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Alumni



Some Lessons are Timeless

It is a sunny day. I am working at my desk and awaiting my next meeting. I decide that the 10 minutes I have would be best spent cleaning out my email box. I try and routinely complete that task and it felt right. I started with a folder I call General. This is the junk drawer of my email. If I do not know what folder in which a message belongs, it goes to General. I always start at the

bottom, with the oldest email in the folder, and found a message from February, 2011 (Author Unknown). I almost hit "delete" without reading. How could it matter today, six years later? <u>Read more.</u>

Alumni Relations Events

Pennsylvania College of Technology Accepted Student Receptions

The Alumni Relations Office has a fantastic opportunity for our alumni to interact with incoming students through Accepted Student Receptions. These receptions are held in various locations throughout Pennsylvania and the surrounding areas. They are a way to celebrate the accomplishments of our future



students and to help foster relationships among our incoming class. During these receptions, students and their families are able to interact with future classmates and members from across the campus community. Staff from admissions, financial aid, student affairs, and academic affairs will be on hand. As alumni volunteers you will have the chance to chat with students and share what makes Penn College unique. This is a great way to kick-off their Penn College experience! To register for a reception, <u>click here</u>.



All Aboard to Rusty Rail Brewing!!

Network with Penn College alumni at <u>Rusty Rail Brewing</u> <u>Company</u> in Mifflinburg on Saturday, April 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. Meet fellow alumnus and general manager Rich Schrader as he describes the historic detail found throughout the building—which was once home to Mifflinburg Body Works—and shares Rusty Rail's mission and plans for the future. Participants will also get a special tour of the new upstairs suites and the expanded Brewery. Enjoy Baked Stuffed Cimini Mushrooms, Red Pepper Jelly Crostini Bites, Sweet and Sour Meatballs, Mini Cheesesteak Spring Rolls, Chocolate Covered

Strawberries and Pineapple, Water, Coffee, Iced Tea and Soda. A cash bar will be available. Cost is \$20 per person. **RSVP by Friday, March 24**. Sorry, no refunds after deadline date. <u>Register today!</u>

Hershey Park Tickets Available for WTI/WACC/Penn College Alumni



The Penn College Alumni Relations Office is once again offering our alumni the opportunity to purchase in advance <u>Hershey Park</u> tickets at a reduced rate....a savings of up to 40% off the original purchase price! Discounted ticket prices can be found by visiting the <u>Penn College Alumni Relations</u> events page. You are not required to register or purchase before ticket prices appear. Tickets are valid for one-day from May 26, 2017 until September 24, 2017. The deadline to purchase tickets through our office is Friday, April 28, 2017. Once the deadline has expired, the Alumni Office will order the tickets, which requires 2 weeks for processing. When we receive the tickets from Hershey Park, we will mail them to you ensuring that you have the tickets before May 26. No refunds will be issued. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact <u>alumni@pct.edu</u>.



Central PA Wine Festival

Join us on June 3, 2017 at the <u>Central PA Wine</u> <u>Festival</u> taking place at the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds. We have reserved a bus that will depart Penn College at 10 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. Your \$35 ticket includes entrance into the event as well as transportation there and back! Enjoy a fun day sampling wine and beer, listening to various musical

entertainment, shopping at the many vendors and purchasing food from dozens of food trucks and stations.

Save the Date-Homecoming & Family Weekend 2017

Make sure to mark your calendars for this year's Homecoming festivities, which will be held Friday, October 6 through Sunday, October 8, 2017. Watch upcoming newsletters for more detailed information and check the <u>Alumni events website</u> or <u>Alumni Facebook</u> page. Remember to like our Alumni Facebook page to stay current on all things happening in Alumni Relations. We look forward to another great Homecoming!!

We Want To Hear From You!

Alumni Relations would love to hear from our alumni regarding what you would like to see at Homecoming. So, tell us, what events/activities should we include? Email us <u>alumni@pct.edu</u> or call (877) PCT-ALUM. We look forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming & Family Weekend!

Alumni Relations News



2017 'Sweethearts' Chosen From 11 Alumni Couples

Congratulations to Megan L. (Miller) and Robert A. Brightbill, winners of Penn College's <u>2017 Alumni</u> <u>Sweethearts</u> contest. The Harrisburg couple met at Penn College in the early '90s and have been married for 22 years. Robert is a 1992 building construction technology graduate and Megan earned dental hygiene degrees in 1993 and 2001. As part of the sixth annual Sweethearts contest, the Brightbills received 292 votes (or "likes") for their photo on Alumni Relations' Facebook page. Ten other couples vied for the honor. Megan and Robert will return to campus soon to enjoy dinner for two in Le Jeune

Chef Restaurant and an overnight stay in The Victorian House. Watch PCToday for more coverage of their visit to campus. If you would like to participate in next year's contest, email us at <u>alumni@pct.edu</u> with your contact information along with your spouse's name or visit the <u>Alumni Relations</u> web page to update your contact information online.

Adjunct, Alumna Honored with National Cancer Service Award

A longtime adjunct faculty member and college alumna was recently honored with a <u>national American Cancer</u> <u>Society award</u> for her work with cancer patients and their families. June Kilgus Zimmerman, an oncology social



worker at UPMC Susquehanna's Cancer Center, received the ACS Lane W. Adams Quality of Life Award at a ceremony last month in Atlanta. The prestigious national honor recognizes leadership in serving the complex needs of cancer patients and their families. Kilgus Zimmerman is one of six outstanding oncology professionals in the nation to be honored last month with the Lane W. Adams Quality of Life Award.

And the Winner Is...

Thank you to all WTI, WACC, and Penn College alumni who stopped to visit Kim Cassel, Alumni Relations Director, at the Outdoor Show on February 10 & 11. Our winner from the drawing is **Chris Silverstrim.** We will mail you your prize so watch for it!

Again, many thanks for saying hello!

Penn College Events

Career Fair

Career Fair is almost here! Remember, Penn College alumni are invited to attend all our Career Fairs! This is an excellent opportunity to meet hundreds of employers, including several Fortune 500 companies who are looking to hire Penn College alumni and



students! Check out the Employer Directory and sort by major.

Tuesday, March 21

Bardo Gym and Field House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22

Aviation majors only: Aviation Center from 10 a.m.-noon

Monday, March 20 there will be several employers doing information sessions, check the <u>Employer Directory</u> and <u>PCToday</u> for complete details closer to the date. Please make sure to have your resume and cover letter updated and dress professionally. If you would like to review your resume, cover letter, or brush up on you 30-second elevator speech please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Career Services at Penn College to schedule an appointment!

www.pct.edu/careerservices careerservices@pct.edu 570-327-4502 Bush Campus Center, Rm. 202



Penn College Summer Camps

Experience Penn College's unique majors and explore our degrees that work with these fun, interactive, and hands-on summer camps. Penn College tuition

scholarships are offered to students entering grades 9-12 who complete these camps.

Overnight and day camps focused on:

- Architecture
- Arts & Graphic Design
- Culinary & Baking
- Engineering
- Fitness & Athletic Development
- Gaming & Information Technology
- Health Careers
- Law

- Smart Girls
- ...And More!

Visit <u>www.pct.edu/summercamps</u> or email <u>summercamps@pct.edu</u> for more information!

Camp ESCAPE

Camp ESCAPE is seven weeks of summer fun for boys and girls aged 7-14. Members of the Penn College community including alumni are encouraged to register their children as soon as possible. Campers don't need to be sports enthusiasts, as the schedule includes a variety of weekly field trips, cooking projects, games and activities such as kickball and

dodgeball. Registration opens Monday, March 6. Contact Jeremy Bottorf at <u>jbottorf@pct.edu</u> for more information.

- Enrollment limited to 30 children per day
- Camp days and hours: June 5-July 27; Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Early drop off starts at 7:30 a.m. and late pick up ends at 5 p.m.
- Fee: \$100 per week regardless of drop off or pick up time

Weekly Schedule:

Week 1, June 5 – June 8 Week 2, June 12 – June 15 Week 3, June 19 – June 22 Week 4, June 26 – June 29 Week 5, July 10 – July 13 Week 6, July 17 – July 20 Week 7, July 24 – July 27



March 25 Event to Offer Free Preventive Dental Services to Children

Free dental care – including sealants, fluoride varnish treatments, education and screenings – will be available to children ages 7-15 on Saturday, March 25, when Pennsylvania College of Technology will be a host site for the Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists' Association's <u>Sealant</u>

<u>Saturday</u> initiative. Sealant Saturday events are held across the state. The Penn College event will take place from 9 a.m. to noon in the college's Dental Hygiene Clinic, which is in Room 227 on the west wing of the Advanced Technology and Health Sciences Center. The clinic will be staffed by local dentists, dental hygienists and Penn College dental hygiene students, all volunteering for the day. Sealants are clear, protective plastic coatings applied to the chewing surfaces of the back teeth to help prevent tooth decay. They will be applied as needed and will not be placed where tooth decay is present. Appointments are required and can be made by calling 570-320-8007 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday to Friday.



Cracked Not Broken, The Kevin Hines Story

Join us Tuesday, March 28 in Klump Academic Center at 7 p.m. for the <u>Kevin Hines Story</u>. Kevin Hines is a mental health advocate, award-winning global speaker,



bestselling author and documentary filmmaker who reaches audiences with his story of an unlikely survival and his strong will to live. Two years after he was diagnosed with bipolar disorder (19 years of age) he attempted to take his life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. The fall would break his body, but not his spirit. Listen as Kevin Hines shares his story of strength and survival.



Cyberattacks: The Weapon of Choice of Criminals, Terrorists, and Spies

The next colloquium is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4 at 7 p.m. in the Klump Academic Center auditorium. Our lives have become increasingly connected to the Internet due to the rapid development of the Internet of Things (IoT).

Increased reliance on the Internet exposes us to not just individuals seeking our personally identifiable information, but it also exposes us to cyber spies and cyber terrorists. As digital intrusions become a part of our everyday reality, we must ask ourselves: When do these intrusions become an act of war as opposed to a discrete criminal act? Join Dr. William Ebersole as he talks about threats that have or could touch us close to home, including software and business attacks, such as the well-known Target breach, and other vulnerabilities such as intended or potential attacks on infrastructure, including a local dam or the natural gas pipeline structure, and cyberespionage. To learn more about Dr. William Ebersole's upcoming colloquia presentation visit Penn College's Colloquia Series page.

Penn College News

National Publication Tours College's Career-Making Labs

Amanda Carlson, associate editor of Practical Welding Today magazine, visited campus on February 15 for an upcoming story focusing on how colleges are preparing students for modern manufacturing careers. Carlson toured several college labs, including machining,



advanced manufacturing, rapid prototyping and welding. She also spent time talking with faculty and staff and members of the college's SAE Baja team. It's anticipated that Carlson's story incorporating her <u>Penn College</u> experience will appear in the May/June issue of the publication.

Volunteer Opportunities

Among volunteers, there are no ordinary people. Count yourself in. -Unknown

Thank you to the following alumni who have volunteered in the past month:

• John Yogodzinski, 2007 Graphic Communications Management

If you would be willing to <u>volunteer</u> to share your life experiences and knowledge with Penn College students, please contact the Alumni Office at <u>alumni@pct.edu</u>. We need you!!!

Spring Open House Volunteers Needed

If you would like to offer your time and experience to prospective Penn College students during Open House on Saturday, April 1, contact the Alumni Office at <u>alumni@pct.edu</u> or call (877)PCT-ALUM.



Giving to Penn College Spring Phonathon Underway

The PCT Phonathon is underway and the student development assistants are calling you to learn more about your life since graduating, fill you in on the latest campus happenings, and ask for your support through the Penn College Fund. Your participation also helps the students develop their communication skills so when you see the 570 area code, please pick up.

The students are excited to speak with you! Learn more about the phonathon and meet the calling team <u>online</u>.