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#### HACC CENTRAL PA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE





#### YOUR HARRISBURG HAPPENINGS!

# A Message from the Vice President by Noah Roufos-Abbey

Greetings, Harrisburg Campus community!

Welcome to the Harrisburg campus' 54<sup>th</sup> Spring semester! I hope the start of this semester has been one of your best in recent memory!

Since the end of the Fall 2017 semester, there have been many important projects and initiatives that we should take a moment to celebrate. Included in this month's issue of The Vibe, are just a few select examples from throughout the campus community that highlight our collective dedication to providing students with a first-class education and showcase our commitment to creating a dynamic campus environment:

- Facilities Upgrades The Harrisburg Campus facilities team, in partnership with the Office of Information Services and Technology (OIST) continues to renovate and modernize our classrooms and labs. Over the holiday break, Whitaker 215 and Arts 116 were substantially upgraded. This ongoing collaboration provides facilities updates and new technology, with the goal of enhancing teaching and learning for students and faculty alike.
- HACC's Day of Service This unique event, organized through the Student Development and Multicultural Programs Department, showcases the caring community of students, faculty, and staff present on campus.
- **Tutoring and Testing** Our colleagues in the Tutoring and Testing departments continue to make progress in serving our students and encouraging their academic success.
- The HACC Foundation The power of philanthropy is undeniable. Through the generosity of our donors, the HACC Foundation continues to elevate the College to new heights and expand opportunities for students.

It brings me great satisfaction and pride to witness the determined efforts of our faculty and staff to drive us forward. The work that each of us does is vital to the ongoing prosperity of the College and truly makes a difference. I am reminded of a pointed quote from the ancient Greek philosopher, Aristotle: "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts." We are all fortunate to be part of a great team at the Harrisburg Campus, a WHOLE team.

Wishing you all the best in the new semester,





# **HACC's Day of Service**



On January 18th, 500 "Care Kits" were assembled in record time (40 minutes) for the Ronald McDonald House.

**Thank you volunteers!** 

## **Facilities Improvements**

During the winter break the facilities and OIST team were hard at work improving classrooms for our students.

#### Whitaker Collaborative Classroom

Whitaker 215 and Whitaker 216 classrooms were combined to create a large classroom that includes new technology and finishes. The room received new flooring, new ceiling, new LED lighting, and a fresh coat of paint. The OIST team installed new technology that includes a short throw projector that has touch capabilities, new instructor statin, and new speakers. We are planning to install mobile furniture next semester to make the room a collaborative classroom.



Arts 216

#### Lewistown Computer Lab

HACC recently started offering classes in Lewistown, PA. During the break the facilities team and campus OIST team installed a computer lab so that Computer Information Systems (CIS) courses could be offered.



Whitaker 215 and 216

#### **Arts 116 New Technology**

Both teams also worked to install the same new technology in Arts 116. The room will receive upgraded finishes during the summer.



Lewistown Computer Lab

# Navigating With Noah Roundtable Series



The first of the series, "Navigating with Noah", an informal roundtable discussion with Noah Roufos-Abbey, Vice President, Harrisburg Campus was held on January 18th. The series will be held the third Thursday of every month and feature special guests from throughout the campus community.

Please join in the future to learn more about the college and how the campus operates.

#### **Student Session 2**

Special Guests: Vito Damone, Super, Security

#### Faculty/Staff Session 2

Special Guests: Warren Anderson, Chief Inclusion & Diversity Officer Carole Kerper, Campus Director, Disability Services



Uniquely YOURS.



## Welcome to our new Academic Affairs staff!



**Emanda Reiner** 

Emanda Reiner started on January 8 as an Administrative Office Specialist at Midtown 2 supporting our Engineering and Technology department. Emanda previously worked at HACC in workforce development.

Emanda has two wonderful children that keep her busy. Her interests include reading fictions books, learning new things and the beach!



Kimberly Aldinger started on January 8 as an Administrative Program Specialist in Blocker 101 supporting our Health and Public Service department. Kim previously worked in HACC's Accounts Payable office.

Kimberly is very busy with her husband and three children. In her little spare time she enjoys Paint Nights and Zumba classes.



**Kimberly Aldinger** 





Jessica Layton

Jessica Layton started on January 22 as an Administrative Office Technician in Blocker 232 supporting the science department. Jessica comes to us from the York campus.

Jessica is the mother of a very active, soon-to-be-five year old, Charlotte. When not trying to keep up with my daughter, I can usually be found at a local lake, river or Bass Pro Shop.

## **HACC at the**

## **PA Preferred Culinary Connection Stage**



Thank you to our culinary students, faculty and staff for representing HACC!

## **Volunteers Needed!**

#### We do a lot here on the Harrisburg Campus and we need you to help us make it happen!

The Harrisburg Promise program serves as a pathway to postsecondary education for youth beginning in 7th grade and follows them through high school until graduation from HACC. To remain eligible for the program, students must maintain a 2.5 GPA, not become involved with drugs, alcohol or tobacco and cannot become parents. Students attend monthly educational activities which include workshops, campus tours and program visits as well as mentoring and tutoring.

We are forming a subcommittee that focuses on making the monthly workshops (see below) more robust and interactive. Contact **Melinda Fraker de Fonte** at mmfraker@hacc.edu or ext 212577 for more information or to volunteer!





All scheduled events happen in Rose Lehrman Arts Center, room 103 from 4:30pm to 5:30pm:

2/14/2018	No "I" in TEAM/Financial Literacy
3/14/2018	Nursing Program Visit/Community Project Group 1
4/18/2018	Public Safety Center Visit/Community Project Group 2
5/16/2018	End of Year Celebration

## **Spring Tutor Training was a Success!**

On Thursday, January 11, Harrisburg Campus Tutoring & Testing held their **Spring 2018 Tutor Training**. This lively, all-day event allowed for peer and professional tutors to learn new tutoring techniques that will help to enhance their interactions with students. Various speakers presented at the training to share their expertise in the following areas:

Techniques to tutor students in study and time management skills

- Workplace professionalism
- Tutoring students with disabilities
- Tutoring students in developmental courses

Campus tutor trainings are held twice per year (before the spring and fall semesters).

If any staff or faculty have ideas or suggestions for topics for future trainings, or would like to present at one of our upcoming tutor trainings, please contact Dan Houloose at <u>dshouloo@hacc.edu</u>.



## **Upcoming Events on Campus**



## Syrian Violinist to share her story

Mariela Shaker, a Syrian violinist, who escaped the wartorn city of Aleppo to study music in the United States will bring her incredible story to the HACC Harrisburg Campus at noon on **Wednesday, February 28, 2018** at the Rose Lehrman Arts Theater.

This event is free and tickets are not required.

### **Craig Karges, The Extraordinist**

Experience the art of magic, the science of psychology and the power of intuition! **February 9, 2018** at 7:00 pm, Rose Lehrman Arts Theater.

Tickets on sale now at the Rose Lehrman Arts Box Office, online, or by phone (717-231-7673).



## Live at Rose Lehrman







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## **HACC Foundation Transforms and Impacts!**

The HACC Foundation recently provided funding for key projects at HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College.

The HACC Foundation, a nonprofit organization that raises private contributions in support of HACC, approved \$185,578.79 for projects at the College. This funding is made possible through generous contributions from individual and organizational donors.

The HACC Foundation funded the following projects:

Purpose of HACC Foundation Funding	Benefit to Students and College	Funded Amount
Virtualization of Student Labwork via Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) Technology	Funding will provide 50 concurrent user licenses to leverage VDI services to support HACC students. This project will provide students with the ability to perform their coursework using desktop virtualization technology and leverage the ability to com- plete this work from "any location" (on or off campus) and from "any device" (PC or MAC) regardless of device configuration.	\$86,656.96
PACS Analytics Module	Funding will be used to purchase the Agfa Business Intelligence module for the HACC Radiology Informatics Program. The soft- ware will allow students to perform data mining and report writing against a dynamic database that allows the curriculum to ex- pand to trending and forecasting concepts.	\$62,054.38
Industrial Manufacturing Technician Apprenticeship	Funding will be used to purchase 15 new laptops and carrying cases for use in con- ducting manufacturing and logistics training.	\$25,617.45
McCaskey Bridge Program	Funding will subsidize the cost of participa tion in a dual enrollment class for students belonging to an underrepresented, under- served or underprepared population in the Lancaster City School District.	\$7,500
Assessment Guides for Faculty	Funding will be used to distribute a <u>Bloom</u> <u>Taxonomy Slider and a Pocket-Guide</u> for evidence-based instruction to faculty mem- bers.	\$3,750
Total:		\$185,578.79



# **Harrisburg Campus Test Center**



# About HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College

HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, offers more than 120 career and transfer associate degree, certificate and diploma programs to approximately 19,000 students. Also, the College serves students at its Gettysburg, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Lebanon and York campuses; through virtual learning; and via workforce development and continuing education training. For more information on how HACC is uniquely YOURS, visit hacc.edu. Also, follow us on Twitter (@HACC\_info), like us on Facebook (Facebook.com/HACC64) and use #HACCNews.



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HACC was founded in 1964 as one of the first community colleges in Pennsylvania. Over the past 50 years, the College has expanded to include five beautiful campus locations and a robust Virtual Learning program.