnerships centered on student success.

The Port of Long Beach recently joined as the newest partner in the Long Beach College Promise. As the first industry partner of The Promise, the Port will strengthen its partnerships with LBUSD, LBCC and CSULB to further their education outreach and workforce goals to prepare the next generation of leaders in our industry by building awareness and understanding of the Port and the maritime industry, developing a skilled workforce that supports international trade and goods movement by creating career pathways and programs, training the trainer by ensuring that teachers and administrators have access to the maritime industry for curriculum development, and creating an online hub that provides job and training resources, career profiles and opportunities to attend trade-related educational events.

Lifetime Learning Center Gift

The LBCC Lifetime Learning Center received a $25,000 gift from Jackie Fluhr. Members of the Seniors Associate Group attended the celebration in which Jackie presented a
check to Lifetime Learning Center Director, Theresa Brunella. Also in attendance were Jackie's son Brian, daughter-in-law Kendra, and grandsons Brandon and Eric.

Jackie and her husband, Bob, participated in the Lifetime Learning Center day tours for more than five years before his passing in late 2017. Some of their favorite tours included Old Los Angeles including Olvera Street and the Bakery tour. They also enjoyed Lucy Daggett's movie class, one of several classes taught at the Lifetime Learning Center.

For more information on the Lifetime Learning Centers classes and tours, contact Theresa Brunella at (562) 938-3047 or tbrunella@lbcc.edu.

Pictured in photo: Fluhr Family - Jackie, Brian, Kendra, Brandon and Eric with Foundation Executive Director Elizabeth McCann and Lifetime Learning Center Director Theresa Brunella

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**LBCC Athletics Gets Its First Logo**

The LBCC Vikings Athletics have a new logo - the first in its 91-year history. Athletic Director Randy Totorp spearheaded the effort to have a Viking logo for the first time in school history. Totorp met with executive director of public affairs and marketing, Joshua Castellanos, and graphic design specialist, Marinda Martin. The intent was to incorporate local flavor into the Vikings profile like the beach, palm trees, and waves.

The official LBCC logo now features a full Vikings head with large helmet and beard with waves crashing beneath him. Totorp said it was important to him that the full Viking be the logo.

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**GIVING OPPORTUNITIES**

**President's Partners for Promise (formerly known as President's Circle)**

The President's Partners for Promise was created to build stronger relationships between LBCC and the community, and support existing and new campus programs.
President's Partners for Promise members provide support for LBCC's most deserving and accomplished students through annual scholarships and leadership initiatives like the President's Ambassadors program. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been distributed to LBCC students to assist them in reaching their educational goals. President's Partners for Promise members are recognized at a reception in both the fall and spring, as well as at several campus events throughout the year.

President's Partners for Promise offer individual and corporate giving courtesies. Individual Opal and Pearl members and Corporate Pearl, Ruby and Diamond members underwrite the annual State of the College address and luncheon, LBCC's signature community event. Interested in becoming a partner?

Visit our [website](#) for individual and corporate giving information.

Please reach out to Elizabeth McCann at (562) 938-4139 or [emccann@lbcc.edu](mailto:emccann@lbcc.edu).

Top photo: President's Ambassadors with Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Romali

Bottom photo: President's Partners Reception hosted by James Callahan at Virginia Country Club

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**IRA Distribution**

Any individual who has attained the age of 70 1/2 may make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from an individual retirement account (IRA). A QCD permits annual direct transfers to a qualified charity totaling up to $100,000 of tax-deferred savings. Under the new 2018 tax laws, any amount processed as a QCD counts toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) requirement and reduces the taxable amount of your IRA distribution. This lowers both your adjusted gross income and taxable income, resulting in a lower overall tax liability. [Click here for more information on QCDs from an IRA.](#) To make a gift of an IRA to LBCC, please contact Elizabeth McCann at (562) 938-4139 or [emccann@lbcc.edu](mailto:emccann@lbcc.edu).

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charity, just shop at smile.amazon.com. You shop. Amazon gives. It is free to designate a charity and our students benefit. Amazon donates a small percentage of all eligible purchases.

Ralphs Community Contribution Program

The Ralphs Community Contributions Program supports non-profits through the donation of up to 4% of eligible purchases when you sign up and use your Ralphs Rewards Card. If you do not have a Ralphs Rewards Card, ask a checker at the store for a card. Then go to ralphs.com and create an account. To sign your card up for donations to LBCC, sign into your account and scroll down to Community Rewards. Click Enroll and enter Long Beach City College Foundation or 82918. Select the organization and click Enroll.

Interested in Making a Gift?

If you are interested in making a gift to the LBCC Foundation, please contact Foundation Executive Director, Elizabeth McCann at (562) 938-4139 or emccann@lbcc.edu, or Foundation Associate Director, Nancy Yoho at (562) 938-4203 or nyoho@lbcc.edu.

The Long Beach City College Foundation is a 501(c)(3) whose mission is to raise funds and provide support that contributes to the College's outstanding and evolving learning environment.