

Postdoctoral Scholars & Fellows Connect

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Welcome

To the inaugural issue of Postdoc Connect, the monthly newsletter for and by postdoctoral scholars and fellows at the Penn State Hershey College of Medicine. Each month, turn to Postdoc Connect to learn more about the research being done by post-docs at the College of Medicine, career development opportunities sponsored by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs, upcoming Postdoctoral Society events, and fun activities in the community for the entire family. Feel free to forward any announcements or suggestions of content for future issues to Becky Moyer, rmoyer7@hmc.psu.edu.

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EVENTS

September 13th, 2015:

11:00 A.M.— 3:00 P.M.: **ANNUAL POSTDOCTORAL PICNIC**

Location: Indian Echo Caverns (*See Page 4 for more details*)

September 14th, 2015:

12:00 P.M.— 1:00 P.M. in Room C5602: **NIH LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM**

RSVP No Later than 12:00 P.M. on September 4th. (researchdevelopment@hmc.psu.edu)

September 15th, 2015:

12:00 P.M.— 1:00 P.M.: **POSTDOCTORAL ORIENTATION & INFORMATION SESSION** (*See Page 3 for more details*)

September 16th, 2015:

12:00 P.M.— **ENHANCING ENGLISH SKILLS FOR INTERNATIONAL BIOMEDICAL PROFESSIONALS (EESIBP) ***MANDATORY*****

October 8th, 2015:

3:00 P.M.— **CONFLICT MANAGEMENT**

October 30th, 2015:

4:00 P.M.— **WORKSHOP ON STRATEGIES FOR COMMUNICATING SCIENCE TO THE PUBLIC**

November 20th, 2015:

4:00 P.M.— **WORKSHOP ON RESOURCES FOR IMPROVING ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING**

December 4th, 2015:

4:00 P.M.— **WORKSHOP ON IMPROVING COMMUNICATION SKILLS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Know Your Council Members

Jocelyn Myers, Ph.D.
PRESIDENT

Heather Lehman,
Ph.D.
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Georgios Noutsios,
Ph.D.
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If you would like to be interviewed for a "Spotlight" of your Research in future issues, please contact Katie Kokolus, kkokolus@hmc.psu.edu

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs...

From the Director's desk...

As we begin the 2015/16 academic year, I encourage everyone to become familiar with the staff and services of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA). Stop by our office, located in the College of Medicine crescent (Room C1602), and say hello to Becky Moyer, our new Administrative Assistant. If you are a recent arrival on our campus, be sure to pick up the 2015 Guide to Hershey while you are there.

The mission of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is to support the training and education of postdoctoral scholars and fellows in the College of Medicine, and their faculty advisors. As the new Director, I am very excited by the opportunity to enrich and enhance your postdoctoral experience at Penn State. The Office is currently planning new career development and training events specifically designed for postdocs, to be offered throughout the upcoming year. Be sure to check future newsletters for details. We are also working closely with the Penn State Hershey Postdoctoral Society to foster a sense of community among our scholars and to promote your research accomplishments across the University. I am eager to learn of any suggestions that you may have for improving postdoctoral life and research at Penn State Hershey.

Kristin A. Eckert



Pictured Above:
Kristin Eckert, Ph.D.



Pictured Above:
Becky Moyer

ORIENTATION & INFORMATION SESSION



**All New & Current Postdocs
are encouraged to attend!**

WHEN: Tuesday, September 15th

TIME: 12:00 P.M.—1:00 P.M.
Lunch will be Provided

WHERE: Room C7842

More Details to Follow

**RSVP by September 7th to Becky Moyer at
PostDocs@hmc.psu.edu.**

Give Us Your Feedback!

**We want to hear from you!
Is there any information
you would like to learn more about?**

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Society Meetings

SEPTEMBER 9TH: Room C3700

OCTOBER 21ST: Room C1800

NOVEMBER 18TH: Room C1800

DECEMBER 16TH: Room C1800

Held on the 3rd Wednesday
of the Month from
4:00-5:00 P.M.

**Enjoy Coffee & Light
Refreshments**

**Please Feel Free to
Join Us!**

What's In the Community?

September 8th, 2015



ANIMAL TALES at ZOO AMERICA
ADVENTURES FOR PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN CHILDREN
 Time: 9:30 A.M.—11:00 A.M. OR 1:30 P.M.—3:00 P.M.

Sessions also held on 9/15, 9/22, & 9/29

Call 717-534-3900 for more details

September 26th, 2015

CITY ISLAND BREW HA HA
 Harrisburg Senators Ball Park

Time: 1:00—8:00 P.M.

Call 717-901-3993 Ext. 5392 for more details

A One-Day festival featuring PA Brewed Beers, Wine, Arts/crafts, food and non stop LIVE entertainment.

Proceeds benefit camps and recreation programs for children and adults with special needs provided by Easter Seals in the Capital Region.

September 26th, 2015



FALL FEST

The Hershey Gardens

Time: 10:00 A.M.—
 12:30 P.M.

Bring the whole family to welcome the fall season with activities.

Fall gardening tips, scarecrow stuffing, pumpkin painting, a story with a scarecrow and more!

Call 717-534-3492 for details.

October 3, 2015

LEBANON CTY WOMEN'S EX-PO | Lebanon Expo Center
 Time: 9:00 A.M. — 2:00 P.M.

Discover new products & services while enjoying shopping, demonstrations, & door prizes. Over 60 Vendors. *Beauty, Home, Health & Wellness, Fashion, Nutrition, Shopping, Finance, Technology & More!*
Call 717-285-1350 for details



November 28-29, 2015

MARVEL UNIVERSE LIVE!

The Giant Center

Saturday: 3:00 & 7:00 P.M.

Sunday: 11:00 A.M., 3:00
 & 7:00 P.M.

Tickets: \$22.85, \$37.85,
 \$72.85 & \$95.85

ANNUAL POSTDOCTORAL

PICNIC

WHEN: Sunday, September 13th, 2015

WHERE: Indian Echo Caverns

368 Middletown Road | Hummelstown | PA | 17036
 (5 Minutes from the Hershey Campus)

TIME: 11:00 A.M. — 3:00 P.M.

(Lunch will be Served from 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.)

*****RSVP by September 4th, 2015*****

Becky Moyer at Postdocs@hmc.psu.edu



Enjoy a day of fun with your
 Colleagues, Family & Friends!

**Please Bring a
 Side Dish to Share!**

**OTHER ACTIVITIES AVAIL-
 BLE ONSITE:** (At Additional Costs)

- ♦ The Gemstone Discovery
- ♦ Cavern Tour
- ♦ Petting Barnyard