From the Campus Executive Director

Happy New Year and Welcome to the Spring 2016 Semester!

We are off to a great start! It was a pleasure seeing so many of you entering the campus during the first week of classes with a positive attitude and a determination to help our students succeed. We encourage you to keep that spirit throughout the semester.

To kick-off the spring semester, faculty and staff attended an evening focused on student engagement. It was a pleasure seeing so many of you in attendance and enjoying the night. The adage certainly held true, “you are never too old to learn new things.” Thank you to our presenters for a job well done!

Laurie Bowersox

Above: Lebanon Faculty at Campus Day, as they listen to various speakers on how to increase student engagement in their classes. The four speakers that presented included David Satterlee, dean of student affairs at the York Campus, Margo Boman, math faculty, Heidi Devlin, biology faculty, and Sara Lupinacci, English faculty at Lebanon.
Welcome to Lebanon!

Kelley Engle joins us in the position of Dean of Academic Affairs, Virtual Learning and Lebanon Campus, having served as the associate dean of the York Campus for the past two years. Prior to this, she was the interim computer technology department chair for one year. She also has teaching experience at various institutions (HACC, Penn State, University of Maryland, Baltimore County) in various modalities (face-to-face, blended and online). Kelley earned a Ph.D. in information systems from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, in 2013, and her research interests are in data mining, artificial intelligence and health informatics. Please give a warm welcome to Kelley when you see her!

John Conforti will be serving both Virtual Learning and the Lebanon Campus in his role as Admissions Counselor. John earned his bachelor’s degree in speech communications from Millersville University and is currently working on his master’s degree in integrated marketing communications from West Virginia University. After many years in sales, he found his passion through admissions work at YTI, where he helped students pursue their dream careers. He is beyond excited to do the same here at HACC. In his spare time, John likes to write and perform comedy for the stage and enjoy all the time he can with his lovely fiancée, Amanda.

Nathan Hess is the newest part-time Public Safety and Security Officer at the Lebanon Campus. Nathan was born and raised in Reading, PA. He started his career in law enforcement with the Reading City Police Department in 2002. Nathan has been a police officer with several departments, but most recently with the PA State Capitol Police. He is also on the Special Response Team (SRT) and Field Force Callout team (riot/civil disturbance control). In addition, he is an instructor in Taser, PATH hand cuffing, baton, and OCAT. He will continue his career with PA State Capitol Police and work part-time with HACC. Outside of work, Nathan’s interests include time with his family, outdoor activities, shooting range and fitness. Nathan’s hours will be Monday through Thursday, 2 to 10 p.m. Give a warm welcome to Nathan when you see him!
Welcome to Lebanon! (continued)

We welcome Dwayne Hunt from the Harrisburg Campus, in his new role as the dean of students affairs and enrollment management, Virtual Learning and Lebanon Campus. His previous role with the college was as associate dean of academic affairs at the Harrisburg Campus. Prior to that role, he served as the assistant dean of students at Palm Beach State College in Lake Worth, Florida. He has worked as the academic coordinator at Penn State University—Schuylkill Campus and had served in various roles while at Miami Dade (Community) College. Dwayne’s professional experience includes academic affairs, academic advising, academic support, adjunct faculty, career services, enrollment management, multicultural activities, student life, and student conduct. Dwayne currently co-chairs the Men of Color Work Group, whose mission is to work with the college community in developing and implementing academic and social initiatives that support Black and Latino men at HACC and beyond. He has also been appointed to the HACC Foundation Board for 2016.

Doris Marie Brown is excited about her new position as an enrollment services specialist at the Lebanon Campus. Doris began her employment with HACC in June 2013, as a student worker in the Harrisburg Campus Financial Aid office, accepting a full-time position as an administrative office assistant in the Communications Center - Enrollment Services in January 2014. She received her AA degree in Legal Studies from HACC in 2013, and is currently pursuing her bachelor’s degree. Doris has always been intrigued by the law and possesses a passion for working with the elderly and the general public. In her personal time, she enjoys singing and listening to Christian music, writing poetry and original songs, and attending Bridge of Faith International Ministries on a regular basis, where she is an active member and choir director. Doris looks forward to meeting new students, assisting students with their financial aid and enrollment related inquiries, and learning new things. Welcome, Doris!

Delayed Openings & Closures

As the cold weather is now upon us, it is good to be reminded of the changes for delayed openings due to inclement weather. In the event of a delayed opening, classes will start at 10:00 am and staff are to report at 9:30 am. More information regarding the 2016 weather delays/closings can be found on the following webpage: http://www.hacc.edu/Weather/Weather-Messages.cfm.

Also, if you have not already done so, please register for e2campus and/or review your preferences so that any notifications regarding delays or closings are sent to you.
This year, HACC's Lebanon campus took its holiday party downtown - the Downtown Lounge, that is - where we celebrated with great food and drinks.

Our basket raffle to benefit the Campus Emergency Assistance Fund was a success. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets!

Just in case Santa stopped by, we made it easy for him to tell who was naughty and who was nice!
Lebanon Campus Update
Second Annual Mitten/Hat Drive

A big thank you goes out to our Lebanon Campus students for their support of the second annual mitten/hat drive. Seven local elementary schools and Big Brothers/ Big Sisters received donations.

The students collected 376 items. That’s almost 100 more items than last year!
International sculptor breaks barriers on women’s issues

International sculptor Cristin Millett asks viewers of her artwork to take another look at societal attitudes about the female body. Her research and work focuses on medical history and the human reproductive system.

Please join us Thursday, March 31, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the MPR (Room 105) at HACC’s Lebanon Campus for the lecture and exhibit with Cristin Millett, Associate Professor at Pennsylvania State University.

This event is sponsored by SGA and the HACC Lebanon Art Department and is free and open to the public.

Save the date - watch for details!

Upcoming Campus Events:

March 28—Central PA Blood Drive
March 30—SGA Culture Day
April 9—HACC Open House
April 16—SGA Washington DC Bus Trip
April 22—Day of Caring—Campus Clean-Up Day
May 3—Math Marathon
VITA (volunteer income tax assistance) partners with HACC

Exciting news! The VITA program (volunteer income tax assistance) in Lebanon County, which receives a United Way grant, has partnered with HACC’s Lebanon Campus for the 2015 tax season - translators available!! HACC is the newest of 5 VITA sites in Lebanon County alone. If you made less than $54,000 in 2015, Call Community Action Partnership at 273-9328 to schedule an appointment to have your taxes filed for free by an IRS- trained volunteer.

Employee Benefit Workshops and Presentations

Check out the upcoming workshops that will be held at the Lebanon Campus. Complete information on these sessions can be found on the Benefits page of MyHACC, under “Latest News!” Mark your calendar now!

* TIAA Cref consultations
* New York Life
* Capital View Wealth Management
* Capital Blue Cross - open sessions specific to YOUR medical and prescription insurance

Lebanon Campus Forum with President Ski - Save the date!

When: March 4, 2016
Where: MPR, Room 105
Time: 9 a.m.
A message from the Dept. of Public Safety and Security (DPSS)

Due to recent events involving threatening calls to the college, a “softkey” has been configured on college telephones that will assist HACC in identifying calls that could be considered threatening or malicious. Should you receive a call like this, and while connected to the call, please press the “softkey” labeled MCID or Report Caller. This will immediately notify the telephone system to log the call as malicious or threatening. The HACC Department of Public Safety & Security should also be notified immediately if you receive any threatening or malicious call. HACC Security will then request from the IT department to search for the call in the telephone system logs as part of our investigation. If you press this “softkey” by mistake simply ignore it and no notification is needed.

Additional information on the “softkey” use:
While you are connected with a call the following top 3 “softkeys” should appear on your phone:
•Hold
•Transfer
•MCID or Report caller (depending on the model of the phone)
… More

This is what occurs after the MCID or Report Caller button is pressed:
1. An employee receives a threatening call – the employee presses the MCID or Report Caller “softkey”
2. The phone system receives the request and sends the employee a confirmation tone (two beeps) – to acknowledge that it received the request.
3. The phone system updates the phone records with an indication that the call is registered as malicious.
After receiving this notification, and security is notified, IT can take action in providing legal authorities with the call information

The “softkey” will only be displayed while you are connected with the call. Please feel free to contact the Lebanon Campus Safety and Security Department if you have any further questions or concerns on this process.
Phlebotomy students assist local clinic

Donna Williams, chief operating officer at Lebanon Family Health Services (LFHS), gave high praise to our Lebanon Campus phlebotomy students who recently assisted at their STI (Sexually Transmitted Infections) Walk-In Clinic. Williams said our students were extremely well trained and prepared for the day. They saw 130 individuals for testing and everyone of them required a blood draw as part of the screening process. Although some of these individuals are very difficult to stick based on age, lifestyles choices, etc., Williams said the students handled each and every patient with the utmost of respect and professionalism. The students were an integral part of the success of the walk-in clinic and LFHS was grateful for their assistance. Williams said she would be happy to work with our students again at their next clinic to be held in the spring.

2014-15 HACC Annual Report is now online
(Combined report for the HACC Foundation and HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College)

Join us to celebrate HACC’s many successes, as captured in the 2014-15 annual report. Please take a look to see the impact your contributions have on HACC students and the quality of their education.

In the 2014-15 report, you will learn about:

- The outcomes of HACC’s 2012-15 strategic plan
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- HACC’s Golden Anniversary Gala
- Assessment, Student Success and Completion Successes at HACC
- Transformation of HACC’s Workforce Development and Continuing Education Division
- Technology, Innovation and Collaboration at HACC
- HACC’s Alumni Engagement Commitment

The report also acknowledges supporters like you who have helped these opportunities become realities. Please click on the links within the report to read more in-depth about HACC, its goal to be the first choice for a quality and accessible higher education opportunity and the role the HACC Foundation is playing in this journey!

Thank you!