LA GUARDIA RECEIVES TWO GRANTS TOTALING $1.1 MILLION; DAYCARE PROVIDER, DIETARY TECHNICIAN PROGRAMS ARE FUNDED

NYS Dept. of Social Services Awards College $630,726

LaGuardia Community College has been awarded a $630,726 grant by the New York State Department of Social Services for the development of a broad-based training program for adults who provide day care services in their own homes.

In conjunction with the Red Hook Family Day Care Training Center in Brooklyn, LaGuardia will implement a program which will:
- provide competency based training to family day care providers;
- provide credit bearing training;
- create access to basic communication skills including reading, writing and English as a second language;
- and improve the quality of interaction among provider parents and children.

Provider parents create a warm family setting for children in their care. Generally, provider parents serve up to six children in their homes on a daily basis, the children's natural parents either being employed or seeking employment. Children are two months to 12 years old and may stay with the provider parents from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Activities during each day include supervised learning experiences as well as play and rest times.

Specifically, the program will help family day care providers to be competent in: establishing and maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for children; advancing physical and intellectual competence of the children; building positive self-concept and individual strength; promoting positive functioning of the children of various age groups; bringing about optional coordination of the provider home and the natural parent's home in child rearing practices and expectations, and carrying out supplementary responsibilities related to children's programs and the supervisory agency.

Since family day care providers vary widely in their levels of knowledge, skills and motivation, several different training components will be offered:
1. A LaGuardia College credit-bearing component for 90 providers who have their high school diplomas or G.E.D., and the ability and motivation to do college work;
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Associate Degree Program to Start Via VA Grants

The Manpower Grants Service of the Veterans Administration has awarded LaGuardia Community College a grant of $477,647 for the development of an associate degree program in Dietary Technician Education.

The grant, which will provide funding for five years, will be implemented in cooperation with the Brooklyn Veterans Administration Hospital and the Extended Care Facility at St. Albans.

"There are limited opportunities in the metropolitan area for the training of dietary technicians despite the increasing need for personnel in this field," LaGuardia President Joseph Shenker noted.

"We are very pleased that the Veterans Administration has provided the College with the funds to implement this important new program."

The primary purpose of the new program will be to train a food service management technician who, working under the guidance of a registered dietitian, assists in the assessment, planning implementation and evaluation of a food service operation. In addition, the program will offer credits which may be transferred to a four year college and which will partially fulfill the academic requirements of the American Dietetic Association for a baccalaureate program.

A major focus of the program will be to provide retraining of veterans who have some food management skills. In addition, the program is designed to upgrade the skills of individuals already employed in dietetics.

Students in the program will take courses and serve clinical affiliations at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Brooklyn and at the Extended Care Facility in St. Albans. Through the cooperation of the Hospital, students will obtain valuable work experience during the course of the program.

SENATOR BELLAMY VISITS COLLEGE...

State Senator Carol Bellamy (second from right) chats with LaGuardia President Joseph Shenker and Professor Joanne Retano during a visit to the College recently. Ms. Bellamy, elected to the presidency of the City Council, spoke to Ms. Retano's class concerning urban government. Seated to Ms. Bellamy's right is a LaGuardia alumna, Ann Strahl, who is a member of Ms. Bellamy's staff.
EXCERPTS FROM PRESIDENT SHENKER’S SPEECH TO COLLEGE STAFF

Editor’s Note:
The following excerpts were taken from President Joseph Shenker’s annual speech given during Professional Development Week.

“We have emerged from last year with, in my view, enormous strength. I will report to you on a series of activities which demonstrate our accomplishments and also set the direction for the 1977-78 academic year.

1 Through long and complicated budget negotiations led by Joe Stapleton, Tom Smith and Susan Armiger, we have for the first time in a number of years received a budget increase of approximately $800,000. While a good chunk of this money had to be used for contractual obligations, and non-controllable items, we were able to distribute new monies to virtually every division and department of the College and as a result, we have added 60 new people to the professional staff of the College. This stands as a reversal of the pattern we have followed in prior years and gives us added depth in all areas.

2 The student recruitment campaign which we launched last year and which all of you participated in, via the phonathon, visiting schools, talking with counselors and talking with parents, was a major effort on the part of the institution and has produced extremely satisfying results. Our freshman class will be approximately 2,700 this year which is significantly higher than any prior year. It should be noted that 85% of this population chose us as their first choice college. This also is a much stronger posture than we had in prior years where the first choice level was about 60%. I am informed by the Registrar’s Office that this fall the college enrollment exceeds 6,000 students. Last year our enrollment was 4,540.

3 I think you know that a key component of our budget is tuition revenue. Last year we were able to reach the income target which we were assigned by the University and I am confident that we can achieve this goal again. In operational terms, this means that we should not be faced with any mid-year budget cuts because of lack of revenue production during the course of the year.

4 While there was not much talk of it, the economic crisis of the City forced the freezing of a $2 million capital budget allocation for LaGuardia aimed at allowing us to buy new equipment and supplies for all of our departments and divisions. These monies have now been reallocated to LaGuardia and during the course of the coming months we will be getting delivery of large amounts of books, equipment, and supplies for every part of the College.

5 After a great deal of delay and also problems caused by the Chiclet chewing gum explosion, we are finally able to look forward to the opening of our new gymnasium. We have hired a Recreation Director, Dr. Richard Kamen, who has been working hard for the past few weeks to put this program together.

6 We have recently sent to the Board of Higher Education our revised Mortuary Science curriculum. I am confident that this new version will meet with their approval and that by September, 1978, we will have this new and unique program in operation.

7 For many years we have talked about our desire and need for a strong cultural program at LaGuardia but because of lack of facilities, many of our ideas and plans have had to be shelved. The theatre will soon be available and the Humanities Division has assumed responsibility and leadership for launching a fine and diversified cultural program during this coming year.

Most of us, including me, don’t have a great deal of time to sit back and reflect on where LaGuardia is and review its many components. However, as I was preparing notes for this address, I became tremendously impressed with the depth, the creativity, and the vitality of this institution. In six years of operation, we have built a quality institution of higher learning that is known and respected. Of course we do not have all the answers. We have faults, we have problems, we have areas to improve, we have goals yet to be reached. But placed in the context of the age of the institution, and the trauma of the past two years, I think it is clear that LaGuardia stands as a major creative college in New York City.

It is appropriate to raise the questions: What gives LaGuardia its strength? My response is that people make the institution. Indeed, for most students, LaGuardia is not an institution but is a series of experiences with individuals, faculty members, secretaries, counselors, co-op coordinators, and administrators. These separate experiences add up to what LaGuardia is for each student.

Our goals for this institution, where we want to take it, and how we should get there, have remained clear and consistent during the past years. In many instances, we have modified our approach but not our goals. We have discussed how best to serve open admissions students but never have we raised the question, should we serve them. We have debated the pros and cons of strategies for providing appropriate education for the adult population, but we always have agreed that the adult population was our responsibility. We have modified

SAM presents AMA Charter to College

CHARTER PRESENTED... Professor Elaine Leff presents President Shenker with the official charter granted to the College’s Society for the Advancement of Management by the American Management Association. Ms. Leff is an advisor to the club. Also present during the presentation was Mr. Stephen Budney, a club member.
GYMNASium OPENS OFFERING WIDE CHOICE OF ACTIVITIES

The long-awaited opening of the College's $3 million gymnasium became a reality at the beginning of the fall quarter. Constructed on the site of the old faculty parking lot, the new facility offers students, faculty and community residents a wide choice in recreational activities. Although large quantities of equipment are still on order, various recreational programs have begun. Gymnastics, volleyball, soccer, basketball, badminton and tennis are currently taking place in the gymnasium.

The recreation program is headed by Dr. Richard Kamen, and the staff includes, Ms. Eileen Mentone, Michael Morton, and Elba Iris Mejia.

KAMEN NAMED RECREATION HEAD

Dr. Richard Kamen, former assistant professor of Physical Education at Staten Island Community College has been named Director of Recreation at LaGuardia Community College. Kamen, who holds a Ph.D from Ohio State University, formerly served as director of leisure services at the Scranton, Pennsylvania Jewish Community Center.

He received a B.S. and a M.S. degree from Brooklyn College in Health and Physical Education. He formerly served as a lecturer in the Health and Physical Education Department at Brooklyn College, and as a teaching assistant at Ohio State University.

Kamen will be responsible for implementing and administering the College's recreation programs in the new gymnasium.
New Faculty, Staff Appointed at College

LaGuardia welcomed more than fifty new faculty and staff members at the beginning of the fall quarter. Included were:

**Accounting Managerial Studies:** Fernando Santamaria, instructor; Jorge Ortiz, College Laboratory Technician; David Vermut, assistant professor.

**Continuing Education:** Kenneth Sheppard, instructor; James Weaver, instructor.

**Cooperative Education:** Jeffrey Koppel, instructor; Henry Eng, lecturer; Kathryn Gibson, lecturer; Kay Opheim, assistant professor.

**Data Processing:** Robert Broderick, college laboratory technician; Gerald Meyer, assistant professor.

**English:** Tuzyline, Allan, instructor; Sandra Hanson, instructor; Nora Eisenberg-Halper, assistant professor; John Lynch, assistant professor.

**Humanities:** John Chapman, instructor; Carmen Marin deGracia, instructor; Steffani Martin, instructor; Clare Borsic, college laboratory technician.

**Library:** W. Marc Ducker, instructor; Albert Talero, instructor; Colette Wagner, Instructor.

**Mathematics:** James Allan, instructor; Anita Cristal, instructor; Allen Gross, college laboratory technician; Anna Silverstein, assistant professor; Therese Stewart, assistant professor.

**Natural and Applied Sciences:** Vivian Babin, instructor; Mary Beth Early, instructor; George Kolodiy, assistant professor; Byron Storck, college laboratory technician.

**Secretarial Science:** Adalgisa Cardoso, lecturer; Suzanne Feit, lecturer; Mary Ann Hawthorne, lecturer; Janice Jacobson, lecturer; Barbara Smith, lecturer; Doris Cabezas, college laboratory technician.

**Student Services:** Aida Ceara, instructor; Arthurine DeSola, instructor; Robert Durfey, instructor; Lynn Byk, lecturer.

**Dean of the Faculty:** Audrey McEvans, research assistant.

**Assistant Dean of the College:** Jon Saul, assistant to higher education officer.

**Administration Division:** Marilyn Gross, higher education assistant; Subash Midha, assistant business manager.

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**Students Get Close Look at Jamaican Culture**

Enrolled in unusual Independent Study Intensives, sixty-five LaGuardia students accompanied by friends, faculty and staff visited Jamaica in September to study Jamaican culture and heritage.

By enrolling in the two courses, "Sociology of the Family (Jamaican Structure)," and "West Indian Literature," the students were able to view first hand present day Jamaican culture and its rich heritage. The University of the West Indies collaborated with LaGuardia by conducting two seminars for the students. Through their eight day stay, students listened to lecturers by government, industry and university officials concerning current life styles and various problems in Jamaica. Touring the Jamaican countryside, the students were exposed to the needs of the country concerning housing, schools and land development.

Mr. Leslie Curtis and Ms. Joan Edmonds of LaGuardia's staff are faculty advisors to the Adult Student Association which sponsored the trip.

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**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOLDS SUCCESSFUL "OPEN HOUSE"**

The College's fledging Alumni Association took a major step forward recently when more than 200 alumni attended an "Open House" on campus. Some members of the classes of 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977 attended the reception held in the College's newly modernized cafeteria.

The Alumni Association recently elected officers. They are: President, Joseph Calisi; Vice-President, Helen Ha rivals; Recording Secretary, Doris Cabezas; Treasurer, Diana Bracco; Assistant Treasurer, Paula Naw; and Corresponding Secretary, Esther Fernandez.

Elected as members at large were: Thomas Brensaka, Lisa Fazio, Pat Breslin, Donna Rahn, Ida Rudic, Lisa Caspari, Evelyn Reeg, Luana Speledora, Stan; Kaplan, Gregory Hunte, Marie Sacino, Kathy De La Vega.

Mr. Alan Chaves, Director of Community Relations at LaGuardia, is faculty advisor to the Alumni Association.

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**Glenn Anderson Honored by Mayor**

ANDERSON HONORED BY MAYOR... With Mayor Beame listening, LaGuardia's Glenn Anderson delivers remarks on the steps of City Hall after receiving award from the Mayor. Anderson, a member of the College's deaf program staff, was one of five handicapped persons honored by Mayor Beame for their outstanding accomplishments.
FIFTH GRADUATING CLASS AWARDED DIPLOMAS IN SEPTEMBER

COMMENCEMENT — President Shenker speaks with Borough President Donald Manes (right) and State Assemblyman Denis Butler prior to the College’s Commencement ceremony.

ART FACULTY ACTIVE

Professor Terrence LaNoue of the College’s Art Department has been appointed again to serve on the Fullbright Committee to screen candidates in sculpture for the International Institute of Education. This is the second time LaNoue has served on the Committee, this year serving as chairperson.

Professor Noah Jemison of the Art Department has five of his works in a group exhibition at the Just Above Midtown Gallery. He also has a one-man water color show at North Carolina AT&T University during October and November. Mr. Jemison is scheduled to serve as a visiting artist at the University of Iowa. In addition, some of his works will be included in a book entitled, “Contextures, the Afro-American Artist in the Abstract of American Art from 1945-77”.

GRANTS OFFICE ANNOUNCES AWARDS

LaGuardia’s Grants Office has announced that the College has been awarded the following grants:

1. A tutor counseling program to increase retention of college students with limited English ability. This program is designed to improve the academic success of college students with limited English ability and will utilize tutor-counseling techniques. The Regional Office of the U.S. Office of Education awarded this three-year grant of $125,000 per year.

2. The Women’s Educational Equity Office of the U.S. Office of Education awarded the College a $104,000 grant to develop a career education program for working class women. The program will develop a model career education curriculum for mature women. The model will focus on experiential learning and will provide internships.

3. Through the New York Council for the Humanities, a conference on community history will be held at the College in the spring of 1978. The conference will attract historians, archivists, librarians and community leaders. The amount of the grant is $8,600.

Beneath bright, sunny skies, LaGuardia Community College held its Fifth Annual Commencement in September on the campus of Queens College.

More than 300 graduates accompanied by friends, relatives and LaGuardia faculty and staff, nearly filled the 2200-seat Colden Auditorium. Borough President Donald R. Manes delivered the keynote address and urged the graduating class to “fight for New York City.” He noted that the graduates could contribute to the city’s future by becoming active in civic affairs and by choosing to live and work in the City.

He cited a “desperate need” for “converts” to fight for the City.

Following his speech, Mr. Manes was presented with the college’s “President’s Medal,” awarded by President Shenker for the Borough President’s strong support of the College during the past several years. It marked the first time the Medal was presented. It will be given on special occasions to distinguished citizens of New York.

The LaGuardia Memorial Association Annual Award was given this year to Ms. Joe-Marie Moldovan. It was presented by Judge Julius Isaacs.

HUSBAND AND WIFE GRADUATE TOGETHER... Mr. and Mrs. Michael Healy were among the 300 graduates who received diplomas at the College’s 5th Annual Commencement. Several newspaper articles were written about Mr. and Mrs. Healy who, after educating their four daughters (resulting in two M.D.’s, one Ph.D. and the fourth daughter planning for her Ph.D.) decided to pursue their own degrees. Both plan to continue their education.

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2. A Red Hook Outreach competency-based component both center-based and home-based for the vast majority of the 2,000 providers to assess, develop and certify their functional skills, knowledge and attitudes.

3. An Adult Learning Center for those providers who wish to pursue a college program but lack the high school diploma or G.E.D., or who need to develop some of their basic skills including their English language ability;

4. A verbal interaction component involving 20 providers with natural parents and their children under 3 years of age.

Various curricular offerings and changed the cooperative education model that we are using but we have always known the enormous strength and importance of cooperative education as an educational vehicle. Perhaps unique to LaGuardia during the retrenchment era, teaching faculty members and administrators argued for the continued existence of the Student Services Division because we all recognized the importance of this area in supporting all of our other functions. While enrollment declines in the liberal arts area have caused us all concern, we have had a unified and college-wide approach to seeking ways in which this area can be strengthened. Thus, as issues and concerns arose, the individuals who make up this College, all of us collectively, consistently moved the College along a common path.

LaGuardia was established as a comprehensive, open admissions community college. These four words, open admissions, comprehensive and community have always formed and continue to form the basis for determining the goals and directions of LaGuardia. Our responsibility is to provide an appropriate variety of quality programs and offerings to serve all of the students who come to us through the open admissions program. Our mandate is also to provide programs that are appropriate to the needs of the adult community that lives and works in this area of Queens. These programs must be of a diverse nature to provide the students both young and old with a comprehensive education. We have understood this and we have worked together to achieve it.

We are now ready to begin a new academic year. In the LaGuardia tradition we will, within the framework of our common goals, seek to do what we have been doing—but better; discover what new things need to be done—and do them. We will continue the LaGuardia theme of not being satisfied with what is—but rather always striving for what ought to be.