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Welcome to HACC Highlights, an e-newsletter created specifically for HACC retirees to keep you connected with YOUR HACC community. We plan to publish this e-newsletter four times per year. We hope you enjoy the issues.

Harrisburg Promise Benefits City Youth

City residents joined the HACC community Sept. 10 for the launch of Harrisburg Promise, an initiative to give middle schoolers a boost toward college completion.

The initiative is the result of a partnership created by HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College; the City of Harrisburg; and the Harrisburg Housing Authority.

Harrisburg Promise benefits youth in Harrisburg, specifically in these areas: Hall Manor, Hillside Village, Hoverter Homes, MW Smith Homes and William Howard Day Homes.

Approximately 30 students from these areas and their parents learned about goals and academic expectations of Harrisburg Promise at an orientation and tour of the Harrisburg Campus of HACC. A picnic in the Rose Garden of the Rose Lehrman Art Center was held after a news conference.

Harrisburg Promise will support students from seventh grade through graduation from HACC, with early intervention that will reduce barriers to postsecondary education and inspire college aspirations. In addition, students will make monthly visits to HACC’s Harrisburg Campus for a series of planned events, ranging from financial literacy to exploring career options during visits to area companies to see the real world first hand.

Students in the program must maintain a 2.5 GPA throughout high school, live in designated school districts and participate in all other program requirements. Students who successfully complete this program and enter HACC as a first-year student will be eligible for the Harrisburg Promise Scholarship.
The HACC Foundation has a goal of raising $150,000 to establish the Harrisburg Promise Scholarship. This scholarship will assist first-year, financially disadvantaged students who have participated in the Harrisburg Promise program.

The Harrisburg Promise is supported by the top executives at HACC, the City of Harrisburg and Harrisburg Housing Authority.

HACC President John J. “Ski” Sygielski, Ed.D., said, “When I was first approached about the Harrisburg Promise in 2015, I was excited. Initiatives like the Harrisburg Promise are part of HACC’s strategic plan. Specifically, our goal is to increase student enrollment among people of color by 2 percent by December 2019 and continue creating a welcoming environment where they will thrive. This new initiative is one of several that will further demonstrate HACC’s commitment to our youth in Central Pennsylvania.”

The Honorable Eric Papenfuse, the mayor of the City of Harrisburg, said, “As an educator myself, I support these collaborative steps with community based resources to offer all young people, including boys and young men of color, a pathway to success.”

Senghor A. Manns, the president and CEO of the Harrisburg Housing Authority, said, “As trite as it may sound, there is little question that opportunities for higher education for our children are an important, if not key, component to their eventual success. The Harrisburg Promise is a program focused precisely on providing this opportunity.”

For more information, visit www.hacc.edu/harrisburgpromise.

**Hawk Thoughts**

“I was both surprised and honored to receive the Esther G. Little Nursing Scholarship. I am in love with the Registered Nursing Program at HACC, Gettysburg Campus and look forward to completing my bachelor degree at Millersville University. At the current time, I am entering my last semester in the Registered Nursing Program and plan to graduate this Fall of 2016.

I am enjoying the clinical aspect of the program very much; I learn a lot through the hands on experience. With this scholarship I was able to pay my tuition for the Spring of 2016 without having to take out a loan. Working part time and going to school full time is a heavy workload, but I work my hardest each semester and prove to myself that I can do it. I want nothing more than to become a HACC graduate of Fall 2016 and wear that proudly for the rest of my career as a registered nurse.”

- Shelby Goodling, HACC student

At HACC, our students are our top priority, and as generous donors and supporters of HACC and the HACC Foundation, we know they are among your top priorities too. It is because of your
heartfelt selflessness that we are able to help hundreds of students like Shelby to pursue their dreams and turn them into reality. Thank you again and again for not only your belief in the mission of HACC and the HACC Foundation, but for your belief in our students!

**HACC Foundation Welcomes New Board Member**

Jonathan D. Williams of Camp Hill is the newest member of the HACC Foundation Board. Mr. Williams is the vice president and senior private client advisor for Wilmington Trust, an M&T Company. His background is rooted in asset management, wealth management, strategic alternatives for business owners and private banking. Additionally, he has a deep background in working with foundations and endowments, given the firm’s very large client base of this segment.

Jon is fulfilling the unexpired term of Randy Sibert and will represent the Harrisburg Campus until the term ends on June 30, 2018.

**20th Anniversary Golf Tournament Participants and Sponsors Raise Money for Student Scholarships**

Thanks to generous sponsors, HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College, and the HACC Foundation were able to raise more than $133,000 for student scholarships at the 20th Frank J. Dixon Tournament for Scholarships at HACC.

This year’s event was held Sept. 19, 2016, at the Hershey Country Club. A total of 84 sponsors and 31 golf teams participated. Not only did the teams get to enjoy a great day of golf, but they were also encouraged to bid on items at a silent auction and participate in the post-tournament reception and program.

The words from two students below illustrate the enormous impact these contributions make to HACC students:

- Krista S. Watkins, a HACC student, said, “…I am deeply appreciative of your support. I am currently majoring in Human Services with hopes of becoming a substance abuse counselor. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help to me in paying my educational expenses, and it will allow me to concentrate more of my time for studying and raising my son. Thank you again for your generosity and support. I promise you I will work hard and eventually give something back to others, both as a counselor and possibly a scholarship to future students like myself.”
HACC student Tucker Leighty-Phillips said, “…this is an incredible honor and to be not only considered, but chosen to receive this award only fuels my ambition. Honestly, the financial reward is just an added bonus to the reward of the enthusiasm I’ve been given towards working hard and bettering myself – and for that I am most grateful.”

For more information, please visit the HACC Foundation’s 20th anniversary tournament thank-you page that includes the list of sponsors, photos and the online program book from the event.

HACC’s generous donors have helped provide opportunities to students who have reached their goals at HACC and beyond. We are so thankful for their generosity and support. Because of them, students who reach their educational goals improve the lives of their families and better the community in which we live.

HACC and the HACC Foundation’s next BIG fundraiser for HACC students is HACC’s 2017 Day of Giving, please visit www.hacc.edu/HeartHACC for more information.

Five Campuses, One College

With five campuses across Central Pennsylvania, something exciting is always happening in the HACC community. Check out a few HACC campus updates below!

Gettysburg Campus:
The campus recently hosted a Community Forum on Heroin Awareness sponsored by The Adams County Heroin Task Force. Coordinated by Task Force Education Committee chair and HACC director of student development and multicultural programming, Jessica Knouse, the forum was attended by over 75 community members and included panelists from Wellspan Health and the York/Adams Drug & Alcohol Commission and a recovering addict and inspirational speaker. Discussion centered on implementing a drug treatment court, Naloxone access, mentoring programs, rehab and connections to local resources.

Harrisburg Campus:
The Live at Rose Lehrman (LARL) 2016-17 season began Sept. 21, 2016, with Houston-based Soul Street Dance. From hip-hop to Broadway, the 2016-17 season performances also include dance, music and theatre. Upcoming performances include Tartan Terrors, mixing music and dance on Nov. 30, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. and ODC/Dance on Jan. 25, 2017, at 7:30 p.m.

“Our season has a diverse mix of exciting events. We hope you will enjoy the shows,” said Lori Friedlander, technical director for the Live at Rose Lehrman Performing Artist Series.

Patrons are encouraged to become a LARL “friend” and purchase tickets to obtain the best seats first. Patrons can view upcoming events and purchase tickets at www.LiveatRoseLehrman.org.
Lancaster Campus:
HACC’s Lancaster Campus, along with several other local education institutions, was featured on the cover of a special LNP publication, *Off Campus*. The publication features local businesses where college students can go for food, fun and more when they are "off campus."

Lebanon Campus:
The Lebanon Campus Department of Public Safety and Security (DPSS) would like to announce the deployment of our new Automated External Defibrillators on campus. AEDs are used in emergency situations to treat sudden cardiac arrest. Our new AEDs are now housed in cabinets placed near the elevator on each floor of the Lebanon Campus to maximize visibility and availability of the units.

York Campus:
On Thursday, Aug.11, York Campus nursing students gathered in the Arthur J. Glatfelter Community Room to celebrate the half way point for the class of 2017 day and evening program. Congratulations to our nursing students!

HACC’s 2017 Day of Giving

On April 21, 2016, we held our first-ever Day of Giving. This first-time event was a HUGE success. Guess what? We’re doing it again! Are you EXCITED? We are!

Please mark your calendars for **April 20, 2017** and stay tuned for more information to be shared with you over the next few months.
**Invest. Impact. Inspire. Campaign for HACC Totals**

The *Invest. Impact. Inspire. Campaign for HACC* kicked off in August 2015. For the first year of the campaign, the HACC Foundation has focused on raising funds from HACC’s employees, retirees, alumni, board members and students.

We are receiving contributions on a regular basis. Therefore, the fundraising totals change often. For the latest information, please visit [www.hacc.edu/campaign](http://www.hacc.edu/campaign).

**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/](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.
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