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## Explore Wine Country - Alumni and Friends

YOUR HACC Alumni Association and AAA Travel have partnered up to bring you an unforgettable experience that supports HACC students!

Alumni and friends are invited to savor the best of Virginia Wine Country in a one-day trip on Nov. 17, 2018! The trip begins after parking at HACC's Harrisburg Campus or Lancaster Campus.

From there, guests will be swept away to 868 Estate Vineyards for an up-close look at the winemaking and production process. A tasting of the most popular 868 Estate Vineyard's vintages and farm-to-table lunch will follow at Grandale Vintner's Table Restaurant.

After lunch, the tour will continue to the award-winning Breaux Vineyards to enjoy a wine tasting set in the rolling hills of Virginia.



The last stop will be Tarara Vineyards to tour a unique facility located in a 6,000-square-foot cave near the banks of the Potomac River.

For full details including how to register, please visit [www.hacc.edu/wine-country](http://www.hacc.edu/wine-country).

Please note: This trip is not appropriate for guests under 21 years of age, and a valid form of ID is required.

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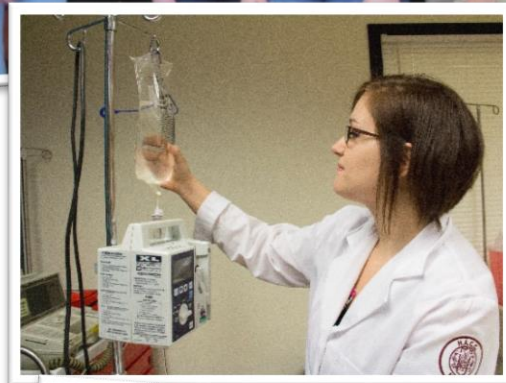
## Gary Laabs' Milestone Birthday to Support HACC Nursing Students

Gary Laabs is a nurse, veteran, proud HACC alumnus, HACC Foundation Board member, Gettysburg Campus Advisory Committee member and soon-to-be 75 years young on Oct. 9! After many years of giving back to his community, caring for patients and completing 16 medical mission trips, Gary has a special wish for his milestone birthday. He wants YOU to join him in supporting future students who dream of becoming nurses too!

Gary is raising funds to help HACC nursing students afford their education through the Community Endowed Gettysburg Campus Nursing Scholarship. He needs YOUR help to reach his fundraising goal of \$5,000!

This crowdfunding birthday celebration begins Sept. 30 and ends Oct. 13, so please join Gary in investing in future nurses by making your gift today.

Thank you!



## Alumni Donate \$25,000 to Support Harrisburg Area Youth

Ivan and Christine "Chris" Sears donated \$25,000 to the HACC Foundation to establish the Ivan and Christine Sears Fund for Excellence for the Harrisburg Promise.

Their generous contribution will provide funding for the Harrisburg Promise, a partnership between HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, the City of Harrisburg and

the Harrisburg Housing Authority, to create pathways to postsecondary education for at-risk youth in grades 7-12 in the Harrisburg and Steelton-Highspire school districts.

The Sears are HACC alumni, longtime residents of the area and respected community leaders. Prior to earning their degrees at HACC, Ivan graduated from John Harris High School, and Christine graduated from Steelton-Highspire High School. They are proud to support HACC and the work being done to serve the individuals and families in the same neighborhoods where they were raised.

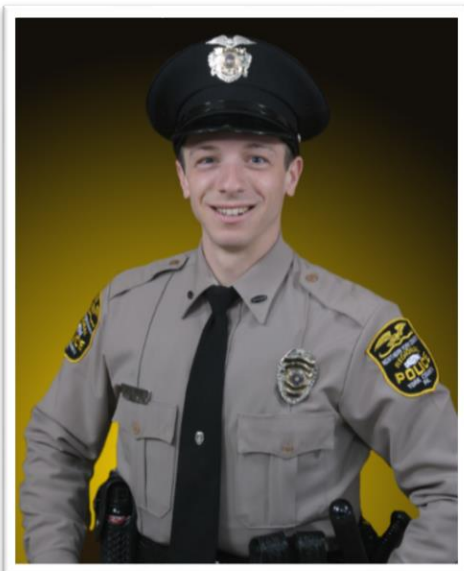
To learn more about how you can support the Harrisburg Promise as a donor or volunteer, please visit [hacc.edu/HarrisburgPromise](http://hacc.edu/HarrisburgPromise).

Gifts to any of HACC's funds for excellence allow the College to launch special initiatives, capitalize on new opportunities to strengthen student programs and meet pressing needs. To learn more about HACC's funds for excellence, please visit [hacc.edu/Excellence](http://hacc.edu/Excellence).

## Fund Established to Honor Fallen Officer

On Oct. 21, 2008, Northern York County Regional Police Officer **David Tome** was struck and killed by the distracted driver of a vehicle while investigating a fatal accident that had occurred.

Officer Tome served with pride and honor with the Northern York County Regional Police Department for more than five years. He is survived by his wife, Dody; son, Elijah; and daughter, Joslyn.



In 2003, David graduated from the 83rd Police Academy of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College. To honor his legacy, the **Officer David Tome Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established at HACC by his family and friends. This scholarship will help pre-service cadets to lessen the financial burden of tuition, fees, books and/or program expenses.

If you would like to help honor David and the next generation of law enforcement officers, please make a meaningful and tax-deductible gift to the **Officer David Tome Memorial Scholarship Fund**. Please visit [www.hacc.edu/givenow](http://www.hacc.edu/givenow) to get started. Thank you!

# Rose Lehrman Arts Center – Coming Soon!

## RENOWNED CONTEMPORARY PHOTOGRAPHER AND EDUCATOR

Photographs by Harris Fogel will be on display Oct. 15-Nov. 9, 2018, in the Rose Lehrman Art Gallery on the Harrisburg Campus of HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College.

Fogel, a scholar, gallerist, curator and journalist, will discuss his work Oct. 18 at 5:30 p.m. in Whitaker Hall, Room 214, with a reception immediately following in the gallery. The reception and the exhibit are free and open to the public.

He is a documentary and fine-art photographer with an extensive background in digital imaging, criticism, photojournalism and photo history. His work utilizes various formats, including digital cameras, scanners, 8-by-10-inch view cameras, 35mm, medium format and digital video, with an emphasis on fine art printing.

The gallery received state arts funding support through a grant from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

For more information about the exhibit at HACC, please contact Shawn Williams at 717-780-2478 or [smwillia@hacc.edu](mailto:smwillia@hacc.edu).

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-7 p.m. or by appointment.

## 'ALL IN THE TIMING' OPENS THEATRE SEASON

HACC Theatre presents its 2018-19 Season of Assimilation with the first production "All in the Timing" by David Ives on stage Oct. 18-21.

Winner of the John Gassner Playwriting Award, this critically acclaimed, award-winning evening of comedies combines wit, intellect, satire and just plain fun. From monkeys typing "Hamlet" to the misadventures of dating, these six hilarious vignettes will aerobicize your brain and tickle your heart.

Please go to [www.HACC.edu/RLAC](http://www.HACC.edu/RLAC) or call 717-231-7673 for tickets.



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## LEGENDARY SINGER, SONGWRITER AND GUITARIST

On Oct. 24, 2018, legendary singer, songwriter and guitarist, Jim Messina, brings his band to Live at Rose Lehrman for a career-retrospective tour showcasing some of his greatest hits: “Angry Eyes,” “Your Mama Don’t Dance” and “You Better Think Twice.” Messina’s musical style bends from the country rock sound of his early career with Buffalo Springfield and Poco to his folk rock/pop style with Loggins and Messina.

This special invitation includes:

- 5:45-7:15 p.m. – Reception in the Rose Garden, including live music, light fare and complimentary beverages from Zeroday Brewing Co. Tickets are \$50\*
- 7:30 p.m. – Live performance of Jim Messina and his band

Space is limited, so purchase your tickets today!



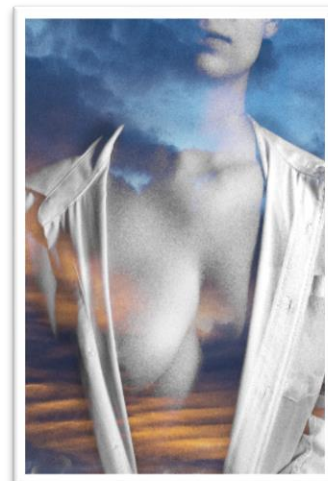
*\* Tickets not including the pre-show reception are available for \$28*



## STUDENT HONORS PHOTOGRAPHY

HACC students invite you to support their passion as they display their photography at HACC’s student honors exhibit!

You’re invited to this exhibit and reception at the Rose Lehrman Art Gallery:



*By Brittany Oliver*

Exhibit dates: Nov. 19-Dec. 6, 2018  
Reception: Dec. 6 from 5:30-7 p.m.



The exhibit will showcase over 50 photographs by current students. The collection covers a variety of subjects, including landscapes, portraits, still lifes, nudes and architecture.

Awards will be presented during the reception.

If you have any questions regarding the exhibit, please contact Shawn Williams at 717-780-2478 or [smwillia@hacc.edu](mailto:smwillia@hacc.edu).

Thank you!

# Alumni Spotlight

**Curtis Aumiller**, is a graduate from HACC's Respiratory Therapy Program and continued his education by earning an associate degree in 1996. He has earned a bachelor's degree of science in health arts, a master's degree



of science in healthcare administration and an MBA from University of St. Francis in Joliet, IL. Currently, Curtis is a Ph.D. candidate in public policy and administration of health services at Walden University, and he hopes to be finished in 2020.

Curtis has been a respiratory therapist for over 32 years and has been involved in HACC's Respiratory Program since his graduation from HACC. He started as a lab assistant and then transitioned to a clinical instructor. He started as the director of clinical education in 2003 and became the Respiratory Care Program director in 2012. Curtis is highly credentialed as a respiratory therapist and serves as an accreditation site visitor for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care and as a

consultant for respiratory therapy. He is also an adjunct professor for University of Cincinnati in their Respiratory Therapy Baccalaureate Degree Completion Program.

Curtis donates to the HACC Foundation and shared that: *"I want to give back to the organization that helped to transform my life and my career. I donate in the healthcare area because I want to make sure that if myself or a loved one would ever be in need of healthcare, the HACC graduate that is taking care of us has been trained with the latest technology and resources to provide us outstanding care."*

Thank you, Curtis, for all that you do for HACC, the HACC Foundation and, most importantly, our students!

**John Hummel** and his wife, Janice, value the importance of education. John earned a bachelor's degree of science in information systems from Penn State University and an associate's degree in liberal arts from HACC. Janice earned a master's degree of science in education from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Dedicated to his career, John formed and grew Y-connect Inc., Yazaki North America's newest wholly owned subsidiary, from the ground up. Coupled with managing Y-connect's IT system, he managed Yazaki North America's distribution program, supporting over 800 of Yazaki's automotive customers.

## Share your news!

*Click here to enter your story under 'News Item'. If you've already completed the form before, please email us at [AlumniAssociation@hacc.edu](mailto:AlumniAssociation@hacc.edu).*

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Between 1970 and 1999, John served in various roles at AMP Incorporated. When asked why he contributes to the HACC Foundation, John replied: “*HACC helped me launch my career. We both*

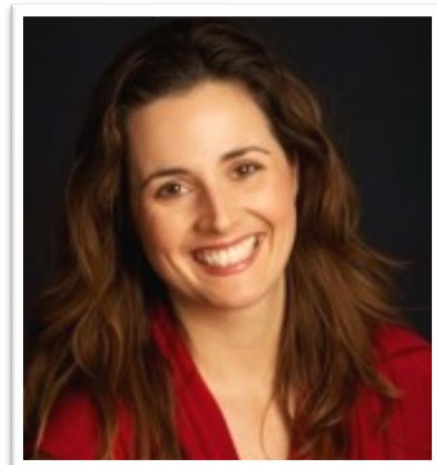
*feel that we should support others who also want to continue their education past high school.*”

Thank you, John and Janice, for all that you do for HACC, the HACC Foundation and, most importantly, our students!

**Dawn Mahan, PMP**, is the founder and CEO of PMOtraining, LLC, which offers professional training and coaching with clients and consultants spanning 11 countries. It’s hard to believe that Dawn – as a leader, inventor, facilitator, author, speaker and coach – wasn’t sure what her career path would be when she began as a HACC student: “*I had no idea what I wanted to study. The HACC counselor reviewed my scores and recommended actuarial science. I had no idea what that even meant at the time! Graduating with an associate degree in actuarial science with honors prepared me to attend Lebanon Valley College, study abroad and complete a bachelor’s degree in mathematics with a*

*minor in business in four years - all while working. The advice of that counselor and the entire experience changed my life.*”

In 2009, Dawn left the Fortune 50 to start her first company. In 2014, Dawn was recognized as Professional of the Year in Consulting and Project Management by Strathmore’s Who’s Who Worldwide. Since then, she invented the *ProjectFlo® Process Learning System* (aimed at teaching the Project Management Institute’s complex process to anyone in one hour or less) and just-in-time (practical training and coaching to help project leaders get projects done right the first time). She is also author of the upcoming book, *Accomplish More. Stress Less. The Practical Guide to Driving Successful Projects*.



Looking back, if she had one piece of advice for someone unsure of what they want to do or which college to attend, she would recommend attending HACC: “*It’s a great way to explore different classes that can still count toward a degree. If you are pursuing a four-year degree, begin to target where you would like to go next by looking at who will take ALL of your transfer*

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*credits. Many of my friends are still paying off their college experience many years later. Two years elsewhere is supremely expensive. Do not let your 18-year-old self, who wants to have two fun years, hold your 40-year-old self back from having the nice car or nice house that you deserve.”*

Dawn believes that HACC’s impact on the community is tremendous by offering a wide variety of learning opportunities to people of all ages: *“My aunt and I attended an English course in Harrisburg together. My brother attended the HVAC program. My cousin attended while a senior at Central Dauphin. While all different, I believe we are all grateful for our HACC experiences. Now as a donor, I’ve been privileged to hear scholarship recipients tell their incredible stories too. HACC continues to be a vehicle for people of all ages and backgrounds to drive toward their dreams.”*

In addition to giving back by helping others at HACC, Dawn serves as the American Lung Association’s Philadelphia Leadership Board chair. Thank you, Dawn, for truly exemplifying the HACC spirit!

**Jenna Welsh** decided to start her studies at HACC while still attending Gettysburg High School to begin taking college-level classes before moving on to a four-year institution. She went on to earn her bachelor's degree in communication, rhetoric and leadership from Pepperdine University. She was recently admitted to Harvard Law School to pursue a juris doctor degree. After completing a rigorous writing competition, she was invited to join the Harvard Law Review where she will serve as an editor.

Looking back, Jenna believes HACC is *“a very supportive institution that helps people achieve their personal goals and dreams - as it did mine!”*

Best wishes and kudos to you, Jenna! We look forward to following your story!

