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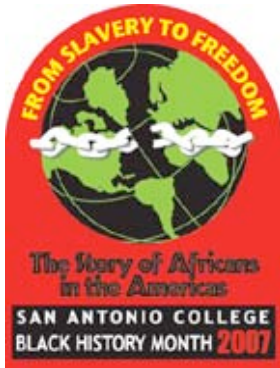
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Speakers, events scheduled for Black History Month

Black History Month opening ceremonies were held Feb. 1 in Loftin Student Center (LSC) with President Zeigler offering the welcome. He encouraged everyone to learn as much as possible about how Black History is intertwined with American History, "so that one day we will 'live in a nation where [people] will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character,'" he said, quoting Martin Luther King, Jr.



to question how and why elitism is justified. To break through, you must address the contradictions."

Sanchez concluded, "Actions have to occur on all levels, from openly violent to subtle, depending on the situation. Change in the past was multifaceted in nature, but at the core, what connects all of the actions is the motivation to make our nation more egalitarian."

The speech ended with Q&A, and the audience was invited to related events:

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Dating Game for Singles in the LSC

Thursday, Feb. 15, 9:25 – 10:40 a.m.

Panel Discussion (speakers TBA) in the LSC

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the LSC

Fat Tuesday: Mardi Gras New Orleans Style

Thursday, Feb. 22, 9:25 – 10:40 a.m.

Lecture about Jacob Lawrence, the first nationally recognized African-American artist, in VATC 120

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 10:50 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.

African American Read-In, LSC

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 12 – 2 p.m.

Hip Hop DJ in the LSC

All events are free. Contacts: Carolyn Foster, 733-2806; and Wynette Keller, 733-2760.

Zeigler, along with Political Science Instructor and Program Coordinator Wanda-Lee Smith and Dr. Sharla Jones of Northwest Vista College, introduced the guest lecturer Africana Studies Professor/Researcher Dr. Tani D. Sanchez from the University of Arizona. Her speech focused on the need to study Black History. She said, "It's dangerous when we really study how people were, and still are, exploited, because knowledge opens our eyes to our current conditions."

"Being black in America is not only about music or art. It is about an orientation towards liberation and having the ability to envision beyond wherever you are and what your society tries to convince you is what you should be. The core of the black experience is

Transfer options expanded for SAC, PAC students

In December, representatives from SAC and eight other Texas community colleges, including Palo Alto College, signed a transfer partnership agreement with Texas A&M University, which began this spring.

Per the agreement, students attending any of the nine community colleges who complete at least 24 credits in transferable classes of a specified degree plan with a 3.0 GPA will be guaranteed transfer admission to Texas A&M for its Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Education and

Human Development, Engineering, Geosciences, or Science, or for TAMU at Galveston.

Also, the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) Dual Enrollment Center near SAC, 1621 N. Main, will offer an Adult Degree Completion Program with evening classes. Tuition will be discounted. Information sessions will be held at the UIW Center from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 22, Mar. 15 and Apr. 19.

Learn details on these and more at the SAC Transfer Center, MLC 1st floor, or call 733-2099.



Getting the Spring semester off to a flying start, Exec. VP Kristine Clark (pictured in middle row, right) and Sociology Instructor Terry Slonaker (middle row, left) each took a tandem jump with the U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team (pictured with Clark and Slonaker) from a plane flying at almost 13,000 feet. The demonstration event was part of the All-American Bowl and was sponsored by Army ROTC Headquarters Cadet Command, The University of Texas Army ROTC, and the San Antonio College Army ROTC.

Calendar of Events

All events are free, except as noted.

Now through March 30

"Spirit of the Sublime: Paintings by Lampo Leong" in VATC Gallery open during campus hours. Contact: Matthew Fulmer, 733-2902.

February 9-25 (various dates)

"Don't Dress for Dinner," directed by Jim Mammarella. McCreless Theatre. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 9-10 at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 15-17, 22-24 at 8 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 18 and 25 at 2:30 p.m. Free for ACCD students, faculty and staff. \$12 general admission; \$8 seniors (60+), Military and students other than ACCD. Contact: Theatre & Speech Comm., 733-2715.

Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24

Academic Decathlon State Finals VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Contact: Rick Hopkins, 733-2296 or rhopkins@accd.edu.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

UTSA Transfer Fair. 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Moody Learning Center rooms 177-178 Contact: SAC Transfer Center, 733-2099.

Thursday, March 1

Applications due for transfer scholarship to Texas Tech U. for Summer I and II or Fall 2007. AND transfer applications and supporting documents due to Trinity U. for the Fall. Contact: SAC Transfer Center, 733-2099.

"Instruments of Peace: San Antonio College and the Symphony" with the SAC Choir and East Central High School Chorale. Part of the Fine Arts & Cultural Events Series at SAC. 7:30 p.m. McAllister Auditorium. Contact: Music & Humanities, 733-2730.

March 6 - March 9

Women's History Week (activities TBA) Contact: Jane Focht-Hansen, 733-2520.

<http://sacweb.accd.edu/calendar/>

SAC Remembers

Dr. Truett L. Chance joined the college in 1947 as a faculty member, and served the school and its students for 35 years as a teacher, department chair, College Dean and President.

He retired in 1982, but remained involved with SAC until his recent passing.

In remembrance, his family has established the *Truett L. Chance Scholarship* at San Antonio College with the ACCD Foundation.



Five Emergency Medical Services (EMS) students each received a \$500 scholarship for the Fall 2006 semester from the Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio. The foundation recently awarded scholarships to college students pursuing careers in health care.

Photographed during a recent congratulations ceremony are (l-r): **Dr. Alice Johnson**, dean of Learning Resources and the scholarship liaison;

EMS students **Kaitlan Ross**, **Kevin Pfluger, Sr.**, **Thomas Elbel**, **Francisco Tovar** and **Carlos Pariagua**; Baptist Health Foundation's President/CEO **W. Frank Elston**; and **Dr. Robert E. Zeigler**.

Service-Learning Coordinator **Audrey Grams**, on right side of photo, was invited to co-present at the Achieving the Dream Conference in January with **Gail Robinson**, Service-Learning Coordinator for the American Association of Community Colleges in Washington, D.C. (pictured left with Audrey). Their presentation was titled, "Using Service-Learning to Increase Student Learning, Engagement and Retention." San Antonio College is a recipient of the Learn & Serve America grant, as well as an Achieving the Dream grant, and its service-learning program is considered one of the top nationwide at the community college level.



The Psychology Computer Lab was recently dedicated to honor the late Psychology Chair **Charles Weichert**. His widow **Nancy Wallace** and son, **Jeff Weichert** (both center), are pictured here with **Dr. Robert E. Zeigler** (left) and Psychology Chair **Thomas Billimek** (right) during the dedication event held in December.

In the Fall, the Texas Chapter of GRAMMY U hosted "In The Mix: GRAMMY U," a networking event for students interested in learning more about the organization and careers in the music business. Pictured at the Gibson Guitar Showroom in Austin are (l-r): Music Business Faculty Member and A.R.C. Discos Representative **Carlos Alvarez**; SAC students **Martha Trejo**, **Dee Anna Thien** and **Rhodesia Victoria**; and **Theresa Jenkins**, director of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (NARAS) Texas Chapter.



Grants to serve and learn

The following faculty (listed in random order) received Spring Learn & Serve Mini-Grants. New Awards of \$2,000 each went to **Paula Rodriguez**, Theatre and Speech Communication; **Julie Razuri**, American Sign Language and Interpreter Training; **Kathryn Zepeda**, EMS and Protective Services; **Paul Perry**, English; **Dr. Dan Dimitriu**, Engineering; **Yamin Aguilar**, Business; **Maria Davis**, Business; **Sara Samano**, Student Development; **Ellen Walroth**, English; and **Jose Moreno**, Mortuary Science.

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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 or dmartin@accd.edu. The Update staff reserves the right to edit items.

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Returning Awards of \$1,000 each went to **Carla Mendiola**, History; **Gerald T. McCarthy**, English; **Susan Spencer**, Economics; **Liz Ann Aguilar**, English; **Brook Rosser**, Visual Arts and Technology; and **Jeff Hunt**, Theatre and Speech Communication.

Additionally, nominations are being accepted for the Presidential Service Awards (www.presidentialserviceawards.gov), which recognize students who have been serving their community through class, clubs, churches, synagogues, or the like for at least 100 hours in any 12-month period (to qualify for a SAC nomination, the individual must have served a minimum of 33 hours with SAC service-learning or college-related projects).

Contact 785-6044 or agrams@accd.edu.

Holiday giving noticed

Speech students in five of **Jim Mammarella's** classes partnered with SAM-Ministries' Family Adoption program in the fall. The students organized bake sales, solicited local businesses, hosted a concert

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SAC Excellence ★

Congratulations to **Marina Lopez**, Student Development, for being named January Employee of the Month at San Antonio College.



Hooray for **Sheryd J. Jackson**, RNC, MS, WHNP, Professor of Nursing and Coordinator of *Project Cuidar*, who was recently invited to serve on the Editorial Advisory Board for the *Journal of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Neo-natal Nursing (JOGNN)* for a three-year term through 2009. Jackson has served as a JOGNN Peer Reviewer for nine years, and is now the only community college faculty on the 13-member board.

Bravo to English Instructor **L. Lennie Irvin**, recently chosen co-director of the San Antonio Writing Project (SAWP), hosted by The University of Texas at San Antonio as a new part of the 30-year old National Writing Project network, which uses the model of teachers teaching teachers to foster improvements in the teaching and learning of writing, across disciplines, for grades K-College. Irvin is especially excited about SAWP's second Invitational Summer Institute at UTSA. Applications are due March 1. Details at www.sanantoniowritingproject.org.

Cheers for the SAC Women's Basketball Team. The reigning '05-'06 Champions, they are still undefeated this semester in the South Texas Club Sports League.

Hurrah for Graphic Artist **Joan Fabian**, who will be an artist-in-residence in March at *Studio DSPS* in Rotterdam, Holland. The residency provides a place to live and work for one month. Also, from March 10 to April 21, her work will be displayed at *Walvis Gallerie* in Schiedam, near Rotterdam, as part of an exhibit surrounding the satirical argument "Praise of Folly" published in 1515 by **Desiderius Erasmus**, one of the great renaissance humanists.



on campus, and spoke to various classes and groups on campus and around town. Their efforts brought in over \$11,000 in cash, gifts, gift certificates, and volunteer service donations that went to help several families during the holiday season.