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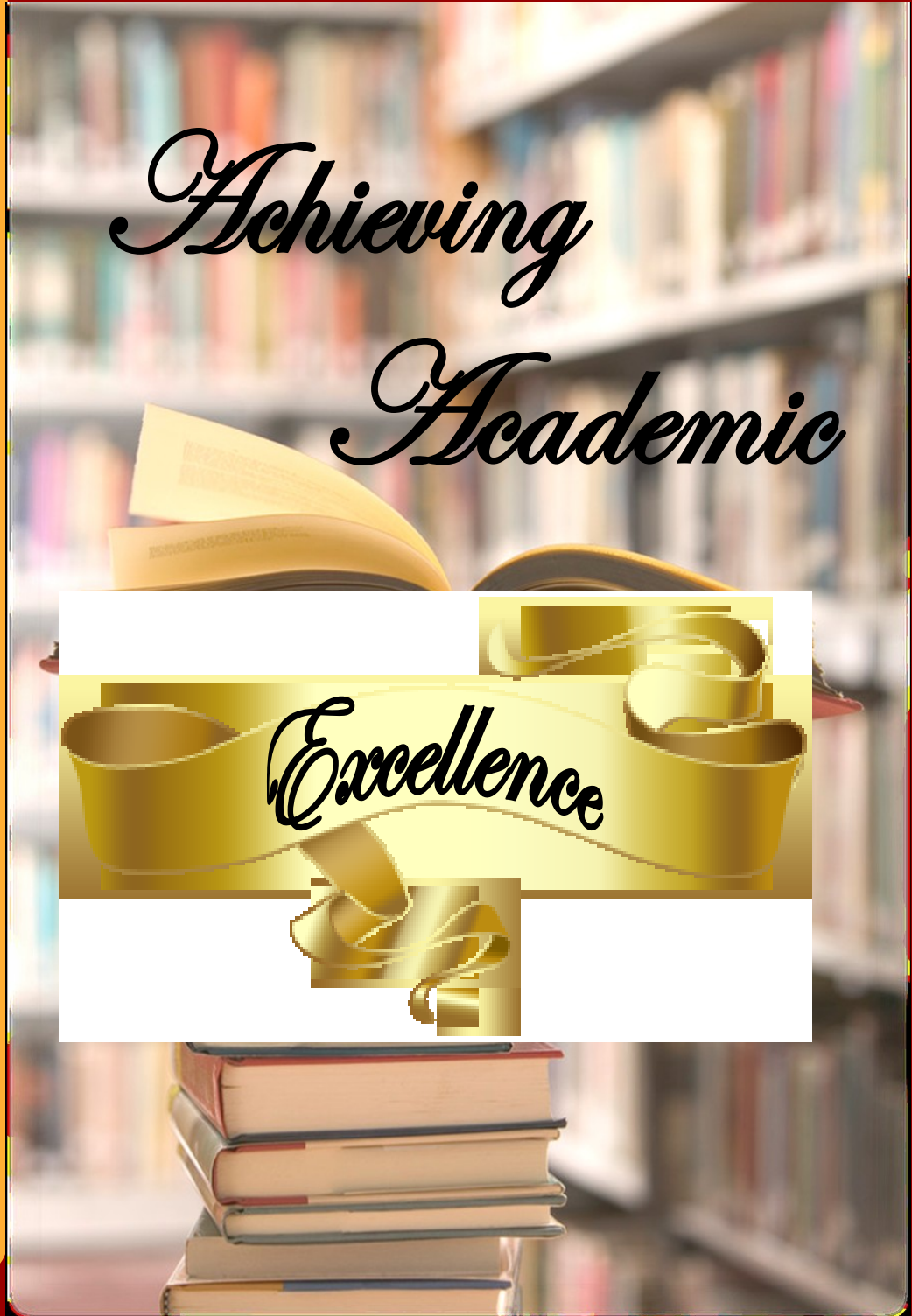
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ISSUE....

FOCUS ON FACILITIES
AND SECURITY



A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT



Nancy
Nancy Rockey
Interim Vice President

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

2012 theme is "Black Women in American: Culture and History."

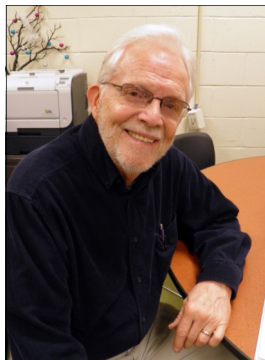


Carter G. Woodson, an NAACP leader, educator and historian, established Black History Week to recognize the central role Blacks played in the development of the nation. The first celebration occurred on Feb. 12, 1926. The second week of February was set aside for this celebration to coincide with the birthdays of abolitionist Frederick Douglass and President Abraham Lincoln. In 1976, the week was expanded to Black History Month.



1621	William Tucker is the first Black child known to be born in America
1773	Phillis Wheatley's "Poems on Various Subjects Religion and Moral" is the first book published by an African American author
1793	Congress passes Fugitive Slave Act, making it a federal crime to assist a slave trying to escape
1808	Congress bans importation of slaves
1820	Missouri Compromise bans slavery above the southern border of the state
1831	Nat Turner leads slave uprising
1859	Harriet Tubman escapes to Philadelphia and helps nearly 300 other enslaved people escape via the Underground Railroad
1857	In <i>Dred Scott v. Sanford</i> , U.S. Supreme Court declares all territories open to slavery
1859	John Brown leads Harpers Ferry slave revolt
1861	South secedes from the Union and the Civil War begins
1863	President Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation
1865	Civil War ends
1867	Fisk University begins to offer education for Blacks and ex-slaves of all ages
1868	Fourteenth Amendment ratified; Blacks become citizens
1870	The 15th Amendment guarantees that the right to vote cannot be denied because of race, color or previous servitude
1896	U.S. Supreme Court rules in <i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i> that "separate but equal" is constitutional
1909	NAACP is founded
1914	George Washington Carver's agricultural research begins to revive Southern farming
1924	Harlem Renaissance begins
1929	John Hope is named president of Atlanta University, which becomes the first graduate school for Blacks
1936	Jesse Owens wins four Olympic gold medals
1940	Benjamin Oliver Davis Sr. becomes the first Black general in the U.S. Army
1947	Jackie Robinson becomes the first Black Major League Baseball player
1950	Ralph Bunche is the first Black person to win the Nobel Peace Prize
1954	In <i>Brown v. the Board of Education of Topeka</i> , U.S. Supreme Court rules that racial segregation in public schools violates the 14th Amendment
1955	Two men who confessed to murdering 14 year old Emmett Till for allegedly whistling at a white woman are acquitted by an all white jury
1955	Rosa Parks refuses to give up her seat on a bus to a white man in Montgomery, Ala.
1957	Little Rock Central High School becomes first integrated high school
1961	Freedom rides begin from Washington, D.C.
1963	Four young girls are killed in the bombing of a Birmingham, Ala., church
1963	More than 200,000 people march on Washington, D.C., in the largest civil rights demonstration in the nation's history
1963	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gives his "I Have a Dream" speech
1964	President Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act of 1964
1965	Malcolm X, former Nation of Islam minister/civil rights activist, is murdered
1965	President Johnson signs Voting Rights Act of 1965
1967	Thurgood Marshall becomes the first Black U.S. Supreme Court justice
1968	Dr. King is assassinated in Memphis, Tenn.
1972	Shirley Chisholm (the first Black woman elected to Congress in 1968) is the first major party Black candidate to run for president
1984	Rev. Jesse Jackson becomes first Black man to make serious bid for the U.S. presidency
1993	Dr. Joycelyn Elders becomes first Black woman surgeon general
2008	Barack Obama becomes the first Black president of the United States

FACULTY PROFILES ~ a few minutes with....



Trum Simmons
Senior Professor, English

What are your academic credentials? B.A. in English, Taylor University(1965); M.A. in English, Vanderbilt University(1970)

How would you describe your teaching philosophy? I believe in what some call the open classroom. I give my students a six-page "Syllabus" outlining my teaching

philosophy, which might be called the freedom to learn. I've been heavily influenced by people like Carl Rogers, Neil Postman, Herbert Kohl, and John Holt, among others.

What do you view as your most significant impact on students and the college? Throughout my 41 years here I have tried to bring together the academic and the student affairs/student life spheres. I see "student activities" as co-curricular, not extra-curricular. In advising the student newspaper for 40 years I have promoted freedom of speech and freedom of the press. My colleagues will testify to my strong defense of academic freedom for faculty and students over the years. As faculty president in 1982-83 and 1997-1999 I was an activist advocate for faculty. And I have created three courses the curriculum, Women Writers, Banned Books, and Intro to Lesbian and Gay Studies.

What are some of your most memorable times at HACC? The Student Streak in March of 1974 is certainly one. A group of naked students ran a football play on the quad and then dispersed to their cars. Several times The Fourth Estate was attacked for its coverage, as in the infamous Sex Special in 1997. Everyone on campus learned a great deal through the fallout from that issue. Other memorable events include the many times student leaders have pressed the College to make changes in things like student evaluation of faculty and take steps to improve student participation in shared governance.

Are there other things about yourself that you would like stated in your profile? Sometimes students and colleagues call me an old hippy because of my teaching philosophy and my involvement with students both in and outside the classroom. Yes, I was there in the late 60s, and yes, I remember them well. That's where I learned about treating everyone equally and about the need for more love in the world. I don't see myself as a hippy, but I did wear love beads back in the day, and would be glad to tell you about my time with Allen Ginsburg one warm spring evening in 1967.



Charles Jeffrey
Senior Professor of Biology

Bachelor of Science,
State University of New York
1964
MAT, Harvard University 1965

When The Buzz graciously invited me to share some memories about the early years at

HACC, my initial reaction was, "Now you have hounded me beyond the limits of human endurance".

Of course, I love to reminisce about HACC. I remember when Hurricane Agnes put this campus under almost two feet of water; when it receded, there were catfish from the Susquehanna lying on the grass in front of Blocker Hall!

But my favorite memories are of my students. Bopha, a Cambodian by birth, was the sole survivor of a Pol Pot death camp. Linda, a single mom raising three children, two of them with cerebral palsy, was another A student in Bio. 121. Neither woman ever complained. Students like these are true heroes to me, and there have been many others like them through the years. I am very proud of them all. What a privilege it has been to be their teacher.

When I began, HACC had fewer than 500 students. My, how we have grown! Of the 14 community colleges in Pennsylvania, HACC was the first, and with its many talented teachers and supportive administrators, we are still the best. Sometimes, though, I wonder what might have become of students like Bopha and Linda if HACC had not been here for them.



Did You Know?

We have a Fish Whisperer on campus? That's right... our very own **Deb Ennis**, Assistant Director of Nursing and Senior Professor, Nursing is just that! Read Deb's story below and you'll agree with the nickname.

The story, in Deb's own words, goes like this:

"I have an empty fish tank - lost my last fish a year ago and just had not replaced it yet. Over Christmas break I asked a colleague if she would like me to put her beta in my tank so he could stay warm - was worried about him with the electricity going off over break.

She said yes and off we went for break. He did fine over break, but I came in to my office on Sunday before classes started and found him in part of the filter - all that could be seen of him was his tail - I was sure he was dead.

So I took my filter apart with the intent of extracting him and low and behold he was alive - he wiggled around and swam out of the filter, but on the way out he injured his back and belly - scraped them up pretty bad. I went on line and looked up how to help him - it seems that in Thailand they fight these fish and when they are injured they put almond leaves in their water - they are pretty resilient. So I purchased Beta Fix, which is the equivalent of antibiotics for fish and has the almond leaf extract in it. I also added salt to his tank - that also helps them heal.



A month later - he is healed and eating very well - and my colleague has given him to me because she said I was such a good mother to him. Don't know how long he will live; he still had a gouge out of his back which is healed - looks like someone bit him - but he is doing well. He is funny - when I walk in my office in the morning he gets so excited - he flairs his fins and actually swims back and forth in excitement to see me - they are funny fish - other fish could care less."

Thank you, Deb, for sharing your story! You have certainly earned your nickname! If you are ever in Deb's area (SM218G) stop by and see him for yourself!



Innovations 2012 is the premier event for professionals dedicated to improving organizational teaching and learning, and discovering new approaches for enhancing the community college experience. The conference provides a tremendous forum for collaboration among academic experts and leading community college professionals, while granting participants exclusive access to the most inventive and thought-provoking programs from around the world.



Smarthinking, Inc. submitted a presentation which has been accepted for Tuesday, March 6th and two of our staff members—Marguerite Macdonald and Elisa Cohen of the Office of Academic Success, Harrisburg Campus have been invited to participate as customer presenters. Their presentation will include presenting an institutional profile (location, demographics, student population, key issues, strengths, etc.) brief history of our online academic support implementation (what are we doing and how did we get there).

Please join us in congratulating Marguerite and Elisa and wishing them well on their presentation!

Our mild winter has fooled our bulbs and perennials into thinking they are growing in a temperate English garden, where winters traditionally have a brief hold on the landscape. Here at HACC, we continue to enjoy the novelty of flowers in February (as of this writing, anyway – winter can be cruel and send us a cold blast, forcing itself back into the landscape). Two more beauties to enjoy during your campus strolls:



Snowdrops (*Galanthus nivalis*) location: Carillon garden areas at the pond's edge. Porcelain white bells painted with green "hearts" give snowdrops a delicate appearance that belies their hardiness. These reliable little bloomers return each year in late winter and often mimic patches of snow tucked under trees and shrubs. They are useful as well as beautiful; the drug Galantamine, used in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease, was derived originally from the Snowdrop.

Lenten Rose (*Helleborus orientalis*) location: west library patio under the locust trees; Whitaker alcove under the windows. The Lenten Roses, or Hellebores, are the first perennial to bloom on campus. Fat buds appear as Lent approaches and continue to develop even through severe cold snaps. The buds are low, often hidden among last year's foliage, but once the sun warms them they quickly develop on bright green stems. Leafless, exposed, they are a miracle of tenacity as they continue towards blooming. Shades from ivory to deep plum are a treat for winter-weary eyes. Their cousins *H. odoratus* and *H. foetidus* push up chartreuse columns of buds in the Odom Fern Glen.



From The Kitchen of

Yvonne Milspaw
 Professor of English & Humanities

Coeur a la Crème (Heart of Cream)

8 oz package of cream cheese
 ½ cup confectioner's powdered sugar
 1 tsp vanilla
 1 pt heavy cream, whipped, or 1 package of whipped topping prepared
 (this is my preference—lower fat and tastes really good)

Beat the cream cheese until light. Add sugar and vanilla and continue beating. Carefully fold in the whipped cream or cream topping.
 Line a heart shaped mold with dampened cheesecloth, and add mixture.
 Refrigerate 6-12 hours.
 Serve with strawberries, other sweetened fruit (like blueberries) or jam.





Laissez les bons temps rouler!!

(let the good times roll)

MardiGras

Feb 21, 2012

What is "Mardi Gras" ([mardigras](#)) *Mardi gras* is French for **Fat Tuesday**, referring to the practice of the last night of eating richer, fatty foods before the ritual fasting of the Lenten season, which begins on Ash Wednesday; in English the day is sometimes referred to as **Shrove Tuesday**, from the word *shrive*, meaning "confess." Related popular practices are associated with celebrations before the fasting and religious obligations associated with the penitential season of Lent. Popular practices include wearing masks and costumes, overturning social con-

ventions, dancing, sports competitions, parades, and GREAT food! In many areas, the term "Mardi Gras" has come to mean the whole period of activity related to the celebratory events, beyond just the single day. Need a good Fat Tuesday recipe? Try the one below....

CHICKEN & SAUSAGE JAMBALAYA

6	bacon slices, chopped	½	cup garlic flavored barbecue sauce
1½	cups sliced celery	1	teaspoon salt
1	cup uncooked long-grain rice	¼	teaspoon cayenne pepper
1	cup chopped onion	1½	cups diced cooked chicken
1	cup chopped green bell pepper		
1	can (14½ ounces) tomatoes		
½	pound cooked smoked sausage, cut into ½ inch pieces		
1½	cups water		

1. In 3-quart Dutch oven or large deep skillet, fry bacon until crisp
2. Stir in celery, rice, onion, and green pepper. Cook and stir 5 minutes.
3. Add un-drained tomatoes, sausage, water, barbecue sauce, salt and cayenne. Stir. Bring to a boil. Cover. Simmer 20 minutes, stirring frequently. Add chicken.

Makes 4 servings.

TIPS:

Prep takes forever, but it is well worth the trouble.

Doubling the recipe works fine.

You can use seafood instead of (or with) the sausage and/or chicken.

No matter how strange it seems to add uncooked rice to bacon grease, it really works out well.

(Do not use minute rice.)

As this cooks (over medium heat), watch it closely as it tends to stick easily.



From Pat Thompson

Enjoy - bon appétit!!

It's Nice In The Ice™



Racquel, Danielle, Machel, Christine & Heather

CONGRATULATIONS to the "HACC PLUNGERS," who took the Special Olympics Polar Bear Plunge on Saturday, February 4, 2012. Team members included Heather Reber, Danielle Brookhart, Christine Cappuzzo, Karla Gurian, Barbara Saussaman, Machel Snesavage and Racquel Walmer. (The actual "plungers" were Danielle, Machel, Christine & Heather. The Team Chickens were Barb. Karla, & Racquel.)

In just two weeks, the team collected a whopping \$860.00 (not including cash donations submitted the day of the event) for the Special Olympics, a figure that greatly exceeded the \$250.00 goal. Many of the donations came from the HACC community. Great job everyone!

The Polar Plunge benefits nearly 20,000 Special Olympics Pennsylvania athletes – the state's largest year-round organization devoted to sports training and competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Anyone interested in participating in next years team please contact Heather Reber or Danielle Brookhart.

For more information about being involved with the Special Olympics Organization please contact Liz Stagar.

Heather Reber

Spotlight on Sports

Lisa Cleveland

Director of Athletics & Recreation

The Women's Basketball has sealed first place in the Eastern PA Collegiate Conference (EPCC) with a win over Valley Forge Military College.

Congratulations to Coach Michele Kieff and the players on a well played regular season! Good luck in the tournament!

Upcoming Sports Events—

2/18 & 2/19 EPCC Championship Tournament (all day).

For more information visit: <http://www.hacc.edu/StudentLife/Athletics/index.cfm>

Come out and support your HAWKS!!!!

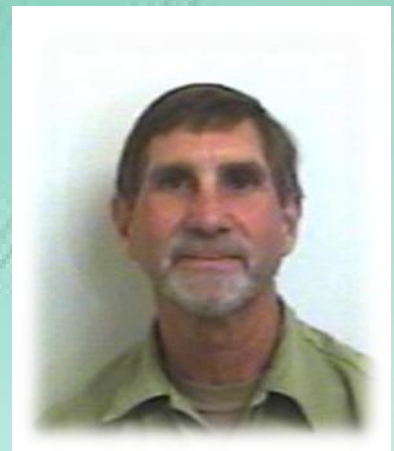




Harrisburg Campus Facilities Department

Employee of the Month

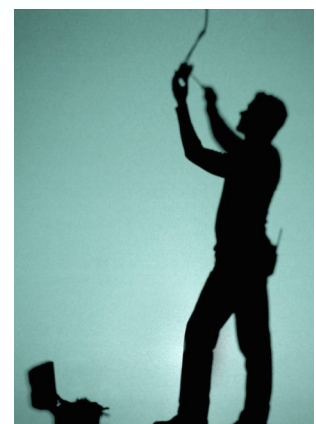
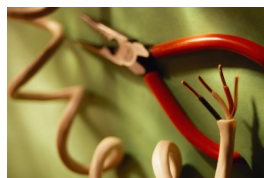
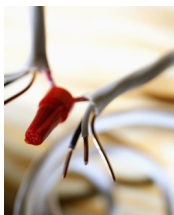
February, 2012



Dan Mowery has been selected as the Facilities Department “Employee of the Month” for continuing to provide quality electrical services throughout the Harrisburg Campus.

He has been a major contributor with creating the Art gallery in room 209 and the Smart Classroom in room 110 at the Midtown II building, installing all required electrical services for the Public Safety Center Cafeteria kitchen, and installing additional lighting at the top of the light towers along South Alumni Drive.

Dan joined our staff in October 2010, after spending more than 24 years as a self employed electrician. He is the proud father of two daughters.



MIDTOWN MOMENTS



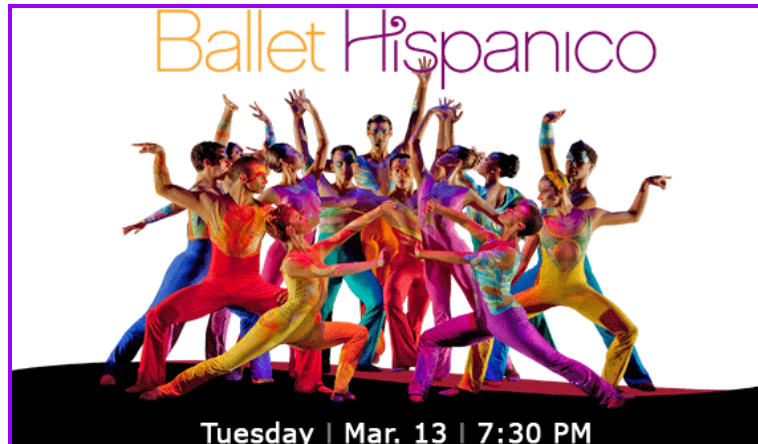
First Annual Computer Technology Career Night
Tuesday March 20, 2012 from 4:00-7:00 PM
Midtown Trade & Technology Center

Individuals interested in pursuing a career in computer technology are invited to HACCs Midtown Trade & Technology Center. Visitors will be able to tour the state-of-the-art laboratories, attend mini career presentations given by industry professionals, and interact with HACC computer technology faculty. Information on Computer Networking, Computer Information Systems, PC Repair, Geospatial Technology, and Web Development and Design will be featured.

No pre-registration is necessary for the event and any further questions can be directed to Professor Doug Brown at 221-1300 X 1347 or dlbrown@hacc.edu.

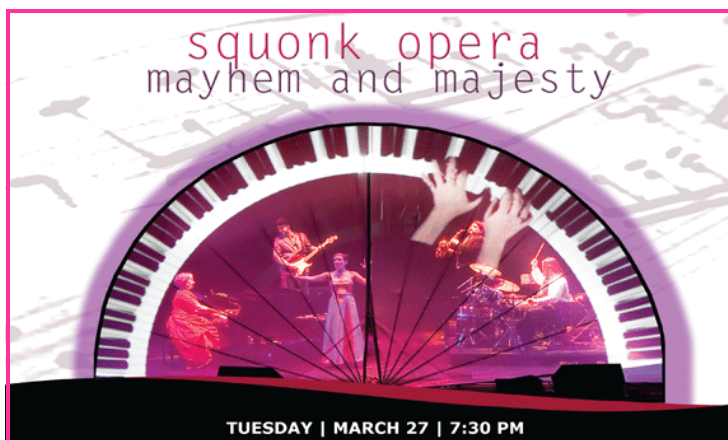


ROSE LEHRMAN ARTS CENTER NEWS



The **Live at Rose Lehrman Artist Series** and the Rose Lehrman Arts Center are being honored this spring as the recipient of the **2012 Award for Distinguished Service to the Arts in the Capital Region**, otherwise known as the "Arts Award." The award will be presented in a gala ceremony and celebration on Sunday evening, April 29 2012 at the Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts in downtown Harrisburg.

Initiated in 1989, the Awards for Distinguished Service to the Arts are the only awards in the Capital Region honoring contributions to the area's cultural life. Presented under the auspices of Theatre Harrisburg, the recipients are chosen by a selection committee comprised of past honorees. Each year, two awards are given. The 2012 award to an individual will be presented to Maestro Stuart Malina, Music Director and Conductor of the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra.



For more information on Rose Lehrman Live performances visit their website:
<http://www.hacc.edu/RLAC/index.cfm>



Survey Results

Below are the results of our first Survey Monkey survey

1. Do you feel that a shuttle bus between the Harrisburg Campus and Midtown is a valuable service to offer students, staff and faculty?

Yes	92.9%	No	7.1%
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2. Would you be interested in more “social” events for Harrisburg Campus staff and faculty?

Yes	54.1%	No	45.9%
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3. Have you attended a HACC sports event in the past year?

Yes	5.0%	No	94.0%
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4. As a HACC staff or faculty member, you have access to certain Harrisburg Campus amenities/programs. What HACC amenity/program do you use the most?

Library	47%	Weight Watchers	7%
Evans Gym	13%	Book Club	3%
Evans Pool	12%	None	29%
Fitness Program	17%		

Few Suggested Social Events

- ~Staff/Faculty intramurals
(softball/volleyball) games
- ~Open reception get-to-know each other
- ~Ice Cream Social benefiting a charity
- ~Monthly brown bag lunches
- ~Wii Game Gatherings
- ~Luncheons at the WWCC
- ~Wine Wednesdays
- ~Team Building events
- ~Dinner Dance

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Have you heard?



February 26, 2012

Race To Anyplace is a stationary cycling competition and fundraising event for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Events like Race To Anyplace help to fund LLS's research initiatives, patient services and education programs. We are extremely grateful to our many generous donors, participants and sponsors who made it all possible.

Go HACC Strong! Good Luck!

HACC STRONG TEAM MEMBERS

Support the Team

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| LARRY ADAMS (CAPTAIN) | JACKIE BAREUTHER | JIM CARIDEO- |
| SHEILA CIOTTI | HEATHER REBER | LISA SANFORD |
| DR. SKI | MARSHALL WASHINGTON | |

[Click Here to Make a Pledge](#)

... that you can nominate a student for a campus award?

Anyone can nominate a student - you don't have to be a faculty member to do so. If you know of a student who:

- Represents HACC Harrisburg beyond the classroom and campus
- Show service to the Harrisburg Community
- Has a commitment to community outreach and service to others

Nominate that student today!
Deadline for nominations is April 9

For forms contact Janice Miller-Zerbe at jmmiller@hacc.edu



February Birthdays

Earl Beyer
Megan Brightbill
Christine Cappuzzo
Elmer Criswell
Sandra Daniels
Cheryleen Deitz
Darbi Dietrich
John Eberly
Sheila Fleischer
Sharon Fronko
Frederick Gantz
Valerie Gray
Marcia Hajduk
Charles Hilmer
Philip Hoeflich
Elfriede Hoskins
Mary Jo Keiter
Cynthia Kuntz
Peter Law
Susan Leib
Edyta Lonon
Marguerite MacDonald
Kimberly Martin
Ryan Neff
Timothy Neher
Maureen Osborne
David Padfield
Sharon Patterson-McCoy
G. Ramona Pierce
Ruth Purgason
Cynthia Reiner
Joseph Santanna
Crystal Scheib
Kathleen Schlotthauer
Brandon Sheppard
Cynthia Shirk
Jean Shutters
Michael Tonkay
Marie Ulmen

HARRISBURG CAMPUS FUTURE EVENTS

Nerd Nite!

The Premiere Event for NerdsInTheBurg

Friday, February 17, 2012

HACC Midtown, 2nd Floor

5:00pm-7:00pm: “Earth as Art” & “Typography as Art” Gallery Walk

7:00pm-8:00pm: Guest Speakers •Dr. Jay Parrish (PSU)- Earth As Art

PA I-CAN!® E-file Program

Get your taxes done for free!

HACC—Midtown 2, Room 115

Saturday, February 18, 2012 8 a.m.—4 p.m.



Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Nu Omega Chapter Events
Cooper Student Center



Spring Orientation—Sunday, February 19, 2012 3 p.m.

(Inclement weather date: Sunday, February 26, 2012, same place and time)

Spring Induction Ceremony—Sunday, March 18, 2012, 3 p.m.

(Inclement weather date: Sunday, March 25, 2012, same place and time)

Informal chat with Nancy Rockey, Interim Campus VP

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

4:00-5:00 PM Arts 103 & 6:30-7:30 PM Select Medical 103

AASA Honors ~ Achievements in Academics & Community
Monday, February 27, 2012

For more activities click below to check out the HACctivity calendar
<http://www.hacc.edu/Harrisburg/upload/2012SpringHacctivity.pdf>



HARRISBURG CAMPUS EMPLOYEE BUZZ

We invite you to be a part of this process by submitting your thoughts, ideas, items of interest, awards, faculty and staff profiles, etc., utilizing this page.

Received an award recently?

New family member?

Buy a new home?

Interesting vacation?

Employee profiles?

If you would like to be profiled, to nominate someone to be profiled, or to share some personal information with your co-workers at the Harrisburg Campus, please complete the form below, read & sign the release, and send it to Pat Thompson, W126.

PICTURES ARE WELCOMED!

Name _____

Job Title _____

Location _____

Profile? _____

What's new? _____

Release: I, the undersigned, give permission to HACC and/or its agents to use the information contained in or attached to this form as a part of any edition(s) of "The Buzz". I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished edition.

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