

Eye on Campus

Student Leaders Honored At Annual Event

Special to The Lion's Eye

On Wednesday April 22, the annual Leadership Recognition Night, sponsored by the Penn State Brandywine Student Government Association and Penn State Brandywine Student Affairs once again recognized outstanding leadership campus wide. It was a special evening where student leaders and faculty advisors were recognized for their contributions here on the Brandywine campus.

The following individuals were recognized for their outstanding leadership qualities and the work they do for the betterment of Penn State Brandywine as a whole:

Eric A. and Josephine S. Walker Award (University-Wide Award)

Christina L. Felizzi

This award is given annually to full-time undergraduate students from each of the campus locations. The Walker award recognizes a student whose outstanding qualities of character, scholarship, leadership, and citizenship have been directed into programs and services that have positively influenced fellow students and have contributed to the prestige and well-being of their campus and, hence, to the reputation of the University as a whole.

Outstanding Student Service to Campus and Community Award

Brittney Walker

Recognizes a student who has given outstanding service to the campus and community through volunteering their time by assisting others or impacting the lives of others, thereby gaining positive recognition for him/herself and for the campus.

Barbara-Jackson Williams Award for Cross-Cultural Understanding

Poala Pedraza-Rivera

Recognizes a student who has clearly demonstrated that individual differences are valuable and that learning about others who are culturally different is necessary and rewarding; who has shown the ability to gain the trust and respect of individuals who are culturally different from themselves; who has initiated programming efforts involving multicultural issues at Penn State Brandywine; or who has provided outstanding service in a variety of cultural student organizations at Penn State Brandywine.

Outstanding Adult Student Award

Andrea McLaughlin

Recognizes an outstanding adult student (age 24+) at this campus who demonstrates initiative, tenacity and flexibility in overcoming obstacles to furthering his/her education; who serves as a role model for other adult students by sensitizing the institution to the needs of adult students and by establishing him/herself as a leader in the peer group; who achieves academic excellence as measured by cumulative GPA; and whose clearly defined short and long term goals reflect the values and ideals of higher education.

Student Club/Organization of the Year

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Recognizes a student club or organization that has shown exceptional involvement throughout the year. This club/organization was active in recruiting new members and keeping them engaged and involved. This club/organization contributed to the quality of student life and promoted campus involvement.

Club/Organization Advisor of the Year

Karrie Bowen

Recognizes a faculty or staff member that volunteers their time to serve as a club/organization advisor. This advisor has shown that they are truly engaged in the activities and mission of the student organization and are committed to enhancing the student life experience. The recipient of this award should be serving in the role of an advisor that goes beyond the expectations of their job duties.

Outstanding Program or Event of the Year

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Recognizes a program or event, sponsored by a student club/organization that enhanced the quality of student life by promoting campus community and Penn State pride. This program should demonstrate creativity, uniqueness, and inclusion.

Deborah J. Erie Student Leader Award

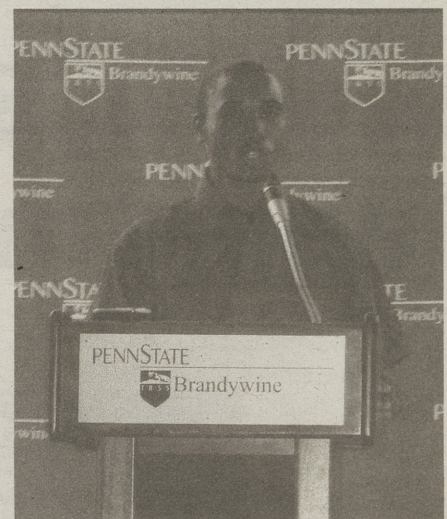
Teron Meyers

Recognizes a student leader who displays commitment and dedication to multiple organizations while maintaining solid academic standards. This student has shown how leadership involvement contributes to building pride in one's campus and enriches the overall college experience.

Outstanding Community Service Award

Emily Robb

Recognizes a student or event which contributes to the spirit of civic engagement through raising awareness of and enlisting campus involvement towards supporting a cause.



(clockwise, from the top left) Thomas McGlinchey, (left) Sports Editor, and Karrie Bowen, (right) club adviser, accept the Club/Organization of the Year award for *The Lion's Eye* newspaper; Dr. Matthew Shupp (right), Director of Student Life, congratulates Paola Pedraza-Rivera (left) for her accomplishments in fostering cross-cultural understanding campus wide; Teron Meyers offers his thanks as he becomes the first recipient of the Deborah J. Erie Student Leader Award, Andrea McLaughlin receives Outstanding Adult Student; Karrie Bowen, Instructor of Corporate Communication and Club/Organization Advisor of the Year (right) and Dr. Laura Guertin, (left) Associate Professor of Earth and Mineral Sciences chat before the ceremony; Deborah Erie (left) Director of Admissions, JoAnna McGowan (center) Registrar and Robin Stokes (right) Director of Academic Advising mingled before the ceremony begins; Brittney Walker, 2009-2010 SGA President, receives the Outstanding Student Service to Campus and Community Award. (photos courtesy of Penn State Brandywine Student Life)

