Lehigh Carbon Community College President
Dr. Ann D. Bieber

Vice President for Academic Services Appointed to Lehigh Carbon Community College

LCCC President Dr. Ann Bieber has announced the appointment of Dr. Thomas Meyer to Vice President for Academic Services and Student Development at Lehigh Carbon Community College. Dr. Meyer will start in the position July 1.

Dr. Meyer earned his doctorate in educational linguistics, his master’s in teaching English to speakers of other languages and his bachelor’s in English literature, all from the University of Pennsylvania.

Prior to Broward College, he worked at Miami Dade College as dean of academic affairs responsible for the schools of computer/engineering and architecture and culinary.

He worked his way up from dean of associate dean, and before that as chair of the Department of English as a Second Language/Foreign Languages/Translation and Interpretation.

He has been a faculty lecturer at colleges and universities in both Pennsylvania and Florida. In addition, Dr. Meyer served as a management consultant for a hospital, government agency and pharmaceutical manufacturer, where he learned best practices in customer service, continuous improvement and operational efficiency. This provides him insight into public/private partnerships and workforce development from a business perspective.

"Dr. Meyer brings a strong background in community colleges from across the country and will add his experience to leading LCCC’s Academic Services and Student Development," said Dr. Bieber. "In addition, his experience in business will help promote the college’s partnerships with area industry."

Upcoming Events

June 22-25
Edugaming Workshop at LCCC Schnecksville for educators. For more information email computergaming@lccc.edu or call Lynn Pruneski at 610-799-1966 for more details.

June 23
New student orientation at LCCC Schnecksville from noon to 4 p.m. in the Scheller-Woodman Community Services Center, Rooms 203, 205 and the Commons area.

July 3-4
College closed.

July 3-9
No daytime or evening classes.

Annual Clay Shoot Raises $14,000 for Scholarships

The LCCC Foundation held its 12th Annual Scholarship Clay Shoot in April at the Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays in Coplay, Pa.

This year, with the generosity of sponsors and participants, the Foundation was able to raise nearly $14,000 in scholarship funds.

"The event was a great example of the community coming together to help our youth and returning adult students gain access to LCCC through the LCCC Foundation’s General Scholarship Fund," said Jane Wilchak, special events manager/alumni relations.

"I thank you very much for allowing me to be one of the recipients of this Follett Higher Education scholarship. Your donation is a true blessing."— Chelsea Simmonson

"Thank you for this Follett Higher Education scholarship. Words cannot express how grateful I am. Thank you for helping LCCC students achieve their dreams."— Thania Taveras

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Students Awarded Scholarships

During the Allentown-West Rotary breakfast, the organization awarded two scholarships to LCCC students Victoria Dikeman and Joanna Suriel. Pictured from left to right are LCCC Professor of Mathematics and President of the Allentown-West Rotary Dr. Barbara Kistler; LCCC President Dr. Ann D. Bieber; Professor and Transfer Counselor Virginia Mihalik; Director of Student Life Gene Eden, and scholarship recipients Victoria Dikeman and Joanna Suriel.

Professor Named Officer of the Year

LCCC adjunct professor and Easton Police Detective Darren Snyder was awarded the Police Officer of the Year award by the Kiwanis Club of Easton and honored by Easton City Council last week. Snyder is credited with solving several homicides, training other officers in crime scene processing and documentation and solving a homicide that involved a grand jury investigation. Snyder joined the Easton police department in 2004 and joined the detective unit in 2009. Congratulations, Darren on your well-earned honor.

Psychology Students Awarded for Outstanding Contributions

Psychology students who made an outstanding contribution this semester were awarded with a certificate and will have their names listed on the American Psychological Association website throughout the summer. Dr. Nancy L. Egan chose winners based on the quality of their work presented, class attendance, interest in the subject, test scores, special skills used during research projects, and their desire to continue studies in psychology. Pictured above from left to right are students who were recognized from the Abnormal Psychology class at LCCC Allentown: Heather Knight, DeAndre Avinger, Nicole Young, Idalina Quintana and Keisha Torres. From Main Campus, students from the Introduction to Psychology class who were awarded were Kylie J. Cloonan, Stephan Duc, Eileen P. Hale, Charles Lippincott, Andrew J. Perkins, Hunter Roth, Gray J. Schick, Jennifer Koch, Austin Leurs and Christina J. Thomas.

LCCC Celebrates 48th Commencement Ceremonies

Lehigh Carbon Community College held its 48th annual Commencement on Wednesday, May 20, with ceremonies at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. in John G. Berrier Hall. A total of more than 300 students arrived in their burgundy caps and gowns and were recognized for earning their associate degrees, certificates or specialized credit diplomas. LCCC President Dr. Ann D. Bieber presided over the ceremonies as Chair of the LCCC Board of Trustees Audrey L. Larvey offered welcoming remarks. Class of 2015 graduates Liam B. Lansang, who received his associate degree in mathematics, and Nickson H. Ogutu, who received his associate degree in general studies, were featured student speakers during the ceremonies and offered perspective on their personal backgrounds. Faculty members serving as grand marshals were Dr. John G. Hefner, Richard C. Warner, Gary J. Andrews, Karen M. Clark, Gail A. Cummings and Jennifer M. Myskowski.

One of the highlights of the ceremony was the announcement of the Student of the Year, which was presented to Caitlin A. Carbone as an outstanding graduate of the year. Carbone was also the recipient of the Distinction of Psychology Award. The Student of the Year is selected by the LCCC Faculty Association. In addition, the All-Pennsylvania Academic Team members Michael Colorusso and Chelsea Simonson were recognized. Dr. Barry L. Spriggs, interim vice president for academic services and student development, presented the candidates for graduation.

Golf Team Headed to Nationals After Historic Championship Win

The Lehigh Carbon Community College Golf Team extended their season another three weeks as they qualified for the NJCAA Division III National Championship. Playing in the NJCAA for just the third year, the Cougars won the first regional championship in school history. In what turned out to be a very tight match, they held on for a two shot victory at the Black Bear Golf Club in Franklin, N.J. With a lead that was approaching ten shots with only a few holes to play, the Community College of Morris County mounted one final surge. Tournament medalist, Erik Diamond, finished eagle-par-birdie and teammate, Chris Budd, finished eagle-par to trim the Cougar advantage. But the Cougar’s team depth proved too big an obstacle as Nikos Milios (79), Parker Lessel, Jr. (82) and Chris Erb (84) provided the final scores needed to seal their two-shot victory.

Team leader, Michael Weinert (79), played steady both days and finished third in the individual standings with a two-day total of 157. He and Milios, ninth, earned All Region Honors for finishing in the top ten, and Weinert was recently named Eastern Pennsylvania Athletic Conference (EPAC) Athlete of the Week.

Congratulations, LCCC Nursing Students

LCCC Alumna Featured on White House Blog

A 1996 LCCC alumna was featured on the White House’s blog regarding her experience at LCCC in a post titled Community College Changes Lives.

Awilda Aguila details her experience as a veteran attending LCCC and her current success as a school principal. She notes in the blog, “I am smart and very proud of my efforts over the years, but it was believing I am smart that continued to drive me. As principal, I’m giving it all back in hopes to inspire others.”

Professor, Panelist at Hispanic Event

LCCC’s Assistant Professor of Spanish Charles Molano was a panelist at the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Lehigh Valley’s event, “Insight into Cuba,” on April 28, at Lehigh University. The event featured a view into one of history’s most enigmatic relationships between nation states. Attendees observed the first comprehensive exhibition of contemporary Cuban photography, “El Otro Lado Del Alma.”