The well-being of our students, our employees, and our community is a top priority. Information about Austin College’s response may be found at our webpage monitoring the coronavirus.

Austin College Announces $6.5 Million Gift

Austin College President Steven P. O’Day, J.D., announced a $6.5 million anonymous gift to the College at the February 21 meeting of the College’s Board of Trustees. “This substantial bequest to the endowment will ensure the values of Austin College that shaped this alumnus’ own life will be carried into the future, and will help open doors for future generations of students to pursue their dreams,” President O’Day stated. “We gratefully acknowledge the life of this donor—a physician, healer, and legacy-builder who leaves an example by which each of us can remember him.”

Women’s Basketball Champions Make History

On Sunday, March 1, Austin College’s women’s basketball team won the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Championship for the first time in program history. The ‘Roos ended their season 23-5 after a first-round loss to University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in the NCAA Tournament on March 6. Congratulations to the champions for a great season!

Alumnus Receives USMC Art Award

John Deckert ‘72, a combat artist and Vietnam-era Marine, has received the 2020 Colonel John W. Thomason Award from the United States Marine Heritage Foundation for his military paintings and drawings done between 2017 and 2019. He will be honored at the National Museum of the Marine Corps at Quantico in May.
Sneed Prairie Earns Prestigious Award

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has named Austin College as the winner of the prestigious 2020 Texas Environmental Excellence Award for work at Sneed Prairie. The 28th annual edition of these awards includes efforts in water and energy conservation, public education about natural resources, and pollution reduction. The Clinton and Edith Sneed Environmental Research Area is 100 acres of former Blackland Prairie that serves as a living laboratory for environmental studies and biology students. To date, more than 11,600 schoolchildren and their teachers have visited the facility for field trips led by Austin College students.

ACSC is Bigger Than Ever

The annual Austin College Scholarship Conference is set for March 19-21 and will feature more than 150 students representing 20 different departments and programs. It's bigger than ever. The 2020 ACSC opens with an elevator speech competition, improv program, and a Star Party all in the IDEA Center on Thursday; academic presentations and panels begin on March 20.

Shakespearean Opera Opens in Wynne

Opera meets Shakespeare for a production of An A Cappella Midsummer Night’s Dream, by Michael Ching, presented by Austin College Theatre and Music Departments in Wynne Chapel on 3/20 and 3/21 at 7:30 p.m., 3/22 at 2 p.m. Free and open to the public.

St. Baldrick’s Takes It Off for Cancer Research

Austin College student organization Rotaract sponsored the annual St. Baldrick’s Foundation fundraising event where 13 volunteers shaved their heads in support of children’s cancer research. The event raised $3,694, plus $2,500 pledged by the Grayson County Rotary Club.
Roos Earn Top Five in Swim & Dive

The Austin College Men’s Swimming & Diving Team finished fourth at the 2020 SCAC Championship Meet while the Women’s Team finished fifth. Several ‘Roos earned individual honors.

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Calling all alumni!

Volunteer at the Career Readiness Check on April 17.

Help assess students’ preparedness and give input about their job searches.

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