New “Marauder” Fire Truck

The next time the Blue Rock Fire Rescue responds to an emergency on campus students may end up seeing a familiar face: The Millersville Marauder. Millersville University recently donated $80,000 to the Blue Rock Fire Rescue Company in order to aid them in purchasing an advanced $640,000 fire engine. In addition, Student Services, Inc., gave $50,000 towards the purchase. To show the fire company’s gratitude, the new engine bears the spirit mark of the Millersville University Marauder.

Each year, Millersville University sets aside $10,000 for capital expenditures for fire company use. The $80,000 came from money in that fund. In addition, the University gives the fire company $5,000 each year for operating expenses.

“We are proud to support the efforts of Blue Rock Fire Rescue in spirit, as well as financially when the need arises,” said Roger Bruszewski, vice president of finance and administration. “The relationship between the University and the fire company is beneficial to both organizations, but, most importantly, it helps keep the campus and students safe.”

Chief Keith Eshleman, of the Millersville Branch of the Blue Rock Fire Rescue, believes that Millersville University and the fire company have a strong, lasting collaboration. “I think the University and the fire department are in a great partnership together. It is tremendous that they are able to give to us,” said Eshleman. “The Marauder logo on the side of the truck allows us to show our appreciation for everything they do for us.”

Having already responded to more than 70 emergencies, the new fire truck represents the top of the line in safety and efficiency. The engine possesses a specialized foam system in addition to its standard water cannon. To ensure the safety of the firefighters aboard, the passenger compartment is equipped with multiple airbags, and the truck is aided by a stability control system. “It has all of the safety features that people have enjoyed in automobiles for quite some time; we are only now just getting those in fire departments,” said Eshleman.

The new engine appeared on campus most recently on September 12, while investigating a possible fire in Lenhardt Hall. The fire department responds to an average of 10 incidents on campus a semester.

Over the summer, the independent Millersville Fire Company joined the conglomerate Blue Rock Fire Rescue. This coalition has more equipment and greater ability to react to danger across the community.
MU Gets Mean and “Green” at Homecoming Competition

At Millersville University’s homecoming football game on October 29, the Marauders will engage in two separate competitions. The first competition will be the football game against the Shippensburg Crusaders, and the second will be a recycling competition against participating colleges from across the nation. Millersville was recently recognized as one of the top eco-friendly universities in the nation by Princeton Review’s Guide to 311 Green Colleges and is furthering their sustainability efforts with this competition.

“The game-day challenge is a friendly competition for colleges and universities to promote waste reduction at their football games,” says Elizabeth Karevicius, assistant to the vice president for finance and administration.

Throughout the challenge, colleges and universities across the United States will use waste management strategies during their home football games in hopes of being the recycling victor. Schools will then track and report their waste reduction and disposal data. They will be evaluated on the premise of waste generation, greenhouse gas reduction, recycling rate and organics reduction. These numbers will be calculated by simple formulas that take into account the number of attendees, pounds of trash, pounds of recyclables and pounds of compostables.

This challenge was made by the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) WasteWise program, a voluntary program in which organizations reduce their costly municipal solid waste and select industrial waste that benefits the environment. The overall goal of the competition is to lower the waste generated at college football games and to heighten awareness of waste reduction programs.

In order to measure the amount of waste reduced at the game, solar-powered trash compactors called “BigBelly” will be brought to campus. These powerful and easy-to-use machines are used in more than 30 countries across many municipalities, universities and government facilities. They are also capable of displacing fossil fuels and turning them into renewable energy, in addition to reducing litter and associated health concerns. These compactors hold five times the amount of an average receptacle and only need to be emptied once per week.

Not only will these machines be used at the homecoming game, they will also be placed throughout campus to see how effective they are. “Soon, Millersville will see six ‘BigBelly’ trash and recycling containers placed around campus this fall,” says Roger Bruszewski, vice president for finance and administration. “The University would like to see how effective these machines are before ordering more,” says Karevicius.
The homecoming football game will take place on Saturday, October 29, at 1:30 p.m. at Chryst Field in Biemesderfer Stadium.

Brossman Lecture Will Explore Great Depths

Dr. Edith Widder, biologist and deep-sea explorer, will present the 27th Annual Brossman Science Lecture on November 3 at Millersville University. Widder’s presentation, “Exploring and Protecting Planet Ocean,” will give a breathtaking view of the world beneath the surface of the seas.

This event, which will take place at 7 p.m. in Marauder Court, located in the Student Memorial Center, will answer the question “What beauty can be found at the ocean's greatest depths, and how can we protect it?”

In 2005, Widder co-founded the Ocean Research & Conservation Association (ORCA), a nonprofit organization dedicated to the protection and restoration of marine ecosystems and the species they sustain. She is a specialist in bioluminescence and a leader in designing new submersible equipment to enable unobtrusive deep-sea observations. Her research involving submersibles has been featured on BBC, PBS, Discovery Channel and National Geographic television programs.

The presentation is sponsored by the Mr. and Mrs. William F. Brossman Charitable Foundation and Millersville University.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the dean’s office of the School of Science and Mathematics at 717-872-3407 or SciMathDeansOffice@millersville.edu.

How to do Business in India

Central Pennsylvania residents interested in doing business in India will receive insight into the process, thanks to a conference coming up at Millersville University. The Entrepreneurial Leadership Center (ELC) of Millersville University’s Center for Civic and Community Engagement and Research Project (CCERP) will be hosting a conference titled “Doing Business with India: Culture, Trade and Trends” on Monday, November 14, from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
During the conference, which will be held in Lehr Room, in Gordinier Hall, the University has invited Her Excellency Nirupama Rao, the Ambassador of India, and Vinay Kwatra, commerce minister at the embassy of India. The conference will discuss the importance of India’s economic growth and provide insight for those businesses who are interested working at the international level.

Opening remarks will be delivered by Dr. Melvin Allen, founder and executive director of CCERP, emeritus, and Dr. Vilas Prabhu, provost and vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Marlene Arnold, professor of anthropology at Millersville and regional economic development fellow of the ELC, will introduce the day’s events.

“There is no more important time for U.S. businesses to expand globally. Outside of entrepreneurial activities, doing business abroad provides our best shot at economic growth and recovery. India is an excellent choice for Pennsylvania businesses seeking to grow. Our seminar is for small-to-medium-size businesses that have either not yet done business with India, or that are just beginning that process. In addition, the day-long event also offers ample opportunity for businesses to network,” says Arnold.

Morning sessions include topics such as “Opportunities for Pennsylvania business and industry,” “Indian business interests and investment in PA: Successes and challenges” and a presentation by Kwatra. A networking break will conclude the morning topics, followed by lunch. Registration will take place between 8 – 8:30 a.m., and cost $75.

Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett has been invited to give the afternoon keynote address. In addition, topics will cover Indian business culture and a panel discussion that consists of state and U.S. government resources, finance and banking, shipping and customs and legal considerations. A question-and-answer period will be provided at the conclusion of the panel discussion. Closing remarks from Millersville University President Francine McNairy will end the conference.

For more information, contact the CCERP office at 717-872-3049 or Marlene.Arnold@millersville.edu. For a full description of the event, visit www.millersville.edu/ccerp.

Questions (And Answers) About Computers
By Computer Science Professor Dr. Nazli Hardy

Computer Power
Should you turn your computer off or put it to sleep/ hibernate/ standby?

It depends. If you are stepping away from your desk for a while, it is generally more efficient to put your computer to sleep/ hibernate/ standby. Putting your computer to ‘sleep’ (click on the ‘sleep’ button from the Start menu, or simply close your laptop) automatically saves your work – and also saves on power. In addition, it affords the added convenience of still letting networks download necessary updates and related
maintenance tasks. Reawakening your machine allows you to continue working as you had been with minimal delay.

However, if you are leaving for the weekend or vacation, shut down your computer and start afresh when you return to work. You may also need to shut down your computer when you install new hardware or software.

Note: Screensavers are generally not energy savers. Some screensavers may cause the computer to burn more energy, and may prevent the computer from entering sleep mode.

Security software
If there is one security software you must invest in, it should be an anti-virus.

While there is no such thing as total security over the Internet, there is some reliable anti-virus software in the market. Most basic anti-virus software is reasonably priced (ranging from $20-$90), given your return on investment. Norton 360 version 5 (Symantec), ZoneAlarm, Shield and AVG are highly rated. They are easy to install and navigate and include firewall, anti-virus, anti-spyware and anti-spam.

Computer Privacy
This cannot be stressed enough – passwords should be strong, easily remembered but not easily guessed.

Here are some easy tips:

- Do make use of numbers, a mix of upper and lower case letters, as well as symbols that are found on your keyboard.
- Do use the first letters of a long sentence (mixing upper and lower case) and then add a number (e.g., sWotrwUh239 for somewhere over the rainbow way up high).
- Do use words that are not found in the dictionary.
- Do not use anything containing your name or login.
- Change your password, making it sufficiently different from the previous ones.

If someone still cracks your password (which is saved in an encrypted form) after you have taken such stringent measures to create a strong one, you must have some really valuable information that they want to get their hands on – or it’s just plain bad luck!

You may have the strongest password, but if you still insist on giving out your date of birth, your town of residence and birth, place of work, your anniversary on Facebook, along with your every like and dislike, for everyone to see, then your privacy is certainly compromised.
Backing up your computer

Backing up your computer is critical, essential and life-saving. We all have our most valuable and dear (and sometimes superfluous) information on our computers. I would be devastated if I lost precious photos of my husband and children, or the novel I secretly wrote or the teaching presentations for my classes. Let’s face it; all our important documents are on our computers. As ironic as it is, parts of our brain-power are stored in ‘bits’ and pieces on the computer.

But computers fail, hard drives die, phones are lost (or occasionally dropped into the Caribbean Blue), laptops are stolen and viruses and worms attack. And, life distracts you enough to delete a file when you were simply trying to rename it. If you have toddlers who are happily exploring the world, then document loss is also inevitable. There is also that tea/milk/soda spillage problem, too.

So save yourself the stress and heart palpitations: Back-up your important documents.

Online backup is a convenient and efficient option for the following reasons:

- Someone else is responsible for dealing with automatic backup (for a reasonable fee of course). For example, a Norton online back-up package starts at about $50.
- You can store all your important files (documents, photos, videos, etc.) in one place and then access them easily.
- The file transfer of the backup files via the Internet is encrypted.
- You can search for your files by using keywords.
- In most cases, you can use your subscription to protect multiple computers.
- You can increase your storage needs for an additional but affordable cost.

Many institutions back-up their employees’ documents (that could be good or bad, depending on your perspective).

General Internet safety

Viruses, worms and Trojan horses are all malware (malicious programs) that can damage your computer and wreak havoc on your life.

Viruses attach themselves to a program or file allowing them to spread from one computer to another, leaving infections in their wake. Almost all viruses are attached to an executable file, which means they may exist on your computer but cannot actually infect it unless you click on a link or open a file. So do not click any link or open any attachment in an unexpected email unless you are sure of the content and/or the sender.

Worms spread from computer to computer via the network and requires no human action (i.e., no clicking of links or opening of files are necessary to unleash the replicating process). An example of a worm is one that sends a copy of itself to everyone listed in your email contact book. Then, the worm replicates and sends itself out to everyone listed in each of the receiver's address book, and the circle of worm-recipients continues to ripple or ‘worm’ out, consuming an enormous amount of bandwidth as it does.
A Trojan horse, like its mythical namesake, is a seemingly innocuous file that releases a surprise in the form of malware when opened by the receiver. So be wary of opening unexpected files or files contained in an email that is sent to a long list of recipients. Who knew a wooden horse would be so ubiquitous in the 21st century.

Sending Information over the Internet (Email and Social Networking)

Here are some general guidelines collected by those that know:

- Do not send email when angry or emotional or irritated. Once the words are sent, they remain out there at least throughout your lifetime. Assume that your boss, mom, conservative cousin, your ‘frenemy’ and the press will read it. You are responsible for your words; the ‘reply’ and ‘send’ buttons give the term ‘trigger-happy’ a whole new meaning.
- The same goes for online comments you leave on blogs – your words can be traced back to you (or close enough to you). I have traced myself back to the actual classroom (Roddy 136) from which I am testing a network trace.
- A dose of caution is always advisable when posting on social networks. You may (a) appear to have too much time on your hands, (b) expose a thoroughly mundane life and (c) be giving out TMPI (too much personal information). Again, assume your boss, mom, conservative cousin, ‘frenemy’ and the press are reading your posts and looking at your pictures – because in many cases they are. On the flip side, your postings may show you to be the thoughtful, well-read, witty, delightful person you really are.
- ‘Friend’ (yes it is now a verb) your children (above 13) on social networks – they are using them, so you may as well be connected along with them.
- Keeping your family computer in a central room is not enough to monitor your children’s online access anymore because your children are connected through other means (e.g. smart phones). The best strategy remains the traditional approach: To keep a very wide and open berth of communication between you and them. Educate yourself, educate your children and be open and frank about your concerns and care for them. “Sexting” should be part and parcel of the ‘birds and the bees’ conversation (please save your notes for my husband and me).
- Check the privacy settings on social networking sites often because they change, sometimes without notice.
- And, as you would not befriend a stranger on sight (in most cases), do not friend people you do not know. As bullying is unacceptable in person, it is unacceptable online. Everything you learned in kindergarten about social interaction seems to apply to social networking. Play nicely, with everyone. Be kind. Have fun. Respect. See, your parents did know more than you.
- Oh, and before reposting those canned messages on your status, take a moment to consider if it will really add value to your avatar.
- Just be aware, and take good care – that’s the best policy.

Author’s note: Any parent should feel free to contact me in connection with Internet safety, especially in regards to children and social network safety, at Nazli.Hardy@millersville.edu.
Summer started a week late for the 12 dedicated faculty members who participated in the first-ever Camp IDEA, held May 9-13. Participants from 10 departments were guided through camp activities by the multi-disciplinary instructional team of Dr. Oliver Dreon, educational foundations; Marie Firestone, information technologies; Greg Szczyrbak, library; and Al Unrath, information technologies.

Camp IDEA – Innovative Digital Education & Assessment – is a one-week training for faculty with an interest in teaching online. The goal of Camp IDEA is to develop or strengthen participants’ foundational understanding of pedagogy in support of learner-centered instruction in an online environment. Camp activities introduce participants to a multitude of technological tools and resources, while simultaneously examining the theory and best pedagogical practices of a variety of instructional situations.

The week started with lively discussions about digital natives, learning theory and distance education. Additional activities included an introduction to the tools resident in the Desire2Learn™ Learning Management System, such as gradebook, quizzes, discussions and widgets. However, participants also had the opportunity to explore and experiment with additional tools such as Jing™ for recorded screencasts, GoAnimate™ for animations and Audacity™ for recording podcasts.

With input from the inaugural participants, camp instructors are busily revising the curriculum for the next Camp IDEA, which will be held January 9-13, 2012. Interested faculty should contact Veronica Longenecker, information technologies, or Dr. Victor DeSantis, CCERP, at Veronica.Longenecker@millersville.edu or Victor.DeSantis@millersville.edu.

Photo: Front Row (L to R): Dr. Frederika Schmitt, Shauna Frischkorn; Second Row: Joyce Anderson, Marie Firestone; Third Row: Dr. Kimberly Heilshorn, Nancy Mata, Dr. Oliver Dreon, Greg Szczyrbak; Fourth Row: Drs. Hosein Atharfar, Carla Rineer, Marilyn Parrish and Joel Piperberg; Back Row: Al Unrath; Not pictured: Drs. Daniel Audette, Shaun Cook and Shawn Gallagher.
Millersville University’s 2011 Department of Music Newsletter

The 2011 edition of Millersville University’s music newsletter has arrived! Featured in this newsletter are articles and events happening in the music department. Read about retired professor of music Dr. Daniel Heslink, progression in new music facilities, Discovery Weekends for the prospective music student, faculty and staff activities, upcoming events and more. Also check out videos of the Vyner Competition winner performing and a clip from the Single Reed Symposium.

To view the Music Newsletter, please click on the following link: www.millersville.edu/music/newsletter.

Tour of Millersville’s Pipe Organs

As part of Millersville's 250th anniversary celebration, a special tour will feature Millersville’s use of the pipe organ as a significant part of America's higher culture. The free walking tour of local pipe organs is scheduled for Sunday, October 30, starting at 2 p.m. at the Zion Church. Dr. Karl E. Moyer, Millersville University professor emeritus of music, will lead the tour.

The tour will include three local churches: Zion Church, First United Methodist Church and St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Each tour stop will last approximately 30 minutes to provide time for participants to look at the organ and the church building. The presentation will include singing a hymn that is identified with the individual church. This will showcase the organ as a singing-leadership instrument as well as for the performance of organ music alone. Each demonstrating organist is volunteering her services.

Advance registration for the free tour is not necessary. For more information, contact Moyer at 717-397-8035 or kmoyer@millersville.edu.

Upcoming Events!

Millersville University Presents Noise Machine
A Collaboration Between Barbara Madsen, Ely Rosa Zamora, A.P. Vague

Millersville University’s Sykes Gallery presents Barbara Madsen's new installation, *Noise Machine*, a city of objects that alludes to a world gone awry with voracious desire and paranoia. The re-combination ready-mades are of 20th- and 21st-century detritus from the analog and digital eras. They are poised on a maze of plinths, elevating the pedestal to the same hierarchy as the object.

Three of the sculptures in the exhibition (one on which the title of the exhibition is based) are auditory collaborations with the Venezuelan poet Ely Rosa Zamora and sound artist A.P. Vague.

The exhibition runs from October 31 to December 9. Madsen will also present a Gallery talk on Monday, November 14, at noon.

Sykes Gallery is located in Breidenstine Hall. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Sunday, noon – 4 p.m.; and by appointment. All gallery events are free and open to the public.

Free tours of the exhibition may be scheduled by calling Ty Clever, gallery director, at 717-871-2186 or Tyler.Clever@millersville.edu.

Local Dance Companies Join Forces with Professional Philadelphia-Based Dance Troupe to Open The Ware Center Dance Series

A new initiative called “The Dance Arts Collaborative” was recently created to promote the art of dance locally. The group responsible for this collaboration will hold dance performances in four broad categories: Ballet, cultural/ethnic, ballroom and contemporary/modern. The Grand Opening performance is scheduled for Sunday, October 23, at 7 p.m. at The Ware Center at Millersville University Lancaster, in downtown Lancaster.

Opening night is a two-part dance presentation. The first act consists of professional-level dancers from local dance studios including Cobalt Dance Company, Dance Mosaic, the F&M Dance Program, Lancaster School of Ballet and Viktor Yeliohin International Ballet Academy.
The second act is a performance by Fuego Dance Company, under the direction of Hector Serrano, CEO, and founder. The oldest and largest Salsa dance studio in the city of Philadelphia is celebrating its 15th year. Twelve professional dancers and singers ranging in age from 25 to 8 years old will present a variety of Latino and Salsa-inspired dance and vocal works. The program is family-friendly and designed to include audience participation. A highlight of the program is a song by Lisa Diaz, who provides the Spanish voices in Nickelodeon’s “Dora the Explorer” TV series recordings.

The public is invited, and the evening is suitable for people of all ages. Student tickets are free, tickets for adults and parents cost $15. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Ticket Office at 717-872-3811, online, at www.muticketsonline.com, or at the Millersville University or The Ware Center Box Offices.

**Transformational Fair**

Millersville University has begun a “transformational process.” President Francine G. McNairy first discussed transformation at her Convocation speech on September 9, followed by more details in “The Case for Change,” shared with the campus community, the Council of Trustees, and the boards of the Millersville University Foundation and the alumni association, and the capital campaign cabinet.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the Transformation Action Fair on November 1 at Marauder Court, SMC. Between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., everyone is invited to drop in to learn more about ideas shared at the Convocation. “Attendees will be able to explore the transformational action ideas that are being developed at Millersville University and ‘sign on’ to be a part of our transformation,” said Melanie DeSantis, director of professional development and training. Action ideas fall into the following categories: Student success, increased advocacy and efficient and effective student services.

For more information, contact DeSantis at 717-871-3272 or Melanie.DeSantis@millersville.edu.

**Senate Education Committee Hearing at Millersville**

The Senate Education Committee will hold a public hearing at Millersville University on Thursday, November 3, from 1-4 p.m. in Reighard Multipurpose Room, located in the Student Memorial Center, to hear testimony on a package of bipartisan bills intended to modernize and update the statute governing the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

**Millersville University Hosts Mixer for Sustainability**

Project Green Lancaster is having a mixer on campus with members of the York & Lancaster Susquehanna Sustainable Business Network (SSBN) on October 27 from 6-8
p.m., in the Ford Atrium, McComsey Hall. Several students in the communication & theatre department will be giving short presentations about their sustainable community work.

Students presenting include Christopher Gailey, representing a four-student collaboration on Lancaster Green Infrastructure Initiative, working with James R. Cowhey, executive director, and Mary Frey, principal planner, of Lancaster County Planning Commission; Shanna Muscavage, speaking about Lemon Street Market, a new, organic and locally focused grocery store; and Sarah Darling and Joanna Hershey, talking about a sustainable walking tour map of Lancaster city, collaborating with a geography GIS graduate student.

"Some of the richest learning occurs when students go out into the community to research a topic by meeting and talking to people about their expertise in that area, and that is what students in the Digital Media Writing class have been doing to populate the Project Green Lancaster website with content," said Dr. Stacey Irwin, professor of communication & theatre. "It is so easy to Google information, and much more time consuming and challenging to make appointments, visit someone at their business location, ask questions and document information with photos and well chosen words. We are glad to partner with SSBN in this effort to promote a resource-based website about sustainability efforts in Lancaster and welcome them to campus to hear about some of our student work and to network with our students."

The University campus community is invited to meet and connect with SSBN members and businesses sharing related ideas. Attendees will hear about featured areas Project Green Lancaster is working on and learn about a Millersville University grant program, focused on helping small regional businesses.

For more information, contact Irwin at Stacey.Irwin@millersville.edu or 717-872-3138.

**Need to Know:**

**Technical Outages**

Due to the technical outage, which started Saturday, major computer systems on campus continue to be unavailable. The information technology department created a webpage for users to monitor the progress as systems are brought back online. To view the latest updates, visit mualert.com/.

“As we come through the final stages of system restoration, we know that there will be many smaller scale problems that we may not be able to detect,” said Chip German, vice president for information resources. “We’ll need the help of the entire campus community in letting us know about things that were working before this past Saturday but that don’t return to service when most everything else does. Now that our Help Desk system is back – and it was one of the casualties of the
outage – we will be encouraging folks to inform the Help Desk of any such problems since we may not know about them.”

Thanks for your patience throughout this outage and during the recovery process. Please contact the Help Desk at 871-2371 with any additional questions.

Need to Know:
“Reply all” – Friend or foe?

In many offices including those at Millersville, faculty and staff members will send mass emails, work-related or otherwise, to share information between one department, multiple departments or across campus. Either way, the mass email usually winds up being just that – a mass – filling up your entire inbox. The culprit: A little function known as “reply all”. While the “reply all” proves extremely useful in many cases, such as when the message affects a large group of people, it can also turn into a nuisance just as quickly.

To help keep the peace, and your fellow co-workers sanity, here are some tips for anyone on the receiving end of a mass email:

- Before you hit “reply all,” take a minute and ask yourself, “Does everyone need to read this?” (Hint: The answer is pretty much always no).
- Avoid responses fewer than three words. For example, if a co-worker shares a new recipe through a mass email, do not respond to everyone just to say “Thanks!” or “Yummy!” or “You da bomb!” (Hint: If you are not adding anything to the conversation, keep quiet).
- If you want to say something but do not know if it’s appropriate for the whole audience, reply to the original sender only. This includes in-jokes, statements that don’t answer any questions and monosyllabic assertions of agreement. (Hint: If what you have to say is profound enough, then the originator of the email will share it with the group).

To read more about this topic, visit “Rules for Using the ‘Reply All’ Button.”
Faculty and Staff Activities

Dr. Ralph Anttonen, exploratory program, and Dr. Michelle White, academic advisement, attended the 35th Annual NACADA Conference on Academic Advising. They co-presented two concurrent sessions titled “YouTube Advising FAQ’s: Part II the Saga Continues” and “Reinvigorating Faculty Advising on Your Campus: It’s Time to Do It!” They also participated in a panel discussion titled “Hot Topic: Training and Development for Faculty Advisors.” Additionally, Anttonen had previously been appointed commission chairperson for the NACADA Faculty Advising and attended a commission meeting during this annual NACADA conference. The conference was held in Denver, Colo., from October 1-5.

Dr. Richard D. Clark, earth sciences, was elected to a second three-year term on the board of trustees of the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR) at its annual meeting of the full membership in Boulder, Colo., in October. UCAR is a nonprofit consortium of more than 100 colleges and universities offering degrees in the atmospheric and related sciences. UCAR manages the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) and provides additional services to strengthen and support research and education through its community programs. Clark serves on the board's executive committee and the budget and programs committee, and is the board liaison to the President's Advisory Committee on University Relations. Millersville University has a long history of involvement and participation in UCAR. Millersville was a founding member of the UCAR Academic Affiliates Program (AAP), which was created to give non-Ph.D.-granting institutions a voice in the governance of UCAR and the greater atmospheric sciences community. This year is the 20th anniversary of UCAR AAP. Dr. Sepideh Yalda, earth sciences, serves as the Millersville University representative to the AAP. In addition, Dr. Todd Sikora, earth sciences, was recently elected to the UCAR membership committee, which is responsible for reviewing and recommending new and renewing institutional membership applications.

Dr. Carole Counihan, anthropology, and her co-editor Psyche Williams-Forson, recently published their anthology Taking Food Public: Redefining Foodways in a Changing World. This book focuses on innovative ways people are recasting food in public spaces to challenge hegemonic practices and meanings. Organized into five
interrelated sections on food production, consumption, performance, Diasporas and activism, articles aim to provide new perspectives on the changing meanings and uses of food in the 21st century.

**Drs. Micheál Houlahan** and **Philip Tacka**, music, presented four webinars for Oxford University Press on their newly revised text, “From Sound to Symbol: Fundamentals of Music.” The webinars are presented to faculty from music schools across the country and focus on the model of instruction and learning they have developed as part of the Millersville music degree programs.

**Dr. Timothy C. Miller**, English, had his review of “Paul Among The People: The Apostle Reinterpreted and Reimagined in His Own Time” by Sarah Ruden, published in *Magill’s Literary Annual 2011*.

**Dr. M. P. A. Sheaffer**, English, gave on-site lectures about “Jugendsti in Vienna” for Christ Church, Vienna, Austria, on October 9, and an on-site lecture on “Otto Wagner and His Comprehensive Plan for the ‘New’ Vienna” for the American Women’s Association of Vienna, on October 10.

**Dr. Jeffrey W. Wimer**, wellness and sport sciences, gave an invited presentation October 11, titled “Always Connected: How Digital Technology Contributes to the Fabricated Reality of People in Addiction” at the annual training meeting for the Lancaster County chapter of the Association of Chemical Dependency Professionals sponsored by Compass Mark – a leader in substance abuse education, prevention and intervention since 1966.

**Dr. John Wright**, applied engineering, safety & technology, was recently invited to serve as an external field reviewer for U.S. of Bureau of Labor Statistics’ publication, *The Occupational Outlook Handbook* for the definition of Engineering Management. The publication is a nationally recognized source of career information and is revised every two years.

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**Who Makes Millersville Special**

This edition of Who Makes Millersville Special features Harvey W. Owen, director of The Ware Center at Millersville University Lancaster.

**Q: What exactly does your role entail as director?**

A: Managing the visual and performing arts center portion of the building; working with the Deans to place classes and student/faculty performances and events here; operating and promoting the building, its rental spaces and its performances and events to the public; and serving as the “face” of The Ware Center at Millersville University Lancaster.

**Q: When did Millersville University open the Lancaster location?**

A: In July of 2010.
Q: What is its purpose?
A: To house graduate program classes; undergraduate classes, especially pertaining to the arts; performing and visual arts events; and meetings for governmental agencies, community organizations, corporations and nonprofits.

Q: How does the center benefit the community?
A: It brings people downtown and enhances the already thriving arts scene in Lancaster. It also provides traffic for downtown businesses and provides a focal point for all the diverse communities that call Lancaster home.

Q: I see there is also a Ville in the Sky café. What is this?
A: It’s a beautiful wood-floored lounge on our third floor with two-story glass walls that overlook the city of Lancaster (that’s where the “in the Sky” part comes from). We use it to house our cabarets, jazz series, lectures with a twist and other events that call for a spectacular room.

Q: How does this center benefit the surrounding local community in Lancaster city? Are classes still held The Ware Center?
A: We benefit when the community supports what we do here. We believe we should offer events and performances that are created or preferred by the community for the community. Yes, classes are held here. We have between 200 and 400 students taking classes here Monday through Thursday nights.

Q: How long does it normally take to wash those gorgeously enormous front windows at 42 N. Prince?
A: Surprisingly not that long. They have special equipment (with long handles) that makes the chore simpler than it would appear.

Q: What is Keys for the City and what was the purpose of participating in it?
A: Keys for the City is a program where pianos are distributed around the city in public places for people to play, created by Music For Everyone (MFE). This is an organization that seeks to raise funds to keep music programming in our schools. It makes sense to support any organization that seeks to support music education. Also, MFE is headquartered in our building.

Q: Where are you originally from?
A: I am originally from Mechanicsburg, Pa., but my parents were from Lancaster.

Q: Do you participate in the arts in your personal life?
A: Every minute of my life.
Q: If I were to steal your iPod and hit play right now, what would I hear?
A: You’d hear all kinds of music from classical and Broadway to rock and country. I have not met a music genre I don’t like.

Q: Do you own a tuxedo or do you rent?
A: I have three. My weight fluctuates.

Q: What is the most exciting part of your job?
A: Getting to create something out of nothing; creating new and exciting public performance opportunities in a wide variety of arts: Dance, classical music, popular music, jazz, small theatrical presentations, lectures, art exhibits, opera, film, special events and festivals.

Q: If you could book any artist of any kind for The Ware Center location, who would it be? Why?
A: I’ve already done it – Daniella Dalli and Katie Wieand in a special performance called “Let’s Duet.” These are two of the best singers I’ve ever heard, and together, they make an unbelievably good show.

Q: What will your life look like when you retire?
A: A happy, satisfied one. I hope to go into retirement knowing I’ve done something significant for Lancaster and Millersville University.