

# Penn College®

## Alumni



*May the holidays bring you joy  
and the New Year tranquility.*

## Alumni Highlight

**Thomas P. Grohol**  
'79 Forest Technology

Thomas P. Grohol, who most recently served as director of the Game Commission's Bureau of Wildlife Protection, was named the new deputy executive director of administration. As deputy executive director of administration, Grohol assists in planning, directing, executing and coordinating all activities of Pennsylvania's wildlife-management program, and directly supervises Game Commission bureau directors and other staff.



Grohol began his career with the Game Commission in 1980 as a deputy wildlife conservation officer. He was accepted in 1993 into the agency's Ross Leffler School of Conservation's 22nd class consequently also serving as resident instructor at the school for the 24th, 25th and 26th classes.

## Alumni Events



Stop by the Penn College booth at the [PA Farm Show](#) from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on January 6 or 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on January 7 to visit Alumni Relations.



Reconnect with former teammates at the [Alumni Basketball Weekend](#).

[Register Now](#)



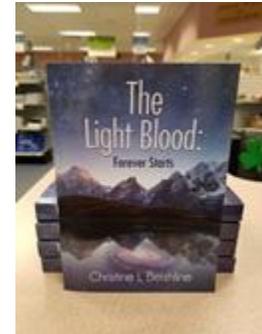
Gather your friends and family for Snow Tubing at [Ski Sawmill](#).

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## Alumni News

### Alumnus Publishes First Book

The Penn College Alumni Office congratulates Christine L. Beishline, a '00, landscape/nursery technology and diesel technology, '02 technology management alumnus, on her accomplishment. "The Light Blood: Forever Starts" is available for purchase at The College Store.



Any alumna or alumnus who has published an article, book or other item can forward that information with details to [alumni@pct.edu](mailto:alumni@pct.edu). We would love to boast those achievements with your fellow alumni.



### Grads-to-Be Keep Calm, Take Care of Business

The College Store was filled with imminent alumni on November 14 as it hosted a [Grad Finale](#) for students who have petitioned to walk across the Community Arts Center stage on December 16.

### 'STEM Day' Offers Firsthand Look at College's Stature

More than 60 students and faculty from North Penn High School, Williamsport Area High School and Columbia-Montour Area Vocational-Technical School visited Penn College during a recent [STEM Day](#) program. The November 8 "Changing the World With STEM" observance included alumni speaker Derek F. Knipe, a 2005 manufacturing engineering technology graduate employed at PMF Industries on Reach Road, Williamsport.





## Horticulture Students Network at Green Industry Showcase

A contingent of Penn College landscape/horticulture technology students and a faculty member recently joined hundreds of industry leaders and up-and-comers for [The Green Industry & Equipment Expo](#) in Louisville, Kentucky.

## Penn College News



We hope to see you at an [Athletics](#) event this Spring



[At the Flick of a Switch, All Is Bright](#)



[Collaboration Crafts Logo for Penn College Brewing Major](#)



[Aviation Instructor Aims High With Hobby](#)

## Volunteer Opportunities

**"Volunteers are the 'We' generation."**

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

- **Lisa Bass**, '93, nursing
- **Eric Carstenten**, '12, information technology
- **Kate Hunter**, '00, culinary arts technology, food and hospitality management
- **Derek Knipe**, '06, manufacturing engineering technology

If you would be willing to [volunteer](#) to share your life experiences and knowledge with Penn College students, please contact the [Alumni Office](#). We need you!

# Giving to Penn College



## Penn College Students Say 'Thank You' to Donors

November starts the season of thanksgiving, and Pennsylvania College of Technology students across campus recently shared their appreciation for those who make it possible for them to earn "degrees that work." [Student development assistants](#) delivered greetings to employee donors who celebrated birthdays during the month.

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