

# SouthHills

## School of Business & Technology

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South Hills Info, News, & Events

### Career Services Organizes 19th Annual Network Career Fair

"Success" was the word of the day at our annual Network Career Fair on March 30! Students from all three of our campuses attended this large event, organized by our hard-working Career Services team, was held at the scenic Mountain View Country Club in Boalsburg.

Students connected with local employers and handed out resumes in hopes of landing one of several internship and job opportunities that were available. We cannot thank the 85 businesses (many of whom were represented by South Hills alumni) enough for taking the time from their schedules to participate.

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### Thank you

to our Program Advisory Boards  
from all of us here at

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### South Hills Program Advisory Board Members Recognized

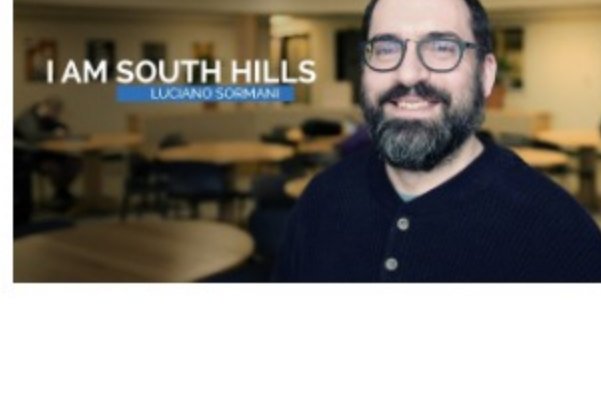
This month we want to thank our Program Advisory Board members. The advisory boards review curriculum, program materials, and course content so that we can be sure that all South Hills programs are keeping current with industry changes and trends. The feedback and input we receive from our advisory board members is critical to our success in preparing our students for the workforce, and we appreciate their participation.

### "I am South Hills"

Luciano Sormani

Luciano Sormani is an adjunct instructor in the Graphic Arts program at the main campus of South Hills in State College. He teaches Computer Graphics, Photoshop, and Packaging Design, as well as Microsoft Publisher. Learn a little bit more about him in the first installment of the #IamSouthHills series.

[Watch the video...](#)



### O\*NET Bright Outlook Occupations & Hot Technologies



The O\*NET program is the nation's primary source of occupational information. The National Center for O\*NET Development collects occupation data and provides free applications to the public to use for career exploration. Starting this month, we'll be shining a spotlight on the Bright Outlook Occupations and Hot Technologies that relate to the programs we offer here at South Hills.

**Bright Outlook Occupations** are job fields that are expected to grow rapidly in the next several years, will need large numbers of new job openings, or are new and emerging occupations.

**Hot Technologies** are skill requirements frequently included in employer job postings.

April's featured Bright Outlook Occupation is **Medical Records & Health Information Technicians**.

[Learn more about April's Bright Outlook Occupation...](#)

### Lifelong Learning Courses - Spring/Summer 2017

Register now for a South Hills Lifelong Learning or Professional Development course that fits your spring or summer schedule! Individual evening courses are being offered in popular topics such as Microsoft Office Suite; Graphic Arts, Web Design, Health Care Professional (ICD-10 Coding); AutoCAD, Project Management and Computer Technician Training.

[Learn more about Lifelong Learning at South Hills...](#)



### April is Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month

April is Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month. Our Medical Assistant students want everyone to learn the facts about esophageal cancer and become familiar with the symptoms and risk factors. On April 6th, they set up a table at our State College main campus to disseminate information to fellow students, faculty, and staff. Today they want to make sure all of our SHINE subscribers get informed, too, by asking you to take a few minutes to visit the American Cancer Society's website.

### PBL Members Compete at State Conference and Win Big

A hearty congratulations goes out to our Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Club members who recently attended the PBL State Conference and Competition. Our students competed and placed against students of several top-ranked Pennsylvania colleges and universities.

Following their victories, many of our PBL student leaders are set to take on the next level of competition at the National PBL Conference and Competitions in California this summer. Full list of winners follows:

1st Place – Networking Concepts:  
Ivan Sukovattitsyn

2nd Place – Networking Concepts:  
Joseph Hoffman

2nd Place – Small Business Management Plan:  
Paul Mazza IV  
Alex Vovchenko  
Hunter McElfresh  
Kayla Caldwell

2nd Place – Computer Concepts:  
Ivan Sukovattitsyn

3rd Place – Computer Concepts:  
Joseph Hoffman

Other participants:  
Val Sukovattitsyn  
Anastasia Shawley  
Ann Davis (PBL Club Advisor)  
Darius Morgan (Professional PBL Member)



### 6th Annual Sonographers' Symposium Held

On April 8th, the 6th annual Sonographers' Symposium was held at our State College campus, hosted by the Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) faculty. Dozens of professional sonographers from across the state joined our current DMS students for the conference where they earned 6.5 CMA credits. Expert sonographers, researchers, and top ultrasound equipment manufacturers presented lectures about the latest medical ultrasound information and demonstrations of state-of-the-art technology.

[Learn more about our DMS program...](#)

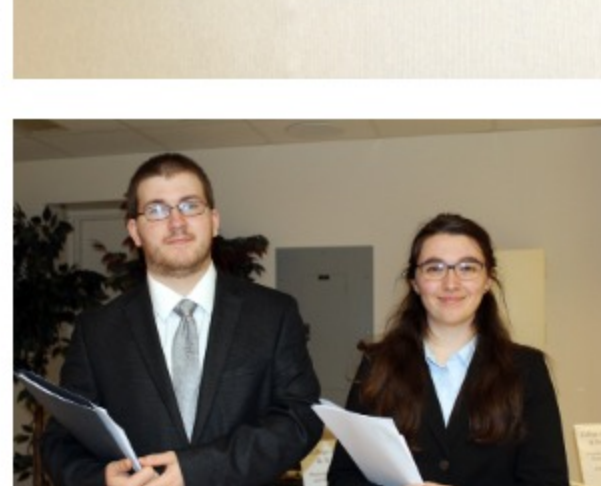
### PSU Days Pt. 2: Internship Fair

Students from all three of our campuses participated in the 17th annual PSU Days Internship Fair, held on April 18, 2017 at our State College main campus in association with the Pennsylvania State University.

Our students were introduced to several challenging and exciting summer internship opportunities from a number of departments at Penn State.

We are proud to announce that, starting this year, South Hills alumnus, Eric Cox (Human Resources Specialist at Penn State), has become our Career Services department's new PSU Internship liaison. We look forward to continuing this beneficial partnership with his assistance.

[View more photos from the event on our Facebook page.](#)



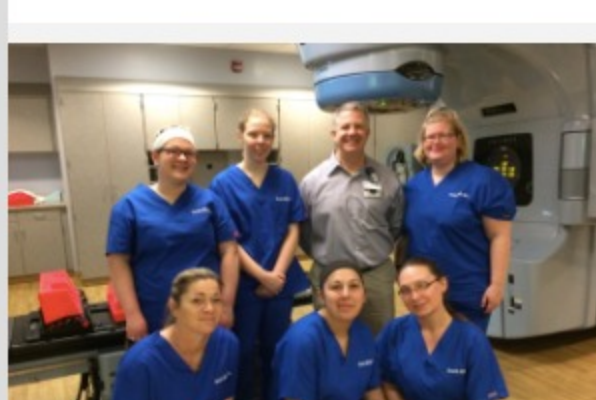
### Graphic Arts Media & Design Students Create Hieroglyphics

First-year Graphic Arts students were assigned a project in which they created their own custom hieroglyphics using any hand-rendered medium. The students had to create symbols that represented themselves.

[Learn more about our Graphic Arts program...](#)

### Important FAFSA Renewal Reminder

The deadline for the FAFSA renewal is **May 1, 2017**; students missing this deadline will forfeit any opportunity for a PHEAA state grant. Current South Hills students who plan to return next fall to continue their studies (including students interning this summer) will need to complete a FAFSA renewal by May 1, 2017. Students missing this deadline will forfeit any opportunity for a PHEAA state grant. Contact the Financial Aid Team for more information.



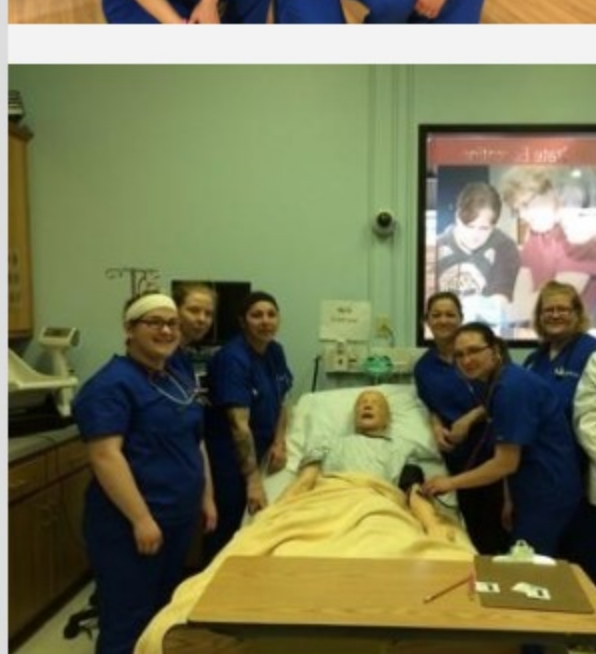
### Medical Assistant Students Visit Lewistown Health Facilities

First-year students of our Medical Assistant program at our Lewistown campus recently participated in two field trip events in the last week of March. At Geisinger Lewistown Hospital's Cancer Treatment Center, students learned about the equipment in the CT scanner room, the internal radiation treatment room, and the multi-million dollar linear accelerator.

At the Penn State Learning Lab, students got to experience the world of simulation through interaction with life-like, electronically controlled, "patients." They began with working on accessing all pulse points, evaluating lung, heart, and abdominal sounds, and perfecting their blood pressure technique. The "patient" was linked to a working monitor which showed vitals real-time as the students worked on interpreting data as the behind-the-scene tech changed readings.

They also got to experiment with the intravenous infusion computer, which allowed them to actually start an IV while being evaluated on their techniques.

[Learn more about our Medical Assistant program...](#)



### Lewistown C.O.P.S. Club Participates and Places in Big Brothers Big Sisters Fundraising Contest

The C.O.P.S. (Community Outreach and Public Service) Club at South Hills - Lewistown recently participated in a Gingerbread House Contest fundraiser to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Juniata Valley. Several gingerbread houses were created by local families, clubs, and organizations in various artistic designs. They were displayed to the public who voted for their favorites by making donations to the Juniata Valley BBBS. The houses that collected the most donations were declared the winners. Congratulations are due to our C.O.P.S. Club members, who entered a gingerbread prison that took 3rd place overall! For their efforts, they were awarded a golden spoon.

Pictured left to right: Jared Edwards (C.O.P.S. Club student member), Judy Fitzgerald (Program Coordinator - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Juniata Valley), Venus Shade (C.O.P.S. advisor), Lindsey Swan (C.O.P.S. Club student member), Heather Shatzberger (C.O.P.S. Club student member)



### Upcoming Events

#### Summer Music Picnic Series

This year marks the 28th year that South Hills will be hosting the annual Summer Music Picnic Series. The free music concerts, held on the north lawn at the State College campus on 482 Waupele Drive, are open to the community. There are performances scheduled every Sunday in June through August. They are sponsored by the Mazza Foundation for Education in conjunction with South Hills School of Business & Technology. Performances will go on rain or shine – the events are always moved inside the school if it rains.

[2017 Music Picnic Series Schedule](#)



### Blood Wars Blood Drive

Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us on **Thursday, May 11** for the 2017 South Hills Blood Wars. The Health Careers Club sponsors the annual blood drive during which our State College and Altoona campuses come together to help the American Red Cross collect donations. **NOTE: If you plan to participate, please refrain from giving blood in the 60 days before our event.**

### 4th Annual Food Festival at South Hills Date Announced

Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, June 14, 2017** and plan to spend the afternoon at South Hills in State College for the Happy Valley Culinary Week Food Festival! This annual event features live chef demonstrations, a farmers' market featuring only local products, live music, various workshops, and tours of our school will provide a fun-filled afternoon of delicious food for the entire family.

You'll be able to stock up on some of the tastiest delicacies Central PA has to offer at the farmers' market, which will have an array of meats, cheeses, produce, sauces, spreads, dressings, and more.

Look for more details about the schedule and participating vendors [on our website](#) and in next month's issue of SHINE.

**Central PA Food Vendors:** Would you like a tent for your business at the Food Festival? [Reserve your spot now!](#)



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