

# The Honors Report

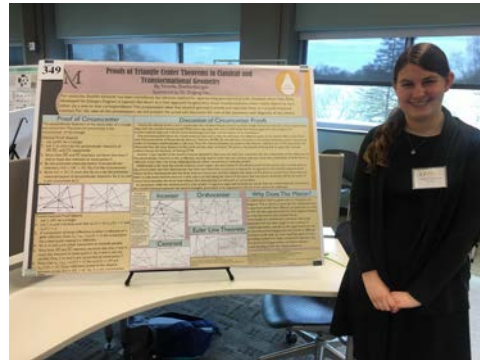
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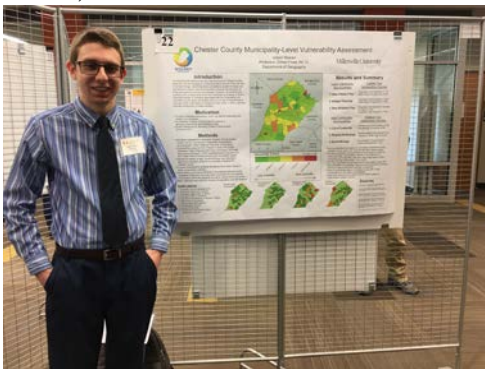
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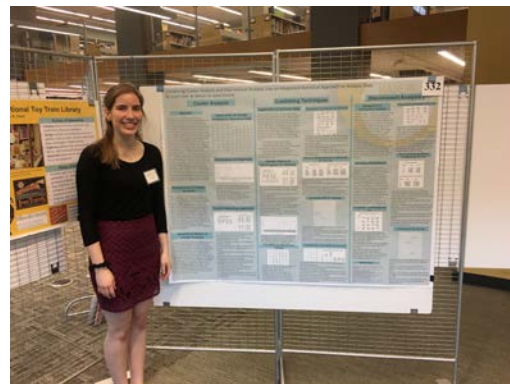
On April 16, student volunteers assisted with a special luncheon for local prospective high school students during the Made in Millersville day! The luncheon was a great success, thanks to the efforts of all involved! Plus, we had at least one hundred Honors students presenting their own posters at MiM in the Library, dozens volunteering with the event and others attending! All Honors College students will be asked to again either present, volunteer, and/or attend 2020 MiM!



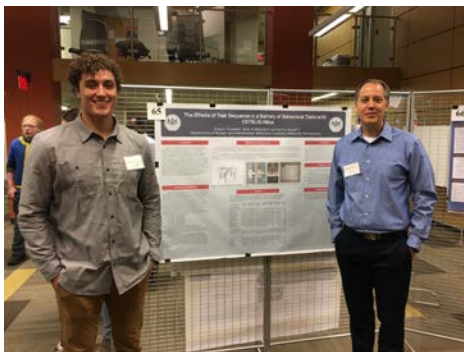
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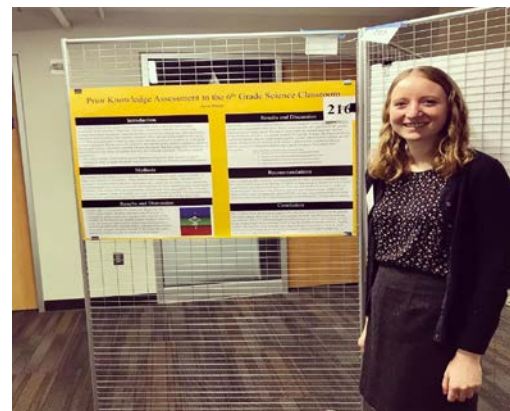
Adam Weiner



Susan Lloyd



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Anne Mitzel



## **!Birthdays!**

Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during April and early May:

May 3	Jacob Higley
May 6	Julia Puia
May 8	Adam Weiner
May 10	Jocelyn Elzer
May 10	Adam Loving
May 14	Matthew Bisko
May 17	Timothy Keebler
May 18	John Haberkern
May 23	Alyssa Coutts
May 24	Ashley Christenbury
May 25	Jonathan Wilkins
May 27	Elena Antonucci
May 28	Olivia Medina
May 29	Connor Billings
June 3	Noelle Shellenberger
June 7	Hannah Blaine
June 9	Hannah Gricks
June 9	Madison Rhode
June 10	Emily Dickens
June 12	Emily Dalessandro
June 15	Stephanie Leedom
June 16	Jeremiah Shillingburg
June 25	Taylor Chambers
June 28	Fiona Stewart
July 7	Jackie Buck
July 7	Alyssa Ames
July 10	Jordan Traut
July 11	Jess Whittemore
July 13	Kyla Long
July 17	Nicole Stolarski
July 18	Jordan Shaffer
July 20	Taylor Michael
July 24	Elise Esperanza
July 24	Courtney McCullough
July 27	Kaylee Herndon
July 30	Michael Raucci

Aug 1	Hunter Davis
Aug 2	Demitria Hayes
Aug 2	Christopher Hamilton
Aug 5	Gabriela Himmele
Aug 7	Kristen Hart
Aug 7	Matthew Denes
Aug 8	Emily Chatburn
Aug 13	Kelly Czmar
Aug 13	Marina MacGregor
Aug 13	Cedrick Kazadi
Aug 17	Anthony Mason

Remember your friends on their special day!

### **Spring 2019 Important Dates - Honors College Events and Meetings**

#### **MAY:**

**May 5 – Honors College Spring Recognition Banquet – 1 pm – Lehr Dining Room in Gordinier**  
**May 6 - Last day of classes**  
**May 7-11 - Finals**  
**May 11– Commencement**  
**May 17 – Spring '19 grades are available via MAX after 4:30 pm**

### **Address for Next Fall**

The time has come to update mailing records at the Honors College. If you have not already done this, please send an email to Barb at [Barbara.Erdman@millersville.edu](mailto:Barbara.Erdman@millersville.edu) with your new address for fall 2019 here at MU. Thank you!!

Don't forget to check your email – our main way of communicating with students in the Honors College....



## Egg Hunt!

The Honors College students had a real Egg Hunt on the lawn at Reighard Hall on April 22. Peer Mentor Brooke Shimer planned and executed the perfect Egg Hunt, complete with prizes for students!



A fun time was had by all who participated! There were even candy, MU pins, and other prizes available, thanks to the efforts of Dr. Thyrum and student organizers, Brooke Shimer and Tara Petrosky!





## Honors College Student Highlights!

The 2019 MU Marching Band Front Ensemble Leadership Team will have one of our own in charge -- Meagan Schulman!!! Congratulations to Meagan!

MU Marching Band's Clarinet Section Leader next fall will be Noah Stitely! Congratulations Noah!

MU Marching Band's Color Guard will be led by Captain Jacqui Stewart next year!!

MUSE Grant Winners – Nicole Stolarski, Meagan Schulman, Taylor Chambers, and Jordan Traut – The \$5,000 grants will fund summer research efforts for these three honor students.

Christopher Higgins, Susan Lloyd, Meagan Shulman, and Adam Weiner were inducted into Phi Kappa Phi on April 7 in Bolger Conference Center. MU had not had a PKP induction in several years. The Honors College spearheaded the revitalization of MU's chapter, at the request of Dr. Prabhu. We are grateful that both Dr. Wubah and Prabhu spoke at the induction and posed for pictures with initiates and their families. PKP is the nation's oldest academic honor society. Congratulations to these students for their academic achievement!



Congratulations to Michael Skros who will serve as our Peer Mentor in South Village for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020. He will help build community

with our students and support our new freshmen as they adjust to college life.



**Connor Billings**

My name is Connor Billings. I am a senior and will be graduating in Fall 2019 with a BS in Computer Science. Over the summer I will be interning with WebFX in Harrisburg. WebFX is a digital marketing company, meaning that I will help program websites and other web-platform solutions to enable companies to better market their products and services to consumers. Additionally, over the summer, I will be continuing research for my thesis. My project is titled "Evolving Neural Networks for Better Fuzzing" and involves using Artificial Intelligence to improve how we test programs for bugs and security vulnerabilities. Additionally, I will be writing portions of my thesis throughout the summer as I continue my research.



## Honors College Student Association Officers for '19-'20

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to HCSA leadership positions for 2019-2020.

President	Meagan Schulman
Vice-President	Brooke Shimer
Treasurer	Laurel Blanchard
Secretary	Alyssa Coutts
Community Service	Jeremiah Shillingburg
Fundraising	Jessica Whittemore
Public Relations	Michael Skros
Community Building	Phoebe Tanis
Special Events	Madison Whitcomb
Co-Chairs	Elyse Clay



as “advocates, innovators, prayer warriors, and servants dedicated to restoring the lives of survivors of sex-trafficking”. HCSA will be donating \$1,000 to them in May. Great work to all who helped with HCSA fundraising this year!

## Elizabethtown College Honors Collaboration

Eighteen of our Honors students traveled with Dr. Thyrum to Elizabethtown College on April 11 to have dinner with their Honors students and then to attend the Ware Lecture featuring Silk Road. A meaningful, fun evening for all!



## Spring Recognition Banquet

The banquet will be held on Sunday, May 5 at 1:00 pm in Lehr Dining Room of Bolger Conference Center. Our special guest speaker will be President, Dr. Daniel Wubah. Students who are to be recognized for academic achievement and are attending the banquet will receive their certificate. Students who have not signed up for the banquet, but who are also being recognized, will receive an email to pick up their certificate from Barb in the Honors College office prior to departing campus for the summer months.



## HCSA Charity Contribution for 2019

Members of the HCSA chose North Star Initiative as their 2019 charity recipient. North Star serves

## Syed R. Ali-Zaidi Award Winner



Erin Jones '18, December 2018 graduate of the Honors College and former Treasurer of the HCSA, won the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Ali-Zaidi Award. Erin was recognized on April 4 by the Board of Governors of PASSHE as the winner of the Syed R. Ali-Zaidi Award for Academic Excellence. Erin received \$1000 cash for winning the award. She had a perfect 4.0 GPA as an undergraduate student at MU. Erin intends to pursue a Ph.D. in atmospheric science. Currently Erin is interning at the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Upton, NY.

### HCSA Talent Show

HCSA, along with Delta Phi Eta, held a talent show on April 14 in McComsey. Honors students shared their talents with those who attended.



Brooke Shimer



Jadon Barnett



Leilani Smith and Lauren Ledder



Madison Whitcomb and Michael Skros