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The New Mr. and Ms. Penn State Delco

T'mira Looby and Ray Fredricks win annual pageant show sponsored by the BSL

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The crowd roared in applause as freshman Ray Fredericks and sophomore T'mira Looby were announced 2005-06 Mr. & Miss Penn State Delco.

The nine contestants were judged on four events: Penn State Pride Wear, Talent, Evening Wear, and a Question and Answer session

There were many first time judges at this third annual pageant show.

Before the event began, Michael Rhodes, of Student Life said "I am interested in seeing what transpires here tonight. I want to see all the hard work they [the contestants] put into this."

Fredericks spray painted the phrase "We Are Penn State" on his body, danced to Neil Diamond's "Hooked on a Feeling," wore a sailor suit, and stated that "the campus needs more involvement" to the question of what is the most important issue students face today.

Looby wore a blue tank top and jeans expressing Penn State spirit along with beads and jewels to bring a "Tropical Twist to Penn State" as former Miss Penn State Crystal Bowhall stated. Looby performed a hip-hop dance to the sounds of Elephant Man, wore a long black dress as her evening wear, and when asked "how can Penn State Delco gain more exposure to the community, her suggestion was to "get out more by volunteering in children hospitals or any community service."

The main themes of the questions were

about student involvement and how it is possible to increase it.

The other contestants Sean Nichols, Chris Muratore, Raquel Tonge, Stephanie Carroll, Kimberly Timinsky, and Mr. & Miss Penn State Delco runner ups Isiah Dixon and Mereb Gebremariam put their best effort forward and took much pride in doing so.

"The night was fun, interesting, and challenging. Everybody won," said Dixon.

Gordon Crompton, Senior Microcomputer System Consultant and a first time judge, thought the talent portion was the best.

"It shows who the individual is. Anybody can just put clothes on," he said.

"I was very impressed by the organization of the students, the participation of the students, and the support shown by the students," said Dr. Laura Guertin, Asst. Prof. of Earth and Mineral Sciences, another first time judge.

The Mr. & Miss Penn State Delco was hosted by the Black Student League (BSL) and the Student Government Association.

Sean Serfoss, president of the BSL, was proud on how the event progressed.

There was a bigger turnout this year than in the last two years when it first began, according to Serfoss. There was a lot of hard work put into this event.

"We had to get decorations, think of a theme which was Night and the Stars, assemble the stage and audience, and get committees to help out, security, food, contestants, judges and much more," said Serfoss.



Photo by Jackie Deslvo

Mr. and Ms Penn State Delaware County 05'-06

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