Student Success Newsletter

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Academic Advising Services
For more information, contact Diane Hester @ 486-2611

Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday               8:00 am – 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 1         9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Location: MLK – Welcome Center   SWC – Bldg. 1-B172

Alamo ENROLL Assistance:
MLK - NTB 117               SWC – Bldg. 1-B172

College Connection

Financial Aid Saturdays

Date: Saturday, March 1, 2014
Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Location: St. Philip’s College – Martin Luther King Campus (Welcome Center, 1st Floor)
Summary: Receive hands-on assistance with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
Reminder: Processing Guarantee Date for Fall 2014 is May 1, 2014!

Student Services in the SLC

You will find the following student support services in the newly renovated Sutton Learning Center:

SUITE 102
Disability Services
Career & Transfer
Service Learning
International Student Services
Financial Literacy
Veterans Outreach Transition Center

SUITE 127
Student Health Center

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Important Dates

March 1-7   Online Vote-Student Services Fees
March 7    Sixth Annual Golf Scholarship Tournament
March 10-14  Spring Break- Alamo Colleges Closed
March 27   5th Annual WINTO Conference
March 29  Alamo Colleges 1st Annual Wellness 5K Run/Walk

Dr. Sherrie Lang, Vice President of Student Success
Dr. Paul Machen II, Dean of Student Success
Dr. Karlene Fenton, Dean of Southwest Campus
Beautrice M. Butler, Sr. Director, Enrollment Management
Dr. Angela McPherson Williams, Director of Student Success
Women’s History Month Calendar of Events

For more information, please contact Jill Zimmerman at 210-486-2345.

Event: Women’s History Month Kickoff
Guest Speakers: Renita D. Mitchell, Chairperson of the Mathematics Department, SPC
Dr. Martha Trevino, Dean of Community Development, NLC
Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2014
Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Location: Heritage Room in the Campus Center
Summary: Come hear about their journeys from community college students to careers in higher education.

Event: Interfaith Symposium
Date: Thursday, March 6, 2014
Time: 11:00 am - 11:50 am
Location: Campus Ministries (Across from Campus Center)–525 S. Mittman
Summary: Three outstanding women and spiritual leaders of our community will share their personal experiences and thoughts on the role faith plays in their lives

Event: "Celebrating Women of Character Through Poetry"
Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2014
Time: 10:00 am - 10:50 am
Location: Morgan Gallery in the Watson Fine Arts Center (Bldg. #1)
Summary: Faculty members will present personal stories about a special woman in their lives followed by an original or selected poem honoring the person.

Event: "Celebrating Women of Character Through Poetry"
Date: Tuesday, March 25, 2014
Time: 12:00 pm - 12:50 pm
Location: Morgan Gallery in the Watson Fine Arts Center (Bldg. #1)
Summary: Faculty members will present personal stories about a special woman in their lives followed by an original or selected poem honoring the person.

Event: Guest Author, Nan Cuba
Date: Wednesday, March 26, 2014
Time: 12:00 pm-1:00 pm
Location: Morgan Gallery in the Watson Fine Arts Center (Bldg. #1)
Summary: Reading, Q&A and book signing. Books will be available for purchase through the SPC Bookstore.

SPRING BREAK 2014
The college and district offices will be closed March 10-16, 2014 at all Alamo Colleges' locations.
Counseling Resource Center
For more information, contact Melissa Sutherland @ 486-2378.

Event: Mental Health and Alcohol Online Screening
Date: Daily
Summary: Free, anonymous online screenings are now available 24/7 to all St. Philip's College students on the Counseling Resource Center webpage. Screenings are available for: Depression, Bi-Polar Disorder, Alcohol Abuse, Eating Disorders, Anxiety, and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). The screening is provided so that you may find out, in a few minutes, whether or not professional consultation would be helpful for you. Click on “Counseling Services” under the Current Students tab of the SPC webpage, or go to http://www.alamo.edu/spc/counseling-services/ for more information.

Event: The Jed Foundation - ULifeline Help
Summary: Search for online information for preventing suicide, reducing emotional distress, and other topics through ULifeline at www.ulifeline.org/. Once on the website, use the “Select your school” to locate SPC Counseling Resource Center events.

Student Life
For more information, contact Dr. Angela McPherson Williams @ 486-2090.

Event: March Madness Bracket Challenge
Date: Monday, March 17 – Tuesday April 8, 2014
Location: Turbon Student Center
Summary: Students are invited to show their knowledge of the collegiate basketball by completing a bracket for the NCAA Division 1 Men’s Basketball Tournament. The student who picks the winning team or most points will win the grand prize. For more information, visit the Turbon Student Center and speak to Coach Amy.

Event: Gamer’s Tournament
Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2014
Time: 6:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Location: Turbon Student Center
Summary: Students are invited to compete in a video game tournament or participate in a night of board games, billiards and foosball. Prizes will be awarded for the winner of the Video Game Tournament. For more information, visit the Turbon Student Center and speak to Coach Amy.

Event: Tiger Basketball
Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2014
Time: Lady Tigers vs Victoria College 6:00 pm, Tigers vs Victoria College – 8:00 pm
Location: Health & Fitness Center (Gym)
Summary: Join the Blue Crew to cheer the Tigers to Victory!!! Blue Crew members get free refreshments during the game. Stop by the Turbon Student Center to get more information and to sign up for the Blue Crew.

Event: Tiger Basketball
Date: Wednesday, March 26, 2014
Time: Lady Tigers vs SAC 6:00 pm, Tigers vs SAC – 8:00 pm
Location: Health & Fitness Center (Gym)
Summary: Join the Blue Crew to cheer the Tigers to Victory!!! Blue Crew members get free refreshments during the game. Stop by the Turbon Student Center to get more information and to sign up for the Blue Crew.
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Tutoring Services
For more information, contact Kevin Schantz @ 486-2246.

Event: General Tutoring and a great place to study (ongoing)
Days: Monday - Friday
Times: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Location: Norris Technical (NTB) Building, Room 116
Summary: Tutoring in accounting (I & II), Spanish, History, and Speech

Event: COSC and BIS Tutoring in the Bowden Building (ongoing)
Days & times: Monday 10:00am – 2:30pm
             Tuesday 10:00am – 2:30pm & 6:00pm – 8:00pm
             Wednesday 10:00am – 4:00pm
             Thursday 10:00am – 4:00pm
             Friday 10:00am – 2:30pm
Location: Bowden Building, room 202
Summary: Tutoring in computer and business related courses

Service-Learning Program
For more information, contact Kevin Schantz @ 486-2246.

Event: “Spring into Service” Volunteer Fair
Days: Tuesday, March 4, 2014
Times: 9:30 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Heritage Pavilion
Summary: Learn about opportunities to get involved in your community.

Better Together Campaign
For more information, contact Kevin Schantz @ 486-2246.

Event: Mobile Food Pantry Voucher Distribution
Dates: March 3 – 7 and March 17 - 19
Times: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Location: Norris Technical (NTB) Building, room 116
Summary: 140 vouchers will be distributed on a first come, first served basis until they are gone.

Event: Mobile Food Pantry Food Distribution
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014
Times: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Location: Parking Lot #5 (MLK campus; near Campus Ministries)
Summary: A voucher is required to participate in the Mobile Food Pantry food distribution. Please see above.

Event: Better Together Outreach Day
Date: Friday, March 21, 2014
Times: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Heritage Pavilion
Summary: Learn more about interfaith cooperation and the events planned by the Better Together Campaign.
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Career and Transfer Services
For more information, contact Cassandra Segura@cware@alamo.edu.

UNIVERSITY VISITS

Event: Troy University  
Date: Tuesday, March 4, 2014  
Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Event: Our Lady of the Lake University  
Date: Thursday, March 13, 2014  
Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Event: St. Mary’s University  
Date: Thursday, March 13, 2014  
Time: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Event: Wayland Baptist University  
Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2014  
Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Event: University of the Incarnate Word  
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014  
Time: 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Event: St. Mary’s University  
Date: Friday, March 21, 2014  
Time: 9:00 am – 12:30 pm  
Location: Science Building

Event: University of the Incarnate Word  
Date: Thursday, March 20, 2014  
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Location: Campus Center (Cafeteria)

Disability Services at MLK
For more information, contact Lydia Hannawi @ 486-2295.

Event: Disability Resource Center (DRC) at St. Philip’s College- MLK Campus (A resource for students in need of information on disability services, ADA accommodations, and community referrals.)  
Date: Monday – Friday  
Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Location: Sutton Learning Center, 1st floor  
POC: Maria Botello, 486-7175 or Lydia Hannawi, 486-2295  
Summary: The Disability Resource Center offers guidance and services to students with disabilities.

Student Services @ St. Philip’s College-Southwest
For more information, contact Regina Horne-Espree @ 486-7199.

Office Hours:  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
Friday  
Saturday, March 1st  
Location: SWC Bldg. 1, Room B172  
SWC Advising hotline: 210-486-7281

Financial Aid: Representative available on Wednesdays from 8:00am-7:00pm
Student Services @ St. Philip’s College- Southwest (Cont’d)

For more information, contact Regina Horne-Espree @ 486-7199.

Bursar’s Hours of Operation
Tuesday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am – 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Disability Services
For more information, contact Lydia Hannawi @ 486-2295.

Event: LIFEspace Center at St. Philip’s College-Southwest (A resource for students in need of information on disability services, counseling, community referrals, and general VA information.)
Date: Tuesday and Thursday
Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Location: Building 1, Room A-135
POC: Maria Botello, 486-7175 (Tuesday) and Lydia Hannawi (Thursday)
Summary: The LIFEspace Center offers guidance and services to students with disabilities.

Counseling Services
For more information, contact Melissa Sutherland @ 486-2378.

Event: Counseling Services offered at St. Philip’s College-Southwest
Date: Spring 2014
Time: Tuesdays 11:00 am – 1:00 pm and Wednesdays 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm (subject to change)
Location: LIFEspace Center, Building 1, A-135 (486-7275, 486-7281)
Summary: The Counseling Resource Center will be providing counseling services to students at St. Philip’s College-Southwest during the Fall 2013 semester. Students please come by and visit. We would love to hear from you about topics of interest for creating counseling groups.

Event: Mental Health and Alcohol Online Screening
Date: Daily
Summary: Free, anonymous online screenings are now available 24/7 to all St. Philip’s College students on the Counseling Resource Center webpage. Screenings are available for: Depression, Bi-Polar Disorder, Alcohol Abuse, Eating Disorders, Anxiety, and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). The screening is provided so that you may find out, in a few minutes, whether or not professional consultation would be helpful for you. Click on “Counseling Services” under the Current Students tab of the SPC webpage, or go to http://www.alamo.edu/spc/counseling-services/ for more information.

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Every FRIDAY at St. Philip’s is Spirit FRIDAY!
Wear your favorite St. Philip’s shirt, or wear the school colors – blue and white. Then stop by the Heritage Pavilion on the MLK Campus or the Crossroads on the SW Campus from 11:00 am-1:00 pm.
Prizes will be awarded each week to the student showing the most school spirit.
Student Services @ St. Philip’s College- Southwest (Cont’d)

Tutoring Services
For more information, contact Kevin Schantz @ 486-2246.

Event: Tutoring at Southwest Campus (ongoing)
Days & times:  
Monday 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tuesday 11:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Wednesday 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Thursday 11:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Friday 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Learning Resource Center/Library (Room C123, Building #1)
Summary: Mathematics and writing assistance for any class!!

Service-Learning Program
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Event: “Spring into Service” Volunteer Fair
Date: March 3, 2014
Times: 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Southwest Campus Crossroads (Building #1)
Summary: Learn about opportunities to get involved in your community.

Better Together Campaign
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Event: Mobile Food Pantry Voucher Distribution
Dates: March 3 – 7 and March 17 - 19
Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Location: Southwest Campus Student Services Hub (Building #1 Room B-172)
Summary: 60 vouchers will be distributed on a first come, first served basis until they are gone.
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

For more information, contact Dr. Angela McPherson Williams @ 486-2090.

Become a Student Government Officer. Be the voice of the SPC student body; work with the college administration to effect positive change on campus and in the district; and gain valuable leadership training and experience.

SGA Officers participate in the college’s leadership meetings, facilitate student body meetings and represent the college at local, state and national conferences. There are opportunities for scholarships, training and more. Apply today! Deadline to apply is March 20, 2014.

Candidate Applications for the 2014-2015 Executive Team are available in the Turbon Student Center 110 or the SWC Student Center Bldg. 1 D-143.

Vote online March 24 – 31, 2014. *Currently enrolled students, be on the lookout for an email with voting instructions and a link to the online ballot on Monday, March 24.

Encourage Students to Vote!

Alamo Colleges’ students have the opportunity to vote on two propositions that directly impact their fees and experiences. The Student Activity Fee increase is recommended by the district-wide, combined Student Government. Both fees are effective Fall 2014 and are designed to strengthen student programming and increase accessibility of programs to all students. Elections are March 1, 2014: 8:00 am to March 7, 2014: 11:59 pm. Additional information is available at http://alamo.edu/main.aspx?id=37269

Proposition 1 – Study Abroad Scholarship Fee
The addition of a $1 per student per semester Study Abroad Scholarship fee affords students the opportunity to apply for a scholarship to travel abroad, earn college credit and enhance their academic studies.

Proposition 2 - Student Activity Fee Increase
The increase of the Student Activity Fee from $1 per credit hour to $2 per credit hour would expand and enhance offerings for students. These include student leadership activities, recreational sports, entertainment and celebrations of diversity.