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Welcome back to the 'Ville 2014-2015

The Honors College welcomed 76 new students for fall 2014 and Honors students moved. Orientation leaders Alex Paul and Steffi Mangir took very good care of our newest Honors students. They even had time to visit with President Anderson before the freshmen arrived!





Meanwhile, Honors students Shane Kacskos, Phil Radomski, and Kyleigh

Gingrich were busy buying potatoes and other items for the entire year!

Freshman Orientation Meeting

Dr. Downey met with the new Honors freshmen class on Friday, August 22, 2014. Several HCSA officers were also present including President Rachel Kunicki who was able to take this snapshot of the meeting.



Our thanks to Ryan Lower, Shane Billbrough, and Paul Clemmer who made sure the freshmen bags were delivered and handed out to all present!!

Honors College Opening Reception for 2014-2015

The Honors College opening reception will be held on Wednesday, September 3 at 4:00 pm in the Ford Atrium of McComsey Hall. Mentors are encouraged to meet up with their mentees and attend the reception with them.

Times, Dates and Other Items of Importance:

Sept. 6 (Sat): Day of Caring

Sept. 7 (Sun): First HCSA meeting of the year in SMC, Room 24 at 8:00 pm Oct 10 (Fri): Fall recess begins after

last class

Oct 15 (Wed): Classes resume – 8 am

Oct 18 (Sat): Homecoming parade

Oct 31 & Nov 1 : Family Symposium

Nov 25 (Tues): Thanksgiving Recess

begins after last class.

Dec 1 (Mon): Classes resume. **Dec 07 (Sun):** Fall Recognition Banquet – Lehr Dining Room

Dec 8 (Mon): Last day of classes

Dec 9 (Tues): Finals Begin **Dec 14 (Sun):** Commencement



!Birthdays!

Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during September and early October:

Molly Carl	Sept. 2
Liam Dunegan	Sept. 3
Rachel Hentnick	Sept. 4
Scott Moore	Sept. 4
Toni Adamko	Sept. 8
Patrick Maher	Sept. 8
Lindsay Barker	Sept. 11
Erin Runyon	Sept. 12
Amanda Barton	Sept. 14

Jessi Stead	Sept. 15
Emmali Montgomery	Sept. 16
Joseph Gonzalez	Sept. 18
Edwin Sanchez	Sept. 21
Nick Heil	Sept. 22
Leah Schwartz	Sept. 24
Joey Steinmacher	Sept 25
Amber DiNatale	Sept. 28
Casey Swank	Sept. 29
Kyle Brady	Oct. 1
Nate Lapp	Oct. 1
Joseph Wright	Oct. 2
Brandon Johnson	Oct. 4
Erin Madison	Oct. 6
Allison Baker	Oct. 10

Remember your friends on their special

day!

Dr. Downey's Fall 2014 Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

Other times available by appointment! Call: 872-3571. Dr. Downey's office hours may be subject to change at times.

Thank You! Thank You!

Dr. Downey and Barb would like to take this opportunity to thank Lara Adams, Emily Neideigh, and Ryan Lower for their valuable assistance this past summer. Lara and Emily spent hours working to put together the gift bags for all the incoming freshmen as well as on other projects throughout the summer.

2014 SSHE Summer Honors Program

Mansfield University of PA Honors Program sponsored the 2014 SSHE Summer Honors this year. A total of 28 Honors students from the 14 PASSHE schools were at Mansfield University of PA for initial classroom instruction prior to traveling to the Canadian Maritimes for 2 weeks. MU

students chosen for this year's program were Charissa Mohn and Joe Receveur. They will be doing a short program later this semester to let everyone know about their experience in Canada.



Charissa is second from the left and Joe is on the right, shopping for warmer hats!



Joe and Charissa in the Canadian Maritimes



Charissa with some of the other PASSHE students along the coast.

Fall Recognition Banquet

The Fall Recognition Banquet will be held on Sunday, December 7 beginning at 11:45 am. For all our new students, the recognition banquet is a time when graduating seniors are

recognized and students who have achieved high academic standings are also recognized. It promises to be a very special event. Mark your calendars now and look for your invitation to come in the mail!

Honors College Student Association

The Honors College Student Association encourages all freshmen to become involved in this organization as it is for YOU! Officers for the 2013-2014 year are:

President: Rachel Kunicki Vice-President: **Brittany Tomes** Treasurer: Jessica Butts Secretary: Katelyn Murphy Community Service: Christine Persun Fundraising: Corey McCarthy Special Events: Chris D'Imperio **Public Relations:** Zach Cober Historian: Jo Caruso Mentor Chair: Sean Strange Membership Retention: Bryan Diem Alumni Chair: Lindsay Harrison

Day of Caring 2014

Day of Caring 2014 will be held on Saturday, September 6 beginning around 7:30 am. It will run until noon that morning and is the biggest community service event of the year. It is also a required event for the Freshman Year Experience. Sign up with Barb now if you have not already done so! A picture from last year:



Ice Cream Social

The annual ice cream social will be held at the end of October in preparation for Priority Registration in early November. Watch for upcoming news on the ice cream social and plan to come out to construct your favorite ice cream sundae! A favorite annual event of all Honors students!

New for Fall 2014

Drop/add for the Fall Session will be conducted entirely online. Students will be able to drop/add using their MAX accounts until <u>September 2nd at 11:59 PM EST</u>.

Once classes begin (8/25/14), faculty may add a student over capacity for a closed course or approve adding a student who has not met a prerequisite or other restriction. A faculty add override will be available on your faculty web account when a class begins. This override will be the equivalent of your signature on a drop/add card - it will override all restrictions that are keeping a student from registering for a class EXCEPT for time conflicts and class level restrictions (an undergraduate taking a 500-level graduate course). The Permission to Enroll forms on the online Student Forms Center still apply to these restrictions and need to be submitted to the Registrar's Office for processing.

Waitlists (and waitlist notifications to students) will be active during the drop/add period for classes. Regardless of the amount of time allocated to a student that has received notification of an opening in a class, they have until 11:59 PM on September 2nd to register from the wait list.

Students must have faculty and advisor approval to withdraw from a course. Please note that course withdrawal is <u>not</u> available online; withdrawal cards will be available on the Student Forms Center and at the

Registrar's Office in Lyle Hall. Signed cards must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by <u>4:30 PM on October</u> 31st.

Update in Computer Labs Student Printing at MU

Effective Date: August 18, 2014

Lab Update: Students will be charged

for printing in the computer labs.

Student Impact: Students will receive an

allocation of prints twice a year. After they use their allocation, they will be charged for prints

through their

MarauderGold account. For more details, please refer to the following

website –

https://wiki.millersvill e.edu/display/ittac/Prin ting+in+Campus+Labs

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be a greener and more sustainable campus.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the Help Desk at 871-2371, or email

help.desk@millersville.edu

Given this new printing allotment for students, it has been decided that students will **NOT** be able to print items at Franklin House if a student goes over their printing allotment in computer labs on campus.

Budget constraints warrant this decision by Dr. Downey.

Director's Corner

First of all, a hearty welcome to the newest members of the University Honors College community! We admitted 75 new students and still several dozen eligible candidates remained on a wait list. The UHC and the HCSA have a busy year ahead, one filled with social and cultural opportunities, new academic programs, and an investment in Reighard Hall as the focus for the expanded living and learning community. The UHC is supporting several academic initiatives on campus, including the year-long Common Reading program, a Disability initiative in September, and our own series of talks and presentations. There are ample service opportunities, including the Day of Caring, the Millersville Mini-THON, and fundraising to support the designated charity. I encourage everyone to get involved and to contribute to the quality of the UHC and the HCSA. This is your program and we need your enthusiasm and effort to realize what it means to be a "community of scholars."

Dennis B. Downey, PhD

Alumni Tidbits



Felicia Guarriello '14 and Michele Serino '14 getting ready for graduate studies at Texas A&M University

AJ Saraceno '14 has begun graduate studies at Villanova University.

Megan Meyer '14 is teaching Honors 10th Grade English and Reading at Elkton High School, Elkton, MD.

Patrick Owens '12 is teaching Math at Harford Technical High School in Bel Air, MD.

Emily Morgan '12 will now be teaching Biology at Danville High School in Danville, PA.

Brian Luckenbill '14 is teaching Physics and Engineering at Glen Rock High School in northern NJ.

Leah Costik '14 is now serving with the Peace Corps in Zambia, Africa. Leah left the USA June and will serve for 27 months. Chelsea Leber '14 is teaching Math at North Hagerstown High School in Hagerstown, MD.

Jessica Doudrick '12 is the new Digital Editor/Assignment Desk Editor at WGAL TV studios in Lancaster, PA.

Bobby Bee '07 graduated in May 2014 from Seton Hall Law School.

Stephanie Coleman '12 married Tom Steele this summer. Her brother John Coleman '15, also an Honors College student, was a groomsman and her twin sister, Katelyn '12 was in the bridal party as well!

Sarah Geiger '13 was the 2014 Laird Fellow

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Allison Heck '12 is now in the PhD program in Physical Therapy at Arcadia University.

We wish all of our alumni continued success in all of their endeavors!