$25.5 Million Abramson Family Gift for Future of Lifesaving Cancer Research at Penn Medicine

A special event was held on May 10 to honor a new, $25.5 million gift from Madlyn and Leonard Abramson, and to celebrate five decades of progress in cancer research and treatment at Penn Medicine, and highlight the promise of future work to conquer the disease. To illustrate the tremendous achievements that are turning cancer patients into survivors every day, the event included presentations from the physicians who treat cancer using the latest targeted drug therapies, precision radiation technology, and minimally invasive surgical techniques.

The new gift brings the Abramson family’s total philanthropic support of Penn Medicine—which previously included the naming of the Abramson Cancer Center and the establishment of the Abramson Family Cancer Research Institute—to $125 million. They are the largest donors to Penn Medicine.

Philip Nichols:
Class of 1940 Professor

Provost Vincent Price announced the appointment of Dr. Philip Nichols, associate professor of legal studies and business ethics in The Wharton School, to the Class of 1940 Bicentennial Term Chair, effective July 1, 2010.

Dr. Nichols is an expert on emerging economies and international trade, especially the World Trade Organization. In 2000, he received a Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, Penn’s highest cross-university teaching honor; and he has received ten additional teaching awards within Wharton.

He has taught at Penn since 1992 and served as faculty master of Stouffer College House since 1998. He earned a JD and LLM (1988) from Duke University and an AB (1982) in anthropology from Harvard University.

The Class of 1940 Bicentennial Endowed Teaching Chair was established in 2001.

Robert DeRubeis:
Professor of Psychology Robert DeRubeis has been named the Samuel H. Preston Term Professor in the Social Sciences in the School of Arts and Sciences. Dr. DeRubeis specializes in the study of abnormal behavior. His research focuses on the processes that cause and maintain mood disorders, as well as the treatments that reduce and prevent the return of mood symptoms. His work and the results of his clinical trials have been extensively published in numerous scholarly journals, including the Journal of the American Medical Association, the Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, the Archives of General Psychiatry, the British Journal of Psychiatry, and Nature Reviews Neuroscience.

Dr. DeRubeis received his bachelor’s degree from New York University, his master’s degree from the University of Chicago, and his doctorate from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Penn Trustee Stephen Heyman’s $5 Million Gift to Endow the I. George Heyman University PIK Professorship

The University of Pennsylvania has received a $5 million gift designated for faculty support from Emeritus Trustee Stephen J. Heyman, W’59, President Amy Gutmann announced. The gift will be used to create a Penn Integrates Knowledge (PIK) Professorship, which will be named the I. George Heyman University Professorship in honor of Mr. Heyman’s father.

“By supporting and creating more Penn Integrates Knowledge professorships, Steve and other wonderful donors are enabling us to build on the strongest foundation of faculty at Penn—by attracting even more of the most brilliant scholars, teachers, and interdisciplinary thinkers to Penn who extend the scope of our programs and increase Penn’s impact on the world,” said President Gutmann.

The Penn Integrates Knowledge initiative recruits exceptional scholars whose research and teaching exemplify the integration of knowledge across academic disciplines. PIK professors hold joint appointments between two schools, and contribute to the University’s mission of engagement and impact as the leaders of interdisciplinary centers and research teams. The I. George Heyman Professorship is not designated for any specific school, enabling the University to identify and select candidates from across the University.

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Commencement 2010
The following is published in accordance with the Faculty 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 Sue White, executive assistant to the Senate Office, either by telephone at (215) 898-6943, or by e-mail at senate@pobox.upenn.edu.

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Actions

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Chair’s Report. Faculty Senate Chair Harvey Rubin thanked outgoing SEC members and introduced and welcomed incoming Chair-Elect, Camille Charles.

Past Chair’s Report. Faculty Senate Past Chair Sherri Adams reported on the work of the Academic Planning and Budget Committee.

Patent Policy Committee Update. Steve Fluharty, Senior Vice Provost for Research, updated SEC on the work of the Patent Policy Committee actions to date and the Center for Technology Transfer’s (CTT) new goals and objectives. Dr. Fluharty reported that CTT has outlined the following benchmarks: service improvements for faculty satisfaction, pipeline development to increase the number of deals and agreements signed including increasing industry sponsorship, and ways to increase revenue growth. He noted that disclosures are up 12% over FY2008 and 46% over FY2007 and that non-medical school disclosures are up 46%.

Dr. Fluharty explained that the Patent Policy Committee was charged by the President and Provost and outlined the composition of the committee. He reported that the committee has had bi-monthly meetings since October 2009 to revise the Patent Policy to review revenue distribution, return to inventor proposals, appeal process, and guidelines for student inventors and emeritus faculty. Dr. Fluharty explained that historically Penn’s Central Pool has been subsidizing annual unreimbursed patent expenses and CTT operations costs. He reported that the Patent Policy Committee proposed a revised revenue distribution formula that will deduct unreimbursed patent expenses from gross revenues. Dr. Fluharty explained that the appeals process was revised to create a Standing Appeals Board with appropriate membership for the resolution of disputes between CTT and Inventors. Faculty Senate Chair Rubin recommended that Dr. Fluharty include a stipulation that the revised policy be reviewed a few years after implementation. (Ed. Note: See page 5)

Vote for faculty members for University Council Steering Committee. SEC members voted for four faculty members to be on the 2010-2011 University Council Steering Committee.

Senate Committee Reports. SEC heard and briefly discussed annual reports given by the chair of Senate Committees. Senate committee reports were published in the May 11th issue of Alma-nac.

New Business. Faculty Senate Chair Rubin thanked Past Chair Sherri Adams for her service and excellent leadership and turned the meeting over to the new Senate Chair, Bob Hornik. He thanked Harvey Rubin and Sherri Adams for their strong leadership. Repeating comments expressed by each of the reporting committee chairs and on behalf of the tri-chairs, he expressed the universal appreciation for the excellent work and extraordinary support given by Executive Assistant Sue White to all of the Senate’s work.

Trustees’ May Meeting Coverage

On May 18, the Trustees’ Budget & Finance Committee met and heard financial reports on the third quarter that indicated a strong balance sheet for the Consolidated University in part due to positive operating performance and strong investments. The University has received nearly $180 million Commonwealth Appropriation for the University’s facilities like the recently renovated Music Building, the new Weiss Pavilion, the Penn Park and the planned Singh nanotech building.

Trustees’ Meetings: June 17 & 18

Meetings of the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania will be held on June 17 & 18 in Houston Hall. Send attendance plans to Sydney de Lapeyrrouse at idelap@upenn.edu by June 1.

Thursday, June 17
10:15-11:45 a.m., Facilities & Campus Planning Committee, Bodek Lounge
2:30-3:30 p.m., Neighborhood Initiatives Committee, Class of ’49 Auditorium
3:45-5:15 p.m., Academic Policy Committee, Golkin Room
Budget & Finance Committee, Bodek Lounge
External Affairs Committee, Class of ’49 Auditorium
Friday, June 18
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Stated Meeting of the Trustees, Bodek Lounge

Deaths

Dr. Addonizio, Surgery

Dr. V. Paul Addonizio, former faculty member in the School of Medicine, passed away May 5 from acute myeloid leukemia at age 62.

At Penn, Dr. Addonizio was appointed assistant professor of surgery in 1985 and promoted to associate professor in 1987. He was the 1986 recipient of the surgery department’s Resident’s Faculty Teaching Award.

Specializing in adult cardiac surgery, Dr. Addonizio then left for Temple University, serving on its hospital staff until 1998 and on the faculty in its School of Medicine until 2005. Most recently, he was the surgical director of the Porter Institute for Vascular Heart Disease at Abington Memorial Hospital since its opening in 2006 and since 1996, had been chief of the division of cardiac surgery at Abington Memorial.

Dr. Addonizio earned his bachelor’s degree in biology at New York University and his medical degree from Cornell University in 1974. Dr. Addonizio is survived by his wife, Susan Williams; son, Paul; daughter, Elizabeth; his mother, Frances; and a sister.

Contributions may be sent to the Porter Institute for Vascular Heart Disease, Abington Memorial Hospital, 1200 Old York Rd., Abington, PA 19001.

Dr. Burns, English

Dr. Landon C. Burns, former assistant professor of English, passed away April 15; he was 80.

After earning his bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees from Yale University, Dr. Burns joined the faculty of Penn’s department of English where he taught until the late 1960s. He is the 1964 recipient of the faculty award given by the Friars Society.

He went on to serve as dean and provost at Washington College for two years and then was a professor of English at Pennsylvania State University for 20 years.

Dr. Burns is survived by his companion, Russell Fulton; and a cousin.

Mr. Deck, Penn Libraries

Howard S. Deck, a retired support staff member of the Penn Libraries, passed away February 15 at the age of 70.

Coming to Penn in 1965, Mr. Deck worked as a library service assistant in the Towne Scientific Library and then the Biomedical Library until he took a leave of absence in 1984 to serve as a representative of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) District Council 47. He retired in 2008.

Mr. Deck is credited for starting the first union for employees of the Penn Libraries and served as its president for many years. Local 590, which was chartered by the AFSCME, signed its first contract in 1969. Noted as an "exemplary leader" by colleagues, Mr. Deck’s leadership helped other unions including the Local 54 Dr. Dick Services.

A native of Reading, PA, Mr. Deck earned his bachelor’s degree in English from Albright College.

Mr. Deck is survived by his partner, Marvin Brown.
Dr. Greenberg, Oriental Studies

Dr. Moshe Greenberg, former faculty member in the department of Oriental Studies, passed away May 15 at the age of 81. Born in Philadelphia, Dr. Greenberg received his BA and PhD degrees from Penn in 1949 and 1954, respectively. He taught Biblical Studies here until 1970. He held the A.M. Ellis Chair in Hebrew and Semitic Languages and Literatures from 1965-1970, chaired the department of Oriental Studies (now Near Eastern and Languages and Civilizations) in the late sixties, and served as the first director of Penn’s Center for the Study of the Modern Near East (now the Middle East Center). Dr. Greenberg won the Danforth Foundation’s Harbison Prize, which was presented to him at the White House in 1968.

From 1970-1996, Dr. Greenberg served on the faculty at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and served as chair of its Bible department. According to Dr. Jeffrey Tigay, Ellis Professor of Hebrew and Semitic Languages and Literatures in the department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, “Dr. Greenberg has a long and distinguished list of publications, many of which are required readings in Penn’s undergraduate and graduate courses.”

Among his many honors, Dr. Greenberg received an honorary degree from Penn in 1996. In 1994 the State of Israel awarded him the Israel Prize in Bible, the most distinguished academic award in Israel. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; sons, Raphael, Ethan and Joel; brother, Joel; and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Stockton, Wharton

John M. Stockton, a retired professor in the Wharton School, passed away May 2 at age 86. Mr. Stockton became a lecturer at Wharton in 1953 and a full professor in 1973. He served as chair of the business law department—now the department of legal studies and business ethics—from 1963 to 1971. He retired in 1989, but continued to teach until 1995. He contributed to the 1965 book Introduction to Law and the Legal Process.

Prior to coming to Penn, he joined the Washington staff of Sen. John Sparkman of Alabama, the unsuccessful 1952 Democratic candidate for vice president.

Mr. Stockton earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Alabama. He then earned a master’s degree in law from George Washington University.

Mr. Stockton is survived by his wife, Terry-Dyale; sons, Clay, Blair, William, and John B.; daughters, Katherine and Jean; 11 grandchildren; and a sister.

Memorial contributions may be made to The ARC of Chester County (www.arcofchestercounty.org); The Southern Poverty Law Center at www.splcenter.org; or the Exeter Ambulance Association (www.exterembulance.org).

Mr. Thoumsin, Earth Sciences

S. Francis Thoumsin, Jr., former lecturer in the department now known as earth and environmental science, passed away May 6 at age 91. A geologist, Mr. Thoumsin taught off and on at Penn for four decades beginning in 1953 with the department of earth sciences, but he retired from the Environmental Protection Agency. An alumnus of Penn, he earned his BA in 1941 and a MS in earth sciences a year later. Mr. Thoumsin is survived by his wife, Helen; children, Janet E. Albryacht and C. Pierre Thoumsin; grandchildren, Abigail Wilson, Chelsea Thoumsin, Micah Albryacht and Kelli Thoumsin.

$5 Million for PIK Professorship (continued from page 1)

among many disciplines.

“I have long believed that the greatness of Penn is a direct result of great faculty,” said Mr. Heyman. “With the strength of our students and the breadth of Penn’s academic vision, it’s inspiring to see what superb scholars and teachers can accomplish here. I’m thrilled to make this gift and help propel our faculty to the highest level.”

Mr. Heyman endowed two full professorships at Penn: the Stephen J. Heyman Professorship in the Wharton School, and the Bess W. Heyman Professorship in Sociology in the School of Arts and Sciences (in honor of his mother). He has also made major capital gifts to the University, including building projects at the Wharton School and the School of Nursing.

Penn’s Making History Campaign has now raised more than 77 percent of its overall $3.5 billion goal, and has raised over $400 million toward its $623 million goal for faculty support. Since the start of the Campaign, Penn has received commitments to endow 15 Penn Integrates Knowledge University Professorships, with 10 professors currently holding PIK appointments.

Provost Vincent Price noted Mr. Heyman’s long history of commitment to faculty support, saying “We are indebted, once again, to Steve Heyman’s visionary support of scholarship and teaching at Penn. This gift will help keep our faculty at the forefront of academic eminence for decades to come.”

Mr. Heyman is a partner at Nadel and Gussman, an oil and gas exploration and production firm in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. Heyman was a member of the Board of Trustees for ten years (1986-1996) and currently serves as an Emeritus Trustee. He served on the Trustee Executive Committee (1990-1996) and was chair of the University Responsibility Committee (1995-1996). He was a member of the Presidential Search Committee that selected Judith Rodin as the seventh president of the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Heyman is a member of the School of Nursing Board of Overseers and has previously served on the Board of Overseers for SAS and as a member of the Wharton Graduate Executive Board.

For nearly 40 years, he has chaired the Alumni Secondary Schools Committee in Eastern Pennsylvania and was a member of the Alumni Council on Admissions Advisory Committee. Mr. Heyman has also been one of the founders of the Penn Club of New York and is an honorary member of The Penn Fund Executive Board.

In 2000, Mr. Heyman’s service to Penn was recognized with the Alumni Award of Merit, the University’s highest alumni honor.

Alleviating Med Students’ Debt

Dr. Walter J. Gamble, M’57, and his wife, Anne, have recently pledged to create 12 full scholarships—enabling the School of Medicine to provide critical financial aid. They have been committed to providing scholarships to Penn Med students for the past 20 years; initially they gave anonymously, but came forward in 1996 when the first six Gamble scholars graduated. They established the program so that the students would have the freedom to pursue the medical careers of their choice without being constrained by financial concerns. They went public at that time to inspire others to create similar scholarships.

In 2007, Dr. Gamble’s 50th reunion year, the Scholars launched the Walter and Anne Gamble Scholarship Fund to continue the tradition.

At the recent Medical Alumni Weekend, Penn Medicine honored the Gambles for their extraordinary philanthropy. Dr. Arthur Rubenstein presented the Gamles with commemorative prints of Penn’s historic John Morgan Building. The dean said, “It is thanks to the Gamles, and the donors they have inspired, that Penn Medicine is well positioned to continue attracting the most promising young minds. Not only have Walter and Anne given our talented students the freedom to make a true impact on medicine, but they have also made them feel like a special part of the Penn Medicine family.”

Dr. Gamble has been a pediatric cardiologist and taught at Harvard Medical School.

$25.5 Million Gift from Abramsons (continued from page 1)

DNA repair system involved in breast cancer and lymphoma.

• Genome-wide studies that have yielded new therapeutic targets for brain and kidney cancers.

• Blood and imaging tests to more easily diagnose cancers including leukemia and the deadly brain cancer glioblastoma.

• Enrollment of hundreds of patients in trials testing therapeutic vaccines for lymphoma, prostate and breast cancers, and new targeted drug therapies for melanoma.

“The advances in cancer research developed at Penn’s Abramson Cancer Center have led to new prevention, diagnosis, and treatment programs that are awe-inspiring,” said Dr. Arthur H. Rubenstein, Executive Vice President of the University of Pennsylvania for the Health System and Dean of the School of Medicine. “By fostering the spirit of scientific inquiry, the Abramsons have enabled the most talented minds in the country to engage in the most advanced basic and translational research right here in Philadelphia.”

During Alumni Weekend, at the School of Medicine’s Dean’s Dinner, the Abramsons were awarded the inaugural two dean’s medals, recognizing their distinguished service to Penn Medicine.
ic development concentration, and has developed and expanded a forward-looking research and publishing agenda in the areas of urban history, immigration, and food policy. In his role as associate chair, Dr. Vitiello has led the department’s efforts to better integrate sub-matriculating students into the graduate program, connecting the planning program to Penn’s urban studies program. Graduate and undergraduate students alike are unanimous in praising his choice of topics, thoughtfulness, presentation quality, assignment selection, approachability, and ability to relate coursework to student interests and real-world problems. To quote one of his students, “Professor Vitiello, perhaps more than any other planning faculty member, is dedicated to enriching the experience of students while at the School of Design. He not only dedicates himself fully to his teaching, but also shares his passion for making cities better places to live with planning students. He brings a sense of commitment, to people, communities, and places, to everything he is involved in. I hope he continues to inspire planners for years to come.” Dr. Vitiello received his PhD from Penn and the master of city planning degree (MCP) from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The G. Holmes Perkins Award for Distinguished Teaching by a member of the associated faculty is awarded to Ms. Jenny Sabin, lecturer in architecture. Ms. Sabin’s research, teaching and design practice focuses on the contextual, material and formal intersections between architecture, textile technologies, and biology. Her design expertise resides in contemporary design and design computation, two contemporary trajectories in architectural design research. Ms. Sabin is the co-recipient, along with Dr. Peter Lloyd Jones, of the Uphoff research grant administered by the American Institute of Architects. She is the first non-scientist member of the Institute for Medicine and Engineering (IME) at Penn, where she collaborates with the Jones Lab. She has exhibited nationally and internationally, most recently at the SIGGRAPH 2008 and 2009 Design and Computation Galleries and at Ars Electronica in Linz, Austria. Students praise Ms. Sabin’s ability to inspire and motivate through encouragement and praise. Her passion for experimental techniques in digital design is contagious. While students spoke of the nurturing environment she creates, they also praised her willingness to push them to make decisive design decisions and to move their projects forward. Ms. Sabin received her M Arch degree from Penn and holds bachelors degrees in ceramics and interdisciplinary visual art from the University of Washington.

The Award for Distinguished Teaching in the Undergraduate Programs in the School of Design is awarded to Dr. David Leatherbarrow, professor of architecture and chair of the graduate group in architecture. Dr. Leatherbarrow teaches all levels of architecture students—from undergraduate to the PhD level. A prolific author on the history and theory of architecture and the city, his 25-year record of scholarship, teaching, and service to his department and the school has been exceptional. Dr. Leatherbarrow was the first recipient of the G. Holmes Perkins Award for teaching in 1993, and the School is now pleased to recognize him for his contributions to the undergraduate experience at Penn. In addition to architecture studio and history/theory courses, Dr. Leatherbarrow teaches elective courses, including the Poetics of Architecture and Cultural Ecology: Uncovering the Roots of Green Building in the Early Modern Movement. His students have commented on the passion he has for the subjects he teaches. One student noted that Dr. Leatherbarrow has helped him to “reevaluate and reconsider the mangled language of trends in contemporary architecture. Dr. Leatherbarrow succeeded to the point that I can now articulate what I had been thinking for the last two years.” Dr. Leatherbarrow holds a PhD in art from the University of Essex and a B.Arch from the University of Kentucky.

These awards are named in honor of G. Holmes Perkins, dean of the Graduate School of Fine Arts (now the School of Design) from 1951-71, and are given in recognition of distinguished teaching and innovation in the methods of instruction in the classroom, seminar, or studio. Dean Perkins passed away in 2004 at the age of 99. The Perkins Award was established in 1993 by former Dean and Paley Professor Patricia Conway. The undergraduate award was established by the School. The awards were presented on May 16.

School of Dental Medicine Teaching Awards (continued from page 1)

Penn Dental Medicine Alumni Society, this annual event celebrates the passage of students to professional dentistry. Each academic year, the graduating class recognizes members of the faculty with teaching awards. Recipients for 2009-2010 include the following:

The Senior Outstanding Teaching Award

Presented to a faculty member who has gone beyond the scope of his/her responsibilities to significantly impact the class’s education at Penn Dental Medicine. For the fourth consecutive year, the Senior Outstanding Teaching Award was presented to Dr. Arthur Kuperstein, assistant professor-clinician-educator of oral medicine. Dr. Kuperstein has been with the School since 2002, currently serving as a clinical instructor for third- and fourth-year students. He is also course director and lecturer of the School’s radiology courses. Dr. Kuperstein is also a past recipient of the Joseph L. T. Appleton Award.

The Joseph L. T. Appleton Award

Presented to a part-time faculty member for excellence in clinical teaching. Dr. Scott Odell (D’82), clinical assistant professor-clinician in the department of oral medicine, is this year’s recipient of the award for the second year in a row. A member of the School’s faculty since 2007, Dr. Odell teaches diagnostic, radiographic, and therapeutic aspects of preventive dentistry, and is an instructor in the graduate program in medicine. The Appleton Award is named in honor of Dr. Appleton, a 1914 alumnus of Penn Dental Medicine, who served as dean of the School from 1941 to 1951. The award was founded in 1979 by Dr. Abram Cohen, a member of the Class of 1923 and father of Dean Emeritus D. Walter Cohen, Class of 1950.

The Basic Science Award

Presented for excellence in teaching within the basic sciences. This year, the award was given to co-recipients, Dr. Faizan Alawi, assistant professor in pathology, and Dr. Elliot Hersh, professor of oral surgery and pharmacology. Dr. Alawi, who teaches a second-year pathologic course, joined the School in 2001. He was a co-winner of the 2004 Joseph and Josephine Rabinowitz Award for Excellence in Research. Dr. Hersh is a seventeen-time recipient of this award. A Penn Dental Medicine faculty member since 1988, he currently serves as director of the division of pharmacology and therapeutics, teaching a second-year pharmacology course.

The Robert E. DeRevere Award

Presented for excellence in preclinical teaching by a part-time faculty member. This year’s recipient is Dr. Francis Smithgall (C’79, D’83), assistant professor-clinician in the department of restorative sciences. Dr. Smithgall currently teaches undergraduate students in the general restorative dentistry laboratory. He began service at Penn Dental Medicine as a clinical associate professor in 1984. The award is named in honor of Dr. DeRevere, a member of the Penn Dental Medicine Class of 1945, and served on the School’s faculty.

The Earle Bank Hoyt Award

Presented for excellence in teaching to a Penn Dental Medicine graduate who is a full-time junior faculty member. For the third consecutive year, Dr. Margrit Maggio (D’87), assistant professor of operative dentistry-clinician educator in the department of preventive and restorative sciences, was selected to receive the award. Dr. Maggio, who also serves as director of operative dentistry, teaches courses in the Virtual Reality Simulation Laboratory for first-year, second-year, and PASS students. She runs the General Restorative Dentistry I Operative Dentistry lecture and laboratory courses; as well as the CRASH course, an introduction to clinical dentistry for second-year students; and an Operative Dentistry Module course for third-year students. She has been a member of the School’s faculty since 1996. The award was established by a grateful patient in honor of Dr. Hoyt, a distinguished clinician and educator and member of the Class of 1918.
2010-11 Executive Board Candidates

PPSA is pleased to announce the 2010-2011 Candidates for Election.

Elections will take place June 1st and June 2nd, after the Elections meeting at noon in Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall. The voting will take place online until 4 p.m. on Friday, June 4. Anyone who wishes to vote, should sign up for the PPSA listerv so they can receive the voting link. Only monthly-paid staff, members of the University of Pennsylvania are eligible to vote.

The candidates are listed below. For full bios, see www.upenn.edu/ppsa/newest.html

Chair Elect—(one will be elected)
Glenn Steffenhofer, associate director, Housing Services

Members at Large—(five will be elected)
Christopher Cook, IT senior project leader, Penn Video Network (ISC Networking & Telecommunications, EVP Center)
Emily A. Ford, associate director, Undergraduate Academic Affairs Office of Academic Affairs/School of Nursing (Provost Center)
Katie Hanlon, associate director, Office of Student Life/PVUL/Provost Center
Holly Marvar, vice manager, Conference Services (Division of Business Services, EVP Center)
Gina Marziani, associate director, College Houses & Academic Services (Provost Center)
Dana Rich, associate director, Equity and Access, VPUL/Makku Black Cultural Center
Beth Schmitman-Malm, associate director, VPUL/OFSA Facilities (VPUL/Provost Center)
John Wylie, lieutenant, Public Safety, Penn Police Department, Division of Public Safety (EVP)

Questions on the election process may be directed to ppsa@exchange.upenn.edu

Preston Professor in Social Sciences

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in psychology from the University of Wisconsin, and his PhD in clinical psychology from the University of Minnesota. He was chair of the psychology department at Penn from 2001 to 2005 and then associate dean for the social sciences in the School from 2005 to 2009. He holds a secondary appointment in the Graduate School of Education. Dr. DeRubeis has received the Academy of Cognitive Therapy's Aaron T. Beck Award for his contributions to research on cognitive therapy. His empirical research comparing cognitive therapy and medications for severe depression has been the subject of national and international media reports.

The Samuel H. Preston Endowed Term Chair in the Social Sciences was created through the generosity of the Board of Overseers of the School of Arts and Sciences to honor Dr. Preston's service as the School's former dean. Under his leadership, SAS pursued a strategic plan focused on faculty development, undergraduate education and selective investment in core academic programs.

Class of 1940 Professor

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Term Chair was established by the Class of 1940 at its 50th reunion to honor outstanding young professors at Penn. It rotates among the four undergraduate schools for five-year terms and was held most recently by Dr. Julie Fairman in the School of Nursing.

Patent and Tangible Research Property Policies and Procedures of the University of Pennsylvania

In October of 2009, President Amy Gutmann and Provost Vincent Price convened a committee to review and revise the University’s Patent Policy. The committee, chaired by Steven J. Fluharty, Senior Vice Provost for Research, met bi-monthly and was comprised of stakeholders from across campus, including 3 representatives selected by the Faculty Senate; 1 representative selected by Penn Association of Senior and Emeritus Faculty; 1 representative selected by the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly; 1 representative selected by the Undergraduate Assembly; 3 representatives selected by the Deans of the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Engineering and Applied Science, and Medicine; 1 representative from the Office of Budget and Management Analysis; and 1 representative from the Office of General Counsel.

The committee was asked to review a number of topics, including 1) legal expenses associated with intellectual property protection and management; 2) tangible research materials; 3) technology transfer office sustainability; 4) emeritus faculty participation; 5) student entrepreneurs; 6) return to inventor process; and 7) the appeal process in the event of a dispute.

During the review and revision process the committee considered peer patent policies and metrics, Penn’s historic policies and practices, data associated with Penn’s technology transfer activities, and financial models. Major proposed revisions were presented to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Council of Deans, Academic Planning and Budget Committee, and the Provost Council on Research.

To review both the current and newly revised Patent and Tangible Research Property Policies and Procedures document please visit the Office of the Vice Provost for Research website, www.upenn.edu/research, or phone (215) 898-7236 to request a copy. We welcome your suggestions and would appreciate receiving them by Tuesday, June 8, 2010. Please direct all comments and inquiries to Michael Hoffman in the Office of the Vice Provost for Research; his e-mail address is mwh@upenn.edu.

—Steven J. Fluharty, Senior Vice Provost for Research

ISC’s New High Capacity Service for Penn’s Research Community

Information Systems and Computing (ISC) is providing a new service for researchers whose work generates large amounts of data that is sent to other institutions for further study. The new service is called ION (interoperable On-Demand Network) and is an excellent service for those researchers who send large amounts of data infrequently. ION offers flexibility at a low cost.

Internet2, which provides higher bandwidth than the Internet, has been available for more than 10 years to researchers through ISC. Internet2 provides 1 Gigabit which is shared by everyone simultaneously across the University. Under normal usage, this provides sufficient capacity for Penn’s research community. However, if a researcher sends an unusually large amount of data to other institutions, a large portion of the Gigabit is utilized. This causes insufficient capacity for others to use and results in a slowdown of their data transmission.

ION addresses this situation. ION provides increased bandwidth of up to an additional 1 Gigabit of dedicated capacity for 24 hours per session with the option to renew for short periods. At the request of an individual researcher, ISC can provide a short term connection to ION solely for that person’s use. This means a researcher who has an exceptionally large amount of data to transmit can now request a temporary connection to ION, send the data more easily and more quickly to other institutions, and not impact the ability of others to send data using Internet2. Requests for ION connections should be made two to four weeks in advance. Plans are underway to increase the capacity available through ION up to 10 Gig in the future.

In addition, for researchers who routinely send exceptionally large amounts of data, ISC offers another service which can create a permanent long-term connection.

For more information about the new ION and other services, please contact Greg Palmer at gpalmer@isc.upenn.edu or Mike Palladino at mikep@isc.upenn.edu

Reminder: Many Networked Applications and Services Unavailable June 20

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, June 20, many critical University applications and services will be unavailable when the University Data Center goes off-line for preventive maintenance of electrical systems. The outage is expected to last for about twelve hours, until noon on Sunday.

Widely used applications and services that will be unavailable include BEN applications, PennERA applications, voicemail for traditional analog phones, Blackboard course management, the Franklin catalog, and the applications accessible through U@Penn and the student portal. Please see www.upenn.edu/computing/june-outage/ for a list of affected applications and services.

Important services that will remain available in most locations include the central web service (www.upenn.edu), central e-mail services (Exchange and Zimbra), wireless services (AirPennNet and AirPennNet-Guest), regular wired PennNet, PennNet Phone, PennNet Phone voicemail, and traditional analog phone services. These services will NOT, however, be available in the following buildings affected by the electrical outage: 3401 Walnut (including the shops), Van Pelt-Dietrich Library Center, Annenberg School, Franklin Building, Franklin Annex, 3615 Locust Walk, and the Jaffe Building.

We regret any inconvenience the outage may cause; there is, unfortunately, no “right” time for everyone. If you have questions or concerns about the outage, please contact your Local Support Provider (LSP). If you don’t know who your LSP is, please see www.upenn.edu/computing/view/support/.

Robin Beck, Vice President, Information Systems and Computing
Gift to World Scholars Program from Sir Evelyn and Lady de Rothschild

The Penn World Scholars program has received a $1 million gift from Sir Evelyn and Lynn Forester de Rothschild to support a Penn World Scholar from a British Commonwealth country.

“This gift ensures that Penn continues to make a difference, by offering the very best education to all students with the potential to change the world,” Penn President Amy Gutmann said. “I am so grateful to Sir Evelyn and Lady de Rothschild for their visionary philanthropy.” The first Rothschild World Scholar will be awarded with the Class of 2014.

The Penn World Scholars Program, launched in 2008, provides financial assistance to outstanding scholars whose demonstrated leadership and future career plans indicate that a Penn education will enable them to have a significant impact on their home countries. Not only do the students receive the most generous scholarships, but they become part of a global leadership program that provides opportunities to meet with University leaders, prominent international alumni, and visitors to Penn. They also gain practical global leadership experience through international internships.

There are currently 19 Penn World Scholars on campus, from the Classes of 2011, 2012, and 2013. Hailing from India to Australia, from Latvia to Turkey, from Egypt to Vietnam, they are a remarkable group committed to improving the lot of their countrymen and women back home. These students are already having an impact on campus through their involvement in such activities as Engineers without Borders, the Kelly Writers House, Wharton Ambassadors, and the Muslim Students Association.

Wishing to thank Penn for the wonderful educational experience had by her children, Benjamin Stein, C’08, and Jake Stein, C’10, Lady de Rothschild chose to support a cause already dear to her and her husband. They are committed to helping deserving undergraduates receive the education they need and deserve, and they recently created the Mammohan Singh Undergraduate Scholarship Fund at Cambridge University, in honor of India’s Prime Minister.

“We believe in the power of education to transform the lives of individuals and society, and we believe in the power of Penn to effect that kind of transformation,” Lady de Rothschild said. “We look forward to watching our Rothschild World Scholars take their places at Penn and in the world.”

Lynn Forester de Rothschild is a former corporate lawyer and telecommunications entrepreneur. Sir Evelyn retired as chairman of N. M. Rothschild. Now he is chair, and she CEO of E.L. Rothschild, a holding company for their global network.

Under the guidance of Dr. Ann Farnsworth-Alvey, associate professor of history at the School of Arts and Sciences, Rose Espinola (C’11) will capture oral histories of young activists of Latin American descent supporting the Florida farmworkers in the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW). Ms. Espinola has been working with CIW since 2008 and began the oral history interviews this semester. This award is part of her Civic Scholars Capstone Project and her major thesis in Latin American and Latino Studies. It is expected to help create a rare archive of primary source audio and video materials.

Under the guidance of Dr. Keith Weigelt, Marks-Darvoff Family Professor at the Wharton School, Olivia S. Jung (C’12, W’12) will explore what drives people to become socially responsible using microfinance as a model. Using audio recording and transcription technology, she plans to conduct and analyze interviews about intrinsic motivations with Wharton students as well as the founders of microfinance institutions. Ms. Jung is in the Huntsman Program in International Studies and Business.

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Weigle Information Commons 2010 Seltzer Family Digital Media Awards

Thanks to the generosity of Penn Library Overseer Jeff Seltzer (W’78) and his wife Anne, the University of Pennsylvania Libraries are proud to announce the five students who have received 2010 Seltzer Family Digital Media Awards: Olivia Jung, Sascha Murillo, Yuval Orr and Allison Rhodes. Each student will have exclusive use of technology valued at $1,000 for one year. Proposed technology items include video cameras, audio recorders, laptops and multimedia software.

This is the third year that the Seltzer Family Digital Media Awards have supported student projects. The awards are administered and managed through the Penn Libraries in partnership with the Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships (CURF).

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2010 PennVention Prize Winners

PennVention is the annual student inventors’ competition at Penn that takes students through the processes of bringing an idea from conceptualization to commercialization. Weiss Tech House provides the necessary tools and resources to help students create, develop and commercialize innovative products or services. This year’s winners are:

- **First Prize:** Pocket Grill
  - **Team:** U + Capital
  - **Description:** Pocket Grill is a portable compact outdoor grill that can fold into the size of a smartphone for storage. It is a user-friendly and easy-to-use outdoor grilling solution.

- **Second Prize:** NanoLab
  - **Team:** U + Capital
  - **Description:** NanoLab offers an innovative solution for compact and affordable water quality testing. This device utilizes cutting-edge technology to provide reliable and accurate results.

- **Third Prize:** Flipables
  - **Team:** Flipables
  - **Description:** Flipables are unique, interactive flip chart pages that can be used for educational and entertainment purposes.

Penn Recognized as Healthy Workplace

Penn was selected by the Philadelphia Business Journal as one of the 36 inaugural recipients of the Healthy Workplace Award—an award created to honor employers in the Delaware Valley region that encourage health and wellness in the workplace.

Wharton Business Plan Competition

Managed by Penn Venture and sponsored by the Wharton Business Plan Competition, the Wharton Business Plan Competition is open to all Penn students. The 2010 winners are:

- **First Prize:** NanoLab
  - **Team:** U + Capital
  - **Description:** NanoLab is a portable device that provides accurate water quality testing, especially for emerging markets.

- **Second Prize:** Flipables
  - **Team:** Flipables
  - **Description:** Flipables are innovative flip chart pages that are both interactive and entertaining.

- **Third Prize:** Pocket Grill
  - **Team:** U + Capital
  - **Description:** Pocket Grill is a compact outdoor grill that can be easily stored in a smartphone case.

Excellence in Genomics Undergraduate Award

The Penn Genome Frontiers Institute congratulates its newest Excellence in Genomics Undergraduate Award winners. For the fourth year in a row, FactCheck.org was voted best political website in the 2010 Webby Awards competition, for the fourth year in a row. FactCheck.org is a nonpartisan, nonprofit “consumer advocate” for voters that aims to reduce the level of deception and confusion in US politics. Awards are presented by the International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences.
Moroccan Medal of Honor: Dr. Allen

Dr. Roger Allen, the Sascha Jane Patterson Harvie Professor of Social Thought and Comparative Ethics and professor of Arabic and comparative literature in the department of Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations, was awarded a Medal of Honor by the Kingdom of Morocco. The medal is one of the highest honors Morocco confers for contribution in the field of arts and sciences. Dr. Allen is now Commander of the Moroccan Order of National Merit.

Doctor Honoris Causa:

Dr. Delivoria-Papadopoulos

Dr. Maria Delivoria-Papadopoulos, professor emerita of pediatrics and physiology, was selected to receive a Doctor Honoris Causa award from the National Kapodistrian University of Athens, her alma mater.

A recognized international leader in the fields of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Dr. Delivoria-Papadopoulos’ work includes studying the mechanisms of brain damage in infants and finding therapeutic interventions for extremely ill premature infants.

Travel & Research Grant: Mr. Eisenberg

Ned Eisenberg, C’11, has won the Terry B. Heled Travel & Research Grant at the Kelly Writers House. Mr. Eisenberg is majoring in English. He has written for Kedma, and he has been featured in 34th Street Magazine.

Mr. Eisenberg will travel to Japan to research and write about how “Island Culture” and technology have managed to coexist in hip contemporary Tokyo life. He will present his writing next fall at the Writers House.

Pharmacia-ASPET Award:

Dr. FitzGerald

Dr. Garret FitzGerald, director of the Institute for Translational Medicine and Therapeutics, is the recipient of the 2010 Pharmacia-ASPET Award for Experimental Therapeutics. The award is given annually to recognize and stimulate outstanding research in pharmacology and experimental therapeutics—basic laboratory or clinical research that has had, or potential will have, a major impact on the pharmacological treatment of disease.

Large Endowment Manager of the Year: Ms. Gilbertson

Institutional Investor magazine named Kristin Gilbertson, chief investment officer for the University, Large Endowment Manager of the Year.

She was noted for helping to increase the University’s endowment when those of other Ivy League Schools decreased and for making wise financial decisions that resulted in Penn offering grants rather than loans to students from families with annual income of $100,000 or less.

Ivy Champs: Lacrosse & Golf

The women’s lacrosse team won its fourth Ivy League championship in a row, defeating Brown University, 19-5. This win makes them the fourth group in Penn history to put together four consecutive outright Ivy championships.

The women’s golf team won its first Ivy League championship finishing the tournament at 929. Also, Penn placed three women among the top six golfers in the competition.

Benjamin E. Mays Award: President Gutmann

President Amy Gutmann accepted the Benjamin E. Mays Award from A Better Chance in New York earlier this month in recognition of Penn’s no-loan financial-aid program and commitment to diversity and access, and for Dr. Gutmann’s scholarship on democratic education.

A Better Chance, is committed to increasing the number of young people of color who attend highly selective universities and go on to leadership positions in American society. Penn has graduated more ABC alumni than any other college or university in the country.

American Historian Award: Dr. Brown

Dr. Kathleen M. Brown, professor of history, has been selected by the Organization of American Historians (OAH) to receive the 2010 Lawrence W. Levine Award, which is given annually for the best book in American cultural history. The award was presented last month during the 103rd Annual Meeting of the Organization.

Her book, Foul Bodies: Cleanliness in Early America, is a history of the human body as both a physical entity and a cultural construct. The committee found this an innovative work that is likely to have a field-shaping impact.

Book Award: Dr. Kraidy

Reality Television and Arab Politics: Content in Public Life by Dr. Marwan M. Kraidy, associate professor of communication in the Annenberg School, has won the Best Book Award from the International Communication Association’s Division of Global Communication and Social Change.

Based on a wealth of primary data collected over five years, Reality Television and Arab Politics analyzes how reality television stirred an explosive mix of religion, politics, and sexuality, fuelling heated polemics over cultural authenticity, gender relations, and political participation in the Arab world.

McNeil Professor of Molecular Medicine and Translational Research: Dr. Lieberman

The Wistar Institute and University of the Sciences in Philadelphia named Wistar Institute principal investigator Paul M. Lieberman, the McNeil Professor of Molecular Medicine and Translational Research. In this role, Dr. Lieberman will provide leadership of the Center for Chemical Biology and Translational Medicine (CCBTM) at The Wistar Institute and University of the Sciences.

Top 10 Autism Research: Dr. Pinto-Martin

Dr. Jennifer Pinto-Martin, professor of nursing and director of the Center for Autism and Developmental Disabilities Research and Epidemiology, co-authored a journal article that was named one of the top 10 research publications of 2009 by Autism Speaks, the world’s largest autism science and advocacy organization.


PAL Award: Ms. Rush

Maureen Rush, vice president for public safety, was honored by the Philadelphia’s Police Athletic League (PAL) at its 2010 PAL Award Dinner and Silent Auction for making significant contributions to the organization for nearly a decade.

Ms. Rush joined PAL’s Board of Directors in 2002 and now serves as its secretary. In 2008, she served as chairperson of the Award Dinner, the first to reach the $1 million fundraising mark.

Associate Editor: Dr. Stringer

Associate Professor of Women’s Health Nursing Marilyn Stringer, has been named the new associate editor of the Journal of Obstetric, Gynecologic and Neonatal Nursing, the internationally-ranked scientific and technical journal of the Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses.

Beinecke Scholarship: Ms. Tsygankova

English major Valeria Tsygankova, C’11 won the Beinecke Scholarship this year. A Benjamin Franklin Scholar, Ms. Tsygankova has worked in the Penn Library’s Rare Book and Manuscripts Library for over a year and is involved with several research projects.

The Beinecke Scholarship is for students planning to obtain a PhD in the humanities, social sciences, or the arts. Each scholar receives $2,000 upon completion of their undergraduate studies, and a stipend of $15,000 for each of two years of graduate school.

Pennsylvania College Bowl Winners

Representing Penn Nursing at the annual Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Anesthetists’ Spring Symposium, four nurse anesthetist students won the 2010 “college bowl,” a Jeopardy-like contest in which students enrolled in the 13 anesthesia programs in the state answer questions related to anesthesia practice.

The team consisted of first-year students Angela DiDonato, Matt Fox, Brian Vellis, and Mike Villanueva, who were awarded an oxygen cylinder trophy.

Scientific Award: Dr. Sanger

Dr. Joseph Sanger, professor emeritus of cell and developmental biology in the School of Medicine, is the recipient of the 2010 Henry Gray/Lippincott Williams & Wilkins Scientific Achievement Award given by the American Association of Anatomists. The award recognizes unique and meritorious contributions to and achievements in anatomical sciences. Dr. Sanger is now at SUNY Upstate Medical University, but he is honored for work he conducted at Penn.

ALMANAC May 25, 2010
Penn Museum and The Franklin Institute: Discounted Double Ticket, and an Extended Egyptian Experience, During Run of Cleopatra: Search for the Last Queen of Egypt

The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology has joined with the Franklin Institute to offer an unparalleled ancient Egyptian experience—at a double ticket discount price even a pharaoh like Cleopatra would appreciate!

From June 5, 2010 through January 2, 2011, The Franklin Institute hosts a major new exhibition from Egypt, Cleopatra: Search for the Last Queen of Egypt.

Penn Museum, world renowned for its Egyptian archaeological expeditions and research, boasts ancient treasures and artifacts representing 5,000 years of history. Penn Museum visitors can stand before the world’s third largest sphinx dating to the reign of Pharaoh Ramesses II (1249-1213 BC) and walk amongst monumental architectural elements from the Palace of his son the Pharaoh Merenptah (ca. 1213-1203 BC). Two popular exhibitions delve deeper: The Egyptian Mummy: Secrets and Science, explores mummification, while Amarna, Ancient Egypt's Place in the Sun, tells the story of the short-lived royal city that was Pharaoh Tutankhamun’s childhood home.

During the Cleopatra exhibition, the Penn Museum offers a self-guided tour, Land of the Pharaohs—in print and as a downloadable podcast—exploring the long tradition of pharaonic rule that ended, forever, with the suicide of Cleopatra in 30 BC.

For discounted double tickets call 1-877-TFI-TIXS or purchase on site at the Franklin Institute. For more information visit www.fi.edu/cleopatra/penn.htm or www.penn.museum.

Penn Transit's Hollenback Shuttle: Pedestrian Access to the Hollenback Complex is Restricted Beginning May 20

Due to the construction of the new Penn Park, both the Weave and Paley Bridges, (Almanac February 3, 2009), will be temporarily closed. Closure of the Weave Bridge is planned for May 20, 2010. Closure of the Paley Bridge will occur on June 1, 2010.

The closure of the Weave Bridge in conjunction with the on-going reconstruction of the South Street Bridge will restrict pedestrian access to the Hollenback complex. (Pedestrians will still be able to access both the Penn Ice Rink and the Levy Tennis Courts via Walnut Street once the bridges are closed.)

To ensure continued access to the Hollenback complex, Penn Transit will provide a special on-call shuttle service starting May 20 with the following schedule:

- On Mondays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Penn Transit will transport riders between Hollenback and the Penn Transit stop at David Rittenhouse Laboratories (DRL) at 209 S. 33rd St. or the University City Station (which is not a normal Penn Transit stop).
- During normal Penn Transit hours of operation (daily from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.), Penn Transit will take passengers to and from Hollenback to any location within the Penn Transit boundaries.
- On weekends no daytime shuttle service will be available. On University Holidays no transit services (day or night) will be operating.

To access both the normal Penn Transit services and the special Hollenback Shuttle call (215) 898-RIDE(7433).

Please note, as this is a new service it may be necessary to make some schedule adjustments. Additionally, on August 13, new schedules for fall transportation will be announced. All transit changes will be posted on the Penn Transit website: www.upenn.edu/transportation/. You may also contact Penn Transit for specific questions about the Hollenback Shuttle at (215) 898-7433. This service will continue until the re-opening of the South Street bridge sometime in the late fall.

—Penn Transit Services

Weekly Summer Farmers’ Market to Launch at the Radian Plaza

University City District (UCD), the non-profit neighborhood improvement organization in West Philadelphia, in partnership with The Food Trust, The Rotunda and Inland American Retail Management LLC, announces the launch of the Friday Farmers’ Market @ The Radian. This new market will be held every Friday in June and July from noon-2 p.m. at the plaza in front of The Radian at 3925 Walnut Street.

It will feature a variety of Pennsylvania’s delectable foods sold by local growers themselves, including fresh, fruits and vegetables, sustainably raised meats, and fresh breads and baked goods.

“The Food Trust is excited to be a partner in this summer’s farmers’ market at The Radian. We’re pleased to offer University City shoppers another fun and convenient opportunity to buy fresh produce from local farmers,” added The Food Trust’s Nicky Uy.

In addition to fresh and local foods, the market will be complimented with intimate performances by a variety of exceptional Philadelphia musicians and ensembles including the West Philadelphia Orchestra and Unidos da Filadelfia. Located in the heart of University City and within feet from popular offerings such as Cagogi Gelato Artisans, The Bridge Cinema, the Iron Chef-owned Bobby’s Burger Palace, and Metropolitan Bakery, 40th and Walnut Street has quickly become one of the most diverse destinations in Philadelphia.

“University City District is pleased to be able to present this Farmers’ Market program offering fresh produce and farm goods to the University City community. We selected “The Radian” because it’s a unique public space affording us the ability to program the plaza. We’re targeting area employees, students and neighbors with the ultimate goal of getting them access to healthy foods while adding music to enliven the area,” said Lori Brennan, director of marketing and communications.

Friday Farmers’ Market @ The Radian is presented by University City District, The Food Trust, The Rotunda, and Inland American Retail Management LLC with support from InTech Construction and generous media sponsorship from Grid Magazine, Philadelphia Weekly, Campus Philly, and the University City Review.

Be a Part of PennMOVES!

PennMOVES is in need of one last large push for volunteers to help prepare for the Community Sale on June 5. If you haven’t already volunteered and are considering it, we still need help! Volunteer at any time prior to the sale on Saturday, June 5. It is more fun to volunteer with your colleagues so we welcome departmental teams! To volunteer, visit the website: www.pennmoves.info.

The PennMOVES community sale is open to faculty, staff and students, as well as the surrounding community. Proceeds will help organize advertisements identified by the United Way. The sale will be held Saturday, June 5 at the Penn Ice Rink, 3130 Walnut Street, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. In addition, bargain hunters can pay an early admittance fee of $5 for entry on a first-come, first-served basis between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. On-site parking is available. All items are sold as is. Sale items include televisions, refrigerators, printers and other small appliances; household and kitchen items, clothing, lamps, furniture (tables, sofas, chairs); bikes, books, school supplies and other miscellaneous items.

Division of Business Services

Pennsylvania Muscle Institute Pilot Project & Visiting Scholar Grants: Muscle Biology, Muscle Disease, and Cell Motility—June 18

The Pennsylvania Muscle Institute is accepting applications for pilot grants for innovative research projects in muscle, muscle disease, cytoskeleton, and cell motility. We will provide up to three grants of $40,000 each to enable faculty members to pursue novel approaches in key PMI emphasis areas. Preference will be given to proposals that (a) target areas in muscle biology and muscle disease, (b) initiate new multi-investigator collaborations, or (c) develop new technologies. Recipients will be expected to use the funds for one year to obtain preliminary data to support an extramural application, especially a federal, multi-investigator grant. Funds may also be used to sponsor a visiting scholar, with the goal of bringing prominent muscle researchers to Penn for the purpose of fostering new collaborations that will result in extramural funding.

E-mail a PDF file of the application by June 18 to mfoster@mail.med.upenn.edu. The application should include: 1. Cover page and abstract: Include contact information for the PI and major collaborators, and an abstract of up to 250 words. 2. Budget and justification (1 page): one year (7/1/10–6/30/11), up to $40,000. Salary support for technical personnel is allowed, but salary support for faculty is not. 3. Research Proposal (4 pages max). Provide specific aims, background, rationale, and experimental approach. Indicate how this project represents a new direction for your laboratory, and please provide a plan for continued funding. 4. NIH format biosketches of key personnel. For further details, please visit the PMI website, www.med.upenn.edu/pmi.

—Dr. Michael Ostap, Director, Pennsylvania Muscle Institute Professor of Physiology, School of Medicine

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Deadline to submit claims; July 27; July 14–15; 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

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You can pre-register for programs by visiting the online course catalog at www.hr.upenn.edu/coursecatalog or by contacting Learning and Education at (215) 898-3400.

The Penn Perspective; June 9–10; 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; $75. Penn is a unique institution with a proud history that spans the last two centuries. Combine this with its spirit of innovation and service, and you have a large and complex enterprise with a worldwide reputation for excellence. Do you ever wonder what it takes to keep the University running so well for so long? Well now you can find out. The Penn Perspective is a two-day event where attendees learn about the complexities of Penn and what keeps the University running from one day to the next. You’ll have the opportunity to interact with other members of the Penn community and get a better understanding of the role you play at Penn.

Brown Bag Matinee—Focus Your Vision; June 16; noon–1 p.m.; free. Take a virtual vacation from your desk as you travel with former National Geographic photographer Dewitt Jones in this video presentation. Focus Your Vision creatively uses the striking photographic work of Jones to teach us the importance of direction and purpose as we set goals to accomplish in our personal and professional lives. You’ll learn seven concepts that are key to focusing successfully through this innovative and unusual training film.

Career Focus Brown Bag—Interviewing for Success; June 30; noon–1 p.m.; free. Wondering how to set yourself apart from other job applicants? A successful interview can often be the deciding factor for many hiring managers when choosing the right candidate for a job. This workshop will teach you the elements of effective interviews and how to successfully market yourself and your skills in order to ace your next interview. You’ll learn how to prepare for a variety of different interview types and the importance of nonverbal communication when interviewing.

AMA’s Strategies for Developing Effective Presentation Skills; July 14–15; 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; $75. This two-day program will provide you with the skills to deliver clear, informative, memorable and convincing presentations. Learn by doing as you receive ongoing, personalized feedback on three live presentations. Subjects to be addressed include determining your objectives in giving a presentation, balancing verbal and nonverbal messages, developing and organizing presentation content, rehearsing and using notes, reducing and channeling nervousness, using visual aids, handling questions and more.

Brown Bag Matinee—The Abilene Paradox; July 21; noon–1 p.m.; free. Have you ever said “yes” to a proposed group decision when you really wanted to say “no”? This video will show you how common—and costly—it is to support group plans that you really don’t believe in. You’ll also learn how to create a work environment where people are free to disagree and encouraged to voice their true opinions.

Career Focus Brown Bag—The Helping Hand: Coaching Skills for Managers; July 27; noon–1 p.m.; free. Knowing how to delegate is an essential skill for managers. In this video led by John Cleese, you’ll learn the ins and outs of delegating and coaching and how to increase the ability and productivity of your staff. This video will help you understand the purpose of coaching and recognize common misconceptions about coaching. You’ll also learn a systematic, five-step approach to coaching your staff so that they can increase their knowledge, skills and experiences.

Money Still in Your Pre-Tax Expense Account?

If you have an unused balance in your Health Care or Dependent Care Pre-Tax Expense Accounts, you should keep some important dates in mind.

Due to an IRS regulation known as “Use It or Lose It,” if you don’t use the Pre-Tax Expense Accounts, you should keep some important dates in mind.

Penn's plan year runs from July 1–June 30 of each year. The money you contribute to the Pre-Tax Expense Accounts during each plan year can only be used for expenses incurred within certain dates (see below). Keep in mind that the expenses must be incurred while you are actively participating in the accounts.

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New Benefits Deductions Start in June

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Almanac On-the-Go: RSS Feeds

Almanac provides an RSS Feed. For instructions on how to subscribe to the Almanac RSS Feed.

Opening July 1–The Robert A. Fox Fitness Center

Located at the Weiss Pavilion at Franklin Field, the Robert A. Fox Fitness Center is a state of the art facility offering two levels of recreational fitness, over 35 pieces of strength training equipment, free weights, cardiovascular equipment, and personal training. Offering a variety of classes such as Yoga, T’ai Chi, and Pilates, the Fitness Center includes certified personal trainers.

Employee and family members will have access to the Fox and Pottruck Health and Fitness Centers and Hutchinson Gymnasium. Customer service and assistance will be provided by operations and fitness staff—faculty and staff—for support when you need it most.

Offered through ADP—Penn’s partner in administering health benefits—our advocacy services can help you understand how health plans operate, laws governing the health care industry and general rules and regulations pertaining to your health care benefits. Just use ADP’s toll-free number for easy access to support in resolving complex health benefit issues. They’ll assist you with questions and concerns in a variety of areas, including enrollment discrepancies, claims disputes, medical case review, life event status changes, and more.

More information or to use ADP’s advocacy services, contact ADP at (800) 422-9306, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.–6 p.m. or advocate@adp.com.

Penn Ice Rink Survey

Participate in the Penn Ice Rink Survey at www.upenn.edu/survey/IcRink for a chance to win one of four prizes; two tickets to the Philadelphia Flyers or Disney on Ice, a free session of “Learn to Skate” classes or $75. Penn’s plan year runs from July 1–June 30 of each year. The money you contribute to the Pre-Tax Expense Accounts during each plan year can only be used for expenses incurred within certain dates (see below). Keep in mind that the expenses must be incurred while you are actively participating in the accounts.

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—Division of Human Resources
Update
May AT PENN

FILM

27 Afterschool; followed by Q&A with directed Antonio Campos; 7 p.m.; rm. 265, John Morgan Building (Cinema Studies).

AT PENN Deadlines

Submissions for the Update in the July 13 issue are due Monday, May 28. The deadline for the September AT PENN is Tuesday, August 10. For information see www.upenn.edu/almanac/calendar/caldead-real.html.

Events are subject to change. Information can be found on the sponsoring department’s website. Sponsors are listed in parentheses. For locations, call (215) 898-5000 or see www.facilities.upenn.edu.

The Summer AT PENN is online, www.upenn.edu/almanac.

Job Opportunity

Almanac is looking to hire a temporary employee to work approximately 30 hours per week beginning in mid-August and ending in early December. Familiarity with Penn and web experience required, proficiency in Dreamweaver 8 helpful.

Please send resumes to almanac@upenn.edu for consideration.

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 May 10-16, 2010. Also reported were 15 crimes against property (including 12 thefts, 1 auto theft, 1 case of fraud, and 1 act of vandalism). Full reports are available at: www.upenn.edu/almanac/volumes/v66n34/crereport.html. Prior weeks’ reports are also online. —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 May 10-16, 2010. The University Police actively patrol from Market Street to Baltimore Avenue and from the Schuylkill River to 33rd Street in conjunction with the Philadelphia Police. In this effort, we 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 (215) 898-4482.

10th District Report

10 incidents with 1 arrest (including 8 robberies and 2 aggravated assaults) were reported between May 10-16, 2010 by the 10th District covering the Schuylkill River to 49th Street & Market Street to Woodland Avenue.

18th District Report

11 incidents with 1 arrest (including 8 robberies and 2 aggravated assaults) were reported between May 10-16, 2010 by the 18th District covering the Schuylkill River to 49th Street & Market Street to Woodland Avenue.

1st District Report

11 incidents with 1 arrest (including 8 robberies and 2 aggravated assaults) were reported between May 10-16, 2010 by the 1st District covering the Schuylkill River to 49th Street & Market Street to Woodland Avenue.

Tuscan Travels

The Burrison Gallery’s current exhibit, Ten Years Painting Tuscany: A Retrospective features the work of Penn alumnus Leslie Ehrin, including this painting, Volterra Vista, one of the many pieces depicting her travels through Tuscan. This show runs through June 25.

Almanac Offices: New Location

Almanac has relocated its offices to the second floor of 3910 Chestnut Street/3111. The main phone number and fax number remain the same.

Almanac Schedule

This is the last issue this spring. During the summer there will be one issue—July 13. The deadline is Monday, June 28. Breaking news will be posted in the Almanac: Between Issues section of the Almanac website; and sent out to Express Almanac subscribers. To subscribe, see www.upenn.edu/almanac/express.html.

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RESEARCH

Are you interested in quitting smoking? The University of Pennsylvania Tobacco Use Research Center is recruiting non-menthol cigarette smokers over the age of 21 for a 2 month research study with an FDA approved smoking cessation medication, Chantix. Eligible participants will be asked to complete 15 in-person visits. Participants will be compensated for their time. For more information, please call Rachel at (215) 746-7149 and refer to “Almanac ad.”

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For information call (215) 898-5274 or visit www.upenn.edu/almanac/faqs.html#ad.

CLASSIFIED—PERSONAL

Position Wanted: Research scientist with 25 years’ experience in biochemistry and molecular biology, keenly interested in the role of acid sensitive ion channels and receptors in pain and inflammatory disorders, seeks position in lab with similar interests. Please reply to OLTAZYA@yahoo.com

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Finding the Past: 1962 Time Capsule Opening at the Parent-Infant Center

A ceremony was held at the Parent-Infant Center (PIC) on April 27 to open a time capsule that was discovered during the recent renovation of the Marni Sweet Building on the site of the former Philadelphia Divinity School between 42nd and 43rd and Locust and Spruce Streets.

The building, formerly the Divinity School’s library, was acquired by Penn after the Divinity School combined with its sister institution in Cambridge, MA in 1974 (Almanac March 30, 2010).

The renovated Sweet Building will officially be dedicated on September 23 in memory of the late Marni Sweet, PIC’s longtime director (1982-2007). The time capsule was found inside a concrete date marker that had to be moved in order to install an additional exit to comply with building codes and licensing requirements for a child care center.

At the ceremony, executive director of the Parent-Infant Center, Cynthia Roberts, gave opening remarks before the time capsule was opened by the Rev. Dr. Katherine Ragsdale, dean and president of the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge.

A group of children watched as Rev. Dr. Ragsdale pried open the lead-lined box and carefully unearthed each item. What surprised onlookers was a letter found inside the box indicating that the capsule was sealed on May 31, 1962. It also included newspapers and other periodicals, class and construction photos, programs of events held at the Divinity School, a Bible, a 1962 Phillies schedule, an American Flag, and a watch that had been carried through World War II, among other items.

Other time capsules on campus include one that was created for the re-dedication of the Kelly Writers House in 1997, and a millennium time capsule that was placed in Houston Hall to memorialize student life in the year 2000 during the opening of Perelman Quad.

There is also the famous cornerstone in College Hall that eluded search efforts for many years. Set in 1871, it was located exactly 105 years later in a basement men’s room directly beneath the President’s Office. Although it was not opened, the University has a list of its contents, which include building plans, photographs, a University catalog and boxes from student groups, the inaugural speech of then Provost Charles J. Stille, and many other items. The box, which may remain sealed until the building’s bicentennial in 2071, was inscribed with red and blue pigment, debunking the myth that the University’s colors were established at a 1874 track meet.