Greetings, Lebanon Campus!

Welcome to the Spring 2019 Semester! It was wonderful seeing so many of you entering the campus during the first week of classes with a positive attitude and a determination to help our students succeed. We encourage you to keep that spirit throughout the semester.

Our students’ success is a key factor in retention and enrollment. Recently, the implementation of a student pantry has supported this success. If you haven’t stopped by the Welcome Center to visit the pantry please take a moment to do so.

We also have information available to support our students with other needs they may have. If you need a contact to help a student and don’t know where to turn, please reach out to campus administration. We will help point you in the right direction.

Thank you for helping our students and caring about our HACC community.

Laurie Bowersox
Enjoying the Holidays!

Staff and faculty celebrated the holidays with a party on Dec. 19, along with an ugly sweater contest, followed by a Secret Santa event the following day. This year we were excited to have two retirees join us at the party, Barb Grandia and Dottie Hartman!

It has become a party tradition to feature a basket raffle to benefit the Campus. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets for the raffle! All funds were applied to the Lebanon Campus Student Success Fund for Excellence.

This fund provides financial support to implement innovative programs to assist Lebanon students in their time of need.
Fifth Annual Clothing Drive

Thanks to Dr. Martha Thompson, adjunct faculty, Psychology Department, who organized the annual clothing drive, 686 warm items, including hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves, were donated by our students and staff. A big thanks also goes out to our Lebanon Campus students, who collected, sorted (pictured above), and distributed the donated items. These items were distributed to local elementary schools, the IU13 and Big Brothers/Big Sisters in Lebanon. Each location received almost 100 items. In five years, Lebanon Campus staff and students have donated almost 2,400 items!

Rising Stars

Pictured, left to right, reading instructor, Marge Sweeney; Jhennyfer Bello; reading instructor, Kathy Felty; and Roxanna Fornaris. Jhennyfer and Roxanna were honored at a small ceremony held on Jan. 17, recognizing their hard work and accomplishments. Open to students in ENG001 and ENG 002, the program recognizes those who have successfully completed either class with a 3.0 or better and earning a 3.0 or greater GPA in all classes during the semester the class is taken. These students were honored for their work in the Fall 2018 semester.
Campus Day
Faculty, staff and students joined together to analyze the complexities and challenges facing the campus at the Lebanon Campus Day event held on the evening of Jan. 9. The primary goal of the event, led by Dean of Academic/Student Affairs, Colton Bjerke, was to use data to identify priority areas where efforts and resources can be focused to ensure the success of the campus and our students. Collaborative group dialogue set the stage for future discussions on how to define success at the campus level, what our key targets are, and how we can make progress toward these targets in the coming years.

Before campus analysis and planning occurred, the campus community had the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of two of its members:

- Associate Professor, Mathematics, Dr. Margo Boman, was awarded the Dale P. Parnell Distinguished Faculty Award from the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC). Margo was provided this award for her passion for students and the classroom, her willingness to support students in and outside of the classroom and to participate in college committees, and for exceeding requirements to ensure student success.
- Administrative Office Specialist, Academics/Student Affairs, Angie Bentz, was recognized for receiving the National Institute and Organizational Development (NISOD) Excellence Award. Angie is receiving this award for her ability to motivate others and transform the workplace, and for exhibiting integrity, collegiality, excellence and trust.

Next participants engaged in a data carousel utilizing eight campus-based data sets ranging from faculty surveys, student demographics, enrollment trends, retention rates, and completion/transfer rates. Groups were challenged to note key observations, develop critical inquiry items, and then identify two priority areas for the campus to address. These notes will guide campus master planning, facilitate further data dives, and prioritize campus resources and staffing.

After teams reviewed the data, groups were reconfigured to establish an educational philosophy and definition of success for the Lebanon Campus. This included targets for completion, transfer, and retention for the next three academic years. Lastly, groups participated in a “start, stop, continue” activity for initiatives the campus should implement, discontinue or maintain to help reach these targets. These items will be reviewed by campus leadership and final measures will be shared in the near future as a part of the campus master plan.
**First Week of Classes**

At the beginning of each semester, during the first week of classes, President Ski makes a point to travel to each of HACC’s campuses to visit with the incoming students. As always, while he is here, he spends time with staff, faculty and community members. The Lebanon Campus and community enjoyed a visit from Dr. Ski on Jan. 17.

Left to right, **President Ski** with Lebanon Campus Security Officers **James Conard** and **Richard Van Fossen**.

While visiting one of the Math classes, **Dr. Ski** takes time for a photo with Mathematics Professor **Margo Boman**.

Out in the community, **Dr. Ski** met with **Frank Dixon** (center), and Lebanon Valley College President, **Dr. Lewis Thayne**.
An Update from our Facilities Supervisor

YOUR facilities Team was very busy during the holiday break. We had 14 working days to complete the renovation of Room 218 from a general purpose classroom to a new computer lab. During the same time period, we also converted Room 114 from a computer lab to a general purpose classroom. This is now the location of the new music room. The third room that we worked on was Room 113. This room, which was the MAC lab, had not been used during the Fall 2018 semester as a classroom. Instead it was used as flex space to store many items that were purchased or repurposed from other HACC campuses for our classroom projects. We emptied this space of all the construction material and furniture we needed and have re-established it as a classroom to be used this semester.

Several classrooms on the second and third floor were cleaned out and stripped of the old wax and new wax applied. The hallways on the second and third floors were also finished. I hope you enjoy YOUR new spaces!

Dave Edwards
Facilities Supervisor

Pictured: Above, Room 218 “Before”;
Below left to right, Room 218 “After”; and Room 114 “After”
ESL Graduation
HACC’s ESL Program offers intensive language courses that help students to develop their listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in English. The program prepares students for college success through classroom activities that expand their academic vocabulary, writing fluency, and oral presentation skills in a safe and fun learning environment. The ESL students in the photo below represent four different parts of the world: Mali; Morocco; Puerto Rico; and the Dominican Republic. Last year, these students attended ESL classes four nights per week to improve their English language skills and to move one step closer to achieving their personal and academic goals at HACC. Congratulations, students! We are very proud of you and wish you all the best!

Pictured, left to right: Top Row, ESL instructor, Alyssa Golden; Estherlisa Pena (with daughter); Milagros Peguero Lara; Lismarie Martinez Bonilla; Mailyn Torres Morales (with son); Aminata Dembele; Carmen Aguer; Dianilka Avila; and Alcadia Mejia De Von Webber. Bottom Row, seated, Belkacem Benali; Odalys Machuca Crespo; and Nelson Salinas.

Be in the Know When it Snows - Sign up for e2Campus
Wintry weather is here in Central Pennsylvania, and HACC wants you to be aware when there’s a delay or closing due to inclement weather. There are several ways you can be informed of delays and/or closings.

After reviewing the list of ways, please sign up for e2Campus, HACC’s free emergency alert system, or click on “E2Campus” in the link at the bottom of hacc.edu.
One Button Studio Scheduling and Touch Panel

You may have noticed that there is now a touchpanel outside the One Button Studio (OBS) (Room 317) at the Lebanon Campus! This is tied to an Outlook account for this room, which can be used to allow faculty and staff (or a contact person of your choice) to schedule the room through their Outlook calendar appointments. The reserved blocks will show up on the touch screen outside the OBS; that screen can also be used for "walk up" scheduling if the room is available, though that capability is limited to a smaller timeframe in the immediate future. To schedule further out, Outlook would be the way to go. Students may also “walk up” and reserve the studio through the touch panel. They would then have to check in with Security or IT to grant them access to the room.

Scheduling Walk-up Reservations Using the Touch Panel

1. Walk-up reservation are for users to walk-up and schedule the room at that time. When the room is reserved with a walk-up reservation, the Outlook calendar is updated.

2. Simply tap the time you would like to reserve the room; in this example, it is 5 PM.

3. Tap Reserve.

4. The panel will show a Walk-Up Reservation has been scheduled. To add additional time to the reservation, tap the Extend until button.

5. The Walk-Up Reservation will be added to the Outlook calendar.
HACC Give Back!

HACC’s Day of Giving is a collegewide event to celebrate and demonstrate our pride as members of the HACC community. For thousands of students, alumni, faculty, staff, board members, donors, partners and friends, HACC is a source of pride.

We are planning fun activities at our five campuses and with Virtual Learning to celebrate what HACC has done for thousands of people in our community.

Come celebrate HACC’s Day of Giving with us on April 11!

By giving on April 11, you will make it possible for many of our students and future leaders to learn using the latest technologies and overcome hurdles so they may succeed.

How can YOU make an impact?

1. **Give a gift:** On April 11, by giving a gift of any amount.
2. **Share with your friends on social media:** Spread the word by using #HeartHACC on your social media accounts, and encourage your friends and family to make a gift and share on their social media accounts too.
3. **Inspire others to make a gift:** Challenge your friends, family and co-workers to match your gift.
4. **Sponsor the event:** Become a sponsor for the event activities.

Please visit [hacc.edu/heartHACC](http://hacc.edu/heartHACC) to learn more.
AAA Travel/Alumni Association Upcoming Day Trip

Cherry Blossoms, Dining and Shopping!

On April 6, 2019, experience D.C.'s cherry blossoms and more on a one-day trip with YOUR HACC Alumni Association and AAA Travel!

For more information, please visit hacc.edu/alumni

The HACC Alumni Association has partnered with AAA Travel to offer the upcoming trip to benefit HACC students:

Cherry Blossom Cruise with Foods of Old Town Alexandria – April 6, 2019

This one-day trip is open to the public. Therefore, students, employees, alumni and the community are all welcomed!

City Wellness - Free Blood Pressure Screenings

The City of Lebanon and WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital have partnered together to offer FREE blood pressure screenings for all ages on a walk-in basis.

1st Wednesday of Each Month
11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Feb. 6, March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 3, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4
Lebanon County City Municipal Building—Lobby
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