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The TRIAD is the internal communication newsletter for Commonwealth University faculty and staff, sent on **Mondays** during the academic year.

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*\*Submission deadline for inclusion in the TRIAD is 9 a.m. Monday. **Please put "For TRIAD" in the subject line of your email.***

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#### **Chancellor Greenstein's Blog**

In my blog a few weeks ago I explained how universities and colleges like ours are adapting creatively to the tremendous pressures that are bearing down on them. As a follow up, I want to share some thoughts about Governor Josh Shapiro's proposal for major enhancements to Pennsylvania's public higher education sector – namely the ten PASSHE universities and the state's 15 community colleges. Read more [HERE](#).

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## **COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY NEWS**

### **Ness Named VP for Fiscal Affairs and Chief Financial Officer**

President Bashar Hanna has appointed Eric Ness, who has long and deep experience in financial management and fiscal affairs, to the position of Vice President for Fiscal Affairs and Chief Financial Officer. He will assume his new position effective Feb. 1.

Currently Special Assistant to the President for Facilities and Capital Planning, Ness served as senior project manager for the Commonwealth University integration and later as Interim Vice President for Finance.

Prior to joining Bloomsburg University in 2011, Ness had a leadership role in budget planning and development at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, where he introduced new budget policies and procedures. He later worked with Babson College on organizational and budget processes, and subsequently with Olin College on staffing, operational and budget plans for the newly established institution. Upon his arrival at Bloomsburg, he also instituted new procedures for management budgetary responsibilities, and mentored university managers on budget management and planning processes.

### **President Hanna Open Office Hours**

President Hanna welcomes conversations about ways in which Commonwealth University can enhance its service to its students. He will be available for 10-15-minute conversations during his open office hours below. Appointments are not required. Please contact Christa Lamoreaux at [clamoreaux@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:clamoreaux@commonwealthu.edu) with any questions.

- **Mansfield:** Tuesday, Feb. 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the President's Office, 500 North Hall
- **Bloomsburg:** Tuesday, Feb. 20, from 9 to 10 a.m. in the President's Office, Carver Hall
- **Lock Haven:** Tuesday, Feb. 27, from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in the President's Office, 311 Ulmer Hall



### **Biochemistry and Pre-Medicine Concentrations Accredited**

Commonwealth's Department of Biochemistry, Chemistry, Engineering, and Physics (BiCEP) has earned accreditation from the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) for two Bachelor of Science in Chemistry degree concentrations: biochemistry and pre-medicine. The seven-year full accreditation applies across the Bloomsburg, Lock Haven, and Mansfield campuses in recognition of their excellence in curriculum, institutional characteristics, and faculty qualifications. The accreditation enables graduating seniors to take the national ASBMB accreditation exam and demonstrate their proficiency in biochemistry and molecular biology on a national stage. [Read more.](#)

### Study Abroad Info Session

There will be a study abroad info session offered to all Commonwealth University students on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at 9 p.m. via [Zoom](#). The deadline to apply for ISEP Exchange placements for Fall 2024 is March 1.

### Career Connection Expos Set for Spring

Please alert your students to the following Career Connections Expos. In addition to being a convenient way to network and find internships and jobs for third- and fourth-year students, expos are also great way for first- and second-year students to explore careers, establish connections, and practice networking with potential employers. Students can register on Handshake under “career fairs” and find toolkits, resume labs, coaching appointments and more ways to prepare under “career center.” Students in need of professional attire can visit the Career Closet on their respective campus.

### Public/Government, Health & Human Services

Feb. 20 • Mansfield: Alumni Hall 307 • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Feb. 21 • Bloomsburg: KUB • 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Feb. 22 • Lock Haven: DACC Ballroom • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

### Public Relations, Sales, Marketing & Communication

March 5 • Bloomsburg: KUB • 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

March 6 • Lock Haven: DACC Ballroom • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

March 7 • Mansfield: Alumni Hall 307 • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

### Education

March 15 • Bloomsburg: SRC • 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

### Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging (DEIB)

March 26 • Lock Haven: DACC Ballroom • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

March 27 • Mansfield: Alumni Hall 307 • 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

March 28 • Bloomsburg: KUB • 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

### URSCA Applications Open, Student Proposals Due March 1

Applications are open for CU students to join this summer’s Undergraduate Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities (URSCA) Program. URSCA participants are hired as student workers and paid to pursue a substantial research question, contribute to a scholarly endeavor, or produce an artistic work under faculty mentorship. Full- and part-time funding is available. For more information, visit the URSCA competition link on CU’s InfoReady portal: <https://commonwealthu.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1927118>. Contact [Dr. Heather Feldhaus](#) or [Dr. Angela Hess](#) for more details.

### Adobe Users: Discontinuation of Synced Files for Creative Cloud

Starting Thursday, Feb. 1, Adobe Creative Cloud Synced files will be discontinued for personal accounts that existed before Dec. 11, 2023 (learn more [here](#)). Starting Oct. 1, 2024, Creative Cloud Synced files will be discontinued for business accounts associated with organizations that existed before Dec. 11, 2023 (learn more [here](#)).

If you are using Creative Cloud synced files, files saved to Creative Cloud Files will no longer be saved to cloud storage to be shared across devices. Full information about the impact and how to manage are here: <https://helpx.adobe.com/ca/creative-cloud/kb/eol-creative-cloud-synced-files.html>. For accounts on the October 1, timeline, here is information: <https://helpx.adobe.com/enterprise/kb/eol-cc-synced-files-for-business-plans.html>

Please check your email accounts for messages from Adobe related to this change and handle your files accordingly. If you have any questions or concerns, contact [cats@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:cats@commonwealthu.edu).

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- **CU Succeed workshops/Q&A sessions**
- **AlphaGraphics Payment Options**
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#### **Making An Impact:**

#### **Brittany Stephenson First African American Woman Elected to Luzerne County Council**

As a student at Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg, Brittany Stephenson '21/'23M was determined to make a positive impact on campus. Now she has an opportunity to make an impact on an even larger scale. On Nov. 7, 2023, she was the first Black person, the first Jamaican American, and the first Black Woman elected to serve as a member of Luzerne County Council. [Read more.](#)



### Reflections: The Life and Times of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Through the performance of King's speeches, Jim Lucas chronicles the Civil Rights movement through the eyes of Dr. King. He will perform on Thursday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m. in Carver Hall, K.S. Gross Auditorium. [More information.](#)

### Spring 2024 Conversations for the Common Good Events

In the spring term we are continuing the "immigration" theme from the fall, in a partnership with the Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble (BTE). BTE and CCG are partners in the BTE production of *Sanctuary City*, running through Feb. 4. The play explores the realities faced by young immigrants hoping for passage of the DREAM act to permit them to remain in the U.S. and pursue citizenship. LGBTQA rights, domestic violence, and the intense challenges of maintaining friendships—or simply living—underground in a "sanctuary city" are at the heart of this moving story.

The cast and director of *Sanctuary city* will be available to Commonwealth students on Friday, Feb. 2, at 11 a.m. for an interactive discussion on Zoom (<https://commonwealthu-edu.zoom.us/j/96575631464> Meeting ID: 965 7563 1464). The discussion will be open via Zoom to all Commonwealth students, faculty, administrators and staff, and to the public at large. The *Sanctuary City* cast and director will also take part in a moderated talk-back with audience members at the conclusion of the final performance of the play, on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4 at the Alvina Krause Theatre. That final performance begins at 3 p.m. The discussion will be moderated by Jesús Salas-Elorza from the department of languages and cultures.



### Atlantic Guitar Quartet to Perform Feb. 7

The Atlantic Guitar Quartet, a contemporary music ensemble dedicated to promoting the work of living composers, will present a free concert at Bloomsburg University's K.S. Gross Auditorium in Carver Hall on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m. The concert will include music by guitarist-composers Fred Frith, Olga Amelkina-Vera and Ben Verdery, as well as music inspired by Leonard Cohen and Erik Satie. The quartet will also give a masterclass for Bloomsburg University guitar students at noon on Feb. 7 in the Haas Center for the Arts, room 166. Both of these events are free and open to the public. [Read more.](#)

## EVENTS

### BLOOMSBURG Full Calendar

#### Jan. 22 to Feb. 22

- [Art Exhibit: Kristy Gordon](#), Gallery at Greenly Center, 50 E. Main St. Reception Thursday, Feb. 1, 5 to 7 p.m.

#### Jan. 22 to March 1

- [Art Exhibit: "Una Ventana" Anissa Cavazos](#), Haas Gallery of Art. Reception Thursday, Feb. 29.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 31

- [Multicultural Center 30th Anniversary Celebration](#), 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Kehr Union, Multicultural Center.

#### Thursday, Feb. 1

- [Reflections: The Life and Times of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.](#), 6 p.m., Carver Hall, K.S. Gross Auditorium.

#### Sunday, Feb. 4

- [Campus Church](#), 11 a.m., Kehr Union, Multicultural Center.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 7

- [Concert: Atlantic Guitar Quartet](#), 7 p.m., Carver Hall, K.S. Gross Auditorium.

#### Friday, Feb. 16

- [Arts in Bloom: A Valentine's Event with the Sofia Philharmonic Orchestra](#): 7:30 p.m., Haas Center for the Arts, Mitrani Hall.

#### Saturday, Feb. 17

- [Sankofa Conference](#), Kehr Union.

#### Friday, March 1, 2024

- [Arts in Bloom: International Guitar Night](#): 7:30 p.m., Carver Hall, K.S. Gross Auditorium.

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[Women's Track & Field Earns Two New PSAC Qualifiers](#)

[Drake Receives Third PSAC Men's Swimming Athlete of the Week Honor](#)

[Wenzel Garners Second PSAC Women's Swimming Athlete of the Week Award](#)

[Field Hockey Announces Dates for Upcoming Clinics](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Two Day Campus Blood Drive

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7, from noon to 5 p.m. in Kehr Union, Multi-Purpose Rooms A and B. To donate call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: BloomU to schedule an appointment or visit the links below. Come give in Feb. for a \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See [rcblood.org/heart](http://rcblood.org/heart).

### LGBTQA Reception

The Commission for Gender and Sexuality will host our 15th Annual Reception on Friday, April 5, at 5 p.m. at the Barn at Boone's Dam with light refreshments and silent auction. Tickets are \$50 each and include creative appetizers, beer, and wine. [More information.](#)

### Items Needed for Annual Book Sale

The Friends of the Bloomsburg University Library Association (FOBULA) will hold its annual book sale for 2024 from Saturday, April 13, to Monday, April 15, in the Andruss Library Schweiker Room. The book sale has brought in \$48,400 since the first one was held 23 years ago. This money has gone toward several special projects, two of which are the digitization and preservation of local and university historic materials and providing textbook scholarships to deserving students. There is always a need for more books, CDs, and DVDs. The items can be brought to the Andruss Library Circulation Desk anytime the building is open, and if you have a large number that need to be picked up please contact [Robert Dunkelburger](#). The Friends are looking for all types of books, both fiction and nonfiction, in GOOD condition, that would appeal to a general audience, in addition to movies and music. Items that do not sell well include outdated textbooks (more than ten years old), magazines, journals, encyclopedias, and Reader's Digest condensed books.

### Bridge Lessons and Games Offered at Town Library

Bob Reed ([rreed@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:rreed@commonwealthu.edu)), an adjunct faculty member in TRIO Student Support Services, is an organizer of bridge lessons and games at the Bloomsburg town library every Monday. Lessons are at 11:15 a.m. and the game at 1 p.m. Lessons on how to play bridge are presented in a group setting friendly and open to questions. The two events can be attended separately or together. A donation of a dollar is requested to the library.

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### Scholarship Established Through 6-figure gift to Lock Haven University Foundation

In honor of the remarkable life and career of 1964 Lock Haven State College (LHSC) alumna, Toletha "Lee" Todd Amigh, her husband of 54 years, Jim Amigh '64, has established The Lee Todd Amigh ('64) Environmental Education Scholarship through a major, six-figure gift to the Lock Haven University Foundation (LHUF). [Read more](#)

## [LOCK HAVEN Full Calendar](#)

### Wednesday, Jan. 31 & Thursday, Feb. 1

- [Blood Drive](#): 1-6 p.m., Rec Center. Appointment required – schedule [HERE](#).

### Thursday, Feb. 1

- **The Current Landscape of DEI in Today's Society**: 12:30-1:30 p.m., PUB MPR
  - Presentation by Albert Jones, focus on a call to action for developing opportunities of change to create a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all.

### Ongoing Events

- **Morning Raquet sports (Racquetball, Pickleball, Badminton)**: M/W/F, 8-10 a.m., Rec Center *\*Rec Center membership required*
- [Open Swim](#): Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m., Zimmerli Pool. *\*LHU ID required*
- **Pet Therapy**: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m., Stevenson Library Tutoring Center

## [LOCK HAVEN Athletics News - GoLHU.com](#) — [Athletic Composite Schedule](#)

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[No. 16 Women's Basketball Extends Win Streak to 17; Haven Perfect 12-0 in PSAC First-Place Men's Basketball Wins Eighth Straight Saturday](#)

[No. 10 Women's Wrestling Crowns Four Champs at Collegiate State Championships](#)

[No. 22 Men's Wrestling Caps Busy Stretch with Home Tournament](#)

[Men's Track & Field Hits PSAC Marks](#)

[Women's Track & Field Turns in Busy Weekend](#)



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### Campus Administrator Open Office Hours

Dr. Stephen Lee has scheduled open office hours to meet with faculty/staff on Wednesday, Jan. 31, from 8-9 a.m. If you would like to schedule a time to meet with Dr. Lee, contact Krisy Meeker at [kmeeker@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:kmeeker@commonwealthu.edu) and include your topic of discussion for a 15-minute meeting.

### Haven Cupboard Spring 2024 Hours

The Haven Cupboard, located at 340 W. Main St. (formerly NanoBites) will be open Wednesdays from 4-6 p.m. and Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. and 5:15-6:15 p.m. Donations will be accepted during all operating hours. To receive weekly shopping emails, email [havencupboard@lockhaven.edu](mailto:havencupboard@lockhaven.edu).

### Nominations Wanted for Distinguished Work in the Advancement of Women's Issues

The President's Commission for the Status of Women (PCSW) is sponsoring one student award, one staff award, and one faculty or coach award for the 2023-24 President's Award for Distinguished Work in the Advancement of Women's Issues (DWAWI). Please consider nominating deserving students and employees from both the Lock Haven and Clearfield campuses for this year's DWAWI award. Nomination deadline is Friday, Feb. 16. To complete a nomination form, contact Jackie Borst, awards committee chair, at [jrb1043@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:jrb1043@commonwealthu.edu).

Visit the [TRIAD webpage](#) in the Lock Haven "Announcements and Reminders" section to view more on the items below:

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### Clark Jackson Band to Perform Feb. 1

The Clark Jackson Band from northern Pennsylvania will perform on Thursday, Feb. 1, at 8:30 p.m. in the HUT. Jackson grew up on a Pennsylvania dairy farm and uses his work ethic and love of the outdoors as inspiration for his songs. The band performs popular country tunes along with some rock and pop covers thrown in with a few original songs as well. Free admission. Presented by the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership.



### **American Horn Quartet to Perform at Mansfield**

The American Horn Quartet will give a concert and masterclass at Commonwealth University-Mansfield on Thursday, Feb. 15. The masterclass will be at 1 p.m. and the concert at 7:30 p.m. in Butler Music Center's Steadman Theatre. Both are free and open to the public. The masterclass is designed for collegiate horn ensembles and high school horn soloists. The concert will include two world premiere performances. [Read more](#)

### **Juried Student Exhibition 2024**

A Juried Exhibition of Art and Design by CU-Mansfield students is being held through Feb. 22 in the Loomis Gallery, in Allen Hall. An awards ceremony will be held on Thursday, Feb. 15, from 4 to 6 p.m. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### **Mansfield Piano Festival to be held in March**

The former Mansfield Piano Competition is expanding its format to become the Mansfield Piano Festival, with the first festival to be held on Saturday, March 2. The Mansfield Piano Festival welcomes pianists of all ages who reside in Pennsylvania and nearby states. Applicants must register before Saturday, Feb. 17. [Read more](#)

## **MANSFIELD Full Calendar**

### **Saturday, Feb. 3**

- [Community Climbing Day](#): 2-6 p.m., Kelchner Fitness Center

### **Ongoing Events**

- [Juried Student Exhibition](#): Monday through Friday through Feb. 22, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Loomis Gallery. Awards reception will be Thursday, Feb. 15, from 4-6 p.m.
- [Yoga Basics](#): Thursdays through Feb. 29, 4:30-5:25 p.m., Kelchner Fitness Center.
- [Candlelight Yoga](#): Thursdays in January and February, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Kelchner Fitness Center.

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### RBC Souper Bowl Luncheon

All Mansfield employees are invited to attend the Red and Black Committee's "Souper" Bowl party on Thursday, Feb. 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in 307 Alumni Hall. It doesn't matter which team is in the Super Bowl, this is a fan favorite that involves a wide range of soups. If you are able to bring a soup, soup side and/or door prize, please contact Jonathan Rothermel at [jrotherm@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:jrotherm@commonwealthu.edu).

### TIAA Retirement Meeting

A TIAA Representative will be available to meet on Tuesday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Alumni Hall Board Room, 2nd Floor. Space is limited. Register for sessions at [www.tiaa.org/schedulenow](http://www.tiaa.org/schedulenow) or by calling 800-732-8353, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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