

# LACC CHEMISTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## EARTH DAY



Once again the Los Angeles City College ASO clubs celebrated Earth Day and the Chemistry Club was there to show their support. The club presented posters discussing the effect of oil (crude or refined) on the environment, the effect of  $\text{CO}_2$  (carbon dioxide) on the environment, and water related issues. Each issue discussed with a poster board was supplemented with a hands-on demonstration. As the "age-old" chemist saying goes: Talk is cheap, let's prove it! This was definitely one educational and exciting event. THUMBS UP!!!



The president of the Chemistry Club, John Wu, is having a "ball" showing this participant the concept of polar vs. nonpolar and miscibility. The trick was correlating this concept to the environment. John did a great job, KUDOS!

## Water, Water everywhere....

Here the Chem Club addresses the aqueous issues of the day. Drinking water: take the taste test THEN ask yourself what is good in drinking water and what is necessary? Lots of thirsty students wanted to know.

Next ponder the implications of additives to water by observing the simple effect of food dye in water on a carnation. The Chemistry club demonstrates the ability of the carnation (or any plant life) to "drink-up" whatever material that is present in the water. Gotta love Earth Day!!

