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New SGA Officers Plan More Activities and Involvement



SGA President Jodi Del Rossi Photo by: WES TOMLINSON

By Wes Tomlinson

The Penn State Delco Student Government Association (SGA) has a new team in office for the Spring semester due to transfers and resignations of last semester's officers. The new SGA president, Jodi Del Rossi, moved up from vice-president, when last semester's president, Amy McCarthy transferred to the Penn StateHarrisburg campus.

Jodi was Treasurer of the Student Executive Committee and on the varsity tennis, lacrosse and swimming teams, and member of the choir and debate teams at Upper Darby High



SGA Vice-President Rita Varano Photo by: WES TOMLINSON

School. She has played on the volley ball team for two years at Penn State.

Asked about her plans for this semester, Jodi responded, "I think that Rita, Kim, Kathy and I can accomplish a lot this semester because we work well together. We hope to increase student involvement. Everyone is encouraged to attend our meetings and to give us suggestions. We are working on a semi-formal dance, wheelchair basketball game, and Spring Week. This is going to be a great semester."

Rita Varano, movee from Freshman Representative to Vicepresident. At Sun Valley High School, she was active in the student



SGA Secretary Kathy Artese Photo by: WES TOMLINSON

government, Leo Club, field hockey lacrosse, and SADD. She plays on the Delco girl's basketball team.

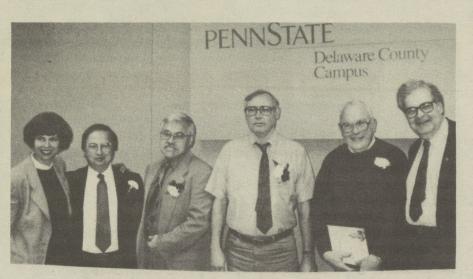
Rita hopes "students will attend as many events as possible because everything we have planned is to provide more activities to create a more enjoyable atmosphere on our campus."

The new secretary, Kathy Artese, replaces John Bishop, who transferred to West Chester University. She graduated from Ridley High School and is majoring in computer science. Kathy wants, "to make Penn State Delco campus a more exciting place for all students."



SGA Treasurer Kim Doolittle Photo by: WES TOMLINSON

Treasurer Kim Doolittle is also a graduate of Ridley High School and plans to major in International Politics. She said recently, "We hope to organize events that the majority of Delco students will attend and enjoy." Kim also requests that all club spending needs be itemized and submitted in writing to the Student Government office in room 105 Main on the Friday before the scheduled event, so that the checks can be prepared by the following Tuesday. She reminds club officers that she needs receipts for all student expenditures for their club activities.



150 Year's of Service to Penn State Delco 25 year chairs were recently presented to Priscilla Clement, Michael Kersnick, Joseph Biscontini, Richard Betts, Kenneth Kinman, and Robert Ginsberg.

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Deborah Erie Becomes Delco's Head of Enrollment Management

One Hundred and Fifty Years Of Service To Penn State Delco

By Jaime Wentworth

"It makes me feel very proudand very old," replied Director of **Public Relations for Penn State** Delaware County Campus Joe Biscontini when asked about his recent 25-year anniversary of service to Penn State. "I do not feel like I have been here for 25 years. First of all, I'm not that old. I started here when I was 6. I mean really, does it make sense that somebody is sitting in a 25-year rocking chair listening to the Lemonheads?"

Before the move from Chester 20 years ago, Penn State Delaware County (in Media) was brand-spanking new. The Main Building was the only building on the campus. Twenty years later, the campus has expanded into three buildings, with another on the way, and has

offered its many students some of the best faculty and staff available.

History and Women's Studies Priscilla Clement, Assistant Professor of **Business Administration Michael** Kersnick, Assistant Professor of Sociology Kenneth Kinman, and **Director of Public Relations Joe** Biscontini.

Since the campus is relatively young, the procedure of the ceremony is rather new. Only in the past few years have 25-year awards been given.

"This year's ceremony included heartfelt but humorous introductions of the recipients by other colleagues, a reception, and a slide show "roasting" the six recipients," explained Richard **Betts**

The awards took the shape of black colonial rockers and straight backed chairs with gold trim emblazoned with the Penn State logo and personalized on the back.

"I chose the rocker for comic value," said Michael Kersnick. But on a more serious note Kersnick added,"I love my job and I am very happy to be at Penn State. I think it (the ceremony) reflects that we (the staff and faculty) like each other, we like the students, and we like the environment. I wouldn't want to be somewhere else." Twenty-five years of teaching at and service to Penn State brings with it an air of prestige which is especially worthy of the invaluable faculty and staff of Penn State Delco. When asked about the goals of her curriculum and style, recipient Priscilla Clement responded,"There have been several. One is to be student-centered in my teaching-to provide students with resources, guides, assistance in and outside the classroom, to facilitate their learning. Second, is to make History not only comprehensible but intriguing, exciting, and involving." The staff of The Lion's Eye congratulates the recipients and looks forward to the up and coming ones.

By Jennifer Holland

In addition to the beautiful new decor in the Admissions Office, Room 104 Main, there is also a cheerful new face — Deborah Erie, Director of **Enrollment Management.**

Ms. Erie joined the campus on January 5, 1994. She comes from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, where she did an excellent job as the Director of Admissions.

Erie recently stated, "I feel that the Admissions Office is a place for students to be comfortable. Students play an important role for admissions. We should all work as a team."

Ms. Erie received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Rutgers University in experimental psychology and a Masters of Education from Penn State in special education. She also worked

for Penn State ten years ago and claims, "It feels like coming home again."

The new Campus Marketing Team, composed of Ms. Erie, Mr. Joe Biscontini, the Regional Director of University **Relations** and Development, and Mr. Waverly Coleman, the Director of Continuing Education, will be chaired by Ms. Erie. She will also serve as a member of the **Campus Retention Group to make sure** that all campus activities are planned according to their impact on the students. According to Ms. Erie, it is extremely important for students to become involved. She said, " I feel that as an institution, Delco should keep the students interested."

When asked what she would like to do for Penn State in the future, Erie stated, "I just want people to know that Penn State exists!"

Five faculty and one staff member in particular attended an awards ceremony in their honor on December 1,1993 in recognition of their long standing service to Penn State 25 years later. These included Assistant Professor of English Richard Betts, **Professor of Philosophy Robert** Ginsberg, Associate Professor of



Deborah Erie, New Director of **Enrollment Management.**

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