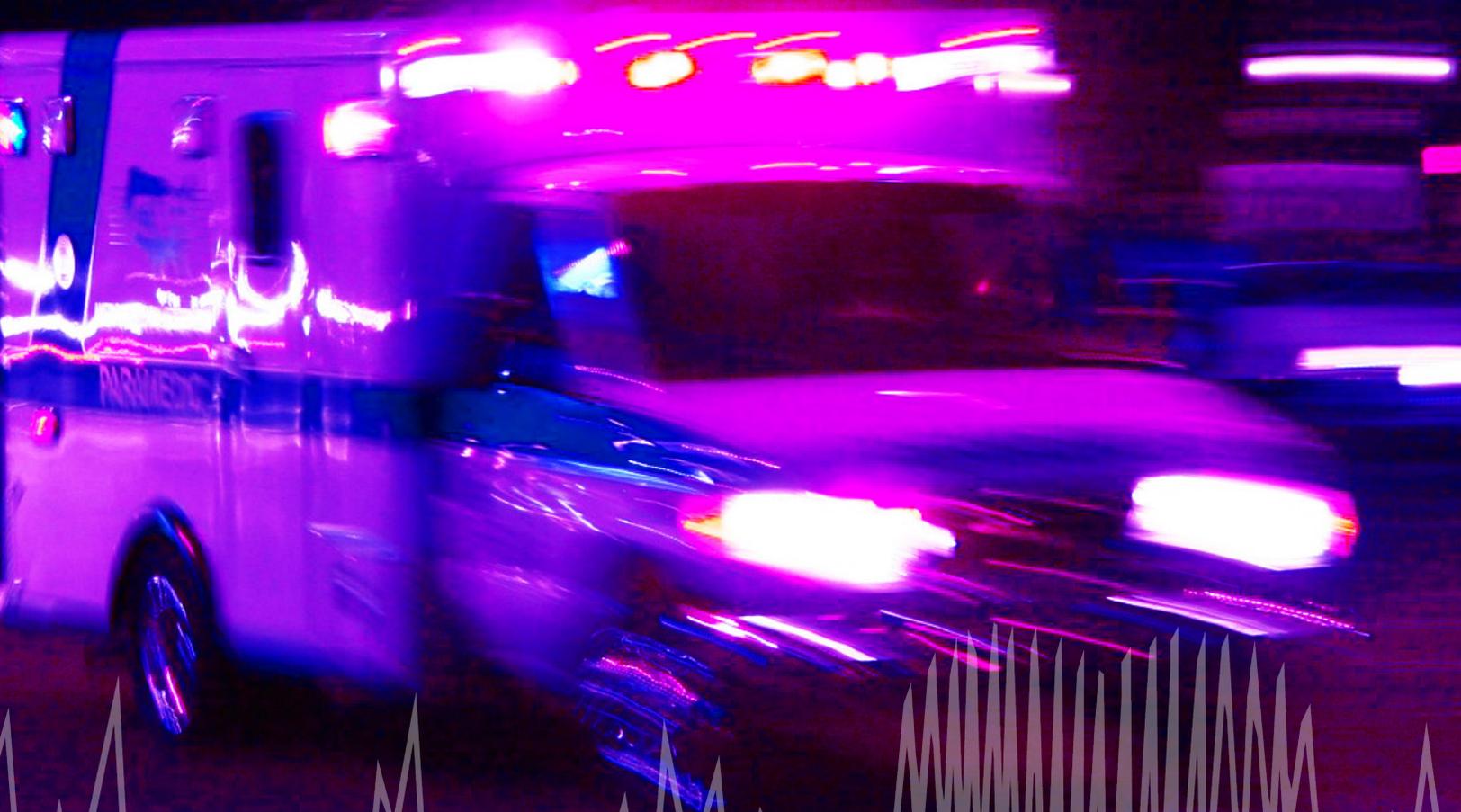


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HOMECOMING '21

We praise God for the success of the 2021 Homecoming. We had a record turnout of alumni, family, and friends who attended as special recognition was given to the graduating classes of 1971, '81, '91, 2001, and 2011 as well as Mr. Barry Mason for 50 years of teaching at Penn View. An alumni PR group from 1982-1984 shared personal stories, testimonies, and wonderful music. There were over 35 silent auction baskets that were beautifully presented by students and staff that the alumni enjoyed receiving. Special congratulations was extended to Mr. Bill O'Conner, a 1996 alumnus and current principal at Endless Mountains Christian Academy in Tunkhannock, PA, for being elected the 2021 alumnus of the year. We look forward to Homecoming 2022 and honoring the graduating classes of 1972, '82, '92, 2002, and 2012 on November 10-11, 2022.

Make plans to attend!

Alumni HOMECOMING 2022

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
November 10th & 11th

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ALUMNUS *of the* YEAR

William John O'Connor (a.k.a. - Bill or Mr. O) was born on June 4, 1974, in Malone, NY. The five O'Connor children kept their Mom very busy, but she saw to it that they were loved and cared for. There weren't a lot of "extra" things to be enjoyed...but with a whole outdoors to explore and work to be done on the farm...the children had a fulfilled and happy childhood anyway.

After graduating from high school, in 1992, Bill felt God's leading to Penn View Bible Institute where he would attend the next 4 years and graduate with an advance diploma in Secondary Education.

While there, he made many friends, and also met the love of his life...Vonda Staley. They were married in August of 1996. After 11 years of marriage and no children, they felt led to foster and eventually adopt 2 beautiful little girls. Hailey is now 15 years old, and Angelina is soon to be 14. They have brought a lot of love and life to the household.

After PVBI, Bill & Vonda worked at a small Christian school in Marcy, NY (Marcy Pilgrim Academy) for a year and a half before spending a few years in Indiana. While there, Bill worked on his Master's degree through Cincinnati Bible Seminary before completing his Master of Arts in Religious Education at Trinity Theological Seminary.

The O'Connors moved to Tunkhannock, PA, in August of 2002 to become principal and teachers at Endless Mountains Christian Academy. They are currently on their 20th school year! It's been a tremendous pleasure to work with the Joel Byer family for the last 11 years of that time. Besides working at the school, they also work with the youth at Tunkhannock Pilgrim Holiness Church and Bill serves as Board member of church.

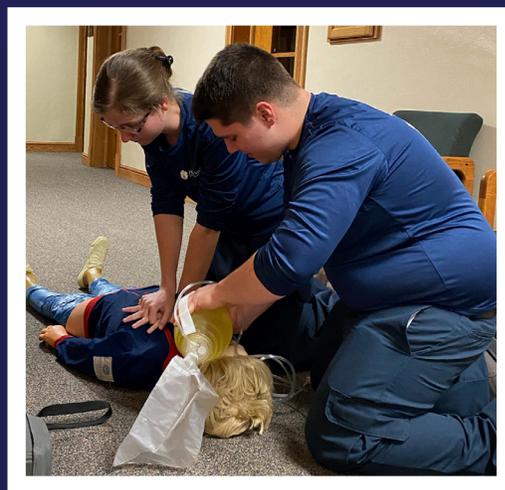
In his spare time, Bill loves to spend time with his family, run, shoot bows, archery hunt, and basically play any other sport from corn hole to ping pong to disc golf or soccer. He looks forward to serving God through Christian Education and in whatever other aspects in which God may lead in the years ahead.





NEW EMT TRAINING!

Penn View Bible Institute is honored to have become accredited by the PA Department of Health to serve as an EMT Institute for our students. This will allow us to offer EMT training to our students and to be certified in the commonwealth of PA. We currently have 10 students enrolled in the program and they will graduate and be certified in May of 2022. Praise God for our holiness young people that can be trained at a holiness Bible college by holiness credentialed instructors to become Emergency Medical Technicians. Penn View Bible Institute is committed to the continued medical mission thrust that ministers to the body and soul!



If you have dreamed of becoming an EMT, you can now make that dream a reality. There is open enrollment now for possible Emergency Medical Technician classes in the summer and fall of 2022. Call our director of admissions to see how you can apply to take these classes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Missions Division & EMT Course Director: Michael Mason | 570-939-0425

Director of Admissions: Kyle Markel | 570-837-1855, etx. 1133

SEE YOU AT THE POLE



See You at the Pole is a student-led event on our campus that we always look forward to in September of each year. The student council and government departments do a great job of preparing and presenting the true emphasis of the event, which is on prayer. We believe in the power of prayer at Penn View because we have seen God answer our prayers in great and mighty ways from the elementary all the way through the college.

JUNGLE CAMP

This past fall, the Missions Division spent a weekend in the great outdoors for our 13th annual Jungle Camp. Jim Bender, from *WayPoint Survival*, was with us throughout the weekend helping to train our students. We also had representatives from Hope International Missions. It was a great time of survival training, medical training, and bonding as a division. Everyone left with increased vision for the Kingdom!



WALKATHON



Our 2021 fall walk-a-thon was a huge success as students and staff raised nearly \$63,000 to assist with the general operational needs of the school as well as several projects that included new chairs in the Dining Center and Elementary chapel. Special congratulations were given to the student and staff member who raised the most money which were Jacob Blocher and Mr. Darren Durkee!

SCHOOL REVIVAL

The fall school revival was marked by God's presence as Rev. Harry Plank preached and the Greg Hobelman family sang. God used them to minister to our students and staff as many victories were won around the altar.



ACADEMY TECH TRIALS



Tech trials is an opportunity for students to challenge themselves to design and build a project. The success of these projects depends upon the ability to adapt and adjust their design. Projects range from simple machines to bridge building and aerodynamics.

CHRISTMAS AUCTION

The 14th annual Christmas Benefit Auction was a great success as a large crowd turned out to support the school. There were a lot of items for sale that provided a record setting net profit margin. The food and fellowship are always an enjoyable part of the auction. Don't miss the 2022 Spring Benefit Auction on Friday, April 29th!



14th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Our students, faculty, and staff were privileged once again to share the greatest news during the Christmas season through our annual Christmas musical event. This year's production was titled "Redemption's Story." Through this production, our audience was able to experience this story through the eyes of Mary and Joseph. The storyline did not only include the traditional Christmas story as we know it, but it also included Christ's death and resurrection! Over 250 people were involved in this year's production, including 50 actors. The musical was once again blessed with great crowds over the three nights of production, with over 2,000 people in attendance. Our hope and prayer is that hearts and lives were touched through the message of the musical! In our world today, there are many people who question the true meaning of Christmas. Through this year's production, we hope the guests who were in attendance left with the reminder that Christmas is all about Jesus, for HE truly is the reason for the season!



SENIOR DAYS & OPEN HOUSE

This year's *Senior Days* brought 17 High School seniors to Campus for a visit! They had the opportunity to meet our college faculty, attend the Christmas Musical, and enjoy some ice skating. Pray for these young people as they seek God's will for the next step in their lives.



We were also excited to welcome over 85 *Open House* guests to our campus this year! This is an annual event that gives you and your family the opportunity to: tour campus; attend classes and worship with us in chapel; meet with professors, current students, the President, and the Academic Dean; participate in recreational activities in our Student Life Center; join the College Choir or Instrumental Ensemble for a practice session; and enjoy lunch "on us" in the Miller Dining Center. We would love for you to make plans to join us next year for Open House 2023 - January 27, 2023.

FARM SHOW TRIP



Butter Sculpture



On January 11th, students of PVCA in grades 6-12 were privileged to attend the PA Farm Show. This yearly field trip is highly anticipated by students and teachers alike. Our students enjoyed seeing the various farming venues from our state, sampling a variety of unique food items, and fellowshiping with their classmates and teachers!

ABHE 75th CONVENTION

In February, Penn View Bible Institute was officially granted a 10-year Reaffirmation of Accreditation with ABHE (Association for Biblical Higher Education). President & Mrs. Dan Durkee and the administrative team of Ms. Roxanne Shiery, Rev. Nicholas Rine, Rev. Wesley McDonald, Dr. Timothy Cooley, along with Rev. Andrew Cooley (board member) represented the school at the 75th annual ABHE Convention in Orlando, FL.



President Durkee with Dr. Philip Dearborn, president of ABHE

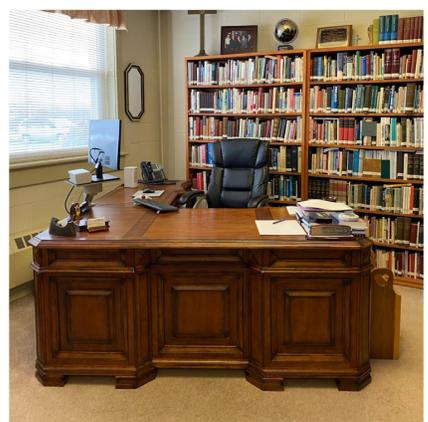
Campus Improvements



New roof on faculty residence



New roof and exterior on faculty residence



New desk for Academic Dean



Additional kitchen oven



New elementary chapel chairs

UPCOMING EVENTS



ALUMNI REUNION
at Gatlinburg

Tuesday, April 5, 2022
after the evening IHC service
Gatlinburg Convention Center
Ballroom A

Missions Convention

APRIL 19-21

Compelled by Love 

42nd Annual

SPRING BENEFIT AUCTION



Friday
April 29, 2022

3:00 pm - 12:00 midnight



Held on campus at the
Mason-McIntire Student Life Center
80 Campus Dr, Middleburg, PA 17842

Tools & Hardware, Lawn & Garden Equipment, Coins, Groceries,
Household Items, Décor, Hunting & Fishing Items, Plants,
Food Stands, and much more!

CAMPUS DAYS

May 5-6, 2022



Don't miss the **CAMPUS DAYS RALLY** on *Friday, May 6 @ 7:00 pm*
- G.I. Straub Memorial Tabernacle -

KINDERGARTEN
Thursday, May 19th @ 7:00 pm

5TH GRADE
Friday, May 20th @ 7:00 pm

HIGH SCHOOL & INSTITUTE
Saturday, May 21st @ 10:00 am

2022
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES



ALUMNI NEWS

BIRTHS



Owen Wesley born to
Aaron & Katrina (Newton) Dorman
October 2, 2021



Ledger Allen born to
William & Sarah (Redmond) Cookson
October 12, 2021



Luke Albert born to
Michael & Jeanie (Green) Fritz
November 2, 2021



Theo Reign born to
Ryan & Mandy (Robertson) Martin
November 2, 2021



Esther Fay born to
Daniel & Monica (Stanton) Anthony
November 10, 2021



Lily Grace born to
Christian & Danielle (Pinkerton) Claycomb
November 16, 2021



Luke Neil born to
Titus & Summer (Grubbs) Dorman
November 19, 2021



Hadassah Dale born to
Tonweya & Judy (Hunt) Sherman
November 21, 2021



Morgan Leann born to
Jamin & Andrea (Syfert) Hughes
December 1, 2021



Scarlett Joyce born to
Christian & Holly (Wrightsmen) Walker
December 20, 2021



Evony Tauriel born to
Justin & Brooke Steen
January 17, 2022



Ellie Kate born to
David & Sarah Sanford
January 25, 2022



Trevor Weston born to
Weston & Breanna (McCarty) Stahl
January 30, 2022



Winston Lee born to
Terry & Jacquelynn (Forney) Yoder
February 18, 2022

WEDDINGS



Derek & Ilyssa Wilson
October 15, 2021



Cade & Marissa (Hampton) Davis
October 16, 2021



Erick & Gabrielle (Keister) Vazquez
November 11, 2021



Michael & Elianna (Mayle) Hancock
November 27, 2021



Teddy & Kimberly (Cottrill) Mayhle
January 22, 2022

To submit alumni news, please email alumni@pvbi.edu

IN MEMORY



Dean Straight, Jr
PVCA Student 1979-1985
October 4, 2021



Stephen Kolva
PVCA Student 1969-1970
December 13, 2021



Michael Shiere
PVBI Student 1994-1996
October 6, 2021



David Mills
PVBI Student 2001-2004
December 19, 2021



Jeffrey Smith
PVBI Student 2020-2021
November 6, 2021

2022 PR GROUPS

To schedule a service, contact the PR Office at 570-837-1855, ext. 1132.



PRAISE SINGERS

(from left to right)

Blake Cassady, *tenor*
Jacob Blocher, *lead*
Eric Susan, *baritone*
Nathan Packer, *bass*
Jeffrey Byer, *pianist*



MAJESTY

(from left to right)

Ashley Plank, *alto*
Katie Sayler, *pianist*
Brandan Bennett, *tenor*
Alison Harter, *soprano*

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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