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President Zeigler Holds Meeting on Bond Issue

In a college-wide meeting this week, President Robert E. Zeigler updated faculty and staff on the upcoming bond issue, emphasizing its impact on the college.

He noted that the capital improvements would help the college and district meet the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's (THECB) *Closing the Gaps* goals of increasing college enrollment and doubling the numbers of earned degrees and certificates. The bond would also help the college address its needs for parking, classroom, laboratory, and library spaces.

The total amount of the bond issue is \$450 million for new buildings and renovations at

the four ACCD colleges, in addition to constructing a Northeast College, a Nursing/Allied Health campus, and enhancing the district's information technology infrastructure. SAC would receive \$37 million, plus use of a part of the Nursing/Allied Health campus.

In response to some of the questions raised at the meeting, Zeigler said new facility operations would not be funded by the bond issue, though the board is developing a plan for this. He also said a provost would be in

charge of daily operations of the new Nursing/Allied Health facility but college deans and chairpersons would continue to oversee the academic programs.

SAC Capital Improvements in Bond Issue

General Academic Building - houses Interpreter Training/ASL, Business, Contract Training Services (CE), and Foreign Languages/ESOL

Parking/Classroom Structure(s) - creates 1,000 parking spaces and houses a Protective Services & Law Enforcement Training Complex

Expanded Library - doubles the current space

Renovated Nursing Education Building - creates a Student Success Center for Student Development, Strategies for Success, Internet Skills Lab, Student Support Services, Title V, and the Women's Center

Renovated Nail Technical Center - expands programs in Computer Information Systems, Administrative Computer Technology, Electronics Technology, Mortuary Science, and Court Reporting

Nursing/Allied Health Campus (at the South Texas Medical Center) - houses Nursing, Medical Assisting, and Dental Assisting programs from SAC and St. Philip's College allied health programs, and makes possible renovations of the Nail Technical and the Nursing Education Buildings

The bond election will be held Saturday, Feb. 5. Early voting available at the Moody Learning Center, Jan. 20-Feb. 1. For more information, call 208-8040. For a pdf document of Dr. Zeigler's presentation, go to www.accd.edu/sac/sacmain/capital_improvements_project1.pdf.

4th Annual Technology Expo to be held Jan. 26

Discover Your Future...in Technology is the theme for the 4th annual Technology Expo, to be held Wednesday, January 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Candler Physical Education Center at San Antonio College. All colleges of the Alamo Community College District will participate.

Sponsored by Corporate Partner Dell, Inc., and Tech Prep of Texas - Alamo Region, through a Carl Perkins Grant, the event will feature technology exhibits, displays, and demonstrations by vendors including Dell; Adobe Systems, Inc.; Electronic Classrooms; ESRI; Sony Electronics; Troxell Communications; Verizon Wireless and more, as well as

related departments of San Antonio College, Northwest Vista College, Northeast College, Palo Alto College, and St. Philip's College. Hands-on experiences will provide guests with better understandings of the latest technology products and applications.

Admission is free and open to the public. Visitors may win door prizes and scholarships through hourly drawings.

Scholarships may be applied to Fall '05 coursework at any ACCD college.



Calendar of Events

Friday, Jan. 21

Soaring to Excellence Library Tele-conference Series: "Dealing with Difficult People," 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., MLC 613. Admission: Free. Contact: Candace Peterson, cpetersn@accd.edu

Wednesday, Jan. 26

Technology Expo, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Candler Physical Education Center. Sponsored by SAC, PAC, SPC, NVC, NEC, & TECHPREP. Admission: Free. Contact: Dr. Charlotte Wolf, 733-2188 www.accd.edu/sac/expo sacexpo@accd.edu

Faculty Potpourri Recital "Pieces of Pieces," Lou Russell, coordinator. Noon, McAllister Auditorium. Admission: Free. Contact: SAC Dept. of Music and Humanities, 733-2731

Saturday, Jan. 29 - Thursday, March 24

Wind Works: Kites by Stuart Allen & Robert Trépanier, Exhibit: January 29 - March 24, VATC Gallery: Normal Campus Hours, Opening Reception & Lecture: Feb. 3, 9 - 11 a.m. Lecture by Stuart Allen. Admission: Free. Contact: Joel Knocke, 733-2898 jknocke@accd.edu www.stuartallen.info/ www.accd.edu/sac/vat/vathome.html

Thursday, Feb. 3

Library StarLink Teleconference Series: "Service-Learning Why and How" 1:30 - 3 p.m., MLC 613. Admission: Free. RSVPs requested, not required, to insure sufficient handouts. Contact: Sally Rios, 733-2440 or Rios@ACCD.edu "THECB Commissioner's Report" will immediately follow, from 3:05 - 3:30 p.m. with Dr. Raymund Paredes.

Black History Month

Tuesday, Feb. 1 - Opening Ceremonies Noon - 1 p.m. Fiesta Ballroom, SAC Loftin Center. Contact: Carolyn Foster, 733-2806

Date/Time TBD, Northeast Campus, informal reading by Local Poet and Attorney Linda Moye. Contact: Dr. Gloria Jones, 590-5425

Details forthcoming about other activities to be held throughout the month.

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Door Decorations

Many thanks to the Staff Council and Christmas Door Decorating Contest Committee for organizing this year's contest. Also much appreciation to all the staff and faculty who participated. The top winners are featured below:



Overall
Child Development
Center



Creativity
Admission &
Records



Originality
Institutional Effectiveness

Employee Giving

Many thanks to the 168 SAC employees who have participated in the 2004-05 ACCD Employee Annual Charitable Campaign, raising \$28,630 (as of Dec. 31, 2004) to support ACCD scholarships and social service programs of our local United Way.

For those who have yet to participate, there is still time! Pledges will be accepted until mid-February. For information, call Sarah Padilla in SAC Resource Development, 733-6765, or ACCD's Stephen Babb at 208-8104.

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Blankets for Babies



Pictured at the *Blankets for Babies* culmination are Associate Professor (Business) Charles Hunt, Sam Walton Fellow for Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE); SAC Service-Learning Coordinator Audrey Grams; SIFE students Juan Salazar and Shaydi DeJesus; and Assistant Professor/Coordinator Business Programs Val Calvert, Sam Walton Fellow for SIFE.

In the Fall, SAC students in SIFE, along with students in the Psychology Club and the Biology Club, collected blankets for the 13th annual drive by the Methodist Hospital to provide blankets to needy families. Benefiting non-profit partners included Any Baby Can, Battered Women's Shelter of Bexar County, Children's Shelter, Healthy Families San Antonio, Healy-Murphy Center, Ronald McDonald House and the SAMM Shelter.

SAC Cares



Through the *SAC Cares* initiative, San Antonio College President Robert E. Zeigler (right) volunteers at the Family Service Association Adopt-a-Family Project, along with (from left) Debra Garcia, SAC coordinator of facilities management; Ruben Lopez, SAC facilities scheduling assistant; and Dr. Thomas C. Hoy, SAC interim executive vice president.

Approximately 40 faculty, staff and students from San Antonio College participated in the first activity of SAC Cares, a new community service program that offers opportunities for SAC employees to reach out to the community. The Family Service Association Adopt-a-Family Project provided assistance during the holidays to 600 families in need of necessities such as coats, blankets, clothes and toys for children.

Look for another SAC Cares activity to be scheduled soon. For information, contact SAC Cares Committee Coordinator Audrey Grams, 785-6044.



SAC Excellence ★

Congratulations to **Norma B. Martinez** (Housekeeping), who was named January Employee of the Month for both SAC and ACCD!



Congratulations to **Irma Ned Bailey**, Professor of English, on her new novel *Fire in the Bones*, by Panther Creek Press. From the dust jacket: "The novel is the story of love, friendship, work, and faith: the beginning of a new life set against a background of lawlessness, the flu epidemic, and the end of World War I."

Hooray for **Joan Fabian** whose artwork will be in the San Antonio Painting 2005-Part I exhibit at Blue Star Contemporary Art Center, Jan. 21 - Feb. 14. Also, Fabian is featured in the 2005-06 Fulbright Scholar Program book for her experiences as a Fulbright Fellow in Lahore, Pakistan.

Kudos to engineering student **John Ruiz** for a \$1,000 scholarship from the Society of Mexican American Engineers and Scientists (MAES). He was one of eight SAC students to attend the MAES annual symposium in Austin last November, accompanied by MAES sponsor **Rosa Maria Gonzalez**, Counselor.



Radio-TV-Film students **Michael Paterka**, **Jason DeLeon** and **Wendy Johnson** joined RTF Professor **Fred Weiss** on KENS-TV's "Great Day SA", where they showed the short film they produced, "Sid Sleuth..."

Helen Torres, Director of Distance Education, discussed "Planning for Online Student Support Services" at the North Texas Regional Community College Technology Forum held at Collin County Community College in Plano.

The **SAC Speech Team**, advised by **Jolinda Ramsey** (Theatre & Communications), took First Place in Team Sweepstakes at the Fall Texas Community College Speech & Theatre Association Tournament held in Kingwood. **Crystal Grider** placed 2nd and **Christopher Reese** 6th as Top Speaker, in addition to many top individual awards. At the Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association State Tournament in San Marcos, Reese and **Garrett Ford** placed 1st for Dramatic Duo Interpretation. Teammates brought home many other individual awards. Bravo!