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FYEC NEWSLETTER

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TEXTBOOK LOAN PROGRAM

The Textbook Loan Program is designed to ensure success by lending books to students for the duration of a semester. Books are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis UNLESS students have a VIP Pass.

Books must be returned to the First Year Experience Center by the end of the semester in good condition. If students do not turn in books, a possible fine will be assessed, and a registration hold will be placed on the student's record.

CHECKING OUT A BOOK

Students will need to provide the following in order to successfully borrow a book:

- A Current Schedule
- A Valid SPC Student I.D.
- No Holds on Student Record
- Requested Book Title, Author, Edition

Important Dates for Spring 2011:

May 16: Deadline to turn in Spring Loans

(Failure to return the textbook loan will cause for a hold to be placed on your account. If books are stolen or missing for any reason, you will be required to replace them regardless).

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IMPORTANT DATES

February 1	Opening Ceremony for National Black History Month
February 2	Spring Census Date
February 25	FLEX I — (First 8 weeks)- Last day to withdraw

ACCUPLACER BOOK LOAN PROGRAM

ARE YOU TIRED OF BEING IN REMEDIAL COURSES?

THE FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE CENTER MAY HAVE THE ANSWER FOR YOU!

We have a **limited** amount of "ACCUPLACER EXAM SECRETS" <u>Study Guide</u> that can help you succeed taking the Accuplacer test.

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Stop by the First Year Experience Center located in the Sutton Learning Center, SLC 103 for more information! 486-2170

Transfer Services Center



The world's largest college fair; students that are interested in transferring can connect to admissions representatives from 250+ colleges and see current college student video webcasting about campus life. Admissions experts will be presenting live via video. Scholarships and special promotions are available to students who login to attend this event.

> When: Thursday, February 3 Time: 1pm - 8pm

Where -Totally online at www.CollegeWeekLive.com

Cost: FREE

If additional information is needed please contact the **Transfer Services Center**



For more information about our Transfer Center, please visit our website!

http://www.alamo.edu/spc/admin/transfer/default.aspx

If you would like to speak with a Transfer Advisor about a possibly transferring to a University or would like to sign up for a 2+2 plan, please stop by the Educational Support Services Suite located in the Sutton Learning Center, SLC 103 and schedule your appointment today.

Advisors are only seen by appointment.



PHI THETA KAPPA







The Psi Kappa Chapter invites you to accept membership into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. The mission of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage your academic success and provide you with opportunities for scholarships, individual growth, community service, fellowship, and simply to make a difference. To accept membership, you must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 and have earned 12 college hours.

For more information or to accept membership, contact Maria G Botello, Psi Kappa Chapter Advisor @ mbotello@alamo.edu, 486-2199, or stop by SLC 103. If you don't meet the criteria quite yet, you can still be a Provisional Member until all requirements have been met.

Feel free to visit the official website at www.ptk.org to gain a global understanding of this organization. I also encourage you to visit our Chapter's website for an overview of how we get involved at www.psikappa.org.

Chapter Activities for the Month of February

All are welcome to attend

- February 1 Hot Chocolate and Sweet Fundraiser from 7am-10am in the Breezeway
- February 8 Bake Sale from 11am 1pm at the Heritage Pavilion
- February 10 Member Meeting at 1pm-2pm
- February 10 Evening Member meeting at 5:30pm-6:30pm
- February 14 Faculty Outreach at 9am in the Heritage Room. Hosting a breakfast for the faculty.
- February 24 Member Meeting at 1pm-2pm
- February 24 Evening Member Meeting at 5:30pm-6:30pm
- February 26 Angel Food Community Service Project 8am-10am
- February 26 Respite House Community Service Project 8am

Contact Maria Botello at 486-2199 or mbotello@alamo.edu for more information.

National Black History Month

St. Philip's College will observe the 2011 National Black History Month with a lineup of 12 events from Feb. 1-28, beginning with an opening ceremony Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 9:15 a.m. in the Heritage Room of the Campus Center building at the college's main campus at 1801 Martin Luther King Drive.

The month at St. Philip's College will be observed with inclusive programs, ceremonies, and activities that honor the history, accomplishments, contributions, and diversity of African-Americans. Students will benefit from intensive study with world-class visiting artists, and the public is invited to observe. While nine of the month's events take place on the college's main campus, two events take place on the college's Southwest Campus at 800 Quintana Road, and one event---a benefit concert for scholarships for St. Philip's College students---is off-campus in the Old San Juan Restaurant & Discotek at 4429 Walzem Road, observance chair Dr. Sharon Crockett-Bell said.

"The 2011 national theme is African-Americans and the Civil War. This is important to all Americans interested in the start of the three-year (2011-2015) national observance of the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the U.S. Civil War in 1861," said Crockett-Bell. "The theme is universal because it honors the efforts of people of African descent to destroy slavery and open the door to universal freedom for persons of all ethnicities in the United States. This observance is a time for our students and our visitors to celebrate the heritage and accomplishments of African-Americans while reflecting on the common values, ideals, and sense of history that Americans share. This theme also reminds us of the extraordinary African-American struggle for freedom in the United States."

All are welcome to attend the following 2011 observance events:

Opening ceremony | Dr. Morris Stribling, guest speaker | Feb. 1 | 9:15 a.m. | Heritage Room Meet-the-artist reception | John A. Coleman art exhibition | Feb. 1 | 3 p.m. | Morgan Gallery Main Campus Blood Drive | Feb. 9 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Soul Food Luncheon | Feb. 9 | 11 a.m.-1 p.m. | Southwest Campus

Relevance of African-American history in the 21st century | Lasana Hotep, speaker | Feb. 10 | 6 p.m. | Heritage Room

Southwest Campus Blood Drive | Feb. 14 | 3-7 p.m.

2011 San Antonio Symphony-in-Residence at St. Philip's College | Damon Gupton, guest conductor | Feb. 13-19 | Watson Fine Arts Center

San Antonio Youth Wind Ensemble | Albert Aguilar, resident conductor | Damon Gupton, guest conductor | Feb. 20 | 2:30 p.m. | Watson Fine Arts Center

Military Perspective---The Civil War to Present Day | Panel discussion | Feb. 22 | 10:45 a.m.-noon | Heritage Room

2011 Soul Food Fest | Paid event | Feb. 24 | Heritage Room

The 70s Soul Train Alumni Scholarship Dance | The donation for this benefit concert is \$20-per-person | Feb. 25 | 7 p.m.-2 a.m. | Old San Juan Restaurant & Discotek

The Woolworth Experience | Feb. 28 | 11 a.m.-1 p.m. | Tiger Café

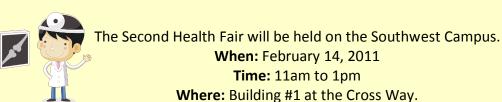
All events are open to the public, and parking is free for all events. For information contact Dr. Sharon Crockett-Bell at (210) 486-2887, or visit www.alamo.edu/spc

Health Center

The SPC Health Center and University Health Care System will host a Mini Health Fair at the SPC Campus.

When: February 8, 2011 Time: 11am to 1pm.

Where: Under the patio area next to the Center for Learning Resources.





The Health Center is inviting everyone to wear RED on February 8th and February 14th, to show your support for Heart Health Awareness.



For additional information regarding these events, please contact: Janet Feathers RN, BSN, Coordinator of College Health Centers at 486-2225.

First Year Experience Center SURVEY

Do you enjoy reading our newsletter? We would like your feedback. Please take some time to let us know what you would like to read more of or what we can do different to better keep you informed.

We would greatly appreciate your HONEST feedback.



Please send your comments to spc-fyec@alamo.edu

Thank you!

FYEC ONLINE



http://www.alamo.edu/spc/admin/fyec/