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## 2012: A Look Ahead

*Accreditation visits. Anatomy and Physiology lab construction. New course delivery methods. Students can expect 2012 to be a year filled with excitement and activity at Aultman College.*



*Here's what's on the horizon:*

### ACCREDITATION VISITS

During 2012, Aultman College will be hosting accreditation teams from the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN), the Ohio Board of Regents (OBR), the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (NLNAC), and the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC). This voluntary process provides assurance to students that they are receiving a high quality education. The Ohio Board of Nursing will be conducting the first visit Jan. 31 - Feb 1. A representative from OBN will talk with the administrative team, faculty, and students, and review faculty and student records. Students should be prepared to answer questions about their educational experience at Aultman College honestly and respectfully. The purpose of this visit is to grant continued full status approval of the Nursing program. Look for information to come about NLNAC, OBR, and HLC visits, which occur in Fall 2012.

### ADDITIONAL SCIENCE LAB CONSTRUCTION

Work continues on the Science wing. The chemistry lab is complete and now hosting lab courses in chemistry and microbiology. Construction is now beginning on a second laboratory, which is slated for completion in time for the Fall 2012 semester. Fundraising continues for the Door to Discovery Campaign, which supports construction of the science lab project. Final dollars still need to be raised for a third laboratory and third floor restroom facilities.

### PREPARATION FOR BACHELOR'S LEVEL PROGRAMMING

The College will be seeking permission to offer an RN-BSN program in the near future, with other bachelor's level health degrees down the road. That will mean not only meeting degree curriculum requirements with new courses, but also changing the way we deliver courses. The college is currently in the process of

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investigating online course offerings with a plan of piloting some selected courses in Fall 2012.

### SUNSET OF WALSH UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP

This year will mark the final classes taken by Aultman College students at Walsh University. When the college was first founded in 2004, Aultman

College students took all of their general education courses at Walsh. Since that time, the college has focused on developing the faculty and facilities to offer all courses on the Aultman College campus. In Fall 2012, the goal will become reality. "Aultman College would not be in existence today without our Walsh University partnership," said President Rebecca

Crowl. "We appreciate the guidance they have provided and the way they have welcomed our students onto their campus. This year marks the end of an eight-year era, but also the beginning of an exciting time for Aultman College. There are many opportunities that lie ahead."



## From Your Student Senate President

*Corey Meeks  
President  
Student Senate*

**Student Senate Social & Elections**  
Fri., Jan. 27 • 11am – 1pm • CR 5

I would first like to welcome back past and new students. To all new students, I encourage you to get involved in the various student organizations around campus including Student Senate, Aultman College Student Nurses Association, and the Student Activities Society (SAS). Student Senate is the student governance within the college. We help students resolve issues and get their voices heard. To get an idea of how we provide input into college operations, check out the Town Hall story on page 11.

Student Senate also provides service to the community. This semester we will be hosting a Harvest for Hunger food drive. We will discuss other fundraising ideas in our meetings. Student Senate meets once a month. If you would like to be part of Student Senate, you can ask another student to nominate you or nominate yourself. Once nominated, your name will be entered onto a ballot for voting which will take place Friday January 27th at the Student Senate Social.

### AULTMAN FAMILY GAME NIGHT



Source: [www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

**Jan. 27 • 6 p.m. • CR 1-2**

**Bring your friends and family and play one of America's favorite game shows "Aultman-College style"!**

**Sign up outside the Student Life office.**

# News You Can Use!

## **NEW STUDENTS: Health Care Insurance Waiver/Enrollment Deadline: Jan 17**

All degree-seeking full and part-time Aultman College students are required to have health insurance. **If you are a NEW degree-seeking student and are currently enrolled in another insurance plan (either individually or through your parents or spouse), you MUST waive the AultCare insurance plan by Jan 17 or you will be billed.** The Enroll/Waive link is on the home page of the College website at [www.aultmancollege.edu](http://www.aultmancollege.edu).

## **Grants, Loans, Payment and Refund Info**

Loans are disbursed no sooner than the week prior to class and as paperwork is turned in and complete. Grants, if applicable, will be disbursed after the add/drop period and class schedules and credit hours are verified.

Credit balances and applicable refunds will be processed within 14 days of loans/grants being disbursed to your account. If you have a balance on your account after your financial aid has been applied, it is due in full by January 17th, 2012. If you need to set up a payment plan, please contact Jenn Loretto at 330-363-2834 or [jloretto@aultman.com](mailto:jloretto@aultman.com) for an appointment. You may view your balance on the *WiseLine* under your Billing Ledger.

If you have not yet completed the Direct Loan Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note, you can do so online at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).

## **Parking Reminders**

Aultman Security will be monitoring student parking Lot 11. Tickets will be issued to all vehicles parked inappropriately. The first ticket will be a warning, but with the second ticket, the driver's access to Lot 11 will be revoked, and parking will only be permitted in the deck. Please remember to report to Aultman Security whenever you see a vehicle that is hit, blocked, or inappropriately parked in Lot 11.

Remember also that Aultman College requires students to park in Lot 11 or the deck, not on the streets. Residents have complained to Canton Police about street parking,

and students are advised that vehicles parked on the streets are subject to towing. If Lot 11 is full, use the parking deck, which is free if you show your badge when you exit. For any parking questions, please contact Monica Mendenhall at 330-363-9904.

## **Parking Waiver for students who are Aultman Employees!**

If you are a student at Aultman College but also an employee of Aultman Hospital, you may waive your semester parking fee and parking permit distributed by the College for the Spring 2012 Semester. Please be aware that you will not have access to the student parking area at any time and you will be expected to park in the employee designated lots only. If you are interested in waiving, please complete the Parking Waiver form at the College office front desk. This form must be completed EVERY semester. For more information or questions, please contact Jenn Loretto at [jloretto@aultman.com](mailto:jloretto@aultman.com).

## **Childcare Discounts**

Aultman College has arranged for discounts for Aultman College students with several local childcare providers. The discounts do not represent an endorsement of these centers. Please evaluate them as you would all other child care options. Check out the *WiseLine* for more information or contact Monica Mendenhall, campus coordinator, at 330-363-4281. Some Aultman College students may qualify for child care assistance through Stark County Job and Family Services. For more information about eligibility, call 330-452-4661.

## **Open Skills Lab 1.6.12**

There will be Open Skills Lab available for practice every Saturday starting January 14th through March 3rd from 8:00 – 12:00 with an instructor present.

## **Spring 2012 Final Exam Schedule**

It may seem a little early to be thinking about it, but final exams are only three months away! The final exam schedule is posted on the *WiseLine* and under the Registrar tab on the College website.

# Service Learning Information

## *New Service Learning Opportunities*

### AULTMAN HOSPITAL ADOPT-A-NEED

The hospital needs 4-5 volunteers on the second Friday of each month to count and sort donated items

- Service learning hours available:

1-1 ½ each Friday you attend

- Time: 1:00pm

- Location: lower level of Aultman Hospital

- Contact: Lee Kenny in the Aultman Foundation – 330-363-4908



### AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY 2012 RELAY FOR LIFE: FRIDAY, JUNE 15

The Student Activities Society (SAS) is making a difference by teaming up to participate in the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life. We will be participating in the 2012 Relay for Life of Massillon, Ohio which will be held on Friday, June 15th @ 6pm at Tuslaw Local School District. At the event, our team will have the option to camp out overnight and take turns walking around the track to raise money and awareness to help the American Cancer Society create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

To join or make a donation, please visit the following link: <http://main.acevents.org/goto/AultmanCollege>

For questions, please contact Courtney Coleman, Student Life Coordinator or Crissy Blankenship, SAS student member.

### BLOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERING REMINDERS

If you would like to volunteer for an Aultman Blood Center blood drive, contact Robin Par-Due at 330-413-0827 at least one week prior to the drive you would like to attend. You may wear casual clothing, but please dress modestly and professionally as you are representing the Aultman organization. You can find a list of monthly blood drives on the Aultman Blood Center page at [www.aultman.org](http://www.aultman.org).



### CONNECT WITH AULTMAN COLLEGE

While the *WiseLine* is the official source of information for students, the College is also using social media to get reminders out about events, activities, and important deadlines. You can connect with Aultman College in the following ways:

*“Like” our Facebook pages:*

#### *Aultman College Students*

Designed for currently enrolled students with updates and reminders of academic calendar deadlines, registration information, Student Life activities and all things Aultman College. For every currently enrolled student who “likes” the “Aultman College Students” page during the month of January, the college will donate \$1 to the Student Activities Society (SAS).

#### *Aultman College Learning Resource Center*

“Like” the LRC page for academic success tips, tutoring schedules, workshop dates, and updates on student support services.

#### *Aultman College of Nursing and Health Sciences*

This is the marketing and PR page for the college. “Like” this page to keep up with the great things happening here that we’re sharing with the rest of the world.

#### *Acnhs Student-Life*

You can “friend” this page to get regular information from our Student Life office and view photos of Student Life activities.



### FOLLOW US ON TWITTER:

@Aultman College

A mix of updates, reminders and words of wisdom in 140 characters or less!



# Ways To Get Involved At Aultman College

*Whether you're a new student or an "upperclassmen", this semester is a great time to get involved in the student organizations and activities available at Aultman College.*

## *Aultman College Student Nurse Association (ACSNA) – Next Meeting: Thurs., Feb. 9, 2 pm, CR 3*

ACSNA is the Aultman College chapter of the Ohio Nursing Students' Association (ONSA) and the National Student Nurses' Association (NSNA). By joining NSNA, you automatically become a member of ONSA and ACSNA. Your membership in these organizations unites you with students and professionals locally and nationally who share your vision and are shaping the future of nursing. In addition, you can take advantage of programs, scholarships and leadership opportunities, along with discounts on nursing student products and services that are available to all members of the NSNA.

ACSNA is in the process of electing a president, vice president and secretary for the upcoming semester. The organization meets monthly and is in the process of organizing fundraisers and events they can sponsor. Over the past years, several members were sponsored by the College and the Alumni Association to travel to the ONSA convention. All of these benefits are available for a membership cost of \$30/year. Join by visiting [www.nсна.org](http://www.nсна.org).

## *Student Senate*

*Nominations: Jan. 23 in Main Hall*

*Student Senate Social and Elections: Fri., Jan 27.*

Student Senate is a student-led, student-run organization that plays an important role in the College's administrative structure. The organization's mission is to encourage students to become engaged in social, professional and service activities within the College, and to facilitate communication between students, faculty, staff and administration. Student Senate meets regularly to discuss activities and College-related issues that are important to students. In addition, Student Senate hosts Town Hall-type meetings to give all Aultman College students an open forum for discussion. Membership consists of at least ten elected students, representing each class. Nominate yourself or a friend.

## *Peer Mentoring Program*

*Sign up Deadline: Fri., Jan. 20*

Peer mentoring offers benefits for both mentors and mentees. New students gain a structured way to get support from current students and begin building relationships at Aultman College. Experienced students gain valuable leadership skills and the satisfaction of supporting a fellow student. Mentoring is easy and flexible and can be done via email, phone, text or Facebook. For more information, pick up a brochure outside of the Student Life office or contact Courtney Coleman, Student Life coordinator.

## *Aultman College Veterans Association*

Have you served in any branch of the military, including the National Guard? Consider becoming involved in the Aultman College Veterans Association. The organization currently has an advisor, but is seeking active student members. The goal of the organization is to provide fellowship and networking opportunities for veterans and provide members with important benefit updates. For more information, contact club advisor Sheri Cole at [scole@aultman.com](mailto:scole@aultman.com)

## *Nurses Christian Fellowship (NCF)*

The NCF is an intervarsity, national organization with a mission of engaging health sciences students with the good news of Jesus Christ to bring God's love and healing to nursing and healthcare. According to Mrs. Betty Allen, faculty member and group advisor, the previous members of the organization graduated in December. Mrs. Allen is happy to continue as advisor for students who are interested. She has tentatively scheduled meetings at noon on Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 23, and April 20, but encourages anyone who is interested to contact her at [betty.allen@aultmancollege.edu](mailto:betty.allen@aultmancollege.edu).

## *Men in Nursing Association*

Gentlemen, now's your chance to get involved at the ground level in the Men in Nursing Association. All male nursing students are invited to meet in the cafeteria for breakfast at 9:30am on Tuesday mornings. Students Josh Mink, Jay Clutter, Mark Dye and John Anderson are taking the initiative to get this organization in gear. The ultimate goal is to help male nursing students advance in their careers by building a strong support system of male nursing professionals. For more information, contact any of the students listed or talk with Courtney Coleman.

## *Nursing As A Second Career*

*First meeting: Tues., Jan 24, 10am, Cafeteria*

Balancing school, work, and family can be stressful enough and now you are going back to school to begin a path to a new career. Two first semester nursing students would like to start a new support group on campus. "Nursing As A Second Career" will be a group of students who have chosen to go back to school for a second career or for those that may have even been a stay-at-home parent. If you have questions, please email students Margaret Coffey or Danielle Conlon.

## *Start Your Own Club!*

Aultman College is a young college. You can be part of growing the activities within Student Life by getting together with classmates who share a common interest and starting your own club. For more information, check out the Start Your Own Club guide on the *Wiseline*.

# Re-defining Our Vision, Mission and Values

A lot has changed at Aultman College since we first became incorporated in 2004. As a higher education institution that grew out of a nursing diploma school, we have spent the past seven years building both a foundation and a roadmap for the future. As we have better defined our role in this community, it was important that our mission documents reflect who we are, who we serve, and how we serve them. We spent last year working with our board of directors, Student Senate, faculty and staff to discuss these topics. With this in mind, we are proud to present our re-defined vision, mission and value statements. (See sidebar.) New posters will soon be placed on the walls and you'll see an increased prominence of these statements throughout the campus. The vision, mission and values statements are already included in your Student Handbook, so take some time to read and understand them. They are the driving forces behind your educational experience at Aultman College.

## Living Our Values

As part of the roll-out of our new statements, we're also changing the Golden Owl Student of the Month program. The focus will now be to recognize students who have gone above and beyond in displaying our new values. Your job is to strive to live the Aultman College values every day and to recognize each other's efforts through Golden Owl nominations. Nomination cards are located outside the Student Life office. Simply check the value(s) you witnessed your fellow student demonstrating and explain the reason for your nomination. All nominees will be listed in the printed edition of Pulse and the most outstanding nominee will be named Golden Owl Student of the Month. As always, the Golden Owl Student of the Month receives a front-row reserved parking space in the Aultman College lot.

### VISION

*To be a leader in educating exceptional health care professionals who positively impact society.*

### MISSION

*As a partner in a unique, integrated healthcare delivery system, Aultman College is a higher education institution offering a premier health sciences education. We serve current and emerging needs in Northeast Ohio and beyond through academically challenging and relevant degree and community education programs.*

### VALUES

*Aultman College maintains a student-centered culture that values:*

#### *Quality*

- We will deliver an outcome-focused, cost-effective educational experience.*

#### *Integrity*

- We will build trustworthy relationships through transparency, collaboration, and personal and professional accountability.*

#### *Caring*

- We will serve with compassion and respect and embrace diversity of ideas, cultures, and people.*

#### *Knowledge*

- We will foster a rigorous academic environment that inspires critical thinking, creativity, and lifelong learning.*

# Golden Owl

Student of the Month  
January

*Kate Nahacky*



At Aultman College, our goal is to “live our values” every day! That is why we have changed our Golden Owl Student of the Month program in order to recognize students who have gone above and beyond in displaying the values that are the foundation for our institution. Students may be nominated by faculty, staff, hospital employees, patients or other students. The Golden Owl Student of the Month is acknowledged in The Pulse newsletter, on the *WiseLine* and by posters in the hallway kiosks. One of the perks of the award is a reserved, front-row parking space in the Aultman Education Center parking lot. Nomination forms are available on the *WiseLine* or outside the Student Life Office.

The January Golden Owl Student of the Month is third semester nursing student Katie Nahacky. Katie was nominated by several fellow students for demonstrating the values of integrity, caring and knowledge. Here are some of the things Katie’s classmates had to say about her:

“Katie is great at motivating other students to do well and stay focused on their studies.”

“Katie is always willing to help others and is great at motivating fellow students to strive for the best.”

“Katie has a wonderful personality; she is dedicated to her friends and studies. She is a terrific student, wonderful at motivating peers with their studies.”

“Katie is an awesome friend and classmate. She is always motivating me to study harder and encouraging me when a quiz or test does not go over well for me. I love Katie. She deserves to be recognized for her awesomeness.”

“Katie is a good motivator, takes other people’s feelings into consideration, always in a good mood and always willing to assist in helping others.”

“Katie is an inspiration and a motivating classmate who helps me to think positive.”

## Q & A

### Learn More About Kate!

*What led to your decision to pursue your Associate’s degree in Nursing?*

“I wanted to be in a profession that would provide me with many career options and job opportunities. There are so many very different ways to use this degree, I felt it would be a good choice for future growth.”

*Why did you select Aultman College for your education?*

“There are several reasons. When researching nursing programs, I spoke with several people who were in the nursing field and each told me the same thing – they would prefer to hire a student who had graduated from a hospital-affiliated nursing program because they have the most hands on experience and training.”

*What characteristics do you feel are important to be a successful nursing student?*

“A positive attitude, integrity, confidence, the ability to keep going when things look grim (especially when you fail a quiz).”

*Is there any information you would like to share about your hobbies or family?*

“I wouldn’t be where I am today as a nursing student without my bunny. His name is Flapjax and he has floppy ears. He gets me through the tough times. Oh, and of course my parents too, the best support system I could ever ask for.”

**Favorite Food:** Chipotle

**Favorite TV Show:** Criminal Minds

**Favorite Book:** : Julius Caesar by Shakespeare

**Favorite Way to Spend Your Free Time:** Sleeping

**Favorite Class (so far):** Medical Ethics

**Best Advice For First Semester Students:** Prepare yourself for hard work, a little fun, and a non-existent social life for the next 2-3 years!



# Diversity Digest



It is our goal at Aultman College to promote and encourage a culturally diverse and inclusive environment. We strive to be a facility where differences are recognized, accepted, appreciated and celebrated. Each month, the Diversity Digest section of the Pulse will share multicultural concepts and information, understanding that a diverse student body has far-ranging and significant benefits for all students, as well as the community at large.



## Words To Remember

On Jan. 16, people across the United States celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., our country's most respected civil rights advocate and the youngest winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. King is described as "a man with a profound faith in the basic goodness of man and the great potential of American democracy." On April 3, 1968, the day before he was assassinated on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee, King uttered these immortal words as he wrapped up his "I've Been to the Mountaintop" speech. "Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain. And I've looked over. And I've seen the Promised Land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as a people, will get to the promised land!". Due to the work and messages of Dr. King and those who followed in his footsteps, today many colleges and universities across the country have established diversity programs to attract and support minority students.

# Financial Aid News

Aultman College is working hard to develop and identify scholarship opportunities for students. Links to scholarships can be found on the College website, *WiseLine*, Aultman College Students Facebook page and the Pulse Online. Please pay close attention to scholarship criteria, application requirements and deadlines. Remember, you can't get a scholarship if you don't apply.

## It is time to apply!

### for Financial Aid

# 2012-2013

If you haven't already done so, **now** is the time to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Some schools and state aid programs have priority deadlines, so it is best to apply as soon as possible after January 1.

*Here are the steps to apply:*

**Step 1** **Get a PIN**

Before beginning the FAFSA process, you should apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN) at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). The PIN will allow you to sign your FAFSA electronically and to correct your processed FAFSA information online.

**Step 2** **Complete Your Application**

You can complete your FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). There is detailed information regarding the required documents and information you will need to complete this form. You will need to make sure you have your tax information with you.

**Step 3** **Find Your School Code**

When completing the FAFSA form, you will be asked to supply the school code(s) of the school(s) that you want to receive your results of the FAFSA form. At [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), there is either an option on the initial page to "Find my school codes" or you will be given the opportunity to search for your school code(s) during the application process.

**Step 4** **Make sure to click the "Submit" button**

Your FAFSA form is not complete until you click the "Submit" button. At this point, you will receive a confirmation page. Print this for your records.

**Step 5** **Follow up on your FAFSA**

Go to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to

- > Check the status of your submitted FAFSA
- > Make corrections to a processed FAFSA
- > Add or delete a school code
- > View and print your Student Aid Report

Help?

For returning students you can use the same website ([www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)) to have your existing pin re-sent. If you have any further questions please call Federal Financial Aid toll-free at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).



# Tenth Graduating Class Celebrates Commencement

The tenth graduating class of Aultman College of Nursing and Health Sciences participated in commencement ceremonies on Dec. 16 at R.G. Drage Career Center in Massillon. Leading the graduates in their march and carrying the College's ceremonial mace was Mary Cook, faculty member with the longest length of service to Aultman College. Inspirational speeches were delivered by student speakers James Kelley and Danielle Rollins, and keynote speaker, Ed Roth, president and CEO of the Aultman Health Foundation. After a technical glitch during the Pinning Ceremony, graduate Megan Felcyn wrapped up the ceremony with a beautiful rendition of the song "Hero" by Mariah Carey. To view and purchase photos of the graduation ceremony, visit <http://www.grandriverimaging.com> and enter your email address & event Code # 90480-1216.



## Pinning Ceremony

The Pinning Ceremony for December 2011 graduates was held prior to graduation at R.G. Drage. The program included the recognition of Jeannie Schlabach as the December 2011 Division of Nursing Valedictorian. Jeannie was also recognized for her induction into Phi Theta Kappa, the honor society for two-year colleges. Pamela Heim and Danielle Rollins were recognized for representing Aultman College at the Stark-Carroll District Nurses Association Excellence in Nursing presentations. Danielle was also recognized for being an Aultman Hospital Points of Caring winner. Nursing philosophy and creative expressions were presented by Megan Felcyn, Karen Xie, Charlotte Forsythe, Roger Breckenridge and Jessica Smith. The Pinning Ceremony is a time-honored nursing school tradition that marks the culmination of the initial journey of professional nursing education and the student's pledge to carry out to ideals of one of the world's most well-known nurses, Florence Nightingale.

## DEAN'S LIST

*Congratulations to these students who made the Dean's List for the Fall 2011 semester*



### FULL-TIME

John Ivan Anderson  
 Felicia M. Irwin  
 Vicki Marie Keane  
 Patrick Asanowicz O'Malley  
 Jessica Ann Reed  
 Lauren Elizabeth Stucky

### PART-TIME

Daniel Phillip Albrecht  
 Shannon Ashley  
 Diane M. Banks  
 Monica Brewer  
 Jennifer Eileen Bruce  
 Jerri Lynette Davidson  
 Brenda Lynn Davis  
 Molly M. Decker  
 Deborah Ann Domer  
 TaLisa Marie Ellis  
 Lori Ann Gries  
 Ashley Virginia Hanood

Kathryn D. Harsh  
 Laura Christine Houck  
 Christine Ann Jurovcik  
 Bonita Lackey  
 Molly Kathleen Lawless  
 Allen Rocky Layne  
 Bruce S. Martin  
 Katlyn Marie Metzger  
 Kelsey Hannah Miller  
 Stephanie Marie Miller  
 Lindsey D. Ostlund  
 Megan Marie Payne  
 Tracy Lyn Poirrier

Debra Jean Reymond  
 Jennifer Lynn Robinson  
 Aida Rohn  
 Michelle Macarena Salazar  
 Emma Jean Schlabach  
 Abby Lynn Schule  
 Alicia Noelle Seidel  
 Janelle Kristine Sylvester  
 Jessica Lee Thomas  
 Stephanie Michelle Trout  
 Lauren Elizabeth Vaughan



*Learn about the LRC!*



**Michelle Speedy**  
LRC Coordinator



**Christine Court**  
Academic Advisor

## Open House!

**Tues, Jan 24**

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
LRC

*LRC Straight Talk Sessions*

**Tues., Jan. 24**  
9 a.m. • CR 2

**Wed., Jan 25**  
3 p.m. • CR 3

# LRC: Your *Key* to Academic Success

Get your semester off to a good start by utilizing the resources of the LRC. Make an appointment with LRC staff to discuss study skills and time management. Utilize LRC resources to identify your personal learning style, then design a study plan based on the results. Check out the LRC tutoring schedule so you'll know what's available if you need extra help in a subject. The LRC is there to help- it's your job to take advantage of all it has to offer!

## LRC TUTORING SCHEDULE

SUBJECT	Tutor Name	Hours
A&P	Jen Hillyer	M & T 9:30-11:30
Chemistry	Bruno Chirumbolo	M & R 5:45-7:45
Chemistry	Molly Winters	M & W 1:00-4:00
Economics	Steve Pollock	T & R 4:30-6:30
Math	Jenner Mbobi	T & R 10:30-11:30 & 1:00-2:00; M, W & F 3:00-4:00
Micro	Tinnelle Luck	R 4:30-7:30
Nursing	Selena Riordan	M & T 4:00-6:00
Nursing	Jenny Kohler	T 12:00-2:00; F 10:00-12:00
Writing Consultant	Rita Palmer	M 11:00-1:30; W 11:00-1:00
Writing Consultant	Molly Fuller	T & R 10:30-12:30

### Did you know...

You can access the following things on the *WiseLine*...

- Student Directory with phone numbers, email and mailing addresses
- Degree Audit (tool for seeing your progress toward your degree requirements)
- Course Information
- Updated News

*Be sure to check the WiseLine and your Aultman email address every day!*

# Town Hall Input Results in Change

In the Spring 2011 semester, Student Senate hosted several Town Hall meetings and invited students to share their concerns and suggestions for improvement at Aultman College. College officials attended the meetings along with Student Senate representatives. Listed below are the top five issues students raised and the resulting changes or responses from administration. “We appreciate the time students took to attend these meetings and provide their input,” said Corey Meeks, Student Senate president. “We felt the process went well and we had some great dialogue that resulted in positive changes. We hope everyone will continue to participate in the Town Hall process.”

**Issue: *Faculty Accessibility***- Faculty are difficult to get in touch with; they are perceived to be too busy to help students outside of class or to advise on coursework.

**Resolution:** Faculty has posted office hours on their office doors. A new advising plan was implemented in the Fall 2011 semester that included all faculty in student advising.

**Issue: *Registration***- Registration is very frustrating to students as they feel it is poorly organized. Students feel that class availability is poor. Limited section offerings cause students to be shut out of preferred class days and times. They would like the College to have better online technology for registration. Students also felt that the notification that summer 2011 classes would not be available was last minute and inconsiderate.

**Resolution:** The College will continue to keep registration consistent semester to semester with scheduled/controlled appointments until ready to implement the online registration. Each time, the process goes smoother as students are adjusting to the procedures. The registrar is working diligently on course scheduling to prevent students from getting shut out of classes. The most up-to-date schedule of classes is always available on the College website and WiseLine. The schedule clearly states that classes are “subject to change.” The College will continue to stress to students the importance of checking the latest version of the schedule on a regular basis due to changes that arise. dule on a regular basis due to changes that arise.

**Issue: *Re-aligned Curriculum***- With the realigned curriculum, the students who will be short one or two credits are very frustrated, not just by the shortage, but by the fact they cannot get answers from advisors about how the credit shortage can be resolved.

**Resolution:** Students were given the option to attend scheduled academic forums in the Spring 2011 semester to learn how they would be able to make up the credit hour

shortage. Those who attended learned that they could participate in independent study to make up for the missing credit hours. To ensure that students are informed of credit hour shortages, Dr. Smith and the Registrar will check degree audits two times per semester.

**Issue: *Facilities***- Students have stressed the College needs more study and gathering space such as; as a student union, social space, and quiet study areas. Students have requested supplies in the student lounge such as a hole punch, stapler, pencil sharpener, etc. The LRC space is too small and students would like to have another lounge area/computer lab available. Also, students would like to know how to find out when classrooms are available for open study.

**Resolution:** A five-year campus facilities plan is being implemented by the strategic Goal I team. It includes more space and resources for students. Supplies were placed in the student lounge as were white boards, more tables, and three additional computers. Students are free to contact the campus coordinator or Student Life coordinator or view the hallway monitors for room availability for open study. More computers were added to the campus in Spring 2012, including several placed in Classroom 8, which is now designated as a quiet study room for students. There are plans to reconfigure the current LRC space to help the College gain additional study space and computers.

**Issue: *Services***- Students have voiced that the LRC needs to provide more tutoring hours as well as tutors for nursing. Students are upset that they cannot print in the library and feel that it is difficult to get assistance in the library. They also feel that billing takes too long for checks to clear and new student orientation is too long.

**Resolution:** The LRC is continually working on its pool of tutors. Ten tutors in seven subject areas, including nursing, are available during the Spring 2012 semester. In Fall 2012, a new student printing program will be implemented to allow students to print in the library, LRC, and computer lab. Until then, printing is free in the library and LRC. The college hired an academic librarian who has an open door policy and is continuously offering her time and support to assist students. Billing has implemented a check scanner within the College to allow billing and campus coordinators to process/cash all checks within the department. Check processing was changed so that checks are now cashed weekly within the college. In addition, in Fall 2011, Aultman College began accepting online payments through PayPal via the *WiseLine*. New student orientation is now more streamlined and shorter with the elimination of ATI testing.



## Focusing on Health

*Take advantage of the new year and take part in several health-focused activities taking place over the next few weeks:*

**Exercise classes:** Get your blood flowing at 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays in CR5. Participants will work out to videos by exercise gurus such as Jane Fonda, Richard Simmons and Jillian Michaels. No experience required. Just come and have fun!

**Nutrition poster contest:** Posters on principles of nutrition and nutrition management created last semester by students in NRS 101 Foundations I course will be displayed outside the Sponseller Skills Lab the week of Jan 30. Specific diet topics will be featured each day:

Monday – Diabetic and Low Sodium

Tuesday – Clear Liquid and Full Liquid

Wednesday - Regular and Soft

Students, faculty and staff can vote each day on a winning poster for each category grouping. The category grouping winners will be displayed on Thursday and Friday with voting for a grand prize winner. Creators of the winning poster receive a \$25 gas card.

**WOW Van:** The WOW Van team will be doing health assessments in CR 2 from 9-11 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 19. Even if you didn't sign up to schedule a health assessment, be sure to stop by to pick up some great health prevention literature.

**Health Talk: Exercise Therapy**

Jan. 26 at noon, CR 2

Join Heather Haas, Aultman physical therapist, to learn how to use exercise to keep your mind sharp. Wear comfortable clothing as Heather will be showing you some exercises and stretches.

**Healthy Recipe Swap**

Turn in your health recipes to the Student Life office by Jan. 26. Recipes will be copied and available for distribution on "Swap Day" Jan. 30.

**Tobacco cessation classes:** Aultman offers free tobacco cessation classes to students. The Give It Up! Program is a six-week cessation course that meets once a week for one hour. Remember that tobacco use can get in the way of getting hired at some health care institutions, including Aultman. Anyone interested in registering or learning more should call 330-363-QUIT (7848).

## Happenings Around Campus

### Aultman College First On-site Science Labs

Students in Mrs. Espenschied's Monday evening CHM 105 had the honor of participating in the first science laboratory class held on the Aultman College campus!



### First Year Experience Social

Approximately 25 new and returning students, plus some faculty and staff members, attended the First Year Experience Social. New students asked some great questions and returning students shared some excellent study tips and insights into life as an Aultman College student.

