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WPSE Turnover

BEHREND-On Friday March 15, a week after advertising agent Molly Hanes made it official she was leaving WPSE, Station Manager Fred Anzivino announced he would be leaving effective March 29 to pursue another job in Ohio.

Immediately the administration went to work to find a new station manager. In the meantime, Ron Slomski, the host of the Saturday Polka Show and a long time client of WPSE, will be an interim manager.



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Fred Anzivino: Former WPSE manager.

"Ron was in between jobs and happened to be able to help us out," said Dean of Students Dr. Chris Reber. "We are delighted he is willing to do it because Ron has been a great friend to WPSE since we went on air."

Anzivino took over WPSE in 1989 and put the station on the air on May 5th. He will be leaving WPSE to become the manager of the Ashtabula Mall in Ashtabula, Ohio. He will rejoin his wife who had been living in that area for a while since taking a job as marketing manager for the Cafaro Corporation last year.

Reber admitted that all at WPSE will miss Fred dearly.

"Fred was the glue that held the station together," remarked Reber. "He stepped in and built and staffed the station as well as made it run smoothly."

Assistant Student Station Manager Brian Gregory agreed and said, "WPSE would be nothing without Fred. This man is responsible for training well over 500 students to work in radio. And he's changed the lives of everyone of them. Taking Fred away from WPSE will hurt us a lot, but we are very glad to have Slomski on board."

"Fred is a wealth of knowledge in the broadcasting industry," commented Sports Director Nick Zulovich. "Future students at Behrend and WPSE will not be able to learn from such a highly qualified individual. But fortunately someone like Ron has stepped in to help the station in the interim."

With the recent losses of Anzivino and Hanes, Reber has been talking with the WPSE Community Advisory Board about creating a new title for the person in charge of WPSE.

Those on the Board like Bob Bach, and Myron Jones have suggested to Reber that he should develop a new General Manager position for WPSE.

"The new general manager position will be responsible for day-to-day operations and programming of the station," said Reber.

The WPSE staff is in the process of putting together the details of the new position and when completed will advertise the position in the radio industry magazines as well as in the main papers of Cleveland, Buffalo, Erie, and Pittsburgh.

In the meantime, WPSE will begin working under Slomski's leadership. Ron has worked for many years in the radio market and has been doing his weekly Polka Show since his college days. He seems very excited to get underway with his job.

"With the restructuring of the station manager position I see the opportunity to create an infrastructure which will provide a well-rounded radio experience," commented Slomski.

Slomski sees himself as an interim manager with the distinct possibility of being at WPSE long term.

The future of WPSE has been a question of concern for many years around Behrend College. But Reber explained that at least in the short term, Anzivino's and Hanes' departure will not affect WPSE.

"Yes (WPSE will be here next year)," affirmed Reber. "Our immediate challenge is to develop the new position and advertise the position. We hope to have a much better year of sales."

Reber said that down the road, WPSE will need to meet its sales goals, but is confident that under Slomski and whoever the new general manager is, WPSE will be able to do that.

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Better late than never



Photo by Jennifer V. Colvin/Editor in Chief

Fashionably late: Spring, a popular fantasy for the past few months, will make a welcome visit this weekend. Forecast for Thursday: High 46, low 30 and partly cloudy. Friday: High 45 and low 40 with rain. Saturday will be "spring-like" with high of 55, low 27 and partly cloudy (or partly sunny). Forecast provided by Weather Services Corp.

The race is on

by Sean Siekkinen
Collegian Staff

Student Government Association elections will be held next Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Voting will take place in the Reed building on Wednesday and in the Behrend Science building on Thursday. Meet the Candidates will be held Monday evening at 5:15 in the Reed commons.

The only contested positions are Joint Residence council president and SGA president and vice president. There are fewer candidates for resident and commuter senator positions than available seats.

Write in candidates will be considered if they receive at least enough votes to equal the number of signatures required for the position's petition.

Voting:
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
April 3
Reed Building
April 4
Behrend Science Building

Candidates for each position with the available seats in parentheses:

Commuter senator (11)- Mary Kay Bleil 03 DUS; N. Michael Zampetti 02 History; Brian J. Kitchen 06 English.

Resident senator (6)- Ryan Poignart 04 Accounting; David Miller 06 EET; Jessica Schwab 02 DUS; Kristina Davis 06 Political Science; Charolette R. Lafer 02 Psychology.

SGA president/vice president ticket (1)- John Butler/Kim Epps; John Merkle/Brett Kocijan.

Student Programming council president (1)- Brandy Gladfelter 07 Business Management.

Joint Residence council president (1)- Demetrius Reeves 02 Psychology/Education; Christian T. Alvarez 02 EET.

Commuter council president (1)- Stephanie Dunkle 03 MIS.

Commuter council vice president (1)- Mary Kay Bleil 03 DUS.