

Alumni Highlights



Ruth Hocker

2004, Civil Engineering Technology

Ruth Ayn Hocker, P.E., D.WRE, CFM, is the stormwater program manager for the City of Lancaster, PA. She holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering technology from Penn College and a master's degree in environmental engineering from The Pennsylvania State University. She has a broad multidisciplinary background including transportation design, low-impact development, sustainable stormwater management design, stormwater management program development and municipal green infrastructure implementation. Ruth has over 10 years of water resource experience encompassing state regulation, regional watershed planning, consulting, and international design. Her hard work promoting community and economic revitalization was recently recognized by the Wolf Administration as part of the 2019 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence. Ruth currently oversees the operations of Lancaster City's stormwater, sustainability, and wastewater collections programs.

Grad, retiree revisit to inspire CAD students

A computer aided drafting technology alumnus and a faculty retiree returned to campus this month for multiple presentations to students in the engineering design technology and engineering CAD technology majors. [Bryan A. Wack](#), who graduated in 2006 and manages the engineering department at JPW Industrial Ovens & Furnaces in Trout Run, and David A. Probst, who retired last year as an assistant professor of engineering design technology and works part time at JPW, spoke to students enrolled in Katherine A. Walker's CAD Management and Customization course.



Alumnus preps students for postgraduate employment

[Bryan E. McCaffery](#), HVAC department supervisor at Bucknell University, recently returned to his alma mater to conduct mock interviews to prepare the students in Kathy M. Richards' Communications class (ENL010) for job placement upon graduation. A 1981 graduate of Williamsport Area Community College's diesel mechanic major, McCaffery also earned a Penn College degree in heating, ventilation and air conditioning technology in 1998. He is a former director of maintenance and facility operations for the Williamsport Area School District and, Richards said, "was happy to give back to the college that has equipped him to be successful in life!"

Alumni Events



Penn College Alumni Relations in Virginia

The Alumni Relations Office is hitting the road for Virginia June 28 and 29. We will be making stops in both Arlington and Richmond. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon!

Penn College Night with the Crosscutters

Join us as we celebrate [Penn College Night](#) at BB&T Park at Historic Bowman field to watch the Williamsport Crosscutters take on the Auburn Double Days, **Wednesday, August 28**. The Alumni Association is once again hosting an alumni gathering in the UPMC Susquehanna Loggers Landing area of Historic Bowman field. The ticket cost is \$15 per person (\$10 for Wildcat X members) and includes a \$10 food credit. The game starts at 7:05 p.m., but please plan to meet us in Loggers Landing at 6:30 p.m.



40th Paramedic Reunion

Paramedic alumni are invited to the 40th Reunion of the Paramedic Program on Saturday, Oct. 5. Network with fellow alumni and former instructors, learn about ways to stay connected, and support the Penn College paramedic program. Cost is \$25 per person. [Reservations](#) are requested by Friday, Sept. 20.

Homecoming 2019

[Homecoming](#) is the perfect time to show your Wildcat pride, reconnect with friends and tour campus. This year's Homecoming dates are October 4-6, 2019. Highlighted activities include Wildcat Athletic Events with Food Trucks, Breakfast with President Gilmour, Alumni and Friends Tent Party, and a Saturday evening gathering at New Trail Brewery!



Alumni News



Weis Markets service team hosts HVAC students

The Penn College HVAC technology program's historically strong partnership with [Weis Markets](#) continued last month, as students in the commercial refrigeration classes toured a Weis store with members of the chain's service team – including a number of graduates.

Penn College Events



[Army ROTC Live Q&A](#)
Wednesday, May 15



[Trash 2 Treasure](#)
Saturday, May 18



[Penn College
Pre-College Programs](#)
June 16-22



[Wildcat Summer Classic
Soccer Camp](#)
June 30



[Basketball Day Camp](#)
July 29-August 1

Penn College News



[Donors applauded for investing
in 'tomorrow makers'](#)



[Students' industrial design
projects exude creativity](#)



[Student nurses host successful
cancer fundraiser](#)



[Senior project lends photo
finish to Penn College career](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

"Make a difference not just a living."

-Unknown

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

- **Hunter Button**, '16, health information technology
- **Michele Harkins**, '92, dental hygiene
- **Bryan McCaffery**, '98, heating, ventilation and air conditioning technology, '81, diesel mechanic
- **Deborah Potter**, '01, office technology
- **Bryan Wack**, '06, computer aided drafting technology



Alumni, we need your help in identifying the next generation of [Tomorrow Makers](#).

Giving to Penn College



Penn College, UPMC Susquehanna extend partnership

Pennsylvania College of Technology's new synthetic-turf athletic field will bear the name "UPMC Field," courtesy of a commitment from UPMC Susquehanna that enhances the partnership between the college and the health system. [Read more.](#)



SimMan to retire, clearing path for next-gen successor

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