## **The Honors Report**

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### Welcome to Spring 2018!

Spring semester is in full swing for another year! Graduating seniors are reminded to make an appointment through Barb to meet with Dr. Thyrum and get that graduation form signed!

# Dr. Thyrum's Spring 2018 Office Hours:

Monday: 10:45-11:45 am - Franklin House Monday 1:10-2:40 pm - 120 Luek Hall (first

and third Monday of the month)

Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00-10:45 am –

120 Luek Hall

Wednesday: 9:30-11:30 am – Franklin House Wednesday: 3-4:00 pm – 120 Luek Hall Friday 10:00 am-11:45 am – Franklin House Other times available by appointment! Call: 871-7552. Dr. Thyrum's office hours may be subject to change at times.

### **Fall Recognition Banquet**



Anne Mitzel at Banquet!



The Fall Recognition Banquet was held on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 11:45 am. Three Honors students were recognized for graduation: Jaclyn Belew, Krista Mamet, and Brett Morgan. The following students were recognized for academic achievement: Connor Billings, Kelly Czmar, Lauren Davis, Sean Domencic, Meghan Epler, Abbey Ford, Chris Higgins, Brianna Hornberger, Sarah Huyen, Stephanie Leedom, Jarrod Lloyd, Susan Lloyd, Julia Puia, Nikolas Reckner, Noelle Shellenberger, Julia Walters, Adam Weiner, Abigail Breckbill, Sarah Brubaker, Erin Fagan, Luke Halderman, Kelley Hershey, Tim Keebler, Maria LaSpina, Amanda Mooney, Emily Ott, Jacquelyn Pixley, Bryce Rinehart, Tyler Smith, Grace Smoot, Hadassah Stoltzfus, Jamie Wittick, Alyssa Bingaman, Hannah Campbell, Alexis Chin, David Deighan, Elizabeth Dulac, Mary Gilbert, Maria Glotfelter, Matthew Gormley, Jason Iyobhebhe, Erin Jones, Joshua Larson, Krista Mamet, Zach Mansfield, Seth Martin, Quinn Minnich, Brett Morgan, Katie Newcamp, Lauren Ostopowicz, and Elizabeth Quinn.

#### Franklin House

Franklin House is available for all Honors students as a place to unwind or study between classes. We offer a quiet environment with conference rooms as well as a sitting room with a love seat and chairs for small group gatherings. If student employees are not utilizing the computer work stations, Honors students are free to use the computers. We also have a refrigerator and microwave. Dr. Thyrum often has candy on her desk. We even have a rocker on our front porch. Please stop by....



Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during late January and February

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Misty Matesig	Jan 25
Lauren Davis	Jan 27
Josh Marzak	Jan 29
Bailey Knipe	Jan 31
Derek Sterback	Jan 31
Emily Holmberg	Feb 2
Isaac Stottlemyer	Feb 3
Jeff Calabro	Feb 5
Shelby Fuller	Feb 9
Michael Lockwood	Feb 15
Hellen Brieva	Feb 16
Nikolas Reckner	Feb 18
Lisa Shaffer	Feb 20
Abigail Breckbill	Feb 22
Jacqui Stewart	Feb 25
Amanda Mooney	Feb 28
Josh Larson	Feb 28
Bryce Rinehart	March 7
Elizabeth Fultz	March 8

Remember your friends on their special day!!

Times, Dates and Other Items of Importance:

Feb. 2 (Fri): Groundhog Day!

**Feb. 8 (Thurs):** Thesis Workshop in Luek Hall Room 108 – 4:00 pm

Feb. 14 (Wed): Valentine's Day

Feb. 15 (Thurs): Summer Session

Registration Begins

**Feb. 16 (Fri):** Application deadline for submitting graduation form for May 2018

Mar. 11 (Sun): Daylight Savings

Time Begins!

Mar 12 (Mon): Spring Break

Mar. 19 (Mon): Spring Break ends,

classes resume

Mar. 20 (Tues): Spring begins!

Mar. 20 (Tues): Graduate School

 $Workshop - 4:00\ pm\ SMC\ 118$ 

Apr. 1 (Sun): Easter – No

Fooling!!

Apr. 4 (Wed): Priority

Registration begins at 6:00 am for Fall 2018 courses

**Apr. 6 (Fri):** Last day to withdraw from a class and receive a W.

Deadline for making up an Incomplete Grade for Fall 2017 or Winter 2018.

Apr. 7 (Sat): Accepted Student

Open House

**Apr. 9 (Mon):** PASSHE Student Leadership conference, Dixon

**University Center** 

Apr. 14 (Sat): Honors Bus Trip to

New York City!

May 6 (Sun): Spring Recognition

Banquet



Dr. Thyrum presenting awards to Honors students.



Seniors Brett Morgan and Krista Mamet!





Guest Speaker Dr. Aaron Haines, Chair of the Honors College Curriculum Committee



Honors Students with awards





### **Emmali Montgomery**

I did a lot during my undergrad! Where do I start... When I graduate this Spring, I will have a BSE in Computer Science with a minor in Women's Studies. I will also be graduating Cum Laude! In addition to being a part of the Honors College and HCSA, I have been involved in the Student Alumni Association (2 years), Relay for Life (3 years), Flute Ensemble (2 years), Concert Band (2 years), and I've participated in JAM Crew. I was the Secretary for the Student Alumni Association for 1 year, during which I created their new logo. I am currently serving my second year as the Secretary for Relay for Life, and we just completed our event for the year: Relay in the USA! I've found that it's super important to stay involved around campus, but also to find a balance between extra-curriculars, school, and a social life. While being a part of these amazing organizations, I have also held jobs on campus and participated in research opportunities with professors. During my Sophomore year, I published a paper with Dr. Nazli Hardy at the World Computer Science Conference in Las Vegas titled: "Reframing the Gender Gap in Computer Science as a Solvable

Problem." Not only was this research experience invaluable to my college career, but I was able to represent the paper in 2 academic conferences at IUP and Millersville University the following semester. I was also a Peer Mentor for all of the Computer Science freshman last year, which entails helping them with registration, navigating University websites, and being there as a liaison between professor and student if needed. I've also worked for Barb in the Honors College (she's awesome). I completed 2 internships while at Millersville University. My first summer internship was as a Software Engineer Intern for the WebstaurantStore in Lititz. My second internship began last May with Seisan Consulting in Lancaster where I build mobile apps, websites, and integrate geolocational services for clients. I continued this internship through to this Spring where I'm completing it for course credit in place of an elective. When I graduate, I plans to move to East Petersburg and continue with this company. Being in the Honors College has definitely benefitted myself as a student. Through various community service events, research opportunities, and completing the Honors Thesis, I've found myself to be very close to my professors. I feel as though I am leaving this University with a lot more than just a degree. I also feel as though all of my collegiate experiences really helped to shape how proud I feel of my degree. I am almost always wearing something with Millersville University's logo or name simply because I am so proud to be a Marauder, and I've never once reconsidered my choice.

Sincerely, Emmali Montgomery Secretary of Relay for Life





At Millersville, I majored in Biology and minored in Chemistry. I have had the opportunity to get involved with numerous research projects within the field of Biology and am currently completing my University Honor's Thesis studying the internal parasites of captive and wild white-tailed deer. Outside of academics, I have been an active member of the John Newman Association since my freshman year and have served through numerous leadership roles within the organization. I have had the opportunity to go on multiple mission trips and retreats and currently lead a weekly Bible study. Through the JNA, I have

deepened my faith tremendously and have helped others to do the same. I have worked within the Biology Department as a laboratory assistant and have enjoyed learning from Millersville's amazing faculty. I have worked with the Integrated Studies program for two years now, getting to serve my peers as an Educational Support Coach. I also have another job as a veterinary technician at a local veterinary hospital. After graduation, I will be attending graduate school to become a large and small animal veterinarian. I have been accepted to a few vet schools, and I will most likely be furthering my education at the University Of Pennsylvania College Of Veterinary Medicine in the fall of 2018.



**Jeremy Garling** 

I played the spring season of my sophomore year and the fall semester of my junior year. I worked on my economics thesis project during my senior year. I stayed at Reighard Hall for most of my time at MU and I commuted for my final year at MU. I participated in honors college events like the Day of Caring and the spring formal. That is most of the stuff that I have done while at MU.