



Shared Perspectives  
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I hope each of you will join us for graduation this week. This wonderful exercise which celebrates our students' success, also recognizes and celebrates the work that all of us do all year. It truly is a wonderful day full of celebration, excitement and promise. I urge everyone to come and see the results of your hard work all year. If you do not come to the ceremony, consider watching in on your computer! This year, for the first time, we will be streaming the ceremony live over the internet. To view the ceremony on your computer, go to the LAHC web page ([www.lahc.edu](http://www.lahc.edu)) on the day of the ceremony. There will be a link to the live video stream; it will be in Windows Media format, so your computer will need to have the ability to display windows media videos. After the ceremony is completed, an archived copy of the ceremony will also be available on the website.

Congratulations go to our own Robbie Barker; he finished a Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology at CSU Dominguez Hills. Well done, Robbie.

Congratulations to Claudette Youins, who is engaged to be married.

And congratulations to our own Susan McMurray who was recognized at the Harbor City Chamber 'Apple' award for her excellence in teaching.

As the buildings continue to "rise from the ashes" we are busily getting ready to move into the new buildings this summer or fall. We won't plan the 'when' more specifically until we have a better understanding of the completion and occupancy dates. We are hoping to have the Technology building completed in time for fall semester, but it will be close. It is not likely the Student Services and Northeast Academic buildings will be completed until we are well into the fall semester.

I want to remind the part-time faculty in particular that are housed in the GC building that you might seriously consider packing before you leave for the summer, particularly if you won't be around during the summer to come in if the schedule moves up.

Faculty in the Tech buildings also need to be prepared for a major move. Moving labs and equipment of many years is always a challenge.

Additionally, I have begun visiting the varying community and city groups reviewing the results of the bond measures and updating our community groups on our progress. If you are a member of a group that would be interested in hearing a presentation on our progress please let my office know and Mary will try to coordinate a day with their schedule and mine. Most recently, presentations were done for the Wilmington Neighborhood Council and the San Pedro Rotary.

We celebrated our faculty/staff and our annual recognition luncheon this past week. It was a lovely reception and a nice opportunity for folks to relax just a bit and get to congratulate members of the Harbor College family for their excellence in service. Thanks to the Staff Development fund for sponsoring the luncheon. Thanks to Mary Copeland and Abbie Patterson for their hard work in preparing for the event.

Our thoughts and prayers go to Joan Chappell as she deals with a health challenge.

For those of you who are off during the summer, I hope you have a wonderful and restful summer. And for those of us who will be on campus, I hope everyone gets to take some vacation. Let's all recharge our batteries -- it's going to be an exciting fall!