Greetings, All!

We are off to a wonderful fall semester and quickly moving into the home stretch towards finals week. I want to take this time to say THANK YOU for all that you have done to make the fall semester an academic and social success for our students.

Over the past months, there have been many, many campus successes. I’ll share a few of them.

KUDOS to Matt Ebaugh and the Workforce Development Division. In October, we offered our first-ever Forklift OSHA Certification Training. The training was a collaboration with The York County Prison. Eleven participants received certification. Additionally, this training was offered recently to the greater York community and two individuals received certification.

KUDOS to Alyssa Feather. Galleryork has reopened with several exciting exhibitions. The October exhibition entitled Change and Repeat featured works from Valerie Dillion. The current exhibition entitled Her-Story features creative works by Katie Hovencamp. The current exhibition is scheduled Nov. 5 – Dec. 15, 2018. Please join us for the Artist Reception on Monday, Nov. 12 from 4:30-6 p.m.

KUDOS to Tyson Singletary. The York Campus recently launched an exciting initiative with the Men of Color on campus. In October, approximately 14 currently enrolled students met to acquaint themselves with one another, learn about all of the campus resources, and meet several staff. KUDOS to Alfred Siha and Heather Burns for participating in this initial event. The second meeting will occur on Monday, Oct. 12 at 6 p.m. in the Glatfelter Community Room in Cytec. Feel free to share this event with your students.

KUDOS to Stepheni Anderson and Tyson Singletary for hosting the recent Women in the Trades Day: Hammers and Heels. Fifteen area high school female students toured our trades labs and engaged in a question & answer session with Jackie Becker (Electrical Technology adjunct), Bianca Crillo-Cruz (Welding adjunct), Suzanne Ross (One Way Mechanical) and Heidi Potter (Director of Programs with Junior Achievement). As a result, the students learned about many opportunities in several traditionally male oriented careers.
From the Office of the VP, cont.

KUDOS to Steve Newcomer for facilitating an exceptional tour of the HVAC lab for several team members from Frey-Lutz a Mechanical HVAC Services. Additional KUDOS to Victor Ramos, vice president of the Lancaster Campus, for accompanying Frey-Lutz. Victor was instrumental in coordinating the visit.

Please enjoy the contents of the current newsletter. As always, I am available to chat with you at any time.

Thank you!

Dr. Darryl E. Jones
York Campus Vice President

DISASTER DRILL

HACC York nursing students participated in a disaster drill at Wellspan Health on Sept. 8, 2018. The students acted as victims of a mass casualty. This year the drill was a bombing in a class room. The students were assigned injuries and role played during the drill. The drill consisted of prehospital personnel, emergency department staff such as nurses and techs, emergency department physicians and this year a nurse from Harley Davidson.

The purpose of the drill is to provide education on how to effectively triage during a mass causality event.

News From Tutoring and Testing

All kinds of exciting things have been happening in Tutoring and Testing on the York Campus. First, we have a new, expanded Bone Room. Facilities removed the wall between the old Bone Room and the adjacent office, approximately doubling the space for students and tutors. In addition, IT installed a TV screen and Apple TV for students to use for group study and to access resources such as Visible Body. The Bone Room will also serve as an alternate biology lab for tutoring when access to the actual bio labs is limited. We were happy to host an Open House for biology faculty and their students during the week of Sept. 10-14.

Over the summer, York implemented in-class tutoring (ICT) in one section of BIOL 121. For the fall, we have tutors assigned to all Math 090 sections, and in-class tutors in Shannon Davis’s BIOL 121 class and Ken Hinkle’s ACCT 101 class.

Also this term, Tutoring and Testing is collaborating with the Library to offer three Research Parties during which students can get help on their research and their writing from librarians and writing tutors.

We will continue to offer one on one academic coaching this semester. If you know a student who might benefit from individual help on time management, study skills, test taking tips, and other skills necessary to be a successful student, please have them email our Academic Coaches at YorkAcademicCoaching@hacc.edu for an appointment.

Thank you to all who worked to improve this space for our students!
Entrepreneurship Program

On Sept. 20, HACC and York College of Pennsylvania (YCP) collaborated to host “Entrepreneurship: From Start Up to Success”. Business students from both colleges were invited to attend. The purpose of the event was to augment student knowledge in the field of entrepreneurship and expose students to innovation leaders within that field. Students listened to brief presentations and participated in Q&A with a variety of organizations, including: Downtown, Inc., York County Economic Alliance, SCORE, Small Business Development Center (SBDC), as well as local entrepreneurs. The event, held on YCP’s campus, began with a tour and concluded with a panel of YCP Business students and alumni sharing information about their transfer experience. Dr. Darryl Jones, HACC York Campus vice president, and Dr. Jeff Woodall, York College director of undergraduate studies, shared the welcome address.

Scholarship Awarded

York Campus student Paola N. Ramos Arroyo is the recipient of the 2018-2019 Estamos Unidos de Pennsylvania Scholarship Award. Paola is a sophomore studying Early Childhood Education. She will graduate from HACC in spring 2019 and plans to transfer to Millersville University to complete her bachelor’s degree. Paola was honored at the Estamos Unidos de Pennsylvania’s 16th Annual Gala on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2018, at the Radisson Camp Hill where she was awarded a $1,000 scholarship and certificate. Paola is a student worker in the Financial Aid Department at HACC’s York Campus. This is the second scholarship she has received for the 2018/19 year.

Congratulations, Paola!
Tree Dedications

Two tree dedications took place at the York Campus on Thursday, Aug. 30.

The nursing class of 2017 dedicated a willow oak tree in memory of their classmate, David Skidmore. David passed away during the program and was celebrated as a member of the class at graduation. Members of the class joined David’s family, faculty and staff to celebrate and remember David.

Later that morning, Joseph M. Miller dedicated his fruit bearing pear tree, located along Neu Road beside the Leader parking lot. The mature tree was full of pears ready to be picked! Joseph’s tree was dedicated in honor of “All who make HACC great”.

He was joined by fellow York Campus staff and faculty members as well as Dr. Ski, Dr. Jones and Dr. Mattis.

Thank you to the York Nursing Class of 2017, led by Director of Nursing Cindy Donell, and Math Instructor Joseph M. Miller, for your generous contributions to HACC’s York Campus.
Week Zero

On Aug. 22, 2018, HACC York faculty and staff gathered for an evening of fellowship and thought-provoking and informative presentations. Themed *Teaching in Today’s Changing World*, the York Campus Day event provided campus faculty and staff the opportunity to participate in the York Campus Faculty Assembly (YFA) meeting and to partake in appetizers while touring information tables hosted by Security, YFA, Tutoring and Testing, Information Technology and Student Development.

They enjoyed welcoming remarks from the always-engaging and enthusiastic College President Dr. John “Ski” Sygielski and received campus updates from campus leaders Dr. Darryl Jones, Dr. Margie Mattis, Elizabeth Dunn and Tracey Smith.

Keynote speaker, Michael D. Jefferson, director of the Crispus Attucks Center for Employment and Training, imparted words of wisdom to the crowd. Attendees benefitted greatly from the expertise shared by the breakout session presenters: Tracey Smith, Greg Blake, Jason Beaudin, Patrick Schild, Irene Rainville, Dr. Christine Mummert, Shannon Davis, Errol Wizda and Dr. Alfred Siaha.

A special “thank you” to Pennsylvania State Employees Credit Union (PSECU) represented by HACC alum Mike Verotsky (right with Margie Mattis) for sponsoring the evening’s event.

Participants left invigorated, ready for the semester ahead and thankful for the “parting gift”—a HACC Faculty t-shirt—generously provided by the York Campus.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the event a success!

Welcome Back

As part of Welcome Week, the Student Government (SGA) and Student Programming Board (SPB) hosted a pizza party for students as they arrived on the first day of classes.

It was a delicious way to start the year!
Wellness Fair

Thank you to all who participated and attended the HACC York Wellness Fair on Sept. 25, 2018. The event was coordinated by Counseling Services and Student Development & Multicultural Programming. Attendees were provided information on wellness topics ranging from sleep hygiene, healthy grief, mindfulness, free vaccinations and nutritious eating on a tight budget.

The goal this year was to make the tables more interactive to engage the attendees in discussion about meaningful changes they can make to be well. With this in mind, attendees were able to get skin checks, practice mindfulness, obtain biometric screenings and test their knowledge of caffeine and sugar content in common foods and drinks.

If you are interested in being involved in helping to plan or have an idea for next year’s Wellness Fair, please contact Shelly Blanchette at sablanch@hacc.edu.

Clery Act

HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College, is required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 USC § 1092(f)) to publish an annual security report by Oct. 1 of each calendar year. This report contains three years of campus crime statistics for incidents that occurred on a HACC campus, in unobstructed public areas immediately adjacent to or running through a campus and at certain non-campus facilities owned or controlled by the College.

Also included in the report are policy and procedure disclosures for emergency response, the reporting of crime, investigative and disciplinary procedures for rape, sexual assault/misconduct and drug and alcohol control, among others.

This report is now available on HACC’s website at http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/PublicSafetyandSecurity/upload/HACC_ASR.pdf

Free paper copies are available upon request at any campus public safety and security office or Welcome Center.
HACC Yeah!

Assistant Professor of Biology Shannon Davis shares a photo of her daughter Lacey and her horse Coco (right) showing some HACC pride on a recent ride. It’s true – HACC is everywhere!

Summer Fun

This summer, a few staff and faculty members gathered together for a Pierogi Party hosted by math faculty Joseph Miller. Do not dare say Mrs. T’s pierogis are real pierogis! Pierogis are filled dumplings of Central European origin made by wrapping unleavened dough around a savory or sweet filling and cooking in boiling water.

This crew made authentic Polish potato, potato and cheese and prune pierogis. Yum!

2018 United Way Campaign

Campus staff and faculty – and Hemingway the Hawk – were featured on several electronic billboards throughout York County for a week in September. As part of their 2018 campaign, the United Way of York featured local supporting businesses and organizations in their advertisements. Thanks to all who participated in the photo shoot!

Thank you to the 2018 York Campus United Way committee: Cindy Donell, Jill Mitzel, Cathy Rosenkrans, Errol Wizda and Laura Wukovitz.
Banned Books

On Wednesday, Sept. 26, the Library and Student Development & Multicultural Programs hosted an interactive discussion about literature that has been challenged or banned in contemporary culture. *Harry Potter* leads to witchcraft and devil worship? *Thirteen Reasons Why* gives way to suicide? *And Tango Makes Three* features a same-sex relationship of penguins and promotes “alternative lifestyles?” The discussion focused on why and how literature is challenged and if challenged or banned material is appropriate.

Right: Organizers Jeanne Purtell, Errol Wizda and Allyson Valentine

President’s Award Breakfast

The 2018 President’s Award Breakfast was held on Friday, Aug. 24, at the Harrisburg Campus. Pictured above are Board of Trustees member, Hector Ortiz and nominees Susan Cooper-Nguyen (Lancaster Campus), Rob Swatski, Alfred Siha (York Campus), Valerie Gray (Harrisburg Campus) and College President Dr. Ski.

Congratulations to all!

York IT

Shout out to our IT support team (from left to right) Chad Inners, Hernan Garcia, Samantha Richerick, Patrick Schild, Branden Powell, Chris Spicer, Dare Abinleko and Andrew Witkowski.

We appreciate all that you do!
Welcome to Our New HACC Foundation Board Members

Please join us in welcoming two new members to the HACC Foundation Board:

- Megan Kopitsky – Student Board member
- Myles Miller – Board member

The mission of the HACC Foundation is to develop and leverage strategic partnerships for financial support of teaching and learning at HACC. The leadership and support from our Foundation Board members is paramount to achieving our mission.

To learn more about our new members, please read the news release.

To apply for membership on the HACC Foundation Board, please visit www.hacc.edu/recruitboard.

Share the Excitement!

Do you know someone graduating from HACC this December? Would you like to congratulate them publicly for a job well done? Here’s your chance!

- Complete this online form
- Submit a photo of the graduate (optional)
- Submit payment of only $10 (all funds received go toward the President’s Fund for Excellence!)

That’s it! Your congratulatory message will appear on www.hacc.edu/CongratsGrads in a few days!

Please note that by submitting a photo and/or message to be displayed on http://www.hacc.edu/CongratsGrads, you acknowledge that you have the authorization and explicit permission from the individual(s) in the photo to do so. Graduates have the right to email webmaster@hacc.edu to remove their photo, if applicable. All photos must be appropriate for public display. HACC reserves the right to remove any questionable photos. Refunds will not be given.
Holiday Grief

While the holiday season is full of joy and celebration for many, it can be a challenging time for people who have lost loved ones throughout the year. We have turned the corner into the end of the fall semester and some will welcome the hustle, bustle and distractions it will bring. However, others may looking for ways to cope with the losses they have had.

Members of the HACC faculty and staff are eligible to utilize our Employee Assistance Program (EAP), serviced by Mazzitti & Sullivan EAP Services. This is a benefit that entitles employees to 5 counseling sessions at no cost. Mazzitti & Sullivan can be reached at 1-800-543-5080.

York County also has many active support groups. Some groups are general and others are focused on specific types of losses.

- **Hospice & Community Care’s Pathways Center for Grief & Loss** may be reached at (717) 391-2413 with programming in York and Lancaster counties. While they offer ongoing programming for grief, several sessions of *Coping with the Holidays* will be held throughout mid-November.

- **Wellspan** offers *When Grief Colors the Holidays* on Friday, Dec. 14 from 7-8:30 p.m. For additional information and registration call 717-851-2305 (York) or click [here](#).  

- **UMPC Pinnacle – Memorial** offers a standing Bereavement Support Group. This is an open group that meets the third Thursday of every month from 6:30-8 pm. Nov.15 will be an opportunity to talk with others about managing holiday grief. For more information, please call 717-900-6871.

Additionally, we are very fortunate to have Olivia’s House in York that provides no-cost programming to serve the needs of grieving children. More detailed information about our community resources may be obtained by visiting [www.pa211.org](http://www.pa211.org) or dialing 211.

Students may be directed to our campus Counseling Services to speak to a counselor on staff or consult for referrals. Appointments can be made by calling 1-800-ABC-HACC.
Safe Ways to Make Online Charitable Donations

When you make a charitable donation, you want to make sure that it is going to the organization of your choice – including the HACC Foundation. Cyber criminals are always looking for ways to steal your personal information and money. They may create fake charities and fake charity websites to appeal to your good nature.

These cyber criminals can be very sophisticated. They will mask their email addresses so it appears the emails are coming from someone you know and trust. They will create mirror websites that look legitimate.

Here are some tips to protect yourself from charity fraud:

- Do not rely on hyperlinks in email solicitations to make a donation. Go to the organization’s website and donate from that website.
- Verify that you are donating to a legitimate charity by visiting websites such as Guidestar.org or the Pennsylvania Department of State charity search website or calling the organization.

HACC and the HACC Foundation value your contributions. To ensure that you are donating to the HACC Foundation, please follow these tips:

- When you receive an email inviting you to donate to the HACC Foundation, please ensure that it directs you to this webpage: www.hacc.edu/givemoney. HACC will use easy-to-remember website addresses, but the website addresses will direct you to this page to give to the Foundation.
- If you receive a solicitation from the HACC Foundation that seems suspicious, please call 717-780-2321 immediately and forward a copy of the email to Foundation@hacc.edu.

For more tips, please read the Federal Trade Commission’s article, “Before Giving to a Charity.”

2017-18 HACC and HACC Foundation Annual Report is Now Online!

The 2017-18 HACC and HACC Foundation annual report is now available online. This year’s report features ways that we make college possible by helping students get started, fostering student engagement and an inclusive and accessible environment and making attendance affordable.

For 2017-18, did you know?

- Our youngest student was 15 years old, and the oldest was 81.
- The full-time student to full-time faculty ratio in fall 2017 was 15:1.
- Donors contributed $2,557,407.89 to the HACC Foundation to support students and foster student engagement.

In this report, you will read and view stories from current students and recent graduates like Cecilia:

“My greatest personal achievement is graduating debt-free with a 4.0 GPA.” Cecilia Dean, HACC student

The annual report also includes updates on the Invest. Impact. Inspire. Campaign for HACC and special initiatives and events that were made possible through HACC Foundation funds.

Please read more in our interactive annual report.

Thank you for your continued support!