NEW STAFF
HACC WELCOMES …

Montrell Smith is the newest member of the Harrisburg Financial Aid team. Montrell is a graduate of Central Penn and comes to us with a variety of experience dating back to 2003. Some highlights of his previous work experience include serving as a loan counselor at PHEAA and a financial aid advisor at York Technical Institute.

Allen Norton is a Central PA native with 8 years of college recruiting experience, the last five of which were spent at Kaplan. In addition to being a HACC recruiter, he is also a DJ and a PEZ dispenser collector. Allen received his AA in Communications from HACC.

Joy Hughes is the new Director of Clinical Education for the Respiratory Therapist Program. Joy has been teaching clinical and laboratory classes for the program and her students feel that she is excellent in helping bridge the didactic learning to the actual hands-on experience of clinical applications. Joy continues to work at Holy Spirit Hospital as a registered respiratory therapist incorporates this real world experience into the classroom.

Joy is a 2004 graduate of the HACC Respiratory Program and has been an adjunct instructor for the program since 2007. She also received a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management from the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois. Joy is a member of the American Association for Respiratory Care and the National Board for Respiratory Care, and she is a founding faculty member in the HACC chapter of the Lambda Beta National Honor Society for Respiratory Care.

DO you have interesting news stories to add to the Harrisburg Vibe? If so, please send info and pictures to Amy Beth Martin, amartin@hacc.edu. Deadline for the January issue is Friday, January 4th.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

With colder weather coming, and to keep pests and insects from causing a nuisance, please keep doors closed, food products in sealed containers, and properly dispose of food scraps.

Thank You!
Kudos to the Harrisburg AD Nursing Students for winning the NCLEX competition on November 2, 2012! The competition was held at the Cooper Student Center and consisted of teams from the Harrisburg, York, Gettysburg and Lancaster campuses. There were 11 teams competing in all for the HACC title.

NCLEX (the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses) is a licensure exam used by Boards of Nursing and is used to measure the competency of new nursing graduates. The NCLEX Bowl is an annual competition between all HACC nursing campuses and was started by our nursing students five years ago.

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HACC & GBC

HACC and George Brown College (GBC) in Toronto, Canada, have signed a letter of intent to provide a foundation for academic collaboration between the two colleges. This is a major step toward developing study abroad opportunities, student and faculty exchanges, and other innovative projects! HACC and GBC have instituted sociology study-abroad classes team-taught by David Liu (HACC) and Ed Ksenych (GBC).

For more information, please contact Mike Sandy, Director of Global Education at 780-3277 or David Liu, Assistant Professor of Sociology at 780-2517.

ENROLLMENT INITIATIVES ARE UNDERWAY!

The Student Affairs Division is actively working on enrollment strategies and initiatives to positively impact spring 2013 enrollment. These initiatives are as follows:

- Targeting approximately 4000 students who were registered for the fall and have not registered for the spring for an email and voicemail blast.
- Targeting an additional 3000 students who were here for spring 2012 but did not register for fall 2012 or spring 2013. This group is also receiving email blast and voice bulletins.
- Sending emails and voice bulletin as well as calling 1076 students who live in a sponsoring school district but have not submitted a certificate of residence.
- Reviewing the no-pay list and making personal calls to students.
- Making personal phones calls to students who have made partial payments equal to or more than the first payment but who have not financially signed up for the HACC plan.
- Calling as well as sending voice bulletins and email blast to students who have insufficient financial aid to cover full tuition.
- Making personal phone calls to students who have low balances.
- Calling 140 students who have submitted financial aid documentation but have not signed up for ARS sessions.
- Contacting counseling advisees to sign-up for their advising appointment.

Other strategies are being developed and implemented for the spring semester. A special thanks to the Student Affairs’ staff who are contributing to these processes!)
RELOCATED WETLANDS

Following construction on the Public Safety Center, the College is now relocating wetlands to the area behind Cooper. The three quarter acre wetland is now under construction between the service road and the creek just south of the Conference Center. This ecosystem of soil and forty two plants and trees will be inhabited by small vertebrates and is intended to filter rain and surface water before it enters the creek and/or water table.

The removed good and intermediate top soil has been excavated and is being stockpiled near the Public Safety Center skid pad area for campus re-use.

Seeding of the wetland is expected to occur by the end of December but is not expected to germinate until the spring of 2013.

IS THE ROOF ON THE ARTS BUILDING LEAK-PROOF YET?

Replacement of the twenty year old roof on the Rose Lehrman Arts Building has been completed! However, additional work with the brick and block wall on the roof, above the stage area, is now being addressed.

CAMPUS GROUNDS

With the changing season, grass cutting efforts have been replaced with leaf removal and completing preparations to deal with winter snow and ice events.