From the Campus Executive Director

Happy New Year! As 2014 drew to a close we celebrated the events, gatherings, and work done throughout the year. A tremendous thank you goes out to the faculty, staff and students who worked hard in 2014 to challenge themselves, push the comfort zone and achieve great things! The New Year is here and We are beginning the process of looking ahead, thinking out of the box and planning new activities. I hope that you will follow us on Facebook and stop by Hawks Peak to read the information board and stay informed of all the GREAT things happening here on the Lebanon Campus! 2014 was a good year; 2015 is going to be even better! I look forward to new adventures, new opportunities, new students, new faculty, new staff and good old times!

Welcome to 2015 and the Lebanon Campus, a great place to learn, play, hangout and work hard!

Laurie Bowersox

50th Anniversary comes to a close

It seems like only yesterday that HACC was preparing for its 50th anniversary celebration. Now, it’s over, but 2014 was a terrific year for HACC! The College celebrated by hosting brand new events, raising money to support our students and capturing the memories from past and present employees, board members and students. We hope you will take a few minutes to enjoy and relive a few moments of HACC’s history and the 50th anniversary celebrations by visiting www.hacc.edu/50 to view:

- An online scrapbook that highlights the 50th anniversary events, testimonials (video and written) and how much support the College has received in one year
- A 50th anniversary online history book that showcases HACC’s history since 1964
- An oral history video about the life at HACC over the last 50 years
A note from our retiring Facilities Director

It is not good bye.

But just “see ya later”. As most of you know I am retiring as of Jan. 9, 2015. It has been a fun ride for the past 7 years. I have enjoyed the job, the people and HACC immensely. Many, many things have changed since 2008, but change is good—just ask a baby! If we fail to change then we will be left to get old and crusty—again, ask that baby. ☺ So my leaving is just another change for me and for all of you. I urge you all to keep moving forward and embrace the changes and make HACC an even better place to learn and to work.

I thank the Lord for bringing me to HACC. He has blessed me and my family many times over. Without him, I firmly believe, none of what we have been able to accomplish would have ever been possible.

I thank Noreen, my wife, for her unending support. She has been in here with me in the middle of night or during blizzards or on 100 degree days resetting the boilers, air handlers or the chiller. And without her help I would have never been able to keep up with the weeds in landscaping. ☺

I thank Eleanor Bosserman for being one of the best managers I have ever had. Remember I have been working since I was about 2 years old, so that is saying a whole lot. She has been extremely patient, understanding and supportive of me and the Facility Department. She is not only a good manager to work for, but she is a great person to work with. I am honored to call her my friend.

I get a lot of the credit for the condition and appearance of the campus, but if I hadn’t surrounded myself with a VERY competent staff the campus would not look or run like it does. So many thanks go out to Ashley, Dale and Dave. I urge you to keep your standards high, keep hustling and stay on top of the “The Little Things.” They make a huge difference, as I have told you a million times. ☺

And last, but not least, I thank all of you, everyone, past and present, that I have worked with at HACC. It truly has been enjoyable, challenging at times, but still a lot of fun and you and HACC Lebanon will be forever in my prayers. God Bless.

Denny D

Thank you from the Safety and Security Department

The Safety and Security Department participated in No-Shave November, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. During the month of November, several officers grew facial hair in support of those battling cancer. We set a fundraising goal of $1,000 and we are pleased to announce that our goal has been met! Thank you to everyone who contributed and supported us.
Winter safety tips. BE PREPARED!

Winter will be fast approaching and the safety committee and security department would like to remind you to be prepared for a safe and accident-free winter. The following list of precautions for your vehicle may help you avoid dangerous winter situations:

- Keep your vehicle winterized especially with proper antifreeze, good wiper blades, good battery, and snow tires or chains
- Keep the gas tank as full as possible
- Carry a winter car kit including matches and candles, first aid kit, shovel, jumper cables, sleeping bag or blankets and even kitty litter for traction
- Keep your cell phone fully charged
- Dress appropriately for the weather conditions and outdoor temperatures

Walking on ice and snow can be challenging. Snow and icy conditions account for many slips and falls during inclement weather. There are ways to help prevent falls and ensure your safety by following safety tips;

- Plan ahead! Give yourself time to prepare for the weather so you know what to expect.
- Wear proper footwear and anticipate your steps.
- During hours of darkness, wear a bright coat or scarf to be easily seen. During daylight hours wear sunglasses.
- Be aware of black ice and approach with caution. Sun will melt during the day and freezes again at night causing icy conditions. Black ice can be deceiving as it is common to mistake it for a wet surface.
- Place your entire foot on the surface of the ground.
- Walk slowly, hold on to hand railings when walking on steps; secure your feet firmly on each step. There is no need to rush, especially if you plan ahead!
- Be aware of your surroundings when walking in an icy or snowy condition.
- When entering a building, be careful because your shoes may be wet and can cause you to slip or fall.
- Be alert while walking on ice and snow
- Watch for hidden hazard areas like melting ice draining from downspouts onto walking areas, creating an icy walkway, snow covered parking berms and curbs, and ice patches in shaded areas.

REPORT ANY HAZARDS TO SECURITY OR FACILITY DEPARTMENTS

E2 campus alerts: Sign up for e2Campus, HACC’s free, collegewide alert system. Be informed quickly when the College has immediate announcements, such as weather-related closings, delays, cancelations or emergencies. Sign up at http://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/signup.htm

You can check your status easily by going to this web address: https://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/index.htm Login with your credentials and enter your cell phone number to determine if you are registered.
United Way Campaign results

HACC’s Lebanon Campus kicked off its 2014 United Way campaign with a luncheon on Nov. 13. Representatives from the United Way of Lebanon County joined us to share examples of how they put our dollars to work by investing in programs and partners to make our community stronger and healthier.

Many prizes were given away as an incentive to those who donated at least $1 per week. Among the prizes offered, included for the first time this year, was a dedicated parking spot next to the back entrance door during the (coldest) first three months of the year. The lucky winners are Ann Burris (Jan.), Margo Boman (Feb.) and Joe Donato (March).

Our campaign ended successfully on Dec. 4 with a 2% increase in giving over last year. A total of $3,514.00 was raised in support of United Way to help improve the lives of others all over the Lebanon Valley!

Lebanon County Holiday Parade

Lebanon’s annual holiday parade, always fun, was extra special this year because our Lebanon Campus SGA participated. They placed third in the general category for their participation! Adding to the festivities, students, staff and faculty volunteered to hand out hot chocolate at the campus, which was welcomed by parade spectators. A fun time was had by all!

Congratulations, Lebanon Campus SGA!
Welcome to the Lebanon Campus!

David Ottinger joined the HACC Lebanon Safety and Security Department on Dec. 15, filling the role of security officer on the evening shift. David comes to us from Bucks County Community College where he worked as a security officer for over 6 years. David also graduated from Bucks County Community College with an associate’s degree in criminal justice. In his spare time, he enjoys antiquing with his wife and detailing cars. David says he is very happy to be a part of the HACC security department. Please congratulate David on his new position with the college when you see him.

Wendy Gillman has accepted the new position of FT Career Coach for the Lancaster/Lebanon Campuses, having previously worked at the Lancaster Campus. Career Coaches are a complement to an existing slate of services designed to support student success. Drawing on current best practices in student success, Career Coaches will provide case management support, advising, and service coordination. Congratulations Wendy!

Jo Anne McCarthy has joined the Lebanon Campus bookstore as Shipping and Receiving Technician, having previously worked at the Lancaster Campus bookstore as a student and casual worker for five years. She graduated from HACC in 2009 and received her BS in Business Administration from Central Penn in 2012. Jo Anne has always enjoyed helping students find the right book for their class and talking about her great and proud experience as a HACC student. In her spare time, she enjoys aerobic dancing, spending time with her children in North Carolina and Georgia, and traveling out West. Feel free to come and visit the bookstore and Jo Anne will give you a welcoming experience.

Dismary A. Munoz-Castillo is very excited to join the Lebanon Campus as the new Enrollment Services Specialist. She recently graduated from HACC with a Business Studies AA degree, and is planning to continue further education. She loves challenges, so learning and gaining experience are some of the things that she enjoys the most about her job. Also, she finds great satisfaction finishing the day knowing that she was able to help other people to accomplish what they needed to do. Angie, as her family and friends also call her, is originally from the Dominican Republic, so Spanish is her native language. She says that she is also very pleased to serve and support the bi-lingual needs of the campus. If you want to learn some Spanish or need someone with whom to practice it, she is very happy to help.
Holiday Festivities

No Pinterest fails at the Lebanon Campus! We enjoyed creating a snowman tree for the lobby and serving up punch in clear individualized ornaments at our holiday party. The holiday party also included a cookie exchange, photo opportunities, an ugly sweater contest, great food provided by Quest, and goodwill projects with donations to the Humane Society and the Salvation Army After School Program.
Helping Hands

Our students and staff collected ....
109 hats
106 pairs of gloves / mittens
25 scarves
9 earmuffs
9 hat / glove combos
9 scarf / glove combos
and a few jackets, long johns and underclothes
**TOTAL = 267 items**

We had such a wonderful pile of goodies that we were able to donate a large bag full of warm things to Lebanon Big Brothers Big Sisters as well as ALL 5 of the Lebanon City Elementary Schools!

Freedom of Information Act requests

When you receive **telephone** inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

1. Direct the caller to our website: [www.hacc.edu](http://www.hacc.edu)
2. Ask the caller to type in “Right to Know” in the search function to find the Web page about the Right to Know process (Note: This is the direct link to the Web page: [http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm](http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm))
3. Ask the caller to follow the detailed instructions on the website
4. Tell the caller that his or her request will be handled when he or she follows the detailed instructions
5. Do not engage in any conversation beyond this, because it might be used against the College later – especially if you share erroneous information with the caller

When you receive **email** inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

1. Forward the email to [righttoknow@hacc.edu](mailto:righttoknow@hacc.edu) (this email address is also listed on [http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm](http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm))
2. Do not respond to the writer

Upon receipt of these telephone and email inquiries, the Office of College Advancement team will handle them and confer with the necessary individuals.
Save the date — watch for details!

Upcoming SGA Events:

March 5—Black-Jew Dialogues
March 18—Women’s History Month discussion
March 24—Gates of Wisdom event, designed to provide inspiration to the student body
April 8—HACC’s Got Talent
April 15—Sexual assault awareness event

Upcoming Career Services Events:

April 8—A workshop on professionalism, “IRL (In Real Life) Success Series”
April 14—College Transfer Fair

Election of new HACC Trustee

Niles S. Benn, Esq. of York County is the newest member of the Board of Trustees of HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College.

Benn, whose appointment runs through June 30, 2020, previously served as vice chairman of the HACC Foundation Board. Benn was a member of the HACC Foundation Board from Sept. 2009 to Oct. 2014, and served on the investment, executive, allocations and strategic planning committees during his service.

Founder of Benn Law Firm in York, Benn is a community activist who has served on the boards of many local healthcare and arts-related organizations, including Holy Spirit Health System and the Hospice and Community Care Engagement Team. A graduate of The Dickinson School of Law, Benn is a member of the American, Pennsylvania and York County Bar associations.