

ALUMNI CONNECT



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HACC alumni are making a difference

The HACC Alumni Association and all HACC students thank the hundreds of HACC alumni who have so far contributed to the 2010 annual appeal, *Make A Difference*. In recent months, your generous donations have been used to support student scholarships, equipment purchases, and upgrades to college buildings.

In February, your HACC Alumni Association pledged a \$10,000 major gift to HACC Gettysburg's *Share the Vision, Shape the Future* campaign, which will be divided equally between the campus's Opportunity and Access Scholarship Fund and its Technology and Equipment Fund. In March, the Alumni Association gave another \$10,000 gift to support *The Campaign to Help Tomorrow's First Responders, Today!* which seeks to expand and upgrade the Senator John J. Shumaker Public Safety Center on the Harrisburg Campus (*see article below*).

It's not too late to make a gift. The 2010 Alumni Appeal Phonathon is now taking place, so please make a contribution if you are called. You can also mail in the pledge card sent recently. [More](#)

College announces \$14 million expansion of Public Safety Center

On April 5, HACC announced *The Campaign to Help Tomorrow's First Responders, Today!* during a ceremony at the 12-acre site of the Senator John J. Shumaker Public Safety Center. "HACC is launching a \$14.3 million public campaign to fund phase one of a master plan to expand and upgrade the complex that serves more than 30,000 first responders and healthcare workers a year," said HACC President Edna V. Baehre, Ph.D. "Our region's first responders deserve to be

trained in a state-of-the-art educational facility, and HACC today is taking the steps to make that a reality.” [More](#). Make a [pledge](#).

Have you visited the Career Services Center at HACC?

HACC’s [Career Services](#) is committed to providing guidance and resources that empower HACC alumni to reach their career-related goals. The professional staff provides personalized career counseling and coaching, and other resources for obtaining employment—most at no cost to you. They can also help in assessing your interests, personality traits, and skills so that you can make informed decisions about your career goals.

In addition, Career Services staff can assist you with:

- Writing effective resumes and cover letters
- Developing good interview skills
- Planning your job search

Career counseling professionals are available at all HACC campuses. Just give them a [call](#) or send an [e-mail](#).

Celebrating Lancaster

All HACC alumni are invited to CommYOUity Day on Saturday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the HACC Lancaster Campus. This free, fun-filled educational event celebrates the partnership between the community and the college. New this year are special events for HACC alumni. [More](#)

Lebanon Campus joins with CareerLink for job fair

The Lebanon Campus is partnering with the local [CareerLink](#) on Wednesday, May 5, to bring together top employers for job opportunities and networking with HACC students, alumni, and local residents. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes two workshops:

- Workplace Expectations: Mastering the Soft Skills - 11 a.m.-noon
- Unemployment Compensation Review - 1-2 p.m.

[More](#)

Students sponsor HACCFest

HACCFest will be held Friday, May 7, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on

the Harrisburg Campus. The annual arts and music festival, sponsored by HACC's Student Government Association (SGA), features local bands, art, performances, and college club exhibits. All proceeds will be donated to Harrisburg's Bethesda Mission. [More](#)

Life in the fast lane? HACC offers accelerated path to bachelor's degree

Career-minded folks who find it difficult to fit college classes around family, work, and other obligations will find the solution with the fast-track Business Studies associate degree at HACC's Lancaster Campus. To find out [more](#), plan to attend an information session at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 28, in Room 227 of the Main Building on the campus.

Expand your horizons with HACC Gettysburg 'Living & Learning' seminars

Satisfy your thirst for knowledge and meet new friends at HACC Gettysburg's "Living & Learning" seminars on Tuesday, May 18. More than a dozen different seminars will be offered during the event from 8-11:45 a.m. at the campus. Your \$30 fee includes a continental breakfast and two 90-minute courses, which range from history and art to green practices, plant folklore, and learning how to crochet. [More](#)

Personal enrichment is the focus this May at HACC Harrisburg

Beekeeping...retirement planning...managing wildlife habitats...reliving World War II...these are just a few of the fun classes and trips offered this May for HACC alumni and friends by HACC's Continuing Education Center on the Harrisburg Campus. [More](#)

Alumni in the news

HACC takes pride in its alumni. With more than 50,000 alumni, HACC is making a difference in communities and workplaces in Central Pennsylvania, across the nation, and around the world. Find out what our [graduates](#) are doing. Please share your [news](#) with us, so we can publish it in future issues of "HACC Alumni Connect" or our "HACC Connections" magazine.

Try new skills, explore art, discover history

Whether you'd like to explore cooking Asian cuisine, try your hand at acrylic painting, or improve your child's soccer skills, HACC Lancaster's Continuing Education Center has something for you this spring. [More](#)

Turning Business Ideas into Reality

Dream of owning your own business? HACC's [Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies](#) (IES) can help.

IES offers one-on-one counseling and educational programs that will take you through every stage of turning your idea for a business into a reality. You work one-on-one with counselors who have "been there and done that." And, these counselors stay with you from the initial idea stage through the first three years of operation. IES also offers a wide array of workshops and seminars for the budding entrepreneur. [More](#)

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