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## Spivey and Sanchez were long-time instructors



**Tiana Spivey**  
(1953 – 2005)

Tiana Spivey taught Radio, Television and Film for 23 years. She served as department chair, and was active on various committees at the college and

with the City of San Antonio. Integral in the RTVF department's transition into the new building, Spivey was instrumental in having the building named after her long-time mentor and friend, Jean Longwith.



**David Sanchez**  
(1939 – 2005)

David Sanchez taught Mathematics at San Antonio College for 32 years. He served for many years as a member of the Faculty Senate and on many college committees. A multiple nominee for

the Minnie Stevens Piper Award, Sanchez received the NISOD Excellence Award in 1994 and 1997. After his retirement in August, he was nominated for the title of Professor Emeritus.

## Dental Assisting earns high re-accreditation marks

For two days last month, a team from the American Dental Association (ADA) Commission on Dental Accreditation visited SAC's Dental Assisting program for its re-accreditation, which occurs every seven years. Though the final report and certificate are not due until the summer, the team's comments were very positive.

"We received no recommendations, meaning zero dings, and three stars, or commendations," said Stella Lovato, program coordinator and Allied Health department chair. "The 18 months we spent preparing our program report was all worth it when Ms. Campbell said she wished all site visits would go so smoothly."

The commendations included:

1) A strong and active advisory committee, with 35 members representing dentists, dental assistants and hygienists, high schools and universities, students and the community;

2) Work-well-done by the program coordinator; and  
3) Work-well-done by program faculty, indicating a well-rounded team that imparts to students the knowledge and skills necessary to become functional dental team members and meet the requirements of the national examining entity.

After touring program facilities and the campus, the team met with college administrators and individual faculty, and attended a regular Advisory Committee meeting. Additionally, students successfully demonstrated nine dental assisting procedures.

The workforce education program was designated Exemplary by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), for "exceeding all standards," and the Commission on Dental Accreditation recommended that Ms. Lovato be named as a consultant to the ADA. For more information, call Dental Assisting at 785-6184, or visit [www.accd.edu/sac/alldhth/dentasst/default.htm](http://www.accd.edu/sac/alldhth/dentasst/default.htm).

*History of the 1937 San Antonio Laundry Strike is depicted in a black-and-white photographic essay, showing striking Mexican and Mexican-American women.*

*English Professor Juanita Luna-Lawhn is Curator for the exhibit that is on display in the Library's periodicals section, MLC fourth floor. Call 733-2514 for details.*



## Calendar of Events

All events are free, except as noted.

Monday-Sunday, Dec. 5-11  
Final Exams

December 17, 2005-January 1, 2006  
Christmas/New Year Holiday  
College Closed

Monday, Jan. 9  
Spring 2006 semester classes begin

Monday, Jan. 16  
Martin Luther King Day - College Closed

Wednesday, Jan. 25  
Faculty Potpourri: "One World: Influences" Mary Lou Russell, coordinator  
Noon, McAllister Auditorium. Contact: Music & Humanities, 733-2731.

### February



Black History Month activities are planned throughout the month. Also, the English Dept, the Black History Month Planning Committee and Student Financial Aid will sponsor the Sixth Annual Black History Month Essay Competition. Details coming.

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



*A Print Graphics Student Retrospective is on display through Jan. 20 at the VATC Gallery, free and open to the public during campus hours.*

*Designs are by SAC students from Print Graphics courses: Digital Imaging, Typography/Typographyic Design, Art Direction, Design Communication I/II, and History of Communication Graphics.*

*"This is a collected sampling of the best student work produced during the past 10 years, juried by the faculty from over 750 entries," said Joel Knocke, Associate Professor and Exhibition Chair. For details, call Knocke at 733-2989.*

## Ziegler exhibits photos

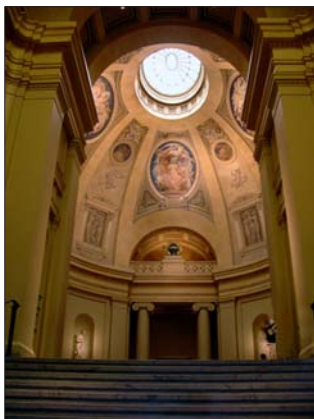
While at a Photoshop conference in Boston, the early-September weather cooperated, offering SAC Photographer Leonard Ziegler chances to photograph the cityscape as he walked from his hotel up to Beacon Hill and north of the Commons.

"It was very interesting to see the old and new architecture so close together," said Ziegler. "I was excited to be present in such a historic city."



He went on to explain that Fire Engine 33 was leaving just as he walked past. "The interest in firefighters and 9/11 motivated me to shoot quickly, which turned into quite a 'motion' picture."

Another photo, below, was taken at the entrance to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, where Ansel Adams' famous photo prints were on exhibit.



"I've only seen his work in books," said Ziegler. "Getting the chance to actually see his art in person – wow - I cannot express in words the beauty of it

all, and the wonderful inspiration he has been to me."

Ziegler's photos are on display in the Loftin Student Center through December 9.

### San Antonio College Update

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Deadline to submit items is 5 p.m. Monday. Send news to Public Relations, FAC 313, call 733-2147, or e-mail your items to [jhammond@accd.edu](mailto:jhammond@accd.edu) or [dmartin@accd.edu](mailto:dmartin@accd.edu). The Update staff reserves the right to edit items.

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Dr. Strain demonstrates the Video Voice Speech Training System.

## Strain to Round Table

Dr. Barbara J. Strain, Professor of Theatre and Speech Communication, has been selected to participate in the Oxford Round Table this spring at the Harris Manchester College in the University of Oxford. She is one of only 40 specialists in the world invited to discuss bilingual education and the teaching of English as a second language.

She will discuss her experiences developing a curriculum for ESL students using the Video Voice Speech Training System. This computer software allows the instructor to input her own voice as a baseline model for students, who can listen to her voice, as well as see how the sound appears on a graph tracking the pitch, rate, volume, and other factors. The student in turn can repeat the word or phrase and compare her own graph with that of the instructor.

"This gives students a sense of control over their pronunciation," said Strain during a demonstration of Video Voice. "They can see and hear the results."

For more information, call 733-272 or [www.oxfordroundtable.co.uk](http://www.oxfordroundtable.co.uk).

## SAC shows generosity



Director of College and Grants Development, and SAC Employee Giving Campaign Coordinator Susan

Espinoza recently reported that 142 staff and faculty members have donated or pledged over \$31,775 to the Annual Giving Campaign, and more forms are coming in every day. She said she is still aiming to surpass SAC's all time high of \$40,000.

This is the final week to turn in your campaign forms to be eligible for the campaign prize drawings that will award grocery cards and restaurant gift certificates. For more information, contact Deborah Martin at 733-2149 or Sarah Padilla, 731-6765.



## SAC Excellence ★



Hooray for Taylor Glisson, a freshman graphic art student who designed this year's Christmas card. The best of 16 entries, he used computer-aided design to create a holiday-esque snowcapped SAC

logo. In recognition of his work, Glisson was honored at the President's Holiday Brunch Celebration and presented with a \$500 scholarship.

Congratulations to the following faculty who were listed in the Who's Who Among America's Teachers®, 2004-05: **Jodi McMaster, Carol Britt, Claudio San Miguel, Sylvia de Leon, Martha Burton, Ronald Cox, Michael la Rocca, Ellen Myers, James Dunn, Paula Geist-weidt, Carolyn Baker, Susan Witta-Kemph, Sonia Valdea and Dale Clyde.**

Kudos to Professor of English **Carol Coffee Reposa**, who recently published the poems "Paul Rubeson in Russia" and "Homeless in Waco" in *The Texas Observer*.

Congratulations to longtime SAC librarian **Karen Balcom** for receiving a Ph.D. from The School of Information, The University of Texas at Austin. Her dissertation, "Discovery and Information Use Patterns of Nobel Laureates in Physiology or Medicine," identified and formalized discovery patterns among Nobel Laureates by analyzing the organization of their Nobel Lectures, then mapping several Laureates' discoveries onto a discovery template based on James G. Miller's "Living Systems" model. A copy of the dissertation is available in the library.

Bravo for **Chris Bianco** and **Rosalie Fuentes**, who each received a \$500 scholarship to attend SAC this semester. These students applied for the scholarship through a Texas Association of Student Support Services Programs (TASSSP) Student Leadership Conference held last summer at UTSA. More than 400 students from 25 universities in Texas, Arkansas and Kansas attended the conference, including the SSSP delegation from SAC, pictured below.

