'RooVisors - Volunteer as an advisor to the next generation of Austin College alumni

This year, Career Services and Alumni Engagement staff are partnering to bring you 'RooVisors, an online portal that connects you with students seeking career advice and mentoring. It's easy to be a 'RooVisor; you can sign up using your LinkedIn account. Click here to learn more.

2016 ATHENA Awards and symposium set for April 28

On April 28, Austin College's Center for Community & Regional Development will co-host a half-day Board Leadership Symposium, concluding with the 2016 ATHENA Awards Celebration during lunch.
Co-sponsored by United Way of Grayson County and the College's Texoma Women Get Connected group, the day's sessions will feature several outstanding speakers. Expert panelists on board governance, leadership development, and nonprofit management will discuss staff/board relations and board leadership responsibilities during two morning sessions from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. The keynote luncheon at noon features Kathryn Engelhardt-Cronk, CEO of MissionBox in Austin. Following her address, the luncheon will conclude with announcement of the local recipients of the ATHENA Leadership Award and ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award for 2016.

Volunteer board members, nonprofit staff, and community friends are welcome to attend all sessions. Registration is free for the morning panels, and the keynote luncheon and awards celebration is $25. Online registration through the Austin College website is open through April 25.

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Austin College relies on countless donors, volunteers, and friends of the College to provide our students with a world-class liberal arts education. This February, we marked STOP Day, or Starting Today Others Pay, a recognition that without generous outside support the College would only be able to provide for students six months out of the year. Later this month, we'll celebrate Philanthropy Week to recognize and thank those that make the Austin College experience affordable.

Philanthropy Week is organized by STAT (Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow), an organization dedicated to spreading student awareness about philanthropy. This year, we're taking time out to honor our Reunion Classes, starting with our soon-to-be Golden 'Roos, the Class of 1966. Our students will be reaching out with some personal thank you messages (we promise they're not asking for more of your generosity!!) the last week of April, so keep your phones close by!

Allison Dawson '03 Named VP of Institutional Advancement
The College is happy to announce that Allison McBee Dawson ’03 has accepted the position for Vice President of Institutional Advancement. Allison's leadership, dedication, and experience paint a bright picture for the future of the College. Since February 2015, Allison has served the college as Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of Leadership Gifts. Please join us in congratulating Allison on her new role!

GO! Forum Recap and Photo Gallery

On March 22, 2016, Austin College welcomed Sheryl WuDunn and Nicholas Kristof to campus and to the Perot Museum in Dallas to receive the 2016 Austin College Posey Leadership Award. These Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists are the founders of the Half the Sky Movement, an organization dedicated to raising awareness about the widespread mistreatment of women and girls across the globe and empowering these women and girls to create change in today’s society.

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We enjoyed seeing many of you on campus and at the Perot. Visit our Facebook page for all the photos and tag your friends. Also nominations are open for the 2017 award; let us know who you want to see!

Click here to nominate!
Physics students Amy Glazier ’17 and Archit Vasan ’16 won first place in physics for poster presentation and third place poster overall at the Texas Academy of Science annual meeting in March at the Llano River Field Station at Texas Tech University in Junction. The students won a cash prize and were recognized at the event awards banquet.

The two were among seven students joining Austin College faculty John Richardson, associate professor of chemistry, and Lance Barton, associate professor of biology, at the event. Biology students Rose Massey ’16 and Dilan Shah ’17 and chemistry students Alison Chao ’17, Jay Jeon ’17, and Chris Alcorta ’16 also presented posters.

Historian Light Cummins is getting a lot of attention for his latest book, Allie Victoria Tennant and the Visual Arts in Dallas, released by Texas A&M University Press in September 2015. In addition to being the subject of many recent public appearances by the author, the book is making its way onto award lists. Early in March, Cummins received the Liz Carpenter Award for Best Book on the History of Women at the annual meeting of the Texas State Historical Association. The award recognized the outstanding scholarly book on the history of women in Texas published during 2015. A few weeks later, Light Cummins received word that this book is one of three finalists for the Ramirez Family Award for Most Significant Scholarly Book, awarded by the Texas Institute of Letters. Find more about the book on Cummins’ blog.

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**Spotlight on ’Roo Accolades**

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**Happening on Campus in March**

- Cunningham Lectures - The Bible and the Qu'Ran, April 13 and 14
- Faculty Research and Pedagogy Talks - Dr. Ian McFarlane, April 14
- Student Recital, April 14th and 28th
- Guy Forsyth and the Hot Nut Riveters, Sherman Community Series - April 16
- An Evening of Chamber Music and Jazz - April 18
- **GreenServe** sponsored by the Service Station - April 23
- 'RooBound - April 23
- **Honors Convocation** - April 28
- Sherman Symphony Orchestra, 50th Season Anniversary, **The Planets** by Gustav Holst - April 30

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