Page to Speak on Changing Nature of Liberal Arts

Dr. Oscar Page, President Emeritus of Austin College, will be the special guest speaker at the A.J. Carlson Lecture on the Liberal Arts on Tuesday, September 10. His talk, titled "The Changing Nature of the Liberal Arts: The Impact on the Traditional Liberal Arts College," begins at 5 p.m. in Wright Campus Center, Mabee Hall. The event is preceded by a reception at 4 p.m.; both are free and open to the public.

Count Down to Move-In

Eight days until New Student Move-In on August 23! Opening Convocation is August 28; classes begin Thursday, August 29.

Help the 'Roos Move to Their Rooms

Alumni! – Come join the faculty and staff on New Student Move-In Day, August 23, as they assist the newest 'Roos in their move to campus. Tasks are available for all fitness levels; lunch is provided. Contact Alex Haj, assistant director of alumni engagement, at ahaj@austincollege.edu or 903.813.2196.

TEDxAustinCollege Presents 'Shifting Perceptions'

The fourth annual TEDxAustinCollege will feature short talks by six members of the Austin College community addressing the theme, "Shifting Perceptions." Along with these speakers, interactive programming is available in the Discovery Depot.

TEDxAustinCollege was launched in 2016 by members of the Austin College chapter of the national service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. The 2019 team is led by executive planning chair Oyindamola Olufosoye '20 of Lagos, Nigeria.

"Every day, we go to class and we are encouraged to explore big ideas," she said. "I attend Austin College knowing without a doubt that I will be inspired, not only to think but to act. TEDxAustinCollege reflects the spirit of an Austin College education. It invites us to engage with our community and reach far beyond ourselves."

2019 TEDxAustinCollege speakers include:

Aaron Flores '09
Building an Authentic Community by Seeing Your Neighbors

Seth Howard '20
A Millennial's Perspective on the 2008 Financial Crisis

Minni Malhotra, M.D., parent of alumna Soloani Malhotra '17
Your Pills Won't Save You: The Power to Reverse Disease

Kusha Mohammadi '15
Medical Clickbait: Are You Asking the Right Questions?

Julia Shahid, Ed.D., Austin College education faculty
Teachers, Oats, and Rocket Science?

Lindsay Williambrown '02
How Homelessness Shaped My Worldview

Admission is $30 for the Main Stage in Wright Campus Center, Mabee Hall, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; lunch is provided. TEDx is an independently organized event, licensed by TED.
Alumni Race to Raise Funds for Haitian Hospital

It's called the Hotter'N' Hell Hundred for a reason. The legendary annual bike ride in Wichita Falls, Texas—set this year for Saturday, August 24—will see temperatures easily climb above 100 degrees. The heat won't stop Dr. Jeannine Hatt '72 and husband Dr. Chuck Phelps '72, however; they will be there to ride with their team, International Child Care Race for Grace.

The Hotter'N' Hell Hundred is the largest single-day, 100-mile bike event in the country and offers routes between 10 kilometers and 100 miles. More than 13,000 riders from across the nation travel to west Texas for competition and camaraderie, and the Race for Grace team is there to raise awareness and money for Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti. Hatt says the team usually raises between $60,000 and $70,000 each year. She has regularly served on the International Child Care board of directors for more than 15 years, and it was at a board meeting in 2006 the bike ride team was established.

"Every dollar raised can significantly impact a child's life," Hatt said. "Since the original hospital was destroyed in Haiti's earthquake in 2010, the inpatient area is smaller with only 25 beds, but the outpatient services seem to have grown. Hundreds of patients are cared for daily and International Child Care continues to be the main technical partner working with the Haitian Ministry of Health in the control of tuberculosis in the country. Although there are 'transitional or temporary buildings' in place, we have a dream of rebuilding someday."

An Austin College trustee, Hatt is a pediatrician, and Phelps is a radiologist. They live and work in the Sherman-Denison area. "All of our children and their spouses have ridden with Race for Grace and raised funds with us on various years. They are all physicians (oddly enough) and have been with us on volunteer medical trips since they were kids. Their exposure to health situations in resource-poor countries has impacted all of them," she said.

Learn more about the work of Drs. Hatt and Phelps at www.internationalchildcare.org/raceforgrace

Congratulations to 2019 Legends Honorees

More than 270 'Roos and friends celebrated the latest inductees into the Athletics Hall of Honor, Deb Hunter as the 2019 Spencer Award for Lifetime Achievement in Coaching recipient, and two Alumni Coach of the Year awardees at the annual Legends event August 3. Congratulations to all the honorees!

Watch the recap video here!
UPCOMING EVENTS

August
23 New Student Move-In and Conference
28 Opening Convocation
29 Fall Classes Begin

September
2 Admission Labor Day Preview
7 Football vs. Howard Payne; Outback opens at 11 a.m.; Kick-off 1 p.m.
10 A.J. Carlson Lecture Series, Wright Campus Center
12 AlumNight - Dallas
17-19 CSMS Fall Symposium, Wright Campus Center
19 North Texas Giving Day
21 Football vs. Centre College; Outback opens at 11 a.m.; Kick-off 1 p.m.
26 AlumNight - Houston
26 Public Health Symposium, IDEA Center
26 Social Justice Walking Tour
28 TEDxAustinCollege, Wright Campus Center

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