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In anticipation of summer days on the beach, students lie on the sand-filled volleyball courts soaking up rays.

SGA Awards Campus Honors

By Lisa Colucci

Contributions made to the Delaware County Campus by staff and students will be recognized at the SGA and Student Life Awards Banquet on May 1, beginning at 11:30 in the Large Conference room in the Commons.

The Student Government Association and student clubs will be presenting certificates to staff and students who have been most supportive in campus activities throughout the year.

"The Awards Banquet is a great way to recognize students who have demonstrated excellent leadership qualities both in and out of the classroom," said Raquel Arredondo, Student Services Specialist.

general In addition to recognitions, Student Life will be announcing the winners of three prestigious awards for this campus.

The Walker Award is an honorable University-wide award that applauds outstanding service to the campus and community. In May a luncheon is held at the Nittany Lion Inn at University Park for these honorees from the entire Commonwealth system.

The Delco Outstanding Service Award is received by a traditional student who represents the spirit of Delco through his/her well-rounded activities in addition to an outstanding academic record.

One student who manages to lead a life already full of responsibility

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and still finds time for our campus, the community, and good grades will receive the Outstanding Adult Student Award.

All are welcome to attend this event that honors those members of our campus that bring life to Delco in addition to existence. Bonus: Lunch

University Scholar Makes Historic Record at Delco

By Greg Jurkowski

Many proud students will receive their associate and baccalaureate degrees at Delco's Graduation ceremonies on Thursday, May 15. But only one will be making campus history: James Foltz (8th Semester, English).

"Certainly, I'm proud to be the first student of Penn State Delco graduating with a University Scholars degree," said James when asked how he felt about the distinction.

James will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English with Honors in American Studies. His 110page thesis is titled "Stains White City Could Not Paint Over." It is about the

hypocrisies surrounding and within the World Columbian Exposition in Chicago of 1893.

James's accomplishment is a great honor to this campus and will help to pave the way for the changes it will be undergoing in July as a member of the new Commonwealth College.

When asked how he felt about being a part of these changes, James said, "It's a privilege to be part of this campus's growth towards offering more four year programs."

The Commencement ceremony will take place at 7:00 in the Vairo Library and will feature Ernest E. Jones, Esq as Commencement speaker.

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Study Tips for Finals Week

By Ryan Dougherty

It's that time of year again. The most bittersweet week in the life of a college student—Finals Week! That's right, during the week of May 5 through May 9, it is once again time to prove just how much you've learned this year.

For all those rainy mornings when you decided not to come to school (or all the sunny ones for that matter), it's time to pay the price. For those who have worked hard all semester, it's the culmination of the term and the portend of a long summer.

Whether or not you have attended class faithfully, finals are stressful and intimidating for most students.

Therefore, try not to spend the night before your exams promising yourself you'll glance at your notes during commercial breaks of Seinfeld. Don't put off studying until the intermission between periods of the Flyers game (even though I will). Desperate times call for desperate measures, but you can be saved!

The Learning Center (109 Vairo) offers salvation. Study groups are scheduled for the week of finals. A "Focus on Finals" program has been scheduled for May 1 and 2, from 2-7 PM. The extended study sessions will be held amidst quiet music and free food.

"It is much easier to study when surrounded by other people," commented Mike Tygh (3rd semester, EMS). Also, the Learning Center can help you improve your writing skills for that term paper you've been putting off and is now due.

Check out the Learning Center for finals preperation—it may be your only hope!

McMullen Named Outstanding Teacher

By Erin Lulevitch

Drum roll please.

The Delco Oustanding Teaching Award for 1997 goes to Dr. Wayne McMullen, Assistant Professor of Speech Communication, was announced on April 16 at the Honors Convocation.

Second semester student Margie Henry is currently enrolled in Dr. McMullen's Cinema (communications 150) class and wasn't surprised to hear McMullen received the award. "Our class is really big, but you can learn a lot because Dr. what he's teaching and it shows." Winners are determined by ballots sent to experienced students and received by a campus committee.

Other awards have been delegated to Penn State Delco teachers as well. A prestigious Fulbright Scholarship has been awarded to Dr.

Michael DeRosa, Professor of Chemistry. As a result, he will now spending ten months teaching Masters McMullen really takes an interest in courses in chemistry at the University of Ghana in the country's capital. He plans to leave this August and, after returning home, will resume his teaching here.

About receiving the award Dr. DeRosa said, "I was quite happy. I'm looking forward to the new challenge and new students. I've been wanting

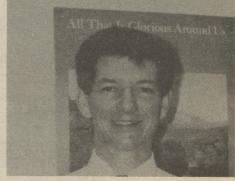
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Dr. Michael DeRosa, Professor of Chemistry, recently received the Fulbright Scholarship to teach and study in Ghana during the 1997-98 school year.



Dr. Connie Kirker, Assistant Professor of Integrative Arts, won the University's **Eisenhower Teaching Award.**



Dr. Wayne McMullen, Professor of Communications, smiles for the camera after being named Teacher of the Year.

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