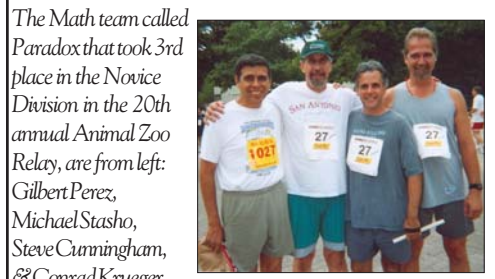




Business Professors and advisors Val Calvert and Charles Hunt (back row center and right) join the Students in Free Enterprise team in Kansas City where they placed First Runner-Up in national competition.



The Math team called Paradox that took 3rd place in the Novice Division in the 20th annual Animal Zoo Relay, are from left: Gilbert Perez, Michael Stasho, Steve Cunningham, & Conrad Krueger.



Students from five high schools attended a Theater Camp, held by the Theater & Communication Department in July. Three students received Theater Scholarships.



New Faculty gather after a luncheon in their honor, from left: Julie Razuri (Interpreter Training), Qing Liu (Visual Arts & Technology), Jo Ann Harris (Nursing), Matthew Fulmer (Visual Arts & Technology), Mary Cochran-Francis (Nursing), Darlene Cantu (Nursing), Graciela Arizpe-Ortiz (Nursing), Carolina Treviño (Counseling), Dr. Usha Krishnan (Chemistry), and Casey Lechuga (Counseling).

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**SAC Excellence** ★

Congratulations to the Employees of the Month (from the top) for June—

**Rachel Zamarippa** (Continuing Education); July—**Teresa Esparza** (Economics), who also won ACCD Employee of the Month; August—**Juanita Estep** (Technology Center), and September—**Janet Lozano** (Public Relations).

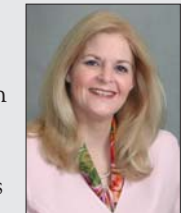
Congratulations to **Joanne Martin**, who was named Assistant to the President in July. She was formerly Public Information Officer with the Public Relations Office. (Her new office is FAC 317, and phone 733-2094.)

Congratulations to **Joanna Grogan**, who was named Account Manager for the Continuing Education Training Network. She will be the liaison with corporate partners and public agencies to implement customized instruction. She has been with SAC for seven years developing computer training programs.

Congratulations to **Javier Vargas**, Senior Summer Program Coordinator for Evening, Weekend & Distance Education, who was recently promoted to Associate Director of Student Financial Services.

Congratulations to (above, from left) **Dr. Gloria Lang Jones**, Ed.D., L.P.C., Associate Professor of Counseling, and **Dr. Karen T. Douglas**, Ed.D., Professor of Psychology, for their induction into the Consortium of Doctors, an organization of African American women with earned doctorates who have made significant contributions to society.

**Gerald Busald** (Math) was featured in lottery news in *Virginia Daily Press*, *Houston Chronicle*, & the AP for the Mega-Q (lottery intelligence quotient) his students developed, ranking states spending less on Mega Millions as more intelligent: Washington and Texas out-scored New York and New Jersey.



Congratulations to **Susan Budge** (Visual Arts & Technologies), who was named Artist of the Year by the Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts.

Congratulations to **Helen Torres**, Director of Distance Education, who was selected Woman of the Week by Telemundo TV (cable 17), for her work with SAC Online to provide college access to students.

Congratulations to **Nora Olivares** (English), whose book of poetry *Burials, Bridges, & Blessings*, was published by Wheatmark Books.

**Drs. Cathy McAuliffe** and **Ellen Marshall** (Child Development) conducted a one-week institute for early childhood teachers in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico for teachers from American schools throughout Mexico and Central America, with some teachers from India and the United States.

**Carolyn Foster** (Counseling), **Charles Hunt** (Business), **Wynette Hadnett** (Counseling, and **Barbara Knotts** (Library & Media Services,

not pictured) join (center) **Belle Wheelen** (Secretary of Education, State of Virginia, and former SAC administrator), gathered at the Black Issues in Higher Education 20th Anniversary Conference in Arlington, Va.

Fulbright Fellows **Dr. Tom Manzo** (Foreign Languages) and **Nora McMillan** (History) studied in Bulgaria and Morocco, respectively, over the summer. **Dr. Carol Keller** (History) made a presentation at the China-U.S. Conference on Community Colleges in China.

Congratulations to newly elected Staff Council members: **Sylvia Cadena**, **Ester Coronado**, **Theresa Esparza**, **Marina Lopez**, **Holly Matthews**, **Cynthia Price**, and **Richard White**.

Congratulations to **Alice Gomez** for receiving the ASCAP Award for her original compositions and performances.

Congratulations to **Richard Arrendondo** (Visual Arts & Technology) who received awards for himself and for the Visual Arts & Technology Department from the American Heart Association for donating his time for logo, invitation and program designs, with contributions by **Dana Morris** (A/V Designer) and the students of **Ann Keil** (Visual Arts & Technology).



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**Update**

**Dr. Lula W. Pelayo is named new dean**

Acting on the recommendation of President Robert E. Zeigler, the Alamo Community College District Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Lula W. Pelayo, Ph.D., RN, Chairperson of the Department of Nursing Education, for the position of Dean of Professional and Technical Education at San Antonio College.



Lula W. Pelayo, Ph.D., RN

years as Dean of the Professional and Technical Education Division and many more years of excellent work in the Child Development Department.”

Under Dr. Pelayo’s leadership, the Department of Nursing Education continued its accreditation, with special commendations by the Board of Nursing Examiners for the State of Texas and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, which gave the program

“Exemplary Status.”

She was a member of the Nursing Education Distance Learning Initiative team that received national acclaim from the Consortium for Community College Development for implementing the LVN to RN Career Mobility

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**College Convocation begins new academic year**

At the annual Convocation, President Robert E. Zeigler and other college leaders welcomed faculty and staff back for a new year and discussed the college’s continuing focus on student learning.

Interim Executive Vice President Thomas Hoy introduced Dr. Lula Pelayo as the new Dean of Professional and Technical Education, who joined Arts & Sciences Dean Margaret Hyde and Student Affairs Dean Joy Black in introducing new faculty. Dr. Hoy also congratulated Susie Hessong (Math), Bill Haley (Chemistry), and Horace Vickers (Math) on their 40 years of service, noting, “Over 10,000 lives have been touched by these faculty.”

Vernell Walker, Faculty Senate President, Alex Bernal, Chair of the Chairs, and Gil Castillo, Staff Council President, thanked their predecessors and pledged to continue pursuing issues of concern to faculty and staff, including salaries, retirement packages, and development, such as the Staff Leadership Program. Ellen Brennan (Biology) invited faculty to join the Texas

Community College Teachers’ Association.

Dawn Brooks, Chairperson of the Wellness Committee, invited everyone to participate in wellness activities, including the YMCA-SAC partnership, the Weight Watchers at Work program, and free smoking cessation classes. Dr. Hoy announced the college’s new Smoking Policy, a new student handbook, and the availability of Internet teaching certification classes offered by Instructional Technology.

President Zeigler assessed the status of last year’s initiatives: 1. A Retention Study has been completed; 2. SAC Online was launched; 3. The Institute for Community Initiatives was launched to improve outreach to neighborhood schools; 4. The college managed the budget despite shrinking state revenue; and 5. A new Smoking Policy was announced.

Zeigler also said the primary initiatives for the 2004-2005 year will be capital improvements and student learning. Capital improvements requests for a February bond issue will help the college meet Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board standards for classroom and parking space. The college will continue

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**Calendar of Events**

**Now Through Oct. 28:** Paintings by Visual Arts faculty Eduardo Rodriguez and Tom Willome, VATC Gallery Exhibit. Contact Joel Knocke at 733-2989.

**Friday, Sept. 17:** Staff Leadership Development Certificate Strand begins. Classes held Fridays, 1-5 p.m., Sept. 17, Oct. 1, 15, 29, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, 21. ETAP eligibility. Call 733-2635; check http://www.accd.edu/sac/leader/default.htm.

Hands-on Workshop: Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program, 2-4 p.m., Killen Center, rooms 108-109. For details, call 208-8009.

**Monday, Sept. 20:** Faculty Recital, Alice Gomez and Madalyn Blanchett (Flute Dreams), 7:30 p.m., McAllister Auditorium, Free. 733-2731.

**Wednesday, Sept. 22:** Hot Potato Issues — “Terrorism: Where Does Hate Begin,” Asslan Khaligh, 12 p.m., Methodist Student Center (Belknap & Dewey). To schedule your class call 733-1441.

**Monday, Sept. 27:** Taylor Yearbook Workshop in Journalism-Photography Department, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Loftin Student Center Fiesta Room. For high school yearbook students & advisors. Contact Chet Hunt at 733-2870.

**Monday, Sept. 27:** Fine Arts Series, Tony Morris & friends (classical guitar, flute, violin & violincello), 7:30 p.m., McAllister, Free. Call 733-2731.

**Tuesday, Sept. 28:** Satellite Seminar - “(Mis)understanding History: Shaping Modern Myth & Popular Values,” 6:30-7:30 p.m., MLC 613. To reserve for your class, call 733-2716.

**Wednesday, Sept. 29:** Hot Potato Issues — “Religion Sells: Books, Movies, Music,” Theresa Booth, 12 p.m., Methodist Student Center (Belknap & Dewey). To schedule your class call 733-1441.

[www.accd.edu/sac/pr/calendar.htm](http://www.accd.edu/sac/pr/calendar.htm)

## SAC & TAMUK sign pact

San Antonio College and Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMUK) officials recently announced an articulation agreement to help address the country's demand for well-trained engineers by smoothing the transfer process for students. Also, details were announced about new junior-level TAMUK engineering courses to be offered at SAC.

The agreement offers participating students joint admission at both institutions and includes the development of both lower- and upper-division engineering courses to be available at San Antonio College.

"We are excited about this new partnership, which will make it easier for San Antonio College engineering students to continue their studies at Texas A&M University-Kingsville so they will be prepared for this critical field," said Dr. Robert E. Zeigler, President of San Antonio College.

Dr. Rumaldo Z. Juarez, Texas A&M University-Kingsville President, said, "This agreement reaffirms TAMUK's commitment to the state's plan of Closing the Gaps in higher education by linking one of Texas' top quality engineering programs with one of the largest and highly respected community colleges in the state."

"This is an excellent opportunity for our students, who will receive a solid foundation for high-tech engineering fields," said Dr. Dan Dimitriu, Coordinator of Engineering at San Antonio College.

For more information, contact Dr. Dan Dimitriu at 785-6049.

## Engineering partnership cited as national model

Dr. Dan Dimitriu, Coordinator of Engineering, and Dr. Zorica Pantic-Tanner, UTSA Dean of Engineering, (center) presented a paper on the UTSA/SAC engineering articulation agreements and joint recruitment programs at a meeting of the National Academy of Engineering.

Dr. James Rosser (right), President of California State University in Los Angeles, said the partnership "serves as a national model for cooperation between two-year and four-year engineering schools."

Also pictured, left: Dr. William A. Wulf, President of the National Academy of Engineering.

## Andreia Brown receives honor on behalf of her mother

Kinesiology Instructor Andreia Brown attended a gala event in May at Constitution Hall in Washington, DC, to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the landmark Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court case that ended the "separate but equal" policy and integrated the nation's public schools.

She received the Charles Hamilton Houston Sr. Pioneer for Justice Award on behalf of her mother Ethel Lee Belton, a key plaintiff in the famous case.

"My mother was 16 when she filed the lawsuit, living in Claymont, Del.," said Brown. "She had a heart condition and tired easily, but nobody knew how severe it was at the time. She had to walk one mile past the all-white school in her neighborhood, take a bus for 10 miles, then walk five blocks to the all-black Harwood High School. She had heart surgery in 1959, and six holes were discovered in her heart."

The case was filed in 1953 as *Belton v. Gebhart*, the name of the school board president for New Castle County, Del. Brown said her mother won the case at the state level after Chancellor (Judge) Collin Seitz personally visited the high school and ruled that integration should be immediate. She said her mother's case was added to the Brown class action suit (117 plaintiffs in all), because it was the only case to win at the state level. She said Seitz didn't say it was unconstitutional, a question the Supreme Court would decide in the famous 1954 case.

## Convocation kicks off year

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to work to improve student learning by using data in its strategies and through enhanced teaching and student support, which is the focus of the college's Quality Enhancement Program (QEP) focus for re-accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The president said we measure student learning by in-course success, fall-to-fall retention, sequential course success, licensure exam passage, graduation, employer satisfaction, and transfer rate. He noted students also should take responsibility for their own education.

To improve student learning, Zeigler announced the creation of a Teaching and Learning Academy to define effective practices and to offer graduate courses at SAC, faculty workshops, mentoring, QEP Grants, and employee development. Initiatives to support



Andreia Brown

"Fifty years ago is a blink of an eye," said Brown. "Some states didn't comply until 10 years later." She noted that Prince Edward County's response to the Supreme Court ruling was to shut down all schools for four years.

Her own experience with education was quite different: "Everything was normal for me, no battle like my mother had to fight," said Brown, who first learned about her mother's lawsuit when she was five or six years old and recalls that every few years journalists interviewed her mother about the case.

"As an adult, I am proud of her. She is a hero," said Brown, whose older daughter graduated from University of the Incarnate Word and now attends Howard University School of Law to concentrate in civil rights.

What is her view of the struggle for civil rights and race relations today? "I'm an optimistic person," said Brown. "I agree with much of what Bill Cosby said [at the gala event], that we have to do more about the drop-out rate and to create more opportunities for education." What do her children think of their famous grandmother, who passed away in 1981? Brown said, "They didn't get to meet their grandmother, but I want to keep the torch alive. She was 110 pounds on a good day, not very strong, but she was a beautiful woman."

this effort are the Lumina Foundation Grant (Achieving the Dream), Bridges Program to create high school partnerships, College Steps (online data for students), and a San Antonio Education Partnership Lumina Grant.

Zeigler said with these efforts San Antonio College can help meet the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's goal of enrolling 500,000 more Texas college students by 2015, effectively doubling the college degrees and certificates awarded.



Dean Betty Larson introduces new faculty member Darlene Cantu at the Convocation.

## New CE Annex opens to serve more students

San Antonio College recently held an Open House for a new Continuing Education Annex at 309 W. Dewey St., which will provide classroom space for more than 300 students and accommodate the college's growing Continuing Education program.



President Robert Zeigler & Dean Ruben Torres cut ribbon to open new CE Annex.

"These students have had to rotate among three classrooms within a single session," said Ruben Torres, Dean of the Continuing Education Training Network. "The new annex makes it possible for us to train these students without moving from classroom to classroom."

Comprised of two temporary buildings, with ramps for accessibility, the CE Annex will provide classrooms for 150 former Levi employees attending San Antonio College to retrain for jobs as Pharmacy

Technicians, Office Assistants, and Certified Microsoft Office Specialists. Some of these students are also preparing for the GED certificate or are improving their English-speaking abilities for technical training to follow later.

Other Continuing Education programs

scheduled to use the annex include the Alternative Teacher Certification program, with more than 100 students pursuing certification in Math and Science, and the Real Estate Inspectors Program, a 188-hour program recognized by the Texas Real Estate Commission and in high demand for people in home construction, real estate sales, property management and related fields.

For more information about the CE Annex and programs, contact Dean Ruben Torres at 733-2637 or visit [www.accd.edu/sac/ce](http://www.accd.edu/sac/ce).

## SAC launches new smoking policy

San Antonio College began the first phase of a new Smoking Policy this fall, limiting smoking to specified areas this year, then eliminating all smoking on campus by the Fall 2005 Semester.

"We believe this is an important step to take to promote the health of our students, faculty and staff," said President Robert E. Zeigler. After a year of open forums, surveys, and discussions at the college, the College Academic Council unanimously passed the Smoking Policy last spring.

The college will offer a series of free Smoking Cessation Classes for the Fall and Spring semesters to help smokers break the habit. The Fall Semester one-hour classes will be held by a registered

nurse on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. on Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, and 16 in the Candler Physical Education Center, Room 126. Any SAC students, faculty or staff should register no later than Oct. 19 by calling 733-2761, said Dawn Brooks, Kinesiology Instructor and Chairperson of the college Wellness Committee. Spring Semester classes will be available Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1 and 8.

Dr. Zeigler said smoking restrictions will eliminate second-hand smoke for people with serious allergies, improve campus cleanliness, save staff time (groundskeepers spend 60 hours a week just cleaning up cigarette butts), and align the college with City of San Antonio's efforts and with studies showing the dangers of smoking to health and environment. Call 733-2761 or check <http://www.accd.edu/sac/sacmain/html/smoking.htm>.

## Pelayo is selected dean

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Program using distance education methodologies. The department has also received grants in recent years totaling \$500,000 to improve the outreach and instruction of students.

Dr. Pelayo earned her Masters in Nursing from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio School of Nursing and her Doctorate in Nursing from the University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing.

Prior to joining the faculty at San Antonio College in 1981, Dr. Pelayo served on the faculty of the Licensed Vocational Nursing School of the San Antonio Independent School District, was a school nurse at schools in the Edgewood Independent School District, and served as a staff nurse in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at the Santa Rosa Children's Hospital.

Dr. Pelayo has received the NISOD Excellence in Teaching Award and is a member of Epsilon Theta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau and a Fellow of the American Nurses Association Minority Fellowship Program. Elected three terms as Chairperson of the Department of Nursing

## Learn to lead

Staff and faculty are invited to enroll in Leadership and management classes.

Smothered verbs, meaningless modifiers, blue rules, and red rules. These are some lessons learned in last year's Staff Leadership class at San Antonio College.

Both staff and faculty are invited to enroll in this year's Leadership Class or the new Management Class. San Antonio College employees will gain a variety of skills and knowledge for professional growth. Topics in the Leadership Class include supervisory leadership, success through service, performance management, business writing, dress for success, and a mentoring opportunity.

The Management Strand will cover project management, performance management, success through service, the ACCD purchasing process, and presentation skills training. There are no pre-requisites so staff and faculty may sign up for either class.

Management Classes will run from 1-4 p.m. on the following days: Sept. 10 & 24, Oct. 8 & 22, Nov. 5 & 19, Dec. 3, and Jan. 14.

Leadership Classes will run from 1-4 p.m. on the following days: Sept. 17, Oct. 1, 15 & 29, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14 & 21.

Registration is still available for both classes. There is no cost to employees who are eligible for Employee Assistance Tuition Program (ETAP). For more information, visit <http://www.accd.edu/sac/leader/> or contact Cynthia Price at 785-6264.

## Mexican oil is born



Adjunct Spanish Instructor Gioconda Costello coordinated a photo exhibit at The Two Allen Center in Houston. This 1904 photo was taken after Californian Edward L. Doheny hit pay dirt at 1,650 feet (the gusher reached 40 feet) in Northern Vera Cruz, Mexico, giving birth to Mexico's oil industry.

Education, she has served on a variety of college committees. She is a member of numerous professional organizations and is President of the Texas Association of Deans and Directors of Professional Nursing Programs and a past President of the San Antonio Chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses Association.