COUNSELING SERVICES

While the holiday season is full of joy and celebration for many, it can be a challenging time for people who have lost loved ones throughout the year. As we turn the corner into a new year, we are met with the hustle and bustle of the holiday season and may easily miss the opportunity to check in with those around us who have experienced loss.

Members of the HACC faculty and staff are eligible to utilize our Employee Assistance Program (EAP), serviced by Mazzitti & Sullivan EAP Services. This is a benefit that entitles employees to 5 counseling sessions at no cost. Mazzitti & Sullivan can be reached at 1-800-543-5080.

York County also has many active support groups. Some groups are general and others are focused on specific types of losses. More detailed information about community resources may be obtained by visiting www.pa211.org or dialing 211.

Students may be directed to our campus Counseling Services at 801-3213 to speak to a counselor on staff.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Apple, Inc. has recently named Dr. Alfred Siha’s iTunes U course, “English Essentials: Writing,” as one of 10 Best of 2014 courses, worldwide.
HACC WRAPS UP 50TH ANNIVERSARY WITH TIME CAPSULE

In honor of HACC’s 50th anniversary, HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College, held a ceremony on Nov. 18, 2014, at 2 p.m. to close a time capsule sized at 4 inches by 3 inches by 10 inches and filled with memorabilia and other items representative of the anniversary year. The ceremony was held outside of the John Hall Technology Center on the Harrisburg Campus.

Members of the HACC community submitted a variety of items to include in the time capsule. It is the College’s hope that the time capsule will be removed from the cornerstone in 2064 – the 100th anniversary of the College.

Examples of items submitted by the HACC community included:

- 50th anniversary commemorative pin
- Public Safety Center patch
- 50th anniversary thank-you card designed by a HACC student
- ScanDisk card of photos from HACC’s Golden Anniversary Gala
- Happy birthday sign prepared by U-Gro Childcare Center
- College’s new branding and marketing materials, including a viewbook and brochures
- 2014-15 tuition and fees chart
- HACC Alumni Association Alumni College card to signify a HACC graduate who was told in high school that she was not college material. Many years later at the age of 32, she arrived at HACC.
- A summary of Dr. Ski’s Miles of Gratitude - Tour de HACC
- Congressional certificate of recognition presented to HACC on behalf of the five members of congress representing the districts in which the five campuses are located.

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania House of Representatives citation sponsored by the state representatives from the districts in which the five campuses are located.
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Senate citation sponsored by the state representatives from the districts in which the five campuses are located. It recognizes the importance of HACC with more than 50,000 alumni since opening its doors in 1964 and commemorates the 50th anniversary of the community college.
WINTER SAFETY TIPS – BE PREPARED!

Winter will be fast approaching and the safety committee and security department would like to remind you to be prepared for a safe and accident-free winter. The following list of precautions for your vehicle may help you avoid dangerous winter situations:

- Keep your vehicle winterized especially with proper antifreeze, good wiper blades, good battery, and snow tires or chains
- Keep the gas tank as full as possible
- Carry a winter car kit including matches and candles, first aid kit, shovel, jumper cables, sleeping bag or blankets and even kitty litter for traction
- Keep your cell phone fully charged
- Dress appropriately for the weather conditions and outdoor temperatures

Walking on ice and snow can be challenging. Snow and icy conditions account for many slips and falls during inclement weather. There are ways to help prevent falls and ensure your safety by following safety tips;

- Plan ahead! Give yourself time to prepare for the weather so you know what to expect.
- Wear proper footwear and anticipate your steps.
- During hours of darkness, wear a bright coat or scarf to be easily seen. During daylight hours wear sunglasses.
- Be aware of black ice and approach with caution. Sun will melt during the day and freezes again at night causing icy conditions. Black ice can be deceiving as it is common to mistake it for a wet surface.
- Place your entire foot on the surface of the ground.
- Walk slowly, hold on to hand railings when walking on steps; secure your feet firmly on each step. There is no need to rush, especially if you plan ahead!
- Be aware of your surroundings when walking in an icy or snowy condition.
- When entering a building, be careful because your shoes may be wet and can cause you to slip or fall.
- Be alert while walking on ice and snow
- Watch for hidden hazard areas like melting ice draining from downspouts onto walking areas, creating an icy walkway, snow covered parking berms and curbs, and ice patches in shaded areas.

REPORT ANY HAZARDS TO SECURITY OR FACILITY DEPARTMENTS

E2 campus alerts: Sign up for e2Campus, HACC's free, collegewide alert system. Be informed quickly when the College has immediate announcements, such as weather-related closings, delays, cancelations or emergencies. Sign up at [http://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/signup.htm](http://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/signup.htm)

You can check your status easily by going to this web address: [https://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/index.htm](https://www.e2campus.net/my/hacc/index.htm)

Login with your credentials and enter your cell phone number to determine if you are registered.

Have a safe day!
Edwin Dominguez
**AMATYC 2014**

The 2014 American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC) Annual Conference was held November 13-16, in Nashville, Tennessee. HACC was well-represented at this noted national event.

**Dan Fahringer (Harrisburg)** is the AMATYC Mid-Atlantic Vice President and the Pennsylvania Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (PSMATYC) Past-President. Dan led the discussion at the Mid-Atlantic luncheon, acknowledging the excitement of the conference and rallying the attendees to get more involved in the organization.

**Rob Farinelli (Virtual)** is an AMATYC Past-President.

**Matthew Pragel (Harrisburg)** is the PSMATYC President and was a member of the 2012-2013 Cohort of Project ACCCESS. Project ACCCESS—Advancing Community College Careers: Education, Scholarship, and Service—is a professional development opportunity specific to two-year college mathematics faculty in the first few years of their teaching careers that serves to mentor these faculty to become more effective educators.

Matthew and **Mary Brown (Harrisburg)** co-presented a session entitled "Hands-on Activities for the Introductory Statistics Course." The session was standing room only. At its conclusion, textbook author Michael Sullivan III approached Mary and Matthew, stating that he enjoyed the session, so much so that he wanted to purchase from them some of the activities they presented, for his next Statistics text.

**Mallary Kamen (Harrisburg)** is a member of the 2014-2015 Cohort of Project ACCCESS. This year she is getting acquainted with her Cohort colleagues and all of the benefits the Project offers. Next year she will present the results of a project she conducts throughout the year.

**Pauline Chow (Harrisburg),** a frequent speaker, presented twice during the conference. First, Pauline entertained a crowded room with "Can a Mathematician be a Stand-up Comedian?" With Andrea Hendricks (Georgia Perimeter College Online), her co-author of multiple McGraw-Hill textbooks, she co-presented "A Finely Tuned Online Developmental Math Class."

**Chris Yarrish (Harrisburg)** is the PSMATYC Treasurer, and **Elizabeth Dunn (York)** is the PSMATYC Communications Chair and newsletter co-editor.

Also representing HACC at the conference were **Linda Buckwalter (Virtual), Pam Capwell (Lancaster), LeAnne Conaway (Harrisburg), Rob King (York), and Todd Stine (Harrisburg).**

All attendees benefitted from sessions and focus groups on topics from Pre-Algebra to Calculus to Survey of Mathematics to Statistics; flipping the classroom to developmental math redesign; hands-on activities to incorporating technology in the classroom; classroom, homework, note-taking, and study skills strategies to the use of humor; math history to the connections between math and music. They are eager to share with their students and with the HACC mathematics community all they learned from the AMATYC speakers and fellow attendees.
RELIVE HACC’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY ONLINE

It seems like only yesterday that HACC was preparing for its 50th anniversary celebration. Now, it’s over, but 2014 was a terrific year for HACC! The College celebrated by hosting brand new events, raising money to support our students and capturing the memories from past and present employees, board members and students. We hope you will take a few minutes to enjoy and relive a few moments of HACC’s history and the 50th anniversary celebrations by visiting www.hacc.edu/50 to view:

- An online scrapbook that highlights the 50th anniversary events, testimonials (video and written) and how much support the College has received in one year
- A 50th anniversary online history book that showcases HACC’s history since 1964
- An oral history video about the life at HACC over the last 50 years

LIGHT CLUB

The L.I.G.H.T. Club has just completed their first year of official club status and now has five student officers on their Executive Board! The students have been planning their agenda for Spring 2015, which includes community service both on and off campus. It has been a joy to see them become friends on campus and grow into a real team, sharing ideas and encouraging each other. They are looking forward to working with the S.G.A. and attending the Leadership Luncheon!

There is great potential for all of the various clubs to make a positive impact on our campus. You will be seeing events and meetings advertised in all three buildings; please take note. Please support the S.G.A. and the clubs! Each club has an important role to play in helping our students stay connected with each other and the HACC community.

HEALTHY WORLD CAFÉ

Angie Mason, York Daily Record

Students from the HACC York campus have been helping with construction of Healthy World Cafe’s new location in York.

HACC York agreed to help get refrigeration ready for service and help with the electrical work needed for the cafe to open full time, according to a news release. Students, with the guidance of HVAC instructors Dennis King and Dave Rahn and electrical technology instructor Tracy Smith, worked in November and December.

Healthy World Cafe, a nonprofit "pay how you can" community cafe, has been serving lunches once a month at First Moravian Church and at community events. The cafe plans to open for business five days a week in early 2015 at the new location, 24 S. George St., York, the news release says.
CAREER CORNER

The Career Services office would like to thank the York Campus faculty and staff for their continued support of our students’ career development. Our ability to collaborate and work together has led to some successful career development events during the fall semester. Such collaborations only enhance the work we do in classrooms and enable our students to articulate the value of the education they are getting at HACC.

On October 23rd, we held our second Nursing Career and Transfer Fair. Nursing students from the York and Lancaster campuses attended, and the event was filled with excellent discussion and networking. Thanks are extended to Cindy Donell and the entire York Nursing Team for helping make this event a success.

- On November 5th, we held the first-ever C2C Conference, and it was a resounding success. 140 students participated in workshops, a panel discussion, and a professional dress fashion show. Special thanks are offered to the following faculty and staff for their participation in the event:
  - Elaine Madden for conceiving of this event and reaching out for collaboration.
  - Staff and faculty who gave of their time and talent to be presenters at the event -- Rob Dixon, James Schadewalde, Diane Mauro, Shelly Blanchette, and Tannisha Fuentes.

- On November 13th, Career Services also sponsored a General Career Fair in the Glatfelter Community Room. This event allowed students to network with and practice talking to employers. A number of students also landed part-time jobs as a result of the event.

So let’s keep the career development momentum going! How can Career Services partner with you in 2015 to enrich the work you are doing in the classroom?
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS

When you receive telephone inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

1. Direct the caller to our website: www.hacc.edu
2. Ask the caller to type in “Right to Know” in the search function to find the Web page about the Right to Know process (Note: This is the direct link to the Web page: http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm)
3. Ask the caller to follow the detailed instructions on the website
4. Tell the caller that his or her request will be handled when he or she follows the detailed instructions
5. Do not engage in any conversation beyond this, because it might be used against the College later – especially if you share erroneous information with the caller

When you receive email inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

1. Forward the email to righttoknow@hacc.edu (this email address is also listed on http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm)
2. Do not respond to the writer

Upon receipt of these telephone and email inquiries, the Office of College Advancement team will handle them and confer with the necessary individuals.

HACC BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTS NEW TRUSTEE

Niles S. Benn, Esq. of York County is the newest member of the Board of Trustees of HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College.

Benn, whose appointment runs through June 30, 2020, previously served as vice chairman of the HACC Foundation Board. Benn was a member of the HACC Foundation Board from September 2009 to October 2014, and served on the investment, executive, allocations and strategic planning committees during his service.

Founder of Benn Law Firm in York, Benn is a community activist who has served on the boards of many local healthcare and arts-related organizations, including Holy Spirit Health System and the Hospice and Community Care Engagement Team. A graduate of The Dickinson School of Law, Benn is a member of the American, Pennsylvania and York County Bar associations.
COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB

On Saturday, November 15, eleven members of the York Campus Community Service Club braved the frigid weather and participated in a Habitat for Humanity build on West Princess Street in York City. It was a wonderful experience and the club looks forward to returning to work on the house in the spring.

Above - Left to right – Student Life Coordinator, Errol Wizda; Students: Jazeah Grey, Patricia Perry, Phuong Le, Dora McManus, Christian Poet, Sylvia Tsan, Kristen Pond, Bridget Leger; Campus Library Director, Laura Wukovitz; Advisor and CSC co-advisor, Rabyia Ahmed
LIBRARY NEWS

Do Your Students Need Help with Computer Skills?

Send them to Boot Camp!

It’s frustrating to watch students struggle to use computers. We can help. Encourage your students (with extra credit?) to drop in at the library for our informal Computer Boot Camp during the week of January 26. They’ll learn how to

- check Hawkmail, attach and send files
- log in to, download from, and attach files in D2L
- use a flash drive
- print from HACC computers
- use Microsoft Office

…and more!

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New Books - January 2015

Opposing Viewpoints Series
The Environment
Women’s Health
Syria

Current Controversies Series
College Admissions

Information Plus Series
Death and Dying: End-of-life Controversies
Weight in America: Obesity, Eating Disorders, and other Health Risks
World Poverty
Endangered Species: Protecting Biodiversity
Space Exploration
Health and Wellness
Careers and Occupations
Race and Ethnicity in America

Other Titles
Anne Sexton’s Confessional Poetics
Only What We Could Carry: The Japanese Internment Experience
Picking Cotton: Our memoir of Injustice and Redemption
Emily Dickinson: Monarch of Perception
What Color is Your Parachute? 2015
Approaching Emily Dickinson: critical currents and crosscurrents since 1960
No Place to Call Home: Inside the Real Lives of Gypsies & Travelers
The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven
The Blue Orchard: A Novel
Yellowcake
HACC CON – STUDENT RESEARCH CONFERENCE

WHAT:

- A student research conference and competition
- Students write on a pop culture topic and present either an oral presentation or poster session
- Can work individually or as part of a group
- Monetary awards for presenters and audience

WHEN: April 15th & 16th 2015

WHY:

- Students can use papers they are already working on: encourages them to create better work
- Students are engaged, passionate, and involved
- Students work closely with faculty mentors
- Students must use scholarly research and are strongly encouraged to work with a librarian mentor
- Students utilize library, writing center, faculty office hours, and other support services
- Audience involvement and participation
- Monetary awards!

HOW:

- Visit our libguide for more information: http://libguides.hacc.edu/York_HACC_CON
- Contact our mentor team: Errol Wizda, Allyson Valentine, Rob Swatski, Jean Purtell, Alfred Siha, Judith Dutill, Jessica Charlton, or Julie Castner