

"Mattering is the belief or perception, right or wrong, of being important to somebody or something"

Nancy Schlossberg

It's that time of the enrollment cycle when we hold our breath each morning in anticipation of the daily enrollment report hoping that we'll see a positive uptick in our enrollment numbers. Instead of holding our breath and <u>hoping</u> to see a positive increase, a group of staff and faculty recently gathered to discuss ways we can individually and collectively impact enrollment. As a campus that puts students at the core of what we do, we very quickly developed ideas that coalesced around the theme "All Students Matter." Research validates that institutions that focus on mattering and greater student involvement will be more successful in creating campuses where students are motivated to learn and retention is high.

All of us, no matter our title, can have an impact on the success, happiness, and accomplishment of our students by simply helping a student realize they matter. **This fall we've planned the following activities to let our students know they matter:** 

#### **Making Connections (1st three weeks of term)**

- Campus Messaging Campaign that "All Students Matter"
- Hallway Meet and Greet activities
- Ask Me Campaign
- Taking it to The HUB by Student Affairs staff
- New Student Welcome Calls and Emails by student and alumni ambassadors
- Log-in Lab to help students log-in to myHACC, HAWKMail, etc.
- New Student Pizza Lunches with faculty and staff

#### **Providing Resources (week before midterms)**

- Taking it to The HUB by Faculty
- How to Check Midterm Grades
- Faculty Referral Resources
- New Student Check-in Calls and Emails by student and alumni ambassadors

#### **Showing Support (week before finals)**

- Taking it to The HUB by Faculty and Student Affairs staff
- New Student Check-in Calls and Emails by student and alumni ambassadors
- Fuel for Finals
- Student Relaxation Activities

You'll be hearing more about each of these activities in the weeks to come. Until then, consider every interaction you have with a student or a prospective student as being critical to making them feel comfortable and at home at HACC. What a difference your welcoming attitude, your attention, and even your smile can make in how a student feels about HACC.



#### **Parking Lot Update and Changes**

You may say that three years is a very long time to be working on our parking lot project, however as Alvar Aalto says, "Just as it takes time for a speck of fish spawn to develop into a fully grown fish, so, too, we need time for everything that develops and crystallizes in the world of ideas. Architecture demands more of this time than other creative work."

Our patience will soon be rewarded with the **paving portion of the new parking lot slated to be completed before the start of the fall semester!** The current rainy weather has delayed the paving; however the contractor is anticipating after a dry-out period, the paving process will start. Stay tuned for our "**ribbon-cutting**" **festivities scheduled for later in the summer!** 

As of June 30, another change in our main parking lot will take place. With the opening of the new 300-space lot, the campus will no longer be leasing the 100-space parking lot "B" (ACNB Lot). ACNB will lease this space to Head Start for the upcoming year. Head Start employees will park in this lot as well as keep their school buses parked in that area. HACC students, staff, and faculty will not be permitted to use this lot after June 30. Security will be reminding you of this change so please pass this information to your students. Thanks for your help with this transition.

#### **Employee News**

Effective June 30, **Dory Uhlman** will serve as the **Interim Harrisburg Campus vice president** until a search is conducted for the full time position. **Leslie Boon** will move into the **Interim Campus Dean of Academic Affairs** position with **Amanda Hartzel** serving as **Interim Director of Academic Success**. Best wishes to all!

On June 16, **Howard Alexander III** joined the student affairs team as **Campus Director**, **Counseling/Advising & Career Services** (located in the Career Services suite, room 125A). In this new campus position, he will assume day to day oversight of counseling, advising and career services.



In 2010, Howard was hired as Coordinator of Career Services at HACC's Harrisburg Campus. Previous to his work at Harrisburg, Howard worked in Career Services at York College of Pennsylvania and at Slippery Rock University. Howard's bachelor's degree is in Psychology and his master's degree is in College Student Personnel, both from Slippery Rock. Howard is a certified facilitator of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and the Strong Interest Inventory.

In his spare time, Howard serves as Head Judo Coach and Instructor at West Shore YMCA and Harrisburg BJJ and Judo Club in Harrisburg.

## Gettysburg Campus Update







**Lisa Shaulis, User Support Technician**, is the newest member of the Gettysburg Campus IT team. Lisa has 15 years' experience working in Information Technology, including the Capital Area Intermediate Unit in Enola and the administrative offices of the Pennsylvania Courts in Mechanicsburg. Lisa's hours are Monday - Thursday 2 - 7:30 pm.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with family, reading and writing.



#### **Criminal Justice trip to Washington D.C.**

Carol Miller, adjunct professor, legal studies, and her students traveled to Washington, D.C. on May 15 to attend the National Peace Officers Memorial on the West Front Lawn of the United States Capitol. Vice President Joe Biden was the guest speaker. All four students are Criminal Justice majors at the Gettysburg Campus.

L to R - Sam Weaver, Teri May Stem, Carol Loftus Miller, Logan Secrest and Michael Buchheit



#### PTK Relay for Life Fundraiser

Recently HACC Gettysburg PTK students donated \$500 from their 2014 Prom Dress Sale to their Relay for Life Campaign and on May 16 and 17 they raised an additional \$385 towards the event through their online Relay for Life Website. The event took place from 4 pm Friday to 4 pm Saturday. Students came at various times to walk the track around the pond at Oakside Park in Biglerville.

L-R: Shannon Harvey, Eliut Lopez-Enriquez, Janey Wells, Amelia Kaufman, Wendy Brubaker (with children Madison and William Brubaker).



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#### International Business Class Students Visit London

Students enrolled in Professor **Kathleen Pratt's** global studies **Introduction to International Business** class spent a day at the world headquarters of **Clark's in London**, **England**. Their itinerary included scheduled meetings with the Distribution Center, Research and Development, Archives, Retail Marketing, Supply Chain Management, HR and a catered lunch. The trip was made possible through the support of VL SAC funding.



Kathleen stated that it "was a TERRIFIC experience for the students, and it was a true pleasure to be able to facilitate this life experience for them."



### On May 17 students attended a day long Gettysburg Foundation Leadership Retreat *In the Footsteps of Leaders*

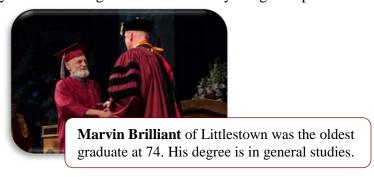
The day consisted of touring the battlefield to learn from Gettysburg's most famous leaders and be inspired by the courageous actions and decisions of soldiers at every level. Rather than focusing solely on the military strategy of the battle, the Leadership Program emphasizes an essential precept of decision-making: the people, their

decisions and the successful or unsuccessful outcomes based on those decisions. The group ate lunch at the historic Sherfy House on Emmitsburg Road.

Participating: Elizabeth Hottenstein, Leah Eisenhart, Jessica Kelley, Regina Fiore, Courtney Schaefer, Juliana Schmidl, Elizabeth Monahan-Donnelly, Brandon Wagner, Emily DeNoma, Hunter Yates and Vanessa Larson.

#### **Over 1,400 Graduates on May 13, 2014**

Ninety-two of those graduates were Gettysburg Campus students with ten earning highest honors.





# Gettysburg Campus **Update**



#### **Annual Legislative Breakfast**

On June 4, **Harrison Reese** represented the Gettysburg Campus at the annual **Legislative Breakfast** at the state Capitol where he spoke about his background and why he chose to attend HACC.

Harrison is a veteran and recently received the Phi Beta Lambda PA state chapter President of the Year Award.

L-R: BOT member Peter C. Wambach, Shannon Harvey, Harrison Reese, Representative Will Tallman, Dr. Ski



#### **Early College Academy student Katelyn Lamb**



Katelyn Lamb, a senior at Gettysburg High School and a **HACC** student enrolled in Early College Academy, will graduate from high school with 23 HACC college **credits** and a perfect 4.0 grade point average! She plans to take her 23 HACC credits to Millersville University where she will pursue a degree in Mathematics and Secondary Mathematics Teaching Certification.

Katelyn is a young woman with an infectious smile and a seemingly endless amount of energy and compassion for others. In addition to attending HACC's Early College Academy program each afternoon of her senior year, she also found time to captain the high school swim team, lead the Gettysburg High School Marching Band as drum major, serve as president of the French club, participate in Student Council, serve as vice-president of the National Honor Society, volunteer as a classroom aide at James Gettys Elementary School, the Gettysburg Area Middle School and St. Francis Religious Education program and work ten to twenty hours a week!



#### **Elsner Engineering Works Endows Scholarship**

Elsner Engineering Works, Inc. of Hanover is establishing an endowed named scholarship with a gift of \$10,000 made payable over a four year period. The scholarship funds will be invested and the interest that accrues each year will be awarded to students as scholarships.

L-R: Dr. Ski, Bertram Elsner II, President, CEO & Treasurer, Shannon Harvey



#### **Textbook Recycling Benefits Scholarship Fund**

Mark Benda of the Potomac Book Company recently picked up **donated textbooks** from the bookstore **for recycling**. Thanks to donations of textbooks from students, faculty and the nursing department, a total of \$848 has been raised during the past year for the Gettysburg Campus Opportunity and Access Scholarship Fund.





#### **Give Back HACC to Raise Scholarship Funds**

With **Ruby Tuesday's Give Back** program (20% return on purchases) and your appetite, we recently raised \$127.92 for our 2014 Foundation Employee Appeal Campaign to support the **Gettysburg Campus Emergency Assistance Fund**.

Additional Give Back events scheduled this summer: July 10, and August 6. Wendy Kaehler will again oversee the take-out lunch order or you may dine on your own. Please see Wendy or Vanessa for the necessary form.

"Travel and change of pace impart new vigor to the mind" - Seneca

Wherever your travels take you this summer, have a safe and enjoyable journey!

