

Giving to Penn College

'Makerspace' Formally Dedicated at Penn College

Designed by students and funded by a forward-thinking group of individual and industry benefactors, a space designed to inspire interdisciplinary innovation and collaboration has opened its doors at Pennsylvania College of Technology. Dedication ceremonies were held Aug. 14 for [The Dr. Welch Workshop: A Makerspace at Penn College](#), a facility constructed in the Carl Building Technologies Center on the main campus.



Alumni Highlight

Matthew J. Waters 2016, Forest Technology

Matthew J. Waters was among the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources employees dispatched to [fight wildfires](#) in western states this summer. The Selinsgrove resident, who spent nearly two weeks on a crew in Tooele, Utah, was featured in a recent front-page article in The (Sunbury) Daily Item.



Manuel S. Baez Jr. 2011, Culinary Arts Technology

An executive chef at Big Water Grille in Incline Village, Nevada, is profiled in the Aug. 23 edition of the Tahoe Daily Tribune. The [article](#) traces his involvement with cooking from childhood through his 2011 degree in culinary arts technology to the multicultural influences he brings to the restaurant's patrons. The article also references alumna Kristi (Ritchey) Genova – featured in the 2012 Spring Penn College [magazine](#) and in a YouTube [video](#) (and as a returning [Visiting Chef](#)) – who has encouraged and enhanced his career.

Alumni Events



[School of Nursing and Health Sciences Celebration](#)
Thursday, October 4



[Alumni and Friends Tent Party](#)
Friday, October 5



[Alumni Golf Outing](#)
Saturday, October 6



[Wildcats on Pine Square](#)
Saturday, October 6

Alumni News

Alumni at Loggers Landing with the Williamsport Crosscutters

Over 44 alumni and guests joined us for an evening of baseball on August 28 with the Crosscutters who battled against the Mahoning Valley Scrappers.



August Commencement Video

Pennsylvania College of Technology's Aug. 4, 2018 commencement is now featured on the [Penn College YouTube](#) channel. Lara K. Duke, of Swengel, who received an Associate of Applied Science degree in physical therapist assistant, was the student speaker.

Mark A. Atwater, who earned multiple degrees in 2007 (including a bachelor's in automated manufacturing technology) received the Alumni Achievement Award.

Fit for a Ring: Grad Earns Super Bowl Ring With Eagles

From the Fall 2018 [Penn College Magazine](#): A web and interactive media graduate's career takes him to the sidelines of the Super Bowl as the Philadelphia Eagles' digital project coordinator. Read "[Fit for a Ring](#)."



Pinning Ceremony Held for Summer Nursing Grads

On Friday, August 3 at the Community Arts Center, graduates of the [health arts: practical nursing](#) emphasis major gathered at the venue to receive pins from mentors. During the ceremony, the honorees recited the Nightingale Pledge.

Penn College Events



[Lycoming County Walk](#)
September 15



[Colloquia Series: The Great War and the Forgotten Realm](#)
November 8

Penn College News



Penn College Awards Its First ROTC Scholarship

Kurt M. Maly, of Effort, is the initial recipient of Pennsylvania College of Technology's [Army ROTC First-Year Scholarship](#). The award covers tuition for Maly's freshman year.

Veterans' Fraternity Chapter Wins Top National Honors

The Penn College Chapter of [Omega Delta Sigma](#), the national veterans fraternity, received a pair of impressive awards during the organization's convention in Denver earlier this summer.





Penn College Women Welders Help Serve the Greater Good

Three talented female [welding students](#) from Pennsylvania College of Technology didn't win their national competition, but the result of their effort will endure much longer than the shine of any medal. A rocket stove manufactured by welding and fabrication engineering technology students Erin M. Beaver, of Winfield; Joelle E. Perelli, of Bath; and Natalie J. Rhoades, of Weedville, earlier this summer at the SkillsUSA National Championships in Louisville, Kentucky, is in the process of being donated to a family in the developing world.

Volunteer Opportunities

"Volunteer! Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can."

-Arthur Ashe

Thank you to the following alumni who have volunteered in the past month:

- **Tima Cummings** '12 human services
- **Jared Hoover** '06 construction management
- **Van Johnson** '74 liberal arts

Volunteers needed for upcoming events:

Open House, October 28-Provide directions, assist with registration check-in, ride the bus around campus, etc.

Commencement, December 22-Interact with family and friends of graduates riding one of the buses to and from the Community Arts Center.

Let the Alumni Office know if you will be available to help at any of these events by emailing alumni@pct.edu.

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