



## May 2015

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### **HACC Campuses Celebrate Donors and Scholars at Recognition Receptions**



All HACC campuses recently hosted donor and student recognition receptions. The events focused on thanking HACC's donors for their generosity and congratulating scholarship recipients.

Students spoke about the difference that HACC Foundation scholarships have made in their lives, and donors shared why they choose to support HACC and contribute to the HACC Foundation.

Last year, HACC's benefactors invested nearly \$2 million in HACC for scholarships, academic programs and state-of-the-art lab equipment. Their investments are also helping to build an educated, skilled workforce for communities across Central Pennsylvania.

*Photograph Caption: (left to right) Dr. John J. "Ski" Sygielski, HACC president; Katie Tran, scholarship recipient; Sue Reber, trust officer, Ephrata Bank for Brossman Charitable Foundation; Joey Eddins, student recognition recipient; Danielle Beck, trust administration manager, Ephrata Bank for Brossman Charitable Foundation; Victor Ramos, HACC's Lancaster Campus vice president.*

Additional images from each campus celebration can be seen on HACC's Flickr page:  
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/hacc/sets>

### **HACC Foundation Scholarship Spotlight**



The HACC Foundation shares the stories of extraordinary HACC students who are selected to receive scholarships. This month, the HACC Foundation shines the spotlight on Ronald Sexton, an exceptional HACC student.

*Photograph caption: Ronald Sexton, left, with the interim York Campus vice president, Dr. Margie Mattis, at the 2015 York Campus Donor and Scholar Recognition Event*

Ronald Sexton is a non-traditional student pursuing his transfer associate degree in social science. He will graduate in May 2015 and continue to Millersville University to complete his bachelor's degree. Ronald's ultimate goal is to obtain a Master of Social Work degree. He intends to work in the human services field and ideally would like to be employed in an agency that assists homeless individuals or individuals with substance abuse problems. He shares that he wants to help others reach their dreams because he has finally realized his own.

Ronald recently represented his fellow student scholars as a speaker at the HACC York Campus Donor and Scholar Recognition Event, where he shared the inspiring story of his educational journey. His compelling story of overcoming personal struggle to move toward a bright future of positive promise moved those in the audience to tears, as he shared his lifelong goal of earning a college degree.

Ronald faces the daily pressures of maintaining a home, vehicle and having health insurance while being a full-time student at HACC. Ronald says he was elated when he received the news that he was awarded the York Campus Opportunity and Access Scholarship. Ronald shares that he is humbled by the generosity of the donors to the HACC Foundation and knows that HACC has changed his life.

### **HACC Foundation Hosted Student Panel Discussion**

At a recent HACC Foundation Board meeting, Foundation Board members and HACC employees listened to students share how HACC has made a difference in their lives. You can watch this student panel discussion online:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWdwYoTFbiA&feature=youtu.be>

## **HACC Foundation Board Adds New Member**

Melissa “Missy” Shupe of Aspers, Adams County is the newest member of the HACC Foundation Board. Shupe, a 2014 HACC alumnus, will serve through June 30, 2018. She will represent the Gettysburg Campus on the HACC Foundation Board. At HACC, she earned two associate degrees – one in 2006 and one in 2014.

Missy is a health coach and medical assistant for Wellspan. In her leadership, volunteer and fundraising roles, she has served as chairperson for Citizens Committee of Tyrone Township, United Way volunteer, Adams County Children’s Advocacy Center volunteer, task force member for tobacco cessation in Adams County and an annual volunteer for the Pink Out to help local breast cancer women in Hanover.

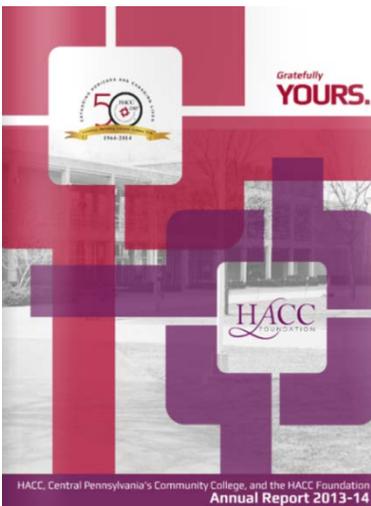
As a HACC graduate, Missy believes that HACC is a huge part of the community. She wants to be part of the HACC Foundation to “help it grow and spread its wings even further.”

## **HACC Foundation Seeks Qualified Applicants to Serve on its Board of Directors**



Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply for membership on the HACC Foundation Board. Applications are accepted any time and should be submitted using an [online application](#). Please encourage qualified individuals to apply online.

## **2013-14 HACC Annual Report is Now Online**



There were a number of firsts in the history of the College and the HACC Foundation last year, and they are captured in the [2013-14 annual report](#). Please take a look through the milestones to see the impact your contributions have on HACC students and the quality of their education.

The annual report is combined with features from both the HACC Foundation and the College for the first time.

The report 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!

## **Why HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College?**



From recruiting in the community to teaching in the classroom, we are always trying to tell others “why HACC” – why should they attend the College. The Office of College Advancement worked with the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management to create a short [video](#) to tell our story and share the words of our employees and current students.

We hope you will take two minutes to watch our new [video](#) and share it with others as you tell people why they should attend HACC. Enjoy!

## **Consider HACC in Your Estate Planning**

Did you know there are creative ways to support HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College? Ways in which HACC, you and your loved ones all benefit at the same time? Such giving techniques are called "planned gifts," because with thoughtful planning, you create win-win solutions for you and HACC. By leaving a planned gift to HACC, you will leave a legacy that will live on through the students here indefinitely.

For more information, please contact us at [foundation@hacc.edu](mailto:foundation@hacc.edu).

## **Stay Connected with Email Alerts from HACC's Online Newsroom**

Keep up with HACC news through email alerts! You can choose to receive all of HACC's news releases as they are posted to the online newsroom, or select the subjects of particular interest.

Here is how to sign up for the alerts on your computer:

1. Open a browser window (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, Safari, etc.)
2. Go to HACC's online newsroom - click on the link below or copy and paste this URL into browser window: <http://newsroom.hacc.edu/>
3. Scroll to bottom of the screen
4. Select the link Email Alerts under Shortcuts
5. Select the Register Me box if you are not a registered user. Follow instructions on the page. Note: your registration will be accepted within 24 hours. Skip this step if you are already a registered user.
6. Log in with your User ID and Password, if you are already a registered user. If you are not a registered user, select the Register Me box and follow the instructions (Allow 24 hours for registration).
7. Follow the instructions on the page by selecting your Notification Preferences

8. At the bottom, select Email Me.
9. Type in the security letters that you see inside the box below the letters
10. Select Submit

Note: You will begin to receive emails from the newsroom about the topics you selected. It will include the name of the news release in the subject line of your email. The body of the email will have the news release title, dateline, an article abstract and a link to the full release in HACC's online newsroom.

### **Ways to Communicate With Us**

There are many ways to communicate with us:

Email	<a href="mailto:foundation@hacc.edu">foundation@hacc.edu</a>
Facebook	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/HACC64">https://www.facebook.com/HACC64</a>
Twitter	<a href="https://twitter.com/hacc_info">https://twitter.com/hacc_info</a>
Online Update Form	<a href="http://www.hacc.edu/data">www.hacc.edu/data</a>

### **HACC Publications**

HACC produces several publications, and they are available [online](#). Please bookmark this Web page and feel free to share this link with others who are interested in information about the College.

*We are here to serve you and look forward to hearing from you! Thank you – for everything!*