

#### **GREETINGS!**

Hopefully everyone has "settled in" to the semester. It's hard to believe that we're only one week away from midterm and that another enrollment cycle is about to kick-off with our college-wide Spring Open House event scheduled for all five campuses on Oct. 8, 2014, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please share with prospective students that HACC will no longer be charging the \$35 application fee to apply for admission.

I've been presenting the Gettysburg Campus **2014-2017 Master Plan** to campus departments and groups and just last week presented it to the Gettysburg Campus Community Advisory Committee. I'm excited by the enthusiasm and the feedback that's been provided through those presentations. **Here are some highlights from the plan:** 

#### Accomplishments from our 2010 master plan include

- 1.69 million in deferred maintenance projects, the largest being the renovation of our Campus Welcome Center, replacement of an HVAC unit and installation of new flooring
- Interior finish upgrades and internal space reconfigurations to add additional office space and classroom computer labs
- A 300 space parking lot expansion
- Crosswalk connecting the campus to the North Gettysburg Trail and Gettysburg Area High School
- A flood plain study and flood mitigation efforts including the removal of stream debris

#### Environmental Scan highlights

- 40% of our service area population is under the age of 24
- 39% of our service area population is over the age of 50
- 46% of our workforce is comprised of service or blue collars jobs
- 19% of our workforce is employed in manufacturing jobs
- 6% decline in high school graduation rates over the next three years

#### Campus enrollment trends reflect the statistics from the environmental scan

- Overall decrease in non-traditional age students, students over the age of 24 and a decrease in evening classes
- Overall increase in traditional age students, those under the age of 24 and an increase in daytime class offerings and students enrolled in virtual courses

#### **New Program Recommendations**

- Biology Transfer Degree program focus on STEM programming in our high schools
- Mechatronics Degree program response to manufacturing workforce needs
- Expanded College Pathway offerings (CHS/Early College Academy)
- Physician's Office Assistant (POA)

#### Space and Facility Recommendations

- Renovation of space for a science lab and mechatronics lab
- Geothermal study
- Roof replacement at the south end of the building

Please see Vanessa Larson for a complete copy of the Gettysburg Campus 2014-2017 Master Plan.





#### HARVARD FACULTY MEMBER "SKYPES" WITH GETTYSBURG CAMPUS STUDENTS

On Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, **Cristal Renzo's Enlish101 students held a SKYPE Q&A session with Dr. Matthew Killingsworth**, a leading scholar in the field of health and happiness. This semester, Cristal's ENGL101 students have been using their writing and research skills to study happiness and consumerism. Many of the students are also participating in Dr. Killingsworth's new scientific research project, <a href="https://www.trackyourhappiness.org">https://www.trackyourhappiness.org</a>. Congratulations Cristal for coordinating this opportunity and for involving students in academic research.

#### HELEN HAUSER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Suitcase Junket from 1-4pm!

The **Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival Grape Stomp**, hosted by the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce promoted Pennsylvania wine and supported HACC. The **grape stomp raised more than \$500** for the Adams County SPCA and Helen Hauser Memorial Scholarship.



The HACC/Hauser Movable Feast is being held on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 4:00 p.m. at Hauser Estate Winery, 410 Cashtown Road in Biglerville. This event will feature five fabulous food trucks:

- Rocky's BBQ
- Bombay Junction
- Mad Dash Grilled Cheese
- The Chow Food Truck
- Sugar Whipped Bakery

Music will be provided by Suitcase Junket <a href="https://www.thesuitcasejunket.com">www.thesuitcasejunket.com</a>. Proceeds from wine and food sales will be donated to the Helen Hauser Memorial Scholarship for Enology and Viticulture students.



^Jennifer McCleaf, Carrie Stuart, Hannah Hauser, Scott Simonds and Heather Hannon

< "Local Celebrity" Grape Stomp Team





#### YWCA PROGRAMMING NOW AT HACC

YWCA Rec Pass memberships are now available for purchase in the Welcome Center for ALL faculty, staff and students. For the cost of \$150.00, faculty and staff can purchase a Rec Pass to the YWCA which is valid for 5 months. Students can purchase a rec pass for \$44.00. The Rec Pass includes full access to the YWCA fitness center, fitness classes, aquatic classes, the pool, racquetball courts and gymnasium. YWCA business hours are Mon-Friday 4:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday 8-5 p.m. and Sunday 10-5 p.m.

Beginning Monday, October 6 the YWCA will begin offering a Zumba class on campus from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Room 410 every Monday. The first class is open to everyone to give it a try. Starting Monday, October 13, participants must have a YWCA membership. Any YWCA member may attend the on campus YWCA fitness classes.



#### **eVOLUTION BLEND TRAINING**

Josh Rumpff and Cindy Schanke are leading the campus' first eVolution blend training course. The eVolution Blend training provides participants with the tools needed to convert a traditional class into a blended/hybrid course using Flipped Classroom methodology. Participants specifically learn about the needs of learners, teachers, and best practices in developing a Flipped Classroom. If you're interested in learning more about this methodology talk to Josh or Gettysburg faculty who are participating in the class - David Bailey Monica Bajaj, Diane Bittle, Anne Copenhaver, Catherine Frost, Caren LaRue, Andrea Metz, and Kathleen Pratt.

#### **FALL FREE 4 ALL**

**Kudos to Jessica Knouse and the SGA leadership** for a successful event! Thank you to all staff and faculty who participated.









#### STUDENT SUCCESS SEMINAR

On September 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, the Learning Commons hosted its semi-annual workshop series, **What 'A' Students Know: A College Success Seminar.** Over **forty students participated** in one or more of the six sessions, featuring a variety of topics to help student succeed in and beyond the classroom.

**Terry Have**l returned for his ever-popular discussions on note-taking and effective study strategies, **Monica Bajaj** had an interactive session on time management, and **Kathleen Heidecker** introduced students to technology tools and library resources. **Wendy Brubaker** had students complete an online survey to determine their multiple intelligences and study techniques, and **David Bailey** explored the perceptions and habits that cause students to struggle and do well.

Student feedback was positive, and many asked for additional workshop topics. **Stay tuned for workshops on motivation, stress management and staying focused**. Special thanks to faculty who encouraged students to attend this workshop series.

#### PHYSICIANS OFFICE ASSISTANT PROGRAM COMING TO GETTYSBURG

Beginning this spring, students can learn to become a Physician Office Assistant (POA) at the Gettysburg Campus, and train to work in the front office of a primary care, specialty practice or access call center. The POA program includes 172 hours of lecture and 160 hours of practicum, for a total of 332 program hours. The 172 hours of classroom time is seven lecture hours per day, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a one hour lunch break, for seven to eight weeks. The practicum is eight hours a day, Monday through Friday, for four weeks. Students will spend time in a primary care practice, a specialty practice and an access center. POA's are currently in high demand by Wellspan Health. For more information, or to refer a student, contact Jolynn Achaj, program coordinator, at 717-221-1391.



#### Your creativity is needed!

The Gettysburg Fest Gingerbread Celebration and Holiday Mart will once again be held at HACC on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. This year's event will feature a new Business Challenge category to win the highly coveted traveling "Ginger Trophy". If you're interested in helping to design, bake and decorate our own HACC house, please email Shannon Harvey at ssharvey@hacc.edu.



REMEMBER - Your Faculty/Staff membership is valid for 5 months after date of validation at the YWCA.

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#### YOU'RE INVITED

Dress up in your evening finest and join us to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of HACC at a **Golden Anniversary Gala on Saturday, Oct. 25, 2014, from 5:30 – 10:00 p.m.** at the Radisson Hotel Harrisburg in Camp Hill. **Event details:** 

- Attire The preferred attire is dressy. In honor of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, you are welcome and encouraged to wear burgundy and gold!
- Registration opens 5:30 p.m.
- Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- Silent auction 5:30-8:15 p.m.
   (Lots of great stuff, including some of our student's own work!)
- Welcome 6:30 p.m.
- Dinner 6:45 p.m.
- Dessert 8 p.m.
   (Prepared by HACC culinary students)
- Dancing 8:30 p.m.

To purchase tickets, visit <a href="https://hacc50.eventbrite.com">https://hacc50.eventbrite.com</a> and enter the password HACCEmployee. Please purchase your tickets by Oct. 12, 2014. Tickets are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis only.

#### **ALL STUDENTS MATTER**

From our ASK ME buttons to new student phone calls to Making Connections socials to Taking it to the HUB, students are responding very positively to our efforts to show them how much they matter and how invested we are in their success. Here are a few highlights from the past six weeks:

#### **New Student Phone Calls**

- Thirty four callers (20 staff, 6 faculty, 6 administrators including Dory and Dr. Ski, and 2 alums) called 422 of our 648 new students.
- Overall students were shocked and amazed that we were simply calling them to "check-in" and see how things were going. Comments included:
  - o Great experience so far
  - Auditing course 65+, willing to talk to others
  - Went to a math tutor today, very helpful
  - o Great conversation has been out of school 25 yrs.
  - o Everyone is very friendly
  - o Going well, already using available resources
  - o Sending brother in to do placement tests for spring!



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#### **STAFF NEWS**



^James Whitehead and his proud big sister

#### **BABY UPDATES**

- James Whitehead arrived on Saturday, August 13
  weighing in at 8lbs 9 ounces. Tara, James' mom and
  HACC English instructor is doing well and look forward
  to returning to campus next week.
- Lolita Lupian from the Welcome Center gave birth to a bouncing baby boy on August 11. Roman Augustine Lupian weighed 7lbs 11 ounces. Lolita will return to campus around mid-November. If you would like to send her a card her address is 254 Berwick Rd, Abbottstown, PA 17301.

#### **RETIREMENTS**

- **Donald Baumgartner** retired from the campus with 10+ years of service. Donald provided excellent customer service to students, staff and faculty. In the early days, Donald was often the only staff member on campus in the evenings and he managed everything from safety and security to making copies, unlocking rooms, fixing video-projectors and finding absent instructors. Don has earned the opportunity to enjoy more time with his family and friends. Well wishes can be sent to Donald at 1165 Bullfrog Road, Fairfield, PA 17320.
- Mike Wallace will be retiring from the campus on November 3 having worked for the campus for 13 years. During his time at the Gettysburg Campus, Mike was active on the Campus Wellness Committee, the Library Circulation Committee, and most importantly active with students! He often volunteered to greet students at graduation and you could usually find a student or two seeking his advice at the ASK ME desk in the evenings. Please join me in recognizing and thanking Mike for his service to our students and his colleagues.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Making Connections Ice Cream Social for General Studies, STEM and Liberal Arts majors on Monday, October 6 from 2:30 -3:30 p.m.
- Body Percussion by Camille Armstrong on Thursday, October 9 from 9:45 11:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m.
- Fall Break, Monday, October 13 and Tuesday, October 14





#### UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING & COLOR RUN

A group of Gettysburg Campus staff, faculty and students joined the United Way of Adams County for a morning of volunteering for the community on Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Our HACC team participated in the Red, White and Blue 5K Color Run that was being sponsored by the Gettysburg Area Recreation Association, Gettysburg College and the HACC Gettysburg Campus Student Government Association.













