Greetings!

This fall marks the 25th anniversary of HACC Gettysburg Campus serving the Adams/Hanover community. In 1990, 28 HACC courses were offered for the first time in Gettysburg through a partnership with Gettysburg Area School District. Two faculty members, Charlie Fennel and Beverly Stanton, were teaching then and continue to teach today. Today, our class offerings total 284 sections and 41 College in the High School sections!

I hope you’ll take a minute to visit the pictorial history display in the main hallway. It was originally put together in 2010 by Professor Fred Gantz and Beverly Bigham in celebration of our 20th anniversary. Vanessa Larson did an excellent job updating the display to include the past five years.

As we look ahead, to the next five years, we face a landscape that will be continually changing – within the field of higher education, within the workforce community and our students. I’m confident that students will still come to HACC for the exact same reason they have for the past 25 years: to attain an excellent education, to pursue their dreams, and to obtain a job that will allow them to live a life of purpose and passion and I’m also confident that each of us will continue to meet our students where they are and help them successfully navigate times of change and uncertainty to achieve their goals.

Thank you for being a part of the Gettysburg campus learning community and for the work you do to help our students achieve their goals.

Best wishes for a great semester!
FRIEND OF THE CAMPUS AWARD

Mark Blanchard, Gettysburg High School principal, was nominated by our campus leadership team for the “Friend of the Gettysburg Campus” award presented by Dr. Ski at Convocation on Wednesday, August 19. This award is in recognition of an external individual at each campus who has worked with, helped, or supported the campus in a meaningful way. Mark received the award for his leadership, support and commitment to advancing college readiness and partnership with HACC.

During Mark’s tenure at Gettysburg High School, he increased the number of College in the High School classes from one (ENGL101) to nine (ACCT101, BIOL103, BIOL121, CAD114, CIS105, CIS108, ENGL101, HLTH101, MATH103) and was the first school to participate in Early College Academy.

WELCOME!

Lisa Gregory will begin her part-time Library Technician position on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Lisa has a strong customer service background. She has worked in retail sales for the past 14 years; prior to that she worked as a radiologic technologist. As the previous coordinator of the West Shore Evangelical Free Church Library, her range of experience with library systems, customers, patients, and patrons will make her a strong addition to our team. Stop by the Library to welcome Lisa!

FACILITIES 2015 SUMMER PROJECTS

- Expansion joints were installed in the faculty back hallway (address cracking issues) then repainted.
- New carpet has been installed in classrooms 115, 116, and 118.
- All carpeted areas have been shampooed.
- All flooring in the hallways, classrooms, and The HUB have been stripped and refinished.
- All classrooms have been summer cleaned. This includes wiping down vents, walls, baseboards, furniture, etc. All whiteboards have been cleaned and conditioned.
- All exterior windows have been cleaned.
- A new brick walkway has been installed in front of The HUB entrance.
- A new emergency call box has been installed in the Green Space.
- The gazebo was relocated to the Green Space.
**RECOGNITION**

**Jessica Knouse** recently had an academic work published in an upcoming book entitled *The Problematic Tyler Perry*. The chapter, “Playing with Gender, Queering Lines: Should We be Mad at Madea?” will be featured in this book as a part of the Peter Lang Critical Black Studies series edited by Brian C. Johnson. The completed copy should be available by Christmas.

**Jessica Knouse and Cristal Renzo** recently had a proposal accepted for the Two Year College Association conference in October in Lancaster, Pa. Their workshop titled "Make Learning an Event: Using Campus Partnerships to SCOR with Students.” employs Strong, Silver & Robinson’s (1995) methodology for successful student engagement strategies which employ the following components: Success, Curiosity, Originality, and Relationships. They will discuss the success of our campus to hopefully encourage faculty at other community colleges to engage their student development, multicultural, diversity and leadership offices for co-curricular programming opportunities.

< **Kathy Thompson**, placed fourth in the nation in the “Sales Presentation” competition at the Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) National Leadership Conference, held June 25 - 28, in Chicago. Kathy competed against the nation’s best and brightest business students from four-year and two-year universities and colleges. Her earning the distinction of fourth place is a tremendous accomplishment. Kathy placed first in the Sales Presentation competition at the State PBL Leadership Conference in March which made her eligible for the National Leadership Conference in June.

**Jonathan Weaver**, placed first in the “Customer Service” competition in the PBL State Leadership Conference and also competed in the National Leadership Conference. >

The HACC Gettysburg Campus Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda is a professional development organization with both national and state affiliation. Phi Beta Lambda is the largest student business organization in the nation.

The Gettysburg Chapter advisor is **Assistant Professor Kathleen Pratt**. PBL actively plans business-related day and overnight trips, brings guest speakers to campus, co-sponsors programs with other campus organizations, practices servant leadership with community service activities and gives students a competitive advantage in the workplace.
WELCOME MECHATRONICS STUDENTS

Rich Hebel, Mechatronics instructor, and Matt Gerhart, Math instructor, welcomed eight students to our new Mechatronics certificate program. The program is designed as a co-hort group. The students will be taking two Mechatronics courses in each seven week fall and spring part-of-term in addition to a fall full term math and spring full term English course. The Mechatronics certificate program at HACC provides students with the broad skills required to maintain, repair, and manage automated systems and machines throughout industry. The program is offered as a two term, full-time program which prepares students for employment after nine months.

NURSING SUCCESS SEMINAR

Thirty three NURS140 first semester clinical students attended Building a Foundation: A Successful Start to Nursing seminar held on Wednesday, Aug. 26. The day focused on bringing students, faculty, and staff together to help new clinical nursing students get acquainted and learn about available resources. The day was spent engaging in team building activities and sharing ideas on ways to enhance study skills. Thank you to Leslie Boon, Dianne Brooks, Amanda Hartzel, Susan Ray, Sandy O’Sullivan, Laura Wukovitz, as well as campus alumna Brooke (Flohr) Kaiser, for planning and facilitating the seminar. In addition, Brooke will be serving as a tutor for nursing students throughout the semester.

NEW NAME AND LOGO FOR OAS

The Office for Academic Success has changed it’s name to Tutoring and Testing Services. The department name was changed to better reflect their activities and services. While the name may have changed, their physical location remains the same. Last fall, nearly 3,000 visits were recorded for tutoring, coaching, and workshops.
FILM SCREENING – THE RAISING OF AMERICA

You are invited to attend the showing of “The Raising of America” on Thursday, September 10 at 7 p.m. at the Gettysburg Area Middle School as well as a follow-up breakfast meeting on Wednesday, September 16 from 7:30-9:30 a.m. in the Robert C. Hoffman Room 130 to discuss ways our community can coordinate our efforts around this important topic.

The documentary, which is being shown in communities around the country, emphasizes the importance of a child’s early years and how we as a nation can support early childhood education efforts. The screening and follow up breakfast is free and interested parties may register by contacting Jen Gastley, Healthy Adams County at 717-337-4137 or jgastley2@wellspan.org by Monday, September 14.

HACC RANKED 5TH NATIONALLY IN DIGITAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES SURVEY

The Center for Digital Education (CDE) announced the results and winners of its 2015 Digital Community Colleges Survey. The CDE is a national research and advisory institute specializing in K-12 and higher education technology trends, policy and funding. For the second year in a row, HACC has been named as a Top 10 Digital Community College in the large college category (10,000 students or more). We are proud to announce that in 2014, we ranked fifth, moving up two on the list from seventh in 2013. Click here for a complete list of results and winners.

“This year’s survey indicates that community colleges are making great strides in using data to improve decisions, providing professional development to assist faculty in the use of technology, and creating robust online and mobile environments for their students,” said Alan Cox, Senior Vice President for the Center of Digital Education.
HACC STUDENT SACRIFICES FOR EDUCATION BUT KNOWS IT’S WORTH IT
Scholarship cycle opens to help alleviate barriers to education

For a mother of four children who is putting herself through college, financial support is a big deal. Thanks to the HACC Foundation, Thelma Washington is one of many students at HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College, to receive scholarships from the HACC Foundation. The HACC Foundation awarded 2013-14 scholarships to 845 students totaling nearly $1.1 million to be used for tuition and book costs.

The scholarship cycle opened Aug. 4, 2015. With more than 200 scholarships available, please encourage students to apply by Oct. 1 for funds that will financially assist them during the spring 2016 term. Students must be enrolled at HACC to apply for the scholarships. Students can apply online through AcademicWorks, a convenient scholarship management system that allows HACC to efficiently match students with relevant scholarship opportunities, manage awards and recognize scholarship donors. Students only need to apply once per cycle and are automatically matched to one or more scholarship opportunities based on specific criteria.

An online video tutorial is available to provide instruction on how to easily navigate the scholarship application process. Future students can apply to the College online and then begin the application process for scholarships by visiting hacc.edu/scholarships. Current students may visit https://hacc.academicworks.com to get started.

YOUR FEEDBACK IS NEEDED!

On Sept. 25, 2015, you will receive an online survey from TWG Plus, our integrated marketing communications firm. The results of the survey will be used by the firm and HACC to continue to move forward in meeting our vision of being the first choice for a quality and accessible higher education opportunity.

We value your feedback, and we appreciate you taking the complete the survey by Oct. 9, 2015.
NEWEST HACC STUDENT!

^ Gavin Liam Brenneman, son of Math and FS instructor Kasey Brenneman, was born on May 29th

STUDENT ATHLETE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Saturday, August 15, Gettysburg Area School District, Training Leaders Through Athletics (TLA) and HACC Gettysburg Campus hosted the first York and Adams County High School Student-Athlete Leadership Conference. Over 125 high school student athletes, coaches and athletic directors participated in a day long leadership conference held at the Gettysburg campus.

The conference featured a keynote by Joe Erhmann, former defensive lineman for the Baltimore Colts and Detroit Lions and founder of Coach for America. HACC Athletic Director, Lisa Cleveland and women’s volleyball coach, Tom Frey participated in a college athlete panel and a Q&A session. Every high school student who attended received information on HACC’s athletic programs [http://www.hacc.edu/Students/Athletics/index.cfm](http://www.hacc.edu/Students/Athletics/index.cfm).
NURSING STUDENTS RECEIVE “STRIPES”

There is a tradition in the HACC nursing program for future nursing graduates who have completed the first year of the two-year degree program to earn a stripe that can be worn on their uniform to signify the accomplishment. On Tuesday, September 8, Jill Lott, Dory Uhlman, Andree Drake and the entire nursing faculty hosted a breakfast to celebrate and award stripes to the 33 nursing students who successfully completed year one of the nursing curriculum and are now enrolled in second level NURS240.

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Join the Gettysburg Big Band on Sunday, September 13 at Hauser Estate & Winery to support the Helen Hauser Memorial Scholarship fund to benefit HACC Enology and Viticulture students. 10% of all sales at the winery that day will be donated to the scholarship fund. The Band will be playing from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Big Daddy's Brick Oven Pizza and Antietam Dairy Ice Cream will also be onsite.

FALL FACULTY EVENT

Thank you to Gettysburg campus staff and faculty members Leslie Boon, Donneva Crowell, Lisa Hill, Cinnamon Hosterman, Wendy Kaehler, Cristal Renzo, Josh Rumpf, Scott Simonds, Dory Uhlman, and Tara Whitehead, for all the planning that went into making the event a success. The food was excellent and the presentations were engaging and informative.

<Becky Laptook, student, shared her HACC experience>