



### Alum's gift transforms Penn College's machining lab

Students majoring in one of five manufacturing-related degrees are benefiting from a gift to Pennsylvania College of Technology, featured in a YouTube video. Larry A. Ward, founder of Packaging Progressions Inc., made a donation exceeding \$1 million to revamp the college's machining lab – the largest alumni gift in the college's history. Ward's generosity - recognized through the newly named Larry A. Ward Machining Technologies Center - has resulted in fresh paint, lighting, fixtures and 50 new machines for the 14,299-square-foot instructional space.

## Alumni Highlight



### Electronics alum among presenters at online summit

An award-winning graduate and member of Penn College's Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology Advisory Committee recently headlined a session at a free online conference for electronics hardware engineers. [Eli M. Hughes](#) is co-founder and chief technology officer for TZero Research and Development, which produces ultrasonic acoustic sensors and software for a variety of industries.

## Alumni Events



### [Standing Stronger Together - Veterans Day Celebration](#)

Wednesday, November 11



### [Virtual Cooking Class with Alumnus & Executive Chef, Chris Grove](#)

Monday, November 16



[Virtual Horticulture Class with Alumnus & Faculty Member, Carl Bower](#)  
Thursday, December 3



[Virtual Quizzo with Jon Mackey](#)  
Monday, December 14



[Plastics Reunion](#) (Tentative)  
Friday, April 16, 2021



[20th WTI Reunion](#) (Tentative)  
Friday, April 30, 2021

## Alumni News

### Penn College Family: Playful diversion

Members of the Penn College Family across the globe used their skills in a variety of ways to help others during the pandemic's shelter-in-place orders, including graphic design alumna Eliza R. Whyman, '17, who resides and works in England. See more about her timely [brain teasers](#).



### Designer of signs

Work is a thrill ride for industrial designer Cory D. Karges, '14, whose designs for Sign Producers Inc. are seen by millions at theme parks Universal, Disney and others. Read "[Designer of Signs](#)."

## Penn College grad enjoys 'smooth sailing' career

As a kid, [Richard M. Wood](#) spent countless hours constructing with Legos and playing with remote-controlled boats powered by electric motors. As a Pennsylvania College of Technology alumnus, his are devoted to creating with computer-aided design programs and working on the largest "boats" in the powered by nuclear energy.



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## Penn College grad 'shoots for the moon' with Google

Curiosity drives [Fletcher Ewing](#). As a kid, it drove him to build and race Soap Box Derby cars. As a college student, it led him to study plastics. As a professional, it inspires him to "shoot for the moon." The 1998 Pennsylvania College of Technology graduate and Selinsgrove native is a senior mechanical engineer in Silicon Valley for X, The Moonshot Factory.

## Personal chef finds self-satisfaction in cooking for others

Through a solid belief in herself and unwavering encouragement from her support system, Penn College alumna [Amy \(Lynn\) Koral](#) boldly quit a bakery job to become a full-time personal chef and business owner. Koral – who earned an associate degree in baking and pastry arts in 2014 and founded Cherished Meals in Oregon four years later – discusses the rewards of preparing meals and restoring her clients' valuable time in the process.



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## Penn College News

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[College provides invaluable assist during airport 'emergency'](#)



[In-house artist designs Homecoming T-shirt](#)



[Nursing faculty member receives Patient Advocate Award](#)



[Mascot assumes rightful place on Wildcat Den wall](#)



[Wildcat women's soccer teams up to fight cancer](#)



[Service to be scheduled for former foundation member](#)

## Penn College Events



["You can't take it with you" Exhibit](#)  
October 19-December 3



[Faculty Tours, Q & A's & Information Sessions](#)

## Academic School News

[School of Business, Arts & Sciences](#)

[School of Engineering Technologies](#)

[School of Nursing & Health Sciences](#)

# Volunteer Opportunities

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"Be the mentor you wish you had." -Unknown

Thank you to the following alumni who have volunteered on campus recently. Let us know if you have been on campus lately and your name's not listed below.

- **Joshua Brunk**, '14 technology management, '08 hospitality management
- **Kevin Hickman**, '08 physician assistant, '04 radiography
- **Sabrena O'Keefe**, '07 business administration, '04 computer information systems
- **Bradley Willis**, '16 heating, ventilation & air conditioning design technology

Email [Alumni Relations](#) if you are interested in volunteering.

## Tomorrow Makers Program

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



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## Giving to Penn College

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### Idled Wildcats grateful for UPMC Field

On the one-year anniversary of [UPMC Field](#), Penn College student-athletes and coaches give thanks to corporate sponsors and Wildcat Club members.



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