

The Cupboard at Penn College

The Cupboard is an on-campus food pantry which serves current Penn College students only. The food pantry provides assistance to those who may be having a difficult time purchasing enough food to avoid hunger for them, and/or their family. Students receive food based on the needs of the individual by providing a valid PCT ID and completing a brief intake form. Food for The Cupboard comes from a number of sources including the Central PA foodbank, Feeser's Food Service, periodic requests for donations from the campus community and hosting fundraising events throughout the academic year. Monetary and food donations may be made at the Hager Lifelong Learning Education Center office and Penn Central at any time.



Alumni Relations Events



All Aboard the Polar Express! UPDATE

The Alumni Relations Office has secured another train car for the 2016 [Polar Express Train Excursion](#) being held Friday, December 9. We now have 3 train cars for WTI/WACC/Penn College alumni and families to enjoy sugar cookies from Penn College Dining Services and listen to the story of The Polar Express. Santa will be on board to greet your children. There are roughly 30 tickets still available for purchase! Deadline for registrations is Tuesday, November 29.

Alumni Basketball Event

Are you a former Penn College basketball player? Save the date Saturday, January 21, 2017 for an alumni basketball event including a women's basketball alumni game, brunch, Penn College women's and men's basketball games, and an alumni banquet. Watch December's newsletter for more details and registration information.



Ski Sawmill Snow Tubing

Here comes the cold weather! Make plans to join us for snow tubing at Ski Sawmill on Saturday, February 4, 2017 from 9-11 a.m. Tickets will go on sale Friday, November 4 and the deadline to register is Monday, January 23.

Find out about upcoming Alumni Events on [Facebook](#) or the [Penn College Alumni Events](#) web site.

Save the Date-Homecoming and Family Weekend 2017

Make sure to mark your calendars for next year's Homecoming and Family Weekend festivities, which will be held Friday, October 6 through Sunday, October 8, 2017. Watch upcoming newsletters for more detailed information and check the [Alumni events website](#) or [Alumni Facebook](#) 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!!

Alumni Relations News



Alumni Director Among YWCA's 2016 'Women of Excellence'

Penn College's new director of alumni relations has been chosen among this year's [Women of Excellence](#) class at the Williamsport YWCA, honored for civic involvement in furtherance of the agency's mission of empowerment, justice and dignity. Kimberly R. Cassel is one of 12 women who will be inducted during a Nov. 10 banquet at the Williamsport Country Club. "Kim's community work has been extensive," her nominator wrote. "In addition, she is all over our campus volunteering and leading projects for the betterment of our students. Kim is an excellent example of a professional woman, caring about her community and being a role model for her three boys."

Penn College Faculty and Staff Alumni Recognized

Members of the Alumni Relations Office recently recognized Penn College faculty and staff who are also alumni. On October 4 and October 6 those faculty and staff who made a visit to our table located on the Hager Lifelong Learning Education Center patio received a special gift (memento) filled with sweet treats and campus discounts. Penn College employs approximately 300 alumni and we had the honor of catching up with 80 of them during the two-day event. Thank you for all you do for the students and Penn College community! View more photos of faculty and staff alumni on [Facebook](#).



Visit the [Penn College Alumni Relations Facebook](#) page and make sure you like our page to stay current on events, news, and more! Social media is the best form of communication to keep in touch with our Penn College Alumni. All new

alumni who Like us will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a \$25 College Store gift card. The drawing for our two lucky winners will take place on Friday, November 11 and the names will be posted on our page.

Penn College Events



Alumni Augment Time-Tested Credibility of College's Career Fair

More than 235 employers, whose representatives included hundreds of Penn College graduates, attended [Career Fair](#) in Bardo Gym and the Field House. In the photo construction management student Tamara D. Altom, of Williamsport, visits the Gilbane Building Co. table. Representing the Baltimore-based company are Ryan P. Becker (left)

and Kyle J. Williams, both alumni of the college's School of Construction & Design Technologies.

Board Approves Master's Program

Pennsylvania College of Technology's Board of Directors during their October 6 meeting approved the institution's first-ever graduate degree. Courses leading to the master's program will be offered beginning in Fall 2017, with conferring of degrees commencing in 2022. Conferring a [master's degree](#) in physician assistant studies will fulfill requirements specified by the Accreditation Review Committee on Education for the Physician Assistant. Paul L. Starkey, vice president for academic affairs/provost, said the program would offer preparatory courses in the first three years, with the professional phase reserved for the final two years of the five-year program. Students completing the program will earn both a bachelor's and a master's degree. He noted that a student's cost to successfully complete the physician assistant program offered at Penn College will be lower than any other physician assistant master's program statewide. President Davie Jane Gilmour said it is fitting for the physician assistant program to be the first master's program offered at Penn College, because of the high quality of the instruction provided. "This is a pretty historic day for us," she told the board.



Holiday Card Lighting

Join us Wednesday, November 30 for the Holiday Card Lighting Ceremony being held on the ATHS Patio at 5 p.m. Each year, offices and student groups have shared their creativity and warm wishes for the holiday season upon wooden, "cards." The cards are put on display in the lawn area between the ATHS and the PDC for all to view.

Winners will be announced and light refreshments will be served. Prizes will be awarded to the top three cards designed by student organizations, as well as the top three cards designed by College offices/departments.

Exhibit of Fiber-Based Artwork Opens in College Gallery

The commonwealth's first regional juried exhibit of work by Studio Art Quilt Associates, is on display in The Gallery at Penn College. A showcase of two- and three-dimensional fiber art, "[Connected by Stitch](#)" officially opened with a reception October 22. The artwork was juried by Joshua R. Willis, a mixed-media artist based in New Mexico. His work integrates materials such as textiles, metal, paint and wood. The show was curated by SAQA Pennsylvania Regional Representative Meredith Eachus Armstrong. SAQA is an international nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art quilts and fiber artists. The exhibit will run through Dec. 8 during regular hours (1-4 p.m. Sundays; 2-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays.) The gallery will be closed Nov. 23-27.



Workforce Development and Continuing Education Center Classes Being Offered

Professional and personal development courses offered through the WDCE encompass industrial, plastics, business/leadership, healthcare, computer, energy, community and more. To find courses being offered visit the [WDCE](#) for more information.

Wildcat Madness Basketball

Join us on November 14 in the Bardo Gymnasium for free food, giveaways, fan contests throughout the evening, dunk contest, three-point contest and a team scrimmage. Doors open at 7 p.m. with the event beginning at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!



Activities Deliver Family Fun ... and Grown-Up Goosebumps

Several events at Penn College, geared to children and the young at heart – and another certainly to be avoided by the faint-of-heart! – put the campus in the mood for [Halloween](#). Students living in Residence Life's Village Apartments handed out goodies to youngsters going door-to-door during convenient trick-or-treat hours, followed by a carnival in Rose Street Commons. That evening also saw the annual (and expectedly imaginative) Halloween Boofet at the Capitol Eatery and the ghoulish goings-on at the Arc Asylum "haunted" welding lab.

Open House Crowds Explore Their Penn College Potential

Fall [Open House](#) at Pennsylvania College of Technology provided an eye-opening experience for those considering enrollment with a national leader in applied technology education. Held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the day included tours; rewarding interaction with employees, students and inspiring alumni; and unique insight into campus life.



Thank you to the 11 Penn College Alumni who returned to campus to volunteer during Open House!

Volunteer Opportunities

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

- **Jaime Binkley**, 2012 Surgical Technology
- **Jonathan DeRoner**, 2015 Computer Aided Product Design
- **Scott Elicker**, 2011 Individual Studies & Business Administration
- **Ryan Ender**, 2012 Aviation Technology & 2013 Technology Management
- **Kevin Hickman**, 2008 Physician Assistant & 2004 Radiography
- **Van Johnson**, 1973 Liberal Arts
- **Michael Leventhal**, 2013 Building Construction Technology & 2015 Residential Construction Technology and Management
- **Dustin Ott**, 2008 Building Construction Technology & 2010 Residential Construction Technology and Management
- **Anthony Peachey**, 2009 Business Administration: Marketing
- **Scott Rinker**, 2012 Business Administration: Marketing
- **Joshua Rosetta**, 2007 & 2009 Information Technology
- **Tracy Schroeder**, 2013 Business Administration: Banking & Finance
- **Zachary Weil**, 2015 Building Construction Technology & Building Science and Sustainable Design
- **Kyle Williams**, 2013 Building Construction Technology & 2015 Residential Construction Technology and Management
- **Bradley Willis**, 2016 Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning Design Technology
- **John Wuest**, 2015 Engineering CAD Technology & Engineering Design Technology

If you would be willing to [volunteer](#) to share your life experiences and knowledge with Penn College students, please contact Rhonda at rsw7@pct.edu. We need you!!!

Giving to Penn College



Lauren Crouse '17

Major: Applied Human Services Hometown: Turbotville, PA

"I am thankful every day because my educational experience has been impacted by faculty, staff, students, and alumni throughout the Penn College community. I have gained many competencies within my field through internships, shadowing, and professors that actually worked in the field. Connecting with alumni through the phonathon will be another awesome experience for me to grow as an individual!"

To learn more about the Penn College Phonathon and meet the rest of the calling team, visit <https://give.pct.edu/>.

Scholarship Memorializing EMS Trailblazer Fully Endowed

The family of William E. Henry gathered on campus to deliver a check that brings the scholarship fund established in his name to fully endowed status. Henry was a pioneer in Lycoming County's emergency medical services. He was in the first graduating class from the Williamsport Hospital School of Paramedic Training – the Penn College emergency medical services program's predecessor – and served many vital roles as a leader, instructor and paramedic. The William E. Henry Memorial Scholarship is open to students in the college's emergency medical services associate-degree major or paramedic technician certificate major who are residents of Bradford, Clinton, Lycoming, Potter, Sullivan Tioga and Union counties and who have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Molly J. Durland, an emergency medical services student from Dushore, is the 2016-17 recipient and joined the family for a photo. The family gathered later Thursday evening to celebrate **the scholarship** becoming fully endowed and to remember the life and contributions of Henry.

