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Promoting literacy



Precious Young, a student at Duckrey Elementary School, reads while behind her two Temple graduate students in the Creative Writing program, Natacha Leonard (left) and Mecca Sullivan, look on. Young participated in the young author workshops offered by New City Writing, a center directed by professor Eli Goldblatt in the Temple English department.

Creative writing students encourage young authors

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Natacha Leonard and Mecca Sullivan, both second-year students in Temple's graduate program in creative writing, knew at a young age that they wanted to become writers. Sullivan decided on that career as early as fifth grade, and Leonard had an elementary school teacher who prodded her to keep writing.

Now, thanks to an initial series of young author workshops at the Tree House Books children's bookstore in North Philadelphia, Leonard and Sullivan are returning the favor for a group of students from Duckrey Elementary School.

"I had a teacher who would always laugh at my funny stories and encourage me to keep at it," said Leonard, from Silver Spring, Md. "For me to be able to give back and help these kids with their own writing is so satisfying. It's a great opportunity to show them that writing is important and worth pursuing."

Leonard and Sullivan — and a third Temple graduate student, Martina Arnal, an art education major at the Tyler School of Art — taught after-school sessions in poetry, fiction and printmaking to a dozen students three days a week for four weeks this fall.

At a reception at Tree House Books on Nov. 16, each

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Katrina-displaced students make mark

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University of New Orleans senior Christian Stevens is determined to get his college degree. Never mind that his mother is fretting about his safety or that the New Orleans recovery effort is off to a wobbly start 12 weeks after Hurricane Katrina came ashore. Stevens won't hear it.

"If I have to walk around New Orleans with a toxic mask on for four months, I'll do it," said Stevens, who studied at Temple as a visiting student this semester after his senior year was interrupted by Katrina. "Whatever it takes. I'm too close to stop now."

Stevens, a business major, stands 18 credits short of his diploma. He has already registered online for his spring semester at UNO and will leave Philadelphia, where his family has taken up temporary residence, for New Orleans in January.

Even so, Stevens will encounter major obstacles when he returns to his home city. For one, he's not sure where he'll stay, as his family's New Orleans East house is uninhabitable because of extensive damage from the hurricane. Much of the city remains without power, and reports of looting persist.

"I'm kind of nervous about going back to New Orleans," he said. "There are a number of unpre-

dictable situations. I just hope that those students who do go back won't be alone and having to face these struggles on their own."

According to an estimate by the National Student Clearinghouse, an organization that provides academic reporting and verification services to nearly 3,000 higher education institutions, more than 18,000 college students were forced to flee the Gulf Coast region after Katrina.

Of those 18,000 students, 43 came to at Temple after the

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Rao to head work in hematology and thrombosis

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A. Koneti Rao, professor of medicine, thrombosis research and pharmacology, has been named head of hematology and the Sol Sherry Thrombosis Research Center at the School of Medicine. Thrombosis, one of the leading causes of death, occurs when a blood clot obstructs a blood vessel.

Rao succeeds Robert W. Colman, who has led the section and center since 1979 and will continue his research at Temple. A pioneer in the field, Colman has published more than 600 scientific articles and edits the leading thrombosis textbook, *Hemostasis and Thrombosis: Basic Principles And Clinical Practice*.

Under his leadership, Temple became one of the premier thrombosis research centers in the world. Researchers at the center have been funded continuously by the National Institutes of Health since the 1970s.

Rao has been a faculty member at Temple since 1979, having most



Rao

recently served as the associate dean for the school's M.D.-Ph.D. program.

His primary research focus is on the molecular mechanisms of

inherited defects in blood platelet function. He's also studying alterations in blood coagulation mechanisms in arterial diseases, diabetes mellitus, sickle cell anemia and other disorders.

Rao has published more than 100 scientific articles, with his findings appearing in such journals as the *New England Journal of Medicine*. He has been honored with the Investigator Recognition Award of the International Society on Thrombosis and Hemostasis (1997) and a Temple University Faculty Research Award (2001). Principal editor of *Platelets*, Rao has served as guest editor and/or editorial board member of publications such as the *Seminars in Thrombosis and Hemostasis* and *Hematology/Oncology Today*. ♦

Theater department unveils M.F.A. in acting

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With a curriculum geared to attract professional actors with extensive national experience, the theater department will unveil its newly designed M.F.A. program in acting beginning in fall 2006.

"We have constructed a curriculum that is geared for the seasoned professional artist who is seeking to take his or her craft to the next level through complete 'immersion' in the study of acting," said Donna Snow, head of the undergraduate and graduate acting programs at the School of Communications and Theater.

"Working actors seldom consider getting off the 'express train' of their careers for in-depth study. This environment will allow the actor to grow professionally and experience a personal renaissance

as a performer as well as become a master teacher in an area of choice."

"From an actor's point of view, this program is a great idea," said Jude Ciccolella, an alumnus of Temple's theater program whose film and television credits include *The Shawshank Redemption*, *The Manchurian Candidate* (2004), "24," "NYPD Blue" and "Law & Order."

"It's a wonderful opportunity for an actor with a serious track record to reconnect with the kind of creative vitality that time spent working in the industry doesn't always allow, and still be in the center of the action," Ciccolella said. "They can participate in all facets of the business — theater, movies, commercials, television — in Philadelphia, the nation's fourth-largest media hub, and get

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Bits&PCs

Security Tip: Protect your new home computer

The holiday season is here, and many households will soon be opening boxes containing exciting new computers to use for Internet searching, shopping and other online business. An alarming percentage of home users will simply unplug old equipment and replace it with the new computer. Within a short time, many of these new machines will become infected with viruses, spyware and adware. Many will require expensive, time-consuming professional service.

The University has made a substantial investment of computing security resources so users at Temple can connect to the Internet in relative safety. But what about home computers? What can average home users do to protect their privacy and their data against a growing army of cyber criminals who are constantly trying to obtain their credit card numbers, account passwords and other important private information?

Generally, there are at least three things that every home computer user should do before connecting to the Internet:

1. Use the Internet connection firewall that comes with your new computer. Both Apple Macintosh OS X and Microsoft Windows XP operating systems now include this software device, which is designed to block incoming connections to your computer from other computers on the Internet. Windows users can get firewall setup instructions at www.microsoft.com/athome/security/protect/firewall.msp. Mac users can learn more about the OS X Personal Firewall at www.apple.com/macosex/features/security.

2. Download and install the latest patches for your computer's operating system and other software. As software vendors discover vulnerabilities to the constant attacks by cyber criminals, they issue patches that render the attacks harmless. These patches must be installed to keep your computer safe. Windows users should choose "Windows Update" from the Start menu; Mac users should select "Software Updates" from their System Preferences, and then put a check in the "Automatic Updates" box. Both Mac and Windows users should repeat this process weekly.

3. Purchase and use a good antivirus product to detect and remove virus infections. Temple offers Symantec AntiVirus software to its students, faculty and staff for home use at a minimal cost. This is a special home version of the same powerful antivirus software that protects all computers attached to Temple's network. For details, go to www.temple.edu/cs/security/virusinfo.

Finally, the single most important thing you can do to protect your home computer is to follow the rules for safe computing:

- Protect your data with strong passwords and change them frequently.
- Don't open e-mail messages or click on links in messages that come from strangers or an untrusted source.
- Don't download "free" software, music or videos. These often contain spyware, adware or viruses.

HRMatters

A prescription to beat winter doldrums

For many Temple employees, the winter season's shorter daylight hours produce a phenomenon called seasonal affective disorder (SAD). Symptoms could include lack of energy, increased need for sleep, a craving for sweets and the inevitable weight gain. Strategies often recommended to reduce the effects of SAD include spending more time outside during daylight hours, gradually increasing indoor light in the morning, enhancing one's exercise regime, eating a balanced diet and other stress management techniques. Additionally, seeking out stimulating and meaningful mental activity has proved beneficial for some experiencing SAD, especially if these activities are led by an energetic team of HR staff members, other Temple employees and outside presenters.

Therefore, in an ongoing effort to help maintain the health, wealth and wisdom of Temple employees, the Human Resources Department's online spring course catalog will be available in December and an e-mail will be sent to Temple employees announcing its arrival. With more than 100 programs offered, including new programs and topics, attending HR programs can satisfy PDP requirements while warding off the counterproductive effects of SAD.

Back by popular demand

"Butting Heads: Dealing With Conflict and Anger"; "Influence With and Without Authority"; "The Thinkers' Toolkit"; "Type Talk: Myers-Briggs Type Indicator at Work"; and "Presentations with Pizzazz." Extra sessions of these ever-popular programs may be added in response to customer demand.

Career Development Series

"Career Makeover"; "Looking Good on Paper: Resume Writing"; "Moving On Up At Temple University"; "Interviewing Like a PRO: Take Your Job and Love It"; "Everyone Is A Star: Career Coaching for Supervisors"; and "A How-To Guide for Mentors and Mentees."

Supervisors and managers

"Stepping Up to Supervision"; "Supervisory Development Program"; "Supervisory Development Program Advanced"; "Management Development Program" (for mid-level managers); "Leadership Forum"; "By-The-Book Leadership Development Series"; and "Fixing Problems: Planning for Change."

In addition, a Human Resources Matters Series will include the following programs:

"Absence Management: FMLA, ADA, WC"; "Classification System Demystified: A Manager's Overview to Labor and Employee Relations"; "How to Hire the Right Person: Competency-Based Behavioral Interviewing"; "HR Systems for New and Not-So-New Temple Supervisors"; "A Manager's Overview of Employee Benefits"; "Employee Assistance Program and PNC Bank Offerings"; "EAP: The Supervisor's Orientations to EAP"; "Advance Directives for Health Care"; "Options and Resources for Older Relatives"; "Active Parenting"; "PNC: Making Your Savings Multiply."

For detailed descriptions of these programs, please visit the HR Training and Organizational Development Web site at <https://atlas.ocis.temple.edu/hr>.

To view Universitywide train-

ing resources, employees can visit Human Resources' home page at www.temple.edu/hr and click on the University-Wide Training and Development link. At the top of the page is the Competency-Based Training and Development Programs link, <https://atlas.ocis.temple.edu/hr>, which connects directly to HR's Organizational Development & Training online registration system. There, Temple employees can select exactly the programs that will satisfy their developmental needs and can search for a course by competency, date, course title or audience. In addition, it is highly recommended that employees retake programs they completed more than three years ago, as content and facilitators change regularly.

Even though attendance in a Human Resources seminar is not a Performance Development Plan requirement, HR's programs are popular and many hopeful seminar participants have found programs closed by the time they have attempted to register.

Unfortunately, there has also been an increased number of no-shows: registrants who don't cancel and don't attend the program for which they have registered. Although HR is aware that often there are circumstances that prevent one from attending a program, this practice prevents other Temple employees who want to attend from doing so. In fairness to all employees and program presenters who design and prepare materials based on registration lists, HR is reviewing no-show and lateness policy options that may be implemented if this problem continues.

Enhancements to the online

course registration system are under way that will enable registrants to cancel their own registration. Until this new system is operational, registrants must cancel their registration before 5 p.m. two days before a program by sending an e-mail to Janet Rone at janet.rone@temple.edu. It is recommended that employees who have attempted to register for a program and found it closed check the online registration site up to the day of a program, as it is hoped that timely cancellations will allow HR to reopen programs, making room for employees who can attend at the last minute.

Department heads are reminded that many of HR's seminars can be delivered to individual work units as described in the course catalog or tailored to meet specific departmental needs. When requested, programs are also offered on the Ambler Campus, Fort Washington site, Tyler Campus, the School of Podiatric Medicine in Center City and the Harrisburg campus. To schedule departmental training programs or an individual or team administration of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, contact Marie Amey-Taylor at 215-204-1673 or marie.amey-taylor@temple.edu. For customer service-specific training, contact Eric Brunner at 215-204-3318 or eric.brunner@temple.edu.

Human Resources continues to welcome suggestions for new programs and encourages Temple employees to participate, practice and perform as they anticipate the return of longer sunny days and daylight-saving time. ♦

Protecting kids from lead poisoning



Photo by Kelly & Massa

Temple Health Connection recently co-sponsored the "Keeping Our Children Lead-Free" ceremony at the Norris Homes Community Center, located adjacent to Main Campus. The event celebrated Philadelphia's efforts to prevent lead poisoning in children. During the event, infants and toddlers were tested for lead, and Health Connection director Nancy Rothman, professor of nursing at the College of Health Professions (above left), spoke with families about the National Nursing Centers Consortium's Lead Safe Babies program, in which Temple Health Connection is an active participant. Co-sponsors included the Environmental Protection Agency and the Philadelphia Department of Health.

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Teaching, music both have their charms for Lindback winner Klein

The Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation has granted Temple additional time to identify winners for its annual awards, and four outstanding faculty members were selected as 2005 winners. Michael Klein will be included in the faculty convocation in April 2006.

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From the time he started taking piano lessons at age 9, Michael Klein knew music was in his future. What he didn't know was that it would be in teaching that he would find his greatest rewards.

"I knew right away I was going to do music," said Klein, associate professor of music theory in the Boyer College of Music and Dance. After the regimen of lessons and recitals during his growing-up years, he enrolled at the Eastman School of Music, earning two degrees in performance (a B.M., with distinction, in piano performance and an M.M. in performance and literature, also in piano).

"I was too dumb to realize that if you don't have a career at age 12, you're done — and I was no child prodigy," he recalled with a laugh.

After several years spent freelancing, Klein realized he wanted to pursue a doctorate. "I walked in to the University of Buffalo and asked, 'What's your quickest Ph.D. that I can get?'"

That's how Klein came to enroll in their doctoral program in music theory, the study of structure and meaning in music. "It's basically studying the grammar of music," he explained. "It's somewhat akin to literary criticism."

For Klein, the degree program not only gave him a fast track to a Ph.D., but along the way, "I found out I was good at it — a lot better at music theory than at playing the piano."

It also opened the door to teaching. While pursuing his degree, he served as education coordinator for the Buffalo Philharmonic, a job that took him into the public schools to prepare students for the orchestra's children's concerts.

"I loved it. I got to talk about music and get kids excited about music," he said.

He's still getting students excited about music. Now, it's the undergraduate and graduate students he teaches across all majors in the Boyer College, where in just six years, he has built a reputation as a masterful classroom teacher. Klein, who has been awarded a 2005 Chris-

tian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, downplays his teaching prowess.

"I had a dream once that I got a job and when I showed up to teach, they told me, 'You're supposed to be in the class, not in front of it.'"

"That dream gave me my perspective on what I do. My job is not to teach students, but to learn from them. They teach me so much with their questions."

His teaching style, Klein said, has evolved. "I started out trying to be a really difficult teacher — 'do this now, do that this way.' I got good results from the overachievers in class, but not from anybody else."

"I decided to take a more personable approach and be more like who I am. I want students to feel comfortable and to feel that it's safe to say what they want without fear of being put down. And I use humor to get them into a topic. I like to have fun, and I want them to have fun."

He rarely teaches the same course the same way. "If things don't work, I toss them out. And with so many pieces of music to choose from, I like to vary the mix."

In their course evaluations, his students sing his praises. "What a rocking teacher," a student in his aural theory class wrote. Others cited his "passion for music," his "great knowledge," his relaxed, humor-infused teaching style, and the attention he gives to individual students.

The admiration is clearly mutual. "I love teaching here," said Klein, who came to Temple in 1999 after a three-year teaching stint at the University of Texas. "I like the energy of teaching in a city. The students here have a certain grittiness; they're always in your face, challenging you. And I love to see students achieve something they never thought they could do."

"It's a pretty wonderful life." Klein recently learned he has received the Publication of the Year Award from the Society for Music Theory for his article on Chopin published in *Music Theory Spectrum*, the premier journal in the field.

After the publication of his first book, *Intertextuality in Western Art Music* (Indiana University Press), he is at work on another, this one about music's ability to make people transcend their cultural surroundings.

As in his teaching, Klein holds himself to the highest standards.

"I want to write the best book I can," he said. ♦

Skorski receives prestigious award from Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

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Leukemia researcher Tomasz Skorski has been awarded the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's prestigious Stohlman Scholar Award in recognition of his "outstanding contributions to the advancement of blood cancer research."

The award was presented at the Stohlman Scholar Scientific Symposium held in Scottsdale, Ariz., earlier this fall.

From 2000 to 2005, Skorski was a Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) Scholar while serving as an associate professor of biology and co-director of the Center for Biotechnology in the College of Science and Technology. As an LLS Scholar, Skorski has his salary at the University co-funded by the society.

As of Nov. 1, he moved to the School of Medicine, where he is now an associate professor of microbiology and immunology. Skorski will also continue with a joint appointment as a member of the biology faculty in CST.

The Stohlman Award was created in honor of Dr. Frederick Stohlman, a pioneer in developmental hematopoiesis. A major figure in stem cell physiology research and a highly regarded mentor to a generation of scientists at the forefront of blood cancer research, Stohlman was tragically killed in a 1974 plane crash.

The award is given annually to Society Scholars who are in the fifth year of their research scholarship. Society Scholars are highly qualified investigators who have



Photo courtesy the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Beverly Mitchell (right), chair of the Scientific Affairs Committee of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, presents the Stohlman Scholar Award to Tomasz Skorski, associate professor of microbiology and immunology in the School of Medicine, during the society's Stars & Scholars Luncheon earlier this fall in Arizona.

demonstrated their outstanding ability to conduct original research bearing on leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma.

These scholars typically hold faculty-level or equivalent positions at major research institutions. In addition to Temple, this year's Stohlman Scholar Award recipients are from Harvard, UCLA and the Université de Montreal.

"The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society only gives out four to five awards worldwide, so this was like, 'Wow!' for me," Skorski said. "The four other award recipients are scientists from prestigious institutions, so it was a real pleasure for me to be honored with them."

Skorski has been investigating the molecular mechanisms that cause the chronic myelogenous leukemia cell to become resistant to treatment, as well as developing new therapeutic strategies that will stop mutagenesis in these cells. His research is funded by

grants from the National Institutes of Health, Department of Defense, American Cancer Society and Novartis.

In addition to receiving the Stohlman Scholar Award at the symposium, Skorski also organized and chaired a session on "The Consequences of DNA Damage and Unfaithful Repair in Leukemia Cells." His speakers included researchers and scientists from Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, the University of Pennsylvania, Ohio State University and Tufts-New England Medical Center.

"Temple University also shares in this award," Skorski said. "They gave me a wonderful opportunity, provided me with outstanding facilities and created an environment that encouraged me to pursue my research at the highest level. Without the University's support, this recognition would not have been possible." ♦

M.F.A. in acting to make debut

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their graduate degree in acting, and be an hour and a half from New York. It's almost too good to be true!"

The new 60-credit MFA program will provide the flexibility for actors to customize their course of study based on their own interests as well as maintain their professional careers while pursuing their degree. It can be completed over the span of two years and two summers or over three years.

"The university setting offers the richness of interdisciplinary resources in which to pursue an in-depth study of performance topics," said Concetta Stewart, dean of the School of Communications and Theater. "Whether a candidate chooses to focus on Moliere, Noel Coward or the Michael Chekhov technique, the program empowers the actor to focus intensively on the topic of choice."

Students enrolled in the program may, with approval from the graduate acting faculty, receive credit for projects in professional theater, television and

film; workshops and symposia; and internships with master teachers.

An audition and interview are required for admission to the program. Audition dates are scheduled as follows:

- New York City: Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28–29; Crowne Plaza Hotel, Suite 1503, Times Square, 1605 Broadway.

- San Francisco: Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 11–12; Renaissance Parc 55 Hotel, Raphael Room, 4th Floor, 55 Cyril Magnin.

- Philadelphia: Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 25–26; Temple University, Annenberg/Tomlinson Complex, Rehearsal Hall, TT 102, 2020 N. 13th St.

Candidates should send a resume with a letter of interest to: Donna Snow, Head of Acting Program, Department of Theater/MFA Program, School of Communications and Theater, Temple University, 1301 W. Norris St., Philadelphia, PA 19122, or via e-mail: dsnow@temple.edu.

For more information on Temple's M.F.A. in acting, visit the program's Web site: www.temple.edu/theater/mfaacting.htm. ♦

Students help young authors with writing

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Duckrey student read from a handmade book that he or she had created during the workshops. With the help of Temple students, Tree House Books owner Joanne Jackson, whose new store was founded to promote literacy and an appreciation of multicultural literature for local children and families, hopes to expand the program next spring. Program organizers will also collate the students' work into a new publication, *Acorns: Young Writers from Tree House Books*.

The project was funded by New City Writing: Institute for the Study of Literature, Literacy and Culture, a center directed by professor Eli Goldblatt in the Temple English department.

"Having a teacher who encourages you and stays with you every step of the way is very gratifying and can make a lasting impression," Sullivan said. "Being from Harlem, I love that I am able to do something like this in a similar community setting where kids might not have all the advantages and truly need this kind of support." ♦



Photo by Karen Shuey

Members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity Brad Rittle (left) and Charles Woodford get ready for a night of "owl watching" by putting on the reflective vests and testing the security radios. Rittle and Woodford were only two of the 14 members to volunteer their time to Owl Watch, making the streets of the Main Campus a little safer.

Owl Watch: The eyes and ears of Temple

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It's 9:03 on a Thursday night. Fourteen members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity strap on reflective yellow vests and test their radios. They set out down Berks Mall, pass a dozen students at the Bell Tower, and continue on toward University Village.

These guys aren't going out to parties or pulling an all-nighter studying for exams. They're on the watch — Owl Watch.

Owl Watch is Temple's student-run night patrol, coordinated by the Department of Campus Safety Services.

"The program makes people who are on campus at night feel safer," said Alpha Tau Omega president and environmental studies major John Firn. "We really try to take this seriously."

The town watch service provides an opportunity for students to complete community service hours by volunteering to be "eyes and ears" for the University.

After receiving the support of Campus Safety Services and the Division of Student Affairs, Detective Joanne Wszolek developed the Owl Watch project and training program in the late 1990s.

Student teams patrol Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9 to 11 p.m., along Broad Street, Liacouras Walk and Berks Mall.

Owl Watch volunteers are the "extended eyes" for Campus Police, said Sgt. Monica Hankins, a member of Campus Safety special services, and the program's coordinator.

They serve as a community night watch to report any suspicious activity to Campus Police, such as "someone walking too closely to cars or buildings, and they alert the department to broken glass on walkways," Hankins explained. They also act as escorts for anyone walking on campus late at night.

Working in teams, the students patrol the most frequently traveled areas on Main Campus and popular "hot spots" around the perimeter of the University, and area that ranges north-south from Cecil B. Moore Avenue to Diamond Street, and east-west from 10th Street to 15th.

Although Owl Watch members are considered an extension of Campus Safety Services, they are told not to take action, Hankins stressed.

"The goal while on patrol is to see and hear everything," Hankins said. "But they are only supposed to call the department so that professionals can handle the situation."

Owl Watch volunteers can be easily identified by their eye-catching bright yellow, reflective vests.

Using security radios, they are in direct contact with Campus Police and each other throughout their shift.

Hankins said the program is also a way for students to take ownership and pride in their University.

"It's all about getting involved in their school and their community. It helps to build school spirit and encourage teamwork," Hankins said.

She credits the efforts of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity in helping to organize the program and recruit volunteers.

Charles Woodford, the fraternity's vice president, said volunteering in the Owl Watch program has become a tradition over the years.

"[The fraternity members] know so many of the people living in the community and we like to look out for their safety," said Woodford, a junior advertising major. "This is the best way for us to complete our community service hours while giving back to the University."

Freshman Brad Rittle, an Alpha Tau Omega pledge, said he got involved because it's a great way to build brotherhood in their fraternity.

"It keeps us doing something to help out with campus safety while at the same time allowing us to interact with each other," the film and media arts student said.

This semester, Owl Watch has had more than 40 volunteers, including participants from athletic teams, Temple Student Government, residence halls and numerous other student organizations and individuals — as well as several faculty members and administrators.

"By raising awareness of safety issues, Owl Watch provides a vital link to Campus Safety Services," Hankins said, "and their presence on campus is, in itself, a powerful deterrent to crime." ♦

TU community opens doors to internationals for holiday

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Sanjiv Kulkarni didn't expect to have Thanksgiving dinner with an American family this year, especially since he is a vegetarian and does not eat turkey.

However, as an international student from India, he did just that, as a participant in the annual Thanksgiving with an American Family program sponsored by the Office of International Services, part of the Division of Student Affairs.

"When I heard there was a Thanksgiving program, I thought it would be a good opportunity to learn more about the American culture," said Kulkarni, an M.B.A. student at The Fox School of Business, studying international business and marketing.

He is not alone.

This year, approximately 30 international students were paired with Temple faculty members, staff members or students for the holiday, said Luci Motoca, a junior psychology major and one of the Office of International Services peers, who works with the international students while helping to match students with American families for Thanksgiving.

Not only does Motoca work for the program, she also experienced it firsthand.

"The family who hosted me was very happy to have me and my boyfriend, and said that our presence made their normal family dinner more intriguing. I was happy to meet new people, and I hope to participate next year, as well," Motoca said.

A similar program is implemented for other holidays that fall during the academic year, such as Easter and Hanukkah, according to Martyn Miller, director of International Services.

The number of international students participating in the program has increased each year since Miller arrived in 1999, he said. In fact, the total number of international students at Temple steadily increased from fall 1998 through 2003, and has remained steady for the past two years.

Today, 1,600 international students are enrolled at Temple. The current international student population at Temple consists of students originating from 121 different countries, with a majority hailing from



Photo courtesy Sanjiv Kulkarni

Sanjiv Kulkarni (back, right), an international student from India, spent Thanksgiving with the family of third-year law student Greg Giaccio (far left) in a holiday pairing program coordinated by the Office of International Services.

Office of International Services programs

Watch for these events in the spring at calendar.temple.edu:

- Commuter Coffee (Wednesdays)
- International Coffee Hour (Fridays)
- Mentor program matching American students with new international students
- Showing of international and American movies
- Short trips to Philadelphia-area sites and attractions

For more information, visit www.temple.edu/OIS, contact the peers at oispeers@temple.edu or 215-204-7708, or stop by the Office of International Services at 1700 N. Broad St., room 203B.

India, China, South Korea and Japan.

The holiday pairing program helps international students develop closer ties to American culture and the Temple community.

"It is a great opportunity for cultural exchange from both sides," said Erika Oshima, a junior religion and Asian studies major, and fellow Office of International Services peer.

"The international students can learn from different perspectives of the Temple community," Oshima continued. "It is also a great way for them to learn about American home life. They are exposed to the celebrating of the holiday, not only through food, but also through family gathering and relationships."

Priscilla Danielson, communication training coordinator at the Institute of Disabilities, hosted an international student this year.

"My family is very open to oth-

ers, has a wonderful sense of self and can make someone feel welcome. I enjoyed the entire experience," Danielson said. "Stretching yourself to open up your home and life is good for all of us."

For Kulkarni, who has lived in the United States for just over a year, this was a "first taste" of the American holiday.

"You realize how close-knit families are even if they live separately," Kulkarni said.

There is even a similar holiday to Thanksgiving celebrated in his home country, Kulkarni said.

"It's called Diwali, meaning 'festival of lights,' and it lasts for three to four days," he said.

His host, Greg Giaccio, a third-year law student at the Beasley School of Law, said he was pleased to have Kulkarni join him and his family for the evening.

"I've lived overseas before, and had to spend holidays alone while most of the stores were closed. My wife is from Ireland, and she has had the same experience over Thanksgiving," Giaccio said.

Program director Martyn Miller said he believes that getting American and international students together provides an education that goes well beyond the classroom.

"Students who participate in this event receive from Temple not only a university degree, but also lifelong memories of being welcomed into the homes of Temple faculty, staff and students, who themselves benefit greatly from getting to know the international students better," Miller said.

"This experience is truly a win-win situation for all who participate." ♦

Pharmacy School to offer new concentration in pharmacodynamics

By Eryn Jelesiewicz
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Pharmaceutical sciences graduate students at the School of Pharmacy can now specialize their training through a new concentration in pharmacodynamics, the study of how drugs affect and interact with the body. Temple is the only pharmacy school in the Mid-Atlantic to offer this concentration to its graduate students.

Pharmacodynamics at Temple has evolved and strengthened over the past several years through an increase in federal research funding, the recruitment of new research faculty, and the opening of a state-of-the-art Center for Bioanalysis. According to associate professor Ellen Walker, there is a growing mar-

ket need for such expertise.

"This program will equip students for both academia and industry by concentrating on integrated pharmacokinetic [how the body reacts to drugs], pharmacogenomic [how various genes determine drug behavior] and drug action research," she said.

The mission of the new graduate program is to train students to contribute to the fundamental understanding and application of the pharmaceutical sciences: namely, drug disposition and mechanisms of drug action (pharmacodynamics), drug synthesis and structure-activity relationship studies (medicinal chemistry) and drug delivery (pharmaceutics). For more information about the program, contact director of graduate studies Daniel Canney at 215-707-4948. ♦

Lindback winner Goldstein: Scientist, practitioner, role model

The Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation has granted Temple additional time to identify winners for its annual awards, and four outstanding faculty members were selected as 2005 winners. Brian Goldstein will be included in the faculty convocation in April 2006.

By **Tory Harris**
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For many years, Lindback recipient Brian Goldstein enjoyed cooking risotto and other tasty Italian meals for his wife, Linda, and his two daughters, Lauren, 8, and Jenna, 6. But when Goldstein took over as acting chair of the communication sciences department earlier this year, his domestic passions took a temporary backseat to this next chapter in his career.

"My daughters would probably say that 'Daddy doesn't do anything but check his e-mail at work,'" said Goldstein, who from 1990 to 1993, completed his doctoral degree at Temple, served as director of clinical services and clinical education in Temple's speech-language-hearing department, worked as a speech-language pathologist for the Rainbow Community Head Start and worked as a research assistant for the National Center for Education in the Inner Cities.

But despite his many accomplishments and responsibilities, Goldstein is as passionate about his students as he is about his work.

"Dr. Goldstein is able to capture the curiosity of students and to challenge them to achieve a higher level of understanding," said physical therapy professor Roberta A. Newton, who also chairs Temple's Research, Study Leave and Awards Committee.

"Brian also has the ability to engage students and to get them to think about their own belief systems. This is always challenging, but Brian is able to get students to really think about the specific environments that they work and live in," former colleague Jenny Roberts said.

Goldstein describes his teaching style as a multifaceted approach where books, classroom discus-



Communication sciences department chair Brian Goldstein works with Vanessa Gonzales, a master's student in the department's speech-language-hearing program, in the Bilingual Language Lab in Weiss Hall.

sions, videos and computer presentations are used to reinforce communication sciences principles.

"There is a learning technique inherent in each of these strategies," Goldstein said. "I don't need to discuss a topic in the same way as the book does. Individuals learn in different ways, and I try to draw

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Leah Fabiano
Doctoral student

from many avenues in order to reach every student."

To Goldstein, Temple's many opportunities for outside experiences and learning allow him to bring his students face-to-face with those who need their help.

"The students see that people in their own community need our services and that they are obligated not only to take from Temple, but also to give back," Goldstein said.

Goldstein's students appreciate these life lessons.

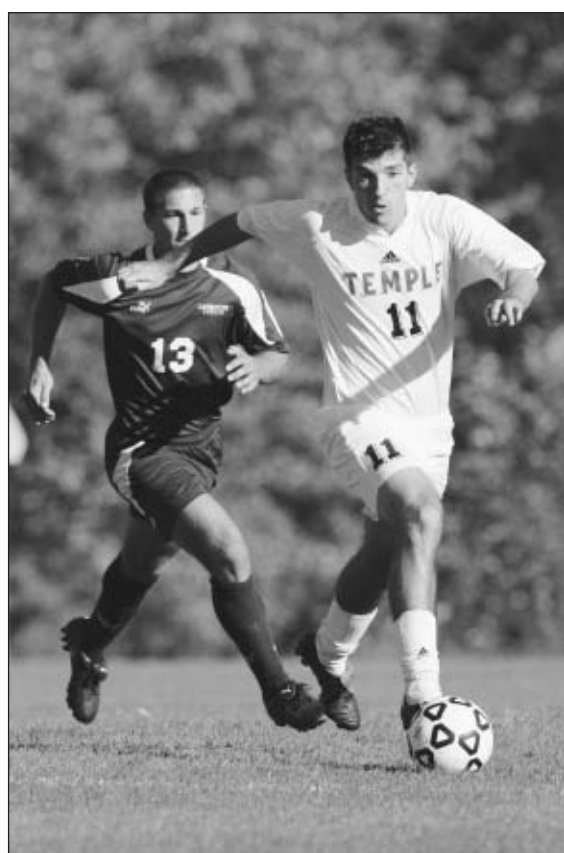
"If I can exude even a fraction of what I have observed of Dr. Goldstein when I begin to teach, I will have received the greatest gift a student can receive from her mentor," doctoral student Leah Fabiano said.

In addition to his current duties as chair, Goldstein teaches several courses, advises graduate students, is the editor of one peer-reviewed journal and serves as an editorial consultant for four others — and in between, he presents his research at various conferences across the country.

"Dr. Goldstein not only embraces scholarship in the classroom but he also serves as a true role model of a scientist and a practitioner to his graduate students," said College of Health Professions Dean Ronald Brown.

Goldstein discovered Temple by accident. While working toward his bachelor's degree in linguistics at Brandeis University in 1986, Goldstein roomed with a fellow student from Wynnwood, who suggested he look into Temple's graduate programs.

"I owe my professional success to the colleagues and students that I've known over the years at Temple," Goldstein said. "The support I've received here has made my career." ♦



Soccer standout Donatelli invited to MLS combine

Fresh off earning Philadelphia Soccer Seven Player of the Year honors, Temple senior midfielder Tony Donatelli has been selected as one of 54 college seniors to participate in the 2006 Adidas MLS player combine, Major League Soccer announced last week. The annual player combine will be held in Carson, Calif., in January.

"This is a tremendous honor and a great opportunity for Tony," said men's soccer coach David MacWilliams. "He has had a fine collegiate career and has helped put Temple soccer back on the map."

Donatelli, who led the Soccer Seven in scoring for the second straight season with a league-best 17 points and six goals, is the only Soccer Seven invitee and one of three Atlantic 10 Conference invitees. The Glenside, Pa., native also tied for the Soccer Seven lead with five assists and completed his stellar career as Temple's all-time leading assist man with 21.

Donatelli's invitation was determined by a select panel of Division I college coaches representing all conferences, which nominated and voted for players in conjunction with MLS coaches. ♦

Students displaced by Katrina making mark

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University offered students an immediate opportunity to take classes as soon as the scope of the storm's damage became apparent on Sept. 1. These visiting students temporarily enrolled here, at no charge, while continuing to pay tuition and fees to their home institutions.

Like Stevens, a fair number of these students displaced by the storm — at Temple and nationwide — will wend back to the Gulf Coast region beginning next semester.

Two such students from Temple are Stephanie and Tiffany Curtis, sophomore identical twins from Southwest Philadelphia who harbor strong allegiances to their home institution, Xavier University of Louisiana, a small, historically black university in New Orleans.

"We are committed to Xavier and the memories we've made down there," said Tiffany, who, with her sister, took classes part-time at Temple this fall. "We want to keep supporting them in every way we can."

At Xavier, in order for the university to regain a normal academic cycle, January will mark the beginning of its fall 2005 semester. Students will take a week break in late April and then immediately start the spring 2006 semester, leaving them only a month of summer vacation.

"I'm looking forward to going back and jumping into a full course load," said Stephanie who, ironically, had Temple on her list of schools before she and her sister chose Xavier.

If there were any worries that the visiting students who enrolled at Temple would stick out as "the Katrina kids," those qualms have been quieted by their seamless transition into campus life.

Many of them sought opportunities to be active on campus, even if they knew that their studies at Temple would be short-lived. Stevens started the Gulf Coast Club, an organization for affected students. Both Curtis sisters got jobs on campus at Student Health Services. Peter Seltzer, a sophomore business major at UNO, works for Student Activities.

Likewise, the Temple community has embraced them. Administrators, faculty, staff and students raised more than \$10,000 for a special fund to ease the financial burden of displaced students. Chi Upsilon Sigma, a Temple sorority, hosted a Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 20 for students displaced by Katrina. The University's chapter of Golden Key, an international academic honors organization, feted a handful of the visiting students to recognize their dedication to classes and service throughout the tumultuous semester. Tuttleman Counseling Services offered coping tips to the affected students and brought them together to talk about their experiences.

"Coming to Temple this semes-



Christian Stevens, a senior business major who came to Temple after Hurricane Katrina shut down his University of New Orleans campus in September, plans to return to Louisiana next semester. However, Stevens — shown above at the Baptist Temple, his favorite building on campus — has already forged bonds here that he hopes will bring him back to Temple before long.

ter, it couldn't have been a better situation for me after what I had been through," Stevens said. "The community is large enough that I didn't feel overwhelmed by people asking about me, but at the same time it is close-knit enough that I didn't have to beg for help when I needed it. Many of the students like me who will be returning to New Orleans next semester say in the same breath that they will miss Temple."

Not all the Katrina survivors are going back to their home institutions, however. Seltzer, a New Orleans native, has decided to transfer to Temple.

"UNO is a wonderful place, but I'm kind of settled here now," Seltzer said. "No matter what happens, though, New Orleans will always be my home."

Political science major Whitney Duesman will return to Tulane University — but only for her graduation. This fall was her final semester of college. As a Tulane Honors student, she must complete a senior thesis before graduation.

"It's been challenging because I still have to keep in touch with advisers at Tulane and they're in such a state of flux right now," said Duesman, whose thesis is about religious groups and their contributions to political coalitions.

"I'm very fortunate because I got connected at Temple with Dr. [Christopher] Wlezien, who is doing a really good job of assisting me," she added. "I feel bad because he's already so busy. It's like he's taken me on pro bono."

Duesman plans to work on the rebuilding effort with a Habitat for Humanity team in January and then apply for jobs in Washington, D.C., as a political analyst.

Like Duesman, Stevens is nearing the end of his college career, an endeavor that started five years ago at Florida A&M University and has been derailed on numerous occasions by medical emergencies, financial aid mishaps and, most recently, Katrina. Though Stevens returns to UNO in January for his final semester, he has a feeling that he's not finished with Temple.

"I just hope that this is not my last time on the Temple campus," Stevens said. "I think that this semester was just the beginning of many memories I'll have of this place. Hopefully, I'll again be walking the halls of The Fox School when I go for my M.B.A." ♦

TU dental professors give thumbs-up to time-saving implant

By **Tory Harris**
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A recent study conducted by professors at the School of Dentistry found that patients no longer have to endure multiple surgeries and long periods of healing when having a tooth replaced with a dental implant.

After testing the design of the BioHorizons Dental Implant System, Jon Suzuki, associate dean for graduate education, research, and international relations; and Carl Misch, BioHorizon co-inventor and director of oral implantology at the School of Dentistry, determined that this system's engineering can support complete tooth restoration immediately after the implant is positioned.

"Half of all Americans suffer from tooth loss, and despite the growing cost, many seek implants to restore normal speech, function and hard and soft tissue contours," said Suzuki.

At Temple's dental clinic, the entire procedure, including the replacement tooth, costs anywhere from \$1,200 to \$1,500 and that cost can double in a private dental practice.

But according to Suzuki, cost is only one source of stress for patients. The traditional method requires an initial surgery to place an anchor inside the gum. Then, patients must wait at least six months for the gum tissue and bone, which holds the anchor in place, to grow around the addition. Further-



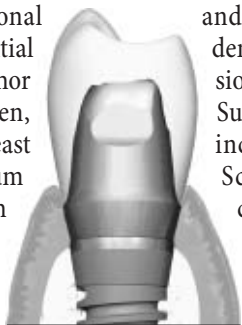
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more, if a post (an attachment that connects the anchor to the replacement tooth) is not already attached, a second surgery is needed.

"This long process causes many patients to withdraw socially because of their appearance and speech," Suzuki said. "And once the gum has healed, it could take a few more months to get the proper fitting for the tooth."

Implants are not for everyone. According to the American Dental Association, implant candidates must be in good health, and have healthy gums and adequate bone to support the implants. Suzuki adds that patients with severe osteoporosis or other widespread conditions such as uncontrolled diabetes mellitus should also avoid the procedure.

Under Suzuki's direction, the School of Dentistry is establishing an international program to teach advanced dental practices and techniques, including dental implants, to professionals in other countries. Suzuki is also working to increase the Dental School's research and clinical trials in areas such as immunology, new therapies and new products. ♦



This Week in Temple History

Dec. 12, 1908

On this date, it was announced that Temple College would officially change its name to Temple University.

Lindback award certifies Terry as a 'gem' of a geology teacher

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By **Preston M. Moretz**
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As a geologist, Dennis Terry knows a little something about diamonds.

As an associate professor in Temple's geology department, Terry, recently named a 2005 recipient of the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, has come to learn a little about the Conwellian theory of finding diamonds in your own backyard.

For Terry, who joined the geology faculty in 1999 after brief stints at Washington and Lee University, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and the University of Nebraska, teaching at Temple, with its urban flavor, offered a different set of challenges than he was accustomed to.

"The students at the schools where I previously taught often had a more privileged background, and teaching required a different approach there," Terry said. "But once I came to Temple and found out the mission of the University and the background of a lot of Temple students, that many of them have a full-time life outside of the full-time classroom, I was really impressed."

"Teaching at Temple, the type of students who attend here, the pressures and challenges they face, has really made me understand the Acres of Diamonds philosophy," he said. "I've come to realize that the diamonds, or students, are out there. You find them, polish them up, send them on their way — and soon, they start shining on their own."

The Lindback Award caps off a banner year for Terry, who was granted tenure by the University in the early summer.

"It's a bit overwhelming to receive this award, because as I sit here and think about what I do as a teacher, it's not so much that I feel I'm doing anything special, it's just that I enjoy the concept of teaching and the energy you can get in the classroom," Terry said. "When you have a class of 250 and there's not a sound in the room and you know that the students are listening to every single word you're saying, it gets pretty exciting."

Terry, who earned his bachelor's degree from Ball State University (1987), his master's from Bowling Green State University (1991) and his doctorate from the University of Nebraska (1998), said his teaching philosophy is pretty straightforward.

"My teaching philosophy is not so much that I get up and lecture to the students, but that I try to talk with them about geology," he explained. "I remember when I was a student, the worst classes, the ones that you hated the most, were the ones in which the professor just stood



up there saying, 'Blah, blah, blah,' then turned the page of the crusty old yellow sheet of paper and would continue to drone on."

Terry reasons that if the professor isn't excited about the material, why should the students be excited?

"By showing them a little excitement and enthusiasm, it gets them motivated and interested in what I'm talking about," he said. "And instead of just lecturing to them, I try to have more of a conversation with them, which establishes more of a one-on-one relationship with the students and gets them to realize that this professor is a person too."

"When they see you as a person, it establishes a rapport and, I think, de-mystifies the ivory tower of academia," Terry continues.

Terry is often so enthusiastic in the classroom that he admits there are times when he returns to his office from teaching and has to take about an hour break because the adrenaline rush he gets from teaching is wearing off and he's physically crashing.

"When you think about it, I'm pretty lucky because several times a week I get to stand up in front of a lot of people and talk about what I do and what I enjoy," he said. "I get to say, 'This is geology, this is why it is so interesting, and this is why it's so important.' The students see my enthusiasm, and it builds a wonderful dynamic in the classroom." ♦

Announcement

Golden named Temple head football coach

Al Golden, who spent the past five seasons as defensive coordinator at the University of Virginia, was named Temple's 24th head football coach in a press conference Dec. 6. The Colts Neck, N.J., native has 12 postseason bowl games on his résumé, including four as a player at Penn State. The 36-year-old Golden becomes the second-youngest head coach in Division I-A football.

"We are excited that Al Golden will lead our football program," President David Adamany said. "He was a successful student-athlete in his own right and already is an accomplished coach and mentor to young men. Mr. Golden brings to Temple a record of athletic and academic success that will contribute to our students' achievements on and off the football field."

"With Al Golden we now have



Golden

the final piece in place for the rebuilding of the Temple football program," Director of Athletics Bill Bradshaw said. "We are looking forward to providing our alums and Philadelphia college football fans a bright and promising future — The Golden Era of Temple Football."

Golden was named the youngest defensive coordinator in Division I-A by Virginia head coach Al Groh in January 2001 after spending the previous season at his alma mater, serving as linebackers coach and recruiting coordinator under Joe Paterno.

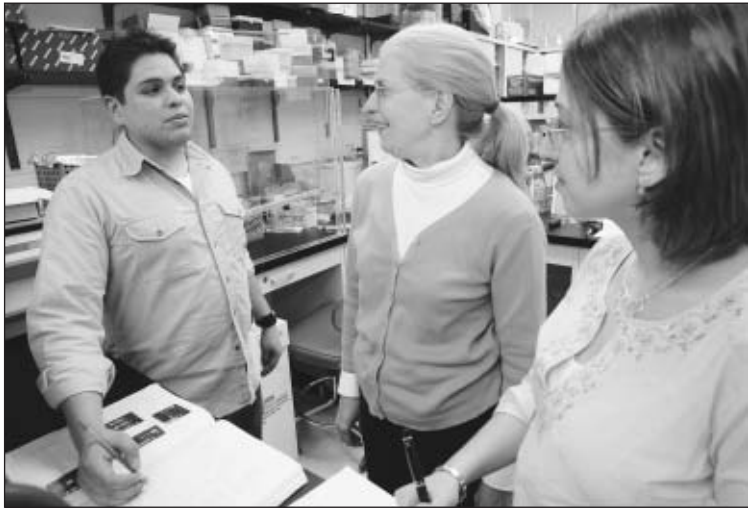
A 2004 inductee of the Jersey Shore Sports Hall of Fame, Golden earned his undergraduate degree in

pre-law from Penn State in 1991 before receiving his master's in sports psychology from Virginia in December 1996. Golden was a three-year (1989-91) letterwinner and two-year starter at tight end for Penn State. After his tenure as a player in State College, Golden spent one season in the NFL with the New England Patriots.

Golden began his coaching career in 1993 as offensive coordinator at Red Bank (N.J.) High School. He then served as a graduate assistant under George Welsh at Virginia from 1994 to 1996, where he worked primarily with the linebackers and the kickoff and punting teams. Golden then coached linebackers at Boston College from 1997 to 1999 under Tom O'Brien.

For a longer version of this release, visit www.owlssports.com. ♦

Biology major wins conference award



Richard Fandino, a senior biology major, placed second in the poster competition at the Alliance for Minority Participation's ninth annual Philadelphia Research Symposium and Mentoring Conference, held at the University of Delaware in early November. Fandino, who has worked in the lab of biology professor Jacqueline Tanaka (center) for the past two years, has been involved in exploring mutations in the photoreceptor ion channels that convert light information into electrical signals that are transferred into the visual processing centers of the brain, along with co-investigator Gulseher Sirin (right), a junior biochemistry major. Earlier this year, Fandino co-authored a paper with Tanaka and Jannette Carey, a chemistry faculty member at Princeton University. The paper was published in *Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual Science*. Fandino plans to attend graduate school in environmental science.

—Preston M. Moretz

ResearchNotes

Publications

Andy Buck and **George Lady**, both economics professors at The Fox School of Business and Management, published their article "Falsifying Economic Models" in the September issue of *Economic Modeling*.

Amit Chattopadhyay, assistant professor of dental informatics at the School of Dentistry, along with colleagues from the University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston and Louisiana State University Health Sciences, co-authored an article, "Detection and Typing of Human Papilloma Virus in the Oral Mucosa of Patients Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Virus," published in the November issue of *Oral Oncology Extra*.

Grants

The National Cancer Institute has awarded **Michael A. Sirover** a two-year, \$150,000 grant to study "New Mechanisms of Carcinogen and Antioxidant Detection." Sirover, a professor of pharmacology in the School of Medicine, hopes his work

will lead to a test that could quickly identify cancer-causing agents that have entered the body.

Presentations

President **David Adamany** participated in a panel discussion on "K-16: How Do We Mend Education at All Levels" during the annual presidents' meeting of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges. The panel was moderated by Nancy Zimpher, president of the University of Cincinnati, and included Michael Adams, president of the University of Georgia, and Sylvia Manning, chancellor of the University of Illinois at Chicago.

J. Jay Choi, finance professor at The Fox School of Business and Management, presented his paper "Board Independence and Firm Value" at the Financial Management Association Conference in October in Chicago. Choi also presented "Pricing of Country Funds" at the Southern Finance Association Conference Nov. 17-19 in Key West, Fla.

Boyer student wins Marshall Scholarship

Mena Hanna, a senior majoring in composition in the Boyer College of Music, has been awarded a Marshall Scholarship. He is one of just 40 students selected nationwide to receive what is recognized as one of the world's most prestigious scholar-

ships. Winners pursue two years of graduate study in their chosen field at an institution in the United Kingdom. Hanna, an Honors student who expects to graduate summa cum laude, will study musicology and composition at Oxford University.

Note

The Temple Way Workplace Campaign benefits a number of charitable organizations, including Temple University student emergency funds, Temple University Hospital and Children's Medical Center, United Way and other charitable organiza-

tions. The headline announcing the campaign in the Dec. 1 issue should read: "Temple Way Workplace Campaign begins yearly effort to benefit charitable organizations." For more information about the campaign, visit www.temple.edu/templeway.

Levis, Lyyra elected as fellows of American Physical Society

Four College of Science and Technology faculty have been elected in the past two years.

By **Preston M. Moretz**
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Chemistry chair Robert Levis and physics professor Marjatta Lyyra have been elected as 2005 Fellows of the American Physical Society. They become the third and fourth faculty members of the College of Science and Technology to achieve this honor, joining physics professors Rongjia Tao and Zein-Eddine Meziani, who were elected 2004 Fellows of APS.

The APS Fellowship program was created to recognize members who have made advances in knowledge through original research and publication, or have made significant and innovative contributions in the application of physics to science and technology. They may also be recognized for significant contributions to the teaching of physics or for service and participation in the activities of the society. Each year, no more than one-half of 1 percent of the then-current membership of the society is recognized by their peers for election to the status of Fellow in APS.

"On behalf of Temple University, I want to congratulate Robert Levis, Marjatta Lyyra, Rongjia Tao and

Zein-Eddine Meziani on being elected Fellows of the American Physical Society," Provost Ira M. Schwartz said. "Their election by their peers to this prestigious honor serves as evidence of the world-class reputation that the faculty of the College of Science and Technology enjoys throughout the academic and the scientific communities, and will further enhance Temple's expanding research enterprise."

Levis, who joined Temple's chemistry faculty from Wayne State University in 2002, is a pioneer in laser-based chemistry, adaptive photonics and bio-photonics. As director of Temple's Center for Advanced Photonics Research, he pioneered techniques to use ultra-fast lasers to detect chemical threats and currently is leading a DARPA-sponsored effort to create cyclic ozone. Levis is a member of Temple's Million Dollar Research Awards Club.

Lyyra joined the physics department faculty in 1991 from the University of Iowa, where she developed the triple resonance laser spectroscopic technique. Her group has used this technique in pioneering work on coherence and quantum interference effects such as Electromagnetically Induced Transparency and Autler-Townes splitting in molecular systems. In the context of these studies, her group currently is focused on developing a novel high-resolution quadruple resonance laser spectro-

scopic technique. A member of the Million Dollar Research Awards Club, she also is an adjunct member of the chemistry faculty.

A lifetime member of APS, Tao was elected a Fellow in 2004 by APS' Division of Condensed Matter Physics for "fundamental contributions to the development of electrorheological and magnetorheological fluids and pioneering contributions to the discovery of a new property of superconductors — electric-field induced formation of superconducting balls." His pioneering research has led to three patents and currently is being used in the automotive industry, medical and exercise equipment, and construction. He joined Temple's physics faculty in 2000 from Southern Illinois University.

A particle physicist, Meziani was elected a Fellow in 2004 by APS' Division of Nuclear Physics for his investigative work into nucleon and nuclear physics at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility and the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center. Also a member of Million Dollar Research Awards Club, he has become one of the leading researchers in trying to understand the spin (intrinsic magnetism) structure of the proton and the neutron in terms of its constituents, namely quarks and gluons.

Watch for more in-depth profiles of these researchers in future editions of the *Temple Times* during the spring semester. ♦

Religion department has strong presence at annual conference in Philadelphia

Faculty and graduate students in the religion department had a strong presence at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, hosted in Philadelphia Nov. 19-21.

Participating faculty included department chair Rebecca Alpert and professors Khalid Blankinship, Laura Levitt, Miles Orvell, Ruth Ost and David Watt. The following graduate students presented papers: Keisha Armorer, Phillip Hoefs, Matthew Hunter and Florian Pohl.

In addition, Temple's department hosted three events affiliated with the AAR annual meeting.

Temple alumna Colleen McDannell, a religious studies and history professor at the

University of Utah, discussed her photography exhibit, "Picturing Faith: Photography and the Great Depression," which was on display at Temple's Society of Fellows in the Humanities in Anderson Hall through Nov. 25.

Another Temple alumnus, John Esposito, professor of religion and international affairs and Islamic studies at Georgetown University, lectured and received the Martin E. Marty Prize for the Public Understanding of Religion at the AAR meeting.

Finally, the department hosted a reception honoring its beginnings, organized by professor Leonard Swidler, on Nov. 19.

— **Ted Boscia**

Xie receives grant to study aggression in young teens

Temple professor Hongling Xie has received a grant to study aggression and victimization in middle school students.

The two-year, \$252,477 grant from the William T. Grant Foundation will allow Xie, an assistant professor of psychology, to track 300 children in Norristown-area middle schools as they move from fifth through seventh grades.

Xie will examine how peer social dynamics and peer culture affect aggression and victimization of students. She's targeting students making the transition to middle school because that's one of the most important transitions during early adolescence.

"Middle school students frequently experience social aggression, such as gossiping, social isolation and exclusion. And that has been found to be detrimental to learning and social/emotional development," Xie said.

"Findings from the study will help identify the types of support students need in adjusting to the changes in peer social dynamics during the transition to middle school," she continued. "More broadly, this research will generate information that can significantly impact prevention programs and the education of teachers and practitioners."

— **Barbara Baals**

Temple Law professors helps Japanese lawyers prepare for lay judge system

Temple Law professors **Edward Ohlbaum** and **JoAnne A. Epps** gave a seminar Nov. 2 to about 300 Japanese lawyers on trial-advocacy techniques and approaches to help them prepare for the introduction of the lay judge system in 2009. The seminar was held live at the Japan Federation of Bar Associations' headquarters in Tokyo and broadcast via closed-circuit television to seven other locations

across Japan.

Ohlbaum and Epps "offered advice on striking a chord with jurors, such as pacing in front of the jury and maintaining eye contact as much as possible. [They] also suggested that defense lawyers who make their crucial points in the form of questions make the jurors think and leave a strong impression," according to *The Daily Yomiuri*. ♦

CALENDAR

Events Dec. 8 to Dec. 17

All events free unless otherwise noted. For the most up-to-date listings, visit calendar.temple.edu.

ONGOING

“Study for Finals Drop-In Tutorials”

Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., through Dec. 16. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. Come to the center anytime during the day for assistance from the tutorial center staff to prepare for final exams and papers. Coffee and doughnuts provided. For more information, or for additional group and individual tutorial services, contact the Russell Conwell Center at 215-204-1251, or visit www.temple.edu/rcc.

Global ethics exhibition

Through Dec. 17. Paley Library, main floor. Co-sponsored by the religion department of the College of Liberal Arts, the Institute for Global Ethics and Temple Libraries. For more information, contact nkrody@temple.edu or visit <http://astro.temple.edu/%7Edialogue/kuen/gjes.htm>.

“Curious Looks at Artists’ Books”

Through Dec. 31. Paley Library, main floor. Exhibit of books made of glass, soap, Plexiglas and other non-paper materials from the special collections department and the Tyler School of Art library. Sponsored by Temple University Libraries. For more information, call 215-204-8230.

“Mix”

Through Feb. 18, 2006. Temple Gallery, 45 N. Second St. Group exhibition organized around the theme of artistic practice as utopian activity, one in which private worlds are both the basis of artmaking and its product. Works by Anri Sala, Althea Thauberger and others using media ranging from paper to video projection. Sponsored by the department of exhibitions and public programs, Tyler School of Art. For more information, call 215-782-2776 or visit www.temple.edu/tyler.

THURSDAY, Dec. 8

Study day.

“Avoid Unintended Plagiarism”

This workshop is located on the Web at www.temple.edu/rcc/workshops. Be sure to

document your resources when writing final papers. For more information, or for additional group and individual tutorial services, contact the Russell Conwell Center at 215-204-1251, or visit www.temple.edu/rcc.

“Study for Finals Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

Wrigley Study Lounge and Gum Bar event

10 a.m.–6 p.m. Student Center atrium. Come out to the Wrigley Study Lounge and Gum Bar, a place where students can take a study break the week before finals, learn the best studying tips from industry experts, enjoy interactive activities, receive free samples of Wrigley Big Red and Winterfresh gum and enter for a chance to win prizes. Sponsored by Student Activities.

Brown bag lecture: “Bollywood: An Introduction, or A People’s History of India”

11:40 a.m.–1 p.m. Gladfelter Hall, room 1007, CHAT conference room. Presented by Priya Joshi of the English department. Sponsored by the Center for the Humanities. For more information, contact humanities@temple.edu, or visit www.temple.edu/humanities/BrownBags.

Resident assistant selection informational meeting

5 p.m. Ritter Hall Annex, Walk Auditorium. Students who are interested in applying for the resident assistant position for the 2006-07 academic year are invited to attend an informational session to learn more about the position and application process. Sponsored by University Housing and Residential Life. For more information, contact Jennifer Herbold at herboldj@temple.edu.

“Beauty and the Beast”

8 p.m. Walnut Street Theater. Tickets on sale in Student Center, room 219M; \$20 w/TUID. Sponsored by Student Activities.

FRIDAY, Dec. 9

Study day.

“Ten Traps of Studying”

This workshop is located on the Web at www.temple.edu/rcc/workshops. A look at some of the pitfalls that could interfere with studying. For more information, or for additional group and individual tutorial services, contact the Russell Conwell

This Week’s Scores

Men’s Basketball

Nov. 30: Rutgers 67, Temple 53
Dec. 3: Temple 50, Penn 46

Women’s Basketball

Nov. 29: Temple 60, Maryland–Eastern Shore 53
Dec. 3: Florida 58, Temple 55

Men’s Track and Field

Dec. 2: No team scoring

Women’s Track and Field

Dec. 2: No team scoring

Women’s Fencing

Dec. 4: No team scoring

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Seminar presentation: “Modulation of Transcription Factor Signaling Pathways, Drug Metabolizing Enzymes and Transporters by Dietary Cancer Preventive Phytochemicals”

Noon. School of Pharmacy, room 414. Presented by Tony Kong, Glaxo Professor of Pharmaceutics, department of pharmaceutics, Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University. Sponsored by the School of Pharmacy. For more information, contact LaVonna Reed at lavonna.reed@temple.edu.

Student-parent awareness meeting

4 p.m. Barton Hall, room BA 0A140. Previously, Temple, with the help of a grant from the federal government, had offered a child-care scholarship to approximately 25 students each year; however, cuts in government funding no longer make it possible for Temple to offer this scholarship. Learn how to bring about change to promote student-parent retention, graduation and early childhood education. Guests include the Department of Public Welfare, Child Care Information Services, College Representatives, legislators and student-parents. Sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs. For more information or to register, e-mail info@familycaresolutions.org or call Cheryl at 215-228-0200.

Film Friday: David Cronenberg Presents “Wireless Internet” (2005) and “Videodrome” (1983)

4:30 p.m. Annenberg Hall, room 3. John Gross presents both films, including his recently completed original feature film *Wireless Internet*. For more information, contact Dan Kremer at thustlebird@yahoo.com or daniel.kremer@temple.edu.

SATURDAY, Dec. 10

Weekend classes end.

TUCC: Music Prep: Recital hour

4:45 p.m. Temple University Center City, room 222. Sponsored by the Music Preparatory and Enrichment Program of the Boyer College of Music and Dance. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/boyer/musicprep.

Men’s Basketball vs. Alabama

5–7 p.m. Liacouras Center. Broadcast on ESPN2. Tickets: \$5–35. For tickets, call 888-OWLS-TIX, or visit www.liacourascenter.com.

SUNDAY, Dec. 11

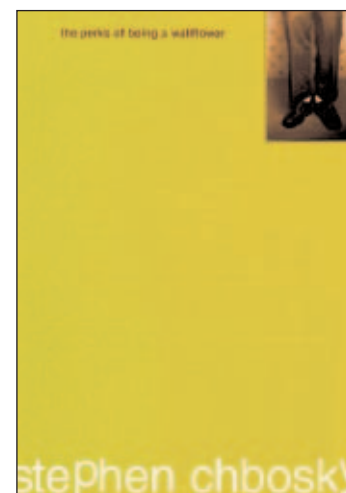
Music Prep: Holiday concert

5 p.m. Tomlinson Theater. Featuring: Youth Chamber Orchestra, Baroque

Club to tackle banned book

Temple Book Club follows past discussions of Milan Kundera’s *The Unbearable Lightness of Being* and Elizabeth Graver’s *The Honey Thief* with the coming-of-age novel *Perks of Being a Wallflower*, by Stephen Chbosky. Since its release in 1999, *Perks* has become a bestseller — and a target for criticism of its portrayals of teen sexuality and drug use. It was listed by the American Library Association as being one of the Top Banned Books in the United States in 2004.

Join the book club Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1–2 p.m. Paley Library, ground floor, Paley Lecture Hall. Bring your lunch. Beverages and light snacks are pro-



vided. If you would like to be added to the book club’s Listserv or would like more information, contact Margaret Jerrido at mj@temple.edu or 215-204-6639.

Players, Classic Strings and Temple Music Prep Children’s Choir. Sponsored by the Music Preparatory and Enrichment Program of the Boyer College of Music and Dance. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/boyer/musicprep.

MONDAY, Dec. 12

Final examinations.

“Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

TUESDAY, Dec. 13

Final examinations.

“Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 14

Final examinations.

“Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

THURSDAY, Dec. 15

Final examinations.

“Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

“Temple book club: ‘Perks of Being a Wallflower’ by Stephen Chbosky

1–2 p.m. Paley Library, ground floor, Paley Lecture Hall. *Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky. Bring your lunch. Beverages and light snacks provided. To be added to the book club’s Listserv or for more information, contact Margaret Jerrido at mj@temple.edu, or 215-204-6639.

Campaign and Elections speaker series: “Competitive Framing”

3–5 p.m. Gladfelter Hall, room 914, Russell Weigley Memorial Room. Professor James Druckman, Northwestern University, reports on research investigating competition between political actors to control the terms of debate. Sponsored by the Institute for Public Affairs. For more information, contact the Institute for Public Affairs at ipa@temple.edu, or call 215-204-9211.

FRIDAY, Dec. 16

Final examinations.

Final deadline: Proposals for presentations at the Inaugural Conference of the Arts and Quality of Life Research Center Conference held March 17 and 18. Rock Hall. Open to faculty and students. Sponsored by the Boyer College of Music and Dance. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/boyer/ResearchCenter/researchcenter.htm.

“Drop-In Tutorials”

9 a.m.–5 p.m. 1700 N. Broad, room 200. See “Ongoing” for more information.

SATURDAY, Dec. 17

Winter recess begins.

Music Prep: Baroque Players Chamber Ensembles recital

10 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Rock Hall, 1715 N. Broad St. Sponsored by the Music Preparatory and Enrichment Program of the Boyer College of Music and Dance. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/boyer/musicprep.

Music Prep: Youth Chamber Orchestra Chamber Ensembles recital

4 p.m. Rock Hall, 1715 N. Broad St. Sponsored by the Music Preparatory and Enrichment Program of the Boyer College of Music and Dance. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/boyer/musicprep.

ON SALE AT THE LIACOURAS CENTER

Tickets are available at the Liacouras Center box office at 1776 N. Broad St. (cash sales only), online at www.liacourascenter.com or by telephone at 1-888-OWLS-TIX.

Men’s and women’s basketball

(Visit www.owlsports.com for schedules.)
“Reason for the Season”
Dec. 18: Liacouras Center. Featuring gospel stars Mary Mary, Fred Hammond and more. \$43.50–53.50.

“For Lovers Only: ‘70s Soul Jam”

Feb. 18: 7 p.m. Liacouras Center. Featuring The Stylistics, The Dramatics, Bloodstone, Heatwave and Cuba Gooding Sr. \$36.50–77.

The World Famous Harlem Globetrotters

March 11: 1 p.m. Liacouras Center. \$20–100.

List your events

If you would like your University-sponsored event included in the calendar, fill out the online events submission form at www.temple.edu/temple_times/events_form.html.

All submissions must be received at least two weeks prior to the event.

Drop-in tutorials



Bob Lannon, an Honors student who tutors at the Russell Conwell Center, helps Thanhlung Vo with an assignment in the tutoring center’s office at 1700 N. Broad St.

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day through Dec. 16, students can drop by the Russell Conwell Center at 1700 N. Broad, room 200, for study support and fortification through coffee and doughnuts. Tutorial center staff will help students to prepare for final exams and papers. For more information, contact the Russell Conwell Center at 215-204-1251, or visit www.temple.edu/rcc.