ALVIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Annual Report

of Giving

2010
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

One of the most important lessons that a community college can instill in students is what can be accomplished when they challenge themselves to grow and push past their comfort zones in order to overcome whatever obstacles arise on the way to their goals.

ACC faculty and staff certainly lead by example. When disaster strikes (such as with Hurricane Ike in 2008), they work together and turn a tragedy into a triumph. Many faculty members created some of the first and most respected training programs offered in the state. The college also constantly looks for new and innovative ways to adapt to the changing world and offer real world instructional opportunities for students.

In the fall of 2010, a difficult and long awaited project was completed – the new performance venue at the Broadcast Communications Department in Building K. In addition to serving as a place for public and private events, the venue’s main purpose is to provide opportunities for ACC students to gain experience in television and radio broadcasting. The ACC Foundation plans to use the site to help raise more money for student scholarships, as well.

Easing the burden of well-deserving students by awarding scholarships is a beneficial way to reduce some of the challenges so they can use their energy to conquer other ones. Thank you for all you do to help others succeed.

Cheryl Knape
ACC Foundation President

MISSION STATEMENT

Since its inception in 1974, the ACC Foundation has been dedicated to enriching the lives of others by providing financial resources for personal growth and development through education and involvement in cultural and extracurricular events. It strives to serve as a foundation for success and excellence for students, the community – and Alvin Community College. The ACC Foundation is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization and all donations made to the foundation are tax deductible to the extent provided by law.

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Support to the College

The Foundation provides support to the College in two forms: 1) scholarships to students, and 2) support for faculty and staff, college programs and the community.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

ACC Foundation Awards $39,375 to Students in 2010

ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIPS:
Dr. Dickie Lee Fox Endowment
J. Kenneth Gooch Memorial Endowment
Mamie Louise Payte Endowment
Nolan Ryan Endowed Baseball Scholarship
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ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS:
ACC Foundation Opportunity Scholarship
ACC Foundation Pearland Scholarship
Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship
Lori Bryant Scholarship
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How the ACC Foundation Distributes, Utilizes Funds

Funds received from private donations are distributed in the manner requested by the donor, if specified. If not specified, the donation is allotted toward opportunity scholarships. Funds raised during the two annual events, the Author’s Luncheon and Christmas Gala, are divided in half – with 50 percent being used toward scholarships and 50 percent toward faculty and staff development programs and community enrichment projects.

Another goal of any foundation is to increase its fund balance, so it can be invested in a manner that will foster a cycle of continued financial gain throughout the history of the college. As the balance grows, so does the interest it accrues, which means more scholarships can be made available to students each year. ACC Foundation funds are maintained by RBC Dain Rauscher, Inc., one of the nation’s largest full-service securities firms.

ACC Foundation Support

2010 DONATIONS

Scholarship Donations $24,150
Theater Chairs $4,275
Fundraisers $37,544
Program Support to Faculty, Staff, and the Community

Great Teacher Seminar
Since 1978, the ACC Foundation has sent one faculty member each year to a seminar to celebrate exceptional service, renew the instructor’s commitment to teaching and provide the resources and tools needed to continue to inspire and stimulate students, as well as themselves.

ACC biology instructor John Matula (left), of Alvin, was chosen last year to attend the annual Hawaii National Great Teachers Seminar. He was presented with the honor by last year’s recipient Debra Fontenot. Matula was nominated for the honor by fellow faculty members and chosen by past recipients. The Great Teacher Seminar is made possible by a $2,500 grant.

TSCM Personnel Teambuilding Workshop
Each year, a workshop is held to give support staff new tools that will help them improve their quality of service, skills and knowledge in different areas of their professional and personal lives. The workshops help TSCM employees’ better serve students and the community, and also to inspire each member in their personal growth and foster camaraderie. The workshop began in 1992 and is the only one of their kind at a community college in the area. The Foundation helps sponsor the annual TSCM workshop with a grant of $500.

Summer Children’s Theatre
It takes a lot of people with a wide variety of talents and abilities to put on a live stage production. That is why the Summer Children’s Theatre Festival at ACC has been a great environment for kids to learn valuable life skills for over 25 years. Since the Summer Children’s Theatre Festival began in 1985, hundreds of young people have produced over 50 plays. To help give area children this opportunity and provide quality entertainment to the community, the Foundation supports the Summer Children’s Theatre Festival each year with a grant of $2,000.

ACC Foundation Excellence Awards
Each year, the ACC Foundation presents the Excellence Awards to an TSCM (Technical, Clerical, Support, Maintenance) employee, administrative staff employee, and faculty member. The three recipients are nominated by college faculty and staff and selected by a committee. Each recipient receives a plaque and $1,000. The goal of these awards is to recognize individual staff members who have not only achieved excellence in performance of their job over a sustained period of time, but have also provided exemplary service to the college and community.

Student Ambassador Program
To help get people interested in and excited about higher education opportunities and possibilities, the ACC Foundation sponsored the Ambassador Program at ACC during the spring and fall 2010 semesters. Some of the duties for the ambassadors included: hosting booths and volunteering at various local events, calling prospective students, providing campus tours, serving as new student orientation guides, greeting state officials, helping students on the first day of the semester and more. The Ambassador Program is made possible by a $10,000 grant.

The 2010 ACC student ambassadors were: Heather Butler-Nance, Katharina Byerly, Diana Cornejo, Amy Griggs, Tim Gusey, Nicole Haugen, Kristi Harrell, Hillary Hohn, Cassie Johnson, Dillon Keels, Karen Leder, Derek Silva, Julia Theato, and Dawn Walters.
Market Commentary
Period Ending December 31, 2010

After a bumpy ride, the major U.S. equity indices ended 2010 with a strong rally. Even though they pulled back mid-year following the flash crash and due to concerns a double-dip recession could unfold, they recovered as economic conditions improved. The S&P 500 Index and Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) rose 10.8%, and 8.1%, respectively, during the fourth quarter. Momentum grew late in the year. The S&P 500 recorded its strongest December rally since 1991. The Federal Reserve’s second stimulus program, known as QE2, and the recent passage of tax legislation helped boost equities during the fourth quarter. These factors, the improvement in economic data, and technical momentum enabled the S&P 500 and DJIA to rise 15.1% and 14.1%, respectively, in 2010. The NASDAQ Composite Index climbed 16.9%. Small-capitization stocks led the market, as the Russell 2000 Index surged 26.9%. On a sector basis, Consumer Discretionary (+25.7%), Industrials (+23.9%), Materials (+19.9%), and Energy (+17.9%) were the standout performers in 2010. As of year-end, the S&P 500 has risen 85.9% from its March 2009 low, marking one of the most dramatic cyclical bull market comebacks in history.

The Fixed Income markets endured a period of volatility not unrivalled with what has taken place over the course of the past few years. On a whole, interest rates across all maturity sectors saw their yields rise fairly dramatically over the quarter. However, despite the rather volatile nature of the rise, the quarter ended without setting yearly highs in rates (interest rates ended up peaking for the year in April). Due to volatility, spreads in the municipal market widened out substantially as concerns over debt obligations and perceived revenue limitation reduced investor demand for the securities. The Federal Reserve was also fairly active last quarter, enacting another phase of quantitative easing. This further emboldened its accommodative stance towards monetary policy. Speculation with respect towards possible implications for inflation, the Fed’s implementation of “QE2” has yet to result in any meaningful economic results which, if continues, could hamper the Fed’s ability to effectively manage monetary policy.

RBC Wealth Management
The Foundation received memorials and tributes for the following people in 2010:

- Jerry Jircik
- Lori Bryant
- Alice Haygood
- Tony Carrillo
- Myrtle Isensee
- Mary Montieth

## Donors to Scholarships in 2010

- Ms. Brenda Brown
- Mr. Stewart Bryant
- Ms. Cleo C. Congrady
- Dr. Char Elkin
- Del Papa Distributing Co.
- Ms. Dora Devery
- Mr. James Gebert
- Mr. David Jircik
- Mrs. Dixie Jircik
- Mr. & Mrs. Jan Jircik
- Mr. Gerald Montieth
- Mr. & Mrs. Edward Pickett
- Dr. & Mrs. Schlattman II

## Donors to Foundation Events in 2010

- Alvin Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Ryan & Kathleen Allbright
- AMOCO Federal Credit Union
- AISD Foundation
- Gary Appelt
- Sonya Athkins
- Bay Area Trees & Design
- Scott Bolton
- Brask, Inc.
- Wayne Burney
- Ron Carter Automotive Dealership
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- Andy & Sara Bouse
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- Bill Nelson Edward Jones
- Joseph’s Nursery
- Kroger, Clear Lake
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- First National Bank of Alvin
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- Julie Siggers
- Roger, Morris & Grover
- Don Sanders
- Southwest Airlines
- Texas Advantage Community Bank
- VESCO Business Products & Office Furniture Direct
- Victory Insurance

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## Planned Giving

### Giving Options for Education, Community Supporters

In addition to supporting the ACC Foundation’s fundraising events, there are numerous ways to make a difference and invest in the community through the organization. Consider the following:

- Create a Scholarship as a Gift or Memorial of a Loved One
- Make Donations in the Names of Friends and Relatives as Gifts
- Remember the ACC Foundation in Wills, Trusts, Life Insurance Policies or Gift Annuities
- Bequeath Property or Real Estate
- Donate Cash or Stocks

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Foundation Holds Event for Theatre Chair Donors

To show appreciation to the many supporters who purchased one or more new chairs for the ACC theatre, the ACC Foundation and Drama Department Chair Dr. Jay Burton hosted an open house last fall. The new chairs have been an essential part of the newly renovated theatre following the devastation by Hurricane Ike two years ago. The ACC Foundation began a campaign in 2008, shortly before the hurricane, to replace the original 30-plus-year-old hard chairs with new, soft theatre-style seating to help make the theatre more enjoyable and comfortable for guests. Since its creation, the ACC Theatre has provided the community with a venue for over 1,000 concerts, plays, performances and events. It also serves college students for various functions, workshops and activities. The 370-seat auditorium accommodates thousands of people each year. Chair donations are still being accepted and in appreciation for a contribution of $250 to sponsor one chair, the ACC Foundation will place on the armrest of the chair a brass plaque engraved with the name(s) of the supporter(s) or in memory/honor of a loved one.
Alvin Live Entertainment

Great music inspires people, especially when it is experienced live, up close and personal so every sense can be pulled into the moment. For this reason, musicians have been well-recorded and broadcasted over radio and television stations, and now the Internet, since the beginning. Realizing the importance of live music and the challenges it poses with live audio and visual production and various human factors, former ACC Broadcast Communications Department Chair Cathy Forsythe had a vision to create a small venue that would serve as a unique training tool and, at the same time, a mode of inspiration for students – and the community.

Due to the efforts of the ACC Broadcast Communications Department and ACC physical plant employees and support from the Alvin Rotary Club and ACC Foundation, the venue in Building K is finally complete and ready for public performances on the ACC main campus. The small, intimate setting has already been compared to the well-known Austin City Limits production filmed at the University of Texas. In addition to serving as a place for public and private events, the venue’s main purpose is to provide opportunities for ACC students to gain experience in television and radio broadcasting.

The department’s popular KACC Live series will use the setting for its productions on 89.7 FM and KACC-TV, cable access Channel 16. Since the spring of 2007, KACC has been broadcasting live performances of well-known Texas musicians on 89.7 FM and streaming live video feeds of the performances through its website. The new venue now allows that series to be expanded for a live audience and broadcast on Channel 16.

The venue, which seats approximately 60 guests, held its first concert last fall. Funds collected from future events and venue rentals will go toward ACC Broadcast Communications student training and scholarships. Beginning summer 2011 the Foundation will hold “Alvin Live” performances to raise money for the organization’s mission, as well.
**Highlights**

**DONATIONS**

**Benefactors Give Unique Gifts to ACC in 2010**

Due to the generosity of many people in the community and ACC faculty and staff, the college has received numerous donations of goods and services, as well as money, throughout the years. Last year, Doris Burbank, former Department Chair Music Department donated a grand piano to the ACC Music Department. ACC Social Science Division Chair Nancy Lobb also made a generous donation to the college to provide materials for the beautiful wooden deck on the east side of Building G that was built by ACC staff last year.

**New Scholarships in 2010**

**Del Papa Endowed Scholarship**

As part of Del Papa Distributing Company’s 100th anniversary celebration in 2010, the company created an endowed scholarship at Alvin Community College. ACC was one of 13 community and four-year colleges located in the 17 counties Del Papa services to receive the honor. These endowments, made possible by the Del Papa Distributing Company Community Fund, will provide scholarships to many deserving students who need extra support to continue their education. Del Papa Distributing President Larry Del Papa (center) is shown with ACC Financial Aid Director Dora Sims (left) and ACC Foundation Executive Director Wendy Del Bello.

**Mary Montieth Memorial Scholarship**

To honor the memory of his mother, Gerald Monteith created the Mary Monteith Memorial Scholarship in 2010 to help students pursuing an Associate Degree in Nursing at ACC. Mary was a graduate of the ACC ADN program in 1986. The scholarship is designed for a woman returning to the workforce in the nursing profession.

**FUNDRAISERS**

**Christmas Gala**

During the Christmas Gala in December, guests were treated to an authentic, outdoor chuck wagon meal and real cowboy entertainment reminiscent of the late 1800s by Buck Reams and his team. This year’s gala raised over $32,000.

**Author’s Luncheon**

NewsRadio 740 KTRH GardenLine host and author Randy Lemmon gives some gardening tips while signing autographs during the annual ACC Foundation Author’s Luncheon which raised over $5,500. Lemmon is the author of Gulf Coast Gardening and Golfer’s Guide to Gardening.
Accomplishments, Changes and Challenges

❖ During the 2010 spring and fall semesters, the college enrolled a record number of students. Over 5,700 students enrolled in over 1,000,000 contact hours during the fall semester alone.

❖ To help address a nationwide and local shortage of qualified electroneurodiagnostic (END) technicians, ACC began providing training for an associate degree and one-year advanced technical certificate.

❖ Texas State Technical College expanded course offerings at the Pearland Center.

❖ The ACC CEWD received a $1 million grant to help unemployed and low-income residents of southeast Texas gain well-paying jobs with tuition-free technical training and support services.

❖ The Associate Degree Nursing Department was awarded a $24,000 grant under a program entitled “The Promise of Nursing for Houston/Galveston Nursing School Grant Program Administered by the Foundation of the National Student Nurses’ Association.” The grant was used to prepare and test faculty for the National League of Nursing (NLN) Certified Nurse Educators examination.

❖ The ACC Dolphins Baseball Team dedicated its new locker room to C. B. “Larry” Holdorff, Nolan Ryan’s father-in-law, last spring. The locker room was made possible by a donation from the Ryans.

❖ To help give ACC Emergency Medical Technology students another tool to excel in their profession and benefit the community, Manvel EMS donated a used ambulance to the college.

❖ The Alvin-Manvel Area Chamber of Commerce Youth Roundtable, Alvin Independent School District, ACC and local business and community leaders formed the Parents Exploring Educational Possibilities for Success (PEEPS) Program to help make sure every parent and student in the area is informed of the advantages, opportunities and steps needed to prepare and succeed in higher education.

❖ Over $150,000 from the Texas Legislature’s Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) program helped ACC purchase new equipment to assist students in training for the “high demand” technical careers of electroneurodiagnostics (END) and Associate Degree Nursing (ADN).

❖ ACC and the University of Texas Medical Branch School of Nursing in Galveston partnered to help Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) students transition more seamlessly into the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. As part of the agreement, enrolled ACC ADN students will be able to take the junior level course, Legal and Ethical Issues in Healthcare, at UTMB and have those credits apply to both degree requirements.

❖ Texas Workforce Commission Commissioner Ronny Congleton presented a ceremonial check for a $1.3 million grant to ACC last fall that will be used by the CEWD to provide training for a petrochemical consortium involving four area companies. The one-year TWC Skills Development Fund grant will be used to supply approximately 17,000 hours of advanced training to over 640 new and existing employees at TEAM Industrial, Ascend Performance Materials, LyondellBasell and Solvay Chemicals.

❖ Throughout 2010, ACC worked on its Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) reaffirmation of accreditation process. The application consists of a detailed self-study of all programs, services and actions associated with the college, which must meet numerous objectives outlined by SACS, and a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) initiative. This is the sixth time ACC has gone through the reaffirmation of accreditation process with SACS.

❖ ACC dealt with a 10 percent reduction in state funding for its 2010-2012 budget. The Texas Legislature mandated the reduction for all community colleges in the state.

Student Snapshot for 2010

❖ 85% plan to earn an associate degree or earn credits to transfer to a university.
❖ 69% are classified as freshman and 4% already have at least one degree.
❖ The average age of an ACC student is 24. 25% are 17 years and younger, 44% are between 19 and 30 and 20% are over 30. Currently, the youngest credit student is 14 and the oldest is 79.
❖ Women make up 55% of the student population at ACC.
❖ Ethnicity: 59% White; 25% Hispanic; 10% Black; 4% Asian/Pacific Islander; 2% Other/Unknown.
❖ Although 98% of ACC students are from Texas, 52% come from out-of-district.
❖ ACC awarded 844 degrees and certificates in 2010.
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