

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Social Entrepreneurs Provide Leadership

Over the past several weeks, I have been reminded of the outstanding leaders who have graduated from Austin College and are, in the true sense of the word, *entrepreneurs*. Frequently, we think of an entrepreneur as an individual who is primarily interested in generating wealth through creative and innovative business practices. However, I have observed Austin College graduates who have been successful in the realm of business and are outstanding leaders in different communities around the world, but while students at Austin College they were applying their creative and innovative gifts to social issues.

In essence, as we observe the students of Austin College, we see outstanding "social entrepreneurs" who are very creative in addressing issues that might not result in financial gain but will result in significant benefits for society. Dr. Paul Farmer, who will receive the second Austin College Leadership Award, is a great example of a social entrepreneur. As you read about Dr. Farmer in this magazine, you will recognize that he has used his gifts of creativity and innovation and committed himself to the welfare of underserved people throughout the world.

Although not all leaders can have the impact that Dr. Farmer has had as a social entrepreneur, there are hundreds of examples of Austin College graduates who are highly successful leaders in business, government, or the non-profit area, but who started their quest for success in leadership by being social entrepreneurs while students at Austin College.

Great examples of entrepreneurship can be seen in the manner in which Austin College students responded to the Nicaraguan disaster in the late 1990s, to the tsunami that hit southeast Asia more recently, and last year, to the Katrina relief effort. In these instances, students provided the leadership necessary to embark upon major relief efforts. Through these students' creativity and as a result of their recognition of social needs, they charted a new course for themselves as social entrepreneurs. It is exciting to watch our students develop their skills as entrepreneurial leaders while on our campus and then carry these skills into the larger community to continue their commitment to "service," while using their gifts to become entrepreneurs in their chosen career.

This has been an exciting year for the College as we have completed the plans for the Betsy Dennis Forster Art Studio Complex, now under construction, and we have watched our students excel in Model UN competition, collaborative research projects with our faculty, and service projects in the community.

As you read this issue of the Magazine, I am sure you will reflect upon your experiences as a leader and recognize that you honed your skills as a leader through your social entrepreneurial activities on the Austin College campus. We are proud of the success of our alumni, and I encourage you to take great pride in the many facets of work evidenced on the campus of your *alma mater*.

Sincerely,

Oscar C. Page President



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The Birds & The Beetles

by Brian Builta

Steve Goldsmith has a rough life. As associate professor of biology and chair of the Biology Department, Goldsmith is paid to poke around outdoors and to play with interesting creatures.

"It's as fun as it sounds," said Goldsmith, who specializes in animal behavior.

Quite often, biologists have to choose between studying flora or fauna. Goldsmith took the fauna route, choosing to study invertebrates (creatures without backbones) rather than vertebrates (creatures with backbones), but the circuitous path of his career has taken him through vertebrates, flora, and beyond.

Goldsmith is a big longhorn fan — the long-horned beetle, that is — and suffers through regular trips to Hawaii, which has 40 endemic species of long-horned beetles. Long-horned beetle

larvae happen to be delicious and nutritious for Akiapola`au, a complicated bird with an even more complicated name that forages exclusively on koa trees, which happen to grow well in Hawaii.

Why is any of this important?

Goldsmith's work in Hawaii is centered in the upper elevation of the Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge, a former cattle ranch where the land was grazed and cleared of trees — obviously not good ecology. Koa trees are being replanted in the forest in an effort to return biodiversity to the region, and long-horned beetles are an indicator species that tell scientists how well the reforestation is going.

The beetle feeds exclusively on koa trees, Goldsmith explained, and the Akiapola`au forages exclusively on koa trees. The presence of the bird indicates the presence of the beetle, which indicates a healthy forest.

All of this research requires Goldsmith to be a kind of jack-of-all-trades in biology, a sort of scientific naturalist and behavioral ecologist by necessity, which is good for the students who benefit from his diversity of knowledge — sort of like learning the fundamentals of baseball from a utility infielder.

"Being a naturalist is my first passion," said Goldsmith. He recalled the late Howard McCarley, professor *emeritus* of biology, taking students into the field and

asking them to look around and think about what they saw in the broader context of evolution.

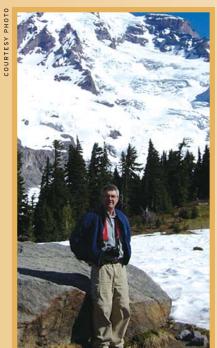
"Humans are animals," Goldsmith said, "which means they are in competition for resources with other animal species. There are various kinds of interactions, sometimes in ways that are pretty unfortunate."

What we need, Goldsmith said, is understanding.

"Wisdom is based on knowledge," said Goldsmith, who believes students should understand how organisms work, from the molecular and cellular level to the ecological and evolutionary level.

"There is value in students knowing about creatures," Goldsmith said. "Understanding is a step toward controlling or changing our behavior."

To read more about long-horned beetles, koa trees, or the Akiapola`au, watch for the June 2007 issue of Southwestern Naturalist, in which Goldsmith has a paper scheduled for publication.



Steve Goldsmith

EDUCATION:

Ph.D.
Arizona State University, 1985;
M.S. in zoology,
University of Oklahoma, 1981;
B.S. in zoology,
University of Oklahoma, 1978

Professional Activities HUMANITIES

Henry Bucher, chaplain *emeritus* and associate professor *emeritus* of humanities, retired from Grace Presbytery in November 2006. He spoke briefly about his 19 years at Austin College and indicated his hope to continue to teach a few courses on campus "until there is peace in the Middle East or I am disabled, whichever comes first."

Tim Cutler, associate professor of music, was the featured speaker at the University of North Texas Division of Music History, Theory, and Ethnomusicology lecture series in November 2006. He presented programs on his Internet database of



Tim Cutler

music theory examples and on sonata form development sections and the notion of "distance-hearing" using the analytical methods of Heinrich Schenker.

Alex Garganigo, assistant professor of English, presented "The Dead Hand of Interpellation in Ishiguro's *Never Let Me Go*" at the South Central Modern Language Association Conference in Dallas in October 2006, and "The Rise of Professional Elegy in Restoration England" at the Northeast Society for Eighteenth Century Studies Conference in Salem, Mass., in November 2006.

Mark Hebert, associate professor of philosophy, appeared on the KERA radio program, "Think®," in November 2006, speaking on "Living 'The Good Life." He discussed why some people are happy when others are not as it relates to recent research into positive psychology. He spoke the next evening at the Dallas Philosopher's Forum, continuing comments on recent research suggestions that youth, income, attractiveness, and physical health play a much smaller role in happiness than many might think. Drawing on Martin Seligman's Authentic Happiness, Jonathon Haidt's The Happiness Hypothesis: Finding Modern Truth in Ancient Wisdom, and Daniel Gilbert's Stumbling on Happiness, Hebert discussed what has been learned about happy, engaged, and meaningful lives.

Cynthia Manley, professor of French, received the Helen Lorenz Excellence in Teaching Award from the North Texas chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French in October 2006.

Todd Penner, associate professor of religious studies and the Gould H. and Marie Cloud Professor in Religion, co-edited with Caroline Vander Stichele the recently published collection, *Mapping Gender in Ancient Religious Discourses*. Penner also had three essays published in the fall, and presented papers at the Jesus Seminar on Christian Origins meeting in California, and at the Society of Biblical Literature meeting in Washington, D.C. In August, Penner

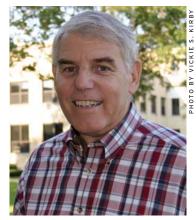
was selected as a member of the Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas, a world-wide association of New Testament scholars with a rigorous nomination and membership selection process. One of his nominators was William O. Walker '53. Penner also was a coresearcher on a grant awarded this fall to the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research for the research project, "Gender-Critical Perspectives on the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature."

Ivette Vargas, assistant professor of religious studies, published four essays and four book reviews last fall. She was selected as chair of the Comparative and Asian Studies in Religion Section of the Southwest Commission on Religious Studies and was invited to submit an essay for a book on the Kalacakra and Tibetan medicine that will be presented to the Dalai Lama later this year. Vargas was a respondent at the American Academy of Religion meeting in Washington, D.C., on the panel "Transgressing Traditions and Traditional Transgressions" for the Religion in South Asia Section and presented papers at several conferences. These presentations include: "Keeping the Snake at Bay: The Role of Demons in Tibetan Medicine," at Cornell University and Namgyal Monastery Science and Religion Conference; three lectures on Tibetan history, religion, and art at the Trammell and Margaret Crow Collection of Asian Art in Dallas; and "Juxtaposing Past with Present: Klu nad and Other Spirit-Inflicted Diseases in Tibetan Medicine" on the panel "Health, Medicine, and Modernity" at the 11th Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies in Bonn, Germany.

SCIENCES

Hank Gibson, professor of chemistry, was on sabbatical during Fall Term 2006 and spent nine weeks at the University of Maryland in

College Park, Md., doing research with chemistry faculty member Dan Falvey, who has done considerable work in the area of laser flash photolysis. Gibson synthesized two pyridinium compounds that were studied using this technique. Essentially the nanosecond flash of laser light upon the pyridinium compound generates an



Hank Gibson

intermediate that can be detected and analyzed within its very short (less than 20 nanoseconds) lifetime. The results of these studies, along with related molecular orbital calculations done by another member of Falvey's research group, will be submitted for publication within the next few months.

Steve Goldsmith, associate professor of biology, has written an article, "Longhorned beetle (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae) density differs at different elevations in Hawaiian montane forest," scheduled for inclusion in the June 2007 issue of The Southwestern Naturalist.

Peggy Redshaw, professor of biology, and Jerry Lincecum, professor emeritus of English, were invited to add all five books of "Telling Our Stories" to the digital collection of the University of North Texas Libraries "Portal to Texas History." More than 200 autobiographical stories written by participants in the Telling Our Stories program at Austin College, which began in 1990, were scanned, along with photos and brief biographies of the authors. This material is accessible at http://texashistory.unt.edu.

Andra Troncalli, assistant professor of physics, received funding from the Austin College Richardson Fund to travel in July 2006 to Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois to conduct research on superconductors. She continued her research at Austin College.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Nathan Bigelow, assistant professor of political science, co-authored a book chapter, "The State of the Party Elites: National Convention Delegates 1992-2004," for the book The State of the Parties: 2004 and Beyond. In January 2007, he attended the Southern Political Science Association meeting in New Orleans to present the paper "Issue Type and Policy Responsiveness in State Legislatures."

Andrew Konitzer, assistant professor of political science, wrote the manuscript "The Serbian Radical Party in the 2004 Local Elections," which was accepted for publication in the peer-reviewed journal East European Politics and Societies. In November 2006, he made a presentation, "Radicals Resurgent: Accounting for the SRS's Success in Serbia's 2004 Local Elections," at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington D.C., and took part in the roundtable "Putin and the Elimination of Contested Politics in Russia?" at the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies annual conference in Washington, D.C. The first review of his book Voting for Russia's Governors: Elections and Accountability Under Yeltsin and Putin (Johns Hopkins, 2005)

appeared in Publius: The Journal of Federalism.

Karen Nelson, professor of psychology, and Judy Wheaton, assistant director of Institutional Research and Assessment, presented "Data Challenges in Response to Civic Engagement" at the Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium conference in Santa Fe, N.M.,



in January 2007. The presentation addressed the issue that while surveys such as the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) and the Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE) examine 'engagement,' they fail to speak to the breadth of activities that make up civic engagement. Austin College has begun to gather information about civic engagement as it occurs through coursework, internships, service learning, undergraduate research, and campuscommunity partnerships.

Don Rodgers, associate professor of political science, and Ross Worden '06 presented a paper, "Application of a Self-Esteem Maintenance Model to Explain Party Elite Behavior: The Kuomintang in Taiwan, 2000-2006," at the 2006 International Studies Association Meeting in Birmingham, Ala. Worden is currently enrolled in graduate studies in political science at the University of Georgia. During a January Term 2007 trip to Taiwan, Rodgers appeared on the Taiwan Public Television talk show "Taiwan Focus," hosted by political scientist Luo Chih-cheng.

LEADERSHIP

Peter A. DeLisle, Leslie B. Crane Chair in Leadership Studies and director of the Posey Leadership Institute, will be the keynote speaker in April at the annual Gifted Girls Conference offered through the Gifted Students Institute, a program of Southern Methodist University.

IN MEMORIAM:

Professor Emeritus Lloyd Gourley

Austin College Professor Emeritus of Physics Lloyd Gourley, 83, of Sherman, died Oct. 27, 2006.

Gourley joined the College in 1959, serving many years as chair of the Physics Department as well as Dean of Sciences. He specialized in the application of computers in the laboratory and the study of the properties of solids at high pressures. He retired from full-time teaching in 1988.

Gourley earned his B.S., M.A., and Ph.D., all in physics, from the University of Texas at Austin. Before coming to Austin College, he worked as an assistant physicist with the Atlantic Refining Company, a research physicist with the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, and spent

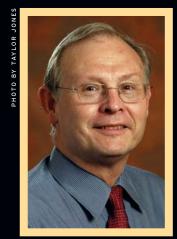


Lloyd Gourley

two summers as a staff member at the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory in Los Alamos, N.M.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

SHELTON WILLIAMS PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, 1970 - present



Shelton Williams

Shelton Williams has entered something called "phased retirement," but his description of his schedule sounds nothing like retirement.

Williams moved to Maryland on April 29, 2005, to be closer to his grandchildren and to conduct the College's Washington Program [see article below] and presumably to slow down. Instead, he established the Osgood Center for International Studies in January 2006, began teaching an online course in international relations through Norwich University, and published his second book, Summer of '66, which chronicles his experiences in Austin, Texas, the summer Charles Whitman killed 17 people and wounded 31 from the top of the University of Texas tower.

Williams' first book, Washed in the Blood, the story of his cousin Betty's murder in Odessa, Texas, in 1962, has been optioned by a production company for a possible movie. His next book, Dog City, will cover Williams' early years in Washington, D.C., from 1966 to 1969.

"To say what I have to say in terms of American social history," Williams said, "I need to write personal accounts. My target audience is not political science or history professors. I write as if I'm talking to students about my life."

Williams stays busy with his writing and with programs of the Osgood Center. What he misses in his "phased retirement," he said, is having coffee with faculty friends in the Wright Campus Center – and presumably the chance to sit still for a moment.

Contact Williams at saistype@aol.com or call (301) 704-5538. Visit the Osgood Center at www.osgoodcenter.org.

A Capital Classroom

The Washington Program is a new name for a series of educational opportunities that have long been a part of the Austin College experience. Shelton Williams, the John D. Moseley Professor of Political Science, directs the program that turns the nation's capital into a classroom. "Washington, D.C., is the greatest classroom in the world," Williams said, "and too few students take advantage of it."

The Washington Program includes:

- January Term Decision Game
- Summer Symposium
- Model United Nations
- Intercollegiate Leadership Conference
- Internships

The January Term Decision Game allows students to represent various agencies and organizations from the National Security Council and the Pentagon to the CIA, media outlets, and non-governmental

community. Students receive background lectures from high-level Washington insiders and then, armed with briefing books, they formulate and debate policy solutions for issues facing the United States.

During Summer Symposium, students visit U.S. foreign policy decision-making bodies, think tanks, and various embassies to explore hot topics in international relations and gain insight into possible solutions to current crises. The Model United Nations is a full-scale simulation of a United Nations conference, where students assume the roles of international decision makers while increasing their awareness of different systems of government, international law, and international organizations. The International Leadership Conference is a 13-day immersion in leadership, during which students hear keynote speeches, visit the power hubs of

Washington, and attend workshops and lectures about leadership, personal values, and community service.

Meaningful internships allow students to experience working in Washington, D.C. They attend Congressional hearings and think tank briefings while interacting with other interns in weekly seminars on politics in Washington. "Internships should not be about schlepping coffee and doing menial office work," Williams said. "Students should be able to interact with people who make decisions."

In Washington, D.C., experience is the classroom, Williams said, and through the Washington Program, students have real experiences, meet people, and learn how the city works. "The Washington Program is the key that opens Washington."

McTEER WILL ADDRESS 2007 GRADUATES

Graduation 2007 will include a full weekend of activities, May 11-13, highlighted by the Commencement exercises May 13 at 9 a.m. on the newly-completed Clyde L. Hall Graduation Court, north of Caruth Administration Building. Three hundred twenty-three graduates are expected to cross the stage, including 28 in the Master of Arts in Teaching program. The Commencement address will be given by Robert McTeer, former president of the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas.

McTeer gained a reputation as an independent voice during his 36-year career with the Federal Reserve System. Now a Distinguished Fellow at the National Center for Policy Analysis (NCPA), he served 14 years as president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Before joining the NCPA this year, McTeer was chancellor of the Texas A&M University System. He is a frequent guest on CNBC and has written and

The baccalaureate service, May 12 at 7 p.m. in Sid Richardson Center of the Robert T. Mason

spoken extensively.

Athletic-Recreation Complex, will include a sermon by Rick Ufford-Chase, executive director of the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship and a reservist representing Christian Peacemaker Teams on the Arizona/Mexico border. He has lived and worked on the U.S./Mexico border for 20 years, focusing his work on providing direct assistance to migrants and undocumented persons in the borderlands, and on helping North American people of faith to better understand the complex dynamics of border, immigration, and trade policy. Ufford-Chase served as the moderator of the General Assembly Presbyterian

Church (USA) from June 2004 through June 2006.

The weekend events also will include activities for the Class of 1957, celebrating its 50-year graduation anniversary. The alumni will receive anniversary medallions during a dinner on campus Friday, May 11. Other Golden 'Roos, all alumni of 50 or more years, are invited to join the 50-year graduates for the reunion weekend and welcome them into the Golden 'Roo Society.



Robert McTeer

Landscaping Projects Nearing Completition

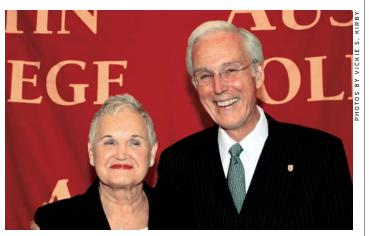
Major campus landscaping continues with the construction of the Clyde L. Hall Graduation Court and the Sandra J. Williams Founders Plaza. The projects, underway on the north side of Caruth Administration Building, were announced at a reception during the November 2006 Board of Trustees meeting.

The Clyde L. Hall Graduation Court will be dedicated during graduation weekend, with the Sandra J. Williams Founders Plaza, constructed on the former site of Luckett Hall, to be completed later this summer. The Williams Founders Plaza, with lights, fountains, and brickwork, will create an entrance to campus from the north end of Grand Avenue.

Former students have made gifts to honor Clyde Hall '46, professor *emeritus* of business administration, and Todd Williams '82 and his wife, Abby, made contributions to name the Founders Plaza in honor of his mother.



Clyde and Ginny Hall, left, share a boyhood photo of Clyde at Austin College with friends Ginny and Steve Jones at the Clyde L. Hall Graduation Court announcement celebration in November.



Sandra Williams and Oscar C. Page shared the podium at the announcement of the Sandra J. Williams Founders Court during the November Board of Trustees meeting.

Awards Gala Honors Alumni and Volunteers

The 2007 Austin College Awards Gala on campus Friday, March 2, honors the recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Awards and the Heywood C. Clemons Volunteer Service Awards.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI 2007

The Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes alumni who have achieved professional success, contribute to their communities, and exemplify leadership and ethical standards.



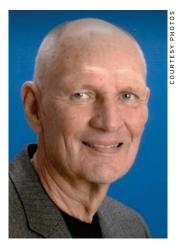
Charla Glass Aldous '72 Dallas, Texas Attorney Aldous Law Firm



William C. Campaigne '69 Seguin, Texas Veterinarian Seguin Animal Hospital Lone Star Laboratory Swine



Dian Gould McCall '62 Fort Worth, Texas Retired General Presbytery



Louis Manz '59 San Antonio, Texas Research Engineer, Texas Center for Applied Technology

All alumni may submit nominees for Distinguished Alumni honorees. Nominations are considered by the Alumni Association Board. For details and nomination procedures, see the website: www.austincollege.edu/Info.asp?886

HEYWOOD C. CLEMONS VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

The Clemons Award recognizes long-term service of alumni and friends of the College who serve in the spirit of former Board of Trustees Chair Heywood Clemons.

W. Osler McCarthy '73 Austin, Texas Staff attorney, Texas Supreme Court

McCarthy, president of the "L" Law Association, has been instrumental in the success of the College's annual Law Symposium, planning programs and arranging participants in 2005 and 2006 and helping to secure the Texas Supreme Court visit to hear oral argument on campus in April 2007.





Gail Utter Sherman, Texas Senior vice president A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.

Utter has volunteered on behalf of the College for two decades, first with Senior Colloquium Workshops and the cultivation of special gifts to the College, and more recently on the President's Advisory Forum and the Posey Leadership Institute's Community Collaborative Initiative.

Inaugural Alumni College Set for May 18-20 360 Degrees of Learning

ducation is a lifelong journey, so this spring, for the first time, Austin College is offering alumni an opportunity to participate in lectures and learning activities Friday, May 18, through Sunday, May 20. The educational weekend, "360 Degrees of Learning," features lectures by four Austin College faculty and is meant to offer alumni the chance to exercise their minds and connect with campus faculty.

George Diggs, professor of biology, will teach "Texas Across Time: Surprise Connections between the Modern Environment and the Past," where biology, geology, history, and the future converge.

Marsha Gathron, visiting associate professor of education, will teach "The Impact of our Immigrant Women and Children from the Southern Region on our Medical Care System," which looks into the public health dilemma of how society serves the health care needs of immigrant women and children.

Karen Nelson, professor of psychology, will teach "Self and Identity in an Increasingly Flat World," looking

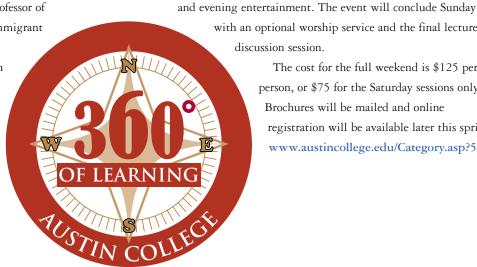
into Thomas Friedman's book The World Is Flat, which challenges assumptions about the social and cultural world and forces a different way of thinking about how individuals define themselves.

Kenneth Street, professor emeritus of political science, will teach "The United States Supreme Court in Transition," examining the role of the Supreme Court during the past decade.

Alumni College also includes a Friday evening reception with all current and emeriti faculty invited. Saturday will include three lectures as well as an alumni luncheon speaker, a field trip to Sneed Environmental Research Area with science faculty, dinner on campus,

> with an optional worship service and the final lecture and discussion session.

> > The cost for the full weekend is \$125 per person, or \$75 for the Saturday sessions only. Brochures will be mailed and online registration will be available later this spring. www.austincollege.edu/Category.asp?5096



Texas Supreme Court Hearings Will Highlight 2007 Law Symposium Events

The 2007 Austin College Law Symposium, April 21-22, will feature oral argument by the Texas Supreme Court. At press time, one case had been set, a rare murder case for the civil court. Justices will consider whether a gun recovered after a juvenile's statement to police should be suppressed as evidence because the teenager asked to call his mother to find a lawyer before a police interrogation. A legal issue in the Fort Worth case is whether he was equivocal in asserting his right to counsel before questioning. The Texas Supreme Court is hearing the case because juvenile crime is considered civil in Texas and within the Texas Supreme Court's jurisdiction.

The law symposium provides education about the law profession and the legal process for law professionals and students. Area high school, college and university students, alumni, and interested individuals, as well as lawyers and judges from the region, are

welcome to attend this public court session at no charge. Guests must be seated in Sid Richardson Center of the Robert T. Mason Athletic-Recreation Complex before court begins at 9 a.m.

Seminar sessions will follow oral argument and a luncheon. Sessions will feature panel discussions, by attorneys and law professionals, on judicial independence and controversies over how the judiciary fits in the U.S. system of government. The full symposium costs \$75 per person. Approval of CLE hours is pending for professionals.

The event is co-sponsored by the Pre-Law Society and the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations. All attendees should register with the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations. For registration and payment information, contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at 800-467-6646 or alumni@austincollege.edu.

Austin College Names Heidi Ellis Vice President of Business Affairs

Heidi Ellis assumed duties as the College's vice president of Business Affairs in January, taking over after the retirement of George Rowland, who served 38 years at the College. Prior to this appointment, Ellis served as vice president of financial services at

North Central Texas College (NCTC) in Gainesville, Texas, where she worked for 15 years. Previously, Ellis worked in the business sector of industry and owned her own business.

Ellis earned bachelor and master's degrees in audit and financial accounting from the University of North Texas. In



Heidi Ellis

addition, she completed a degree in business administration from Southeastern Oklahoma State University and completed the College Business Management Institute at the University of Kentucky.

Service Station Launches JanServe

Most students on campus during January Term have a bit more relaxed schedule. Service Station board members decided to capitalize on student availability with JanServe, a new program for volunteering in the community. Students' increased availability also meshed with community youth organization's needs.

The Jan 17 afternoon of volunteering involved 62 Austin College students, some leading after-school programs at the Rosa Hill Community Center; Glennie O. Hamm Center; Girls, Inc.; and the Boys and Girls Club. Student volunteers also organized donations at the North Texas Youth Connection and painted the interior of the most recent Habitat for Humanity project of the Austin College and Grayson County Habitat chapters.

Melanie Oelfke, coordinator of volunteer services, said the new program takes advantage of the less hectic schedule of January Term and also reintroduces the Service Station and the idea of service to freshmen. "They are so bombarded with new information in the fall," she said. "By January, they can start to think more about service to



Students take on community projects for the inaugural JanServe program.

the local community and other means of campus involvement."

Fire Damages Craig Hall

Fire broke out in Craig Hall on Sunday evening, Jan. 14, causing approximately \$750,000 in damage. Craig Hall houses the music and art departments of the College. An ice storm had knocked out power on campus and when power was restored, it caused a fire in a mechanical closet, fire officials said. The fire was confined to the roof and the northeast corner of the building, occupied by the Music Department. No one was injured in the fire.

Workers began almost immediately to clear, clean, and repair the damage caused by fire, smoke, and water. The building was open

for general use by the start of the spring semester, with a few rehearsal rooms remaining under repair.



Craig Hall's roof is covered following the fire.

Music Evening Honors Mozart

For Homecoming 2006, Mosher Professor of Music Ricky Duhaime assembled an orchestra made up of current students Katy Hampton '07, John Holley '07, Jennifer Jeng '07, Sarah Powell '09, and David Savage '07, alumni Paul Wells '81, Anne Anderson '82, Chris Michaelsen '83, and Ty Hinze '01, who joined professional colleagues for a concert sponsored by Sherman's Community Series.

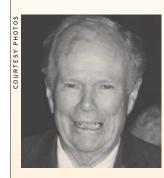
"An Evening of Mozart with Friends" featured three masterworks from the great composer in celebration of his 250th birth year. Other College performers included adjunct faculty members Sylvia Rivers as soprano soloist and Cathy Richardson as concertmaster; department accompanist Masako Narikawa as piano soloist; and Austin College first lady Anna Laura Page as organist.



Chris Michaelsen, Paul Wells, Ty Hinze, John Holley, Jennifer Jeng, Anne Anderson, Katy Hampton, and Sarah Powell await the concert.

In Memoriam: Austin College Loses Four Long-Time Friends

Austin College lost four good friends and long-time advocates in recent months through the deaths of three senior members of the Austin College Board of Trustees and a major supporter of scholarships and facilities.



W.C. "Dub" Miller

W.C. "Dub" Miller died in Dallas on Nov. 6, 2006, at the age of 100.

Born in Brady, Texas, in 1905, Miller graduated earned a law degree from Southern Methodist University (SMU). In 1937, he joined what is now the oldest business in Dallas: the commercial real estate firm of Bolanz & Miller, founded in 1874. Miller was a charter member of Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church, served on the Dallas City Council from 1953 to 1959, and spent 25 years as director of the State Fair of Texas.

Miller began his association with Austin College in 1957, when his son, Charles, enrolled. Miller served on the College's Board of Trustees from 1960 to 1980, and thereafter as a senior trustee, receiving the Toddie Lee Wynne Award from the Board in 1993..



Catherine Hannah

Catherine Coburn Hannah died in Houston on Oct. 8, 2006, at the age of 84.

Loyal supporters of liberal arts education, Hannah, and her husband, David, made many contributions to Austin College, including a generous gift to complete funding for the Hannah Natatorium, built in 1971. In 1974, Hannah joined the Austin College Board of Trustees and in 1986, received the Board's Toddie Lee Wynne Award for Distinguished Service in recognition of her history of service and support. In 1990, Hannah served as chair of the steering committee for the successful Campaign for Austin College, which raised more than \$34 million for the College.

Hannah also had a record of service on the board of the Texas Presbyterian Foundation and Union Theological Seminary, as president of Planned Parenthood of Houston, as director of the Houston Speech and Hearing Center, and with the Houston Neighborhood Centers.



Saunders Gregg

Saunders Gregg '35 died Jan. 20, 2007, in Houston at the age of 92.

Gregg attended Austin College before graduating from the University of Texas and earning a law degree there in 1940. He joined the Austin College Board of Trustees in 1976 and became a senior trustee in 1988, serving until his death. Prior to becoming a trustee, he served as a regional chair for Austin College development efforts in Houston. He was instrumental in securing funding for Wortham Center, built in 1980, and supported many other projects on campus.

Gregg had a distinguished law career with Entex in Houston as a senior vice president, general counsel, and member of the board of directors. He also served as a campaign chair for the American Cancer Society and on the boards of Praetorian Mutual Life Insurance Co. and the Texas Research League.



Edwin Jordan

Edwin B. Jordan of Dallas died Oct. 15, 2006, at the age of 88.

Dedicated supporters of scholarships for top students, Jordan and his wife, Louise, created the Edwin B. and Louis Jordan Scholarship Program at Austin College in 1986. His family, and that of his brother George Jordan provided funding for the Jordan Family Language House at Austin College, built in 1998, in addition to many other gifts and areas of service to the College. For his commitment and efforts of behalf of higher education, Jordan received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Austin College in 1998.

A developer of residential and commercial real estate, Jordan was chairman of the board of Intercity Investments from 1970 until his death. He also had served on the boards of SMU, MCorp, Core Laboratories, Columbia Universal Life, and Presbyterian Hospitals of Dallas, Plano, and Kaufman.

CHORAL GROUPS SET BUSY SCHEDULE

The A Cappella Choir will travel to Albuquerque, N.M., and Phoenix, Sun City, Tempe, and Tucson, Ariz., March 29 through April 2 for its annual spring tour. The 48-member choir includes students who also sing with smaller groups, The Consort and The Quartette, which also will perform during the tour concerts.

The Sherman Symphony Orchestra, the Austin College A Cappella Choir, and members of the College's Alumni Choir will join together to present Beethoven's 9th Symphony as part of the Sherman Community Series on Saturday, April 28.

The Consort and The Quartette will perform as "Pure Voices" for the Sherman Community Series May 5 and will tour Ireland for two weeks upon the end of the semester.

Both Community Series performances will be held in Kidd-Key Auditorium in Sherman. For Community Series ticket purchases and for information abut the Southwest tour, contact the Department of Music at (903) 813-2251.



The Austin College Consort will perform in spring tour.

SPRING CHOIR TOUR PERFORMANCES

March 29	Immanuel Presbyterian	Albuquerque, N.M.	7:30 p.m.
March 30	University Presbyterian	Tempe, Ariz.	7 p.m.
March 31	Pending	Tucson, Ariz.	TBA
April 1	Christ Presbyterian Church	Tucson, Ariz.	Sunday services
April 2	First Presbyterian Church	Sun City, Ariz.	2 p.m.

U.S. Secretary of Education Addresses Austin College Students

U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings addressed students

and invited guests at
Austin College on Sunday,
Oct. 29, 2006. Secretary
Spellings' visit marked the
first time a sitting Secretary
of Education has visited
Austin College.

Spellings is the first mother of school-age children to serve as U.S. Secretary of Education. She has one daughter in college and one in high school.



Margaret Spellings

Studying History Through Biography

Several biographers visited campus in the fall term to speak to Professor Light Cummins' "Biography in U.S. History" course. Guests discussed the process of historical research and the individual subjects of their biographical work.



Cummins poses with Randolph Campbell, educator and Sam Houston biographer.

January Term Offers Global Classroom

The first order of business for nearly 300 Austin College students returning to campus for the spring term was to return their internal clocks to Central Time after spending the College's January Term in locations around the globe.

International travel courses for 2007 included "Empires and Revolutions: Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia;" "Brazilian Ecosystems;" "Medical Experience in Mexico;" "SCUBA Diving and Aerobic Conditioning in Cozumel, Mexico;" "A Taste of French Language and Culture in Antibes, France;" "French Immersion in Canada;" "Winter

in Germany;" "The
Food and Culture of
Spain;" "Rome: The
Eternal City;" "The
Life and Times of
Galileo: The Italian
Renaissance Roots of
Modern Science" in
Florence, Italy;

"London and Paris: Boyle and Lavoisier, Dalton, Faraday, Pasteur;"

"After Empire: The Collapse of the Soviet Union and Beyond" in
Estonia, Russia, and Ukraine; "Parties and Power: The Political
Environment of Taiwan;" "Learning Spanish in Antigua, Guatemala;"

"Spanish Immersion in Costa Rica;" and "London Theatre."

Ghost Ranch, N.M., was the site for several January Term courses. Others visited Washington, D.C., and business students studied in Austin, Texas.

Many students spent the January Term in career exploration or

independent study in the Sherman area, their hometowns, or worksite and study locations around the world. Still others remained on campus for coursework.

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Students on the January trip to France stop for one of many

photo opportunities.

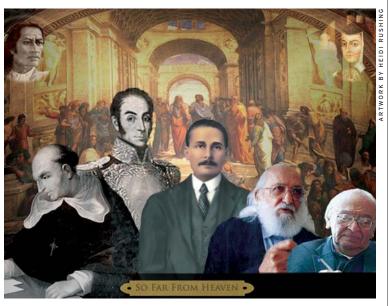


CENTER FOR SOUTHWESTERN AND MEXICAN STUDIES HOSTS TEXAS-MEXICO WEEK

Lectures and discussion highlighted the Center for Southwestern and Mexican Studies Texas-Mexico week, "So Far From Heaven: Latin American Thinkers on Conquest, Colonialism, and Liberation," in early October 2006.

Lecturers included Iván Márquez, "Liberation Theology, Philosophy and Pedagogy: An Overview;" María Morales, "Whose America? José Martí and the Second Independence;" and James Cane-Carrasco, "Gustavo Gutiérrez's Critique of Capitalism."

The week ended with a panel discussion on the continuing immigration debate, which included professors Márquez, Morales, Cane-Carrasco, and Austin College Associate Professor of Anthropology Terry Hoops. Center co-directors are Light Cummins, professor of history, and Patrick Duffey, associate professor of Spanish.



Environmentalist Andy Sansom Visits Campus for Lecture Series

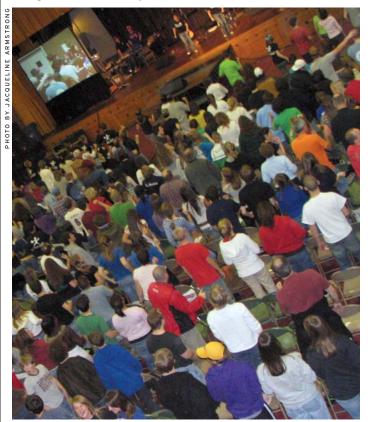
Andy Sansom '68, executive director of the Rivers Systems Institute at Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas, and former executive director of Texas Parks and Wildlife, presented the lecture "Texas Natural Resources: Challenges for the New Century" on Sept. 28. The presentation was part of the College's Center for Environmental Studies Lecture Series.

Sansom addressed the financing of the public park system, which he said has "never been as threatened as it is today," as well as water issues, "which dwarf all other issues," and conservation. Sansom also addressed natural resource challenges, sharing solutions including the repairing of deteriorating water delivery systems, treating water as the valuable resource that it is, and increased regulation of ground water.

Sansom also shared stories from his long career in conservancy, including service as executive director of the Texas Nature Conservancy, founder of The Parks and Wildlife Foundation of Texas, and many tales from his 11-year leadership at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Sansom has received many honors for his work and was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Austin College in 1999.

Grace Presbytery's 2007 Senior High Youth Conference, "Now Serving," was held on campus in January, with 800 people attending. The weekend was planned by members of the presbytery in partnership with the Austin College Activators ministry team.





Anna Laura and Oscar Page display the 'Roo quilt created by a 2006 January Term class, which included Rachel Aker, at right.

Students Form A Quilting 'Roo

Students from the 2006 Jan Term class "Quilting in America" were pleased to see the quilt they created purchased for \$300 at the College's annual auction to benefit campus community members.

Among other studies, students in the course each completed one kangaroo square for a quilt for the auction. Rachel Aker '07, a member of the class, said students made 'Roos based on their interests — she created a theatre 'Roo; others were soccer players, dancers, hippies, and athletes. "Those of us from the class were really excited to find out that French professor Bernice Melvin, Margaret Root Brown Chair of Foreign Languages and Literatures and Dean of Humanities, and Anna Laura Page (wife of President Oscar C. Page) bought the quilt to keep it on campus. It really meant a lot to us that the quilt remains on campus as evidence of the work we did."

DID YOU KNOW

For a January 2000 class, 16 Austin College students traveled to Haiti. One of the places they visited was Clinique Bon Sauveur, the Partners In Health clinic Paul Farmer established in 1985. Tilina Pinnaduwage '00 followed Dr. Farmer on medical rounds on the same day she was accepted into medical school.

HOMECOM

Homecoming offered many opportunities for alumni to make connections – reunion gatherings, athletics events,

Tailgating on the Green, the 20th anniversary of the opening of Abell Library, the student golf cart parade, and
the Howard McCarley Memorial Biology Field Trip, to name only a few. Emileigh Stewart '08 and Shane

Webb '07 were Homecoming royalty, and alumni announced reunion class gifts totaling \$1,421,511.



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Homecoming photos by Jacqueline Armstrong, Brian Builta, Aaron Flores, and Arya Rejaee.

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PAUL FARMER

2007 AUSTIN COLLEGE LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

hysician and medical anthropologist Paul Farmer transformed international health care by treating the world's poorest and sickest people with a pioneering community-based program. In a small clinic in rural Haiti, Farmer co-founded Partners In Health, an international organization that today provides health care services for the destitute sick on four continents.





A PARTNER IN HOPE

Dr. Paul Farmer has won the Duke University Humanitarian Award, the Margaret Mead Award from the American Anthropological Association, the American Medical Association's Outstanding International Physician Award, the Heinz Humanitarian Award, the MacArthur Foundation's "Genius Award," and no doubt many other honors and citations. He is the subject of the New York Times bestseller Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World, which tells how Farmer co-founded Partners In Health in Haiti and became a champion of the destitute poor.

Some have compared Farmer to Albert Schweitzer, the Alsatian minister, organist, doctor, author, and missionary who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1952. It is an impressive comparison for a man who is 47 years old, yet Farmer is quick to point out that all his accomplishments had a simple beginning.

"Everything I am doing now," Farmer said, "began when I was a student."

Farmer first visited Haiti in 1983 after graduating from Duke University. The summer before he started medical school, Farmer worked in New York at Kings County Hospital, "but felt drawn back to Haiti," he said. He managed to work in Haiti while attending medical school at Harvard University, and despite constant travel across the globe, Farmer still works in Haiti. It is the capital of his life's work.

More than 100 leaders were nominated for the Austin College Leadership Award, which honors an outstanding individual who has demonstrated the principles of servant leadership. The ideal recipient takes a courageous stand on a public policy issue that advances a humanitarian or educational purpose; serves the youth of a state, nation, or international community to improve the quality of health, educational, or

community services; or creates opportunities for young people that help them enhance their educational experience and move to a new level of service to society.

The recipient also must reflect integrity, values-based leadership, vision, and a personal and professional life that exhibits responsibility, respect, caring, and gratitude.

Farmer likes the concept of servant leadership, "as long as we're clear about who we are serving," he said. "If you are a privileged person, what could be better than being a servant to the poor or the destitute sick?"

LEADERSHIP, TO FARMER, IS GROUNDED IN PARTNERSHIP

"Being a good leader is creating a space where other people can lead," Farmer said. "That's a hard lesson for Americans because we've grown up with the idea that personal achievements are just that — personal. That's not the way to start a movement. It's got to be about the collective."

Partners In Health, organized and started by students, now operates on four continents, with clinics in Haiti, Peru, Guatemala, Mexico, Russia, Rwanda, and Lesotho. Farmer said more than 4,000 people work with Partners In Health. "It's not about struggling alone."

Haiti is one of the poorest countries in the world, with the highest HIV rate in the Western Hemisphere. Despite all the awards and honors, and the success of the Partners In Health community-based treatment program pioneered in Haiti and now copied throughout the world, Farmer said he still feels inadequate on a regular basis.

"When you work in Haiti, you have ample reason to feel inadequate," Farmer said. "Despite developing new treatments for fighting tuberculosis and AIDS, we have not eradicated poverty.





We can save someone's life during childbirth, but we still have not eradicated massive unemployment or given that baby hope for quality of life." At the end of November 2006, three Partners In Health associates were kidnapped in Haiti, and though they were later released unharmed, the episode highlights the challenges of the work. "So yeah," Farmer said. "I feel inadequate all the time."

The best antidote for feelings of inadequacy while facing seemingly insurmountable odds, Farmer said, is persistence. He tells students, "Find something you can do happily for decades; otherwise, you will get bogged down. Find a problem that is going to ignite your passion and stick with it for years and years."

Farmer encourages students to begin serving others immediately, and to keep serving them as a personal discipline, "so it becomes a force of habit. If you begin the habit of activism and service early on, by the time you graduate you have something no one else has: discipline around service."

It helps to acknowledge your own good fortune, Farmer said. "If you are a student at Austin College, you are already a step up on most people in the world," he said. "Listen to the people you are seeking to serve. The poor have something to say, and they will always teach you something."

In accepting the Austin College Leadership Award, Farmer wanted to be clear. "It's not about me and my leadership," he said. "It's about the team and making space for others and sticking with it and growing."

Farmer is encouraged that all the people who started Partners In Health in the 1980s still work together. "This is about building a movement," he said. "I'm starting to feel that it could be possible. A lot of people are starting to see health care as a human right, not a commodity."

If you go into a prison in Siberia
where 26 percent of the patients
with tuberculosis die,
and you start a program based
on a new treatment
and the death rate drops to zero
in one year, that's inspiring.
- Paul Farmer

Paul Farmer earned his bachelor's degree from Duke University and his M.D. and Ph.D. from Harvard University. He is the Presley Professor of Medical Anthropology in the Department of Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School, an attending physician in infectious diseases and chief of the Division of Social Medicine and Health Inequalities at Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH) in Boston, and medical director of a charity hospital, the Clinique Bon Sauveur, in rural Haiti. Farmer has written numerous articles and books, including Pathologies of Power: Health, Human Rights, and the New War on the Poor; Infections and Inequalities; The Uses of Haiti; Women, Poverty and AIDS: Sex, Drugs, and Structural Violence; and AIDS and Accusation: Haiti and the Geography of Blame.

Discovering the Heart of Medicine

elevision programs like ER and Grey's Anatomy portray the exciting aspects of medicine. Four Austin College students had plenty of exciting moments when they traveled to Pisté, Yucatan, for January Term to work alongside Dr. William Perez in the annual course supported by the Trull Foundation of Palacios, Texas. In Dr. Perez's Clinica Promesa — Clinic of Promise — the students experienced the thrills of medical work — and the joys of serving others.

Edgar Araiza '07, Sheena Bhuva '08, Alberto Gutierrez '08, and Ravina Patel '08 have had much previous exposure to the medical field through volunteer work, other January Term explorations, mentors in the field, or training in medical facilities.

None of those experiences adequately prepared them for the month in Pisté. In long days at a small clinic in a rural area, with adequate but outdated equipment, and without many of the medications most prescribed in the United States, the students experienced the heart of medicine through a humble physician who sacrifices for his patients — and is in turn revered.

For four weeks, the students experienced the same sense of gratitude and respect. They were able to interact directly with patients, taking histories and vital signs, and worked alongside the doctor on many cases, though the doctor was careful about making sure the patients were comfortable with the visitors. Fluency in Spanish is a requirement for participation in the January Term course.

Since requirements are not so stringent in Mexico as in the U.S., the students were able to do more than watch. All four students gave injections and sutured wounds. They scrubbed in and witnessed surgery. They made house calls. "This was the best medical experience I've ever had," Bhuva said, agreeing with Gutierrez that there are not words enough to describe the month. "We were very privileged," Bhuva said.

Just as amazing as the medical experience was seeing the dedication of the clinic's staff: two nurses, a handyman, a cook, and the doctor. Bhuva said Dr. Perez rarely sees his family, who lives more than an hour away, because he is hesitant to leave the clinic in case he is needed. Nearly every night Dr. Perez would be awakened by a patient needing help, students said.

"This was definitely the most memorable and impacting experience of my life," Araiza said. "The most important thing I learned is the aspect of caring about a patient and that patient's humanity more than anything else." In Dr. Perez, he said, he saw a man who took the patient's wellbeing personally. "He was saying, 'This is my patient who has entrusted me with his life. It's up to me to make him better," Araiza said.

That commitment touched Araiza, who said he had always wanted to be a doctor, but it was after a January Term experience with Fort Worth cardiologist David Capper '77 and joining him at work in a free clinic that Araiza "knew it was in my heart to work with people."

Though the group saw many in need in Pisté, each came away with hope and anticipation. "This January Term has meant the most to me thus far," Patel said, "because it allowed me to see that there is much aid that is needed in the world — and that with the right mindset and heart you can help many people."

The experiences in Mexico re-confirmed the students' desire to work in medicine. Araiza, who has been accepted to medical school

for fall 2007, eventually hopes to become a cardiologist, though he might opt for surgery or internal medicine in the meantime. Bhuva is considering a career in surgery. Gutierrez might pursue a specialty in neurology. Patel is thinking about pediatrics or gynecology.

The idea of specialty is a luxury for Dr. Perez, the students said, explaining that he sees all types of patients every day — and whatever their health concern, Dr. Perez takes care of them.



Doctors in Training: Left to right, Alberto Gutierrez, Sheena Bhuva, Ravina Patel, and Edgar Araiza strike their own Grey's Anatomy pose in the Mexico clinic.

Bhuva said surgeries that would be laparoscopic procedures in the U.S. were incisions in Pisté because Dr. Perez doesn't have more advanced equipment. "But he still fixed the patients," she said.

In the United States, the students realize, they will not face those same challenges. Facilities are modern; equipment is available; specialists abound; doctors have the privilege of taking time off without fear that patients will go without care. And U.S. doctors can take time to volunteer their services to those in need — something the four students anticipate for their futures.

"I plan to go back to Clinca Promesa whenever I can," Araiza said. "This was not the last time I will work with Dr. Perez and his staff."





Above: Araiza and Bhuva observe surgery at Clinica Promesa in Yucatan, Mexico. Left: Gutierrez works with Dr. Perez and a clinic patient.

Sharing Hope on the Texas Border

Not quite so far away as Pisté, Kelli Sleeth '07 and Mary Colette Schuckhart '08 spent January Term in Brownsville, Texas, working with the *Frontera de Salud* (Border of Health) Program of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. Sleeth explained that Cameron Park is a small, extremely poor, unincorporated *colonia* surrounded by the city of Brownsville.

The two students worked in the Brownsville Community
Health Center in Cameron Park, as well as in various community
programs. Sleeth said the two had a great deal of hands-on experience
with Dr. Manuel Salinas and his patients, many with no insurance
and almost all speaking Spanish. "We gained a sense of what a neverending, unsuccessful cycle it is for chronically sick people to try to
get medical care and get their medications," she said.

"This experience really gave me a sense of what being a doctor is all about," Sleeth said, describing the doctor's selfless dedication to his patients. "One of the things I admired most was that Dr. Salinas has perfected his clinical skills so finely that he could diagnose many things that other physicians might have to run expensive tests to find. Dr. Salinas showed me the kind of medicine I want to practice — using my critical mind to diagnose, rather than expensive tests; giving time to listening to patients, who often will tell you exactly what's wrong if you just listen carefully and attentively; and finally, going to all ends necessary to ensure the treatment and well-being of your patients."



Mary Colette Schuckhart and Kelli Sleeth pose with Dr. Manuel Salinas.

MODEL UN DELEGATIONS PRACTICE DIPLOMACY

Politics, even on a local level, is complex business. Go beyond local concerns to issues facing leaders in the international arena and the political interconnections and collaborations become so complex it takes a scholar to unravel them.

Twenty-eight Austin College scholars set out to do just that at the American Model United Nations (AMUN) in Chicago in November. They joined more than 1,300 students from the U.S. and around the world for the educational exercise. Austin College students represented the countries of Albania and Cote d'Ivoire, with the Cote d'Ivoire delegation named one of five Best Overall

Delegations. Don Rodgers, assistant professor of political science, led the group. Annie King '07 and Katie Scofield '07, who is now preparing for her sixth delegation, served as head delegates for Austin College.

Students spent the fall term training to represent their delegations and learning about the operation of the United Nations. Scofield said the Model UN experience is valuable for all students as it teaches not only about the UN, but about diplomacy, networking, negotiating, professionalism, and public speaking.

"I love the challenge of working to solve problems that the actual UN is working on," Scofield said. "My favorite Model UN story came about when I was representing Germany on Security Council. My partner and I worked all day on negotiations to help the Sudan. That evening, a representative from the 'real' UN Security

Council came to discuss the new resolution they had created that day involving the Sudan, and it was almost identical to the one that my partner and I had negotiated, that same day."



Austin College delegations celebrate another successful Model United Nations competition.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT LEADERS BEGIN SERVICE

Shamyal Khan '08 took office as the new student body president at the close of the fall term. A chemistry major from Carrollton, Texas, he was vice president in 2006 and served on the Student Assembly's public relations committee in 2005. Khan also is a resident

assistant, a member of the Muslim Student Association, and a participant in the Welch Chemistry Research projects of the Austin College Chemistry Department. Vice president is **Steven Zaborowski** '08 of Colleyville, Texas, a business administration and history major. Secretary is **Emma Wilking** '08 of Houston, a psychology major with a minor in history, who spent fall 2006 in Rome. Treasurer is **Matt Holzgrafe**

TUDENT ASSEMBLY

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From left, Shamyl Khan, Emma Wilking, Matt Holzgrafe, and Steven Zaborowski head Student Assembly.

'09 of Austin, Texas, an economics and French major who is a member of the Posey

These student leaders will serve until December 2007.

Leadership Institute.

Tackling Trouble

by Brian Builta

ustin Coppedge grew up on the eastern edge of the Rocky Mountains in Colorado Springs, where natural beauty and human development interweave in a precarious balance. Understandably, Coppedge spent most of his time outdoors and developed a deep love of nature in Colorado Springs. High school teacher Carol March instilled a love of biology in Coppedge that matched his

developing interest in leadership and organizational development.

Nature, biology, and leadership were separate interests for Coppedge until Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast. Then, Coppedge saw a way to combine his interests in a meaningful way to benefit society. Even before Katrina, Coppedge was considering a career in disaster relief medicine. "I just love a fast-paced environment," Coppedge said. "I love moving and doing." In January 2005, he read a story about a Colorado Springs emergency room physician who left for Indonesia immediately after the December 2004 tsunami. That story planted a seed.

Coppedge helped organized a January Term trip to New Orleans in 2006. Sixty-five students mucked out a dozen houses, built a relief camp, and supported the work of organizations such as Catholic Charities and Habitat for Humanity.

The trip strengthened Coppedge's desire to practice disaster relief medicine and gave him invaluable experience in organizing a

relief trip. "It was a unique opportunity to make a difference," said Coppedge, who saw first-hand the public health issues that natural disasters bring to communities along with sewage overflow, mold infestation, and ecosystem devastation.

The New Orleans experience gave added meaning to Coppedge's honors thesis for which he is examining how rainfall affects concentrations of E. coli bacteria in urban creeks. Each time rain falls in Sherman, Coppedge runs to Post Oak Creek and Sand Creek to measure the E. coli concentration.

"There is a strong correlation between rainfall and E. coli concentrations in creeks," Coppedge said. "Concentrations spike during rainstorms." The question is, he said, where does the E. coli come from?

E. coli bacteria perform beneficial services in our digestive systems, Coppedge said, but when they leave the body in fecal matter and enter streams of water, that's trouble. Finding the source of these spikes in E. coli concentrations during rainstorms can go a long way toward reducing E. coli infections.

Coppedge has learned that the trick to solving any problem, whether a thesis or a disaster, is to prevent the mission from becoming diluted. "You have to determine what your biggest need is. Then, what can you do to make the biggest difference? Pick what you can be best at. You increase your overall effectiveness by decreasing the scope."



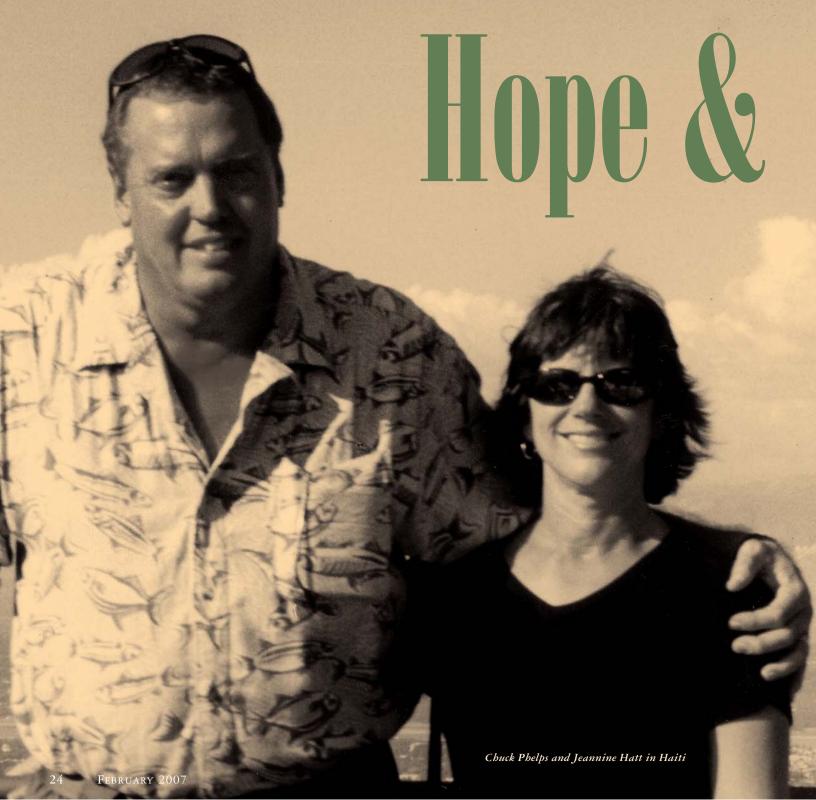
Justin Coppedge

Major: Biology

Hometown: Colorado Springs, Colorado

Career Goal: Medicine





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Drs. Jeannine (Hatt) '72 and Charles Phelps '72 travel twice a year to Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti. They take medical supplies, meet doctors, see patients, build relationships, and learn about life in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

by Brian Builta

Healing in Haiti

Grace

race Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, is a three-hour flight from Disney World. Draw a line from the Florida Keys bisecting the scattered islands of the Bahamas to the north and the long arc of Cuba to the south, and after 600 nautical miles, find Haiti.

Descending in an airplane, a visitor heading to the hospital notices the deforested and eroded countryside and eventually smells burning charcoal as the plane lands in the capital city of Port-au-Prince. Outside the airport, men young and old offer to carry bags or help find transportation across the pot-holed streets crowded with vendors.

Like Disney World, Haiti is full of children, the poorest children in the Western Hemisphere and those most likely to die before the age of five. In the slums surrounding and







scattered within the city these children play amid chickens and dogs and sewage and pigs and garbage. The lucky children are in uniforms, beginning the long walk to school. Small homes are made of concrete blocks and shack after shack after shack is made from scraps of tin, wood, or plastic, all filled with families. In houses like these, 80 percent of the children in Haiti are born.

A visitor eventually arrives at Grace Children's Hospital, a small landscaped oasis in one of the poorer neighborhoods of Port-au-Prince. Along with street vendors at the entrance to Grace is an area with benches where tired mothers wait with concerned looks. A flight of stairs leads to the pediatric unit, where one of every five children is infected with HIV. Young voices and high-pitched laughter are heard before the children are actually seen, and near the top of the stairs is Jesus, painted in a mural pushing a Haitian child in a swing.

This is where Jeannine (Hatt) Phelps '72, a Denison pediatrician, and Charles Phelps '72, a Sherman radiologist, have traveled, usually twice a year, since 2000. Here, they see common illnesses like those in the United States: diarrhea, dehydration, pneumonia, asthma, and a few congenital heart defects and congestive heart failures. They also see something else: severe malnutrition, complications from advanced tuberculosis such as infections of the spine and tuberculous meningitis, and children with AIDS.

What they usually *don't* see are monitors, IV pumps, and ventilators. At Grace, most sick children receive very basic treatment. High calorie meals are prepared in the hospital kitchen and much attention is given to good nutrition.

The U.S. Air Force once donated a ventilator to Grace, but a paucity of spare parts and a lack of knowledge on use and care of the ventilator relegated it to a corner where it gathers dust.

On a Mission

Phelps and Hatt have been involved in international health endeavors for more than 15 years, but they waited until their three children were in school before they started taking them on medical mission trips, often in the summer. They went to Honduras, Guatemala, Venezuela, Nicaragua, and Mexico. They usually traveled with medical teams to remote areas and sometimes engaged in construction projects or accompanied youth groups. "It was a way to learn about another culture," Hatt said, "to see diseases we do not see here, and to show our kids how most kids in the world live."

"It just seemed like a great way to raise kids," Phelps said. "It provides a balance from your professional life and the helter-skelter of practicing medicine."

Then in 2000, a woman they met on a trip to Mexico invited them to visit Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti. "I did not know what a

change this would make in the direction of my medical volunteer work," Hatt said. "Even though we had seen a lot of poverty, we had not seen it that deep or that pervasive. It became obvious how there would be major health problems."

Haiti almost overwhelmed Hatt and Phelps, but also gave them a new mission. They have since focused their medical volunteer activities on projects in Haiti and the neighboring Dominican Republic. They take equipment and medicine each trip, organize information exchanges on treatments and procedures, follow doctors on rounds, listen, and help write grants to secure funding for future projects, such as a new hospital building that has been planned for the past decade.

Phelps said there are advantages to focusing service efforts and resources on one hospital in one country.

"A lot of people on their first trips want to do something: doctors want to set bones; pediatricians want to look in ears; obstetricians want to deliver kids; facial surgeons want to treat cleft palates," Phelps said. "But if you can get into a hospital and find out what equipment they need and what the needs of the community are and help them get a building project off the ground and organize some education for the medical staff, then you've made more of a grassroots impact. You're not just treating the top of the pyramid."

Rich

Each day at Grace Children's Hospital begins with devotions. The staff members read scripture, sing hymns, preach sermons, and pray. The patients, some who walk hours to reach the clinic, participate enthusiastically. "It is quite inspiring," Hatt said, "and empowering."

Grace is run by International Child Care (ICC), a faith-based non-governmental health agency working to reverse poor conditions in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. The hospital opened in 1967, six years after an American couple on a cruise visited Haiti and were appalled by the number of children with active tuberculosis. Hatt recently completed two years as president of the ICC (USA) board of directors and Phelps is a board affiliate.

Despite poverty, disease, violence, and political turmoil, the Haitian people remain beautiful, creative, intelligent, physically and spiritually strong, full of hope, and mightily resilient, Hatt said. "Haiti is rich in culture."

Hatt cherishes the Creole language and the energy and beauty of Haitian music and dance. "The people put great value on relationships," she said. "They are hardworking and loyal. We have developed many friendships in Haiti that we will always cherish."

Two senior residents from the National Medical School in Haiti visited the United States for two months in spring 2005 to live with and learn from Hatt and Phelps. Theresa Israel, a radiologist, worked with







Phelps at Wilson N. Jones Medical Center, while Claudie Innocent, a pediatrician, followed Hatt at her practice in Denison. When Hatt returned to Haiti in September 2005, she attended Innocent's wedding. "Relationship building is important," Hatt said. "It builds trust." Innocent now has a baby and has applied for a job at Grace.

Physicians at Grace are well-trained. Most attended the government medical school and many earned their specializations abroad. "They have great clinical skills," Hatt said. The lack of technology makes many Haitian doctors more astute in making diagnoses based on clinical findings. "I'm impressed with how much they are able to do with so little."

But more than half of Haitian physicians eventually leave the country, Hatt said. Lack of medicine, lack of basic equipment for making proper diagnoses, lack of access to technology, little continuing education, low pay — physicians don't have to look hard for reasons to leave.

Hatt worried that Israel and Innocent would see their trip to the United States as a step toward leaving Haiti. After the visit, she encouraged them to stay in Haiti. "I'd say, 'Your country needs you and it is your responsibility to care for the children and families of Haiti," Hatt said. "They could say, 'That's easy for you to say,' and they would be right."

Lessons

Doctors like Hatt and Phelps go to places like Haiti because they want to help, but they usually receive as many lessons as they give.

"Every time we go," Hatt said, "we are the ones who learn."

They learn the value of prevention, which is less risky and less expensive than curing. They learn the value of a dollar and how the billions spent in the United States each year to relieve common colds would seem almost frivolous in Haiti. They learn that parenting in Haiti is heartbreaking. "Death is so commonplace," Hatt said. "It is something parents accept. They mourn, like any parent would, but death is not a shock there."

Returning from these trips takes a period of readjustment, Phelps said. "Hundreds of people need help and you feel like you are just a drop in the bucket," he said. "Then you come back here to self-inflicted medical problems like obesity or just plain bad habits, and patients want their medical service yesterday." Haiti has zero MRI scanners, Phelps said, while Grayson County alone has eight or nine. "It shakes up your paradigm," he said. "It's just sort of unsettling."

With kidnapping, violence, and hunger still commonplace in Haiti, it is easy to wonder what progress these international health exchanges have made.

At Grace, funding for AIDS has increased, Hatt said, and the hospital is now eligible to receive funds from the international health





community. Grace has new equipment, like pulse oximeters, which measure blood-oxygen levels, and information exchanges have increased the staff's medical knowledge.

"It's little by little," Hatt said. "I wish we could point to something dramatic, but just to say that the hospital is still there, stable and running, says something. What we are doing, I hope, is the beginning of something big."

Hope

Haiti is still a volatile country. Political turmoil and a lack of security have led to gang violence, illegal roadblocks, and kidnappings. Sometimes the staff at Grace has trouble even getting to work. In 2004, an Austin College January Term trip to Haiti had to be cancelled because the situation in the country was too risky. Hatt said the child mortality rate has actually increased in recent years.

Phelps described the unstable situation as a Catch-22. The solution to many problems — tons of waste in Port-au-Prince, the lack of infrastructure, a lack of clean water, the broken education system — begins with public safety, he said. "The country needs money, but no one wants to send money to Haiti until they know it's safe."

Outside Port-au-Prince, in the poor but peaceful villages, Hatt said it is easy to see how Haiti was once considered the jewel of the Caribbean: majestic mountains, crystal blue waters, warm breezes, tropical vegetation, warm and friendly people. It is almost enough to give one hope.

Across the street from Grace is another slice of hope: the site where the new Grace Children's Hospital is being built. One of the nine buildings for the new hospital is already finished, Hatt said, and is used as an out-patient pediatric and reproductive health clinic. Construction of the second building, an eye clinic, has already begun.

All three of Hatt and Phelps' children have been to Haiti and all are interested in returning, Hatt said. All have pursued international volunteer work on their own, so hope hides there, too, in the hands of the next generation.

Hatt dreams that one day Grace will become a medical education and training center in Haiti, partnering with both National Medical School in Port-au-Prince and with a children's hospital in the United States where exchanges can take place between students, residents, and staff.

"It's only right to at least learn what's going on outside our comfortable backyard," Hatt said. "There's a lot of pain and need out there, but it's not too hard to play some part in being the solution."



More Stories of Hope

Many alumni participate in internatonal missions. Some examples:

Mallett '64

Joanne Mallett '64 spent the first seven years after graduation working as a Presbyterian missionary in medical clinics in South Korea. She helped set up equipment, organize and store drugs, care for orphans, and teach English. Mallet returned to the United States, attended medical school, and began practicing obstetrics and gynecology in Galveston.

Now retired from clinical practice, Mallett traveled to Nicaragua in 2005 as part of a medical outreach program with her church. She traveled to the remote town of Mulukuku and worked with the women of the Maria Louisa Ortiz Cooperative and Health Center.

"We contributed supplies and professional services and prayers and encouragement," Mallett said. One current focus is the establishment of a *Casa Materna*, she said, "a center for women with high-risk pregnancy. People of many faiths participate."

Tressler '73

Sam Tressler '73, a San Antonio pediatrician, traveled to Ghana, in west Africa, for two weeks in 2002 to staff an outreach clinic for a rural orphanage. Tressler and his wife, Penny, a registered nurse, saw 100 patients a day, many of whom, Tressler said, waited hours "in the heat and stillness of rural Africa."

They treated mostly malaria, ulcers, typhoid, and tumors. "There were illnesses and conditions I had never seen in the United States."

The clinic was made of cinder blocks, "with a few windows and a few fans. This was medicine in its basic form. We gave the best we could."

McCarthy '83

Terry McCarthy '83 is division chief for the Emergency Department at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas. Each April for the past three years, he has traveled to Catacamas, Honduras, as part of a medical mission sponsored by his church. The team flies into Tegucigalpa, takes a bus six hours to Catacamas, and then divides into three teams: a primary care team that remains in the city, an obstetric team, and a traveling team that drives into the mountains.

McCarthy is usually with the traveling team, which loads supplies into pickups and drives to remote villages. "Entire villages will be lined up for us to see them," McCarthy said. "Some travel three or fours hours and ride donkeys or horses, which they tie up outside the clinic."

The experience has been fulfilling for McCarthy, who also volunteers once a month at a free clinic in Fort Worth for patients without healthcare. "The next step," McCarthy said, "is to get my kids involved."



Share your own medical mission experiences or your reactions to these stories on the Austin College blog site:

www.austincollege.edu/info.asp?4857



Volleyball Team Has Outstanding Record

he Austin College volleyball team had another outstanding season in 2006, its first in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC), posting a 34-8 overall record and finishing the year ranked 17th in the country, the highest final ranking in program history. The team earlier in the season earned the program's highest national ranking when it reached 15th in the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) poll.

The Kangaroos finished the season with a 14-4 record in conference play and earned the distinction of being the lone SCAC

team to defeat conference champion Trinity University, toppling the Tigers 3-2 on Oct. 21. The 'Roos faced their toughest schedule in recent years, playing four teams ranked in the AVCA Division III Top 25, as well as NAIA Top 25-team Texas Wesleyan and Division II's Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

Despite the strong schedule, the 'Roos raced out to a 12-0 start before falling to No. 5-ranked Emory University. After a win over Bridgewater State, the 'Roos dropped consecutive matches to nationally ranked Trinity and Southwestern University before rebounding with six straight wins.

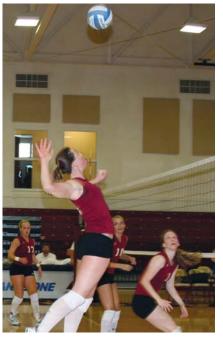
Over the next 19 matches, the 'Roos suffered just four losses to close out the regular

season en route to earning a chance to compete in the NCAA National Championship Tournament. The 'Roos season came to an end against Emory in the first round of the tournament when they lost a 3-2 heartbreaker.

Veronica Stephens '07 surpassed the 5,000-assist mark for her career, easily a school record. She averaged 12.6 assists-per-game, placing her among the national leaders in that category. Stephens also led the team with 68 service aces and was a two-time SCAC Player of the Week and an AVCA DIII Player of the Week. Becca Harpham

'07 wrapped up her career in fine fashion, averaging 3.4 kills-per-game and 3.5 digs-per-game, while also finishing third on the team with 66 service aces. Harpham also was a SCAC Player of the Week.

Stephens and Harpham were named First Team All-SCAC, while Kaitlin Listol '08 earned Second Team honors after averaging a team-best 3.6 kills-per-game. Listol also had 67 service aces and averaged 3.1 digs-per-game. The three 'Roos were named to the AVCA All-South Region First Team, and Stephens and Harpham were named AVCA Second Team All-America. Listol earned Honorable Mention All-America status.





Baseball Team Joins Habitat Effort

Members of the Kangaroo baseball team were among many workers on a Habitat for Humanity house built in November at Ameriquest Field in Arlington, Texas, in partnership with Texas Rangers Baseball Foundation. Coach Carl Iwasaki and 17 members of the team spent a day building and 20 members of the campus Habitat chapter later spent a day putting up siding. The house came "home" to Denison, Texas, for completion in December. Austin College JanServe volunteers helped with final projects on the house.

Football Squad Makes Improvements

After tough losses to Texas Lutheran University and McMurry University to open the 2006 season, the Kangaroo football team responded by winning four of its final eight games, including victories over two Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference teams, to finish the season with a 4-6 record in Head Coach Ronnie Gage's first year at the helm. The 'Roos finished with a 2-4 record in their first SCAC season.

After two defeats, the 'Roos gave Gage his first collegiate victory with a 17-14 win over Kalamazoo College, and made it a two-game winning streak the next week with a 7-0 shutout of Southwest Assemblies of God University. Austin College picked up its first SCAC win Oct. 21 with a 44-20 on-the-road throttling of the University of the South.

The final win of the year came on Senior Day, with a 34-28 victory over Centre College. The 'Roos piled up an incredible 431 rushing yards in the season-ending victory, with **Ryan Cowley** '08 rushing for 160 yards and scoring three touchdowns.

Cowley, who returned to Austin College after a year off, led the 'Roo offense all season. The running back amassed 809 yards and 12 touchdowns with an average of 5.7 yards-per-carry. With Cowley leading the way, the 'Roos led the SCAC in rushing, averaging 206.8 yards-per-game as a team. Ross Hasten '09 gained 469 yards from his fullback position, picking up 6 yards-per-carry.

On the defensive side, Scooter Means '09 and Thomas Derricks '07 finished as the top two tacklers in the SCAC. Means finished the year with 90 tackles and a team-high three interceptions, while Derricks wrapped up his career with an 89-tackle season, including four sacks and 7.5 tackles-for-loss.

Nine 'Roos earned All-SCAC honors, with Derricks and punter Clint Rushing '07 earning First Team honors. Rushing averaged 41.1 yards-per-punt with a long of 67 yards, and had 14 punts land inside the opponents' 20-yard-line.

Cowley and Means were named to the All-SCAC Second Team, while Austin Coachman '07, Jared Baker '07, Matt Orr '09, Eric Shon '08, and Peyton Woodyard '08 earned Honorable Mention recognition.

DID YOU KNOW

Ronnie Gage is the 29th head football coach in Austin College history. Twelve served only one year. The longest tenure?

David Norman, 1994-2005.

Women's Soccer Team Makes Solid Showing

The Austin College women's soccer team enjoyed a solid debut in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference in the 2006 season, finishing the year with a 10-8-1 overall record and a 5-4-0 record in conference play, including wins over Southwestern University and the University of the South. Paul Burns continues in the coaching role he initiated when the team began intercollegiate play in 1996.

The team started well, posting a 7-0 victory against Mary Hardin-Baylor in the season opener, and following that with a 1-0 win at McMurry. The 'Roos won their third straight with a 3-2 victory against East Texas Baptist.

After dropping three straight, the team responded with shutout wins against the University of Dallas and the University of the Ozarks before playing to a tie against the University of Texas-Dallas. After losses to Texas Lutheran and Trinity, the 'Roos won five of the last eight games to close the season, with all five wins against conference competition.

Holly Messamore '09 led the 'Roos in scoring for the second straight season, tallying six goals and two assists for a total of 14 points. Messamore also earned the distinction of Offensive Player of the Week after scoring two goals in a 3-0 win against Hendrix College.

Faren Frazier '09 and Jess Casenave '07 made solid contributions offensively, with Frazier scoring five goals and Casenave adding four scores and an assist. Helen Heres '09 scored three goals and tied with LeAnne Nguyen '09 for the team lead with three assists. Nguyen added two goals in her first season with the 'Roos.

Along with Messamore, Cari Hubbard '08 and Tricia Stone '08 were named SCAC Players of the Week, with Hubbard earning defensive honors and Stone garnering recognition on offense.

Hubbard finished the season with two goals, both game-winners, and Stone had a goal and two assists.

Allison Wurmbrand '10 performed well in goal in her first collegiate season, surrendering just 1.02 goals-per-game while posting an .845 save percentage and making 71 stops.

Colleen Walsh '07 was named First Team All-SCAC, her fourth season as a First Team All-Conference performer. She also was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III All-South Region Third Team.

Nguyen was named to the All-SCAC Second Team, and Emily Clark '07 earned Third Team recognition.

NEW MEN'S SOCCER COACH NAMED

ark Hudson was named the new head men's soccer coach at Austin College in January. A 1999 graduate of Centre College, Hudson was an assistant coach for the men's soccer team at his *alma mater* from 2002 through fall 2006. Prior to coaching at Centre, he spent two seasons as assistant coach at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va.

Hudson was a four-year player at Centre, and helped his team attain a national ranking in each of his four seasons. In 1997, he captained the team to its first NCAA Tournament appearance in program history, a feat which was repeated the following season. As an assistant at Centre, Hudson helped lead the team to a 60-21-8 overall record in five seasons, including the school's first-ever top 10 national ranking in the 2002 season. He served as the team's head trainer and the head coach of the program's reserve team, as well as being actively involved in the recruitment of student-athletes.

"Mark brings an excellent blend of experience to this position," said **Tim Millerick**, vice president for Student Affairs and Athletics. "Austin College is pleased to have a coach with



Mark Hudson

Mark's knowledge of the game to lead the men's soccer program. He understands the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference, Division III intercollegiate athletics, and Austin College. He is a welcome addition to our staff."

MEN'S SOCCER FACES ROLLER COASTER SEASON

he Kangaroo men's soccer team faced its share of ups and downs in its first season as a member of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference, picking up big wins against Southwestern University and Oglethorpe University, but dropping its last four games in conference play to finish the season with a 9-9-0 overall record and a 5-4-0 conference record.

The 'Roos had one of the best starts in the Austin College program's history with consecutive victories over Mary Hardin-Baylor, McMurry, and Texas Lutheran before dropping five of the next six games. The 'Roos moved back into contention for the SCAC championship with a dramatic 2-1 double-overtime victory over Southwestern that started a win streak that included victories over Oglethorpe, the University of the South, Millsaps College, and Rhodes College.

Despite the roller coaster season, the 'Roos received strong performances from upperclassmen and promising young players. Alex Dawson '10 led the 'Roos in goals, assists, and total points in his first college season. An Offensive Player of the Week early in the season, Dawson scored eight goals and assisted on six others for 22 points for the season.

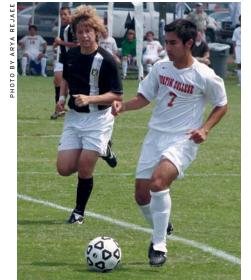
Stephen Carpenter '07 wrapped up his career with a sevengoal, four-assist season, while Aaron Pierce '07 had six goals and an assist. Ryan Bielefeldt '08 also had a strong year for the 'Roos with six goals and two assists, including two game-winning goals. John Martinez '08 rounded out the top five scorers with five goals and an assist.

Guy Muller '10 had a good year in goal for the 'Roos, posting consecutive shutouts against Millsaps and Rhodes and finishing among the conference leaders with 108 saves and a .771 save percentage. Muller and Kameron Ecker '07 earned Defensive Player of the Week honors during the season.

Carpenter was named an All-Conference First Team honoree, with Dawson and Ecker as Third Team selections. Carpenter also

was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III All-South Region Third Team.

This season also marked the last for Coach Ryan Shea, who left the College after accumulating a 41-29-5 career record in five seasons.



Nathan Spradlin moves the ball down the field.

A Balancing Act for Success

hen he was young, Emmanuel Nwelue '08 suffered from severe asthma. He received shots three times per week for a year before the medicine finally helped him become healthy. It was then, Nwelue said, that he realized what he wanted to do with his life.

"I saw doctors and nurses more than anyone outside of my family and teachers," Nwelue said. After his doctors helped him get past his ailment, Nwelue wanted to pass along the support by becoming a doctor.

That was the beginning of his interest in health sciences. How he chose to pursue his dream at Austin College, however, is another matter. In high school, Nwelue was looking at large schools like Texas and Texas A&M. Going to a small college and continuing his basketball career never crossed his mind. However, Austin College offered something that those bigger schools could not match: his sister Carol '05 was a standout volleyball player for the Kangaroos.

Carol asked Nwelue to visit Austin College several times while

she was a student, and through her persistence and persuasion, the younger Nwelue decided that Austin College and Coach Chris Oestreich's Kangaroo basketball team were for him.

The Nwelue siblings were only at Austin College together for one year, but Emmanuel said, "going to school with her for one year was worth being here three years without her."

In reflecting on his decision to attend Austin College, Nwelue said he knows that he made the best possible choice. "I think the pre-med education at Austin College has prepared me well. Learning how to study, struggling through tough times with academics and sports together, is the best skill Austin College could give me."

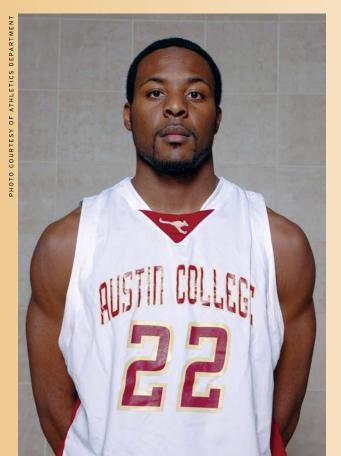
Nwelue plans to study sports medicine, osteopathic medicine, or possibly pediatrics when he leaves Austin College. Hehopes to attend the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth.

For now, Nwelue is in the midst of handling the challenges of the basketball season. A two-year starter for the Kangaroos, he has used his strength and athleticism to become one of the team's best rebounders and defenders.

Nwelue's versatility on the court mirrors his ability to handle the stress of pre-med preparation and the rigors of a long basketball season.

"If you can balance the demands of sports and of academics at

Austin College while doing premed preparation," Nwelue said, "when new challenges present themselves later, you'll be better prepared to handle them."



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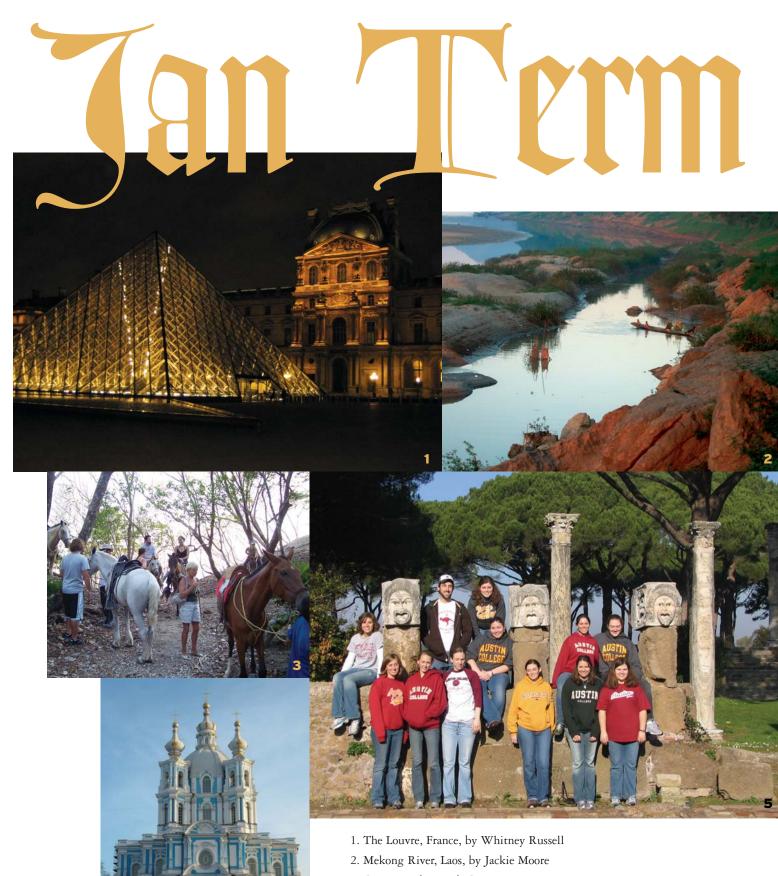
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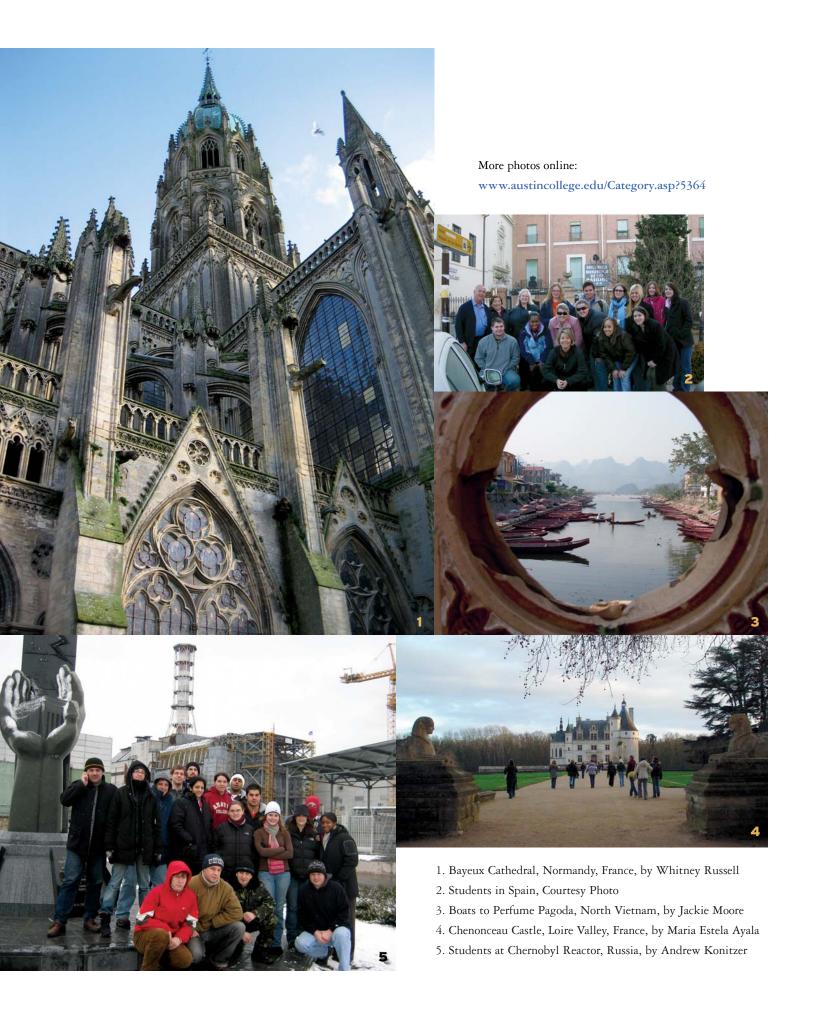
TEAM POSITION:

6' 2" Guard

Emmanuel Nwelue



- 3. Costa Rica by Hank Gorman
- 4. St. Petersburg, Russia, by Andrew Konitzer
- 5. Students in Rome by Bob Cape



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Louis Manz is an Austin College 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient (see page 7). He is a research engineer with the Texas Center for Applied Technology. He lives in San Antonio, Texas.

45-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

Dian Gould McCall is an Austin College 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient (see page 7). Through 2006, she served as general presbyter and stated clerk for the Northern Kansas Presbytery. She now lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

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Charly Castle earned degrees in music and a master's degree in library science from the University of Texas. He works in the UT Fine Arts Library in reference and gift processing, the Texas College of Traditional Chinese Medicine as head librarian, and the Austin Community College, South Austin Campus as adjunct reference librarian. He sings with the Capitol City Men's Chorus and occasionally with Ora Voce at the Metropolitan Community Church of Austin.

40-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

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William Charles Campaigne is an Austin College 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient (see page 7). A veterinarian, he is a partner in Seguin Animal Hospital, Inc., Lone Star Laboratory Swine, and SCH Enterprises. He lives in Seguin, Texas, with his wife, Lynn Marie (Mayfield).

35-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

Katharine Luckett Kerr received a Master Teacher Award in an October assembly at St. Mary's Hall in San Antonio, Texas, where she has taught math since 1996. The award was made "in recognition of exemplary service, skill, extraordinary talent, professional knowledge, and dedication to the progress of the individual student." She worked as a child welfare case worker before beginning her

teaching career. She taught in Dallas at Lake Highlands High School and Bishop Lynch High School before her move to St. Mary's Hall.

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James Downs has been involved in all aspects of the theater for many years, most of those with Backdoor Players in Wichita Falls, Texas, and later with Theatre III in Dallas. He also lived and worked in Yosemite National Park where nature brought his work with poetry back into focus. He has written and published many poems, given readings throughout California, and taught workshops at a local elementary school.

30-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

Chris John was one of 11 people named "Who's Who in Benefit Advising" in the December 2006 Employee Benefit Adviser Magazine. He is chief executive officer and cofounder of United Benefit Advisors, an alliance of independent benefit advisory firms. John lives in Austin, Texas.

Lynn W. Neill, Jr., retired after 26 years of teaching at the New Mexico Military Institute as an associate professor of social sciences. He works as the business manager of the Wayman Learning Center in Plano, Texas. He and his wife, Jeanne McCrossen '80, live in Richardson, Texas, where Jeanne is a paralegal at Fletcher & Springer, L.L.P. ■ Kim Powers has written The History of Swimming, a memoir in great part about his time at Austin College. He appeared on Good Morning America on Sept. 18, 2006, with Diane Sawyer to



Katherine Luckett Kerr, at right, and her family

promote the book and was on Leonard

Lopate's National Public Radio program the following day. The book has received great reviews and was selected as a Barnes & Noble "Discover New Writers" book for the holiday season. Powers continues his work as a writer for ABC's Primetime Live.

25-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

Charla Glass Aldous is an Austin College 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient (see page 7). A 1985 graduate of Southern Methodist University School of Law, she opened Aldous Law Firm in Dallas in January 2007. ■ A son, Noah Mason, was born in April 2006 to Abby and Todd Williams. Big brothers, Matthew, Jackson, Joshua, and Lucas welcomed him home in Dallas.



Noah Mason Williams

20-YEAR CLASS REUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2007

Aldo Billingslea has been granted tenure, promoted to associate professor, and appointed chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance at Santa Clara University.

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A son, Drew Timothy, was born July 28, 2006, to Drew and Camille Higgins Sparks. After 10 years with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Camille accepted a position as an assistant United States attorney in April 2005. Drew works for GlaxoSmithkline pharmaceuticals. The family lives in Las Colinas, Texas.

Alumna Named Hepburn Fellow

Karen Stephenson.'74 was one of three women named Houghton Hepburn Fellows at Bryn Mawr College for 2006-2007. The fellows were announced in September 2006 at the launch of the college's Katharine Houghton Hepburn Center, named for screen legend Katharine Hepburn, a 1928 alumna of Bryn Mawr, and her activist mother, also Katharine Houghton Hepburn, Class of 1899. The Center's mission is to challenge women to lead publicly engaged lives and to take on important and timely issues affecting women. The Hepburn Fellows will be regular visitors to Bryn Mawr, doing their own work and engaging the college community.

Stephenson is president of NetForm, Inc., recognized as one of the top 100 leading innovation companies by CIO in 2001. She is internationally recognized for pioneering work in detecting, diagnosing, and designing human networks to solve a variety of complex problems: (1) engineering tipping points in closed cultures and open markets, (2) remediating acquired organizational deficiencies within large-scale public and private organizations and, (3) developing novel techniques for building sustainable collaboration in public-private partnerships within governments and regional economies.

She has been featured in the media and press, most notably, *The Financial Times, The Economist, World Business, Business 2.0, The Wall Street Journal, Forbes, The New Yorker, The Guardian, Strategy+Business, CIO, Fast Company*, and *Wired*.

Stephenson has been on the faculty at several universities including the UCLA School of Management, MIT's Sloan Management, Imperial College, Harvard's Graduate School of Design, and Rotterdam School of Management at Erasmus University.



Karen Stephenson

After earning a bachelor's degree at Austin College with majors in art and chemistry, Stephenson earned a master's degree in anthropology at the University of Utah, and received her doctorate in anthropology at Harvard University. She may be reached at karen.stephenson@netform.com. Read about her work and her company at www.netform.com and www.drkaren.us



Jacob Kobos and Ellie Willman

Kangaroo Alumni Meet Through Children's Friendship

Jacob and Ellie, first grade classmates pictured with Santa in 2006, became friends in their kindergarten class in San Antonio, Texas. The parents of the young friends soon introduced themselves to one another — and were quite surprised to discover all were Austin College graduates. The parents of Ellie are Ted and Jayne (Patterson) Willman, both 1991 graduates. Jacob's parents are Phil and Marcie (Fisher) Kobos, both 1990 graduates. The parents report that Ellie and Jacob already have made plans to marry — after they graduate from Austin College, of course!



Carsner, Ortiz, and future 'Roos at the summit in Estes Park

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Clay Carsner, his daughter, Robin, and sons, Sam and Benjamin, along with Thomas Ortiz '91 and his daughters, Grace and Sara, conquered the summit in Estes Park, Colo., in August 2006. Carsner is president of C2 Solutions that provides physician practice management services. Ortiz owns a management consultancy that provides advisory services for the public sector. Carsner wrote that he and Ortiz are charter members of Camp Flaming Arrow, a group of dads dedicatedto teaching their kids an appreciation forthe outdoors, creativity, bad jokes, and wedgies. Clay and Bess Carsner as well as Thomas and Halley Ortiz live with their families in Austin, Texas.

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Amy McDonald Deatherage opened a business, Toadally Creative, that specializes in spirit wear, crystal tees, boutique clothing, and accessories for girls. Amy lives in Dallas with her husband, Kyle and children, Trevor, 8, and Tatum, 5. Russ Hunt, Jr., was elected president of the Austin Criminal Defense Lawyers Association for 2006-2007. Michael Wood is assistant general manager and director of ticket operations for the Corpus Christi Hooks Baseball Club. He has been named director of the 2007 Texas League All-Star Game. Wood, one of the four original Hooks staff members, spent 11 years with the Texas Rangers.

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A daughter, Brynna Emiko, was born Dec. 8, 2006, to Thomas and Theresa Proctor Cameron. Big sister, Nicole, welcomed her home in Austin. Michael Clark is a shareholder in his law firm, Quilling, Selander, Cummiskey & Lownds, P.C., in

Dallas. Gail Ferrell Streater finished her residency in pediatrics at the University of Illinois College of Medicine-Peoria, and OSF St. Francis Hospital in Peoria, Ill., in June 2006. She spent her last year of residency as one of two chief residents in pediatrics.



Michael Clark

Chris
Thompson is
participating in
Leadership
Dallas, a
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Dallas is a 10-

month community

leadership program that trains participants in civic responsibilities by providing education on issues in the Dallas community.

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A daughter, Leta River, was born Dec. 1, 2006, to Richard "Brad" and Julia Dodd Bouldin. Big brothers, Jacob, and Peter, welcomed him home. ■ Jennifer Martin is the Presbyterian campus pastor and executive director of the Koinonia Center, a campus

ministry at the University of Oregon.



Leta River Bouldin

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A daughter, Siena Karen, was born March 21, 2006, to Scott and Julia Quebe Peterson.

The family lives in Austin where Julia works as a project manager for development of elearning products for Fusion Learning

Systems. Twin daughters, Evelyn Morgan (Evie) and Allison Claire (Allie), were born July 5, 2006, to Dan and Katie Lane

Robertson. A daughter, Landry Elizabeth, was born June 20, 2006, to Joe and Nichole Spurgeon Schlais. Nichole works in the College Relations Department at the University of St. Augustine.



Evie and Allie Robertson

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Patrick Morris and Michelle Murphy were married July 1, 2006, in Michelle's hometown of Fort Smith, Ark. Brett Atkins was a groomsman and Bill Kuykendall, Maggie Roe, and Dave Hall '96 attended. The couple lives in Los Angeles where Patrick is an intellectual property attorney at Perkins Cole and Michelle is completing the final year of her doctorate in psychology at Pepperdine University.

Kathryn Pourmand Nordick graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law in May 2005. She practices in the area of commercial banking and finance at the law firm of Pepper Hamilton. She and her husband, Greg, live in Philadelphia where Greg works as a registered nurse in intensive care at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. ■ Carlos Enrique Zeisel is a visiting professor of sociology at Salem State College in Salem, Mass. He is teaching classes in peoples and cultures of the Caribbean and the sociology of human rights. He plans to stay in the New England area after finishing his doctorate. Chris and Brandie (Sellers) Werner had their third child on Sep. 20, 2006. Isaiah Christopher Werner joins his siblings Grace and Caleb. Chris is a site manager for Lanier Worldwide and Brandie is a yoga instructor.



Patrick Morris and alumni friends at wedding.



Gregory Koch competed in the Gay Games

VII in Chicago in July 2006. He swam the

800 meter and 1,500 meter freestyle events,

August 2006, he co-chaired the symposium,

"Control, Stigma, and Privilege: Managing

Sexual and Gender Identities," at the 2006

Convention in New Orleans and presented

the paper, "Resilience Roadblock: Gender

and Sexual Orientation Post-Hate Crime."

The psychologists who participated in

the symposium traveled to New Orleans

from San Diego and San Francisco, and

carried with them several large bags of

school supplies, which were donated to

local schools.

American Psychological Association

and won a bronze medal in the 1,500. In



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Above: Aidan and Ava McCook Left: Karla Diaz

Bethany Wofford Hadzisadikovic

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2006, to Sami and Jenny Sharpe Hassibi. ■ Robin Henry received her doctorate in history in May 2006 from Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind. In August, she began a tenure-track position as assistant professor of history at Wichita State University in Wichita, Kan. ■ A daughter, Claire Elizabeth, was born Oct. 8, 2006, to Elizabeth and Strickland Tudor. Bethany Wofford spent March through May 2006 traveling in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand. She slept on boats, trains, busses, a traditional Lao bed (wooden platform) in a straw hut, a beach bungalow, on a kitchen floor, and occasionally in a

A daughter, Hana Isabel, was born Sept. 25,



Kristofer and Michelle Simon



master's degree in business administration from the University of Texas-Pan American in 1999. She was married in 2002, moved to New York City in 2003, and started her doctorate in economics and education at Columbia University in 2004. ■ A daughter, Ava Katherine, was born June 6, 2006, to Keith and Kristina Esser McCook. Big brother, Aidan, 3, welcomed her home.







Amy Hatcher '00 and Christian Vanderbeck

room that cost more than \$4 a night. She returned to Austin where she is working as a government relations specialist for the Health and Human Services Commission and is continuing to work closely with the Texas Legislature and public policy.

Todd Howard was promoted to director of client services for Paige Hendricks Public Relations, Inc. ■ Aaron Lynch has launched a website for his business, InstantSpot. His company offers free websites, blogs, and related services. Kristofer Dukes Simon and Michelle Lynn Teddlie were married

Feb. 17, 2006, in Fort Worth, Texas. ■ Karen Soulé received her law degree from Texas Wesleyan University in May 2006 and was sworn into the Texas State Bar in



Todd Howard

November 2006. She is an attorney for Legal Aid of Northwest Texas, a non-profit group providing legal services for low income families. Her husband, Shawn Welker '96, is a Microsoft certified systems engineer working as senior engineer for Internetwerx, a professional information technology services company. The couple lives in Dallas.



Megan and Travis Stein '01

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Amy Hatcher and Christian Vanderbeck were married May 7, 2006, in Fort Worth, Texas. The wedding party included Sharon Beth Larson '01, Giselle Finne Gafford, Chandini Kumar Portteus, and Beth Wilcox '98. The couple lives in Hurst, Texas, where Amy runs her own company and Christian works for Data Return as a program manager for the BMWUSA website. ■ A son, Jonathan Michael Alan, was born Sept.12, 2006, to William and Kristina Jourdan-Korte. Brothers Khallen, 12, Kennan, 6, and Julian, 2, welcomed him home in Santa Fe, N.M., where Kristina is an elementary music teacher. A daughter, Grace Audrey, was born Feb. 20, 2006, to Kenny and Lyndie Perkins Mansfield.



Jonathon Jourdan-Korte



Torres/Blackwell Wedding Party

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Charles Gurley was featured in the August 2006 edition of *Black-Pages Monthly*. He is the banking center president for Prosperity Bank. ■ Lela Matthes is attending her first year at New York University College of Dentistry. She and her spouse, Brooke McKinney '03, live in Hoboken, N.J., where Brooke

works as a pharmaceutical sales specialist for AstraZeneca. ■ Travis Stein and Megan Henry were married Aug. 12, 2006, in Dripping Springs, Texas. The wedding party



Mehvish Shah

included groomsmen Aaron Kernek, Josh Reynolds, and Grant Sadler. Reed Heim '00 was an usher.

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Kissi Rosabel Torres and Justin Shane Blackwell were married June 10, 2006, in Wichita Falls, Texas. The wedding party included Mila Bonati '99 and Silpa Dhoma. The couple lives in Fort Worth, Texas. Kissi is in her first year of residency in family medicine at John Peter Smith Hospital and Justin is completing his Ph.D. in mathematics at the University of Texas at Arlington. ■ Paul Lawrence Dunbar received his master's degree in history from the University of North Texas Aug. 12, 2006. ■ Mehvish Shah has entered first year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, W.V. The medical college is recognized worldwide for its efforts in rural, family, and primary care medicine. Rebecca Pense and Lance Currie were married Aug. 5, 2006, in Fort Worth, Texas. The wedding party included maid of honor Laura Langham and bridesmaids Claire Chandou, Stacey Bolanz, and Nicole Corrigan. Mandy Hollander Maas and Lesley McCrary Siebenhausen attended. The couple lives in Austin where Lance is in his second year at

the University of Texas School of Law and Rebecca is the catering coordinator for the Intercontinental Stephen F. Austin Hotel.
Mark Wester and Rachel Behl '03 were married in December 2004. Mark was then stationed with the Marine Corps in Djibouti, Africa, for nine months. The couple had a wedding renewal ceremony in Fredericksburg, Texas, in July 2006. The wedding party included Angela Steele '03, Melissa Rader '03, and Paul Nichols. The couple lives in McKinney, Texas, where Rachel teaches kindergarten. Mark is the academic services coordinator at Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas.

03

Elizabeth Rankin and Andrew Bah were married June 19, 2006, in Rivera Maya, Mexico. The couple lives in Fort Worth, Texas, where Elizabeth is a fourth-year medical student at the University of North Texas Health Science Center and Andrew is a police officer for the city of Irving, Texas.

■ Ryane Fraze and Karl Whitcombe were married Feb. 5, 2006, in Ko'Olina, Hawaii. The couple lives in Dallas where Karl works as a developer and Ryane is working on her master's degree in medical sciences from the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth.

04

Megan Varvir Coe received her master's degree in vocal performance from Texas Woman's University in December 2006.

■ Lindsay Ihlenfeld did fieldwork in rural Kenya this summer for her master's degree. She worked with Microfinance groups and



Elizabeth Rankin '03 and Andrew Bah



Lindsay Ihlenfeld

AIDS orphans and also wrote grants which allowed a widow's group to undergo training and open a bakery to support their orphan feeding program. Ihlenfeld is interning with the United Nations International Fund for Agricultural Development in Washington, D.C. She will finish her Masters in International Development at the University of Pittsburgh this spring.

05

Tiffany Lo and Seth Finch were married July 8, 2006, in Irving, Texas. John Williams '84 officiated. The wedding party included Krista Welch '06, Jason Lo '08, and Kenny Penrod '04. The couple lives in Chicago where Tiffany is a teacher and Seth is pursuing his master's degree in divinity at McCormick Seminary. ■ Ben Scholl and Cynthia Dubre '04 were married July 9,

2005, in Bells, Texas. The wedding party included numerous alumni and other members of the college community. Ben is employed by Douglass Distributing in Sherman, and Cynthia is employed by Grayson County College in Denison.



Cynthia and Ben Scholl



Lo/Finch Wedding



Rachel and Mark Wester '02

HOMECOMING 2007



Alumnae Share Love of the Arts

Jean Roelke '88, Heidi Rushing '04, Ellen Weaver '06, and Cedra Wood '05 have opened the "Ghost Town Arts Collective" in Grayson County. The cooperative gallery was founded in September 2006, with the help of other alumni, Austin College faculty, and area artists, to help foster a public forum for the arts and to enhance the availability of cultural experiences within local communities.

The Ghost Town Gallery is located 10 miles southwest of Denison's Downtown Arts District on property owned by Knollwood Mercantile, which also sponsors the gallery's endeavors. "When I suggested the gallery, my family thought it sounded like a good idea — exciting, good cause, good use of property — something my sister and I have wanted to do since we were teenagers," said Roelke, whose family owns Knollwood Mercantile.

The Ghost Town Arts Collective hosted its first visual and performing arts exhibition and reception in December 2006, held a three-day series of art workshops for children, and opened a show in February. "So far," said Rushing, "everything has been a complete success. We have been overwhelmed by the positive reactions." Wood echoed that sentiment, "It has been such an exciting opportunity to get involved with the local art community, and we look forward to seeing even more of the interesting art and performances that area artists have to offer."

For more information about the Ghost Town Arts Collective, email ghostownarts@yahoo.com.



Alumni, clockwise from top, Heidi Rushing, Cedra Wood, Ellen Weaver, and Jean Roelke share their love of the arts through a new gallery.



The Alumni Basketball Reunion was held in January in connection with the 'Roos men's and women's games against Hendrix College. Afterward, several alumni suited up for a little competition, with other alumni gladly taking the role of spectators.

ALUMNI PROFILE:



Gulshan Rahman

SURVIVOR

A profile of Gulshan Rahman '98

by Brian Builta

ealth science has always been a part of Gulshan Rahman's life: her father is an oncologist; she majored in biology at Austin College, studied public health at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston, and works as the health services manager for a Head Start program in Harris County.

Still, she was unprepared in summer 2004 when her doctor said she needed to see a hematologist at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. "You only go to M.D. Anderson for one thing," Rahman said. At age 27, eight months after her wedding, Rahman was diagnosed with leukemia. "You can never be prepared for something like that."

Rahman began chemotherapy and missed three months of work. She said her body has not been the same since, but after a long struggle the cancer finally moved toward remission. Now Rahman can at least think about being herself again.

"I'm still trying to find out what 'myself' is," she said. "Things are so different now. I live with it [cancer]. It's a part of me now. And that's okay."

Rahman said cancer gave her two appreciations: one, a reinforced love of science and discovery — "It saved my life," she said, and another for family and friends and "just how much people will pull through for you."

She fights back tears thinking about the support she received. Friends donated blood and platelets and her sister Happy even offered to donate stem cells, although that step was not necessary.

"Whatever it took, they offered," Rahman said. "That's very powerful."



200 Notes Are Back!

Austin College Magazine staff experimented with 'Roo Notes in the September 2006 issue, posting some news items online only. Many alumni responded, preferring all notes be included in the printed publication. So, in this issue, and future ones, find news from all classes on these pages. Remember to visit the Alumni website to update contact information and learn about campus events.

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to Honduras and Mexico for more
than 15 years. He also has
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MEET THE TRUSTEE

Fred Meyer likes a challenge. At one point in his business career, Meyer served as both president and chief operating officer of Tyler Corporation and as chair of the board of Aladdin Industries. "I like to work," Meyer said.

Even now, at age 79, Meyer serves on six boards, is an elder at Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church in Dallas, and is vice chair for the Cooper Institute for Aerobics Research. "I don't like to do things that are easy," Meyer said.

Meyer has run in four marathons in his lifetime, climbed Mount Rainier in Washington, and from 1996-2003, was a



RealTime Racing in the SPEED World Challenge sponsored by the Sport Car Club of America. "I was an amateur with the professionals," Meyer said. "I didn't win, but I always qualified."

racecar driver for

Outside of business and sports, politics is Meyer's passion. In 2000,

Fred Meyer

presidential nominee George W. Bush asked Meyer to serve as chair of the Republican National Committee "Victory 2000 Campaign," so for nine months Meyer flew to Washington, D.C., on Mondays and returned home to Dallas on Fridays.

Meyer has served on so many committees that "chair" sounds like part of his name. He served as chair of the host committee for the 1984 Republican National Convention, the Republican Party of Texas, the executive committee for the 2001 Presidential Inauguration, the finance committee for Bush-Cheney '04, and half a dozen national campaigns.

"You win some, you lose some," Meyer said about politics. "I've learned that victory plants the seed of our own defeat, whether in business, politics, or sports. You become very confident that you are right."

Leadership also has taught Meyer lessons. "The first day you are the boss is the last day you hear the truth," he said. "The further up you go, the further people skew the truth."

Meyer describes himself as a "24/7 kind of guy" who gets plenty of sleep because he doesn't watch television or movies.

"I was very fortunate," Meyer said. "I grew up in the Depression. There's no substitute for that. Those were hard times. That tends to give you focus."

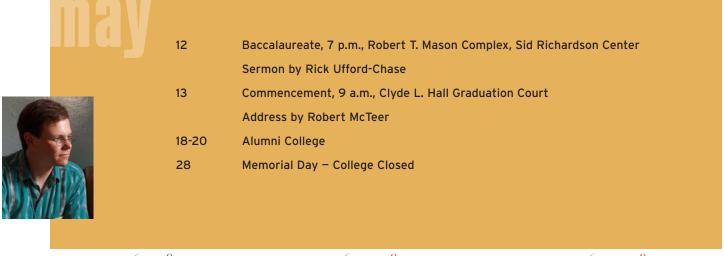
DOWN THE ROAD

14 -15	Allen Head Lectures - Elizabeth Castelli:		
	"When You See Blood, It Brings Truth: Catholic Ritual and Resistance		
	in a Time of War,"		
	Sherman Hall, Hoxie Thompson Auditorium, 7 p.m., 14th; 11 a.m., 15th		
19-23	Spring Break		
30	Antonio Bueno: "Trilogy of Medieval Women,"		
	Ida Green Communication Center, Ida Green Theatre, 7 p.m.		
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▲ EVERY PICTURE TELLS A STORY

Few alumni will recognize the above photo — note the 1931-1932 date — but the picture was too good not to share. How long did this band — and others after it — exist at Austin College?

Alumni: Share YOUR Austin College photos for possible inclusion in Every Picture Tells A Story. Send to Editor, Austin College, 900 N. Grand Ave., Suite 6H, Sherman, Texas 750909 or editor@austincollege.edu.

THE STORY BEHIND THE PHOTO

Only a few alumni wrote to identify this photo from the late 1980s or early 1990s of students sitting along the steps of Luckett Hall – and those who wrote in offered differing identifications. Colin Dunnigan '93 recognized Phil Novicki '92 standing at the left of the photo. The other students, gathered for a photo for an admission publication, remain a mystery. Pull out those *Chromascopes*!



Paul Farmer, M.D., Ph.D. 2007 Austin College Leadership Award



Medical humanitarian Paul Farmer works to transform health care on a global scale by focusing on the world's poorest and sickest communities through Partners In Health, a charity organization that provides health care on four continents. Farmer is the subject of the best-selling Tracy Kidder book, *Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World.*

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