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Information Technology Students Seek to Assist Local Homeless Shelter



Back Row : Robert Melton, Garrett Demaree, Chase Brown, Timothy Krow , Alan Aumiller

Front Row : Jane Neff - Director of the Shelter, Joshua Hockenberry, Jeff Foflygen - IT Instructor,

Teresa Fink - Chair of Board of Directors, Shelter Service

The Information Technology (IT) Club at the Lewistown Campus recently met with Jane Neff, Director of Shelter Service Inc., and Teresa Fink, Shelter Service's Chair of the Board of Directors, to discuss how the IT Club can help the shelter's faculty and residents.

For the last 30 years, Shelter Service Inc. provides temporary shelter for homeless individuals from Mifflin and Juniata Counties. The organization helps them to identify the cause of their homelessness and assists them with job searching, setting goals, learning how to budget, and teaches them how to find suitable housing options.

During the initial meeting, two major focus areas for the shelter were discussed: the computer network and the development of a new website. The Club will be building the shelter's website which will help provide information about the organization to the community and allow the Shelter to spread awareness about the many different donations accepted. They will also be helping the shelter implement working internet and Wi-Fi throughout the facility to ensure that the staff can effectively continue to perform their jobs and to make tasks such as job searching easier for the residents.

To further assess the building and computer network needs, the IT Club visited the shelter where they were able to tour the facility, and further discuss the project with Jane. During the tour, the club members were able to see where and how they will need to run wires, and install servers. Phase two of the project will begin once students return from Spring Break, and will consist of them breaking down into groups to tackle this project piece by piece.

South Hills Announces 2019 Recipient of the Kari Schlegel Memorial Scholarship

Becka Turner, a 2nd-year student of our Graphic Arts (GA) program, was recently honored with the 2019 Kari Schlegel Memorial Scholarship Award.

This scholarship was established by the family of Kari Lynn Schlegel, a 2012 GA alumna whose life and untimely death in 2016 touched the lives of many.



Each year, the GA program faculty members are tasked with choosing the award recipient by identifying a current student who exhibits the traits that Kari had when she was a student.

Criminal Justice Students Tour Mifflin County Correctional Facility



Back Row: Levi Bender, Career/Student Services & Academic Affairs Coordinator-Christine Sulouff, Gregory O'Donnel;; *Middle Row:* Tyler Stein, Nicholas Loudenslager, Franklin Stevens, Rylie Ream, Blake Spennati; *Front Row:* Noah Myers and Bryanna Metz

Criminal Justice students from the Lewistown Campus had the opportunity to tour the Mifflin County Corrections Facility to gain insight into what is required to work in that type of environment.

Lieutenant Chambers lead the students throughout the facility showing them the medical department, and the inner facility where the students were able to see different types of security measures used. Chambers also explained the intake process, and how disciplinary procedures are handled within. Students had the chance to ask questions on the programming available to inmates as well as prisoner classification procedures.

PBL Members Compete at 48th Annual PBL State Leadership Conference

Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) members competed in the 48th Annual State Leadership Conference held in Harrisburg, PA. The conference provided students with an opportunity to hear presentations on leadership, network with other participants, and participate in competitive events.

After competing against some of the top universities in PA, South Hills students placed in the following categories:

1st Place in *Help Desk* & 3rd Place in *Impromptu Speaking* –



Jenie Engle

1st Place in *Administrative Technology* & 3rd Place in *Computer Applications* – Jamey Shreckengast

1st Place in *Marketing Analysis & Decision Making* & 3rd Place in *Human Resources Management* – Bryant Moses

2nd Place in *Forensic Accounting* – The Team of Brandon Dooer and Alisha Williamson

2nd Place in *Accounting Principles* – Brandon Dooer

2nd Place in *Administrative Technology* – Alisha Williamson

3rd Place in *Management Analysis & Decision Making* – Jordan Causer

With these top awards, students placing in the top two of their events are invited to attend the National Leadership Conference this summer in San Antonio, TX. Other participants representing South Hills at this year's PBL State Conference were Tess Bechdel, Business Administration – Management & Marketing student, and Student Services Coordinator/PBL Club Advisor, Brandy Kovach.

Splash of Blood Day



Medical Assistant (MA) students at our State College Main Campus and Lewistown Campus participated in Splash of Blood Day.

This annual event encourages fellow students and South Hills faculty & staff to volunteer their arms so the MA students can draw “just a splash” of their blood allowing them to perfect their techniques, as well as helping to achieve the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) certification requirements, which include a minimum of 30 successful venipunctures.

South Hills Students Prepare for a Successful Job Search

Internship season is here for second-year students

at South Hills. In preparation, the students take a Job Search Skills course which covers topics such as resumé and cover letter writing, interviewing skills, and job-seeking methods.

To improve interviewing skills, students participate in mock interviews with local

employers in their respective fields. Sandy Cramer, Co-Owner of the HR Office, Inc., interviewed the Administrative Professional (AP) and Business Administration - Management & Marketing (BAMM) students, and Leanne Condo, Human Resource Manager at Blatek, interviewed the Engineering Technology (ET) students.



Job Search instructor, Eleanor Martin, added, “Mock interviews are a great way for our students to not only get an understanding as to what to expect during the interview process, but they also provide them with tips and feedback on areas they can improve on to be successful when job searching.”

Criminal Justice Students Complete Capstone Projects



Brandon Wheeler and Annie Lucas (front) demonstrating how Mikrosil, a casting putty, is used in crime scene investigations while Jason Walizer (rear) acts as a volunteer

Before our students embark on their internships, they are required to complete capstone projects which are assignments that require the students to use all of the skills they're acquired throughout their time at South Hills.

Our Criminal Justice (CJ) students are given a case to solve in which they must demonstrate their crime scene investigation skills, and understanding of law enforcement procedures and requirements by applying criminal justice concepts. Each of the projects involve responding to an emergency procedure and/or crime, processing the crime scene, following it through the system, and preparing the proper

reports.



Health Careers Club Donates to the Jared Box Project

Members of the Health Careers Club at our State College Campus held fundraisers throughout the month of February February to collect donations to be able to purchase items to include in Jared Boxes. Through the help of the fundraisers, the club was able to assemble 35 Jared Boxes to be donated.



The Jared Box Project is a nonprofit organization that started in 2001 providing boxes filled with small toys, games and activities to young children who are currently in the hospital receiving medical treatment.

Student Club Appreciation Luncheons



State College Campus C.O.P.S Club



Lewistown Campus Student Ambassadors

Community service is a huge part of student life at South Hills, especially for the members of our clubs and service organizations. Each campus hosts an annual Student Appreciation Luncheon as a way to say thank you to the members for the volunteer hours they've put in throughout the school year. The students are treated to lunch, and presented with certificates of recognition. To find out more about the student clubs offered at South Hills visit www.southhills.edu/clubs.

Students Prepare for Internships



Students in Job Search class recently had the opportunity to hear from Vicky Barto, Director of Staff Development for Upstream Physical Rehab Group.

Barto has been in human resources and leadership development for over 22 years, and is a John Maxwell certified coach, speaker, and

trainer. She gave the students advice on how to conduct a successful job search, stressed the importance of keeping a positive mindset throughout the process, and covered a few do's and don'ts when it comes to preparing their resumes.

Vicky shared that one of the greatest life lessons she has learned is that "You can only go as far as the limits you put on yourself. Release your limits." Job Search instructor, Eleanor Martin, added, "Preparing our students to be ready for interviews and internships is very important, and shows them what to expect upon graduation. Vicky is very knowledgeable, and we appreciate her investing time in helping our students succeed. "

Graphic Arts Students Complete Capstone Projects

Second-year Graphic Arts (GA) students at recently presented their capstone projects following the completion of the three typography classes in the program. The assignment challenged the students with creating a hand-bound type specimen book.



A type specimen book is a printed brochure, catalog, or book published by type foundries and printers to demonstrate the range and quality of their work or to introduce new font to consumers, and have been an essential part of the printing trade since the 15th century.

The requirements for the GA students' specimen book features a single

font with a range of variations and a topic about which to create the content for the book. Upon completion, they present their completed type specimen books to their peers, the GA faculty, and other South Hills faculty and staff. Ray Liddick, GA Program Coordinator, provided commentary about the artists' processes, emphasizing the lessons each individual learned throughout the process.

Lewistown Students Donate to Local Animal Shelter



Circle K, PBL, C.O.P.S. and Health Careers Club members presenting check to Cindy Shoey, President of ROFF

Club members at our Lewistown Campus recently held a chili cook-off, a bake sale, and an ice cream sundae sale, where all proceeds were donated to Rescue Our Furry Friends (ROFF) Animal Rescue. The Circle K and Phi Beta Lambda clubs teamed up to raise \$150, and an additional \$125 donation was donated by the Circle K, PBL, C.O.P.S., and Health Careers clubs.

ROFF is a non-profit organization that has placed hundreds of cats and dogs in their forever homes since their launch in 2004. For more information on how to donate to ROFF Animal Rescue visit: www.roffrescue.com

Lewistown First Friday Game Night

As part of Lewistown's First Friday events, Information Technology (IT) Club members at the Lewistown Campus organized and hosted a game night for members of the local community.

Guests had the opportunity to mingle with IT club members as well as South Hills staff and faculty while enjoying a variety of video and board games.



Centre County Emergency Responder Scholarship



[View Requirements](#)

Centre County is offering scholarships to encourage new emergency responder volunteers in Centre County. These scholarships can be used at specific schools, including for any degree program offered by South Hills School of Business & Technology. Successful applicants will be eligible for scholarships of up to \$2,500 per academic year.

Click [here](#) to apply. Register as an applicant and then search for the Centre County Emergency Responder Scholarship. For more information please contact [Centre Foundation](#) at 814-237-6229.

Sexual Violence Awareness Month



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). The goal is to raise awareness, and educate communities on ways to prevent sexual violence.

On April 24, the C.O.P.S club at the State College Main campus will be honoring Denim Day to create awareness for Sexual Violence Awareness.

Visit www.nsvrc.org/saam for a full list of resources.

FAFSA Renewal Reminder

It is time to complete your FAFSA renewal! If you are planning to attend South Hills School of Business & Technology this summer (internship) or returning next fall to continue your studies, you will need to complete your FAFSA renewal by May 1, 2019. The [Financial Aid](#) office will soon be hosting Financial Aid Renewal sessions during common hours at all of our locations where we will assist students with FAFSA renewals. To complete a FAFSA renewal, students must have their:



- FSA ID (username and password),
- 2017 Federal Tax Return and W-2s—*the same information is required of parents of dependent students.*

Stay tuned for FAFSA renewal announcements at your campus. Students that miss the deadline of May 1, do forfeit the opportunity for a PHEAA state grant (if eligible) and other types of financial aid funding.

If you have questions or concerns regarding your FAFSA renewal, stop by or call the [Financial Aid](#) office for assistance.

Upcoming Events

Spring Open Houses



Altoona Campus
Spring Open House

04/03/19
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



State College Campus
Spring Open House

04/03/19
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Lewistown Campus
Spring Open House

04/05/19
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

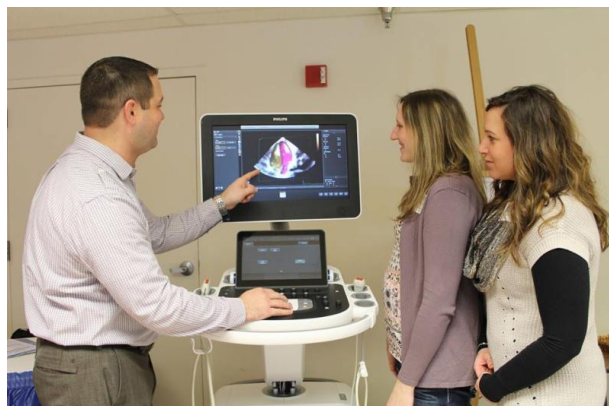
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[View Itinerary](#)

8th Annual Sonographers' Symposium

Sonographers, medical professionals, and students of sonography or radiology are invited to join us at our 8th Annual Sonographers' Symposium to be held at South Hills School of Business & Technology in State College on May 11, 2019.

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