

## The TRIAD -- March 5, 2024

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

There will be no TRIAD on Tuesday, March 12, during Spring Break. The next TRIAD will be sent on Tuesday, March 19.

\*\*\*Visit the [TRIAD WEBPAGE](#) for more information and details on items in the newsletter.

### Have news to share? Contact us below.

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The Strategic Communications Team

*\*Submission deadline for inclusion in the TRIAD is **10 a.m. Monday**. If you have a Monday or early Tuesday event or deadline, please be sure to submit your information by or before 10 a.m. the previous Monday. **Please put "For TRIAD" in the subject line of your email.***

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## COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY NEWS

### Commonwealth University Council of Trustees Meeting

Friday, March 8, 2:30 p.m.

To participate in the virtual meeting please access <https://commonwealthu-edu.zoom.us/j/96315619663?pwd=bi9VdUU5Tnl4Nnd3bkZYT1MvYnQvQT09>

Webinar ID: 963 1561 9663 and Passcode: 943637.

### Town Hall Recording and Slides Available

The slideshow and zoom recording from Faculty Staff Town Hall held on Feb. 27 are [available online here](#).

## Provost Search Survey

We have launched the search for the new Commonwealth University Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs to succeed Dr. Diana Rogers-Adkinson, who will assume the position of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education in July 2024.

We invite the CU community to share their ideas about what the next Commonwealth University Provost should know about the university, what they should focus on and what qualifications and attributes you would like our new Provost to have by participating in an anonymous survey being administered by WittKieffer, the executive search firm coordinating the search. The results of the survey will be summarized for the members of the search committee as they evaluate candidates to move forward through the process. The closing date for the survey is **March 8. Take the Survey:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/87GBBVN> [surveymonkey.com]

## University Senate Seeking Nominations

University Senate is looking for interested faculty and staff to nominate themselves or someone else (with their consent) to serve on open positions. To nominate, please use this [nomination form](#), which lists positions by campus. You can also see a live [report of nominations](#).

Nominations will close at 4:00 pm on March 18, with elections commencing on April 1. To win a position, the candidate with most votes must win at least 50% of votes cast. Otherwise, a run-off will be held between the two candidates with the most votes. Election results will be announced on April 10, and new terms begin on April 15.

As a reminder, here is the full [Senate membership](#). Please note several positions elected last year have terms ending in 2025 or later.

## CU Facilities Department SharePoint

Visit the [Facilities SharePoint site](#).



## President's Blog:

### The Time is Now: Reflections on Black History Month

"The time is always right to do what is right." —Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

As we near the end of Black History Month, I find myself reflecting on the words of several champions of equality. Dr. King was a pioneer of the civil rights movement and a proponent of kindness, empathy, and social justice. He believed these qualities when pursued together would make our world a more openhearted, fair, and equitable place for all people to pursue their dreams. That was, after all, Dr. King's central message—that all people should have the right to dream and the freedom to work toward the fulfillment of such dreams. [Read more.](#)

## 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. Upcoming hours include:

- **Mansfield:** Wednesday, March 6, from 2-3 p.m., President's Office, North Hall
- **Bloomsburg:** Wednesday, March 20, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the President's Office, Carver Hall
- **Lock Haven:** Tuesday, March 26, from 3-4 p.m. in the President's Office, Ulmer Hall

### College of Health Professions to Host DEI Panel Discussion

The College of Health Profession's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee will host a DEI Panel Discussion on Wednesday, March 6, from 5:30-7 p.m. in Centennial Hall, CEH218, Bloomsburg campus. Lock Haven campus participants can meet and attend via Zoom in Willis 227. Students, faculty, staff, and alumni from all Commonwealth University campuses are welcome to attend in person or via [Zoom](#). The panel will include alumni and health professionals from various disciplines. Panelists will discuss their journey and successes and challenges they experienced along their educational and career pathways. The event is funded by the Commonwealth University's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

### Retirement Planning Sessions

The HRConnect Benefits team will provide on-campus presentations for retirement planning. The presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer period. In addition, one-on-one meetings with an HRConnect Benefits Representative will be offered via Zoom the following week. Please indicate that you wish to schedule a meeting during the registration process. Spouses and partners are invited to attend. If you have already made the decision to retire, please open a "Retirement Counseling Request" inquiry through [HRConnect](#) now so that the retirement process may begin. The on-campus presentations will give you an opportunity to review and ask any remaining questions. HRConnect can also be reached during business hours (Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at 717-720-4040. Leaving a voicemail after-hours will automatically open an inquiry for you. The registration deadline is March 11. **Please register [here](#).**

#### Presentation Schedule

- **Mansfield:** March 18 (snow date March 25) 11 a.m. – noon, Alumni Hall, room 307. Parking: Use Parking Lot D (adjacent to Alumni Hall), No pass is required for guests.
- **Bloomsburg:** March 20 (snow date March 27), 11 a.m. – noon, Andruss Library, Schweiker Room.
- **Lock Haven:** March 21 (snow date March 28), 11 a.m. – noon, 105 Willis (Greenberg Auditorium).

### DEI Holding Women's History Month Donation Drive

DEI is looking for donations to support women and children. Donated items will support residents of the YWCA Northcentral PA's Wise Options. Wise Options provides refuge for survivors of violence in a safe and secure site. Wise Options' emergency shelter for victims of abuse is the only shelter of its kind in Lycoming County. In addition to Wise Options, donated items will also be distributed to women and children during a community engagement day that DEI is hosting in Williamsport on Thursday, March 28.

DEI is hopeful to have the following items donated: pillows/pillowcases, cookie sheets, diapers, children's books and games, toiletries, feminine hygiene products, school supplies, baby supplies and new and slightly used clothing. Donated items will be accepted at the following locations:

- Bloomsburg – Women's Resource Center, First Floor, Schuylkill Hall and Global and Multicultural Education and DEI Office, 101 Kehr Student Union
- Lock Haven – Robert and Delores Lynch Multi-Cultural Center, 103 Raub Hall
- Mansfield – Pride Center, 130 Alumni Hall

Contact Ralph Godbolt [rgodbolt@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:rgodbolt@commonwealthu.edu) for additional information.

### 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 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.

## IN THE NEWS

\*Visit the [TRIAD webpage](#) in the Commonwealth University “In the News” section to view past news coverage.

**CU-Bloomsburg's BloomCon**, held Friday and Saturday, March 1 and 2, was [covered by Fox56 TV](#). In its seven years, BloomCON has attracted more than 5,000 attendees. In addition to talks by cybersecurity experts, there will be stations focused on topics such as lock picking, hardware hacking, the Internet of Things, car hacking, and drone hacking and flight control. [More photos.](#)

**CU-Bloomsburg's 25th Annual Math Contest** attracted more than 200 high school students to campus from Northeastern Pennsylvania and was [covered by WNEP-TV](#).

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Have an achievement you'd like to highlight in this section? Submit it [HERE](#).

**Nathan Rinnert**, professor of music and chair, Department of Music, Theatre, and Dance (Mansfield), conducted the 140-piece PA Music Educators Association (PMEA) District 2 Band Festival on Jan. 11-13 in Bradford. A challenging set of band pieces were performed that pushed the ensemble to achieve individually and corporately with technical and artistic virtuosity. The culminating public performance was well received. Students are selected by audition for the 12 district-level bands held across the state. Top students are moved on to one of six Region-level bands, where top-performing students compete for spots in the All-State Band.



**Rebecca Dodson-Webster**, professor of music (Mansfield), performed with the American Horn Quartet during their residency and concert on Feb. 15. The internationally acclaimed quartet offered a masterclass in the

afternoon for collegiate horn ensembles and high school soloists, and then performed a recital in Steadman Theater.

**Ali Ozdogan**, assistant professor of anthropology, criminal justice, and sociology (Bloomsburg), recently published his article “Enhancing Criminology Education with Crime News Analysis” in *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*. In the article, Dr. Ozdogan shows that crime news analysis proves effective in criminology education, enhancing student interest, learning experiences, and program attachment. Research employs survey to illustrate its impact, revealing significant benefits: improved understanding, theory-practice connection, analytical skills, and engagement with real-world issues.

**Robin Hampton**, adjunct professor in the Briener School of Nursing (Bloomsburg), has been invited to join Sigma Theta Tau International Omega Gamma Chapter through Capella University where she is working toward an MSN in nursing education.

**Melissa Cheese**, associate professor of English (Bloomsburg), co-authored an article with Darrin Kass, professor of management and international business, and Kristi Hammaker, director of student well-being and health promotion. The article, “The Efficacy of a Virtual and In-Person Mindfulness-Based Intervention Course on University Students’ During COVID-19 Pandemic,” was recently accepted for publication in 2024 in the *Journal of American College Health*.



**Steven Seiler** and **Heather Bechtold**, professors of biology, and student **Lydia Delp** (Lock Haven), presented research at the Pennsylvania meeting of the American Fisheries Society held at Allegheny College on Feb. 8 and 9 and at the Keystone Coldwater Conference in held in State College on Feb. 24 and 25. These meetings bring together many state agencies and conservation groups to learn about research and projects happening across the state. The research was titled “Effects of floodplain reconnection and wood addition to the fish community in Little Arnot Run, Allegheny National Forest,” which is based several years of data from a large, collaborative project with partners in the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and other universities. Shown are Seiler and Delp, who has already accepted a position with the PA Fish and Boat Commission following graduation.

\*Visit the [TRIAD webpage](#) in the Additional Information “CU Scholarship and Recognition” section to view past faculty featured here.

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### [BLOOMSBURG NEWS](#)

Student-athletes visited Bloomsburg Memorial Elementary School on Wednesday to read “I Color Myself Different” by Colin Kaepernick to several classrooms as part of CU-Bloomsburg’s annual Read with the Huskies program, coordinated and sponsored by the Athletics Department and Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. [More photos.](#)



#### **From Bank Teller to CEO: A Husky’s Journey to Sobriety and Success**

In June 1991, first-generation college student John Flynn '77(Bloomsburg) realized he was traveling down the wrong path and checked himself into an alcohol treatment facility. He recently celebrated 32 years of sobriety. Flynn will share his journey to sobriety and success, including his experiences as a student, on Wednesday, March 6, at 7 p.m. in the Andruss Library Schweiker Room. His visit is sponsored by the Bloomsburg University Foundation and Office for Student Wellbeing and Health Promotion. [More information.](#)

#### **Nurturing Growth and Goals from Campus to Career**

Over the last several years, Faulkner Automotive has established a strong relationship with Bloomsburg by actively



participating in on-campus events and online platforms like Handshake to recruit students. And it all began with two Bloomsburg alumni. [Read more.](#)

### **BU Foundation, CU-Bloomsburg Announce 2024 Community Impact Fund Grant Cycle**

The Bloomsburg University Foundation, in collaboration with Commonwealth University (CU) - Bloomsburg, is thrilled to announce the commencement of the 2024 grant application cycle for the Community Impact Fund. This initiative aims to support projects that will make a positive difference in the community throughout the year 2024, offering a maximum award of \$5,000. [Read more.](#)

## **EVENTS**

### **[BLOOMSBURG Full Calendar](#)**

#### **Through March 29**

- [Art Exhibit: Out of the Margins](#), Gallery at Greenly Center, 50 E. Main St. DEI Juried show. Reception: March 18, 5 to 7 p.m.

#### **Wednesday, March 6**

- [From Bank Teller to CEO: A Husky's Journey to Sobriety and Success](#), 7 p.m. in the Andruss Library Schweiker Room

#### **March 11 to April 12**

- [Art Exhibit: Jason Bronner](#), Haas Gallery of Art. Reception, April 10, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### **Monday, March 11 – Friday, March 15 – SPRING BREAK**

## **ATHLETICS**



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[Lacrosse Wins Exciting Home Opener Saturday](#)

[Men's Tennis Defeats Salem 6-1 on Sunday](#)

[Women's Tennis Tops Salem 5-2](#)

[Softball Splits at Jefferson](#)

[Baseball Splits Non-Conference Doubleheader](#)

### **Card Center to Move to Student Services Center over Spring Break**

The Bloomsburg Card Center will move from Elwell Hall to Warren Student Services Center, room 203, during spring break, running March 11 to 15. The Card Center will be operational in Elwell Hall through Friday, March 8.

### **LGBTQA Reception**

The Commission for Gender and Sexuality will host its 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.

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### Valentine Pet Therapy

On Thursday, Feb. 22, a special Valentine Pet Therapy event was held at the Lower Bentley lobby. The event was organized by Outreach for Humanity and led by student Alexis Mayes. Students could make valentine treats for \$2 each to give to therapy dogs, Blaze and Bomber. All proceeds benefitted the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. [Read more](#)



## CU-Clearfield to host March Lifelong Learning Institute Programs

Commonwealth University-Clearfield and the Mature Resources Area Agency on Aging will host two Lifelong Learning Institute programs during the month of March. [Read more](#)

## EVENTS

### [LOCK HAVEN Full Calendar](#)

#### Wednesday, March 6

- **Career Connections Expo – Public Relations, Sales, Marketing & Communication:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., DACC Ballroom.
- **Stories of Success from the Frontlines of Healthcare:** 5:30 p.m., Willis 227 or [Zoom](#)
- **Spring Band Concert:** 7 p.m., Price Performance Center

#### Monday, March 11 – Friday, March 15 – SPRING BREAK

#### Ongoing Events

- **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

#### Rec Center Events *\*Rec Center membership required*

- **Morning Raquet sports (Racquetball, Pickleball, Badminton):** M/W/F, 8-10 a.m., Rec Center
- **Core & Pilates with Megan:** M/W, 5-5:45 p.m. and Tues/Thurs, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 a.m.
- **HIIT with Deana:** Tues/Thurs, 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- **Workout with Cami:** Tues/Thurs, 4:30-5:30 p.m.



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

#### [Men's Basketball Tops No. 20 Millersville to Claim PSAC East Title, No. 1 Seed](#)

#### [No. 23/14 Women's Basketball Caps Historic Regular Season with Perfect Run at Home](#)

#### [Lacrosse Rolls in Home Opener, Downs Daemen](#)

#### [Softball Powers Way to a Pair of Victories Sunday](#)

#### [Brackets Released for National Collegiate Women's Wrestling Championships](#)



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#### Hangout at The Haven Cupboard

The Hangout at The Haven Cupboard is now open! Students, faculty and staff are invited to utilize the space to eat, meet, study and just hang out. There are three microwaves and a coffee, tea and hot chocolate station. All visitors are asked to sign. The space is staffed and maintained by Dr. Amy Downes and her student staff.

#### Hours of operation:

**Sunday:** 5-9 p.m.

**Monday – Thursday:** 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

Questions can be directed to Dr. Amy Downes at [mabd350@commonwealthu.edu](mailto:mabd350@commonwealthu.edu).

#### Trolley Repair

While the CU-Lock Haven campus trolleys are in for repairs and inspection, the trolley service will be operating the Commonwealth University bus and one 12-passenger van until the trolleys are back online.

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

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#### **Marvens Ravix Named Student Trustee**

Commonwealth University-Mansfield student Marvens Ravix has been appointed to the Commonwealth University Council of Trustees representing the Mansfield campus. A junior biology major, Ravix immigrated to the United States from Haiti as a teenager. [Read more.](#)



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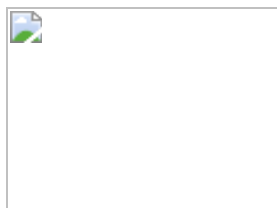
#### **Thursday, March 7**

- [Career Connections Expo](#): 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., North Hall.

#### **Monday, March 11 – Friday, March 15 – SPRING BREAK**

#### **Ongoing Events**

- [Taking Notes – Works on Paper by Adam Straus](#): Through March 28, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Loomis Gallery, Allen Hall. On Thursday, March 28, there will be a workshop from 1-3:30 p.m., an artist talk from 4-5 p.m. in Allen Hall, room 104 and a reception from 5-6:30. Open to the public.



### [MANSFIELD Athletics News - GoMounties.com](#) — [Athletic Composite Schedule](#)

#### [Men's & Women's Basketball Set for Return Trip to PSAC Playoffs](#) [Baseball Splits at DII Challenge](#)

## [Record-Breaking Performance for Track & Field](#)

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### **CU Mansfield Radio Station Conducting Survey**

WNTE 89.5, the FM radio station at CU Mansfield, is conducting a survey to improve listenership and to better support the campus and surrounding community. Take the survey [here](#).

Visit the [TRIAD webpage](#) in the Mansfield “Announcements and Reminders” section to view more on the items below:

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