What a GREAT first week we had! I want to celebrate and thank Wendy Brubaker, the Student Programming Board and Student Government leaders and the Student Success Committee for a first week filled with activities and events to CONNECT students, staff and faculty.

This semester our student leaders, along with the Gettysburg Campus Student Success Committee, will be focused on activities and events directed towards Making Connections, Providing Resources and Showing Support.

Welcome week began by inviting students to “start off on the right foot” by identifying what they can do to impact their success. Most frequent answers reflected on the Post It notes included Staying Organized, Time Management, Study, Go to Class, Help Others. One that caused many chuckles was No Boys!

On Tuesday, I hosted “Tasty Treats Tuesday” inviting students to share their best HACC experience along with their most frustrating HACC experience in exchange for an ice-cream treat! The best experiences far outnumbered the negative experiences. The following people or programs and services were frequently highlighted as “best experiences”

PEOPLE
Ashley Baer          Donneva Crowell
Bill Hartzell        Darwin Laughman
Kathy Pasewark       Carter Stephen
Tara Whitehead       Jim Yashur

PROGRAMS & SERVICES
Nursing program
Learning Center
Welcoming, Friendly Staff
HACC Cares Box

< Ashley Baer, Kathy Brickner & Wendy Brubaker invite students to pick up a planner & share a success strategy. 
Welcome Week Activities

Most Frustrating HACC Experiences

- **Parking** - provided an opportunity to remind students of the abundance of parking in the South lot by the facilities building.
- **Last minute cancellation of classes** - provided an opportunity to remind students of the importance of registering early.
- **Expression of political views in the classroom** - provided an opportunity to talk about the importance of civil discourse, respect for differing viewpoints, and sharing concerns with faculty during office hours.

Veterans Picnic

On Wednesday, **students, staff and faculty veterans were treated to a picnic lunch on “The Green”**. HACC Vet Success coordinator, **Gail Hrobuchak**, was in attendance along with **Bill Hewitt**, Commander of the Gettysburg VFW. Over 1,000 veterans attend HACC’s five campuses and Virtual Learning. The **Gettysburg Campus Military and Veteran’s Affairs Office (MVAO)** is staffed by students Kenny Mumma and Justin Knill. Kenny and Justin are both veterans using a GI Bill® benefit. Remember to remind our veteran students and dependents of the Campus veteran’s scholarships:

- **The Albert J. Lentz American Legion Veterans Memorial Scholarship**
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 15, Gettysburg Award Scholarship**
Congratulations & Celebration

2018 Adjunct Excellence Award Winner Tara Whitehead

English faculty member Tara Whitehead received the 2018 Adjunct Excellence Award. In the words of her nominators,

“...she exudes compassion for her students and enthusiasm for her curriculum. She has an excellent rapport with her students, is sensitive to her students’ learning styles, and encourages their active participation in class. Her teaching style incorporates engaging activities and frequent use of positive reinforcement techniques. She is extremely organized and skillfully utilizes technology in her lessons...In addition to her teaching credit courses, Instructor Whitehead also teaches as a part of our campus Community Education Days where she has shared her knowledge of cinema, literature, and writing – and their connectedness. The attendees’ evaluation comments describe her as “wonderful,” “fantastic,” and “a keeper.”

Outside of the classroom, Instructor Whitehead can be found making herself available for her students beyond her required office hours. She holds writing conferences during the term to connect with each student individually, and her office hours are often busy – demonstrating her ability to develop effective relationships with her students. “

Tara’s name is inscribed on a plaque that hangs in the Faculty Office Suite. Former adjunct faculty excellence award winners include Wendy Brubaker, Shannon Davis, Chris Esgar, Charlie Fennell, Fred Gantz, Terry Havel, Bob Klokis, Andrea Metz, Patti Paull, Gretchen Plotkin, Sharon Sontheimer, Flo Taylor, and Carol Williams.
Congratulations & Celebration

< 2018 South Western High School graduate and new HACC student Braden Musselman was the lucky recipient of the $1,000 Tuition Give-Away presented at the July One Stop Registration event. Braden is a pre-nursing major who expressed gratitude for how friendly and helpful everyone was through the admission and registration process.

> Kathy Brickner and Cinnamon Hosterman who were nominated to participate in the pilot of HACC’s new Competency-based Leadership Development Program. The program will run once a month on a Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. over a period of eight months. All sessions will take place at the Harrisburg Campus. The content of the program will focus on the development of 26 core competencies for effective leadership, and the sessions will be facilitated by Dr. Ski and various members of the President’s Cabinet.

President’s Award for Excellence nominees Jill Lott and Tracey Smith! Every April, members of the College community are encouraged to submit a President’s Award nomination for colleagues that continually demonstrate initiative, creativity, innovation, and efficiency through projects that enhance the College’s reputation and may also result in cost savings. Members of the President’s Cabinet review the nominations and the Employee Recognition Committee select the nominations that best meet the President’s Award criteria. Congratulations to Jill Lott and Tracey Smith for being nominated for the 2018 President’s Award for Excellence.
Welcome Back!

Former **HACC adjunct excellence award winners** and English faculty members **Patti (Paull) Miller** and **Carol Williams** have returned to the Campus!

Patti will be in the tutoring center on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10am to 4pm, and on Tuesdays from 9am to 4pm. Carol will be teaching ENGL001 on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:45 - 11:00 am.

We are thrilled to have these two amazing educators back!

Making Connections

Thank you to the **45 staff and faculty** who gave a few minutes (or more) to greet students during the first week of classes. Repeatedly students expressed how everyone they met was so friendly and welcoming. Special thanks to **Judy Alder, Diane Bit- tle, Mike Brazda, Kathy Brickner, Dianne Brooks, Wendy Brubaker, Val Bugosh, Holly Cieri, Holly Cookerly, Donneva Crowell, Charlie Fennell, Mary Ann Filler, Catherine Frost, Cynthia Garcia, Virgil Gibson, Amanda Hartzel, Bill Hartzell, Shannon Harvey, Tonya Heckman-Hann, Lisa Hill, Ken Hinkle, Lori Hockley, Patarin Hoffman, Cinnamon Hosterman, Andrea Lazarus, Geri Lohuis, Tom Long, Jill Lott, Sara Maines, Lorie McKee, Kathy Pasewark, Kathleen Pratt, Sue Ray, Jillian Roof, Jason Rosenberry, Rafi Sharif, Bonnie Showvaker, Tracey Smith, Dory Uhlman, Bonnie Walker, Stephanie Wells, Tara Whitehead, Cathy Wilt, Gina Xenos, and Marty Yespy. ^Ken Hinkle provides a welcome & directions
New Scholarship for Nursing Students

The Margaret J. Keyser Nursing Scholarship was established in August by Margie’s husband the Rev. Dr. E. Edward Keyser and her children.

Margie spent her life serving the community of Gettysburg as a Registered Nurse and volunteer to numerous non-profit organizations across Adams County, including St James Lutheran Church, the American Heart Association, the Office of the Aging, the Holiday Family Outreach Community Health Initiative, and the Majestic Theater where she was a volunteer usher. She received her BS in Nursing from the Ohio State University, and began her nursing career Philadelphia. She worked as a visiting nurse in Philadelphia before moving to Gettysburg and spending more than 30 years as a member of the nursing staff at Gettysburg Hospital. Margie passed away in October of 2017.

The scholarship will be awarded to a Gettysburg Campus nursing student with financial need who has a minimum 3.0 GPA. Preference will be given to students who are involved in community service or are second career students.

Nursing Students Receive “Stripes”

There is a tradition in the HACC nursing program for future nursing graduates who have completed the first year of the two-year associate degree program to earn a “stripe” that can be worn on their uniform to signify the accomplishment.

On the first day of classes for the Fall semester, Jill Lott and the nursing faculty hosted a breakfast to celebrate and award strips to the 30 nursing students who successfully completed year one of the nursing curriculum and are now enrolled in NURS240. The December graduating class (39 students!) who are in their final semester joined the celebration to offer words of encouragement!
Welcome New Foundation Board Members

Please join us in welcoming two new members to the HACC Foundation Board:

**Megan Kopitsky** – Student Board member
**Myles Miller** – Board member

The mission of the HACC Foundation is to develop and leverage strategic partnerships for financial support of teaching and learning at HACC. The leadership and support from our Foundation Board members is paramount to achieving our mission.

To learn more about our new members, please read the [news release](#).

To apply for membership on the HACC Foundation Board, please visit [www.hacc.edu/recruitboard](http://www.hacc.edu/recruitboard).

Fall Free for All

**FREE FOOD!!!**
**FREE PRIZES!!!**
Come learn about all the great things HACC has to offer!!

**Wednesday, September 12**
**11am-2pm**

The Student Government Association (SGA) and Student Programming Board (SPB) are planning the annual **Fall Free for All on Wednesday, Sept. 12th from 11am-2pm**. This event is designed to celebrate the beginning of the semester and help connect students to available resources at the campus, college and within the community.

Due to a change in food vendors this year, SGA and SPB are in need of food servers. If you have 30 minutes, please consider volunteering for one of the half-hour blocks. To sign up, [click here](#).
On Saturday, August 25 the Gettysburg Campus hosted the 4th Annual York & Adams County Student Athlete Youth Leadership Conference. Over 150 high school student athletes from York and Adams County high schools attended. Gettysburg Campus student and HACC athlete, Bailey Neveker (5th from the left), participated on the Student Athlete Panel with other athletes and coaches from Division 1, II and III schools. Bailey, a New Oxford High School graduate and Gettysburg Campus business administration major, is a member of HACC’s golf team. Last fall, the team secured second place at the Eastern Pennsylvania Athletic Conference Championship. Bailey was one of the top five players and was named to the All Conference Team. After he earns his associate degree, Bailey hopes to transfer to a university on a golf and academic scholarship.

All the students who attended received HACC admissions information and an athletics brochure. The keynote speaker for the event was sports psychologist Kellie Peiper. Kellie was a former Division II swimmer at Shippensburg University and is currently the assistant athletic director for student-athlete excellence at the University of Buffalo. Thank you to Sara Maines, Lisa Cleveland and Judy Alder for assisting with the event.

Centenarian Enrolled at the Gettysburg Campus!

Pauline King, a resident at the Brethren Home Community, will celebrate her 105 birthday on September 6, 2018. Pauline is auditing Dr. Charlie Fennell’s HIST102 class through HAC-C’s 65+ program, which allows individuals 65 and older to continue their life-long learning by auditing credit classes for free. Pauline is legally blind but very much enjoys listening to Dr. Fennell’s lectures.
Fall Faculty Event

Fall Faculty Kick-off Event

“Teaching in Today’s Changing World”

Highlights from the evening included:

Keynote presentations from Adams County Court of Common Pleas judge The Honorable Thomas Campbell who highlighted:

- Adams County remains a very safe place to live, work and raise a family. The increase in criminal filings are generally NOT violent crime.
- What is causing an increase in criminal filings in Adams County?
  - Society’s changing attitude toward marijuana
  - Social media/internet
- Single biggest increase in charges filed are Driving Under the Influence (DUI) charges and marijuana related charges.
- In 2017 there were 1,136 DUI charges filed in Adams County.
- From 2003 (444 charges) to 2017 (1,136 charges) there has been a 156% increase in charges filed. This increase is largely attributed to a sharp increase over that period of time in DUI/Controlled Substance (CS) charges filed.
- Number of DUI/CS charges filed per year increased 70% from 2015 to 2016.
- Potential impact on HACC students, loss of driver’s license and access to transportation.

HACC director of safety and security Ivan Quinones highlighted:

- HACC’s three-pronged approach to campus safety; providing security services to the college, providing crime prevention and safety awareness resources, and providing ongoing safety training and development for students and employees
- Information on emergency preparedness, crime prevention and safety is available on the Public Safety tab in myHACC.

Breakout session on Stress in the Classroom, Autism in College, Student Success Committee, NEW Technology Innovation Lab and Sensory Processing Disorder were offered to support the theme of Teaching in Today’s Changing World.

Thank you to Dory Uhlman, Tonya Heckman-Hann and Patarin Hoffman for an engaging evening of professional development.
MISSION: Diversity is anything that makes us unique, including all of our varied backgrounds, ideas and perspectives. Inclusion involves understanding diversity and creating an environment of involvement and respect.

The Gettysburg Campus Diversity Committee meets monthly to discuss and support the goal of enhancing diversity and inclusion across the campus. The Gettysburg Campus Diversity Committee will:

- Raise diversity and inclusion awareness through professional development, activities and events.
- Advocate for a collaborative vision of diversity and inclusion
- Lead campus-wide diversity and inclusion initiatives
- Promote community diversity and inclusion events, activities and professional development opportunities.

September Calendar of Events:

- **Introductory Salsa Dance Lesson**, September 6, 7-9 p.m., Robert C. Hoffman Community Room. Refreshments provided by Montezuma’s Restaurant.
- **27th Annual Adams County Heritage Festival**, September 16, Noon—4:00 p.m., Gettysburg Rec Park
- **The Latino List Brown Bag Session**, September 17, Noon – 1:00 p.m. & 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. & September 25 Noon - 1:00 p.m., Robert C. Hoffman Community Room
- **Hispanic Heritage Culture Day**, September 19, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Robert C. Hoffman Community Room
- **PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Meeting**, September 25, 2:00 p.m., Room 109
- **Salsa on the Square**, September 28, 5:30 - 11:00 p.m., Lincoln Square, Gettysburg

Registration for programs is not required. For a full listing and description of events, please visit hacc.edu/Calendar and look for Gettysburg Campus events or contact Judy Alder at 717-339-3509 or email jaalder@hacc.edu.

Thank you to Gettysburg Campus Diversity Committee members Judy Alder, Warren Anderson, Howard Alexander, Wendy Brubaker, Cynthia Garcia, Shannon Harvey, Patarin Hoffman, Nancy Lilly, Lorie McKee, Tracey Smith, Dory Uhlman
Movie Night

Friday, August 31st
Doors Open: 6:30pm
Movie starts at dusk, approximately 8pm
South end of HACC Gettysburg Campus parking lot

Free Kona Ice and popcorn, while supplies last!

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