



## October 2018

*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.*

### **Wine Country is Calling, and You're Invited!**

Fall is here, and a cozy trip to Virginia Wine Country is just around the corner!

You're invited to savor wines, enjoy farm-to-table cuisine, learn about wine tasting and production, and take in the splendor of Virginia Wine Country – all while your guide handles the details!

**A JOURNEY INTO VIRGINIA WINE COUNTRY** presented by HACC  
Saturday, November 17, 2018



The HACC Alumni Association and AAA Travel have partnered up to offer this one-day trip on Nov. 17, 2018! Once you park at HACC's Harrisburg Campus or Lancaster Campus, you'll be swept away for an unforgettable experience. Best of all, the trip benefits HACC students!

For full details including how to register, please visit [www.hacc.edu/wine-country](http://www.hacc.edu/wine-country).

Please note: This trip is not appropriate for guests under 21 years of age, and a valid form of ID is required.

### **HACC Alumni Donate \$25,000 to Support College Readiness for Harrisburg Area Youth**

Ivan and Christine "Chris" Sears donated \$25,000 to the [HACC Foundation](#) to establish the Ivan and Christine Sears Fund for Excellence for the Harrisburg Promise.

Their generous contribution will provide funding for the [Harrisburg Promise](#), a partnership between HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College, the City of Harrisburg and the Harrisburg Housing Authority, to create pathways to postsecondary education for at-risk youth in grades 7-12 in the Harrisburg and Steelton-Highspire school districts.

The Sears are HACC alumni, longtime residents of the area and respected community leaders. Prior to earning their degrees at HACC, Ivan graduated from John Harris High School, and Christine graduated from Steelton-Highspire High School. They are proud to support HACC and the work being done to serve the individuals and families in the same neighborhoods where they were raised.

To learn more about how you can support the Harrisburg Promise as a donor or volunteer, please visit [hacc.edu/HarrisburgPromise](http://hacc.edu/HarrisburgPromise).

Gifts to any of HACC’s funds for excellence allow the College to launch special initiatives, capitalize on new opportunities to strengthen student programs and meet pressing needs. To learn more about HACC’s funds for excellence, please visit [hacc.edu/Excellence](http://hacc.edu/Excellence).

### **A Grateful Heart Gives Back**

With a love of massage therapy and a deep appreciation for the education she received while at HACC, massage therapy graduate Elizabeth Benion was inspired to give back:

*“During my time at HACC, I had been thinking about ways to give back to the [Massage Therapy Program](#), because it had such an impact on my life. I saw what I perceived as a need during events to promote/increase public awareness of the services the program provides at events (chair massage, student studio, etc...) as well as the program itself. This was just a small way for me to give back using the skills and knowledge I have developed working for [Maverick Strategies](#), along with the help of graphic designer Julia Kline.”*

In working with HACC’s Office of College Advancement, Elizabeth produced flyers, hanging banners, business cards and pull-up banners to help promote the Massage Therapy Program. Not only was Elizabeth inspired to create and donate promotional pieces for HACC upon her graduation, but her time at HACC has inspired her to transition from her corporate job to practicing massage therapy full time by 2019.

HACC is grateful for the gifts and talents of our graduates, and we thank Elizabeth for her heart of giving back!

*Photo Caption: HACC massage therapy graduate Elizabeth Benion with Nina Kottcamp, holistic health and wellness programs coordinator*

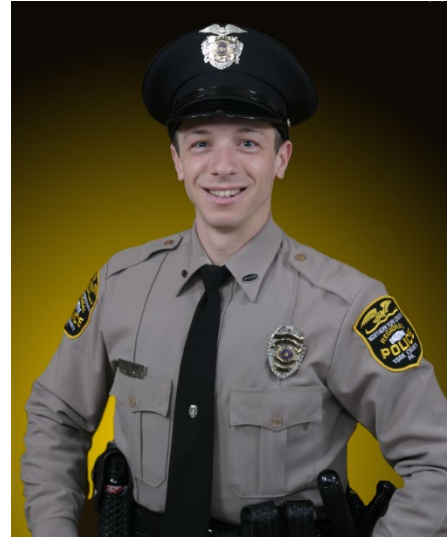


## **Officer David Tome Memorial Scholarship Fund Established to Honor Fallen Officer**

On Oct. 21, 2008, Northern York County Regional Police Officer **David Tome** was struck and killed by the distracted driver of a vehicle while investigating a fatal accident that had occurred.

Officer Tome had served with pride and honor with the Northern York County Regional Police Department for more than five years. He is survived by his wife, Dody; son, Elijah; and daughter, Joslyn.

In 2003, David graduated from the 83rd Police Academy of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College. To honor his legacy, the **Officer David Tome Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established at HACC by his family and friends. This scholarship will help pre-service cadets to lessen the financial burden of tuition, fees, books and/or program expenses.



If you would like to help honor David and the next generation of law enforcement officers, please make a meaningful and tax-deductible gift to the **Officer David Tome Memorial Scholarship Fund**. Please visit [www.hacc.edu/givenow](http://www.hacc.edu/givenow) to get started. Thank you!

## **YOUR Presence is Requested – HACC's Student Honors Photography on Display!**



*By Brittany Oliver*

Our HACC students invite you to support their passion as they display their photography at HACC's student honors exhibit!

Please consider joining us for an exhibit and reception at the [Rose Lehrman Art Gallery](#):

Exhibit dates: Nov. 19-Dec. 6, 2018

Reception: Dec. 6 from 5:30-7 p.m.

The exhibit will showcase over 50 photographs by current students. The collection covers a variety of subjects, including landscapes, portraits, still lifes, nudes and architecture.

Awards will be presented during the reception.

If you have any questions regarding the exhibit, please contact Shawn Williams at 717-780-2478 or [smwillia@hacc.edu](mailto:smwillia@hacc.edu).

We look forward to seeing you! Thank you in advance for your support.

## Totals for the *Invest. Impact. Inspire. Campaign for HACC*



The *Invest. Impact. Inspire. Campaign for HACC* kicked off in August 2015. We are making good progress. We reached our \$2-million scholarship goal and our \$500,000 emergency assistance fund goal!

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). Please join us in investing in HACC! Thank you!

## Curtis Aumiller Makes an Impact In and Out of the Classroom

Curtis Aumiller, a HACC Foundation donor, is a HACC graduate from the Respiratory Therapy Program, earning a certificate and continuing his education by earning an associate of arts in 1996. He has earned a Bachelor of Science in Health Arts, a Master of Science in Healthcare Administration and an MBA from University of St. Francis in Joliet, IL. Currently, Curtis is a Ph.D. candidate in public policy and administration of health services at Walden University, and he hopes to be finished in 2020.



Curtis has been a respiratory therapist for over 32 years and has been involved in HACC's Respiratory Program since his graduation from HACC. He started as a lab assistant and then transitioned to a clinical instructor. He started as the director of clinical education in 2003 and became the Respiratory Care Program director in 2012. Curtis is highly credentialed as a respiratory therapist and serves as an accreditation site visitor for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care and as a consultant for respiratory therapy. He is also an adjunct professor for University of Cincinnati in their Respiratory Therapy Baccalaureate Degree Completion Program.

On a personal note, Curtis is married and lives in the Camp Hill area. He was the first person in his family to go to college and is the first person in his family to hold a master's degree. Once he earns his doctorate degree, he will be the first in his family to achieve this accomplishment too!

When asked why HACC is important to our community, Curtis responded: *"HACC is instrumental to our community because it provides an affordable and accessible resource for people to improve themselves and their lives. The diversity of offerings at HACC allows for those seeking employment degrees, those seeking transfer opportunities and those seeking to just take courses to better their lives or just for fun to all come together in one spot as a community. HACC has something for everyone in our service community, and with the addition of virtual learning, that service community can be anywhere in the world!"*



When asked why he contributes to the HACC Foundation, Curtis replied: *“I contribute to the HACC Foundation because I want to give back to the organization that helped to transform my life and my career. I donate in the healthcare area because I want to make sure that if myself or a loved one would ever be in need of healthcare, the HACC graduate that is taking care of us has been trained with the latest technology and resources to provide us outstanding care.”*

Curtis gives the following advice to those who are considering contributing to the HACC Foundation: *“Sometimes people think it is hard to donate to the HACC Foundation, or that your little bit doesn’t matter. I tell people, if everyone in Harrisburg gave \$1 as a donation, do you know how much money that would be? Do you know how much that \$1 could change so many lives and open opportunities for so many people? By donating to the HACC Foundation, we are investing in our own future as a community so that whatever we need in our lives, there is probably a HACC grad behind it that can help us.”*

When asked, if he had a magic wand, what wish he would grant to HACC and/or the HACC Foundation, Curtis replied: *“That HACC and the Foundation would have the resources and ability to help ALL students that are in need.”*

Thank you, Curtis, for all that you do for HACC, the HACC Foundation and, most importantly, our students!

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

The HACC Foundation, a nonprofit educational trust established in 1985 to raise private and corporate revenues in support of HACC, is seeking professional, ethical, knowledgeable and hard-working individuals to join its Board of Directors.



The Board raises funds for the College, directs the business and financial affairs and serves as the policy-making body of the HACC Foundation. The Board is comprised of corporate and community leaders who are committed to raising funds for and awareness of HACC and its students, programs and facilities.

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](#).

For more information on the HACC Foundation, visit [www.haccfoundation.org](http://www.haccfoundation.org).

## **Renowned Contemporary Photographer and Educator Coming to HACC in Fall 2018**

HARRISBURG, Pa. – Photographs by [Harris Fogel](#) will be on display Oct. 15-Nov. 9, 2018, in the [Rose Lehrman Art Gallery](#) on the [Harrisburg Campus](#) of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College.



He is a documentary and fine-art photographer with an extensive background in digital imaging, criticism, photojournalism and photo history. His work utilizes various formats, including digital cameras, scanners, 8-by-10-inch view cameras, 35mm, medium format and digital video, with an emphasis on fine art printing.

The gallery received state arts funding support through a grant from [the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts](#) and the [National Endowment for the Arts](#).

For more information about the exhibit at HACC, please contact Shawn Williams at 717-780-2478 or [smwillia@hacc.edu](mailto:smwillia@hacc.edu).

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-7 p.m. or by appointment.

## **Please Join Us in Extending Our Condolences**

We are saddened to share with you the passing of Professor William (Bill) Nelson and Professor John Atella.

Professor Nelson passed away on July 30, 2018. Professor Nelson was the first director of physical education and recreation at HACC. He was instrumental in establishing the Intercollegiate Sports Fund, which continues to create opportunities and transform lives. The College has truly benefited from his service and dedication to HACC, the HACC Foundation and, most importantly, our students.

Please read his full obituary [online](#).

Professor John T. Atella, 78, passed away on Oct. 11, 2018. Professor Atella taught business administration and retired from HACC in 2000.

Please read his full obituary [online](#).

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

Keep up with [HACC news](#) through email alerts!

Here are two easy steps:

- Email your full name and email address to [newsroom@hacc.edu](mailto:newsroom@hacc.edu)
- Include a request to begin receiving emails from the newsroom

That’s it!

Note: Within five business days, you will begin to receive emails from the newsroom. The emails will include the name of the news release in the subject lines. The body of the emails 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**

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! Please contact us at [foundation@hacc.edu](mailto:foundation@hacc.edu) to share feedback and ideas with us. Thank you – for everything!*