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College Receives \$7 Million Gift



President Marjorie Hass announced one of the largest gifts in the College's history—a \$7 million bequest—at the fall meeting of the College's Board of Trustees in October.

The gift is from the estate of Lemuel Scarbrough Jr., a 1958 graduate of Austin College and lifelong Austin, Texas, business leader who died September 1. "We celebrate tonight the life and legacy of a dedicated Austin College alumnus," Dr. Hass told those gathered. "Mr. Scarbrough's foresight and love for the College has allowed us to receive timely support for innovation and momentum in our goals."

[View the video about Lemuel Scarbrough](#)

Board of Trustees Chair David Corrigan '81 of Dallas echoed the thanks expressed by Dr. Hass. "Mr. Scarbrough's life serves as an inspiration for each of us as we see the impact we can make on behalf of the College throughout our lives-as well as the tremendous potential of our future legacy gifts," he said.

The creation of the Scarbrough Center for Writing is evidence of Austin College's commitment to enhancing the writing and communication skills of its graduates, said Dr. Sheila Amin Gutierrez de Pineres, vice president for Academic Affairs. "The ability to communicate ideas and a vision is critical to success for our students." The center will build upon the writing assistance and discipline-specific tutoring that Academic Skills Center (ASC) staff and peer-tutors have provided students for years. In addition to offering group and individualized writing assistance and guidance, the Scarbrough Center for Writing also will provide resources such as style guides, grammar aids, and models of good writing. Faculty, too, will be able to use the repository of teaching materials and sample assignments as well as rubrics and support for assessment of writing skills.

#Giving Roosday | Save the Date - November 29!



Last year, more than 45,000 organizations in 71 countries came together to celebrate #GivingTuesday. Since its founding in 2012, #GivingTuesday has inspired giving around the world, resulting in greater donations, volunteer hours, and activities that bring about real change in communities.

This year on Tuesday, November 29, Austin College joins the movement, but with our own twist: #GivingRoosday! We want to hear why you give to RooNation. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, and tag your story with #GivingRoosday.

Watch social media starting November 15 for sneak peeks of the upcoming #GivingRoosday celebration.

[Homecoming 2016 Recap | Homecoming & Family Weekend 2017!!](#)



Check out the Homecoming Recap Video and mark your calendars now for **Homecoming and Family Weekend 2017 on October 13-15.**



LESSONS & CAROLS

Thursday, December 1, 2016 • 5:00 p.m.
Austin College Campus • Wynne Chapel

The Service of Lessons and Carols will include Hebrew and Christian scriptures, carols, anthems, a candle-lighting ceremony, and presentations by Austin College choirs, directed by Wayne Crannell, associate professor of music. College Chaplain John Williams will officiate at the service.

In Memoriam: Don Rodgers

The Austin College community was shocked and saddened by the death of Dr. Don Rodgers, associate professor of political science who suffered a heart attack November 6.

Share your memories and condolences.

"We are stunned by this news and send our deepest sympathies to Kuani and Kyl and their extended family, as well as all those who will be saddened by this tragic loss to the College community," said Austin College President Marjorie Hass.

A memorial service has been set for Tuesday, November 15, at 4:30 p.m. in Wynne Chapel.



Happening on Campus

- **Texoma Women Get Connected Star Party**, November 10
- **Admission: Transfer Student Preview Day**, November 11
- **'Roos on the Road @ Trinity**, November 12
- **Fall Choral Concert**, November 13, 3 p.m.
- **An Evening of Chamber Music and Jazz**, November 14, 7:30 p.m.
- **Wind Symphony Performance**, November 16, 7:30 p.m.
- **Theatre: Metamorphoses**, November 16-18, 7:30 p.m.
- **Collin County AlumNight**, November 15
- **Student Thanksgiving Break**, November 21-25
- **Thanksgiving Holidays-College Closed**, November 24-25

Looking Ahead:

- **Service of Lessons and Carols**, December 1, 5 p.m.
- **World AIDS Day Service**, December 1, 7 p.m.
- **Christmas Pops Concert**, December 3, 7:30 p.m.
- **Christmas Pops Concert**, December 4, 3 p.m.
- **Fall Term Ends**, December 9

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