

Dr. Raymond F. Reyes to Speak at Loyola for Native American Heritage Month

Dr. Raymond F. Reyes is currently the Associate Vice President for Diversity at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. He has 28 years of experience in Indian Education and professional development training. Dr. Reyes has conducted hundreds of training and technical assistance seminars throughout the United States and Canada. His areas of scholarship and expertise are institutional diversity planning, implementation and evaluation, optimizing organizational performance through intercultural competence and multicultural literacy, human development and learning, leadership development and cultural pedagogy.



Dr. Reyes is a decorated lecturer and author. In 1996 he was awarded the Eugene T. Carothers Human Relations Award for outstanding service in the fields of human rights and human relations by the National School Public Relations Association. In 1999, Gonzaga University named Dr. Reyes the Tucker Memorial Lecturer and he delivered a presentation on organizational mission at a Jesuit University. Dr. Reyes has also delivered numerous keynote addresses at various national, regional and state conferences and research symposiums.

Dr. Reyes is an engaging speaker who will share insight into Native American History and the importance of studying it on a Jesuit campus.

(Source: Bio "Blurp" for Raymond Reyes)

Dr. Raymond F. Reyes Lecture
 "Beyond Black & White:
 Listening to Tribal Voices"

Wednesday, November 1, 2006
 6:30pm
 4th Floor Programming Room
 (Andrew White Student Center)

Sponsored by ALANA Services, College
 Diversity Committee, & Education for Life

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Director's Corner:

It is very hard to believe that it's November already. I am sure that many of you are recovering from your first string of tests or midterms. We are only half way there. As an old math teacher used to say to me, "A word to the wise is sufficient." Proceed confidently, cautiously and courageously.

ALANA Services has been extremely busy preparing a host of programming for you. Please join us for our Native American Heritage Month speaker, Dr. Raymond Reyes on November 1, 2006. It is amazing how much we owe to and do not know about the culture of Native Americans. I challenge each of you to attend this event by Dr. Reyes entitled, "Beyond Black and White: Listening to Tribal Voices." Finally, the holiday season will be upon us soon, and I hope that you will all reflect on the many gifts which you bring to this community in the richness of diversity.

Happy Holidays!
 Rodney L. Parker

ALANA Student Services Mission Statement

ALANA (African, Latino, Asian, and Native American) Student Services is committed to providing support, services, and programs that facilitate the success of all ALANA students at Loyola College in Maryland. Through intentional programming and a myriad of services, the ALANA office fosters the academic, cultural, personal, and spiritual development of ALANA students. Furthermore, ALANA Student Services seeks to create and maintain an environment of respect and awareness, while advocating for ALANA students and responding to their needs



What Does Diversity Mean to You?

We asked four Loyola students, here's what they said



Lynn Pereira, Class of 2009

Biology & Chemistry Majors

"It's having unique ideas & customs according to race, religion, etc., and it is different views of life."



Billy Starks, Class of 2007

Psychology Major

"It's ideals. It's not just on a skin basis. It's what each culture brings to the table. America is a big melting pot. There is so much diversity within each region of our country."



Devin Foster, Class of 2008

Psychology Major

"Everyone is associated with a different environment. But, there is one big pot and every one has their own unique perspective to add to the pot."



Sandra Romero, Class of 2008

English Major

"It is difference, ideas, and values. It can be cultural, socio-economical, or one's demographics. It is a general difference in ideas and opinions that have to do with life experiences."

"Embrace The Change" — Loyola's Week of Dialogue

Submitted by: Lauren Smith '07, SGA Director of Diversity



Magdalen Hsu-Li performs during the Week of Dialogue

The Week of Dialogue, which took place on October 2-11, centered on collaboration and education, which are two integral concepts of the Year of the City initiative. Organized by the Student Government Association (SGA), the Week of Dialogue had many events co-sponsored with the College Diversity Committee, ALANA Services, Hispanic Club, Spectrum, and the office of Student Development. This year's theme was "Embrace the Change." The kick-off event was a cultural activist, Magdalen Hsu-Li, who shared music from her CD, *Smashing the Ceiling*. Magdalen's speech entitled "The Redefinition of Identity," focused on her experiences as an Asian-American bisexual woman who battled Tourette's syndrome while growing up in the rural South. On Tuesday, the Student Government organized an Abroad & Back panel discussion. Students who studied abroad responded to questions about culture shock and learning about a new culture. The Hispanic Club & ALANA Services organized a lunch and lecture featuring Loyola alumna & Baltimore's Executive Director for the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, Haydee Rodriguez. She spoke on Hispanic immigration and its history in Baltimore. ALANA Services and SGA organized the International

Festival. This cultural event featured food from around the world made by student groups. On Saturday, Spectrum arranged transportation to the AIDS Walk in Washington, D.C. Diversity Beyond the Sound, took place the following week. Student performers shared their musical talent and love of their craft. The final two events were the Diversity: Dialogue & Dinner, and Denim Day. The diversity dinner gave students and administrators a chance to discuss scenarios from different diversity aspects. Denim Day was an opportunity for everyone to show their support of the GLBT community by wearing denim. Overall, the Week of Dialogue was intended to foster discussion and understanding. The week offered a variety of events where people came together to recognize diversity.

Current Status of Native Americans

There are 563 federally recognized tribal governments in the United States. The United States recognizes the right of these tribes to self-government and supports their tribal sovereignty and self-determination. These tribes possess the right to form their own government, enforce laws (both civil and criminal), tax, establish membership, license, regulate activities, zone and exclude persons from tribal territories. Limitations on tribal powers of self-government include the same limitations applicable to states; for example, neither tribes nor states have the power to make war, engage in foreign relations, or coin money.

According to the 2003 United States Census Bureau estimates, a little over one third of the 2,786,652 Native Americans in the United States live in three states: California at 413,382, Arizona at 294,137 and Oklahoma at 279,559. As of 2000, the largest tribes in the U.S. by population were Navajo, Cherokee, Choctaw, Sioux, Chippewa, Apache, Lumbee, Blackfeet, Iroquois, and Pueblo.

(Source: wikipedia.org)

"Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together. All things connect."

~Chief Seattle, 1854

“The most dangerous leadership myth is that leaders are born—that there is a genetic factor to leadership. This myth asserts that people simply either have certain charismatic qualities or not. That’s nonsense; in fact, the opposite is true. Leaders are made rather than born.”
 ~Warren G. Bennis

ALANA Students Attend the 7th Annual Northeast Latino Student Leadership Conference (NLSLC)

The 7th annual Northeast Latino Student Leadership Conference (NLSLC) was held in Philadelphia, PA from October 13-14.

The mission of the NLSLC is to promote education, train a broad cross-section of present and future Latino leaders and to create a servant leadership community that values diversity, community, cultural pride, and empowerment. The NLSLC provides opportunities for advanced leadership skills development and promotes unity among Latino student leaders attending colleges and universities in the Northeast United States.

This conference attracts leaders from over 40 student organizations representing at least 20

universities from states including New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland and more.



Loyola students were represented by Claudia Andrade, Paula Morris, and Alejandro Santos.

Attendees participated in workshops including “Latino Leadership & Spirituality,” “What Defines Success?” and “Leader Here, There, Everywhere.”

ALANA STUDENTS’ SPOTLIGHT

Each year the Office of Leadership & New Student Programs hosts a celebration of honor, recognition, and thanks entitled, “**Gratias**,” during Family Weekend. This year several ALANA students were recognized for leadership, service, and academic achievement. The following is a list of awardees:

Cura Personalis Award:

Nkechi Asoluka, Shante’ Bassett, Jasmin Conner, Anter Gonzalez, Omani Guy, Nicholas Hawkins, & Cen-bi Liu

Magis Scholar-Leader Award:

Tamara Minott, Ann-Elise Francis, & Cen-bi Liu

Community Service Award:

Jasmin Conner, Allandria Edwards, Cen-bi Liu, John Nagib & Justin White

The following ALANA students were inducted during the ceremony:

Honor Council:

Jayne Chong, Ann-Elise Francis & Asad Jabbar

Green & Grey Society:

Jasmin Conner & Kathleen Munford

The most prestigious award given at Gratias is the **Dianne Geppi-Aikens Service to Loyola Award**. It recognizes and honors distinguished members of the senior class whose enthusiastic spirit and unwavering commitment have enhanced the quality of life for the Loyola College Community. Only two awards were given, and one of the award recipients was **Kathleen Munford**.

Please be sure to CONGRATULATE these students when you see them!



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THE 2006 DIVERSITY AWARD WINNERS!!!

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ALANA FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: Dr. Arthur Sutherland Tenured and Promoted to Associate Professor of Theology!!!



Areas of Specialization: Systematic Theology, African American Theology & Theology of Hospitality

Recent Publication: *I Was a Stranger: A Christian Theology of Hospitality* (Abingdon Press, forthcoming November 2006)

ALANA EVENTS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

11/1: Dr. Raymond Reyes Lecture, 6:30pm,
4th floor Program Room

JANUARY

1/18: 14th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Bernice Johnson Reagon
7pm, McGuire Hall, Reception to follow

CULTURAL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

11/1-11/31: Native American Heritage Month
11/23: Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

12/15: Hanukkah begins at sundown
12/24: Christmas Eve
12/25: Christmas Day
12/26: Kwanzaa begins

