



Neeta Sane, Trustee

HIGHLIGHTS IN DISTRICT VII

- HCC is revolutionizing the classroom experience with Apple's newest innovation, the iPad. Students in selected courses use the iPad to download their textbook and course materials.
- The new Fort Bend County Library Sienna Branch, a joint project between Houston Community College Southwest and Fort Bend County, opened its doors in April.
- HCC and UTHealth signed an Early Acceptance Program agreement in July. HCC nursing students can qualify for early admission status to UTHealth's BSN program.



NEWS FROM DISTRICT VII

Dear Neighbors,

As your HCC Trustee, I was glad to initiate and host a series of Workforce Summits for HCC District VII starting with Stafford on May 6, 2010. Our goal was to identify ways that HCC can partner with community and industry leaders to help expand local businesses through HCC education and training, which would ultimately benefit the local community and help build a stronger regional economy.

The Workforce Summit in Stafford was the beginning of the dialogue, which we plan to continue as we work together to prepare our students for the future and help build the workforce of tomorrow. Because of the valuable participation of the community and business leaders, the summit was very successful and provided us with insight that we will use as we continue to develop innovative approaches to meet the educational and workforce needs of District VII. The Workforce Summit in May also led to three new partners, International Management District of Alief, Greater Sharpstown Management District and Brays Oaks Management District, joining for future HCC District VII Workforce Summits.

We all plan to work together to identify needed programs and to facilitate growth opportunities for businesses in Southwest Houston. The work continues with the next summit to be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 in Alief with special guest, Andy Icken, Chief Development Officer for the City of Houston.

You are most welcome to join us Wednesday, September 15 at the Kim Son Restaurant, 10603 Bellaire Blvd., from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m for the Alief summit. I would be very glad to get updates from you regarding your specific and general workforce needs in order to ensure the growth of your business via HCC education and training.

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District VII
Vice Chair, HCC Board

"We are committed to meeting your business needs through education and training."

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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- Area high school juniors graduated from the Summer Bridge Program at HCC Southwest Stafford Campus in July. Students in the program experience college instruction and begin their transition from high school to college.
- HCC Southwest volunteers participated in Stafford's 4th of July Parade and kept the crowds cool with HCC fans.
- HCC Southwest students, faculty and staff greeted spectators from the HCC float during the Missouri City Juneteenth Parade in June.

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Participants in HCC's Summer Bridge Program work together.



HCC's Future Students Squad eagerly anticipating the start of the parade.



Houston Community College adjunct professor Sandra Gin wins Daytime Emmy.

Focus on Students and Faculty

- For the third consecutive year, Houston Community College adjunct professor Sandra Gin has won a Daytime Emmy for the show *Cristina's Court* which ran for three seasons from 2007 through 2009. Gin was a producer on the show and is currently a professor in the Broadcast Technology department at the HCC Southwest Stafford Campus.
- More than 500 Southwest College students are involved in service learning at local hospitals and community clinics. Students volunteer 20 to 36 hours a semester at Southwest Hermann Memorial, West Houston Hospital and their counterparts in the Medical Center, Sugar Land and Katy, and apply what they learn to their courses at Southwest College.



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Wednesday, September 15

Workforce Summit: Growth
Opportunities for Businesses in
Southwest Houston
Kim Son Restaurant
10603 Bellaire Blvd.

Sunday, September 19

The Alief International Parade
9:00 a.m.
Starting point at the International Trade
Center in Alief

Sunday, October 17

International Festival of Fort Bend
11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Stafford Centre
10505 Cash Rd., Stafford