

# Eye on Campus

## Hurricane wet, wild at PSU Delco

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It was raining cats and dogs when a Hurricane and a Nese hit campus on Sept. 26 in the Classroom building of Penn State Delco.

Dr. Laura Guertin, professor of earth and mineral science, conducted and introduced the presentation.

Students, faculty, and even residents from the Delaware Valley sat, mesmerized by the weather antics of NBC-10's meteorologist, Glenn "Hurricane" Schwartz, and the Franklin Institute's chief meteorologist, Dr. Jon Nese, both graduates of Penn State's esteemed meteorology program.

"That's one of the two things that Penn State is most famous for, football and meteorology," Schwartz said, evoking applause and laughter.

The presentation was based on their new book, "The Philadelphia Area Weather Book," which contains some of the most bizarre weather phenomena to hit the Philadelphia area. From the bravest men facing bolts of lightning only to have their clothing blown off, to a hurricane's fury ripping up entire boardwalks.

This is just some of Philadelphia's, "rich weather history," Nese said.

The presentation began with Nese describing the fundamentals of weather forecasting and its progressive early days, which he described in complex mathematical calculations.

"... Sometimes it was no better than flipping a coin," Schwartz added, adjusting his luminescent bow tie.

Spectacular highlights from the book that best demonstrated the bizarre and phenomenal were divided up into four categories for the rest of their hour long presentation: Winter, the shore, summer, and the controversial topic of global warming.

A few highlights of the presentation:

- Schwartz gave a funny little laugh as he commented on his favorite snowstorm, telling the audience to "... picture going on the air ... and saying, 'Snow accumulating any-



Photo by Anteia Consorto

Noted meteorologists Glenn 'Hurricane' Schwartz, left, and Jon Nese accept their Penn State neckwear from Dr. Laura Guertin, a member of the Penn State Delco faculty.

where from 2 to 50 inches."

- Nese gave a descriptive visual aid of the consequences of beach erosion for the shore segment of the presentation. He claimed, that if the erosion were to take its natural course, the results would be lost houses and misplaced boardwalks.

- For the summer segment, Schwartz discussed the power of tornadoes and the lethal forces they hail down.

"The biggest hailstones that we could find, occurred ... in '95," Schwartz said. "... \$3 million in damages. This is something rare to this area; they usually don't grow that big around here."

- "We figured that we'd finish with something controversial," Nese said, wrapping up the presentation with a "Captain Planet" bit about global warming.

Charts and graphs presented the staggering upward incline of the earth's atmospheric temperature due to pollution.

After the presentation, a brief question-and-answer period was allowed, which continued out into the lounge where Schwartz and Nese autographed books and programs.

The audience reaction was favorable.

"It was jam-packed full of facts," said Jared Szymerski, a sophomore.

Norma Notzlod of the Learning Center loved that "... (Schwartz and Nese) brought beautiful weather that we needed," referring to the rain helping our drought condition.

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## Want a Mickey Mouse Job? This could be just the thing

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Tired of the same old routine? Looking for something new and exciting in your life? The perfect chance has arrived: A Walt Disney World internship.

The internship takes place next semester, but there are a few steps each student must complete.

First, the student must sign up in the Career Center, and talk to Sally Ent, student life staff assistant. This has to be done by Tuesday, Oct. 22 in order to attend the program at West Chester University, and get an on-the-spot interview. The program will take place Thursday, Oct. 24. There will be a school van provided for students accompanied by Ent and Sharmon Bryant, Assistant Director of Student Life. It will be leaving campus at 4:30 p.m.

According to Web site [www.wdcollegeprogram.com](http://www.wdcollegeprogram.com), all prospective students must also complete the form on the site.

"I would like (students) to come up to the Careers Center to get more information," Ent said.

The internship pays you, while you can also earn credit.

"Students can learn while they earn," Ent said.

Students will be provided with on-site living facilities, free admission to theme parks and water parks, and discounts on merchandise.

"It's a learning experience for students of all majors, a hands-on enjoyable work environ-

ment, and an opportunity of a lifetime," Ent said.

"Career Services feels that students would benefit from a multitude of learning experiences," Ent said.

There are number of different jobs and roles a student could have at Disney World.

They include: Quick and full-service food and beverage, Culinary assistant cook, Vacation planner, Custodial, Transportation host/hostess, Merchandiser, Lifeguard, Hospitality/front desk operator, Housekeeper, Entertainer, and Guest-services assistant.

"Working for the world's leading industry has many advantages," the site says. It opens the door to communication skills, problem-solving techniques, and working as part of a team. It also says the internship will enrich your personal life by getting the chance to meet students from different cultures around the world, making lifelong friends, and becoming self-reliant and mature.

"Students would mature and gain a new perspective on leadership, diversity, and personal development," Ent said.

There is also time for fun. There is the Disney Boardwalk, Pleasure Island, and many other night-life entertainment places.

Interested students can get more information from the Careers Center, Commons Building, second floor or contact Sally Ent at (610) 897-1278 or [sxe6@psu.edu](mailto:sxe6@psu.edu) or visit [www.wdcollegeprogram.com](http://www.wdcollegeprogram.com).

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