### **The Honors Report**

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Day of Caring 2017



Day of Caring on September 9, 2017 was another success! A total of 91 Honors students participated in the morning with 88 students assisting with the Lancaster County Heart Association's Heart Walk in downtown Lancaster.









#### Director's Corner

Greetings! It has been wonderful getting to meet many of you and be part of recent events, such as move-in day, morning donuts in Reighard Lobby, and Day of Caring. I look forward to working with you all in the future....please set up an appointment with Barb so we can meet in my Franklin House office. My hope is to get to know as many of you as possible. Please consider attending HCSA monthly meetings and joining in on some great HCSA activities, such as mentor/mentee events. HCSA provides a voice for Honors College students as well as social and service opportunities. Have a great fall break!

Best, Elizabeth A. Thyrum, Ph.D.

# Dr. Thyrum's Fall 2017 Office Hours:

Monday: 10-11:30 am - Franklin House Monday 1:10-2:40 pm - 120 Luek Hall Tuesday: 1:00-2:00 pm - 120 Luek Hall Wednesday: 1:30-3:00 pm - Franklin House Wednesday: 3-4:00 pm - 120 Luek Hall Friday 11:00 am-12:00 pm - Franklin House Other times available by appointment! Call: 871-7552. Dr. Thyrum's office hours may be subject to change at times.

### Remembering 911

A beautiful tribute to those no longer with us was formed on the campus for 911.







## HCSA Officers for 2017-2018:

President: Taylor Payne

Vice-President: Alyssa Cannistraci Secretary: Hannah Campbell Treasurer: Shelby Fuller

Historian: Sean Domencic

Chair Persons:

Fundraising: Brooke Dobbs Special Events: Lauren Davis Public Relations: Kristen Hart

Community Service: Rachel Laughlin

Mentor/Mentee: Kelly Czmar

Alumni: Sean Hamilton

Membership Retention: Erin Jones

Give these officers/chair persons your support this year!! Keep attending those meetings and get involved!! This is YOUR student organization!!

### Times, Dates and Other Items of Importance:

Oct 6 (Fri): Fall recess begins after last class

Oct 11 (Wed): Classes resume 8 am
Oct 11 (Wed): Freshman Stepping Stones
to Success in College workshop at 8:00 pm in
Reighard Lobby!

Oct 14 (Sat): Homecoming parade – "Celebrating Animation"

Oct. 24 (Tues): Annual Ice Cream Social -

Oct. 28 (Sat): Bus Trip to Washington, DC Nov. 1 (Wed): Priority Registration for

ALL Honors students at 6:00 am.

**Nov. 8 (Wed):** Thesis Workshop in Franklin House – 4:00 pm

### !Birthdays!

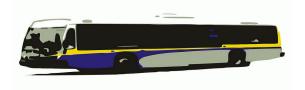
Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during September and early October:

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Kyle Brady	Oct. 1
Joseph Wright	Oct. 2
Haley Lathrop	Oct. 2
Brandon Johnson	Oct. 4
Brianna Hornberger	Oct. 14
Maddie News	Oct. 14
Katie Newcamp	Oct. 16
Meagan Schulman	Oct. 16
Zach Mansfield	Oct. 17
Samantha Gillis	October 23
Maggie Schenfelt	October 23
Jan van der Veken	October 26

Deonte Boyler	October 26	
Abbey Ford	October 29	
Anna Corrieri	October 30	
Noah Stitely	November 3	
Brooke Shimer	November 5	
Peter Gray	November 6	
Bridget Murray	November 7	
Hannah Gorin	November 8	
Remember your friends on their		
special day!		

### Washington, DC Bus Trip!!!

The Honors College is sponsoring the fall bus trip to Washington, DC on Saturday, October 28. One coach has been secured for the trip which will begin by leaving the SMC at 7:30 am. The bus will drop students off at the National Mall for the day and return to pick them back up at the drop off point by 5:00 pm for the return trip to MU. A bagged breakfast will be provided for all students who sign up for the trip. The trip will only cost you \$2.00 payable to Barb in the Honors College Office in Franklin House. That \$2.00 fee is to secure your seat on the bus and will then be given to the bus driver for his/her tip. You can explore various points of interest in Washington for the day, purchase your own lunch somewhere and then meet back up with Dr. Thyrum at the drop off point for the return trip. Please pay your \$2.00 to Barb at the office in Franklin House.



### **Stepping Stones to Success for Freshmen**

A new workshop for all freshmen is coming to Reighard Lobby on Wednesday, October 11 at 8:00 pm!! Dr. Thyrum and upperclassmen will be presenting this workshop to provide tips to freshmen that will assist them throughout this year on how to succeed here at MU!! Come out and gain valuable information that will help you on your journey here at MU!

#### **Homecoming 2017**

Homecoming will be here before you know it!! October 14 is the date for the Homecoming Parade and freshmen are required to participate in the parade as part of the Honors Freshman Experience. Send Barb an email to sign up to march in the parade. If you are participating in some other way for the parade, please email Barb so you can receive credit for participation. Barbara.erdman@millersville.edu

The morning will begin with your breakfast at Franklin House again with Bagels, Blueberry Muffins, fresh fruit platters, Hot Chocolate, Coffee, and Hot Tea. Breakfast will be set up in Franklin House by 6:30 am for all parade participants!! Taylor Payne, President of HCSA will have Franklin House unlocked and open for all parade participants prior to the group heading to the Penn Manor High School to get lined up for the parade. The theme of the Honors College float this year by HCSA is *Nightmare Before Christmas*. The trailer for the float will be available beginning Thursday, October 12 behind the Franklin House for decorating purposes.

### Ice Cream Social & Priority Registration

The annual ice cream social will be held in Reighard Lobby on Tuesday, October 24 at 4:00 pm. Come down to the lobby, make your favorite ice cream sundae, talk to Dr. Thyrum about spring 2018 courses, and have a great time with your fellow Honors students!! Priority registration for ALL Honors students will begin on Wednesday,

November 1 at 6:00 am!! Bring any questions regarding the spring lineup of courses to Dr. Thyrum and she will assist you!



#### Franklin House

Franklin House is available for all Honors students as a place to unwind between classes. We offer a quiet environment 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.

### Fall Recognition Banquet

The Fall Recognition Banquet will be held on Sunday, December 10 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!

#### **Council of Trustees Presentation**

On September 20, Honors students Jason Iyobhebhe and Grace Smoot gave a powerpoint presentation about the 2017 PASSHE Summer Honors Program while HCSA President Taylor Payne gave a presentation about the Honors College and the student association. Our Provost, Dr. Vilas Prabu, as well as the Trustees. were quite impressed to learn more about Honors College students and their successes.





Thank you for a job well done!!

### Thesis Workshop!

A thesis workshop will be given by Dr. Thyrum on Wednesday, November 8 at 4:00 pm here in Franklin House. If you are currently working on your thesis or if you are beginning to think about the process of starting your thesis, then this workshop is for you! **SOPHOMORES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND.** Freshmen are encouraged and welcome to attend. It's never too early to be thinking about your thesis. We want

you to understand how the thesis is a doable and beneficial challenge that can have numerous positive impacts on your future.

Refreshments will be on hand for those students attending the workshop. Please send Barb an email to sign up for the workshop so enough refreshments can be ordered.