CAMPUS REVIVAL

Following a summer filled with sports camps, conferences, construction projects and scores of tours for prospective students (not to mention Battlefield visitors), the Gettysburg College campus will return to its normal state within the next several weeks, when 2,600+ students arrive for the start of the 2017-18 academic year. Here are some of the scheduled highlights of the month:

- Fall sports teams, cheerleaders, Orientation leaders, residence hall staff and the marching band return between Aug. 9 and Aug. 19.

- First-Year Student Move-In Day is Wed., Aug. 23, when hundreds of volunteers (students, faculty, staff, alumni, parents) help the 700+ members of the Class of 2021 – arriving from 31 states and 12 countries – move into their residence halls. If you’d like to take part (and potentially visit your old dorm room), contact volunteer coordinator Josephine Rivera ’20 at rivejo00@gettysburg.edu.

- About 10% of the incoming class will voluntarily take part in pre-orientation Ascent trips, which provide leadership experience through wilderness education and service. See more.

- The 14th Annual First-Year Walk will take place Thursday, Aug. 24. The tradition,
founded by a student, recreates the entire campus community’s walk through town to hear President Lincoln’s address at the cemetery on Nov. 19, 1863. Remarks will be delivered by Professor/Associate Provost Jennifer Bloomquist, and the Gettysburg Address will be recited at the National Cemetery. Alumni, parents and friends are welcome to join the parade through town and/or attend the ceremony.

- The 27th Annual GIV (Gettysburg is Volunteering) Day is set for Aug. 25, when volunteers – primarily from the Class of 2021 – will provide service to the local community at a wide variety of venues. See photos from last year’s event.

- The first day of classes is Monday, Aug. 28, following a 5-day Orientation for the Class of 2021 and transfer students. To elicit some nostalgia, see the full Orientation schedule.

GETTYSBURG GREATS IN THE NEWS

- Norm Eavenson ‘69 spends a lot of time in basketball gyms in the Philadelphia area. Read why in a nice Philly Inquirer profile.

- Richard Scheff ’77, a member of the College’s Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Montgomery McCracken law firm in Philadelphia, has been named president of the Partnership for After School Education, a non-profit that promotes and supports after-school programs for youth in underserved communities in NYC. Learn more.

- Did you attend the Women’s March on DC in Jan.? If so, Darcy Daniels ’97, a history professor at Mount Ida College (MA), would love to speak with you for her oral history project, which will be donated to the College’s Special Collections in Musselman Library once it’s complete. You can contact her at dddaniels@mountida.edu to set up an interview by Skype, or potentially in person.

- Carrie (Constantini)Taneyhill ’07 is committed to helping others, and gets to do so on a daily basis through her work with Lutheran World Relief. Read what her hometown newspaper says about her.

- Adam Fry ’09 is part owner of a new bar in DC that is getting positive reviews. See what’s shaking there.

- Where can an environmental studies degree from Gettysburg take you? How about to Antarctica?! That was the case for both Julie Markus Parno ’09 and Danielle Bates Haulsee ’10, who were there earlier this year for separate research projects. Read their southernmost stories.
AROUND TOWN & CAMPUS

While it’s been relatively quiet on campus over the summer with only about 140 students here doing research with faculty, working at campus jobs, etc., there is PLENTY of action thanks to three major construction projects underway: an expansion of the Eisenhower Admissions House, an addition to the Dining Hall, and a major project to enhance and expand the CUB. See the latest, including photos and artists’ renditions. And if you want to be really up-to-the-minute, there’s also a web cam view of the CUB project!

The Princeton Review has just named Gettysburg among “The Best 382 Colleges.” Check out more rankings via video.

Check out the big finale from the July 4 fireworks show (sponsored by Destination Gettysburg) that ended a great evening of music and entertainment on campus. Video and sound courtesy of Nancy Chambers ‘12.

The 40th annual Alumni Cross Country Meet will be held on Sat., Aug. 26, when all cross country alums are invited back to run against one another and the current team. In honor of the milestone 40th, there will also be a dinner banquet the evening before.

The Bullets men’s soccer team will travel to England, home of coach Mark Mettrick, for a series of games and educational excursions Aug. 1-9.

Homecoming Weekend is just six weeks away – Sept. 15-17 – so check out the schedule to see what's happening and register! Special events include the 5th Reunion for the Class of 2012, the 1st Reunion for the Class of 2017, a panel discussion about being a first-generation Gettysburgian, a Swimmers Reunion, the annual Homecoming Psychology Colloquium, the Cupola Society Dinner, the 2nd annual Fun(d) Run and a Networking Social.

BULLET BENEFITS

Did you know that the following benefits are available to Gettysburg alumni?

- Online alumni directory (password protected), with a variety of powerful search tools
- Discounts on auto and home/renter’s insurance
Membership availability at the Penn Club of New York, with reciprocal agreements at clubs around the world

Gettysburg College license plates (in PA and MD)

Bookstore discount program for alumni and spouses/partners

Career services

Legacy Admissions Experience on Friday, Sept. 15, for alumni (and grandparents) with juniors and seniors in high school; the program is designed to give an overview of – and demystify – the college search process (registration will be available very soon)

Learn about all of these and more!

CAREER CORNER

Thanks in part to all the assistance provided by alumni & parents, the Class of 2016 “One Year Out” survey results are very impressive! The just-released data shows that 98% of the class reports being employed (77%) or in graduate school (21%). More than 40% of those in grad school are pursuing doctoral degrees.

See what resources are available to alumni through the Center for Career Development, including online assessment tools, resume and cover-letter-writing tips, job openings and more.

CAMPAIGN CORNER

You can do something good for the Campaign AND yourself by taking part in the 2nd Annual Gettysburg Fun(d) Run on Sat., Sept. 16. Registration “fees” are a gift to the Gettysburg Fund – one of the five objectives of the Campaign – and you can take part either on campus during Homecoming Weekend, or wherever you may be. Get more info and register, and connect with fellow Gettysburgians to take part together! (and if running isn’t your thing, you can substitute with the activity of your choice).
It’s the height of vacation season for many, but do you have a vacation/second property that isn’t getting the use that you’d hoped? A home can be a great asset for a charitable gift, with options ranging from giving the entire property today to giving the house but continuing to use it for your lifetime. To learn more, contact Emily Clarke (eclarke@gettysburg.edu), Manager of Planned Giving.

The total goal for Gettysburg Great: The Campaign for Our College is $150 million, and thus far – with 10 months remaining – more than $136 million has been raised to benefit current and future Gettysburg students. See the latest news, learn about the five priorities of the Campaign, and see how you can make a difference – ALL gifts count and matter! In addition, the next regional Campaign celebration will be at the Westin in Morristown, NJ, on Nov. 4 – mark your calendar now!

August Alumni, Parent, & Campus Events of Interest

Aug 01  Load Desktop Calendar for August
August Calendar

Aug 02  NYC Club “Happy Summer Hour”
Pier 13, Hoboken, NJ, 6-9 p.m. Register on Facebook.

Aug 02  Classic Movie Night at the Majestic
The Godfather, Majestic Theater, Gettysburg, 7:30 p.m.

Aug 06  Greenwich Area First-Year Send Off
Home of the Carlsons ’80, Riverside, CT, 4 p.m. Register.

Aug 08  Maine First-Year Send Off
Home of the Hutcheons ’18, Falmouth, 6:30 p.m. Register.

Aug 10  Pittsburgh Club “Happy Summer Hour”
Southern Tier Brewing Co., 5:30-7:30 p.m. Register via Facebook.
Aug 13  
**Jersey Shore Reception with President Riggs**
Home of the Cloetinghs ’81, Avalon, 5 p.m. [RSVP](#).

Aug 16  
**Classic Movie Night at the Majestic**
*Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid*, Majestic Theater, Gettysburg, 7:30 p.m.

Aug 23  
**Move-In Day for Class of 2021 & start of Orientation**

Aug 24  
**First-Year Walk through town of Gettysburg to National Cemetery**

Aug 25  
**Gettysburg Is Volunteering (GIV) Day**
Around town & campus, 8 a.m. onward.

Aug 26  
**40th Annual Alumni Cross Country Meet**
On campus cross country course, 10 a.m. [More information and registration](#).

Aug 28  
**First Day of Classes**

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**Trivia Time:**

In what year was Orientation Week first held for Gettysburg College students?

A t-shirt goes to the first person to email alumni@gettysburg.edu with the correct answer!

Congratulations to last month’s winner, Liz Krueger ’09, who was first to answer correctly that the College’s Board of Trustees held its first meeting on July 4, 1832. Hard workers!
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Suggestions for Bullet Points can be emailed to alumni director Joe Lynch ’85 at jlynch@gettysburg