

Karen Adams Coach/Administrator

1985-2016 Senior Associate Director of Athletics & Senior Women's Administrator

Karen was responsible for the athletic department financial operations as well as the supervisor for multiple staff and sports(men's & women's).

Volleyball 1980-1984; 2006 Interim (partial season 6 games) Head Coach

Karen A. Adams Graduating Female Athlete Award-

This award was established in 1980 and recognizes the graduating female student-athlete, deemed to have compiled the most distinctive and/or extraordinary athletic record during her Lehigh career. Talent, competitiveness, and toughness are qualities that should be consistently evident

Women's Volleyball 1980-1984; Finished 2006 Season after Coach Resigned

Year	Year Record	Career Record
1980	18-16	18-16
1981	22-12	40-28
1982	22-24	62-52
1983	19-21	81-73
1984	28-15	109-88 (.553)
2006	0-6	109-94

Women's Tennis 1980-1989

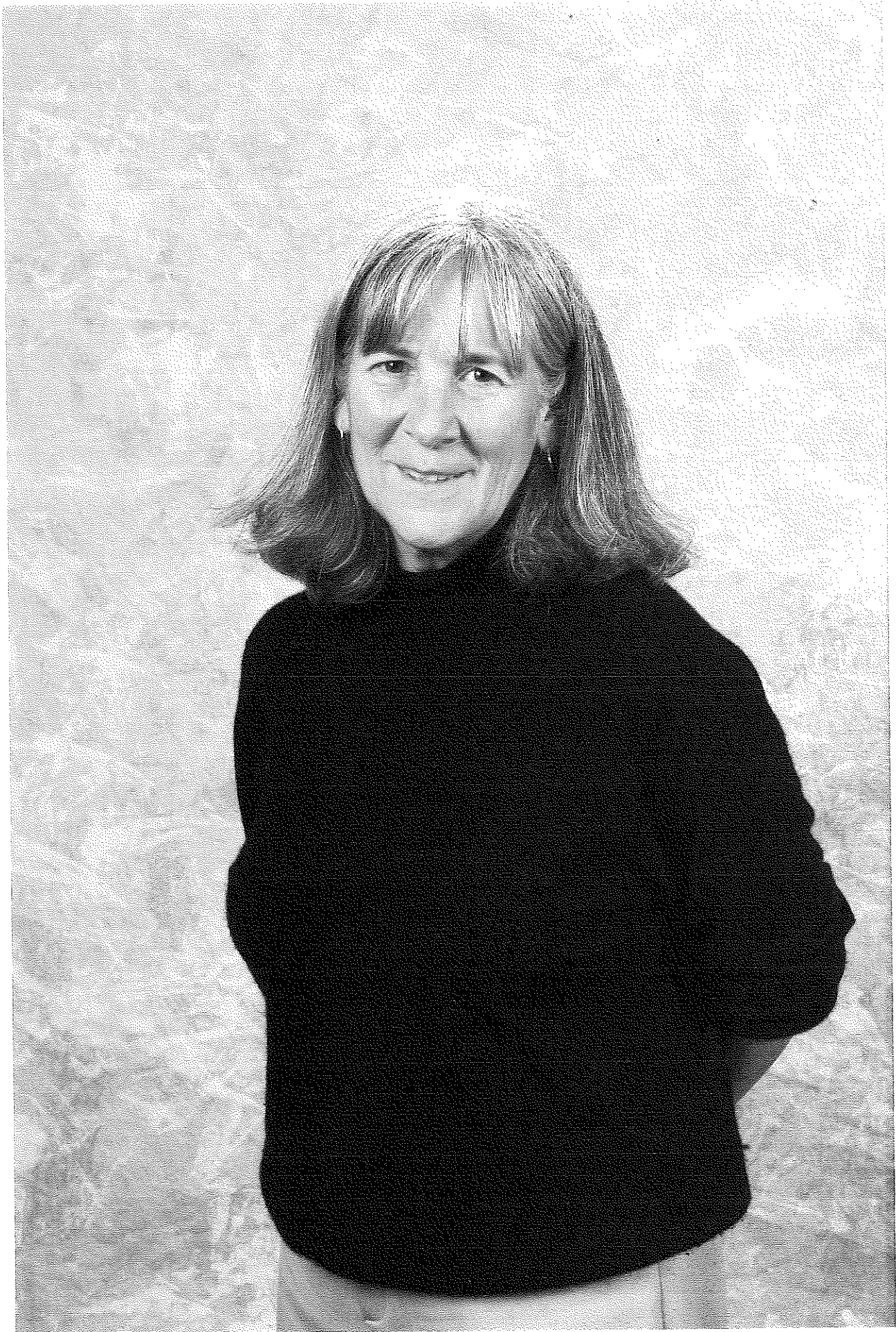
Year	Year Record	Career Record
1980 spring	9-2	
1981 spring	12-1	

1983 fall ECC champs	6-2	
1984 spring	6-3	
1984 fall ECC champs	11-1	
1985 spring	8-1	PAIAW Div 1 & 2 Champs
1985 fall ECC Champs	9-2	PAIAW Div 1 1st ECC 1st (4th in row)
Spring 1986	9-1	
Fall 1986	8-4	ECC Runner Up PAIAW champ(4th)
Spring 1987	6-4	
Fall 1987	7-5	ECC Runner Up PAIAW champ(5th)

Women's Tennis

Year	Year Record	Career Record
Spring 1988	6-5	
Fall 1988	4-6	
Spring 1989	10-5	134-56 (.684)

Tennis team won 19 singles and 16 doubles championships during Karen Adams' tenure. Five(5) conference titles in 8 years







Career Records

Singles Leaders (Dual & Tourn)

	<u>Position</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Years</u>
Kris Yuracko	(#2)	96-29	(1982-86)
Jamie Cohen	(#2)	85-31	(1984-88)
Jennifer Jacobson	(#1-5)	77-42	(1986-90)
Donna Armenio	(#2-4)	73-22	(1983-87)
Paula Gross	(#1-4)	68-48	(1986-90)
Gail Brennan	(#2-5)	66-19	(1982-86)
Marty Milicic	(#2-5)	66-27	(1987-90)
Kathy Connors	(#1-2)	52-22	(1979-83)
Beth Dale	(#1)	44-13	(1984-86)
Margot Garant	(#3-6)	36-22	(1982-86)
Elizabeth Tursi	(#1-5)	35-30	(1988-90)
Heather Johnston	(#1-6)	32-37	(1985-89)

Doubles Records (Dual & Tourn)

	<u>Position</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Years</u>
Jennifer Jacobson	(#2)	85-53-1	(1986-90)
Donna Armenio	(#2)	79-28	(1983-87)
Gail Brennan	(#2)	78-24	(1982-86)
Margot Garant	(#2/3)	74-26	(1982-86)
Kris Yuracko	(#1)	72-16	(1982-86)
Denise Durando	(#3)	61-23	(1983-87)
Heather Johnston	(#2)	61-31	(1985-89)
Paula Gross	(#1)	60-32-1	(1986-90)
Marty Milicic	(#1)	58-25-1	(1987-90)
Elizabeth Tursi	(#2/3)	57-21	(1988-90)
Beth Dale	(#1)	32-5	(1984-85)
Kathy Connors	(#1)	27-12	(1979-83)

ECC Records

Conference Titles

5 Lehigh (out of 8)

Singles Wins

Most ECC Singles Champions: 19 Lehigh (out of 48)

Season: 22 Beth Dale (Lehigh), 1984-1985 (#1 singles)

Wins by a Doubles Team

Most ECC Doubles Champions: 15 Lehigh (out of 24)

Season: 18 Marty Milicic & Paula Gross (Lehigh), 1989-90 (#1 Doubles)

17 Beth Dale & Kris Yuracko (Lehigh), 1984-85 (#1 Doubles)

Career: 45 Marty Milicic & Paula Gross (Lehigh), 1987-90 (#1 Doubles)

Most ECC #1 Doubles Champions:

Marty Milicic 3, Paula Gross 3, Kris Yuracko 3



Team Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>School/Hometown</u>
Casacio, Elena	Fr.	5-7	Cheltenham HS/Wincote, Pa.
*Friedberg, Sandi	Sr.	5-2	Franklin HS/Somerset, NJ
*Kungl, Kristi	So.	5-3	The Hun School/Bordentown, NJ
Manekis, Sarah	Jr.	5-9	Walpole HS/Walpole, Mass.
*Mrozek, Jen	Jr.	5-6	Millburn HS/Millburn, NJ
Schneider, Lisa	Fr.	5-6	Yorktown HS/Yorktown Heights, NY
*Tursi, Elizabeth	Sr.	5-4	Cherry Hill West HS/Cherry Hill, NJ

*Letterwinner (4)

Co-Captains: Elizabeth Tursi and Sandi Friedberg

Patriot League Individual Winners

1990

- #2 SINGLES Kristi Kungl
- #6 SINGLES Laurin Kosakowski
- #1 DOUBLES Liz Tursi & Kristi Kungl

East Coast Conference Individual Winners

1989

- #4 SINGLES Paula Gross
- #5 SINGLES Patti Denman
- #6 SINGLES Pia Clemente
- #1 DOUBLES Paula Gross & Marty Milicic
- #2 DOUBLES Jennifer Jacobson & Liz Tursi
- #3 DOUBLES Sandi Friedberg & Pia Clemente

1988

- #4 SINGLES Jennifer Jacobson
- #1 DOUBLES Paula Gross & Marty Milicic
- #2 DOUBLES Liz Tursi & Sandi Friedberg

1987

- #3 SINGLES Heather Johnston
- #1 DOUBLES Paula Gross & Marty Milicic

1986

- #3 SINGLES Donna Armenio
- #5 SINGLES Jennifer Jacobson
- #3 DOUBLES Denise Durando & Heather Johnston

1985

- #2 SINGLES Kris Yuracko
- #3 SINGLES Donna Armenio
- #4 SINGLES Gail Brennan
- #5 SINGLES Margot Garant

1985 (cont.)

- #1 DOUBLES Beth Dale & Kris Yuracko
- #2 DOUBLES Donna Armenio & Gail Brennan
- #3 DOUBLES Denise Durando & Margot Garant

1984

- #3 SINGLES Gail Brennan
- #4 SINGLES Donna Armenio
- #5 SINGLES Cherie Brusko
- #1 DOUBLES Beth Dale & Kris Yuracko
- #2 DOUBLES Donna Armenio & Gail Brennan
- #3 DOUBLES Margot Garant & Lisa Mazaleski

1983

- #3 SINGLES Donna Armenio
- #5 SINGLES Lisa Mazaleski
- #6 SINGLES Denise Durando
- #2 DOUBLES Margot Garant & Donna Armenio

1982

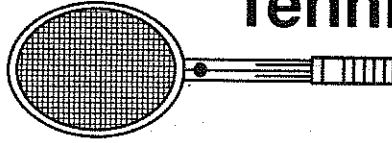
- #2 SINGLES Kris Yuracko
- #5 SINGLES Gail Brennan
- #1 DOUBLES Kathy Connors & Kris Yuracko

Team Records

- Most Wins, Season: 19 - Lehigh, 1984-85
- Most Consecutive Wins: 13 - Lehigh, 1984-85
- 15 - Lehigh, F1983-S1984

ALL UNDER
KAREN ADAMS
19 SINGLES
16 DOUBLES

Lehigh Women's Tennis History



1990 marks the beginning of the 17th season of women's tennis at Lehigh. Within this seemingly short history, the Engineers have had more than their share of success. In 16 seasons of spring tennis, beginning in 1974, Lehigh has posted an impressive overall record of 136-39 (.778), and in the eight seasons of fall tennis, since 1982, Lehigh has a record of 47-22 (.681).

From the program's inception Lehigh has established itself as a powerhouse. In addition to capturing last year's ECC Championship, Lehigh has captured four other ECC titles in the last eight years, including titles in 1982, '83, '84, and '85. Prior to last year's championship, Lehigh finished in second place on three straight occasions.

Since 1982 Lehigh has won 19 ECC singles titles and 15 doubles titles. Last year in the initial Patriot League tournament, the Engineers took home

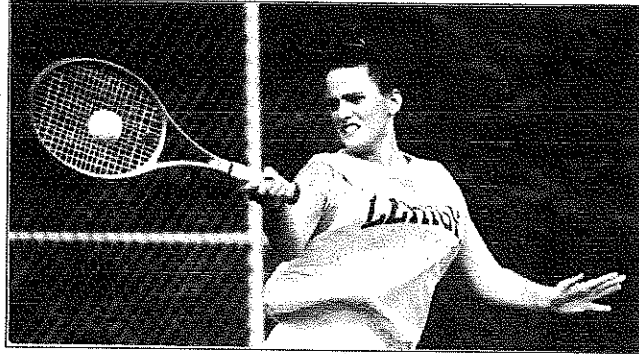
one singles and all three doubles crowns.

Scholastically Lehigh has also excelled. As a team, Lehigh won the A.C. Zettlemoyer Award five times (1980, '81, '82, '83, and '89) which denotes the Lehigh team with the highest academic average and athletic achievement. Just this past season, Jen Jacobson was named as Lehigh's first ever ECC Scholar-Athlete of the Year in women's tennis.

Through the years, Lehigh has had several exceptional players. Donna Armenio, in her four years at Lehigh, ended up as a career singles leader with a record of 73-22, and a career doubles record of 79-28. She

won singles titles in all four of her years and the doubles championship three times. Furthermore, she won the Wheelan & Wheelan award for the most outstanding tennis performance in the Philadelphia area in 1985, the Lehigh Valley Outstanding Senior Athlete award in 1987, and the Margaret B. Bavic award for the most valuable singles player in 1984.

Gail Brennan, in her four years at Lehigh played in three East Coast Conference Tournaments winning three singles titles and two doubles championships.



Elizabeth Tursi will return this year as Lehigh's top singles and doubles player

Overall she finished with a singles record of 66-19 and a doubles record of 78-24 which placed her third in Lehigh history. She too won the Margaret B. Bavic award for the most valuable player in singles in 1984 and the honor roll for the same award in doubles in 1984. Brennan also was the Easterns Tournament Consolation Winner in 1985.

This season marks a new league and a new coach as Dave Shook leads Lehigh into the Patriot League hoping to continue the success the Engineers have established for the last one and a half decades.





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SUBJECT: KAREN ADAMS, TITLE-WINNING COACH OF WOMEN'S TENNIS AND
VOLLEYBALL, APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS
AT LEHIGH

She succeeds Judy Turner Baxter as primary women's athletics administrator.

BETHLEHEM, Pa. (June 14) -- Karen Adams, who has served six seasons as Lehigh's head coach of women's tennis and five years as head coach of volleyball, has been appointed assistant director of athletics and primary women's administrator at Lehigh.

The announcement was made by Director of Athletics Richard P. Gibney.

Adams replaces Judy Turner Baxter, who served five years as assistant director of athletics and head of the women's program, and eight seasons as head coach of field hockey and women's lacrosse. Baxter resigned her administrative and coaching duties to begin a family.

"I feel the committee has done a fine job in hiring Karen as Judy's replacement," said Gibney. "I am confident she will be a credit to Lehigh in her new capacity as she has always been as a fine coach.

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"I'm sure," continued Gibney, "that everybody at Lehigh is sorry to see Judy go, but it's understandable that she should wish to devote full time to her newborn due soon. I am particularly sorry to see her leave as she is an outstanding coach, administrator and individual.

"In the few months I've been here I have gained a great deal of respect for her in all these areas."

A native of Pitman, N.J., and a 1965 graduate of Temple University, Adams has coached the Lehigh tennis team to three straight East Coast Conference (ECC) fall tournament titles.

Her teams have recorded top-five finishes in Eastern Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (EAIAW) regional tournament competition, and top-10 placings in the annual Middle States tournament.

Adams's sparkling overall record as tennis coach at Lehigh is 77 wins and 24 losses. In her first season, spring 1980, the team was 9-2. The other records follow: spring 1981, 12-1; spring 1982, 11-6; fall 1982, 2-2 (ECC champions); spring 1983, 12-6; fall 1983, 6-2 (ECC champions); spring 1984, 6-3; fall 1984, 11-1 (ECC champions), and spring 1985, 8-1.

In addition, Adams has coached teams to Philadelphia Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (PAIAW) and Lehigh Valley Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (LVAIAW) titles.

Adams's volleyball teams have compiled a record of 109 wins and 88 losses. She gained her 100th win last fall in the course of a 28-15 campaign, Lehigh's best since upgrading the schedule to include primarily major-college competition.

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The 1984 squad was invited to participate in the inaugural Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) championship tournament, which Lehigh hosted, placing third.

In 1980 the volleyball team was 18-16; in 1981, 22-12; in 1982, 22-24; and in 1983, 19-21.

Adams took over as tennis coach April 1, 1980, and, two months later, was selected to handle volleyball duties as well. She replaced Barbara Lipkin as coach of these sports. Lipkin was also assistant director of athletics and was replaced in that capacity by Baxter.

Before coming to Lehigh, Adams served three seasons as volleyball coach at Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales.

Adams was a standout athlete at Temple, earning 11 varsity letters, four in field hockey, three in tennis, two in swimming, and one each in basketball and bowling. She also participated in gymnastics and was a four-year member of the synchronized swim team.

Still an active athlete, Adams is a prominent tennis and paddle tennis player in the Lehigh Valley. She resides with her husband David and their four children, David Jr., 19, Doug, 18, Dwight, 17 and Katherine, 14, in Bethlehem.

Adams will relinquish her coaching duties in one of her sports while continuing as mentor in the other. Which sport she will retain and which she will drop has not been decided.

For Baxter, a native of Lafayette Hill, Pa., and a 1977 graduate of Ursinus College, a successful coaching career reached a satisfying culmination in 1984-85, when both the field hockey and women's lacrosse teams won ECC titles and Baxter was named conference coach of the year in both sports.

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The 1984 field hockey team was 13-5-2, bringing her cumulative mark in that sport to 74 wins, 47 losses and 21 ties. The ECC crown was the second straight league championship. Baxter's teams appeared in three EAIAW regional tournaments and two Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) Division II national tournaments.

The 1979 team was the EAIAW Division II Middle Atlantic Region champion and placed No. 4 in the national tournament held at Princeton. It was the first time a Lehigh women's team had ever participated in a national tourney in any sport.

In the ECC championship seasons of 1983 and 1984, the teams were ranked among the nation's top 15 in NCAA Division I.

Baxter's record as a lacrosse mentor is even more impressive.

The 1985 Lehigh team posted a mark of 13-3 to give Baxter a career record of 65 wins, 35 losses and two ties. It was Baxter's seventh winning season in eight years, the exception coming in 1982, when the team was even at 8-8.

The Engineers attained the title game of the ECC tournament in each of the tourney's three years, finally winning the title last May, and were ranked in the country's top 10 each of the last two years.

The 1984 team, ECC runner-up, was invited to the 12-team NCAA Division I national championship tournament, where it defeated Loyola (Md.) in the first round before bowing to top-ranked Maryland in the quarter-finals.

Baxter's 1981 and 1982 teams finished as AIAW Division II national runners-up. In 1981 Lehigh won the EAIAW Division II Region 1B title, and in 1982 was second in the region.

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During Baxter's tenure as primary women's administrator, the Lehigh varsity program grew by one sport. Women's cross country, which had flourished as a club sport, was elevated to varsity status beginning in 1984. The eighth Lehigh varsity sport for women, it was the first to be added since softball in 1976-77.

Also, all women's programs at Lehigh were elevated to membership in the NCAA's Division I beginning with the 1982-83 season, a change which meant increased commitment to women's athletics, including expanded schedules, upgraded competition and larger budgets.

Baxter resides in Audubon, Pa., with her husband Malcolm. The couple is expecting their first child in September.

Lehigh will conduct a national search for a person to take over as field hockey and lacrosse coach. The application deadline is June 30. The position begins August 1.

Gibney also announced that Muffet McGraw, who has served three seasons as head coach of women's basketball and softball, will relinquish her coaching duties in softball and assume duties as administrative assistant in the department of athletics, reporting to Gibney and Adams.

McGraw will continue to coach basketball, a sport in which Lehigh has made great strides since her coming. Last year's team won a school-record 20 games against just eight defeats, and advanced to the title game of the ECC tournament.

In three seasons, McGraw's basketball teams have compiled a mark of 47-26.

McGraw was voted ECC coach of the year in 1982-83, her first season at the helm, when Lehigh went 14-9. In 1983-84 the Engineers were 13-9 and advanced to the final four of the ECC tourney.