# President's Message



Greetings, friends, alumni, faculty, staff and students. As we start a New Year, we have much for which to be thankful. We are fortunate enough to have a great community with great

supporters who join us in forging collaborative partnerships each and every year. Thanks to your contributions, we continue to add innovative programs for students, secure grant and scholarship monies, and provide a place where students can be successful now and in the future.

This issue of the newsletter highlights some of our annual events that I take great pride in and am proud to celebrate. This year, in conjunction with Homecoming, we honored one of our long-standing and most well-known professors Dr. William Conan Davis on October 19 at the MLK Campus. The evening was a great tribute to a man whose many accomplishments and inventions have made a name for St. Philip's College on an international level. If you missed the occasion, it was both memorable and historic for him and his family.

The Homecoming reception and dance following the building dedication was attended by more than 300 individuals. It was a magical night for all who attended and will be remembered for years.

Our other accolades outlined in this issue of the newsletter will shine light on all the wonderful things we have accomplished in the areas of quality instruction, support for learners, business and industry responsiveness, and community engagement. These areas are also known to the St. Philip's College as "Our Core Competencies" and we hope that you will join us in ensuring our success in these endeavors.

Your input and continued involvement are crucial to the success of this historic and diverse institution. I encourage you to visit our website at www.alamo.edu/spc and click on the "About Us" section to learn more about our Mission, Vision and Values.

Best Regards,

Adena Williams Loston, Ph.D.
President



ST. PHILIP'S COLLEGE

"A Point of Pride in the Community"

# President's Newsletter

# Science Building dedicated in honor of Dr. William Conan Davis

St. Philip's College commemorated the renaming and renovation of the college's primary science building on Oct. 19 in honor of Professor Emeritus Dr. William Conan Davis.

The 20-year-old and three-story tall facility formerly known as the Science Building was completed in 1992. The renaming is in recognition of Davis' 26 years of service at St. Philip's College.

During the renaming ceremony hosted by St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston, the new building lettering and dedication plaque were both revealed. Davis became the sixth person with a building at St. Philip's College to bear their name and the first such honoree in 16 years. That list includes: founding president



Official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony participants included: Lacy Hampton, Denver McClendon, Dr. William Conan Davis, Dr. Adena Williams Loston, Ruth Dalrymple and Mary Cottier.

Artemisia Bowden, with the Bowden Building in 1954; Clarence W. Norris, with the Norris Technical Center in 1975; Garlington Jerome Sutton, with the G. J. Sutton Learning Center in 1979; Everett L. Turbon, with the Turbon Student Center in 1996; and Leonidas Watson, with the Watson Fine Arts Building in 1996.

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#### SPC receives \$5,404,878 Institutional Grant

St. Philip's College is among 97 Historically Black Colleges and Universities strengthening academic resources, financial management systems, endowment-building capacity and physical plants as a result of a five-year \$227.9 million grant awarded to HBCUs by the U.S. Department of Education on Sept. 18.

The grants are used to strengthen and enhance Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The college's funding for the first year of the five-year institutional grant is \$5,404,878, explained St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston and college Title III Director Erick Akins.

"This supplement to our operational budget for critical college functions allows us to provide additional innovative resources for the success of our students," said Loston. "It's extremely significant funding for the purposes of strengthening our institution, with a focus on seven areas to stimulate retention and graduation from an outstanding community college," Loston said.

The activities at St. Philip's College enhanced under the grant will consist of: student services; Centers of Excellence in Mathematics and Science; instructional labs; campus renovation; Information and Communication Technology; institutes for teaching excellence and staff development and the Veterans' Outreach and Transition Center. (U.S. Department of Education contributed to this report.)

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#### **Dr. Davis** (from page 1)



Dr. Loston and Dean Cottier unveil the new entrance to Dr. Davis' office.

"The building where I taught so many students has been renovated to serve a new generation," Davis said with a smile at the ceremony. "I've observed the students and the faculty at work as I've walked the renovated halls."

Davis is best known for discovering a process for "instantizing" mashed potatoes and the sugar that gives frozen desserts their texture. While working on how to keep wood saws from "gumming up" when sawing wood, he was part of the team that discovered a wood sugar that is now used to produce industrial glue. His present work is in hydrology, recombinant DNA, and fuel cell technology.

Davis retired from St. Philip's College in August of 2009. When the college conferred its fifth honorary associate of science degree to Davis, he became the second member of his family to receive this honor. During the college's 100th anniversary, Davis' older brother, the late actor Ossie Davis, became the first recipient of an honorary degree from St. Philip's College.

Proclamations and greetings for Davis and his family were read by Congressman Lloyd Doggett, State Senator Leticia Van De Putte, State Representative Ruth Jones McClendon, Bexar County Commissioner and college alumnus Tommy Adkisson and San Antonio Councilwoman Ivy Taylor. Now on display, the college observed its tradition of commissioning a portrait of the honoree. St. Philip's College alumnus Howard Rhoder work was selected by Dr. Loston to create Davis' portrait.

The event concluded with building tours led by current students of St. Philip's College Eureka Science Club.

# 2012-2013 Presidential Scholars announced

Five St. Philip's College students are recipients of the 2012-2013 Dr. Adena Williams Loston St. Philip's College Presidential Scholarship.

The non-endowed Presidential Scholarships are funded through money raised during the annual St. Philip's College Scholarship Golf Tournaments. The recipients for the 2012-2013 academic year are: Physical Therapist Assistant major Hecdris Collier; Health Information Technology major Patricia Lamson; Business Administration and Culinary Arts major Markus Lopez; Restaurant Management and Culinary Arts major Joey Moczygemba; and Network Security major Julian Rios. Each recipient is awarded an annual scholarship of \$3,000.

The Presidential Scholars scholarship has been one of the most prestigious elements of the St. Philip's College experience since it was established by St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston in 2008.

"It is one of our college's highest honors, one in which I give personal attention," said Loston. "Each of these individuals embody at the highest level the essence of what it means to earn and achieve a presidential scholarship."

The scholarships are awarded to students with a 4.0 grade point average and individual histories of community service, leadership and engagement. Recipients are required to



Dr. Adena Williams Loston congratulates this year's Presidential Scholars (from left to right) Hecdris Collier, Joey Moczygemba, Markus Lopez, Patricia Lamson and Julian Rios.

participate in structured community engagement activities and to meet with the president of the college for mentoring opportunities.

Each scholar gives back. Collier's commitment as a volunteer program coordinator with Habitat for Humanity allows families in need an opportunity to build their own home.

Through her summer clinical rotations at Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital, Lamson's administrative health care skills assist veterans and military families during times of deployment.

Lopez lends his business administration and

culinary arts skills to Meals on Wheels in ways that result in nutritious meals for both the homebound and the disabled.

Pleasanton resident and a former public school superintendent Moczygemba serves local youth food from personally prepared menus at Our Lady of Grace Academy and Rios, a 2011 Harlandale High School graduate, gives back by assisting in facilities maintenance for families in residence at Ronald McDonald House Charities.

To support the Presidential Scholarship fund, contact Gloria Hernandez at (210) 486-2498.

#### **HOMECOMING 2012**



St. Philip's week of Homecoming events culminated in a ceremony on Oct. 19 in the Atrium of the Center for Health Professions Building.

Hosted by St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston, the tribute to and selection of the 2012-13 season court students were unique as the titles queen and king changed to Ms. St. Philip's and Mr. St. Philip's. The new court consists of Thomas Hover as Mr. St. Philip's and Dessire Sarver as Ms. St. Philip's.

The homecoming court runners-up included: Briana Lane, Jessica Ann Martinez, and Pamela Talmage.

### SPC celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month





St. Philip's College conducted its family-friendly 2012 Hispanic Heritage Month observance with a four-event lineup Sept. 15 until Oct. 15.

Visitors sampled Colombian, Asian-Latin and Mexican cuisine from mobile food trucks as they listened to music by the U.S. Army Latin

## Two employee ideas garner \$10K payday

St. Philip's College employees Larry Medina and Sandra Gonzalez-Lamb are recipients of \$10,000 each for contributing innovative ideas to the Alamo Ideas employee suggestion program that reduces expenses at Alamo Colleges. Both were recognized at September's monthly Board of Trustees meeting.

Medina is the coordinator for the First-Year Experience Center and Gonzalez-Lamb is a grant writer. Medina's idea reduces electrical use during 41 holiday break days and associated weekends at a first year savings of \$142,000. Gonzalez-Lamb's idea achieves water savings by replacing landscaping with drought-tolerant plants and xeriscaping at a first year savings of \$112,000.

Established in 2010 as a cost-saving strategy, the Alamo Ideas program rewards employees for generating revenue while improving safety, efficiency or service for students and others served by the taxpayer-supported Alamo Colleges.

The program encourages, supports, recognizes and rewards employees who engage in the improvement of financial performance, student services and safety.



Sandra Gonzalez-Lamb and Larry Medina

Band during the observance kick-off held Sept. 19.

The reception for the Sept. 25-Oct. 12 art exhibition by Melissa Flores was held Sept. 24 in the Kathryn Morgan Gallery of the Watson Fine Arts Center. It was followed by the Latin Food Fest on Oct. 9 where visitors to the Heritage Room ate foods prepared by students of the college's culinary arts program.

The month's activities concluded on Oct. 11 as panelists Graciela Sánchez, Steven Anthony Gamez and Ricardo Pimental shared their personal journeys in civic engagement and activism during a panel discussion on social justice. Sánchez directs the Esperanza Peace & Justice Center; Gamez is a community activist with the Communities Organized for Public Service coalition of congregations, schools, and unions which acts on behalf of families; and Pimental is a local journalist.

# Pastry students create edible artwork to benefit nonprofit

Tourism, Hospitality and Culinary Arts students from St. Philip's College were invited to prepare two showpiece cakes in a cake baking-for-charity event.

The showpiece cakes designed and prepared by the students were the ceremonial auction pieces in the PRMA Center for Advanced Breast Reconstruction Cakes for a Cause Silent Auction held Oct. 17 at The Witte Museum. While both breast cancer subject matter experts and survivors shared their stories with a compassionate audience during the program, auction proceeds benefitted the philanthropy-based breast cancer resource provider Texas Women Involved in Nurturing, Giving and Sharing.

#### SPC hosts Team-Up Challenge workshop

St. Philip's College Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society students and St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston co-hosted the Summer 2012 Team Up Challenge, presented by AT&T. The service learning initiative operated by the Silver & Black Give Back charitable arm of Spurs Sports & Entertainment funded and supported the innovative social service programs of entrepreneurial San Antonio youth from 24 independent school districts this summer.

On Aug. 2, the college hosted the core personnel of 10 funded teams of up to 50 students including three students who were involved on committees, planning events, and acting as leaders for respective classes, clubs or teams. St. Philip's College is the first college selected to enhance this program established in 2010.

Silver & Black Give Back is a 501(c)(3) public charity that invests in its community in partnership with the entire Spurs Sports & Entertainment family of teams, and Team Up Challenge is one of the charity's two premier initiatives. All groups in the Challenge are traditionally from youth-serving nonprofits in the college's service area, and in 2012 each had been awarded seed funding of \$1,000 to jump-start their business plans.

## New associate of science degrees added to offerings

St. Philip's College has introduced two new degree programs during the 2012-2013 academic year. SPC is the first community college in Texas to offer an Associate of Science degree in Biotechnology. This degree provides graduates biotechnology experience with general education courses in the arts and sciences and is designed to prepare graduates to work in medical, research and industrial laboratory areas.

The new Associate of Science in Chemical Research degree program prepares graduates for work as analytical technicians in chemical laboratories associated with chemical production, environmental concerns, pharmaceuticals or general analysis. Students can also use the degree to propel themselves into a four-year college or university, where they will enter as juniors in a Bachelor of Science-level Chemistry or Chemical Engineering degree program.

For details on the biotechnology or chemical research degree programs, contact Natural Sciences department chair Kathryn White at kwhite@alamo.edu or (210) 486-2370.

#### Dr. Loston named Humanitarian of the Year



On Oct. 13 the Top Ladies of Distinction, a national humanitarian organization, awarded Adena Williams Loston Humanitarian of the Year award at the Grand Hyatt. The national theme for the year was Impacting our **Future Through** Positive Inter-

vention on the Lives of Youth, our Community, and our Legacy with Effective Volunteerism.

## Remembering Jean Nettelfield (1941-2012)

The St. Philip's College family extends condolences to the family, students and colleagues of Business **Information Solutions department** instructor Jean Nettelfield, who passed on Sept. 1. Nettelfield became an adjunct faculty member following her retirement in 2005 from full-time service with the college. She was best known for her positive and encouraging messages to her online students, and was teaching professional development and business English courses this semester. In lieu of flowers, the Nettelfield family has requested that donations be sent to the Bexar County Opportunities Industrialization Center of San Antonio, P.O. Box 202233, San Antonio, Texas 78220.

#### SPC earns designation again as Military Friendly School

St. Philip's College earned the designation as a Military Friendly School from G.I. Jobs magazine for the fourth year in a row. The list published on militaryfriendlyschools.com was established in 2009 to recognize the top 15 percent of more than 12,000 VA-approved colleges in America.

According to militaryfriendlyschools.com, the survey-driven list for 2013 includes more than 1,700 schools that represent the top tier of U.S. colleges, universities and trade schools doing the most to educate America's veterans. The schools offer military students the best services, programs, discounts, scholarships, clubs, networking and staff.

"St. Philip's College had roughly 1,200 benefit—eligible uniformed, civilian, retired, transitioning and family service members attend the college in fall and spring semesters, and approximately 750 during summer terms," said Javier Barron, the college's coordinator of veterans' affairs.

## 'College Credit for Heroes' coming in 2013

St. Philip's College plans to award military service members and veterans college credits for their training and experience through a Health Information Technology program featuring fast track Associate of Applied Science degrees in three specialties: 1) Health Management Medical Laboratory Technician, 2) Health Management Occupational Therapy Assistant and 3) Health Management Radiography Technologist.

In collaboration with the Medical Education and Training Campus at Fort Sam Houston, the target date for offering the three fast track programs under the College Credit for Heroes program is the 2013 spring semester

This program for military service members and veterans who have prior training and experience as medical laboratory technicians, occupational therapy assistants and radiography technologists was launched during a bill signing ceremony held at the college in 2011 with Gov. Rick Perry and Texas Senator Leticia Van de Putte.

For details on the college's College Credit for Heroes degree programs, contact Cheryl Spears, the college's health information systems program director, at cspears@alamo.edu or (210) 486-2456.

# Campus Ministry welcomes new minister

Professor Emeritus Olga Samples Davis recently became the campus minister at the nondenominational Cooperative Ministries in Higher Education Campus Ministry

# 9/11 Commemoration Ceremony



On Sept. 11, Dr. Loston stands with SPC staff and students who are or were active in the military for the 11th anniversary observance of 9/11. St. Philip's students began their 2012-2013 season of participation in the national Interfaith Community Service Campus Challenge with two simultaneous 10-minute programs on the main and branch campuses.

located at 525 S. Mittman Street. St. Philip's students, faculty and staff are engaged with the Campus Ministry schedule of meditation, yoga and inspirational discussion.

On Oct. 10, a conversation and reception was held in the Campus Ministry building with Christophe Mbonyingabo, director of the Christian Action for Reconciliation and Social Assistance reconciliation ministries in Rwanda and the Congo. Mbonyingabo shared his journey through the era of genocide against the Tutsi people of Rwanda in 1994. That experience motivated his form

ing of a ministry of reconciliation while he was in college. In addition, he worked with genocide perpetrators, victims and family members to teach and lead them through a process of reconciliation.

At the end of the fall semester, Campus Ministry hosted a Posada where costumed members of a festive musical procession went door-to-door during the winter holiday season. To learn more about the Campus Ministry, contact the staff at (210) 533-9819 or Alexis Clark Nicholson at (210) 859-8877.

# **SPC** awarded Minority Enterprise Development Award

St. Philip's College received an award from the UTSA Minority Business Development Agency in the Minority Workforce Development Champion category during the 2012 Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week Awards Luncheon held Oct. 18 at the Marriott Northwest.

Established in 1982, National MED Week is co-sponsored by the U.S. Commerce Department's Minority Business Development Agency and the U.S. Small Business Administration. The principal South Texas organizers of the National MED Week observances are the staffs of the Business Center of the Minority Business Development Agency, a component of UTSA's Institute for Economic Development and the Small Business Administration's San Antonio district. Both the center and the administration staffs are joined by a public-private consortium dedicated to minority business success.



Dr. Loston (center) receives the award on behalf of SPC during an awards luncheon held on Oct. 18.

#### **2012-2013 President's Lecture Series**



Solis Doyle





Antoinette

The first Hispanic woman to lead a presidential effort in the United States, a ground-breaking African-American educator whose inspiring story was depicted in a Disney film, and a contemporary poet who has been called "the Maya Angelou of the Millennial generation" are the guests who will provide seminars and public lectures during the 2012-2013 St. Philip's College President's Lecture Series which began Oct. 25. Each of the 60-minute lectures begins at 11 a.m. in the 600-seat Watson Fine Arts Center at 1801 Martin Luther King Drive. Lecture admission and parking are both free, and lecture seating is available on a first-arrived, first-seated basis. The 2012-2013 season dates, speakers and topics are:

Oct. 25: Former Hillary Clinton presidential campaign manager Patti Solis Doyle shared her unique insight into the most important U.S. political campaigns of the past 30 years. As campaign manager for Hillary Clinton for President, Patti Solis Doyle was the first Hispanic woman to lead a presidential effort in the United States. As a non-lawyer partner at the Utrecht & Phillips law firm in Washington, D.C., Doyle specializes in both governmental and public relations. She shared her personal story of life on Chicago's south side as a daughter of Mexican immigrant parents and her past and present involvement in American political campaigns.

Solis told students, "If you are going to try to change the world and get slapped around for it, you need to find your balance."

"The classroom was almost completely full, which set the stage for a really warm reception by my microeconomics students for Ms. Solis," said faculty member George Katz. "The number one student benefit had to be their dialogue with Ms. Solis. What do you think Hillary is going to do? What about Bill being vice president? There were similar questions asked literally to the end of the class period."

Feb. 12: The college joins inspirational speaker Herman Boone as he observes the 40th anniversary of his achievement as the educator and leader whose inspiring journey was depicted in the 2000 Disney film "Remember The Titans." The 1972 alumni of Boone's life-changing high school teaching celebrated their 40th anniversary on Sept. 21, and supporters of both diversity and sport consider his story a resource for life's lessons. Boone regularly speaks nationally on why the power of education and corporate wisdom in preparing Americans for successful futures in an ethnically integrated world is more relevant now than it may have been in Virginia in 1971, when embracing human diversity was not as mainstream as it is becoming today.

June 20: The lecture series program for Juneteenth 2013 is an opportunity for audiences to hear from and ask questions of a contemporary author Forbes recently described as "the Maya Angelou of the Millennial generation" in its 2012 Women Changing the World: Girls listing. Through her poetry, Azure Antoinette explores the ways social media is reshaping humanity. An educator and advocate for the arts and youth. Antoinette has been commissioned to write for Maria Shriver, a Tuskegee Airman and the American Cancer Society. From her first book of poems, "Bittersweet" (2009), to her latest "for the sake of BREVITY" (2011), Antoinette uses her love for words to inspire others, addressing such topics as world diversity and humanity during her lectures.

Call lecture series committee chair Beautrice Butler at (210) 486-2670 for details on the lecture series.

#### **President Loston selected** for Women's Leadership Award



Dr. Loston (second from left) received her award on Oct. 5 from event sponsors Wayne Terry (H-E-B), Jennifer Wilkinson (Amegy Bank) and Mary Jonas (SABJ).

San Antonio Business Journal (SABJ) selected St. Philip's College President Dr. Adena Williams Loston to receive one of its 2012 Women's Leadership Awards in the Public Service/Education category.

The awards are the newspaper's annual recognition for San Antonio's top women business and civic leaders. Loston and other award recipients were recognized in the Sept. 7 newsstand

edition of the Business Journal's 2012 Women's Leadership Awards & Minority Enterprise special section. Loston was among 17 recipients chosen from a pool of more than 100 nominees submitted to the newspaper who were recognized publicly at an awards luncheon and program on Oct. 5 at the Oak Hills Country Club.

In her interview with the Business Journal, Loston spoke of her special connection to the history of the 114-year-old college she has led to record enrollment. St. Philip's College began as a sewing school for black girls; Loston's first job was as a seamstress - she learned how to sew in the fourth grade. Throughout her professional career, she served as the first black or the only African-American in her position. As NASA's Chief Education Officer, she served as the highest-ranking African-American female. "At St. Philip's College our reach and our reputation go beyond the physical boundaries of our ZIP code... I believe that my job is my mission and if it passes through my hands then it must be appreciably better," Loston shared with the Business Journal.

#### **Nursing and Aviation** students earn national recognition

Three St. Philip's College students were among the highest college-level achievers in the Skills USA National Championship contests held June 23-27 in Kansas City, Mo. Skills USA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce.

The top achievers were final-year nursing students Barbarito Rodriguez and Lisa Pansza and aircraft technology program student Joshua Wagner. Rodriguez and Pansza became the college's first nursing students to compete in the SkillsUSA Championship contests, and Pansza was the college's first Project QUEST nursing student to compete nationally in these contests.

The organization ranks Rodriguez number one in the state and number four nationally among college students in medical math. Pansza ranks number one in Texas and is the organization's number four ranking college student competitor in practical nursing. Wagner ranked fifth in the nation among aircraft maintenance college students.

Project QUEST is a local nonprofit with a national reputation for identifying demand occupations and providing more than 3,500 low-income alumni with access to education and training for careers in those occupations. More than 2,100 St. Philip's College alumni have attended the college through Project QUEST since 1993.

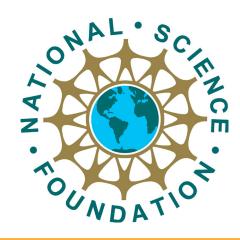
### National Science Foundation Cyber Security awards \$500,218 grant

The St. Philip's College Network Security Administrator degree program is the recipient of a \$500,218 federal grant. On Aug. 28, he college was notified of its selection for the National Science Foundation Division of Undergraduate Education's \$500,218 Federal Cyber Security Scholarship for Service program grant. The grant period is Sept. 1-Aug. 31, 2015, according to Haydar T. Sahin, Business Information Solutions department faculty member and principal manager for the grant.

The grant permits St. Philip's College to: offer professional development for college area K-12 educators; create a certificate program for emergency operations personnel; develop curriculum leading to an associate of applied science degree program in cyber first response; form collaborative agreements with four-year institutions to provide local community college students with smooth transitions to four-year programs to complete a bachelor's or higher degree; develop a secondary school component for middle and high school students; and create a cyber-learning laboratory at the college.

"Outcomes that we hope can be attributed in part to this project will be awareness for the

future college students and trained faculty so the local training track will be built, and the cybersecurity curriculum can be delivered to those future college students with the trained teachers," said Sahin.



#### **Scholarship Roundup**



Dr. Davis and Dr. Loston accept a scholarship check from Rosaland Anderson, president of the San Antonio Chapter of the LINKS, on Oct. 19.

St. Philip's College has received many generous scholarship donations to support students this semester, including:

#### HEB \$250,000 The Links of San Antonio \$25,000 Baptist Health Foundation \$20,240 Cowboy Breakfast Foundation \$10,000 The Boeing Company \$7,500 San Antonio Manufacturers Association \$6,500 Holt Caterpillar \$5,000 Bridgestone Trust Fund \$5,000 RK Group, L.L.C. \$3,000 Greater San Antonio Foundation \$2,500 San Antonio General Contractor's Foundation \$2,500 Alamo Heights Rotary Club \$2,000 Oak Hills Rotary Club \$2,000 San Antonio Branch NAACP \$1,500 Bowden Chapter of Business and Professional Women \$1,000 San Antonio Concierge Association \$1,000 Alamo Area Hospitality Association \$500 San Antonio Area Tourism Council \$500

St. Philip's would like to extend a hearty thank you to all of those who have made these scholarships possible for the students.

#### H-E-B commits \$250K in student engagement grants

HEB has made a commitment to award St. Philip's College \$50,000 annually for the next five years for a total of \$250,000. The funds will support the college's Student Engagement Grant scholarship program.

The Student Engagement Grant scholarship initiative stimulates development of special college initiatives, supports recruitment and increases enrollment in targeted programs. It also improves student retention by providing financial support and increased opportunities for student engagement. According to Dr. Adena Williams Loston, the retention rate of grant recipients is higher than the percent retention rate of students who do not receive these grants.

Grants are available for the fall, spring and summer sessions. Full-time students, when selected, receive \$750 in tuition/fee assistance and \$500 textbook assistance per term.

Part-time students receive \$500 tuition/fee assistance and \$250 textbook assistance per term. Grants are appropriated for the academic year. A grant recipient who demonstrates commitment to the project while maintaining academic eligibility may receive funding more than once during their studies at the college.

The students selected for the grant awards commit to giving back to the college and its community. Students work with a project director throughout the semester to fulfill their obligations. St. Philip's accounting student and grant recipient Kendra Henderson processed about 350 income tax returns as a member of the college's 2012 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance team.

To support this scholarship program, contact Gloria Hernandez at (210) 486-2498.



H-E-B representative Kim Hale (second from right) presented Dr. Loston, Dr. Davis and Board Trustee Denver McClendon with a check for \$250,000 on Oct. 19.

#### SPC students chosen for Best-in-nation Choir

St. Philip's College voice performance students Megan Rehm and Bianca Johnson were selected as members of the 105 Voices of History student development and concert performance program taking place on 105 college campuses nationwide and in Washington, D.C., this year.

The Washington, D.C., segment of the program for best-in-nation choir members was one student success highlight of the college's 2012 observance of Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week and National Hispanic Serving Institutions Week. The students began their week with skills seminars and meetings with national Congressional and business leaders during Congressional Black Caucus Week Sept. 18-21. Studies included leadership, diversity and global entrepreneurship. Events culminated with a choir performance Sept. 21 on the Andrew W. Mellon Stage.

# Silver Stars partner with SPC for annual Etiquette Dinner



St. Philip's College Culinary Arts program students provided the facilities and food as training aids in support of the San Antonio Silver Stars Etiquette Dinner held on Sept. 19 in the college's student-run Artemisia's restaurant. The event was hosted by St. Philip's College

President Dr. Adena Williams Loston and provided social skills training to middle and high school girls from the Eastside Boys and Girls Club. Silver Stars Shenise Johnson and Danielle Robinson attended the event.



Feb. 5 – Black History Month Opening Ceremony, Heritage Room, 9 a.m. Feb. 5 – Meet the Artist Reception with Howard Rhoder, Morgan Gallery, 11 a.m. Feb. 12 – President's Lecture Series feat. Herman Boone, Watson, 11 a.m. Feb. 16 – San Antonio Youth Wind Ensemble, Watson, 8 p.m. Feb. 22 – Soul Food Fest, Heritage Room, 11:30 a.m. March 1 – Fifth Annual Golf Tournament March 7 – Women's History Month Lecture,

# Save the Date

Heritage Room, 10:45 a.m.

March 22 – Women's History Month Panel Discussion, Morgan Gallery, 1-2 p.m. April 25 – Culture Fest

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