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### **Reflections from president of Millersville University**

Sunday, November 25, 2018

It is hard to believe that my first Thanksgiving as president of Millersville University has already come and gone. As we celebrated Thursday, my wife, Judith, and I took a moment to reflect and give thanks to the students and their families along with our alumni, faculty and staff for all they do to make our university a great place to study, work and visit. We are truly thankful that we live in a safe and peaceful community where we care for and support one another.

*By Daniel Wubah, on Lancaster Online*

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### **Cal U. event aimed at global hunger**

Thursday, November 22, 2018

While holding a bag under a funnel to catch scoops of dehydrated vegetables and rice, David Merz paused to reflect on what he was doing. “Everyone needs a helping hand now and then,” said the 22-year-old from West Newton, “and I’m glad that it’s my hand doing it.” He was one of about 75 California University of Pennsylvania students who spent about two hours packing high-longevity, nourishing food for shipment by Rise Against Hunger, a global-relief nonprofit based in Raleigh, N.C., during an event last week.

*By Gideon Bradshaw, The (Washington, Pa.) Observer-Reporter*

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### **Cheyney University’s accreditation extended for a year**

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

Cheyney University’s accreditation has been extended for another year under probationary status, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education announced Tuesday. Representatives of the accrediting agency met with Cheyney President Aaron Walton last week and notified the historically Black institution of its updated accreditation status, which took into account its strengthened financial and institutional resources.

*By Ryanne Persinger, The Philadelphia Tribune*

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### **Cheyney University receives another extension to maintain accreditation**

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

A regional accrediting panel Tuesday granted Cheyney University a second, one-year extension to resolve ongoing financial and other issues, saying that one of the nation's oldest historically black colleges had made necessary gains.

*By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

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### **Sigrid Johnson Was Black. A DNA Test Said She Wasn't.**

Monday, November 19, 2018

Three years ago, when Sigrid E. Johnson was 62, she got a call from a researcher seeking volunteers for a study on DNA ancestry tests and ethnic identity. Johnson agreed to help. After all, she and the researcher, Anita Foeman, had been pals for half a century, ever since they attended the same elementary school in their integrated Philadelphia neighborhood, where they and other black children were mostly protected from the racism beyond its borders. Foeman, a professor of communication at West Chester University in Pennsylvania, asked Johnson to swab the inside of her cheek and share her thoughts about her ethnic and racial identity before and after the results came back.

*By Ruth Padawer, The New York Times*

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### **What Betsy DeVos' new sexual misconduct regulations mean for victims, the accused, and schools**

Friday, November 16, 2018

The Trump administration on Friday announced an overhaul to how schools deal with allegations of sexual misconduct, drastically narrowing the pool of complaints that institutions of higher education will be required to investigate under Title IX. The rules — proposed by Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, who last year rescinded Obama-era guidance related to how schools investigate sexual misconduct — were meant to expand rights for the accused and clarify the role of schools. Among the major proposed regulations, laid out in a 149-page document:

*By Anna Orso, The Philadelphia Inquirer*

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### **Delaware Tribe of Indians Enter into Partnership Aimed to Educate**

Thursday, November 15, 2018

A new partnership between a Pennsylvania university and a Native American tribe aims to increase cultural awareness among students and establish a new curriculum at the institution. East Stroudsburg University (ESU) and the Delaware Tribe of Indians signed a Memorandum of Understanding in September.

*By Jamie Rogers, Diverse Issues in Higher Education*