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Title: Third GOP candidate announces bid for Montco Commissioner

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Rosenthal is the third Republican to announce interest in running for a four-year term as a Montgomery County commissioner. The others are Thomas Ellis, a public finance attorney who was served as a county commissioner from 2004-2007; and West Norriton Township Commissioner Stephen Tolbert, an economics professor at Bucks County Community College.

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Each party nominates two candidates in the spring primary to run in the November General Election. The top three vote-getters are elected, ensuring at least one minority representative on the three-member commissioners' board.

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Title: Peirce College Celebrates 150 Years of Empowering Working Adults through Education

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Sesquicentennial Anniversary to be Celebrated with Events and Activities that Encompass Mission, Historical Roots and Innovative Plans for the Future

[Peirce College](#) launches its yearlong sesquicentennial anniversary celebration, marking 150 years of advancing the careers of non-traditional students and improving the quality of the workforce in Philadelphia.

Throughout 2015, Peirce will host a series of events that celebrate and showcase its history of transforming the lives of thousands of working adults and the economic vitality of the Philadelphia region.

"Thomas May Peirce founded this institution in 1865 to provide Civil War veterans with the practical business skills they needed to enter the workforce," said **James J. Mergiotti**, president and CEO of Peirce College. "With the continuation and expansion of his mission over the past century and a half, I am certain he would be proud of the school Peirce has become."

Peirce College provides working adults with an affordable education, flexible class schedules and personal attention designed to meet their needs. A pioneer in many ways, the college was among the first institutions in the country to offer higher education opportunities to women. It was also one of the first colleges to provide online learning options and the College continues to adapt its web-based course offerings to meet the evolving needs of students.

"Over the past 150 years, the College has helped hundreds of thousands of students build success, and in turn, has impacted their families and their communities, making Peirce a vital part of the Greater Philadelphia Region," continued Mergiotti. "I look forward to continuing this mission and making even more of an impact over the next 150 years."

Peirce will commemorate this milestone with events centered on its core initiatives. The 150th anniversary celebration will include:

- **Women in Leadership Event:** On March 12, Peirce will host a panel of noteworthy Philadelphia businesswomen who will discuss their paths to success and what it's like to hold a position of leadership in today's business environment.

- **Business Employer Panel:** Human resources, recruitment and career development professionals will speak on best practices for career advancement on April 28.
- **Founder's Day Celebration:** On Sept. 17, Peirce will host a birthday-themed event commemorating the day the institution opened its doors in 1865. Local VIPs, students, alumni, area executives and community members are invited to help celebrate.
- **Veterans Day Brunch:** Providing higher education to veterans has been a cornerstone of Peirce College's mission since its founding. On Nov. 11, the College will host a brunch to honor student, alumni, staff, and faculty veterans, reaffirming its commitment to past and current members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

About Peirce College

In 2015, Peirce College will celebrate 150 years dedicated to providing higher education to working adults. In celebration of this momentous occasion, Peirce will host a year-long series of events surrounding the theme, 'Many Years, One Purpose.' Peirce College offers bachelors and associate degree programs in the areas of Business, Healthcare, Information Technology, and Legal Studies, and a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership & Management. Located in the heart of Philadelphia, Peirce is a non-profit institution that specializes in serving the unique needs of working adults, many of whom work full time and are raising families. Peirce College is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market St. Philadelphia, PA 19104 (267-284-5000). Additionally select programs are accredited by The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs, the American Bar Association and the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education.

For more information about Peirce College, call 888.467.3472, or visit www.Peirce.edu. Visit Peirce's blog, [Peirce Connections](#), at <http://blog.Peirce.edu>. Become a fan of Peirce College on [Facebook](#). Follow [@PeirceCollege](#) on Twitter. View the Peirce College [YouTube Channel](#).

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