Welcome to Commencement ’99

To the Penn Community:

Penn’s Commencement is a wonderful opportunity to gather together in celebration of the impressive accomplishments of our students. On behalf of the Trustees, Officers, and Deans and their faculties, we would like to invite all members of the Penn Community to attend the University’s 243rd Commencement on Monday May 17, 1999. We are very fortunate to have Secretary of the Treasury Robert E. Rubin as our Commencement Speaker this year.

Led by flag bearers and bagpipes, the academic procession steps forth from the Annenberg Center at 9:15 a.m., then pauses for approximately 45 minutes in front of College Hall to applaud the graduating students as they pass through our ranks. The procession then proceeds to Franklin Field where the ceremony begins at 10:15 a.m.

If you wish to attend the festivities, please seek advance approval from your supervisor to assure that the business needs of your department will continue to be met. Whether you wish to join the festivities around Locust Walk and Blanche Levy Park or come to the ceremony itself (tickets are not necessary), we very much hope that you will join us in this University-wide culmination of the academic year.

Judith Rodin, President    Robert Barchi, Provost    Rosemary McManus, Secretary

Celebrating Research:
PennMed’s New High-Rise, New NIH Rankings to Match

On Thursday, May 13, the Penn Health System will stage two celebrations.

By day, the occasion is Research Day, with a program honoring faculty and research team who have brought Penn to second place in the nation in NIH Research funding. (See page 5.)

That night, it’s the official opening of the largest facility in the history of the University, the $149 million, 15-story Biomedical Research Building known as BRB II/III because it represents the second and third phases of a complex that began with BRB I, since renamed Stellar-Chance Laboratories.

The completion of BRB II/III, which faces Osler Circle off Civic Center Boulevard, creates a fully-enclosed pedestrian loop, linking by bridges and buildings the entire Medical Center and School of Medicine complex. It will draw together many of the disciplines now house in ten other buildings throughout the System, bringing some 800 researchers and support staff under one very high roof and consolidating a number of programs and departments that have programmatic affiliations, Dean William N. Kelley said.

For example, floors 10-12 will include Cell and Developmental Biology, while floors 12 and 13 house the Center for Reproductive Biology. The Department of Medicine, the Institute for Human Gene Therapy and the Cancer Center also share space in BRB II/III. “This building will permit us to reach a synergy across many different disciplines and significantly improve the efficiency of our research programs,” the Dean said. “Now there will be shared recruitment of faculty who are working in the same building. This is important progress because it provides researchers with the ability to interact with their peers on a daily basis.”

The 384,000 gross square feet encompass 11 floors of large open laboratories, each with its own conference room/library and lounge. On the lower two floors are a 250-seat auditorium, a cafe, a bookstore and seminar rooms.

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Sundance / Hamilton Square:
Groundbreaking May 12

Tomorrow’s noon groundbreaking for the Sundance project takes place on the northwest corner of 40th and Walnut, where Hamilton Square’s glass-fronted parking garage and supermarket (above) will rise. The Sundance Cinemas will be entered from the south side of Walnut (circle), between the Rotunda and the present Hamilton Village Shops.

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Penn Reading Project: Copenhagen

The Council of Undergraduate Deans has chosen Michael Frayn’s Copenhagen as the text for this year’s Penn Reading Project, the ninth in which entering freshmen read a common work during the summer, then take part in small-group discussions with faculty on arrival at Penn.

Copenhagen—which follows such selections as Frankenstein, Lincoln at Gettysburg, and The Woman Warrior—opened in May 1998 at London’s Royal National, and is now playing in the West End. A Broadway production is planned for Spring 2000.

The 1999 selection committee, chaired by the College’s Dean Richard Beeman chose it from hundreds of nominations by faculty and students, citing “the multidisciplinary nature of the text, the timeliness of the theme, and the great possibilities for supporting events.” Currently in the planning stages are a number of performances and readings, a film series, and various exhibits and discussions on related themes.

As summarized by Project Director David Fox, “In Copenhagen, a study of the morals and history of the atomic bomb, playwright Frayn takes as his point of reference a particular historical event: in the autumn of 1941, two great physicists—the Dane, Niels Bohr, and the German, Werner Heisenberg—met in Copenhagen. In earlier times Heisenberg had been Bohr’s student, his friend, even a kind of surrogate son. But this meeting occurred during Europe’s darkest days in World War II, and the two men—whose collaborative work had revolutionized atomic physics—were now political enemies. Not much is known about the substance of their encounter, but the great possibilities for supporting events.”

Baccalaureate: Rabbi Wolpe

The Class of 1999’s Baccalaureate Address will be given by Rabbi Gerald I. Wolpe, who was senior rabbi of Har Zion Temple in Philadelphia for more than 30 years and is now director of the Louis Finkelstein Institute for Religious and Social Studies of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Baccalaureate will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at First District Plaza, 3801 Market St.

Rabbi Wolpe, well known in academic as well as religious circles as an expert on bioethics and medical education—and on the Internet via America Online’s “Ask the Rabbi”—is chairman of the advisory committee of the Center for Bioethics at PennMed. He is on the executive committee of the National Aphasia Society; the advisory committee of the Families and Health Care Project of the United Hospital Fund; and the National Coordinating Group on Bioethics and the Law of the American Bar Association. He is a member of the Chancellor’s Council of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and serves on both the executive committee and the administrative council of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, where he also chairs the committee on caregiving.

A holder of bachelor’s and master’s degrees from NYU, Rabbi Wolpe also received a master’s from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and was ordained in 1953. He received a Doctor of Divinity degree from the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1980.

Dr. Cochran: Historian Who Changed His Field

Dr. Thomas Cochran, a Benjamin Franklin Professor at Penn whose profound and prolific work as an economic historian was to change the way scholars approach American history, died on April 29 at his home in The Quadrangle, Haverford. It was his 97th birthday.

Thomas Childs Cochran was born in 1902 in New York City, where he set out to become a chemical engineer; but he turned to history before completing his B.S. in 1923 at New York University. After earning an M.A. there in 1925, he became an instructor in 1927 and continued on the NYU faculty while earning his Ph.D. from Penn in 1930. He rose through the NYU ranks to assistant professor in 1936, associate professor in 1943, and full professor in 1944.

He joined Penn in 1950 as Professor of the History of the American People, and except for a year as the Pitt Professor of American Institutions at Cambridge in 1965-66, he spent the rest of his distinguished career here.

Dr. Cochran was known for his work establishing that the American culture—its politics, its religion, its institutions—respond fundamentally to economic influences. He was also his generation’s leading proponent of the application of social science techniques to the study of history. In the history department here, Professor Michael Zuckerman recalls the “staggering intellectual influence” of Dr. Cochran’s teaching and his writing, both of histories and the major statements for the Social Science Research Council (notably Bulletins 54 and 64) that established new methods. His work was also the first convincing argument to free American history from its organization by presidencies (American Historical Review, “The Presidential Synthesis”). Notably succeeding by example as well as by precept, in such books as the 1953 Railroad Leaders: The Business Mind in Action, he produced “not just the sweeping programmatic statement but the tight, analytic statement that he called upon us to do,” said Dr. Zuckerman. “He studied a huge cache of correspondence by leading railroad executives to get at their world view and their frame of mind—so it’s not just about railroads, not just the business of railroads, but a stunning piece of intellectual history.”

Dr. Cochran was author and co-author of some twenty books. His widely read basics include The American Business System (1957), A Basic History of American Business (1959) and Business in American Life (1972). While serving on a committee to plan the Philadelphia Bicentennial, he also prepared the 1977 book 200 Years of American Business. The Puerto Rican Businessman (1959) and Entrepreneur in Argentine Culture (1962, with Reina Reina) took him into comparative history, where he had a strong preference for combining the archival with field work, Dr. Zuckerman recalls. And in retirement he produced such works as Frontiers of Change (1981) and the 1985 Challenges to American Values.

The field recognized him nationally by electing him to head all three of its major societies—the American Historical Association, the organization of American Historians, and the Economic History Association. He was also a member of the American Philosophical Society, and among his many honors was an honorary degree from Penn, in 1972, where his citation read in part:

As the inventive constructor of his own estimable history, Thomas Childs Cochran has opened new vistas for the examination of the American heritage and its underlying social themes. Bold and experimental, he was the first to emphasize the significance of private enterprise as the basis for this country’s formative institutions at a time when such discernment was original, courageous, and striking. Considered by many to be foremost American economic historian, he has influenced a new long after of generations of students and new, unresolved issues and themes and introduced techniques from the social sciences into historical methodology. With the intensity of the seer, he has taught others to share with him the broad and long-range perspective that gives meaning to facts.

At the urging of colleagues, Dr. Cochran continued on the active faculty past the once-mandatory retirement age, staying “not only on top of the literature but ahead of it,” said Dr. Zuckerman.

Widowed in 1976 on the death of his first wife, Rosamond Beebe Cochran, Dr. Cochran is survived by his second wife, of 10 years, Ann Widmer Cochran.
**HONORS**

**1999 Ivy Day: Unveiling and Awards**

The 1999 Ivy Stone will be installed in the floor of Houston Hall’s north entrance. Since Houston Hall is under renovation, there will be a drawing unveiled near the site on May 15. The stone was designed by Jennifer Rizzi, C’93 and current assistant director in the Penn Alumni Society. The stone was designed non-traditionally with the Penn crest turned sideways. The design will be cut in Vermont gray granite.

The Ivy Day ceremony is Saturday, May 15 at 4 p.m. in Logan Hall (Room 17). Ivy Award winners from the Class of 1974 will be presenting the Senior Honor Awards.

*The Senior Class Awards and recipients are:*

- *Bowl:* Joshua S. Brogadir
- *Cane:* Rasool A. Berry
- *Spade:* Joshua A. Zeichner
- *Althea K. Hotel Award:* Samara A. Barend
- *Gaylord P. Harnwell Award:* Janelle M. Brodsky
- *R. Jean Brownlee Award:* David R. Goddard
- *Leadership Awards Association of Alumnae:*
  - *R. Jean Brownlee Award:* Sarah B. Gleit
  - *Spoon:* Joshua S. Brogadir

**Leadership Awards Association of Alumnae**

- *Fathers’ Trophy:* Jessica DiMauro
- *Class of 1915 Award:* Andrei A. Rodzianko
- *Class of 1946 Award:* Timothy M. Hirsch
- *Sol Feinstone Undergraduate Awards:*
  - *Sara Coelho, Hoa T. Duong, David Ecker, Kira S. Rosen, Jared S. Susco*
- *Penn Student Agencies Award:* Amy L. Johnson
- *James Howard Weiss Memorial Award:* Charles W. Pell

**Pulitzer for Music Alumna**

Penn alumna Melinda Wagner became the 58th American composer to win the Pulitzer Prize last month. Wagner, who received her doctorate in composition from Penn in 1986, was awarded the Pulitzer with $5,000, for her piece entitled *The Concerto for Flute, Strings and Percussion.* The 42-year-old composer was trained as a cellist and studied music with Penn’s George Crumb, Richard Wernick and Jay Reise.

**More Honors: May 18 Deadline**

The final *Almanac* for the spring term, to be issued on May 25, will contain additional honors won recently by faculty, staff and students. See page 4 for deadline information.—Ed.

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**Dental Medicine: Five Teaching Awards**

Five members of the School of Dental Medicine faculty were honored for teaching excellence in April’s Alumni Faculty Senior Day dinner.

**DeRevere Award:** Two members of the restorative dentistry department, Dr. Bal Goyal, associate professor of restorative dentistry, and Dr. Nathan Kobrin, clinical assistant professor of restorative dentistry, both received the Robert E. DeRevere Award, presented for excellence in pre-clinical teaching and learning. Given annually since 1982, this award is named for a 1945 dental alumnus who, in addition to teaching, managed dental services at Children’s Heart Hospital of Philadelphia and Philadelphia General Hospital.

Dr. Goyal, who joined the restorative dentistry department in 1975, will soon celebrate 25 years with the School and has been recognized by the students—nearly every year. “It is a pleasure to teach at the Dental School,” says Dr. Goyal. “And this year’s class has been particularly hard working.”

Dr. Kobrin received his third consecutive DeRevere Award. “I’m again very proud to receive it and thankful to the students,” says Dr. Kobrin. He has been teaching at the SDM for six years and has held his current position as a clinical assistant professor for two years.

**Attenion Award:** Dr. Nasrin Sadat-Larijani, assistant professor of clinical education in restorative dentistry, won the Joseph L.T. Attenion Award, which honors part-time faculty for excellence in clinical teaching. The award is named for a 1914 alumnus who was Dean of the School from 1941 to 1951. Dr. Sadat-Larijani has been on the faculty since 1992.

**Hoyt Award:** Dr. Scott DeRossi, in his first year as assistant professor of oral medicine, was given the Earle Bank Hoyt Award, presented each year to an alumnus who is a full-time junior clinical faculty member. The award was set up by a grateful patient to honor the dedication and teaching excellence of the 1918 alumnus who was a distinguished clinician and educator. Dr. DeRossi is a 1995 graduate who also completed the School’s post-graduate program in oral medicine. He teaches in the Oral Diagnosis Clinic and is initiating a research program on the relationship of headache to temporomandibular disorder and oral contact allergy.

**Basic Science Award:** The award that recognizes excellence in the teaching of basic science went to Dr. Elliot Hersh, associate professor of oral surgery and pharmacology and director of pharmacology and therapeutics. A member of the faculty for ten years, Dr. Hersh has received this award a total of six times—this year as well as in 1996, 1994, 1993, 1992 and 1990. In 1993, he was also the recipient of the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching. Among his many professional activities, Dr. Hersh is chairman of one of the University’s Task Force III of the Committee on Studies Involving Human Beings. He is also immediate past president of the Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Therapeutic Section of the International Association of Dental Research.

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**A Living/Learning Residence for Dental Students**

The School of Dental Medicine plans to open a new residence for its students this August, making it the first in the nation to offer a housing option specifically for its students that integrates teaching and learning. Dental House, located on Osage Avenue between 42nd and 43rd Streets within a few blocks of the School, features 44 units, including six one-bedroom and 38 studio apartments.

“We believe this is an important step for the School in supporting our students,” says Dean Raymond Fonseca. “It is in line with our strategic plan to provide an environment in which students have a sense of well-being and in which the School strives to maintain the highest possible standards for our physical facilities.”

Amenities at the Dental House will include PennNet Computer connections in each unit, a pre-clinical laboratory where students can practice dental procedures on models, and a community room for hosting special events and guest speakers. A faculty fellow will also occupy a suite in the building to serve as an advisor to the residents and oversee the special programs planned within the facility.

Any School of Dental Medicine student is eligible for residence here. According to Sheila Royal-Moses, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, monthly rentals will be comparable to the market rates for apartments in the University City area. Apartments will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and accepted residents will sign a one-year, renewable lease.
Call for Nominations: Editor of Almanac

As many of her friends have already heard, but perhaps still do not fully believe, Karen Gaines has made known her intention of retiring as editor of Almanac this fall. President Rodin, acknowledging Ms. Gaines’s “long and successful tenure,” which we will celebrate appropriately in due course, has named a search committee for her successor which I have agreed to chair, and whose members are:

Jennifer Baldino, Director of External Affairs, Office of the President;

Helen C. Davies, Professor of Microbiology/Medicine;

E. Ann Matter, R. Jean Brownlee Professor of Religious Studies;

Nancy Nowicki, Executive Director of External Affairs, Office of the Provost;

Martin Pring, Associate Professor of Physiology/Medicine (chair);

Stephen P. Steinberg, Executive Director of Penn National Commission on Society, Culture & Community; and

Michael Zuckerman, Professor of History.

Members of the University community who wish to apply for this position or know of potential candidates are encouraged to respond to the posting at www.hr.upenn.edu/jobsearch/default.asp under “President’s Center.”

— Martin Pring, Chair, Almanac Advisory Board

Almanac May 25: End of Vol. 45

The combined May 18/25 issue of Almanac, the last for this academic year, will be published on May 25. It will include post-Commencement coverage, more school teaching awards and other honors, and the Summer At Penn calendar.

The deadline for the calendar is today, May 11. The deadline for other material is next Tuesday, May 18. Although no print edition is scheduled until July 13, starting Volume 46, staff will be on duty and breaking news will be posted on Almanac’s web site throughout the summer. See www.upenn.edu/almanac.

FOR COMMENT

Computer Disconnection Policy

At its April 28 meeting, the University Council discussed the proposed policy on Computer Disconnection from PennNet that was developed by the University Council Committee on Communications. (See Almanac April 20, or www.upenn.edu/almanac/v45n29/communications.html).

The goal of the policy is to protect the academic missions served by Penn’s computers and networks. Under the policy, Information Systems and Computing would disconnect from PennNet any computers that have actually damaged or pose an imminent threat of harming the integrity of PennNet.

Your reactions to this proposed policy are solicited. All comments should be directed to the Provost’s Office, 110 College Hall/6303, by June 1.

— Robert Barchi, Provost

SENEATE From the Senate Office

The following statement is published in accordance with the Senate Rules. Among other purposes, the publication of SEC actions is intended to stimulate discussion among the constituencies and their representatives. Please communicate your comments to Senate Chair Peter Conn or Executive Assistant Carolyn Burdon, Box 12 College Hall/6303, 898-6943 or burdon@pobox.upenn.edu.

Actions Taken by the Senate Executive Committee

Wednesday, May 5, 1999

1. Chair’s Report. The Chair drew attention to his annual report that had been sent to SEC members last week [see insert].

2. Past Chair’s Report on Academic Planning and Budget Committee and on Capital Council. The Past Chair reported that the committee meets weekly. The Faculty Senate representatives on the committee are active and raise important questions. Academic Planning and Budget discussed the budget, capital initiatives, financial status and need and expansion initiatives. The final meeting of the year will be on May 11. Capital Council met once since the last SEC meeting to consider new construction initiatives as well as renovations to existing structures.

Old Business

3. Recommendations and Report of the Committee on the Economic Status of the Faculty. Committee Chair Erling Boe summarized the lengthy report and recommendations for further development of faculty salary policy and procedures. Following discussion SEC unanimously approved both the report and the recommendations [see insert].

4. Recommendations of the Committee on the Faculty.

a. Proposed Handbook Revision on Extension of Probationary Periods. Committee Chair Harvey Rubin introduced the proposal. A faculty member had inquired whether the current language in the Handbook for Faculty and Academic Administrators applied to both members of a couple. The committee found the Handbook unclear on this point and at the suggestion of the Associate Provost drafted a proposed revision for the Handbook (Almanac April 27, 1999). SEC unanimously approved the proposed Handbook revision.

b. Faculty Involvement in Fundraising for Undergraduate Scholarships. SEC referred a proposal to the committee to consider the pros and cons and make a recommendation to SEC. The issue was discussed and the Committee on the Faculty agreed to recommend that SEC take no action on the matter. SEC accepted the recommendation.

c. Proposed Handbook Revision on Copyright Policy. Subcommittee Chair Ralph Ginsberg noted that the Committee discussed the issue over the last year and a half. A principal concern was that current University policy is at significant variance with University practice and custom. The proposed Handbook revision (Almanac April 27, 1999) encompasses recommendations of the July 1995 Report of the Task Force on Intellectual Property. SEC unanimously approved the proposal for inclusion in the Handbook, and the recommendation that an ad hoc committee be established to review University policies on software.

d. 1998-99 Annual Report of the Committee on the Faculty. Professor Rubin summarized the committee’s decision not to go forward with its work regarding Clinician Educators pending receipt of a report of the self-study from the Medical School Committee Faculty 2000. It was pointed out that there had been an exchange of information and concerns through the meetings of a wide range of Medical faculty with the Committee on the Faculty. Faculty 2000 has heard the Senate’s concerns and shares many of them.

5. Appointment of Two Faculty to the Closed Circuit TV Monitoring Committee. Two names were proposed and they will be contacted.


7. Transition of Officers and SEC Members.

Outgoing Chair John Keene expressed his thanks and appreciation to Vivian Seltzer and Peter Conn and turned the symbolic gavel over to Peter Conn. Peter Conn assumed the office of Chair of the Faculty Senate, and expressed appreciation to outgoing Past Chair Vivian Seltzer and outgoing Chair John Keene. He also thanked Carolyn Burdon for her efforts on behalf of the Faculty Senate.

New Business

8. Appointment of Chair of the Senate Committee on the Economic Status of the Faculty. Erling Boe (education) was reappointed to chair the Committee by acclamation.

9. Selection of four SEC members to serve 1999-2000 on the University Council Steering Committee. Nominations were made and the vote was cast by paper ballot using approval voting. The four faculty elected were: Peter Freyd (mathematics), Phoebe S. Leboy (biochemistry/dental), Ann O’Sullivan (nursing), and Gregory Possehl (anthropology).

10. Determine whether SEC meeting scheduled for June 2 should be held. SEC voted unanimously not to hold the June meeting.

11. Thanks to outgoing Past Chair. SEC gave a round of applause to Vivian Seltzer for her three years of service to the Faculty Senate.
Celebrating Research (from page 1)

Architects for BRB II/III were Perkins and Will of Chicago, the AIA’s 1999 “Firm of the Year.” The project also had a community advisory board set up to maximize the participation of minority and women-owned businesses in its construction, and PennHealth retained the Greater Philadelphia Urban Affairs Coalition to manage and monitor community participation. Of the 1500 construction workers who participated, over 20% were women and/or minorities whose participation represented $29 million, or 28% of the construction cost of BRB II/III, according to a PennMed news release.

Research Day: Those Who Made Penn #2 in NIH Funds

In lunchtime program on May 13, the faculty of the School of Medicine will be saluted by Dean William Kelley, along with the School’s Senior Vice Dean, Dr. Richard L. Tannen, and the Vice Dean for Research and Research Training, for their achievement in raising Penn’s rank in NIH funding to second in the nation. According to new figures from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine now ranks second among academic medical centers in the United States. Based on the total research awards of $201 million in fiscal year 1998, it is a move up from the institution’s third-place standing in fiscal year 1997 with $175 million in grants. In fiscal year 1996, Penn ranked fifth with $149 million in support. The NIH is the primary funder of biomedical research and training in the nation.

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Dr. Lerner’s writings are recognized as groundbreaking, particularly in challenging views of the role of women in history. She has written or edited ten books, including The Creation of Patriarchy, 1986, that won the Joan Kelly Memorial Book Prize. She was among the first scholars to include black women’s history in the scholarly canon. Black Women in White America (1972) was for a decade the only general book on the subject available for teaching. In 1997, she published Why History Matters, calling upon all to reconsider not just the purposes of scholarship, but its place in the larger world. Dr. Lerner has said, “History is under attack in this culture, but much worse, it is being ignored. I see the acquiring of history as a way of giving meaning to your own life and pursuits.”

A founding member of the National Organization for Women, in 1976 she helped establish March as Women’s History Month. In 1981, she became the first woman in 50 years to be named president of the Organization of American Historians. In 1993, Dr. Lerner was listed as one of America’s “women of the century,” chosen by a survey of academics conducted by Siena College Research Institute and the National Women’s Hall of Fame.

Memorial for Ed Lane

A gathering will be held on Friday, May 14, 4 p.m. in the Faculty Club Tea Room in memory of Edward Franklin Lane, who died in March at the age of 77. It is open to the University community. An obituary was promised, but there is some doubt about his wishes on the subject. In lieu of an obituary, then, here a news story from Almanac July 12, 1983—

... And Then There’s Lane’s Way

Never mind the annual report. An even more agonizing year-end activity in academia must be the planning of send-offs for those dozens who retire after long and devoted service. Friends and co-workers struggle to crowd into a single occasion enough tributes, tokens and tales-told-out-of-school to offset the awful truth that there’s about to be a gap in the life of the institution. Friends of Development’s Ed Lane went through the agony this year, and it took half a dozen farewell celebrations to send him off to his new career as full-time farmer.

For the “bash”, in Gimbel Gym, an all-University committee set out to do it his way—for Edward Franklin Lane was the Master, the Czar, the Guru Extraordinarius, the Lone Arranger of Penn events who probably put out more flags and struck up more bands for others than anybody else during his 33 years’ service in multiple jobs. Thus a gymful of people in funny hats (including the Meyerson Hall Plaza and not in the Galleries. In lunchtime program on May 13, the faculty of the School of Medicine will be saluted by Dean William Kelley, along with the School’s Senior Vice Dean, Dr. Richard L. Tannen, and the Vice Dean for Research and Research Training, for their achievement in raising Penn’s rank in NIH funding to second in the nation.

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Dr. Lerner’s writings are recognized as groundbreaking, particularly in challenging views of the role of women in history. She has written or edited ten books, including The Creation of Patriarchy, 1986, that won the Joan Kelly Memorial Book Prize. She was among the first scholars to include black women’s history in the scholarly canon. Black Women in White America (1972) was for a decade the only general book on the subject available for teaching. In 1997, she published Why History Matters, calling upon all to reconsider not just the purposes of scholarship, but its place in the larger world. Dr. Lerner has said, “History is under attack in this culture, but much worse, it is being ignored. I see the acquiring of history as a way of giving meaning to your own life and pursuits.”

A founding member of the National Organization for Women, in 1976 she helped establish March as Women’s History Month. In 1981, she became the first woman in 50 years to be named president of the Organization of American Historians. In 1993, Dr. Lerner was listed as one of America’s “women of the century,” chosen by a survey of academics conducted by Siena College Research Institute and the National Women’s Hall of Fame.

Corrections

In the list of School Commencements (Almanac May 4), the picnic lunch listed under the College of Arts and Sciences should not have been there. That picnic lunch is actually for the Graduate School of Fine Arts and will be held on the Meyerson Hall Plaza and not in the Galleries.

In the beginning of the story on two endowed term chairs (Almanac April 27) Dr. Alan Filreis was correctly identified as the holder of the Class of 1942 Chair and Dr. Thomas Sugrue as the Class of 1940 Chair; however, in the later part of the story Dr. Filreis was incorrectly listed as the Class of 1940 Professor.

Also, in the same issue, the caption for the Poetry Bug should have had Kerry Sherin’s title as director of Kelly Writers House, not program director.

We regret the errors.

—Ed.
Penn Perspective: June 8-10

Space is still available for The Penn Perspective, a three-day program specifically designed to provide a broad understanding of the University’s structure, mission, and challenges facing Penn today. For more information, contact Training and Development at (215) 898-3400.

May Volunteer Opportunities

Dear Penn Community,

Thank you very much for all your kindness and generosity. Penn Volunteers In Public Service (Penn VIPS) collected over $800 during a penny drive for the Kelley Anne Dolan Foundation. We collected 10 bicycles for the Mill Creek Bicycle Brigade and many of you have volunteered to do a variety of community service activities. Not only does Penn care, Penn does something about it! Following, is a listing of volunteer opportunities based on community requests for assistance. If you would like to volunteer for any of the following programs, please let me know via e-mail, sammapp@pobox.upenn.edu or call 898-2020.

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Annuity Move Out Drive: Leaving campus? Please donate your used pots/pans, small appliances and clothing to the Penn VIPS Annual Move-Out Drive. Bring items to: 133 South 36th Street, Mellon Bank Building, Room 504-5th Floor. Items will be collected through May 21.

May Work Clothing Drive: Collect your used suits, shirts, ties, blouses that are in good condition and donate them to help members of the West Philadelphia community that are entering the workforce. Bring items to: 133 South 36th Street, Mellon Bank Building, Room 504, 5th Floor. Items will be collected through May 21.

Career Day Sayre Middle School: Wednesday, May 19, 8:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Talk to middle school teachers about your career. Share with them your educational background, the choices you made and help them to think about their careers. There will be a orientation session from 8:30-9 a.m. and 9-10 a.m. which will be spent in the classrooms with the students.

Math & Reading Tutors: Needed on Sunday afternoons! Volunteer to work with middle and high school students involved in a Space & Science Club at the David Rittenhouse Lab on Penn’s campus. Students need tutoring in math and science. Tutoring will take place one hour before and one hour after club sessions. Volunteer for one or both tutoring sessions.

The Roots Urban Garden Project for students at University City High School has a goal of raising 1000 tomato plants on the roof of the school this summer. The biggest obstacle is finding containers in which to grow the tomatoes. Help us collect containers from your local restaurants. These buckets are available at pizza shops or sandwich shops. They are used for pickles, mushrooms, potato salad and other foods. They look like 5-gallon paint buckets but they are much easier to clean out. Needed — lots and lots of 3 or 5 gallon buckets for the UCHS roof-top garden. Bring buckets to: 133 South 36th Street, Mellon Bank Building, Room 504, 5th Floor or call 898-2020 for pick up.

Alumni Book Drive (New and/or used books in good condition) Week of May 19: Join Penn alumni in a Book Drive to benefit youngsters in West Philadelphia public schools. Donate books suitable for students in grades K-12. Bring books to: 133 South 36th Street, Mellon Bank Building, Room 504, 5th Floor.

Dealing with Teen Behavior: May 20

In response to heightened concern about teen behavior following the events in Colorado and other schools recently, Human Resources is sponsoring a workshop by an expert from the LifeBalance Program. The workshop will cover:

- Guidelines for negotiating rules with teens
- Teen-owned versus parent-owned problems
- Strategies for managing conflicts

It will be held on Thursday, May 20, noon-1:30 p.m. (brown bag lunches are fine) at 200 College Hall. Please contact Marilyn Kraut, 898-0380 or kraut@pobox.upenn.edu

We also want to remind you that the LifeBalance Program (a Human Resources Quality of Worklife Program) offers free confidential telephone consultation on dependent care issues for Penn faculty and staff. This includes expert consultation on child behavior issues. LifeBalance can be reached at 1-888-203-6847 twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

For more information on the LifeBalance program and other Quality of Worklife Programs, please go to: www.hr.upenn.edu/quality.

— Division of Human Resources

Raffle for Survey Respondents

To thank faculty, staff, and students for participating in its annual customer service survey process, Business Services will hold a Graduation Day Raffle on Monday, May 17. If you received a Faculty Club, Ice Rink, Penn, or Publications survey, please fill it out and return it (with your address label attached) by Friday, May 14 to be entered into the raffle. Prizes include:

- Dinner for four at Shula’s Steak 2
- $100 Penn Computer Connection gift certificate
- $50 Penn Bookstore gift certificate

Winners will be notified by mail and/or e-mail. We appreciate your feedback!

— Division of Business Services
Art Bridgeman and Myrna Packer are kicking up their heels as they make their Philadelphia debut tonight through May 13 with Rapid Eye Movement—an evening-length work about dreams. They are part of the Dance Celebration/Next Move Festival at Annenberg Center. Call (215) 898-3900.

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The University of Pennsylvania Police Department

Community Crime Report

About the Crime Report: Below are all Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Society from the campus report for April 26, 1999 through May 2, 1999. Also reported were Crimes Against Property: 30 total thefts & attempts (including 1 theft of bicycle & parts, 2 thefts of auto & attempts, 3 thefts from autos (4 attempts and 2 burglaries & attempts), 2 incidents of forgery & fraud, 1 incident of trespassing & loitering and 3 incidents of criminal mischief & vandalism. Full reports on the Web: www.upenn.edu/almanac/v45n32/crimes.html —Ed.

This summary is prepared by the Division of Public Safety and includes all criminal incidents reported and made known to the University Police Department between the dates of April 26, 1999 and May 2, 1999. The University Police actively patrols from Market Street to Baltimore Avenue and from the Schuylkill River to 43rd Street in conjunction with the Philadelphia Police. In this effort to provide you with a thorough and accurate report on public safety concerns, we hope that your increased awareness will lessen the opportunity for crime. For any concerns or suggestions regarding this report, please call the Division of Public Safety at 898-4482.

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### University of Pennsylvania
#### Two-Year Academic Calendar, 1999-2000 through 2000-2001

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Illustrated at right are just four of the major buildings in progress that will change the face of Penn. From the top: The Inn at Penn (also the new home of the Faculty Club); the Schattner Center (Dental Medicine’s new gateway building); Sundance Cinemas; and Wharton’s Huntsman Center.