College Contributes Half a Billion Dollars to State Economy

The total economic impact of Pennsylvania College of Technology on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania today is more than a half a billion dollars per year, according to a firm that conducted a recent study on Penn State’s economic impact across the state.

Recently updated figures provided by Paul O. Umbach, president and CEO of Tripp Umbach Inc., indicated that Penn College’s economic impact has grown as follows:

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Penn College’s contribution is among the highest in the Penn State system, Umbach noted; only the main campus at University Park and the medical center at Hershey have greater impact statewide. Penn College also has greater impact than all but one of the state university system schools.
One of Nation’s Top Associate-Degree Producers

Penn College ranked in the top 50 associate-degree producing colleges in the nation, including three top-five rankings, according to Community College Week, a national publication for community, technical and junior colleges.

Penn College was third in the number of graduates earning degrees or certificates in “parks, recreation and leisure activities” and “precision production” and was fifth in the nation in “engineering-related technologies/technicians.”

The rankings were based on 2005-06 graduation figures; with 982 associate-degree and certificate graduates, Penn College tied for 50th place overall with Edison Community College in Florida.
You began your professional life as a dental hygienist. Please describe your path from hygienist to college president and tell us what inspired you to challenge yourself professionally over the years.

The path from hygienist to president was one of opportunity and challenge. For the most part, I deliberately prepared academically by gaining my master's degree and Ph.D., and yet, candidly, I was in the right place at the right time for advancement – most of which was not planned.

I have always tried to make myself a valuable employee and colleague, learning daily, and trying to do more – as a way of demonstrating my worth to an organization. I believe that work served me well, as I inadvertently positioned myself for advancement. Once I became an administrator, my plan evolved a bit as I saw the opportunity and reward for advancement – making a difference in a different and larger way.

What are some of your greatest memories as president?

The day I became president – and the overwhelming sense of support I felt from everyone. I was nervous, but felt that together we could accomplish anything. Deciding that people will always make the difference has never led me astray.

Family is an important influence. Tell us how your family has influenced your professional life.

My father taught me to value all people, get your hands dirty and pitch in – you’ll be a better person for it. He was always positive; his glass was always half full, and he never settled. Take the high road, even if it is lonely; good will always win, but it may take time. And, never lie; tell the truth, even if it hurts. My mother taught me the value of education and about giving back.

The millennial generation sometimes gets a bad rap for not making sacrifices that previous generations have made. What has your experience in working with young people led you to believe about the character of this generation and its potential to meet the challenges of the future?

Character is defined daily. I repeatedly have said that while some young people demonstrate the worst we want to see, the majority demonstrate commitment, respect and strength of character. We often miss this because we are focused on the packaging. In 30 years at Penn College, never have I had more students open doors for me than in this academic year. Perhaps this is a metaphor for our role in their lives or perhaps it was just their manners. Regardless, we must look beyond the packaging and find the soul, the moral character. I have full confidence in the future.
As a leader in our community, much of your life is lived very publicly. How do you maintain positive public relations with individuals and groups while tackling tough issues that impact the vitality of the community today and for the future?

Honesty. When asked to serve on boards and committees or to work with organizations in our community, I tell them: What you see is what you get. I will always tell them the truth. I work hard to do so respectfully and openly, but I am always honest. I never compromise my personal values or take any position that would reflect negatively upon the college.

We know that complaints and criticisms are often a part of public rhetoric. What would you say to encourage all members of our community to work together in a positive way to secure the future?

Listen to the complaint or criticism. Evaluate the basis. Consider the source. Act as appropriate and learn. Try to be open to new ideas and opportunities. We do not know everything, and we are not a perfect organization. I make a mistake every day; I try not to make the same mistake tomorrow.

You have spent most of your life in higher education, helping students achieve their educational goals. Why do you think it is important for men and women to go to college?

College provides for the future. With an education, you have opportunity. With opportunity, you can reach for the stars.

You are known for encouraging cultural enrichment and literacy – the Madigan Library, The Gallery at Penn College, the Community Arts Center, the Art on Campus initiative, etc. What do you believe is the importance of literacy and culture to a campus ... and to a community?

Literacy and culture round us out as human beings. We cannot thrive with work alone. We need the thinking and stimulation we get from literacy and culture. They enrich our lives, our work and our spirits.

You made history when you were named the first woman president of the college. What in the institution’s nearly 100-year history has been most inspiring to you?

Most inspiring to me was the culture of team and commitment through the merger with Penn State in 1989. In our darkest hour – anticipating closure of the community college – we came together as a community and worked hard for the betterment of our students. Our Penn State affiliation is a landmark relationship; the affiliation process and product were worth the end result.
College Undertakes “Most Ambitious” Building Project

Stage X, a plan to construct additional student housing and extensively renovate several main campus facilities, was approved by the Board of Directors in November. Before the academic year concluded, schematic and design-document phases of the project were completed. A $125 million bond was issued to refinance previous bond issues ($71.7 million) and fund the renovation of three major facilities, as well as the construction of a new student housing facility ($53 million).

William J. Martin, senior vice president, called the project “the college’s most ambitious undertaking in terms of complexity, cost and scope.” He said that the multi-year project, with final stages to be completed in 2011, “should position the college in terms of major physical-plant needs well into the 21st century.”

Benedict H. Dubbs, of Murray Associates Architects, P.C., said the Stage X construction and renovation will “knit together” with existing facilities. A new residence hall, which will house 250 students, will be located at the west end of campus with other residence halls; renovations to the Hager Lifelong Education Center, Parkes Automotive Technology Center and Avco-Lycoming Metal Trades Center-Machining Technologies Center will be designed to blend with surrounding buildings.

Penn College was the highest-rated school in the North and second among the top 10 rated schools in the nation in the National Research Center for College & University Admissions annual rankings of admissions Web sites. In a research-based analysis of 3,087 postsecondary institutions, NRCCUA rates functionality and design to determine how well the Web sites provide information to potential students.
Pennsylvania’s first lady, Judge Marjorie O. Rendell, announced in April that the Community Arts Center was selected to host the 2008 Governor’s Awards for the Arts. The state ceremony is held in a different city each year; this is the first time a northcentral Pennsylvania city will host the event, scheduled for Nov. 12.

The James Everett Logue Popular Reading Room in Madigan Library was dedicated in October in memory of a veteran faculty member. The room was created using 169 gifts from colleagues, students and friends of the associate professor of English and Master Teacher who died in 2004, following a 39-year teaching career. Joining the president in dedicating the room was Logue’s wife, Darla, a former associate professor of dental hygiene.

For the first time in its history, the college held three commencement ceremonies in May to confer degrees upon more than 1,000 graduates.

The legacy of a horticulture professor who inspired thousands of students over more than three decades was honored with the dedication of the Richard J. Weilminster Arboretum at the Schneebeli Earth Science Center. The president helped the retired professor unveil the new arboretum in May. Surrounded by former students, colleagues, family and friends, he said: “I’m blessed to have had my career here. ... This is not just a collection of plants. What we really have here is an outdoor classroom.”

Professor emeritus/emerita status was conferred upon two longtime faculty and administrators in 2008. The esteemed honor was bestowed upon professor Veronica M. Muzic, retired vice president for academic affairs/provost who continues to work as special assistant to the president for academic affairs, and Robert G. Bowers, retired professor of mathematics and recipient of the 2007 Veronica M. Muzic Master Teacher Award.
**Contract with Faculty Extended**

Penn College and its Education Association, representing full-time faculty, librarians and counselors, extended a work agreement, first approved in 2000, through 2011-12. Previous extensions were approved in 2002, 2004 and 2006. The most recent extension called for 4-percent annual increases in the salary-system pool in 2009-10 and 2010-11 and a 4.5-percent increase the final year.

President Davie Jane Gilmour said mutual respect and cooperation characterized negotiations. She said the agreement “demonstrates that the members of PCEA share our goal of holding down educational costs for students. It enables the college administration and faculty to move forward and advance our shared mission.”

PCEA President James E. Temple added, “I believe this agreement is fair to all parties involved and reflects the commitment and dedication of the Penn College faculty. This agreement provides continuing stability and will allow for both the faculty and the college to plan for the next four years.”

Efficiency was the objective when the college implemented new processes in 2007-08 including base budgeting for all cost centers and electronic billing and refunding for students.

PCT Alerts emergency cell phone/e-mail messaging system was implemented to offer student and employee subscribers early warnings of campus closings or other emergency notifications.

An employee intranet portal was integrated into institutional communication in 2007; a student portal would follow in 2008.

Pre-employment background checks for all full-time faculty and staff positions were implemented in Fall 2007. The president said the checks should be viewed as a “proactive way to reduce turnover and build a high-quality work force.”

Penn College received a bronze award in the outdoor transit/billboard category of the 23rd Annual Admissions Advertising Awards sponsored by Admissions Marketing Report for a series of “degrees that work” billboards.

Penn College received a silver award in the magazine advertising category of the 23rd Annual Admissions Advertising Awards, sponsored by Admissions Marketing Report, for this ad, which appeared in the U.S. News & World Report’s America’s Best Colleges issue.

The question “What do I want to be when I grow up?” has been asked for ages, but advancing technologies have made the question more difficult to answer in the 21st century.

Penn College and public-television station WVIA have partnered to help students, parents and educators learn more about modern career opportunities through a new “degrees that work” television series.

The first episode, featuring careers in nanotechnology, premiered in Fall 2007 and earned a bronze Telly Award; a second episode, featuring welding careers and supported by the American Welding Society, followed in summer 2008. Among the faculty and alumni featured in the series in 2007-08:

- Eric K. Albert, associate professor of machine tool technology/automated manufacturing
- Mark A. Atwater, Penn College alumnus
- Jennifer Brinkley-Cruz, Penn College alumna
- David R. Cotner, instructor of welding
- Mike Patterson, Williamsport Area Community College alumnus
- Jeffrey L. Rankinen, associate professor of electronics

Episodes may be viewed online at [www.pct.edu/degreesthatwork](http://www.pct.edu/degreesthatwork).

College-owned housing units were upgraded to provide 100 percent wireless network coverage.

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ANGEL Learning Management Suite, recognized for innovations in e-learning, was adopted in 2007-08 to support teaching and learning.
Each year, Penn College recognizes faculty, staff and alumni for excellence and service to the institution. These individuals were honored in 2007-08. More details are offered in One College Avenue online at www.pct.edu/oca.

The 2008 Veronica M. Muzic Master Teacher Award was presented to Dr. William B. Urosevich, associate professor of biology, anatomy and physiology, by Lizabeth S. Mullens, vice president for academic affairs/provost, and the president. The award is the college’s highest level of recognition for a faculty member. Urosevich, who holds a doctor of optometry degree, joined the faculty in 1993.
Former Student Remembers Professor London

It was a quiet Monday evening, and I had just finished my dinner and was getting ready to offer evening prayers as my phone rang. “Hello,” I answered. It was Dr. Abdul Pathan, economics professor at Penn College. We exchanged greetings, and then Dr. Pathan said, “I do not know how to tell you, but David London passed away this past weekend.” I felt a lump in my throat, and I could not speak for a few moments; I could not believe what I had just heard. When I came to my senses, I realized that my “American dad” had passed away. I adopted David London as a father, and he adopted me as his “Pakistani son” while I was studying at Penn College between 1991 and 1995.

During my years at Penn College, I came to know David London as an incredible teacher, a champion of cultural diversity and a self-sacrificing friend. First and foremost, David London was an unbelievable teacher – a natural! His teaching style was very dynamic; he kept his students engaged through student-teacher and student-student discussions. His classes were filled with invigorating debates and provided stimulus for critical thinking. Students were exposed to real-life experiences as they compiled reports for organizational behavior classes by engaging with local business individuals or went through an interview process to strengthen techniques taught in public-speaking classes.

I consider myself blessed and truly lucky to have started my educational journey at Penn College with David London in English Composition I – the class that gave me the confidence that I desperately needed to successfully complete my studies at Penn College. To fully appreciate the experience, you have to envision that you are a 21-year-old who has left his hometown for the first time and traveled halfway across the world for an education in a language that is not your mother tongue. Now top it all off with David London as a teacher – what a bad combination – right – at least that’s what I thought during the first couple classes. But then the unthinkable happened – I got an “A” on my English paper. At the end of the class, I approached David London and asked, “Did you give me this ‘A’ because I have a handicap for English language?” He replied, “I never give an ‘A’; you earned it.” At that moment, I was on top of the world, and I knew I would do “just fine.” I share this story simply because it was a confidence-boosting moment in my life, and the credit goes to David London.

Needless to say, I took every class that David London offered at Penn College during 1991-95, including summer courses; I enjoyed all classes equally because I learned from him that “if I can support my argument, I am right.”

I came to Williamsport at a time when cultural diversity was in its early stages of development at Penn College. David London was among the people who not only recognized that cultural diversity should be strengthened but also embarked on a journey to introduce and promote it among students at Penn College. He invited me to his classes to speak about my origin and my culture, sparking curiosity.
in student minds. The classroom sessions led to discussions outside class – in the cafeteria and the library – building a healthy atmosphere. During student interactions, I felt that it was difficult for some American students to pronounce my last name, so I told a couple of them to call me “Bob.” Well, the word got to David London, and I had to listen to a lecture myself. He told me, “If you can pronounce their names correctly, they should be able to pronounce yours, too.” He reminded me that my name was my identity and tied back to my origin and culture. Since that day, I have made a conscious effort to discourage everyone who asks for my nickname.

David London brought his mission of promoting cultural diversity to Williamsport by organizing discussions at the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary clubs and area schools, and I was right there beside him. His vision and work have helped create a diversity-aware and friendly Williamsport community that has seen many foreign students since 1991.

David London nurtured a young Pakistani in such a way that a student-teacher relationship was transformed into a father-son relationship. I have many fond memories of joyous family get-togethers with David London, his mother and his son Patrick. I have spent many Thanksgivings and Christmases with the London family. After my marriage, my wife became David London’s daughter-in-law. My oldest son became the first grandson of David London, and I still remember the day he held my middle son in his arms. I know I am not the only one who saw that side of David London; I know of many who became part of David London’s extended family. His nature compelled him to help many without any desire of a favor in return. He helped whoever needed his help. During my early days at Penn College, when I did not have a car and a very dear friend from home was visiting Pittsburgh, David London graciously offered his car so I could see my friend. This is just one example among countless ones that reflect David London’s selfless friendship.

As I write these lines, I am heartbroken to realize that those of you who did not have the opportunity to know David London will not get to meet one of the greatest assets of Penn College or to sit in David London’s class and experience what I experienced. Even so, you too can make a difference by continuing David London’s mission: “Work hard and achieve your goals” – because that is what he would have taught you to do.

Adnan Syed, a native of Pakistan, was a student at Penn College between 1991 and 1995. He graduated with an associate degree in computer information systems in 1992 and with a bachelor’s degree in data communication and networking in 1995. After graduating, Syed began working for American Home Products, now part of ConAgra Foods; he is currently a senior systems administrator. He and his wife, Erum, live in Omaha, Neb., with their three sons. He authored this remembrance exclusively for One College Avenue, with the support of Sandra Lakey, associate professor of speech communication and composition.
Academic School Highlights

New Programs

The Curriculum Committee approved the following new academic programs in 2007-08:

- Academic Minor: Biology
- Academic Minor: Chemistry
- Ornamental Horticulture: Horticulture Retail Management Emphasis A.A.S. (OR)
- Ornamental Horticulture: Landscape Technology Emphasis A.A.S. (OD)
- Ornamental Horticulture: Plant Production Emphasis A.A.S. (OH)

Accounting Professor Philip D. Landers led the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, which offers free tax help to low- to moderate-income people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. Certified volunteers, including accounting and paralegal students, received training to help prepare basic tax returns in the Williamsport community and also ran a one-day satellite operation at the North Campus.

School of Construction and Design Technologies Student Projects benefited community organizations, including Historic Bowman Field; the Lycoming Crippled Children's Society; and the East Lycoming, Muncy, Montoursville Area and Williamsport Area school districts, as well as churches and sports clubs. The students also completed campus renovations including replacing sidewalks, constructing storage areas and cabinets, replacing Penn's Inn lighting, and installing toolroom lighting.

Dental hygiene faculty Mary Jo Saxe and Rhonda Seebold designed an International Dental Hygiene course that included travel to Nicaragua in May with six Dental Hygiene (bachelor-degree completion) students to provide services to underserved populations.

School of Hospitality faculty and students raised $1,600 for Greater Lycoming Habitat for Humanity through the House for a Home Auction, featuring chocolate houses created by students.

Electronics and computer technology/fiber optics students worked with Workforce Development & Continuing Education to install 2,000 Fiber Optic Connectors at Jersey Shore Steel.

Mass media communication students learned advanced digital editing producing videos for local, nonprofit organizations including the YWCA, the Salvation Army, the American Cancer Society, Hope Enterprises, the Consortium on Mentoring Training, Big Brothers Big Sisters and the West Branch Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission.

Environmental technology students assessed storm water runoff for the Lycoming County Planning Commission and tested water quality on the Greater Nippenose Valley Watershed, White Deer Hole Creek, Mosquito Valley Creek, Miller Run and Graffius Run.

The Penn College Motor Sports Club coordinated a Food Drive for the Pennsylvania National Guard and a local food bank.
The Information Assurance Courseware Evaluation Program evaluated the college’s revised information technology bachelor’s degree concentration in security specialist; IACE validated and certified that Penn College courseware meets all of the elements of the Committee on National Security Systems National Training Standard for Information Systems Security Professionals, NSTISSI No. 4011.

Terry A. Girdon, business administration professor and department head, was re-elected chair of the Board of Commissioners of the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education specialized accrediting agency.

Irwin H. Siegel, business administration and business law professor, received a regional Excellence in Teaching award from the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs.

Jessica M. Kessler, legal assistant/paralegal studies, earned a 2007 American FFA Degree, presented by the National Future Farmers of America organization, dedicated to influencing students through education in specific areas of agriculture.

The HVAC Technology program was approved as a training center for certification under the National Oilheat Research Alliance, and faculty member Rick Taylor was approved as an exam proctor for the NORA exams. Penn College is one of the first colleges to receive this approval for certification testing.

HVAC technology students Clayton J. Bretz and Matthew P. Robinson received the $2,000 National Association of Oil Heating Service Managers’ Scholarship.

Contractor magazine published, under the headline “Pennsylvania College of Technology grads talented,” a letter written by HVAC Technology student DeShawn M. Alexander.

Donations to the school included HVAC controllers and equipment, valued at more than $53,000, donated by Johnson Controls, and 10 building automation control stations and server with software, valued at $82,000, donated by DVL Automation. Both gifts support the building automation technology program.

Construction Management Association students built a miniature house for a Habitat for Humanity fundraiser.

Construction technology students took first place in the two-year division of the postsecondary construction competition at the 2008 International Builders’ Show in Orlando, Fla., and a team of six construction management students (voted Best Student Chapter), competed in the 2008 Associated Builders and Contractors international competition in Puerto Rico, placing first in essay, second in estimating, and third overall.

Construction technology team members placing first at the 2008 International Builders’ Show were Bryan T. Hay, Bradford E. Ickes, Louis A. Rizzo III, Cory M. Mills and Wesley R. Hazelett. Four-year team members placing 13th were Thomas J. Wisse, George A. King, Matthew Divok, Phillip D. Hannah, Seth L. Cubert and Hilary J. Allegretto.

Construction Management team members at the 2008 Associated Builders and Contractors international competition were Ryan P. Becker, Courtney L. Shreiner, Katie E. Chearney, James P. Craft, Leonard C. Nicholas and Nicholas L. Fragello.
The School of Health Sciences received two important endorsements in 2007-08: nursing’s continued accreditation by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and reaccreditation of the paramedic program (associate degree in emergency medical services and certificate in paramedic technician curricula) by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, as a Basic and Advanced Life Support Training Institute.

The fitness specialist program was recognized by the National Strength & Conditioning Association through its Educational Recognition Program.

Penn College’s Student Nurse Association was presented with a statewide award for best Web site for a student nursing organization at the Student Nurse Association of Pennsylvania convention.

Kimberly M. Heffner, occupational therapy assistant, was awarded a $1,000 scholarship from the Pennsylvania Occupational Therapy Association.

Linda M. Barnes, occupational therapy associate professor, was awarded a Lloyd Bridges Scholarship from Cedam International. She will join a team exploring environmental habitats and performing field surveys in Akumal, Mexico, with the Reef Environmental Education Foundation.

Nursing faculty Jane J. Benedict, Linda L. Crayton and Pam B. Schappert received Certified Nurse Educator certification.

Dental hygiene students and faculty provided more than $10,000 worth of free care to 67 area children during “Sealant Saturday” at the Penn College Dental Hygiene Clinic. Students and faculty also provided free services to the public at the Lycoming Mall Life Center and free oral-health instruction to children at James V. Brown Library, the Williamsport Head Start Program and several local day-care and after-school programs. They also provided oral-hygiene training sessions for nursing and resident care staff at Center Crest Nursing Home, in Bellefonte, and Hope Enterprises and Sycamore Manor Nursing Home, both in Williamsport.

The Student Nurse Association collected winter outdoor clothing for the Salvation Army and Lycoming Children and Youth Services, conducted a “support our troops” drive and donated hygiene items and cash to Shepherd of the Streets Ministry.

Physician assistant students assisted with a Lycoming County Health Improvement Coalition project to conduct blood-pressure and glucose testing in the community. They also supported Toys for Tots and were Habitat for Humanity volunteers.

Approximately 60 paramedic and physician assistant students volunteered at the Little League World Series in August.
ACADEMIC SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

The "Market" in the Hager Lifelong Education Center was developed for retail sales of items created in the baking and pastry arts program.

Le Jeune Chef Restaurant was one of 748 winners worldwide to receive the Best of Award of Excellence, an award given to restaurants that exceed requirements set forth by Wine Spectator magazine. The magazine noted Le Jeune Chef’s strengths in offering California and French selections, as well as more than 630 wines at inexpensive prices.

Culinary Arts and Systems students Erin E. Brown and Mark R. Capellazzi were selected to represent the college at the 2008 National Restaurant Association’s Salute to Excellence in Chicago.

Longtime general manager of Le Jeune Chef restaurant, Peter Hellermann, retired and was honored with a farewell dinner. Proceeds from the event were used to establish a scholarship in his name. Einar H. Sigurdsson took over management of the restaurant in September; he came to the position with 20 years of management experience, including in some of the nation’s most high-profile clubs.

School of Hospitality students and faculty helped feed thousands of guests at the 2008 Kentucky Derby. They also teamed with the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce to serve the PA WILDS Conference, hosted a networking event to support the “buy fresh/buy local” campaign for farmers and buyers, assisted with a YWCA fundraising dinner and produced cooking demonstrations featured on in-store video networks in area Weis Markets.
The School of Industrial and Engineering Technologies received significant endorsements in 2007-08, including American Design Drafting Association accreditation for the computer aided drafting department, National Institute of Machining Standards accreditation for manufacturing majors, and Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Technology Accreditation Commission accreditation for plastics, civil engineering technology and surveying programs.

Renovations to the East Wing of the Breuder Advanced Technology and Health Sciences Center resulted in expanded facilities for the plastics and polymer technology department and the Plastics Manufacturing Center. Building on the success of the program's Rotational Molding Center and Plastics Manufacturing Center – both Centers of Excellence – the college also received a $75,000 investment from the Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Northeastern Pennsylvania to develop a Thermoforming Center of Excellence by assessing educational needs and forming relationship networks among companies and academic institutions in the industry.

Students Matthew D. Dalesio and Richard M. Peterson were finalists in the Quad College Business Plan Competition.

Penn College received the 2007-08 Outstanding Student Chapter Award from the Society of Professional Engineers.


Penn College’s student chapter of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers hosted the 2008 IEEE Region 2 Student Activities Conference in April; 195 student members, advisers and administrators from 20 colleges and universities attended.

Kirk M. Cantor, plastics technology professor, served as co-chair of the Plastic Extrusion Asia 2008 Conference; he also presented a paper “Developing a Head Pressure Index” and presented seminars on blown-film extrusion while visiting Thailand and Southeast Asia.

Tim E. Weston, plastics technology assistant professor, presented “Sustainability: ImaginePlastics.com” and “Educational Alliances: The Pennsylvania State University and Pennsylvania College of Technology” at the first Pennsylvania Plastics Symposium.

Electronics faculty Jeffrey B. Weaver and Jeff L. Rankinen were recipients of Tyco Electronics AMP NETCONNECT Premises Cabling Systems Installation, Troubleshooting and Certification Instructor Training. Rankinen also coauthored the seventh edition of “Introduction to Engineering Technology,” a textbook published by Prentice-Hall.

Donations to the school included six Allen-Bradley Contrologix PLCs and six Kinetix 6000 three-axis motion control systems, valued at more than $134,000. This equipment was donated by Schaedler Yesco Distribution to support the electronics and computer engineering technology majors.

Students in the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors Student Chapter painted the basement vestibule at the Thomas Taber Museum and checked the alignment of bases at Brandon Park Little League Fields in Williamsport.
The School of Integrated Studies received two important accreditations during the year. Graphic communications management became one of only five programs nationwide to be accredited by the Accrediting Council for Collegiate Graphic Communications Inc. The Children’s Learning Center, a facility that serves students in the early childhood education program, earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Karen Woland Payne, director of the Children’s Learning Center, was named 2008 Outstanding Early Educator by the Central Susquehanna Association for the Education of Young Children. She also joined Gov. Ed Rendell in making a public speech on the importance of early childhood intervention and education programs during a stop the governor made in the region to promote statewide funding for community agencies focused on children. The college’s Children’s Learning Center provides a real-life learning experience for students in the early childhood education program.

The Gallery at Penn College held nine diverse exhibits, as well as a showing of senior-level graphic design students’ portfolios. Introduced during the year were the Penn College Proud Showcase, featuring artwork or collections of college employees, students or alumni, and the Current View Artist Series, sponsored by the media arts department to showcase contemporary artists. Artists featured in 2007-08 included:

Jason Godeke
Florence Putterman
Kim Banister
Chris Armstrong
David Armstrong
Maureen Drdak
Gary Mesa-Gaido
Brian D. Cohen
Fred T. Gilmour

The Gallery at Penn College is on the third floor of Madigan Library. Information on scheduled exhibits is available online at www.pct.edu/gallery.

Brian A. Flynn, graphic design assistant professor, was one of 10 artists – all others were from Europe – who participated by invitation in a woodcarving symposium and exhibition in Estonia.


David S. Richards, physics associate professor, received the Distinguished Service Award from the Central Pennsylvania Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers.
The Schneebeli Earth Science Center was featured in a national trade magazine, Conifer Quarterly, Winter 2007 edition; faculty member Carl J. Bower Jr. details the addition of a conifer garden to the facility’s 5-acre arboretum.

The “Tribute to Knowledge” freestanding arch built by horticulture students was featured in the Building Stone Magazine, Summer 2007 Edition.

Penn College was certified as a Roadranger Academy training facility for Eaton commercial truck products, one of only three in Pennsylvania.

William P. Kilcoyne Jr., diesel equipment technology faculty, received Caterpillar Inc.’s annual “Pathfinder to Excellence” award in teaching.

Steven R. Parker, environmental technology faculty, received U.S. Department of Homeland Security certification as a master trainer in avian influenza response.

Donations to the school included a CAT D6K, valued at $200,000, donated by Caterpillar, and a Skid Steer MC80, donated by Volvo, valued at $28,500. Both gifts support the heavy construction equipment technology program.

Injecting Williamsport’s Liberty Elm trees to protect them from disease was one of many projects conducted by students to enhance the area’s natural beauty. Other projects, including some that involved high school and day-care students, benefited Ways Garden, Brandon Park, Roosevelt Middle School, Williamsport Area High School and the Williamsport YMCA.

To help an area business “go green,” ornamental horticulture and forest technology students launched a project with Construction Specialties Group to reduce the company’s environmental impact and make their green space more employee-friendly.
The School of Transportation Technology received two important grants in 2007-08: renewal of the National Center Aircraft Technician Training grant and the Ford Excellence Fund grant. The school also received notification of the accreditation of the aviation maintenance technology majors by NCATT.

Eight aviation students received the Federal Aviation Administration’s diamond award for continuing education; 23 aviation students tested the new Pennsylvania Aviation Mechanics Association/SAE certification – a pilot evaluation of student skills. As part of a senior capstone course, students also restored a Lycoming-owned aircraft, Archer.

William F. Stepp, aviation associate professor, earned Aircraft Electronics Technician and NCATT certifications and the FAA diamond award for continuing education.

Colin W. Williamson, dean of the School of Transportation Technology, was appointed to the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation Board of Trustees and was certified by the Society for College and University Planning.

Donations received by the school included two automobiles from American Honda Motor Co., valued at more than $45,000.

Aviation Education Day was attended by 160 students from eight schools. The Lumley Aviation Center also hosted an Inspection Authorization Renewal course for individuals needing FAA engine inspection authorization or updated training.
Academic School Highlights

SkillsUSA competition tested the nation’s best in 2007 and 2008, including Penn College’s Carl F. Gravely, who placed second in the 2007 Industrial Motor Control contest, and Matthew W. Pfeiffer, who placed second in the 2007 Diesel Equipment Technology competition. Gold medal winners in the 2008 national qualifiers were: Sarah J. Dries, Food & Beverage; Matthew R. Ernst, Collision Repair Technology; Carl F. Gravely, Industrial Motor Control; Matthew D. Romanowski, Masonry; Westley A. Smith, Welding; and Neil F. Baughman, Aviation. Silver medal winners in 2008 were: David M. Huston, Automated Manufacturing Technology; Christopher J. Schaffer, Automated Manufacturing Technology; Michael A. Love, Automated Manufacturing Technology; James K. Hanjaras, Culinary Arts; Annie M. Kinney, Commercial Baking; and Nathan A. Ritter, Precision Machining. Bronze medal winners in 2008 were: Killian J. Bottorf, Technical Drafting; Matthew W. Ilgenfritz, Automotive Refinishing; Matthew J. Kwisnek, Diesel Equipment Technology; and Nicholas R. Rieber, Automotive Service Technology.

Workforce Development & Continuing Education

Workforce Development & Continuing Education administers $18-20 million annually to 2,000 Pennsylvania companies and 100,000 employees through the commonwealth’s largest worker-training program, the Workforce & Economic Development Network of Pennsylvania. WEDnetPA partners 33 higher-education workforce-development organizations across the commonwealth.

The Plastics Manufacturing Center developed and offered a free, online noncredit course – Plastics 101 – for the industry and government clients; more than 100 students enrolled in the first two months. PMC also offered Global Standards for Plastics Certification training and employee certification in 20 Pennsylvania companies, certifying more than 300 employees, and awarded $215,000 in scholarship funds to 51 students enrolled in plastics programs.

WDCE entered into a partnership with Tyco Electronics Corp. to serve as an authorized training center for the company’s clients. Initial target markets include Tyco’s northeast and eastern sales regions covering 25 states.

The Factory Built Housing Center and Plastics SourceNet operations organized and facilitated partnership activities for industries in central Pennsylvania under state Department of Labor & Industry sponsorship. Strategic priorities were identified in each industry cluster, and targeted training topics were made available to serve specific industry needs.

Penn College hosted a summit of the state’s top education and business officials at the kickoff for a two-year project designed to link businesses and school districts to help prepare students for careers. The college received a $100,000 grant from the Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corp. to lead the Gold Medal Initiative: Champions for Career Development. Representatives of 32 school districts and 75 business leaders attended the summit.
ATHLETICS finalized plans to affiliate with the United States Collegiate Athletic Association, providing opportunities for student athletes to compete for national championships and all-American status. Penn College joined nine other teams in the Pennsylvania State University Athletic Conference in agreeing to join the USCAA.

Four students received All-American honors from the National Archery Association: Daniel J. Wido, Zachary M. Plannick, Brock J. Smith and Lindsey K. Fackler.

Seven intercollegiate athletic teams won championships in 2007-08; 111 students received PSUAC Academic All-Conference honors, and six coaches were awarded Coach of the Year honors.

CHAMPIONSHIPS
- Men's Compound Archery – NAA Collegiate Division National Champions
- Men's Baseball – PSUAC Champions
- Men's Bowling – PCAA Champions
- Men's Cross Country – PSUAC Champions
- Golf – PSUAC Champions
- Men's Soccer – PSUAC Champions
- Women's Soccer – EPCC Champions

COACHES OF THE YEAR
- Chet D. Schuman, Golf
- Enrique E. Castillo, Men's Soccer
- Kimberly A. Antanitis, Women's Soccer
- Deborah A. Vincenzes, Bowling
- Michael J. Paulhus, Cross Country
- Christopher H. Howard, Baseball

CAREER SERVICES established an advisory board of representatives from the department, each academic school and other college departments, as well as two industry representatives from the local community – Susquehanna Health and Primus Technologies.

COUNSELING instituted a formal “on-call” rotation to ensure that a responder is available for consultation or assessment 24/7 to serve students who experience a mental health crisis; counselors act as a resource to Penn College Police and Residence Life staff who normally triage these situations. Counselor Lawrence Emery renewed his National Board of Certified Counselors certification. Counseling and Residence Life facilitated the Basics/AWARE program to strengthen student retention and success through intervention, incorporating a therapeutic edge to risk assessment.

FINANCIAL AID worked with the Admissions Office to target resources to foster youth who are interested in Penn College and may be eligible for additional aid. A campus wide educational program attended by 35 staff members provided information on foster-youth issues and how to serve and promote the success of foster youth at Penn College.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES was recognized by the Lycoming County DUI Taskforce for continuing support and education regarding drug and alcohol misuse, especially by those under the influence in a motorized vehicle. The department also hosted the North Central Taskforce Point of Dispensing Managers' Conference to look at how to effectively recruit volunteers and open and effectively manage a POD unit. Carl Shaner, director, was named president-elect for the Nurse Directed Section of the American College Health Association for 2008-09.

RESIDENCE LIFE established a Cultural Life Committee of faculty, staff and students to develop and implement programming related to diversity and social justice issues; participated in the national RecycleMania program by implementing the first year of a comprehensive, campus-wide recycling program (with General Services); and established a Blue Light Program with RAs serving as human “blue lights” to distribute alcohol-awareness information to students headed for a night out. RAs worked with the YWCA/Wise Options, painting rooms for women and children who are victims of domestic violence; collected nonperishable food items from residents at the end of the year and donated the items to Williamsport's local food bank; and volunteered, as part of a ResLife FUNction series at Grace Street Commons, where student staff baked cookies, made jewelry, put furniture together and shared experiences with the residents.

STUDENT AFFAIRS and Residence Life came under new leadership in 2008 when Ward W. Caldwell was named the college's chief student affairs officer and Rick Surita was appointed to succeed Caldwell as director of residence life.

PENN COLLEGE POLICE introduced a new emergency telephone system with the assistance of General Services and Information Technology Services. Nine existing emergency telephones were updated, and five new phones were added to the system. The new telephones have video-monitoring capabilities and are centrally monitored by the police.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES unveiled a new Greek life system that attracted lots of student excitement. Five fraternities were invited to give formal campus presentations. Phi Mu Delta and Sigma Nu were selected to officially begin recruiting in the spring semester, and Chi Phi will join the campus in the fall.

- A revamped 2007 Homecoming attracted record interest from student organizations, which raised $2,900 for the American Red Cross through the event. Homecoming events included a car show to raise money for the Student Leader Legacy Fund and a fair with music, food, student organizations and alumni activities.

- The Wildcat Events Board and the Residence Hall Association, with representatives from Health Services and Athletics, presented "Walk-It-Out" to benefit the American Cancer Society; 225 members of the campus community walked for six hours and collected more than $7,700 in donations.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AWARDS for 2007-08
- Adviser of the Year: Judy P. Shimp
- Outstanding Organization of the Year: ACM Computer Club
- Most Improved Organization: American Welding Society
- New Student Leader of the Year: Christy Passaretti
- Student Leader of the Year: Andrew Wisner
- Senator of the Year: Yo-Seop Lee

Outstanding Varsity Athletic Alumni Awards were presented for the first time during 2007 Homecoming activities. Honored were Wayne M. Parfitt, ’86, cross country state champion, and Sarah J. Smith, ’99, who lettered in both basketball and softball.
Operating Budget.......................................................$88,342,511
4.62% increase over the previous year
5.93% increase in tuition and fees for PA residents

State Appropriation..................................................$14,694,006
includes debt service and special appropriation, a 1.73 percent
increase over the previous year

Unrestricted Funds
Unrestricted scholarships ..............................................$77,667
Gifts and donations.........................................................$200,000
Use of college resources.................................................$5,000
Parking permit fund .......................................................$370,000
Renewal and replacement ..............................................$73,856

Restricted Funds
Grants, contracts and restricted donations .................$25,514,569

Debt Service Fund
Money received and expended for debt
obligations for outstanding bond issues ......................$2,166,069

Auxiliary Funds
Food Services...............................................................$2,765,462
Children's Learning Center.............................................$321,930
College Store...............................................................$1,523,844
Workforce Development &
Continuing Education ..................................................$513,907
Student Activities.........................................................$1,308,958
Housing.................................................................$6,916,039
IMC.................................................................$1,392,464

Tuition & Fees
PA Residents
Tuition per credit hour..................................................$319
Tuition and fees per credit hour.................................$375
Annual tuition and fees ..............................................$11,250
based on 15 credits per semester

Out-of-State Residents
Tuition per credit hour..................................................$415
Tuition and fees per credit hour.................................$471
Annual tuition and fees ..............................................$14,130
based on 15 credits per semester

Fees Include
$15-per-credit-hour computer fee
$36-per-credit-hour capital fee
$28-per-credit-hour laboratory fee
$5-per-credit-hour student activity fee

Penn College awarded $1,231,537 in student scholarships in
2007-08, a 25.1 percent increase over the previous year.

Grant Funding supported 46 projects valued at $26.9 million
in 2007-08, with another $20.1 million (44 projects) under
development for 2008-09. These projects are in addition to the
$22.5 million statewide WEDnetPA contract for 2007-08.

Enrollment reached an all-time high of 6,811 students in
Fall 2007. Bachelor-degree enrollments increased more than
5 percent; students in four-year programs of study accounted
for 41 percent of total enrollment.

When state legislators delivered an unexpected increase of $250,000
in the college's 2007-08 state appropriation, the administration
and board of directors returned the additional funds to students
who enrolled in the spring semester. A student enrolled for a typical
15-credit load received a $45 credit.
New scholarships 2007-08

Penn College and the Penn College Foundation established 18 new scholarship funds in 2007-08.

**Academic Incentive Scholarship** established by an anonymous donor for any incoming freshman student demonstrating superior academic achievement (high SAT and class rank).

**Loiederman Soltesz Scholarship** established by Loiederman Soltesz Associates Inc. for students enrolled in civil engineering technology.

**Williamsport Parking Authority Scholarship** established by the Williamsport Parking Authority for students in civil engineering technology.

**Danielle Young Memorial Scholarship** established by Susan and Roger Young in memory of their daughter Danielle for students in nursing.

**Welding Faculty Scholarship** established by the welding faculty in the School of Industrial and Engineering Technologies for students in any welding program.

**School of Industrial and Engineering Technologies Scholarship** established by the dean of the School of Industrial and Engineering Technologies for students enrolled in a bachelor-degree program within the school.

**Electrical Faculty Scholarship** established by the electrical faculty of the School of Construction and Design Technologies for students enrolled in any electrical program. (Building to endowed.)

**Peter Hellermann Scholarship** established by Peter Hellermann for students enrolled in the School of Hospitality.

**Gamma Epsilon Tau Scholarship** established by the graphic design and graphic communications management faculty of the School of Integrated Studies for a first-year student enrolled in graphic design, graphic communication management, or graphic communication technology.

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**John J. Catino Memorial Scholarship** established by Nick and Carol Catino in memory of their son for students enrolled in the School of Construction and Design Technologies or the School of Health Sciences.

**Architectural Technology Scholarship** established by an anonymous donor for a full-time student enrolled in the architectural technology program.

**Ornamental Horticulture Scholarship** established by the School of Natural Resources Management for a full-time student enrolled in the ornamental horticulture major.
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Carl E. Zechar ‘75
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Carl A. Zeigler Jr., ’67

DONOR WALL
An April reception at the Donor Wall in the Student and Administrative Services Center recognized the following individuals and corporations who became part of the wall or moved to a new giving society in recognition of their total contributions to Penn College or the Penn College Foundation since 1982.

VISONARY SOCIETY
Gifts totaling $100,000 to $499,999
David and Judy Conklin – C & I Boiler Repair, Inc.*
Veronica and Bill Muzic*
Schaefer Yesco Distribution, Inc.
Synthes (USA)

HERITAGE SOCIETY
Gifts totaling $50,000 to $99,999
Blaise and Ann Alexander – Blaise Alexander Chevrolet, Inc.*
Brodart Co.*
Danfoss*
Robert and Maureen Dunham*
Jersey Shore State Bank*
Johnson Controls
Keypware Technologies
John and Sue Young – Young Industries*

AMBASSADOR’S SOCIETY
Gifts totaling $25,000 to $49,999
Anonymous
Brehmer Excavating, Inc.
Steve and Ronna Cassotis
Herman and Molly Logue
James and Darla Logue
McNerney, Page, Vanderlin & Hall
Meier Supply Co., Inc.
Physician Assistant Club – Penn College
PRIMUS Technologies Corp.
Schramm, Inc.
The Hartman Agency
Williamsport Hospital School of Nursing
Alumni Association

* Denotes change in level of giving and society membership

PILLAR SOCIETY
Pennsylvania College of Technology established The Pillar Society in 2006 to recognize friends who have established planned gifts to benefit the college or the Penn College Foundation. These planned gifts include a bequest provision in a will or trust, a charitable gift annuity, a gift of life insurance or retirement plan assets, or other deferred gifts. We thank the following individuals and recognize their support of Penn College and our students.

(2) Anonymous*
James P. and Barbara S. Bressler*
Clarence Burgher
John J. and Mary Anne L. Cahir
Bruce ’72 and Marcia Capriotti*
Daniel and Mary Doyle*
Davie Jane Gilmour
Frederick T. Gilmour ’66
R. David and Joann M. Kay
Darla B. Logue ’79*
David L. ’82 Maciejewski and Kathleen A. ’94 Maciejewski
Alice Carl Maguire
William J. and Carolyn G. Martin*
Jack ’74 and Valara J. Minnier
Veronica and William ’84 Muzic*
Earl L. ’58 and Lillian A. Parrish*
Lorraine L. Poore
Charline M. Pulizzi
Jorge and Janet Quermit
Bruce Alan Richards
Andrew and Elizabeth Jane Spuler*
Marvin H. and Jean R. Staiman
Frank Strayer
Jeanne Strayer
D. L. Stroehmann
Richard J. and Kathleen H. Weilminster*

* Denotes new members to The Pillar Society
A physician, just starting his practice in Williamsport, is asked to conduct physical exams for student athletes. From that small beginning grows a relationship that will forever benefit students at Pennsylvania College of Technology.

Dr. Jorge A. Querimit and Janet R. Querimit have taken advantage of one of Penn College’s planned giving options, a bequest in their will, to ensure ongoing support for the college’s Madigan Library. The bequest will create a permanent source of income, through the Querimit Library Fund, to maintain and expand the library’s collection of books, periodicals, audio-visual aids, electronic databases and other forms of technology for storing information.

Dr. Querimit said the couple’s relationship with the college dates back to 1963.

“I had just moved to Williamsport, and I was starting my practice,” said the surgeon, who retired in 1994. “(W.T.I. president) Dr. Ken Carl called to ask if I would do physical exams for their athletes. The following year I was designated M.D. for surgical workers compensation claims until my retirement.”

Mrs. Querimit, who is a registered nurse, also worked directly with students at the college. She came to the Williamsport Area Community College in 1982 as a substitute Student Health Services nurse, became the full-time nurse, and retired from Penn College 13 years later.

The Querimits also provide direct financial support to Penn College students through the Querimit Health Sciences Scholarship. Established in 1998, that endowed (permanent) scholarship fund provides an annual award to a nontraditional student from Lycoming County who is enrolled full time in a health sciences major.

Mrs. Querimit said the scholarship fund resulted in part from her interaction with a number of students who had significant financial challenges while working to complete their educations.

On entering an agreement for a planned gift to support the Madigan Library, she said, “We wanted to establish a way to provide support to the library, and worked with the Institutional Advancement Office to develop an agreement detailing exactly how the funds will be used. This formal agreement gives us a comfort in knowing that our wishes will be followed.”

A planned, tax-advantaged gift to Penn College can provide interested donors with the vehicle for achieving their goals while assisting students and contributing to the college’s mission. Planned gifts can also provide substantial tax benefits.

Individuals who establish a planned gift are recognized with membership in The Pillar Society. During an annual reception in their honor, new members receive a lapel or stick pin patterned after the pillars at the college’s main entrance.

Penn College offers several easy-to-use planning ideas to help donors accomplish their charitable interests and meet their best overall individual/family estate and financial plans:

- Including a bequest to Penn College in your will
- Naming Penn College as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy
- Naming Penn College as the beneficiary of an IRA or other retirement account
- Establishing a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA), Charitable Lead Trust, Charitable Remainder Trust, or a Revocable Charitable Trust with Penn College

Barry R. Stiger, vice president for institutional advancement, said that, including Penn College or the Penn College Foundation in your long-term financial and estate plans has several other positive features, in addition to potential tax benefits.

“Bequests allow our supporters to make a significant gift without affecting their current income or cash flow,” said Stiger, “and provide peace of mind that your wishes for supporting the college will be fulfilled.”

He added: “Bequests, CGAs, and the other options can also help you manage your estate and related taxes. They also allow supporters to show their appreciation for the institution that may have given them or family members a great start.”

Stiger noted that planned gifts can be directed to support a specific major, school or academic support area, such as the Madigan Library.

“Ultimately,” said Stiger, “planned gifts help our students succeed.”

For more information about planned giving:
Visit www.pct.edu/ia/plannedgiving
E-mail giving@pct.edu
Call the Institutional Advancement Office at (570) 320-8000 or toll-free (866) GIVE-2-PC
This Fall 2008: Annual Report issue of One College Avenue is dedicated to the memory of Kenneth E. Carl, founding president of Williamsport Area Community College, who died April 21.

Throughout his career – from his early days as a drafting faculty leader at Williamsport Technical Institute to his tenure as director of the institute and later president of the community college from 1965-73 – Carl believed in the integrity of work and was a champion of vocational education and training for the physically handicapped.
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