Greetings!

Most would agree that **Abraham Lincoln was one of our nation’s most influential presidents.** He is globally known for leading our country through one of the most brutal, bloodiest wars the United States has ever witnessed. Not only did he lead the country through war but he also abolished slavery, made the federal government strong and modernized the entire economy. In 1862, President Lincoln addressed the Congress with this message:

> "The dogmas of the quiet past, are inadequate to the stormy present. The occasion is piled high with difficulty, and we must rise with the occasion. As our case is new, so we must think anew, and act anew."

This advice, so relevant and timely in 1862, remains relevant to the environment in which we find ourselves today. An environment in which enrollments continue to decline based on changing demographics declining state and federal funding and decreased consumer confidence in the return on investment for higher education. Despite these challenges, we know post-secondary education and training remains relevant and necessary for today’s workforce.

As we begin another academic year, I **encourage all of you to reflect upon our 16th president’s message to “rise with the occasion”**. Opportunities for innovation and growth are there, we simply need to “**think anew and act anew**.” I’m excited by the opportunities for innovation and growth that have been identified in the Campus’ 2018-2021 Master Plan including the following:

- Expansion of the Campuses Mechatronics Program
- Addition of Apprenticeship programs in Hospitality and Healthcare
- Expansion of Community Education Offerings
- Expansion of Workforce Development offerings to include Brewing Science, Logistics and Supply Chain Management and English as a Second Language (ESL)

![GOODBYE SUMMER!](image)

As the summer comes to a close and we prepare together for the coming academic year, I’m confident that we will continue to build upon the remarkable dedication to students that characterizes the Gettysburg Campus to guide our future growth and development. This year promises to be an exciting time in the life of our Campus as we engage the opportunities and challenges facing higher education. I am deeply grateful to each of you for your contributions and extraordinary dedication to our students. I look forward to working with you in the year ahead!

~ Shannon

^ Former HACC student & Lincoln presenter, James Hayney
On July 21, the Adams County Community Foundation awarded $148,712 in grants to 14 nonprofits at an event held at the Gettysburg Campus in the Robert C. Hoffman Community Room. Nonprofits, including the Gettysburg Campus, were selected based on their ability to help our community’s most vulnerable residents or to support collaborative improvements in affordable housing, transportation, economic development and activities which benefit young people. The Gettysburg Campus Mechatronics Excellence Fund received a $7,500 grant to assist with the expansion of the Mechatronics program.

The Campus plans to expand the Mechatronics program adding a second co-hort of students in January of 2019. Manufacturing continues to be one of the counties leading economic drivers and continues to face a shortage of qualified applicants for open positions. With the addition of a second lab and classroom in the 400 suite, the campus could admit 15 students twice a year into the program. Since opening the program in 2014, the Campus has a 100 percent placement rate into industry and/or continuation in HACC’s associate degree program in applied science.

Local industries like WABCO (formerly RH Sheppard), Utz Quality Foods, Dr Pepper/Snapple, Pella Windows, Knouse Foods, and Rice Fruit Company have affirmed the continued need for HACC mechatronics graduates. Local employment issues are further impacted by an aging workforce. One large manufacturer recently cited that 40% of their maintenance staff would be eligible to retire by 2018, 90% by 2022. The additional classroom and lab will mirror the existing lab and classroom space and will be constructed this fall in front of the current Mechatronics lab and classroom. In addition to the credit co-hort certificate program, HACC’s noncredit Industrial Maintenance Technician (IMT) apprenticeship program will utilize the new classroom and lab in the evenings. Kudos to Dory Uhlman and Rich Hebel for their successful grant funding requests (Perkins & Adams County Community Foundation) to support the construction and additional equipment needs.
Congratulations

- **Tracey Smith**, dean of student affairs, was recently appointed to the board of directors for the **YWCA of Gettysburg and Adams County**. They YWCA is the only organization in Adams County to have an all female board and a female executive director.

- **Cinnamon Hosterman**, Welcome Center director, was recently appointed to the **Healthy Adams county board of directors**. Healthy Adams County is a collaborative partnership of community members dedicated to continuing assessment, development and promotion of efforts toward improving physical, mental and social well being.

- **Sara Maines**, admissions counselor, who coordinated the **ABATE Keystone Chapter 56 yearly Christmas in July benefit which raised $13,390 for Royal Family Kids Camp** based in Greencastle, PA. ABATE is an Alliance of Bikers dedicated to the protection of the individual rights of motorcyclists through political change, charitable works, and public education.

- **Jennifer Gonzalez** who recently accepted the **full-time medical assisting tenure-track position** beginning fall 2018. Jennifer was a full-time temporary faculty member in the medical assisting program for two years. She was instrumental in beginning this new program for the Gettysburg campus. Prior to joining HACC, Jennifer was a full-time medical assistant at Wellspan Medical Oncology. She is a certified medical assistant and certified phlebotomist, and she continues to practice at Wellspan outside of her work at HACC to remain proficient in her field. Jennifer is a graduate of HACC’s medical assisting program and is currently enrolled in Weidner University’s Bachelors in Allied Health program.

- **Diane Bittle**, CIS professor, on being nominated for the **Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Faculty award representing HACC**. Diane’s nomination highlighted her excellence in teaching, innovation, leadership, and her engagement in activities outside the college in state and national two-year college associations.

- **Benjamin Martinez**, Gettysburg Campus business administration student, who was selected to participate in the **2018 Bucknell Community College Scholar 2018 Summer Program**. The program consists of a six-week summer session where a select group of community college students (known as Bucknell Community College Scholars) will take two Bucknell courses while living on campus at Bucknell University. Benjamin will return to HACC in the fall to complete his associate degree with an opportunity to apply to Bucknell University as a transfer student and receive a full-tuition scholarship. To find out more about the Bucknell Community College Scholars program please see the Bucknell University webpage.

- **Howard Alexander, Angie Buchanan-Bloch, Kylynn Becker, Lori Bridel, Wendy Brubaker, Gail Crum, Cynthia Garcia, Lisa Graham, Amanda Hartzel, Steve Helfrich, Cinnamon Hosterman, Betty Kopp, Andrea Lazarus, Lolita Lupian, Kathy Pasewark, Tracey Smith and Erin Rose** for a successful **One Stop registration event** on July 18. A total of 65 (35 current/30 prospective) students were seen in counseling and advising and 32 students completed placement testing. The entire Campus enjoyed the fun atmosphere with the music, balloons, and food.
In late spring, the Student Nursing Organization (SNO) created and stocked a HACC Cares Box that can be found in the back hallway leading to The Green. The sign on the box reads, “Take what you need, Leave what you can, Above all know that HACC Cares.” The goal is for students in need of a necessity to take an item or for anyone to donate an item that could help a student. The box includes toiletries, basic food essentials, dog/cat supplies, basic household items, etc. When students return in the fall, the SGA and SNO will be working with departments, student clubs and other means to gather supplies for this box. However, to help gather much needed items to start the school year, we are having a HACC Cares Donation Station.

Please visit the bulletin board outside of the SGA office to find the HACC Cares poster. On the poster there are directions to help donate and enter for a chance to win a free Dress Down Day coupon. If you’re able to participate, please select an item from the board, purchase the item, attach a slip with your contact information (please see the ones provided on the bulletin board) to the item and drop it in the red donation box. At the end of August, we will select two names to win the Dress Down Day coupons.

An example of the HACC Cares Donation Station poster and HACC Cares Box is shown below.

**Donations Needed:**
- Paper Towels  
- Trash Bags  
- Tissues  
- Pledge  
- Toilet Paper  
- Windex  
- Window Cleaner  
- Fabric Softener  
- Clorox Wipes  
- Laundry Detergent  
- All Purpose Cleaner
Welcome

Cody Goodling, OIST user support technician. Cody formerly worked for The Bon-Ton Corporation. He has a strong computer support and web operations background with great customer service skills. Cody recently graduated from YTI with an associate degree in Computer Systems. He enjoys playing basketball and Fortnite and hopes to one day own a Chick-fil-A. Please take a minute to stop by the OIST office and welcome Cody to the Gettysburg Campus.

Join the HACC Yeah! Heart Walk Team

Please consider joining the “HACC Yeah!” team for this year’s American Heart Association Adams-Hanover Heart and Stroke Walk. This year’s walk will be held on Saturday September 8 at New Oxford High School. The walk will take place on the school’s track and surrounding walking trail.

There is no fee to participate in the Heart and Stroke Walk. If you register and contribute or raise a minimum of $25 you’ll receive a coveted burgundy and white HACC Yeah! T-shirt.

Sign-Up is Easy. Register here for the HACC Yeah! team. If you have any questions please feel free to email HACC Yeah! Team Leaders Cinnamon Hosterman (cahoster@hacc.edu) or Shannon Harvey (ssharvey@hacc.edu).
As you look ahead to the start of the Fall semester, please mark your calendar for the following events and activities:

- **Monday, Aug 20:**
  New Faculty Orientation and Virtual Learning event

- **Tuesday, Aug 21:**
  Harrisburg Campus, all-faculty meetings  
  9 a.m. College Convocation  
  10:30 a.m.—12 p.m. Assessment Day listening sessions  
  1-4 p.m. Department and Discipline meetings.

- **Wednesday, Aug 22:**
  Gettysburg Campus Fall Faculty Kick-Off Event  
  *Teaching in Today’s Changing World*  
  5:00—8:00 p.m.

Remember to RSVP to Tonya Heckman-Hann at tmheckm2@hacc.edu or 717-339-3506 no later than **August 6th**. Please provide the numbers of the TWO sessions you wish to attend and note any special dietary needs. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, August 22nd!

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**Day of Giving Incentive Winner**

**Congratulations to Kathy Brickner**

This year, HACC offered its first-ever employee incentive that included **paid time off for contributing on the Day of Giving**.

Employees who made a one-lump-sum donation of $100 or more on April 18 received a certificate for two “HACC Hours of Giving” that can be redeemed for two hours of leave during the 2018 calendar year.

Also, they were entered into a collegewide drawing for 10 lucky colleagues to receive an extra 7.5-hour personal day to be used during the 2018 calendar year. Congratulations Kathy on being one of the lucky 10 winners of an additional personal day! **Thank you to all HACC staff and faculty who participated and/or contributed to this year’s Day of Giving.** Over $182,000 was raised during the Week of Giving activities!
In June, a group of six HACC employees ran 200+ miles to show their support for HACC students AND raise money for the Collegewide Student Success Fund for Excellence by completing the Ragnar Relay from Lancaster to Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania. The team completed the 202 mile road race in just under 35 hours!

The HACC Yeah! Team included; Aimee Brough, vice president of human resources, Shannon Harvey, Gettysburg Campus vice president, Toni Mark, development officer, Office of College Advancement, Ken Shur, business and management professor, Rob Swatski, biology professor and John J. Sygielski “Ski”, president.

Through this crowdfunding campaign, the HACC Yeah! team raised $3,416 to support student success at all of HACC’s campuses. We are #HACCproud.

**Upcoming Campus Events**

**Evicted Kick Off, HACC Gettysburg Campus**
- Join us for a reading of this *New York Times* bestseller and Pulitzer Prize winning novel written by Harvard sociologist and 2015 MacArthur “Genius” Award winner Matthew Desmond. He takes readers into the poorest neighborhoods in Milwaukee, where families spend most of their income on housing and where eviction has become a routine – especially for single mothers. *Evicted* transforms our understanding of extreme poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving a devastating, uniquely American problem. Novels are available in the campus library and for sale in the campus bookstore for $11.55. Join the online discussion blog [https://libguides.hacc.edu/evicted](https://libguides.hacc.edu/evicted) and plan to participate in a campus book discussion group scheduled for November or January.

**Introductory Salsa Dance Lessons at HACC Gettysburg Campus**
- September 6, 7-9 p.m., Robert C. Hoffman Community Room
  Take the opportunity to move your body to the salsa with a free introductory salsa dance lesson. Led by local husband and wife dance instructors, Linda Neiswender and Frank Daire, participants will learn the basic steps to salsa dancing. Then take your newfound dance moves to the annual Salsa on the Square on September 28. Light refreshments provided by Montezuma’s Restaurant.