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## Thank You for Supporting HACC's 2018 Day of Giving!

Our annual **Day of Giving** on April 18 was a success!

To those who gave, **thank you** for supporting YOUR favorite community college and our students! Fundraising totals, photos and videos are available online: [www.hacc.edu/HearHACC](http://www.hacc.edu/HearHACC). We are excited to announce that we exceeded the amounts raised in 2016 and 2017!

**With YOUR generosity**, HACC is able to help its students by:

- Supporting innovative projects
- Improving services and accessibility
- Providing money for those facing unexpected financial burdens

We thank you and our generous Day of Giving collegewide sponsors, [WHTM abc27](#) and [Capital BlueCross](#), for your support!

Your investment in HACC students is an investment in our communities. Together, we CAN make a difference! Thank you for showing that you #HeartHACC and our students!

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# Two New Reasons to be #HACCProud

## HACC EARNS ARCHITECTURE RECOGNITION

The Bruce E. Cooper Student Center on the Harrisburg Campus of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, was selected among the "Best Interior Architecture of 2017" in a recent edition of the Mid Atlantic Real Estate Journal.

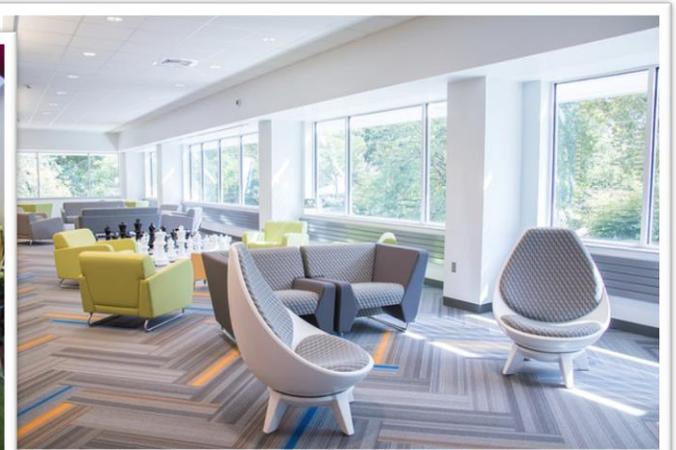
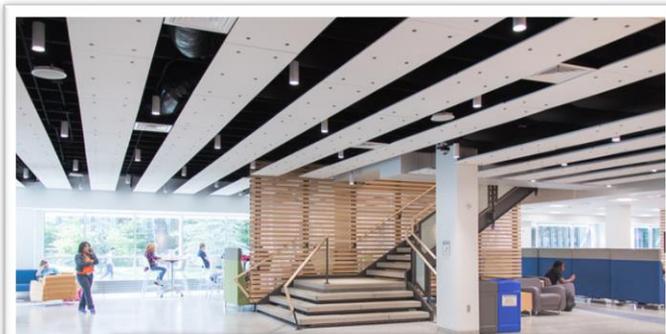
Murray Associates Architects, P.C. submitted the Cooper Renovation Project to the journal, which is published in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

The original building was constructed in 1968 and underwent several minor renovations in the 1980s and 1990s. However, students' needs changed dramatically over the 50 years since construction, and the College needed to adapt to better serve its students.

The 19-month renovation that began in February 2016 transformed the student center into a one-stop location for student services, including registration, financial aid, disability services and counseling and advising. The building serves as the hub of the campus with the College-operated Chef's Apprentice restaurant, Subway food service, banking services from a local credit union and space throughout where students can congregate to study for classes or socialize.

During the formal opening of the \$12 million renovated student center in August 2017, HACC President John J. "Ski" Sygielski, Ed.D., said, "By putting all of these services in one location, our students are able to receive the assistance they need to be successful in and out of the classroom."

"The new facility will provide our students with numerous study and/or activity spaces to enhance their collegiate experience on our Harrisburg Campus," said Sygielski. "The Bruce E. Cooper Student Center is now a more inviting, welcoming place for students, employees and visitors to connect, socialize and re-energize."

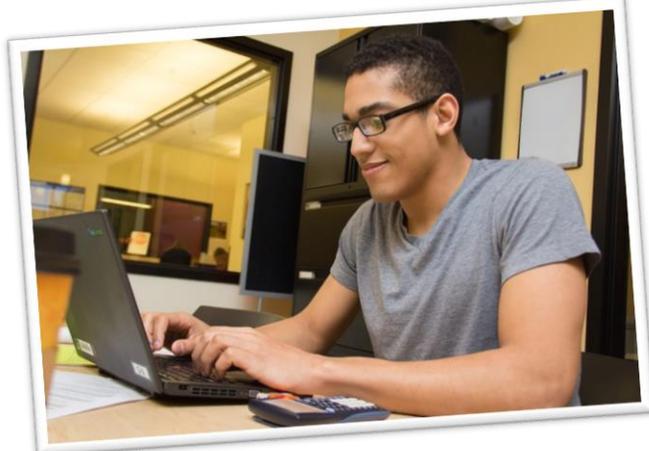


## HACC AMONGST TOP 10 DIGITAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES

The Center for Digital Education recently recognized HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, as sixth of the top 10 community colleges in the country in its 2017-18 Digital Community Colleges Survey. HACC is the highest ranked community college in Pennsylvania and has been named a top 10 finalist for the past four years.

The Digital Community Colleges Survey analyzes how community colleges use a range of technologies to improve services to students, faculty, staff and the community. HACC has made investments in future classroom technology to move the College forward and meet the needs and expectations of its students. In 2018, HACC's Center for Design and Instruction began work on a seven-year plan to upgrade technology in classrooms across the College.

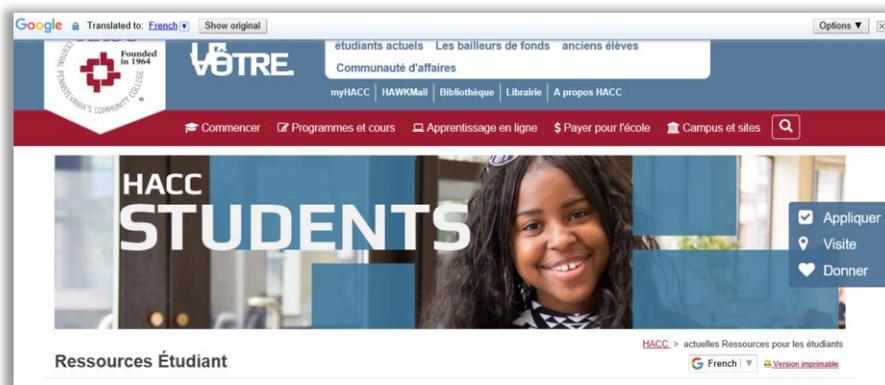
HACC's Office of Information Services and Technology provides comprehensive services for all HACC employees and students. The division is responsible for ensuring that the College's technological processes, procedures and policies continue to evolve through best practices and cutting edge approaches.



## HACC Website Now Multilingual

Google's Translate button can instantly translate text on HACC's website ([www.hacc.edu](http://www.hacc.edu)) into more than 60 languages to anyone visiting our website from anywhere in the world!

It's easy to use! As shown in this screenshot, you can simply select the language you want to use from the Google drop-down field located next to the printer-friendly version text.



# New HACC Day Trips with AAA Travel

Alumni and friends are invited to kick back and enjoy two fun-filled days! YOUR HACC Alumni Association and AAA Travel have partnered up to bring you exciting opportunities that support HACC students.

## A JOURNEY INTO VIRGINIA WINE COUNTRY – NOV. 17, 2018

Virginia's wine industry has grown greatly both in the number of wineries and in international reputation. Three vineyards producing exceptional wines are featured on this one-day tour. Learn about winemaking and what to look for when tasting wine. Free time will also be provided for some shopping in each of the vineyard's shops so you can bring home some of your favorite varieties.

After departing from HACC's Harrisburg and Lancaster campuses, the tour of Virginia wine country begins with a stop at 868 Estate Vineyards, where a guided tour of the winery production house will provide an up-close look at the winemaking and production process. After the tour, enjoy tasting the most popular 868 Estate Vineyard's vintages. Following the tasting, we will have a delicious lunch with a glass of wine at the Grandale Vintner's Table Restaurant, known for their farm-to-table cuisine.

After lunch, the tour will continue at the lovely Breaux Vineyards. Since 1997, Breaux has helped set the pace for Virginia's wine industry, winning major awards particularly for its Viognier. We will enjoy a tasting in their gorgeous and spacious facility located in the rolling hills.

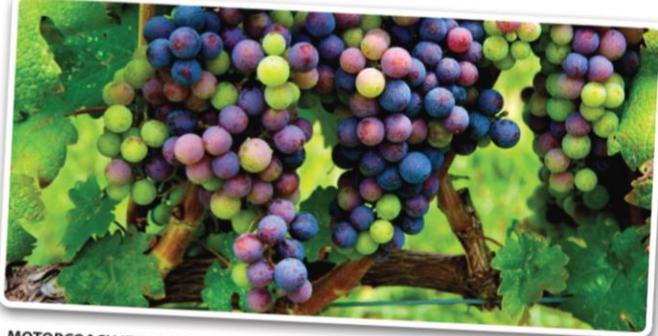
The last stop will be at Tarara Vineyards. The first vines at Tarara were planted 30 years ago, and since then, this one-of-a-kind winery has produced some of Virginia's best wines. Experience Tarara's unique winemaking facility, which is located in a 6,000-square-foot cave near the banks of the Potomac River.

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




### A JOURNEY INTO VIRGINIA WINE COUNTRY presented by HACC

Saturday, November 17, 2018



#### MOTORCOACH ITINERARY

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Itinerary is subject to change at anytime without notification and/or compensation.

**Tour Activity Level:**

**2** This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

#### INCLUDED FEATURES

- Free parking with roundtrip motorcoach transportation
- Wine tasting and tours as listed per itinerary
- Luncheon at Grandale Vintner's Table Restaurant
- HACC Alumni Association Host
- All taxes and gratuities
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

**\$209.00 PER PERSON**



#### TIMELINE

**6:45AM** - Motorcoach will depart Lancaster HACC Campus, located 101 Old Philadelphia Pike.

**8:00AM** - Motorcoach will depart from Harrisburg Area Community College located One HACC Drive, Harrisburg; travel to Virginia with a rest stop en route.

**5:30PM** - Approximate departure time for Central Pennsylvania with a fast food dinner stop en route.

**8:00PM** - Approximate arrival time back in Harrisburg.

**9:15PM** - Approximate arrival time back in Lancaster.

(ALL PRICING AND INCLUDED FEATURES ARE BASED ON A MINIMUM OF 30 FULL PAYING PASSENGERS. RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.)

## CHERRY BLOSSOM CRUISE WITH FOODS OF OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA – APRIL 6, 2019

After departing from HACC's Harrisburg and Lancaster campuses, arrive in Old Town Alexandria to explore parts of the historic and architecturally unique town that has prospered for over two hundred years. Discover locally owned and operated restaurants off the beaten path in this historically rich town. On your guided, narrated, walking and motorcoach tour, you will experience and learn about Old Town Alexandria's significance throughout the history of our country. The tour will include various stops to sample specially made dishes at long standing family owned restaurants. The guide will also talk about the history of the cherry blossom trees in D.C., and you'll enjoy a cherry blossom themed dessert! After finishing, you will be able to truly appreciate the heritage, history and the local food. Enough food is served that most participants will not need lunch after the tour. All dishes are served sitting down, so you can enjoy the ambiance of each restaurant while trying their specialties and hearing their stories.




### CHERRY BLOSSOM CRUISE WITH FOODS OF OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA presented by HACC

Saturday, April 6, 2019



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After the tour of Alexandria, relax on a 45 minute narrated Cherry Blossom cruise that will highlight the historic sites along the Potomac River, such as the Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, John F. Kennedy Center, and Memorial Bridge. The cruise will provide a great vantage point to enjoy the beautiful Cherry Blossoms, for which Washington D.C. is known.

After the cruise, free time will be provided in Georgetown for shopping, eating, or just to relax along the Potomac River.

*Itinerary is subject to change at anytime without notification and/or compensation.*

**Tour Activity Level:**

**2** This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

**INCLUDED FEATURES**

- Free parking with roundtrip motorcoach transportation
- Food of Old Town Alexandria tour
- Cherry Blossom Monuments Cruise
- Local guide service
- HACC Alumni Association Host
- All taxes and gratuities
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

**\$229.00 PER PERSON**

**HACC**  
Alumni Association  
HARRISBURG AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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**9:00PM** - Approximate arrival time back in Harrisburg.

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For full details including how to register, please visit:

[www.hacc.edu/cherry-blossom-cruise](http://www.hacc.edu/cherry-blossom-cruise).

We hope to see you there! **Thank you!**

# Beyond Extraordinary!

Would you run 200 miles to have your 70<sup>th</sup> birthday on a mountaintop?

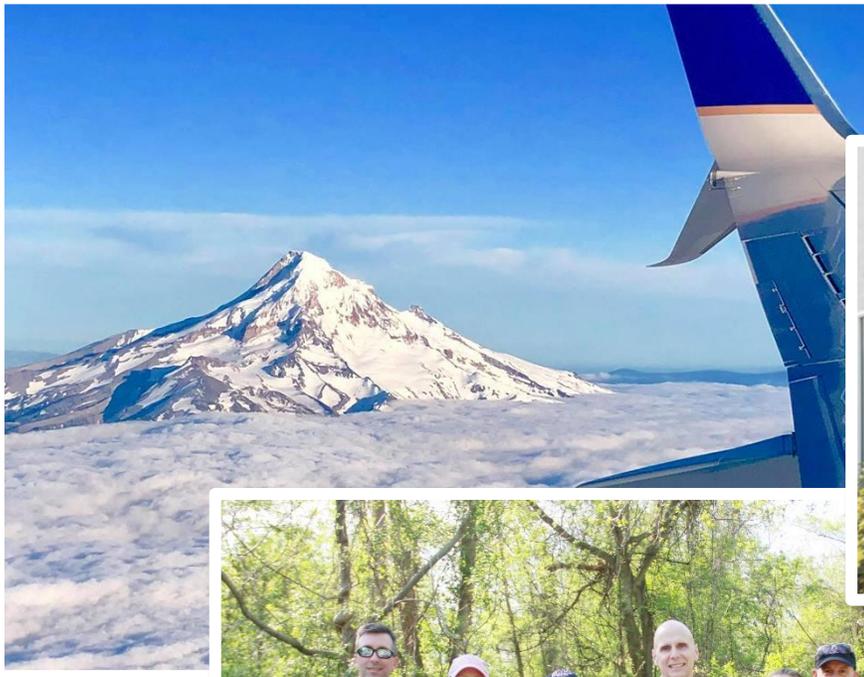
Don't worry, most of us wouldn't (or couldn't) either. However, we have some donors who are passionate enough about HACC and our students that they are willing to:

- Run a 200-mile relay
- Climb two 11,000-foot mountains
- Celebrate a 70<sup>th</sup> birthday with complete strangers

Although these are three separate events, the impact is the same – extraordinary!

Please visit [hacc.edu/Crowdfunding](http://hacc.edu/Crowdfunding) to check out HACC's extraordinary crowdfunding events to benefit students.

Thank you!



# Did you know YOU Can Dedicate a Tree?

HACC donors, alumni, employees and students are encouraged to honor and memorialize friends and family, your favorite HACC department or your favorite HACC colleague in a unique way by naming trees at HACC campuses. The gift of a dedicated tree on the campus of your choice will endure, grow stronger and blossom with life – year after year.



Those interested in naming a tree are asked to please complete a [tree naming request form](#) and contribute \$1,000 (per tree) to the President’s Fund for Excellence, a [specialized fund for excellence](#) or the [Bruce E. Cooper Student Center Renovation Fund](#) (Harrisburg Campus trees only).

Your gift will allow you to name the tree of your choice and place a dedication plaque by your named tree. The Gettysburg, Harrisburg, Lancaster and York campuses have plenty of trees ready to bear your name and those of your friends, family members or a favorite HACC department or professor!

If you’d like to select a tree in-person, available trees have a “Please Name Me” sign by them. You can simply remove the tree’s sign and take it to the campus Welcome Center for processing. Please note that there are no tree naming options at the Lebanon Campus due to the location of the campus.

Please visit the [HACC Foundation website](#) today to pick your favorite tree! Thank you!

# Alumni Spotlight

**Daniel M. Ashby** attended HACC because it



was close to home and provided the curriculum to support his pharmaceutical career goals at a reasonable cost. He found that *“The quality of the education exceeded all*

*expectations. Looking back over my career, if I were asked to name the five best professors, three of these individuals taught at HACC. I'm convinced that faculty at HACC had a passion for teaching versus research. The chemistry, biology, physics and public speaking curricular content was exceptional and provided a solid foundation as I continued my education.”*

Daniel graduated from HACC in 1968 and believes that *“HACC provided an exceptional foundation following my graduation from high school and my desire to pursue additional education.”* He went on to obtain his bachelor's and master's degrees from Wayne State University College of Pharmacy. He

continued pharmacy practice within the Detroit Medical Center until 1991 and finished his career there as director of pharmacy at Harper Hospital. From 1991 through 1999, Daniel served as the director of pharmacy for Methodist Hospitals of Memphis with 14 hospitals in Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas. In 1999, he moved to Baltimore to join The Johns Hopkins Health System, where he is responsible for inpatient, outpatient and home-infusion pharmacy operations under his charge as vice president and chief pharmacy officer.

Daniel received various accolades throughout his career, including HACC's Distinguished Alumni Award. To read more about Daniel's story and other inspiring alumni, please visit [HACC's successful alumni website](#).

**Adam Walter** is a husband, father of two, veteran, financial coordinator at Penn State College of Medicine and doctoral student. In addition, he has worn many 'hats' for HACC as a proud alumnus, donor, faculty member, member of the HACC Foundation Alumni Committee and former military and veteran affairs director.

With the many responsibilities associated with these roles, Adam stays energized by *“seeing others succeed and knowing I helped them either directly or indirectly.”* In addition, his inspiration comes from knowing that *“HACC is a great place to*

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*work. There is nothing better than serving our students, helping and seeing them succeed and move on to bigger and better things.”*

As he looks to the future, he believes in the importance of *“the quality of our educational system both secondary school education and higher education.”* Recently, Adam asked fellow alumni to give back through the new Alumni Fund for Excellence, which helps students succeed by providing much needed innovation in the classroom:



Adam encourages future students to *“be ready, be excited and be ready learn and collaborate with other class colleagues. Classes are designed to help us engage and learn from others. The faculty member helps facilitate the class, but you are what makes*

*it. With you, we don't have class; without your colleagues, we don't have class. All of us together make the class and help encourage learning.”* He advises his current students to *“apply what you have learned. Take what you learn and expand it. It doesn't stop here (in higher education), it never stops. Grow and spread what you learn!”*

Adam understands that through a HACC education, his students’ lives are transformed and sees the ripple effect for us all: *“HACC has a huge impact to the community because of its educational standards and stakeholders we reach. Our students will remember HACC, and they talk about HACC. HACC as an organization makes an impact because of the community we serve. We help create jobs, we help sustain jobs, we help improve jobs and we help facilitate jobs. HACC is a link for anyone and anywhere.”*

Thank you, Adam, for your support as a donor and your service as a veteran, faculty member and alumni ambassador who truly exemplifies the HACC spirit and directly contributes to HACC’s mission to *‘create opportunities and transform lives to shape the future - TOGETHER.’*

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