

Council of Trustees

Quarterly Meeting

May 3, 2024



COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Call to Order

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Roll Call

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Pledge of Allegiance

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Approval of Minutes

Public Comment Period

By Phone: *9 Raise Hand

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President's Report

Dr. Bashar W. Hanna
President



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Media Report

Commonwealth University Media Mentions March 8, 2024 – April 9, 2024 114 Total Clips



Total Online News Audience
435,584,108



Total Local/National TV Audience
297,655



Total Online News Publicity
USD \$4,046,799



Total Local/National TV Publicity
USD \$27,109

Media Report

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Est. Audience 14,129

Est. Publicity Value USD \$203

Market Williamsport, PA

Est. Audience 3,804

Est. Publicity Value USD \$1,401

Market Bloomsburg, PA

PRESS  ENTERPRISE



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By M.J. MAHON
Press Enterprise Writer

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The donation will benefit Commonwealth University's honors program on all three campuses. Each campus honors college program will also now be named in honor of his late mother, Eileen C. Jones. She pushed him to pursue a degree after high school.

Jones said he and his brother were the first in his family to go to college — a trait he sees in students attending Commonwealth University today.

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Media Report

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Est. Audience 22,281

Est. Publicity Value USD \$534

Market Moscow, PA

Est. Audience 8,152

Est. Publicity Value USD \$222

Market Sunbury, PA

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Entrepreneurs pitch ideas at BU

The Daily Item
More for You!



STUDENTS FROM Berwick answer questions about their business and liability insurance coverage Thursday during the Husky Dog Pound competition. | From left are Luke Traugh, Cecelia Trolani and Jacob Guerriero. PHOTOS BY JIMMY MAY

Competition spurs creativity, excitement about business, professor explains

By SUSAN SCHWARTZ
Press Enterprise Writer



BERWICK STUDENT Jayden Charles displays a bulletproof desk top he designed. He's shown with teacher Jim Hyde.



STUDENTS, from left, Sophia Cornelli, Macenzie-Snow Boggs and Haylee Fisher, pitched a tool they designed to make cutting hair easier at the competition Thursday morning. Another photo, page 10.

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They'll probably sell the license rather than manufacture the device themselves, Ivory said, "because it's hard for us to manufacture them. We're just middle school students."

The two 14-year-olds from Cambria Heights Middle School, near Altoona, were among 200 teams and 547 middle and high school students at Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Thursday for the annual Husky Dog Pound business pitch competition.

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University Highlights

Funding to Support Early Childhood Educators

- The University has been awarded a fifth year of funding from the Early Childhood Education Professional Development Organization at PASSHE (ECEPDO@PASSHE) to break down barriers and build greater career pathways for early childhood educators.



University Highlights

CU Named Outstanding Counselor Education Program

- The University's program in clinical mental health counseling (CMHC) was the recipient of the Outstanding Education Program award during the Pennsylvania Counseling Association's 55th annual conference in Harrisburg.
- Dr. Kristin Vincenzes, CMHC faculty member, accepted the Outstanding Counselor Education Program award for Commonwealth University.



Shown from left, are Drs. Stephen Gitonga, Elisabeth Tomlin, Kellie Pytel and Kristin Vincenzes; students JoHannah Newman, Rivka Dattlo and Katie Burns; and Dr. Steve Kuniak.

University Highlights

CU – Lock Haven Offers Pre-Apprenticeship Training

- Workforce Development at CU-Lock Haven in partnership with Keystone Central Career and Technology Center offers a pre-apprenticeship training opportunity in MasterCam Lathe.



University Highlights

Expansion Work-Based Learning

- CU is one of five PASSHE universities participating in a pilot initiative with major employers to significantly increase work-based learning.
- This is an expansion of our ProfessionalU model, which aims to provide every student one learning enhancement real-world experience per year, including paid internships and apprenticeships.



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University Highlights

CU Named National Academy Of Medicine Change Maker

- The University has joined the National Academy of Medicine Change Maker Campaign alongside hundreds of others committed to the important health workforce well-being movement.
- Dr. Kimberly Delbo, A Nursing faculty attended the National Academy of Medicine's inaugural Health Workforce Well-Being Day Celebratory Event in Washington D.C. on Capitol Hill on March 12, where partners of the Change Maker Campaign were acknowledged.

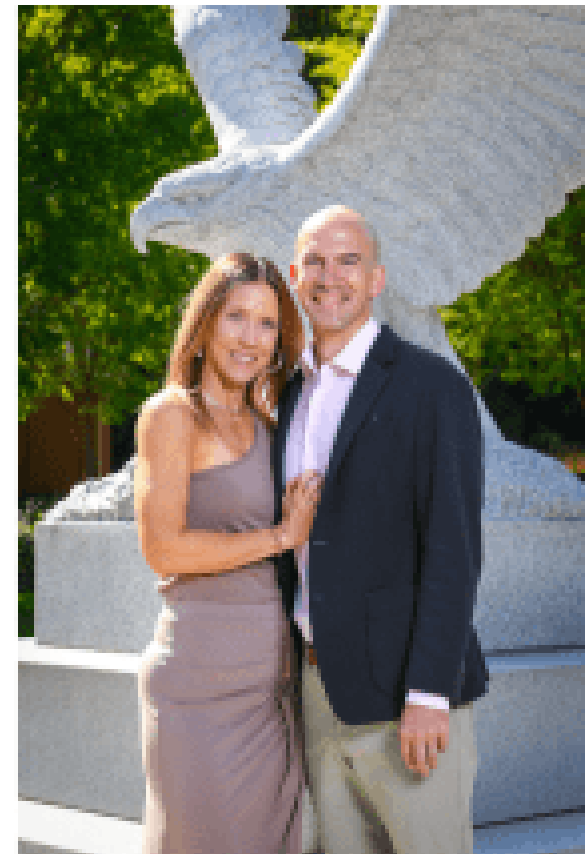


Shown from left: Dr. Victor Dzau, President of the National Academy of Medicine, with Dr. Kimberly Delbo, DNP, RN-BC, CDP of Commonwealth University.

University Highlights

Make Major Gift to Support Bald Eagle Wrestling

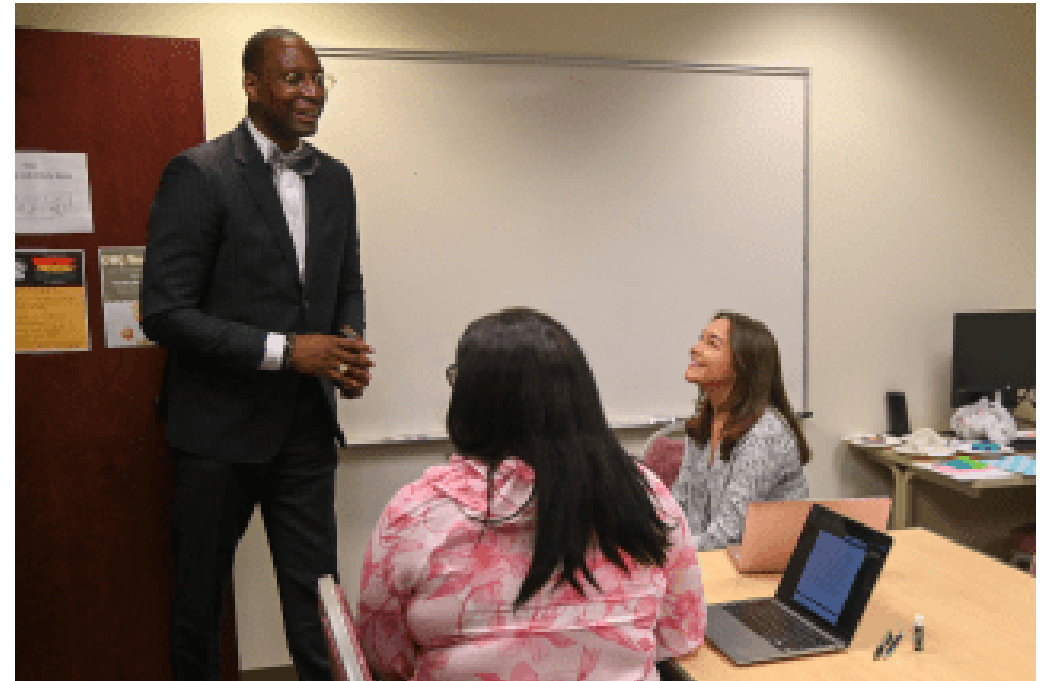
- Dr. Ed Shifflett, a 1996 alumnus of Lock Haven University, and his wife, Dr. Gretchen Shifflett, DVM, recently provided a transformative endowment to the men's wrestling program at CU-Lock Haven. Their major gift aims to provide increased scholarship funding to further propel "The Rise" of the Bald Eagles' nationally renowned wrestling program.



University Highlights

Pennsylvania Education Secretary Tours CU – Mansfield

- Dr. Khalid N. Mumin, PA Secretary of Education, visited our Mansfield campus on Friday, March 22. He met with students, faculty, staff, administrators and community leaders.



University Highlights

Elevation of Reach Across Commonwealth University

- The University received a \$400,000 gift from longtime benefactor Susan McDowell for the McDowell Institute.
- The Institute is a CU-based organization supporting the facilitation of social, emotional, and behavioral wellness of children, youth, and young adults across school and community.



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University Highlights

ESPN Host and Mansfield alumnus Freddie Coleman Returns to Campus

- Freddie Coleman '87 visited with communication classes and met with nearly 200 student athletes.
- In addition to his role with ESPN Radio, Freddie also has a Sirius XM radio show called "Freddie and Harry," which airs every weekday from 3-7 p.m.



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University Highlights

CU – Bloomsburg Hosts Industrial Development Forum

- We welcomed nearly 300 regional leaders to the Bloomsburg Campus for Focus Central Pennsylvania's annual Industrial Development Forum.



Student Success

Phi Mu Delta At Commonwealth University- Lock Haven Embraces Brotherhood And Service Through Activities And Events

- The Mu Zeta Chapter of Phi Mu Delta at Commonwealth University-Lock Haven celebrated the fraternity's values of brotherhood, service, and fellowship during the month of February with a series of impactful events.
- The fraternity's dedication to fostering strong bonds among its members was evident during a recent bowling event, where brothers came together for a night of fun and camaraderie. Adding a competitive twist to the evening, prizes were awarded for both the highest and lowest scores, making the event not only enjoyable but also engaging for all participants.



Student Success

Commonwealth University-Lock Haven Men's Soccer Team Visits England

- In March the Lock Haven Men's Soccer team traveled to England for a cultural enrichment experience for the student-athletes.
- In partnership with English Premier League Tours, the team visited toured three stadiums and watched four professional matches.
- The team also played in two matches against semi-professional teams and went 1-1, winning their second match 3-2.
- In addition to the matches and stadium tours, the team visited Windsor Castle, Buckingham Palace and did a boat tour on the Thames.

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Student Success

New Coaching Software Is a Game Changer

- Brenden Argomaniz, a Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg MBA student and assistant Huskies baseball coach, is working to revolutionize coaching through a software app.
- With a friend, Argomaniz created dataBase Analytics, an app that calculates players' statistics and stores them away to be referenced later, covering everything from pitching stats to full-career development.



Student Success

Shooting For Excellence

- Allison Hileman, a senior Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg supply chain management and economics student, feels most at home when playing sports. A guard for the Huskies women's basketball team, she has channeled the discipline needed to athletics to achieve academic success.
- Most recently, she became an ASQ Certified Six Sigma Yellow Belt. Six Sigma certification is a program that designates a person's knowledge of supply chain management.



Student Success

Commonwealth University Nursing Honor Society Donates To Clinton County SPCA

- Commonwealth University Nursing Honor Society Alpha Delta Nu members from the Clearfield and Lock Haven campuses donated the proceeds of its online apparel fundraiser to the Clinton County SPCA. The group raised and donated \$376 to support their facility and animals.

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Shown, from left, are CU nursing students Candace Redis, Shae Paxton and Emily Dull.

Student Success

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Student Awarded Nursing Scholarship

- CU-Bloomsburg freshman nursing student Christina Becher was recently awarded the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Scholarship from the Foundation for Student Nurse Association.
- Christina shares that she has an immense amount of gratitude for the support and mentorship for the faculty in the Breiner School of Nursing.
- Christina's mother is also a nurse and a 1994 Bloomsburg alumna who inspired her to pursue nursing at CU-Bloomsburg.



Student Success

Commonwealth University Bands Perform In New Year's Day Parade In London

- By invitation of The King of England, Commonwealth University bands were invited to perform in the London New Year's Day Parade and Celebrations from December 28 to Jan. 4.
- Students in Commonwealth University - Mansfield's bands - The Spirit & The Pride of PA Marching Band and the Mansfield Concert Wind Ensemble, as well as members of the Lock Haven, Bloomsburg bands, and color guard performed in the New Year's Day parade to ring in the new year. More than 600,000 people lined the parade route and the parade was broadcast on television to an audience of approximately 6 billion viewers.



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Student Success

Commonwealth University's Conference And Career Connections Expo Empowers Future Educators

- The University recently hosted the Collaborating to Assist Teacher Candidate Hiring (CATCH) Conference and Career Connections Expo.
- The event brought together a diverse array of educators, administrators and aspiring teachers.



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Student Success

Health Professions Students Discover Jamaican Service Trip Rewarding On Many Levels

- An annual service-learning trip to rural Jamaica now available to Bloomsburg students through the Commonwealth University integration proved to be a life-changing experience for two future healthcare professionals.
- “I came back feeling as though I was a completely different person, with an entirely different mindset of not only being thankful for what I’ve been blessed with but also assisting others,” said Kevin Dempsey, an exercise science major.



Student Success

CU – Mansfield Student Presents Research at Capitol

- Kristen Fulford, a junior biology major, recently presented her undergraduate research at the Capitol. Kristen is a student athlete at Mansfield and a student tutor. The project is titled “Effects of Dietary Curcumin on the Gut Microbiome and Influence on Tumor Spread” She was awarded a PA Space Grant Consortium, Undergraduate Scholarship for the 2023-2024 academic year to further her research project.



Student Success

Student Teachers Recognized for Service Learning Contributions

- Student teachers from the Department of Exceptionality Programs, Special Education (PK-12)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Certification Program, Julia Magee and Gabrielle Wetzel, participated in an intensive practicum experience in the fall semester.
- These students, in the Danville Area School District Practicum Experience, presented their Service Learning Projects at a poster session at the annual CATCH (Collaborating to Assist Teacher Candidate Hiring) Conference and Expo, held on March 15th. The posters showcased their contributions to PK-12 students, their schools, and communities.



Julia Magee(left) and Gabrielle Wetzel (right)

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Student Success

The Big Event

- On April 6, several hundred CU-Bloomsburg students participated in the 15th annual “Big Event”, a day of community volunteerism and service.



Thank you!

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Student Spotlight

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Isaiah Reed



- Senior
- Huntingdon, PA (HAHS)
- Health Science Major (Exercise Science concentration)
- Minor in Psychology
- Student Athlete (Football-Captain)

Why did I choose Lock Haven University ?



- Close to home
- An opportunity to continue my football journey
- Sister (2022 LHU Grad) majored in Health Science
- First Generation College Student
- Sought after Health Science Program
- Close-Knit Environment
- Affordable

Undergraduate Research

- Opportunity to work in Exercise Science Lab with professors one-on-one.
- Presented at the URC-PA day in Harrisburg
- Presented at IPE day for Healthcare Professions at Bloomsburg
- Will be presenting at an ACSM conference in the Fall
- Certifications and trainings





Extracurricular activities

- Public Health Club
- Haven Leadership Program
- Distinguished Gentleman's Organization
- Student Athlete Advisory Committee
- Strength and Conditioning Club
- Football
- Volunteering

Accomplishments as Student Athlete

- 3x PSAC Scholar Athlete
- D2 Athletic Directors Association Academic Achievement Award
- Dean's List
- Student Athlete Advisory Committee





Career Path

- Complete my Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Neurological PT Residency
- Work in a Neurological Rehabilitation Center
- Helping patients with conditions affecting the brain and spinal cord, such as stroke, spinal cord injury, and Parkinson's disease.

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Emeritus Recognition

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Faculty Emeritus

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Dr. Deborah Stryker

**Professor, Exceptionality
Programs**



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Mansfield

Ms. Vicki Kotchka

**Assistant Professor,
Undergraduate Nursing**

Lock Haven

Ms. Anna Mae Smith

**Associate Professor,
Department of Physician
Assistant Studies**

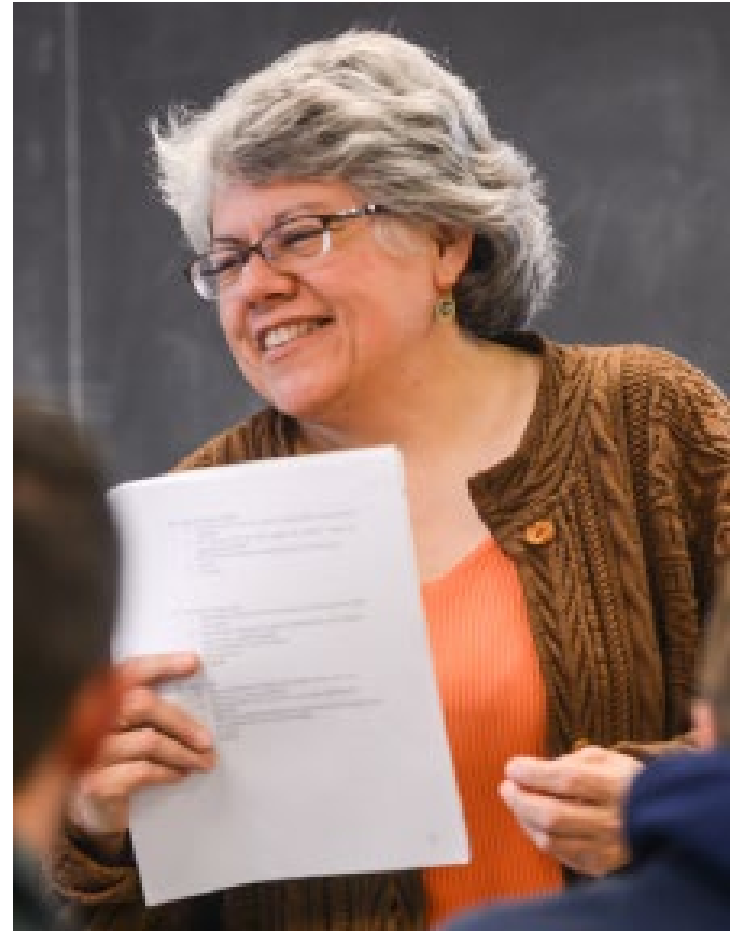


Lock Haven

Dr. Sandra Barney

**Professor, History,
Philosophy, & Political
Science**

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Non-Instructional Emeritus

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Bloomsburg

Ms. Rebecca Kovach

**Staff Interpreter,
University Disability
Services**



Bloomsburg

Ms. Gretchen Knittle

**Registered Nurse, Student
Health Center**



Bloomsburg

Ms. Gisele Tobin

**Fiscal Assistant,
Department of Fiscal Affairs**

Bloomsburg

Ms. Debra Yablonski

**Fiscal Technician,
Department of Fiscal Affairs**



Manager Emeritus

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Mr. Tom McGuire

**Senior Director of Strategic
Communications,
Department of Strategic
Communications and
Marketing**



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Academic Affairs Restructuring

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Reorganization Crosswalk

<u>Current College and Department</u>	<u>New College and Department</u>	<u>Current College and Department</u>	<u>New College and Department</u>
College of Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities Anthropology, Sociology, Criminal Justice Communication Studies English History, Political Science, and Philosophy Languages & Cultures Media and Journalism Music, Theatre & Dance Psychology Visual Arts	College of Arts, Humanities, Education and Social Sciences Anthropology, Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Social Work Communications, Media and Journalism Early Childhood Education and Exceptionality Programs English and Languages and Cultures History, Political Science, and Philosophy K-12, Middle Level, Secondary Ed +HPED Music, Theatre and Dance Psychology, Counseling, and Educational Leadership Visual Arts	College of Health Professions Communication Sciences and Disorders Health & Exercise Science Nursing - Graduate Nursing - Undergraduate Physician Assistant College of Science and Technology Biochemistry, Chemistry, Engineering & Physics Biology Environ., Geograph., & Geological Science Mathematics, Computer Science & Digital Forensics	College of Health, Science, and Technology Biological and Health Sciences Mathematics, Computer Science, and Digital Forensics Physical and Environmental Sciences, and Engineering Physician Assistant Rehabilitation Sciences Breiner School of Nursing Undergraduate Nursing Graduate Nursing
College of Education and Human Studies Counseling and Ed Leadership Early Childhood Education Exceptionality Programs Middle Level, Secondary, K-12 Education Social Work		Zeigler College of Business Management Accounting & Business Law Economics and Finance Marketing and Professional Sales Technology, Analytics and Workforce Learning	Zeigler College of Business Department of Management Department of Business Interconnections, Analytics, and Workforce Learning

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Other Business

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Student Trustee Recognition



Tynesha Holloway
CU – Lock Haven
Student Trustee

Trustee Comments

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Adjournment

Thank you!