

Good morning. Here are the State System News Highlights for December 19, 2018. This summary of news articles related to the State System universities is distributed weekly. (NOTE: The office will be closed next week for the holidays. The news clip summary will return in January. Enjoy the season)

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### **West Chester University Professor Earns Grammy Nomination for Album Recorded on Campus**

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

A professor in West Chester University’s Wells School of Music has been nominated for a Grammy Award. Randall Scarlata, distinguished baritone and professor of Applied Music, along with pianist Gilbert Kalish, was nominated for Best Classical Solo Vocal Album for Schubert’s Winterreise, an album that was released in February 2018.

*By Mark Hostutler, Vista.Today*

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### **Bloomsburg University Students Using 3D Tech to Pay It Forward**

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

A student at Bloomsburg University who is visually impaired knows what it is like not to be able to do everyday tasks. Now, he's teamed up with one of his classmates to help make life easier for other people who are struggling. Three years ago, Jesse Johnson, from Northumberland, was given the gift of sight when he received a pair of eSight glasses. Jesse is a junior at Bloomsburg University and has been legally blind since birth. These electronic glasses allow him to see clearly.

*By Nikki Krize, WNEP-16*

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### **Tom Ridge, IUP professor seeking interviews for homeland-security book**

Monday, December 17, 2018

An Indiana University of Pennsylvania professor will partner with former Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge on a book about the formation of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, created in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and the entity which helped lead the ongoing “War on Terror.”

*By Patrick Varine, The Tribune-Review*

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### **At fall commencement, Millersville University graduates praised for overcoming obstacles**

Sunday, December 16, 2018

“We’re here to recognize your tremendous success,” commencement speaker Daniel Greentein told the soon-to-be Millersville University graduates gathered Sunday at Pucillo Gymnasium. Greenstein became the State System of Higher Education’s fifth chancellor in September. Millersville is one of 14 State System institutions. Most people in the U.S., and in the world, never obtain a college degree, Greenstein said. But you did, he told the candidates, “and you’re ready to put it to work.”

*By Tim Stuhldreher, Lancaster Newspapers*

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### **ESU holds Winter Commencement, graduates 472**

Saturday, December 15, 2018

East Stroudsburg University held its annual Winter 2018 Commencement exercises Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Koehler Field House. A total of 472 students participated in Saturday’s exercises.

*The Pocono Record*

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### **Street View: Edinboro Winter Commencement**

Saturday, December 15, 2018

More than 300 graduates received diplomas at Edinboro University’s 2018 Winter Commencement at McComb Fieldhouse.

*The Erie Times-News*

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### **IUP naming college, planned science center to honor couple's financial contribution to university**

Friday, December 14, 2018

A college at Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a planned science center there have new names, both honoring a couple who gave \$23 million to IUP, largest gift in its history and that of the State System of Higher Education.

*By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

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### **Edinboro faculty member recognized by state attorney general**

Thursday, December 13, 2018

Susan Maloney, an assistant professor in Edinboro University of Pennsylvania’s nursing department, has been recognized for her contributions to the fight against opioid abuse.

*The Erie Times-News*