

SAC prefers new Allied Health Campus downtown

In a special meeting last week, members of the College Council, San Antonio College's governing body, voted in favor of a downtown area location for a proposed Nursing and Allied Health Campus as part of a Capital Improvements Project bond package for the Alamo Community College District.

The new campus would combine the existing Nursing and Allied Health programs at San Antonio College and St. Philip's College and include a community health clinic.

The College Council is representative of San Antonio College's faculty, staff, administration, and students.

"We agree that a downtown area location offers the most advantages for our students, faculty, staff, and the community in general," said Dr. Robert Zeigler, President.

The College Council considered the following issues in its decision on the Allied Health Campus location: 1) Student access, 2) Work force needs, 3) Economic development and revitalization, 4) Cost of land, 5) Administrative costs, 6) Operational costs of a new campus, 7) Opportunities for partnerships, 8) Program expansion possibilities, 9) Community service, 10) Creation of a community clinic, and 11) Management of the facility.

Political Science Chairperson J.C. Horton

College celebrates academic excellence

On October 26, the San Antonio College held the annual Honors Ceremony and reception at McAllister Auditorium to celebrate students' academic excellence.

President Robert Zeigler and Executive Vice President Thomas Hoy joined Deans Joy Black, Ruben Flores, Margaret Hyde, Alice Johnson, Lu Pelayo, and Ruben Torres in recognizing the students on stage with honors certificates and pins.

In their brief remarks, Zeigler, Hoy, Faculty Senate President Vernell Walker, and Phi Theta Kappa President Lisa Chapman

added that a downtown location is more in keeping with the historic mission of the district to serve the under-served.

The motion, unanimously approved by the College Council, states: "Be it resolved that the San Antonio College community supports a stand-alone Nursing/Allied Health Campus to be located in the downtown vicinity."

"The resolution is consistent with the position of the Nursing/Allied Health faculty and the college administration," said Zeigler.

In addition, a survey was conducted among the 413 students who are currently enrolled in Nursing and Allied Health programs at San Antonio College. Sixty-one percent preferred a stand-alone campus downtown or expanded facilities at SAC.

Zeigler added, "It is important to note that the Council's definition of a "downtown vicinity" is a location somewhere reasonably close to the downtown area, to San Antonio College, and to St. Philip's College, but not on the campus of either college."

He added that the programs re-located to the proposed new campus would remain under the control of the home college and simply be SAC or SPC programs offered at another location. The intention is for other colleges in the ACCD also to develop Allied Health programs to be offered at the proposed new facility.



Dr. Robert Zeigler, SAC President, congratulates Dr. Tessa Pollack, OLLU President and a San Antonio College Outstanding Former Student.

congratulated the students on their achievements.

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Calendar of Events

Thursday, Nov. 4-Thursday, Jan. 20:

Exhibit of student art from Fine Arts Design courses, Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 733-2989.

Monday, Nov. 8-Saturday, Nov. 13:

"Seussical, the Musical" children's show: day performances 9:30 a.m. & 12 noon on Nov. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and at 7 p.m. on Nov. 11 & 12; and Sat., Nov. 13 at 12 noon. McAllister Auditorium. Free to ACCD students, faculty & staff; \$5 general admission & \$3 children. Call 733-2710.

Tuesday, Nov. 9:

Round Table Discussion of higher ed topics with SAC faculty & visiting Russian delegation, 1:45-3:45 p.m., MLC 716 (see p. 2).

Satellite Seminar - "Courting Disaster? Changing Values about Love, Sex & Marriage," 6:30-7:30 p.m., MLC 613. To schedule your class, call x2716 or x2691.

Thursday, Nov. 11:

Dr. Tom Manzo will make a presentation on his studies in Bulgaria as a Fulbright Fellow last summer, 12-1:15 p.m., MLC 556.

Monday, Nov. 15:

Guitar Ensemble/Early Music Ensemble, Terry Muska & Madalyn Blanchett directors, 7:30 p.m., McAllister Auditorium, Free. Call 733-2731.

Coffee with Fulbright Scholar Dr. Gulnara Oiratovna Abikeyeva, 2 p.m., VATC 120. (See p. 2 for International Ed. Week events.)

Tuesday, Nov. 16:

27th Annual Edith Fox King Lecture, presenting David Leeson, Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist for *The Dallas Morning News*, 9:30 a.m., VATC 120, x2870.

Latin Jazz Combo, Alice Gomez director, 7:30 p.m., McAllister Auditorium. Free. x 2731.

Wednesday, Nov. 17:

"Posada, Dr. Atl, y Los Tres Grandes: A Presentation on the Commitment of Artists to the Mexican Revolution," by Marleen Hoover & Richard Arredondo, 10 a.m., Koehler House, Free. Call 733-2483.

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The Russians are coming! The Russians are coming!

There will be two opportunities for the SAC community to interact with Russian visitors to the college in November: a Round Table Discussion with a delegation of Russian educators on Nov. 9 and a coffee with Fulbright scholar and film and culture expert Dr. Gulnara Oiratovna Abikeyeva.

Round Table Presentation & Discussion:

On Nov. 9, 1:45-3:45 p.m., MLC 716, presentations by SAC representatives on higher education topics will be followed by a Round Table discussion.

Russian participants will include Sergey Ableyev (Dean for Research Work at Legal College & Editor of "Man in the Social World"), Yevgeniy Andreyev (Director Tikhvin City Branch of St. Petersburg State Engineering Economic University), Andrey Skorobogatov (Chair, Department of Theory of History of Government & Law, at Institute of Economics, Management & Law), and Olga Shchukina (Promotion Expert, "JamilCo" Ltd.).

The agenda follows:

2-2:30 p.m. - Dr. Carol Keller (Assistant Professor, History), Dr. Charlotte Wolf (Director, Instructional Technologies & Innovation Center), and Helen Torres (Director, Distance Education): presentations, respectively, on use of GIS technology; the Instructional Technologies & Innovation Center and Internet training; and SAC Online.

2:30-3 - Response, Questions, Discussion

3-3:10 - Refreshment Break

3:10-3:20 p.m. - Presentation by Dr. Jon Lee (History Associate Professor): Overview of International Programs at SAC.

3:20-3:30 p.m. - Presentation by Wesley Booth (Economics Chairperson & Professor): How Economics is Taught in the U.S.

3:30-3:45 - Response, discussion, refreshments.

Coffee with Russian Fulbright Professor: Have coffee and conversation with visiting

Fulbright Scholar Dr. Gulnara Oiratovna Abikeyeva Nov. 15, 2 p.m., in VATC 120. She will also be available to speak and show films in classes in world history, humanities, journalism, film, art history and art appreciation, geography, psychology, and sociology.

Co-sponsored by San Antonio College and St. Philip's College, Abikeyeva's visit is part of a new Fulbright initiative to provide opportunities for direct access to specialists from Islamic communities and cultures.

Abikeyeva is from Almaty, Kazakhstan, where she is a journalist with Megalopolis Newspaper. Kazakhstan is a former Soviet Republic, which has been independent since 1991. The country of 15 million is divided into half Sunni Muslims and half Russian Orthodox.

She holds degrees in film studies and has lectured on Central Asia and its cultural history as expressed in cinema at Harvard University, Yale University, the University of Pittsburgh, Bates College, and Stetson University. Her book *The Heart of the World: Films from Central Asia* was published in 2003.

"To understand how people think, feel, and what values they have, I think cinematography is the best way of understanding people. Visual information gives us more about everyday life, surroundings, and the emotions of people."

To schedule Dr. Abikeyeva to speak to your class, contact Dr. Jon Lee at 733-2565 or jlee@accd.edu.

Honors Students Recognized

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Dr. Tessa Pollack, President of Our Lady of the Lake, and Ana de Portela, artist, who were Outstanding Former Students for 2003-2004, commented on the importance of San Antonio College to their lives. Pollack said she was initially overwhelmed by the registration lines, but her grandmother told her that attending college was non-negotiable. She advised students to have a similar determination to continue with their goals. Ms. de Portela praised her art teachers at SAC for shaping her professional career.

Students were honored for 3.5-3.9 or 4.0 GPAs in the Fall 2003 and/or Spring 2004 semesters, with a cumulative 2.0 GPA.

Music was provided by the San Antonio College Brass Ensemble, under the direction of Peter Kline, Assistant Professor of Music. Interpreters from the ASL/Interpreter Training Department were part-time temporary staff Debbie Metcalf and James Demarrah and students Erica Jeffries and Elizabeth



SAC Excellence ★

Congratulations to **Lauri Metcalf** (ASL/Interpreter Training Chairperson), who was appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to the Governing Board of the School for the Deaf.

Congratulations to **Tom Cox** (ASL/Interpreter Training Assistant Professor) for being named Chair of the State Board for Evaluations of Interpreters, a post **Lauri Metcalf** held until last June.

Plan for International Ed Week

The following International Education Week events will take place in the Visual Arts & Technologies Center, Room 120, unless noted: **Monday, Nov. 15**

2 p.m. - Coffee with Dr. Abikeyeva.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

9:30 a.m. - 27th Annual Edith Fox King Lecture, presenting David Leeson, photojournalist for *The Dallas Morning News* who won the Pulitzer Prize for his photographs of Iraq.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

9 a.m.-12 noon - International Student Expo - Fiesta Room.

10-11:45 a.m. - "Global Economic & Community Building," a youth dialogue with international students from Belgium, South Africa, Mexico, and Germany to discuss issues related to economic and community building strategies in their countries, with special guests from Lanier High School (sponsored by International Student Association, Public Administration Club, Students in Free Enterprise).

3-4:15 - "Bringing Internet Mapping to the Humanities," Professor Richard E. W. Adams, Ashbel Smith Professor of Anthropology, UTSA; "Mapping the Maya World: Civilization to Collapse, What Happened?" Professor Donald N. Clark, Professor of History & Director of International Programs, Trinity University; "Bringing the World into the Classroom with GIS Maps," Dr. Carol Keller, Assistant Professor of History, SAC. Followed by a Reflection Session by NEH Grant Team.

Friday, Nov. 19

"Advice to U.S. President from International Students," 10 a.m.-12 noon.

Espinosa. Public Relations Senior Secretary Janet Lozano coordinated volunteers who were critical to the event's success: Hilda San Miguel, Jackie Valdez, Rose Gonzales, Nina Lopez, Cynthia Price, Gil Castillo, Sandra Guerrero, Alice Garcia, Martha Buchanan, Martha Castro, Sally Rios, Carolyn Haisler, Rachel Zamarripa, Joanne Wilson, Matt Bartosh, Ashley Cabello, Tara Daugherty, and Karen Gonzales.

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