Spring at the ‘Ville

Zach Whelpley, President Anderson, and Bryce Rinehart enjoyed a late afternoon flight with their drones over campus. President Anderson even allowed Zach and Bryce to fly his super drone!

C.O.U.R.A.G.E. Group Colloquium
On Tuesday, May 2nd, the student group C.O.U.R.A.G.E. sponsored a colloquium on immigrants and refugees in Lancaster County at the Ware Center in downtown Lancaster. The speakers involved in this event gave educational insight into the history of immigration and seeking refuge in this county. Lancaster community leaders also spoke and shared their own personal stories about going through the process of coming to and settling in Lancaster County. Refreshments were served after the event. Honors students involved in this event included Bryan Diem, Dustin Hornberger, Kelsy Snavely, and Elizabeth Quinn. Dr. Aaron Porter is the faculty adviser of this student group.
Times, Dates and Other Items of Importance:

May 7 (Sun): Spring Recognition Banquet
May 8 (Mon): Study day
May 9-12: Final Exams
May 13 (Sat): Commencement
May 29 (Mon): Memorial Day

Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during May-early September:

Julia Puia May 6
Kelley Hershey May 7
Leo London May 7
Joe Greeby May 8
Adam Weiner May 8
Jocelyn Elzer May 10
Cross Truesdell May 12
Benjamin Wesley May 12
Bryanne Minnella May 15
Tim Keebler May 17
John Haberkern May 18
Matt Gormley May 19
Ashley Christenbury May 24
Payton Campbell May 25
Peter Sitarik May 25
Connor Billings May 29
Noelle Shellenberger June 3
Erin Jones June 6
Lauren Ostowicz June 12
Sondas Hassan June 13
Stephanie Leedom June 15
Trent Soto June 16
Jeremy Garling June 21
Joe Asbury June 27
Krista Mamet July 3
Jackie Buck July 7
Ben Zwolan July 9
Carolyn Eskin July 13
Jaclyn Belew July 20
Taylor Michael July 20
Jamie Wittick July 25
Taylor Payne July 30
Zachary Dodson August 3
Carlynn Adams August 5
Bethany Hafer August 7
Matt Hafer August 7
Kristen Hart August 7
Lauren Shouey August 8
Kelly Czmar August 13
Hannah Campbell August 16
Brett Morgan August 20
Trish Wardle August 22
Angel Robinson August 23
Jarrod Lloyd August 26
Riley Grimes August 30
Poushali Ghosh September 2
Rachel Hentnick September 4

Remember your friends on their special day!

Dr. Downey’s Spring 2017
Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
9:30-11:30 am.
Other times available by appointment! Call: 871-7552. Dr. Downey’s office hours may be subject to change at times.
Spring Recognition Banquet 2017

Students attending the spring banquet

Distinguished guest speaker, Dr. Dennis B. Downey!

Senior Sara Howell with family members

Senior Brittany Tomes with her parents and Sean Hamilton

Erin Jones, Mary Gilbert, and Tim Keebler

Dr. Prabhu giving remarks

Additional pictures on page 5
The spring recognition banquet was held on Sunday, May 7 in the Lehr Dining Room of the Bolger Conference Center. The Honors College recognized graduating seniors along with other Honors students who have achieved overall high academic GPA's. Dr. Downey was the guest speaker at this banquet. Those seniors recognized at the banquet include: Rachel Ashmore, Joshua Bard, Sarah Barnes, Jessica Butts, Jo Caruso, McKenzie Chiola, Zach Cober, Emily Cuthbert, Derick DeCamp, Bryan Diem, Carolyn Eskin, Katherine Geating, Andrew Ha, Betsabe Hernandez, Eden Hirtzel, Sara Howell, Ivanny Jacome Ottati, Natalie James, Stefanie Mangir, Corey McCarthy, Alex Paul, Christine Persun, Peter Sitarik, Kelsy Snavely, Sean Strange, Brittany Tomes, Jose Urena, Elizabeth Wahba, and Cody Youse. Students recognized for their academic achievement included Jacqueline Buck, Kelly Czmar, Sean Domenico, Meghan Epler, Abbey Ford, Elizabeth Fultz, Sarah Hagen, Sarah Huyen, Stephanie Leedom, Jarrod Lloyd, Susan Lloyd, Nikolas Reckner, Noelle Shellenberger, Devin Tipton, Cross Truesdell, Julia Walters, Adam Weiner, Tancy Wenrich, Gloria Zavala, Abigail Breckbill, Sarah Brubaker, Erin Fagan, Gabrielle Geringer, Matthew Gormley, Luke Haldeman, 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, Jason Iyobhebhe, Erin Jones, Joshua Larson, Krista Mamet, Zachary Mansfield, Seth Martin, Quinn Minnich, Lauren Ostopowicz, Elizabeth Quian, Rachel Ashmore, Sarah Barnes, Jessica Butts, Emily Cuthbert, Derick DeCamp, Bryan Diem, Sara Howell, Stafanie Mangir, Brett Morgan, Ivanny Jacome Ottati, Peter Sitarik, Kelsy Snavely, Jose Urena, and Elizabeth Wahba.

May Commencement, 2017
The Undergraduate Commencement will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., on Chryst Field at Biemesderfer Stadium. Rehearsal will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 4:00 p.m. in Pucillo Gymnasium for those participating in either or both ceremonies. Those who have placed rental or purchase orders for regalia with Darlene Hunsberger at the University Store will be contacted by her directly by email when their orders arrive. All Honors College graduates will also pick up their various colored cords at the bookstore for commencement.

Reighard Hall RA’s for Fall
The following students have been chosen as the RA’s for Reighard Hall for 2017-2018:

Elizabeth Dulac, Liam McTigue, Isela Mendez, and Zach Whelpley. Please wish them well.

Orientation Leaders for Fall Orientation
The following students have been chosen to be Orientation Leaders (OL) for orientation during August 2017. They will be leading groups of incoming freshmen during the orientation process. Tee Aviles, Sean Domenico, Jason Iyobhebhe, Kristen Hart, and Bryanne Minnella.
HCSA Officers and Executive Board for 2017-2018

President: Taylor Payne
Vice-President: Alyssa Cannistraci
Secretary: Hannah Campbell
Treasurer: Shelby Fuller
Fundraising: Brook Dobbs
Public Relations: Kristen Hart
Historian: Sean Domenic
Community Service: Rachel Laughlin
Special Events: Lauren Davis
Alumni Relations: Sean Hamilton
Membership Retention: Erin Jones
Mentor/Mentee Chair: Kelly Czmar

Congratulations to all students willing to give of their time and talents to continue the excellence of HCSA!

More Banquet Pictures 2017

Senior Sarah Barnes

Seniors Corey McCarthy, Stefanie Mangir, and Emily Cuthbert

Senior Ivanny Jacome Ottati

Senior Lizzy Wahba with Dr. Downey and her dad

Drs. Prabhu and Downey with graduating seniors
**Director’s Corner**

As my tenure as Director of the University Honors College comes to a close, and as we await word of a replacement, I want to thank the past and current students who have made my efforts so enjoyable. When I interviewed for the job I said that the “purpose of the director is to direct.” I have tried to do that, and to improve the program in ways that benefit the students. I want to reiterate my thanks for Barb, Dr. Prabhu, and for the countless people who have assisted in this effort. Alumni like Paul Beideman and colleagues like Amy Dmitzak, among many others, have been instrumental. I thank my faculty colleagues too! You will find below an incomplete list of some of our accomplishments this year. This list serves as a testament to the vitality and ingenuity of the Honors College as a flagship program, the most dynamic living and learning community on campus! Good waves and good tunes on the path ahead. *Thanks for all, dbd*

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### University Honors College 2017

**Director’s notes of UHC activities and accomplishments 2016-7**

1. Important modification in curriculum approved and implemented
2. Once again largest single group participating in annual Day of Caring
3. Schreiber Pediatric Center as designated charity; HCSA raised funds and donated time and talent; active involvement with client/children.
4. UHC and HCSA support numerous other service activities so students fulfill service requirements
5. Largest and most active Living and Learning Community on Campus
6. UHC organized and hosted annual PASSHE Honors Student Development Conference, Dixon Center 4/3
7. Day trips to Washington D.C. and New York City (Broadway and ‘Cats’)
8. Profile: of 210 total, 55 UHC students have GPA above 3.8; vast majority above 3.6; 31 UHC students scheduled to graduate in May with successful defense of thesis
9. Offered several thesis workshops, registration workshops; customary luncheons, etc.

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10. Very successful Beideman Mentorship Initiative programs
11. University Research Newsletter will be published in June
12. Additional fund raising and nurturing benefactors
13. AWS Initiative (research, curriculum, internships) in development
14. HCSA sponsored numerous service and social events to complement academic climate
15. UHC website undergoing updates and expansion
16. UHC collaborative with internal and external groups on several academic and community education symposia
17. Substantial increase in available scholarship funds for incoming students
18. Director advised 200+ Honors students, and History students too
19. COURAGE Policy research working group sponsored several events