

Good morning. Here are the State System News Highlights for November 7, 2018. This summary of news articles related to the State System universities is distributed weekly. Just getting back into the swing of things after being on the road with the chancellor the past several weeks. Enjoy.

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What the Midterm Elections Mean for Higher Ed

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Was it a wave? Maybe not. But for Democrats, it was a win. They weathered disappointments in some high-profile races that had appeared winnable Tuesday night, and they lost three U.S. Senate seats in the face of a challenging map. But Democrats seized control of the U.S. House of Representatives, tipping at least 26 seats to emerge with a clear majority. In doing so, they earned the opportunity to step up oversight of the polarizing presidency of Donald J. Trump. That oversight could extend to higher-education policy through immediate scrutiny of what the Education Department is doing under Secretary Betsy DeVos.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

My First Generation Story

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

It's Feb. 24, 2000. My mom was just 20 years old when she had me. Only two years prior, she had graduated high school and went on to continue her education at Northampton Community College. Little did she know, she would meet my dad and get pregnant with me at the age of 19. My mother was always very bright and a straight-A student in school. When she got pregnant with me, her entire life changed. She dropped out of college and began working two fulltime jobs. She worked her entire pregnancy to save up and make sure she would be able to support me.

Nessa Cartagena, Kutztown University

Want to go to college with your pet? This Pa. university has you covered

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Going off to college brings a lot of unfamiliarity, and it can be even worse when you have to leave your beloved family pet behind. Starting this spring, students at Lock Haven University in Clinton County can bring their pets to school. The university will be the first in the Pennsylvania's State System to introduce a pet-friendly residence hall.

By Stephanie Sadowski, The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News

Estate of geography professor gives \$700,000 to Bloomsburg University

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

A \$700,000 gift from the estate of John Enman, Ph.D., professor emeritus of geography at Bloomsburg University will further support students, faculty and programs in the Department of Environmental, Geographical and Geological Sciences (EGGS).
The (Sunbury) Daily Item

How much money did Pa. colleges make off of students they rejected?

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Applying to college can be a costly proposition for students. Each application carries a fee that can range from \$10 to \$150 and students these days apply to, on average, seven to 10 schools hoping to gain acceptance to at least one of them. The fees are charged for a reason. It covers the school's cost of having an admissions officer review the application and it can discourage students from applying to hundreds of colleges regardless of their interest in actually attending them.

By Jan Murphy, The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News

Kutztown University signs agreement to help boost agribusiness

Monday, November 5, 2018

Agricultural businesses in Pennsylvania now have a resource in Berks County to help them find lenders, craft business plans, and develop their workforce. These are a few of the resources offered to businesses through a partnership between Kutztown University's Small Business Development Center and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

By Brian Pedersen, BerksBiz

ESU student illustrates children's book about diversity and acceptance

Sunday, November 4, 2018

Pocono Arts Council hosted the launch of children's book, "The Colorful World of Emily: The First Day of School," on Oct. 20. The book focuses on diversity and acceptance and also teaches children how to cope with insecurities they may face. It appeals to children ages 4 to 8. The book features the illustrations of East Stroudsburg University Student Chelsea Bacon, a junior art and design major from Palmer, and member of the University's student-run design agency, New Mind Design. This is Bacon's first published body of work as an illustrator.

The Pocono Record

New chancellor says Pennsylvania universities must change

Thursday, November 1, 2018

Pennsylvania's 14 state universities must change the way they operate to better serve their students, keep tuition affordable and quell threats of campus closures and school consolidations, the new chancellor of the State System of Higher Education said Thursday. Chancellor Daniel Greenstein promoted a "cultural change" in the way the system operates in the wake of declining enrollment, rising tuition and "cutthroat" competition from other schools during a question-and-answer forum at Kutztown University.

By Jim Lewis, The Reading Eagle

Chancellor shares his vision for future of state system

Saturday, October 27, 2018

Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Chancellor Dr. Daniel Greenstein told Indiana University of Pennsylvania students, faculty, staff and stakeholders that they have an opportunity to reimagine higher education in this country.

By Patrick Cloonan, The Indiana Gazette

SRU student first to answer the call for fire company's live-in program

Friday, October 26, 2018

As a budget-conscious college student, Kyle Lewis was more than ready to answer the call for free housing for his final semester at Slippery Rock University. But in doing so, he had to be prepared to also answer another type of call - the kind that comes in the middle of night - when the Slippery Rock community needs him as a first responder. Lewis, a senior safety management major from Butler, is the first SRU student to take advantage of a live-in program created by the Slippery Rock Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Team last year.

New Castle News

IUP student will present research on ticks in Pittsburgh parks

Friday, October 26, 2018

Anna Manges, a junior biology major and geology minor at IUP, will be honored Friday by the Pennsylvania Vector Control Association for her work studying ticks in Pittsburgh's regional city parks.

By Patrick Varine, The Tribune-Review

State system chancellor visits Cal U.

Thursday, October 25, 2018

The new chancellor of the state System of Higher Education started his morning Thursday in California Borough taking a 6.5-mile ride on a bicycle in 30-degree weather. Chancellor Daniel Greenstein was joined by 16 others, most of whom work at California University of Pennsylvania, an institution that was at the heart of his visit to the Mon Valley. "I am forever an optimist," Greenstein later said during an enthusiastic speech he delivered at Cal U., one of 14 state-owned universities that he oversees. "I will work tirelessly for our students."

By Scott Beveridge, The (Washington, Pa.) Observer-Reporter

The University College will be open to students spring 2019

Thursday, October 25, 2018

The University College headquarters at IUP will be open to students in the 2019 spring semester. The college will be located on the ground floor of Stapleton Library. The staff involved in the University College are currently scattered around the campus, but they all will soon be in the same area. "The University College is the university support system for students who come into college and need a little more additional preparation, students that are undeclared majors or students that are just trying to explore for the first couple semesters until they declare a major," said Janet Guyden, interim dean of libraries.

By Lilyann Schultz, The Indiana Penn

ESU Receives Money for Tick Research Lab

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Scientists at East Stroudsburg University's Northeast Wildlife DNA Lab test ticks year round. But thanks to state taxpayer money, they will now further their research and surveillance by starting a State Tick Research Lab.

By Carmella Mataloni, WNEP-TV16

East Stroudsburg's Northeast Wildlife DNA Lab Receives \$500,000

Monday, October 22, 2018

East Stroudsburg University's Northeast Wildlife DNA Laboratory is receiving \$500,000 for the development of The Pennsylvania Tick Research Lab at ESU.

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