All around campus Black History Month celebrations continue, such as this collection of books for circulation in Abell Library highlighting Black authors, culture, and accomplishments. Also, the student organization Black Expressions has hosted several special events that bring the community together in unity for a variety of activities.

**College Receives $1.3M Mellon Foundation Grant**

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation has announced that Austin College has been awarded $1.344 million as one of 12 liberal arts colleges to receive grants through its *Humanities for All Times* initiative. Austin College’s project, “Pathways to a Just Society,” will create collaborative new courses and provide internships for students’ deeper inquiry into issues of justice and equity. 

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**Fulbright Semi-Finalists Announced**

Four Austin College students have been selected as Fulbright Semi-Finalists by the Fulbright National Screening Committee. The Fulbright Program offers leadership development experiences along with opportunities for intellectual, professional, and artistic growth. Finalists for the highly competitive grant will be announced later in the spring.

Semi-Finalists from Austin College include:
Marissa Graf ’22 of Austin, Texas, is a Semi-Finalist for an English Teaching Assistantship in Colombia.

Sarah Harper ’22 of Sulphur Springs, Texas, is a Semi-Finalist for an English Teaching Assistantship in Germany.

Katie King ’22 of Woodway, Texas, is a Semi-Finalist for an English Teaching Assistantship in Spain.

Trevor Slansky ’22 of Denver, Colorado, is a Semi-Finalist for an English Teaching Assistantship in Taiwan.

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Student Assembly Officers Inaugurated

With the start of the spring term, Student Assembly inaugurates the incoming executive team that will serve through December 2022. This student government organization represents the entire student body and encourages communication and involvement. During the ceremony that was held in Wright Campus Center, new president Amie Johnson ’24 addressed those in attendance. The executive team includes Johnson, vice president Drew Easley ’24, secretary Grace Milligan ’24, and treasurer Munshif Adhianto ’24.

Other new members include Residence Hall Representatives Alora Uva ’25 (Caruth Hall), and Alyssa Holloway ’24 (Clyce Hall); Class Representatives: First-Year – Paul Montemayor Jr. ’25, Christian Johnson ’25, Michelle Zhu ’25, and Richard Williamson ’25; Sophomore – Charlotte Evelyn ’24; and Junior – Natalia Nevarez ’23, Stephanie Hardin ’23, and Joy Mugaju ’23.

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Don't like the weather? Just wait a minute

Earlier this month, ice and snow covered the roadways across most of Texas making travel treacherous. Austin College announced that offices would close, and faculty members could decide if they would cancel or conduct class remotely. The two snow days lead to plenty of fun for students! Less than a week later, temperatures were in the low 70s and the sun was shining.

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Deadlines for Distinguished Alumni & First Decade Award Nominations and supporting materials have been extended to March 31.

Make Your Nomination

Men’s and Women’s Head Soccer Coaches Announced

Athletic Director David Norman has announced new head coaches for the men’s and women’s soccer teams at Austin College.

**Taylor Goyen ‘19** is returning to his alma mater to coach the men’s team. He most recently served as an assistant coach at Ranger College.

**Kevin Gregory** will coach the women’s team, coming from Bluffton University where he served in that same position.

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**Leader-in-Residence Series**

2022 Recipient: Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa, M.D.
Neurosurgeon & Brain Cancer Researcher at the Mayo Clinic

**Campus-Wide Convocation**

Thursday, April 14 • 11:00 a.m.
Austin College | Wynne Chapel
Registration Now Open

**FEBRUARY 22, 2022** | 3 PM
The Universality of Immigration
Hosted by Dr. Julie Hempel

**MARCH 8, 2022** | 9:30 AM
Leadership Is Not Perfection
Hosted by Dr. Martineka Dryburgh

**MARCH 30, 2022** | 1 PM
Pedestal Heist: Medically Informed Research
Hosted by Dr. Renee Countryman

*Student Virtual Session*