

Eye On Campus

Rising Above the Crowd

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Motivational speaker Matt Glowacki entertained the campus Wednesday, October 8th in the Lion's Den during common hour. Mr. Glowacki used the popular television shows "South Park" and "Family Guy" to help get his points across on stereotypes and prejudice. Focusing on both racial and handicapped prejudice, Glowacki proceeded to explain the equalities of each one of us and the facts that make us all equal.

Utilizing the things that most people think but no one wants to mention, Glowacki spoke of how we as a people judge based on what we think or what we hear, and how it affects us as a community.

Glowacki says that being born without legs presents its own struggle, not to compensate, but to get people to understand that he is just like everyone else.

A two time Olympian, once as a player and once as a coach, Glowacki gave several examples to show how we may think we are different in many ways, but how we are in reality all one people who can accomplish just as much as the next man.

The utilization of both the "South Park" and "Family Guy" episodes helped not only in that they are shows that nearly every college student would recognize, but also in that the shows have characters whom nearly everyone can relate to in some way. Mr. Glowacki provided us with the truth that prejudice and stereotypes have gone too far, and that by judging a little less, we can become more accepting to everyone around us.



Matt Glowacki (photo courtesy of Matt Glowacki)

Brandywine Alumni Magazine Back In Publication

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Years back, Penn State Brandywine had an alumni magazine that was placed on hiatus for several years due to lack of participation and involvement. However, due to recent decisions, the magazine has now been brought back in a new form -- one aimed at the campus as a whole. It is called *Brandywine Pride*.

According to Helene Bludman, Director of Marketing and University Relations at Penn State Brandywine, the magazine, will be distributed to about 15,000 names, including not only those in the campus community but others such as alumni, donors, or even other campuses.

"Our goal is that hopefully the magazine will bring our campus greater attention and attract more visitors," explains Bludman.

The distribution will be two times a year, and essentially anyone can contribute. Students who are good writers (or even photographers, according to Bludman) can join the staff and help work on the magazine. *The Lion's Eye's* own Editor-in-Chief, Christina Felizzi, will have an article featured in the first issue!

So be on the lookout for the first edition of *Brandywine Pride*, coming to our campus soon!

Coghlan Brings Life Experiences To Brandywine

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With a burning passion for traveling and a closeted country fan at heart, Penn State Brandywine's new Associate Director of Enrollment Management, Pamela Jo Coghlan, is not only a wonderful addition to the campus but she is also thrilled to be a part of this campus community.

Pam has been the Associate Director since May 19th, 2008.

So what does an Associate Director of Enrollment Management do? The word "important" comes to mind, as Pam jokingly remarks, but in more serious terms, Pam's occupation is quite multi-faceted. For example, she sets up programs for special events on campus and makes preparations for visitors in regards to Penn State Brandywine's "Get to Know Us" program, an open house for prospective students. That's merely scratching the surface of Pam's involvement with admissions work, but she also does off-campus promotions such as college fairs and high school visits with all the Penn State campuses. "Another primary part of my current job," Pam explains, "is overseeing the daily operation of the Admissions and Financial Aid Offices, and the staff in those offices."

However, this isn't the first time Pam has been a part of the Penn State Brandywine family -- she was an Admissions counselor from 1996 to 1997. Pam has also worked with Deb Erie, Director of Student and Enrollment Services, in the past. The two women worked together at West Minister Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey from 1987 to 1994, where Deb was the Director of Admissions and Pam was the Assistant Director of Admissions.

"That tells you what kind of boss Deb is - she's crazy enough to continue to work with me," Pam says with a laugh.

As a result of being at Brandywine when it was still Delaware County, Pam has seen the campus change in several ways.

"There was no lion shrine or gazebo when I first started," Pam remembers, "and now there's a lot more 'signage,' if you will, signs." Yet in her mind, although the landscape has changed, Penn State Brandywine still feels homey and residential. "It feels like home -- it's a great campus."

Now to get to know Pam Coghlan a little better. She was born on Veteran's Day, November 11th, lived on Patriot Lane growing up in South New Jersey, and her father was a major in the army. Ironic, no? Pam's father devoted 23 years in serving the army and worked as a contract administrator, traveling back and forth to the Pentagon for work. Her mother, a "domestic-engineer," passed away when Pam was only 10 years old of throat cancer, and then her father passed away of emphysema when Pam turned 21.

"That's why I chose to go into the counseling and psychology field -- I gravitate towards those who didn't have parents growing up," explains Pam, "I know what it feels like."

Growing up in South Jersey, she is the youngest of five siblings, with 18 years between the oldest and herself. Pam lived there until she was 12, and then moved to upstate New York in Dryden, a place she loved.

Throughout grade school and into college, Pam always expressed her love for sports playing field hockey, bas-

ketball, softball, and track. After high school, Pam received her undergraduate degree at Rider College in Psychology and then her Master's degree in Counseling, in which she completed the first year by going to school part-time and then the second year going full-time.

With a solid belt of higher education around her waist, Pam began work at West Minister Choir College as an Assistant Director. After 7 years there, she then ventured off to Drexel University, working as an Assistant Director of Admissions, although she did not enjoy working there as much.

"It was too big for me," Pam says, "and I never felt 'a part' of something."

Leaving Drexel behind, Pam then became a Director of Counseling at the County Day School of the Sacred Heart in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, where she worked for 8 years. She was an Admissions Counselor at Brandywine before becoming the current Assistant Director as well.

And Brandywine still retains a special section of her heart. After living in 5 different states throughout her life and traveling to various places, she has come to love the

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-Pam Coghlan

smaller campus environment.

"I thrive in smaller settings -- it makes me feel apart of something that matters," comments Pam. Even her 57 mile commute to Brandywine from Central Jersey can't keep her away.

But we can't forget to highlight some fun facts about Pam. Her favorite color is blue. If Pam had to have a superpower, she would make sure she could care about everybody. Her favorite foods include chocolate, steak and Diet Coke. Also, Pam's favorite movie is *A Few Good Men* -- because "it's 'justing' and unjust at the same time," she says -- and her favorite TV shows are *Friends* and *The New Adventures of Old Christine*. She has a dog, terrier-mix, named Lily and she loves to travel -- Pam is actually going to London over winter break -- and the New England area is one of her favorites.

"Actually any vacation that has a view of the water is my kind of vacation," Pam says.

There is more to Coghlan than just being the Assistant Director of Enrollment Management. She is indeed a unique person. But on a professional level, there isn't anyone more qualified for the job because she truly cares about the welfare of the campus, those involved with the campus community, and she would be willing to do anything in her power to help someone in need. Students at Penn State Brandywine should feel fortunate to be a part of a campus with such a strong and devoted team of faculty and staff that make this campus what it is today.

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