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Hart named Temple president

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Ann Weaver Hart, the president of the University of New Hampshire, was elected the ninth president of Temple University on May 4 by its Board of Trustees.

Hart, Temple's first female president, will assume leadership of America's 26th-largest university on July 1, succeeding David W. Adamany, who is retiring June 30 after nearly six years at Temple's helm.

Trustee Daniel H. Polett, who chaired the 17-member search committee that unanimously recommended Hart to the Board of Trustees, described the University's next president as "an experienced educator and visionary leader who will continue to advance Temple's standing in higher education nationally and around the world."

"President Hart believes in the transformative power of education," Polett said. "She expects excellence, dislikes elitism and is devoted to building a sense of unity around a common purpose. She is the right leader at the right time for Temple."

Hart, 57, has been president at New Hampshire since 2002. She previously served as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Claremont Graduate University and as professor of educational leadership, dean of the Graduate School and special assistant to the president at the University of Utah.

"I am honored to be entrusted with the leadership of Temple University, an institution of profound accomplishment, relevance and promise," Hart said. "Temple epitomizes what it means to be an urban public research university: creating knowledge, improving lives and serving the community."

"I am looking forward to collaborating with all of my colleagues at Temple, including the faculty, deans and administrators, and getting to know its remarkable students, alumni and friends in the community," she



Photo by Joseph V. Labolito/University Photography
Ann Weaver Hart, the president of the University of New Hampshire, will succeed President David W. Adamany on July 1, becoming Temple's first female president.

added. "As one leader of many leaders at Temple, I see my role as working to focus on our highest aspirations and dreams, building talent and taking concerted action to help us move forward. Temple's recent advancements in academics, admissions, faculty recruitment and campus life are being noticed in higher education circles and in the media. I

am excited to be leading Temple into a period of tremendous growth and development."

In 2005, New Hampshire attracted more than \$100 million in outside research funding for the first time in its history, and it recently was awarded a \$38 million grant

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New grads have seen big changes at Temple

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When Brandon Lausch applied to colleges four years ago, Temple seemed to provide exactly what he was looking for.

"I was intrigued that Temple offered a good program for my major and allowed me to be a world away from home, yet only about an hour away physically," said Lausch, a senior from Lancaster, Pa., and former editor of *The Temple News* who graduates with a bachelor's degree in journalism this May.

The Temple that appealed to Lausch in 2002 was a world away from rural Lancaster, with its Broad Street view of Philadelphia, heavy traffic and wide, busy sidewalks. Today, Temple's distinctly urban feel remains, and is complemented by major changes that might be summed up in two simple words: numbers and options.

Numbers

Temple's enrollment grew by 17 percent between 2000 and 2005. And in just those few years, the population of students living on or

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New Orleans grad, his family go from worst to best of times

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Plans can change.

Donnell Jackson and his family know that.

Before heading back to campus in August to begin his senior year as a journalism major at Temple, he'd made plans to go back home — to New Orleans — over the mid-semester break.

That was when he would undergo surgery to donate one of his kidneys to his sister LaQuanda.

And his family was planning to come to Philadelphia in May for his graduation, anticipating they would have so much to celebrate.

Then Hurricane Katrina hit.

LaQuanda, 29, and their younger sister Urania, 15, evacuated, driving from hospital to hospital so that LaQuanda could get her lifesaving dialysis treatments.

"The phones didn't always work, but we managed to keep in touch. It was a difficult time," Jackson recalled.

But their mother didn't go with them. He'd spoken to his mother on her birthday, Aug. 29 — the day the levees broke.

"My mom called me that day — she refused to leave our home, which was near the ninth ward. Her last words to me were 'I love you,'" Jackson recalled.

For one long, terrifying week, he didn't hear from her and agonized over not knowing if she had survived. "At one point, I just had to stop watching TV — I would sit there, glued, looking for my mom, or my house, or anybody I knew. ... This was where I lived, where I grew up. I always thought nothing would ever happen here."

Then he got a call from a police officer who let him know his mother was OK. He later learned she'd been airlifted from the roof of a house and spent the night sleeping on a bridge on the interstate highway that had been closed to provide a temporary refuge for evacuees. He

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Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography
Donnell Jackson, originally from New Orleans, graduates with a journalism degree this week. Ten members of his close-knit family will join him at the Liacouras Center, the first time they have been together since Hurricane Katrina claimed their homes in August.

Bachelor of arts/history

Retired firefighter is wisest, oldest owl

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History major James N. Carr doesn't fit the profile of a typical undergraduate — and it's not just because, at age 63, he's the oldest person to receive a bachelor's degree from Temple this May.

Carr was born to a working-class family in Philadelphia's Kensington neighborhood. After Carr graduated from Mastbaum Technical High School in 1960, his father — a lifelong paper hanger — told him, "There'll be no college for you."

"All the kids were being funneled into factories," Carr said. "The idea then was you leave high school, you get a job, you get married. It wasn't that my parents needed money; that was just the way it was."

Carr postponed the inevitable for two years by enlisting in the Navy and working as an electrician fixing aircraft at Naval Air Station Jacksonville in Florida. When he returned to Philadelphia, he began a six-year stint repairing electric motors.

Tired of inhaling chemical fumes and sensing a decline in the industry, Carr decided to join the Philadelphia Fire Department. He passed the department's test and began a happy, 27-year career as a firefighter in 1968.

"Being a firefighter was the best experience of my life," Carr said. "When the alarm goes off and your adrenaline is pumping, it's a high. I loved the Philadelphia Fire Department. It's like a family."

Carr admits that he never re-engaged his scholarly side in the decades after he left Mastbaum Tech. He never picked up books, other than the occasional pulp fiction he read in the firehouse.

But something changed in 1999, when he took a course at a local technical school after suffering a heart attack. It didn't take him long to realize how much he enjoyed learning and the company of his fellow students, many of whom were young enough to be his grandchildren.

Inspired by a great teacher and encouraged by his partner Janet Lowe, Carr decided to take courses at the Community College of Philadelphia and Cheyney University before eventually transferring to Temple's College of Liberal Arts in 2003. On May 18, he's graduating with a 3.3 grade-point average, and his home in South Philadelphia is now filled with U.S. history texts he hopes to read and reread in his post-graduation years.

"I have definitely enjoyed it," Carr said. "History defines us. It seems to me that everything that goes on today has already gone on before. Take the Civil War. It hasn't gone away. We don't fight anymore, but the South is still rebelling."

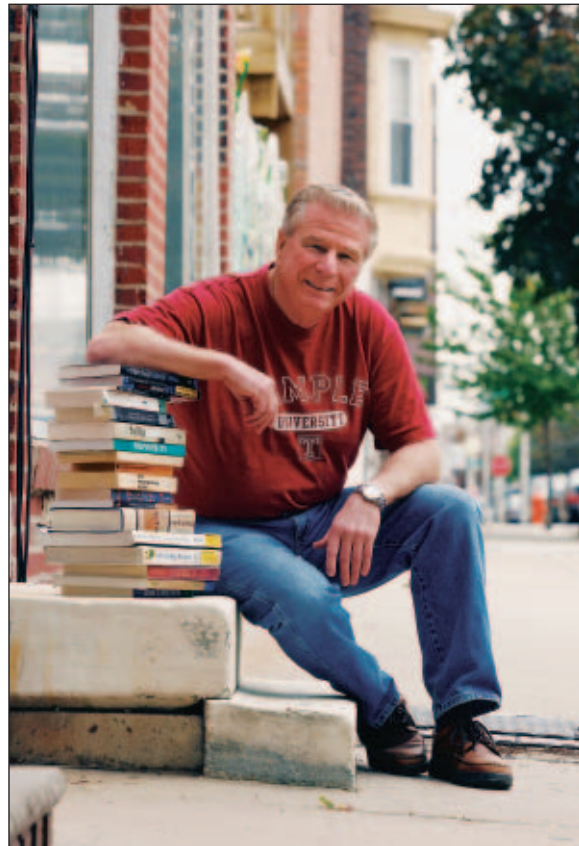


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James N. Carr, who earns his history degree this week at age 63, is this year's oldest graduate.

Although Carr says he "loved sitting in class with young people," he acknowledges he got his fair share of ribbing during U.S. history classes, where he was usually one of the students who raised his hand the most. "They tell me it's not fair because I've lived through most of it."

"Most times when I started a course, the kids looked at me and wondered, 'What's this old guy doing here?'" said Carr, who has five children and five grandchildren. "Sometimes they thought I was the professor hiding out. Then they'd start to say 'Hi.' Then they'd start to ask for my notes. They made me feel young — the only time I knew I was old was when I got up from my seat."

If there's one thing that frustrated Carr about his fellow students, it's their occasional nonchalance about the college experience.

"I would get upset if they didn't read their material or come to class," Carr said. "That bugs me. These kids are so smart; they take it for granted. I hope maybe one or two Temple students who read my story will get motivated and decide to go to every class for the rest of their time here." ♦

Joy rises from Katrina's ruins for new grad

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subsequently found out that his father and stepmother had also been airlifted from a rooftop to safety.

Over winter break in January, Jackson did go home to Louisiana, flying into New Orleans and then making the drive to a hospital in Lafayette, where he donated a kidney to his sister. LaQuanda's medical team had relocated there from New Orleans in the aftermath of the disaster.

"It was one of the best things that ever happened to my family, especially after Katrina," he said softly.

On May 18, 10 members of Jackson's now-scattered family, who had all lived close to one another in New Orleans, will reunite in Philadelphia and rejoice as he walks down the aisle to receive his degree at Temple's 119th Commencement ceremony.

The Jackson cheering section will include LaQuanda and Urania, and his mother, father and stepmother, as well as aunts and uncles coming from the cities and towns to which

they were displaced in the wake of the devastating storm: Lubbock, Houston and Denton, Texas, and Slidell and Monroe, La.

"They always said they would come to my graduation," he said.

Reflecting on his four years at Temple, Jackson described his experience as "beautiful, especially the last year, when I've gotten so much support from everyone."

As an aspiring sports journalist, he had decided in high school to seek out a college on the East Coast, one that was in a major media hub. He researched the city, and Temple, and visited the campus during his junior year.

"When I got here, I completely fell in love with the school, and I felt like there were good people here. It was my first choice and the best choice I could have made."

"I've learned a lot about myself and about the people here, and I've met people I thought I'd never meet: Dawn Staley, and Coach Chaney."

He's covered Temple basketball and other varsity sports as a reporter

for *The Temple News* since his freshman year, and currently serves as president of the student chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists on campus.

Jackson's own career goals have shifted away from sports. "I want to work as a producer in television news and focus a lot more on writing," he said.

Next week, he will travel to Greensboro, N.C., as one of 25 graduating seniors nationwide selected to participate in the Hearst-Argyle Television Inc. News Leadership Symposium at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Then he'll return to Philadelphia, but only for a few years.

In his heart, Jackson knows he will go home again, someday, even if right now he doesn't have a home to return to. That's a plan to which he remains committed.

"I want to go back to New Orleans and be a part of the rebuilding process. I want to be there to help it flourish and make it one of America's best cities again." ♦

Introducing
2006 Graduates ...

Erin Davis

Biology, College of Science and Technology

Hometown: Newark, Del.

Double threat: As a member of Temple's gymnastics team, Davis was named the Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year, a two-time USA Gymnastics All-American, and the Owls co-captain for 2003–04. She has also been honored as a scholar: She was named to the Trustees' Honor Roll, which recognizes the top 10 student-athletes for academic achievement.

Early interest in gymnastics: "When I was about 3 years old I started doing flips off the couch. My mom was scared I was going to hurt myself, so she put me in gymnastics so I could do the flips in a safe setting. Ever since then, gymnastics has been a big part of my life."

Favorite event: "Balance beam was definitely my favorite event. I was horrible at it as a little kid. As I got older though, I improved and it became my best event in high school."

Why she chose Temple: "I was not recruited to Temple. What attracted to me to the school was the extremely close and supportive gymnastics team. The city was also a big attraction."

Balancing athletics and academics: "It was definitely difficult to fit in all of the labs, practices, homework, and competitions. I was constantly making schedules and planning my days to a T. As a freshman, gymnastics would occasionally take priority. As I got older though, academics and the thought of medical school was enough to get me to focus more on the books."

Student assistant coach: "Being a student assistant was a really good

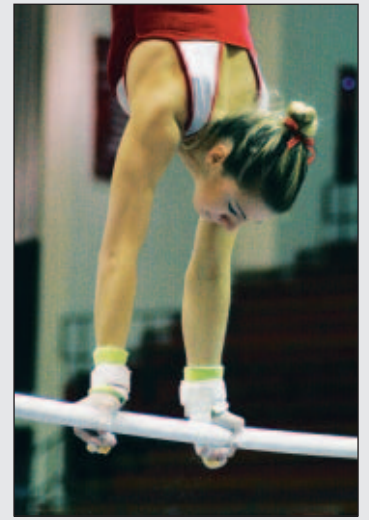


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experience and a way for me to be able to stay in the gym, so I did not miss the sport so much. It was a new experience to be able to work with my wonderful coaches instead of being an athlete."

Undergraduate research: "Doing research and working at the Center for Neurovirology was a great experience. After so many years of textbook biology and chemistry it was eye opening to be able to do some of work with your hands."

More pressure: athletics or academics? "In gymnastics meets you are not just competing for yourself, but for your team as well, so that certainly add some pressure. Still, I was probably more nervous for the MCATs [the medical SATs], as it a major factor in getting into medical school. I can absolutely say that in both cases my knees were knocking pretty hard before the events."

What's next: Medical school at Thomas Jefferson University. "I am interested in a lot of different fields within medicine, but would like to get some hands-on experience before I can make a definite decision as to my specialty. However, I do enjoy orthopedics, especially coming from an athletic background. I also shadowed my grandfather, who is a cardiologist, and I really enjoyed that field as well."

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Bachelor of social work

Speaker driven by desire to erase injustice

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Even as a small child, commencement speaker Toni Harris saw the injustice in the world and wanted to do something about it.

The New Haven, Conn., native felt helpless as she watched classmates struggle through the foster care system, wishing she could offer more than her friendship.

"I thought, nothing makes me different from them except for the fact that I was lucky enough to have a supportive family," the 21-year-old social work major said. "I figured that becoming a social worker would help me make a real difference."

Years later, as a Temple student, a visit to a support group for women with HIV/AIDS reinforced Harris' desire to help people understand the importance of social work and inspired her decision to work with the HIV/AIDS population.

"It was a phenomenal experience," she said. "It made me feel like when I am sick or sad, that's no excuse not to be relevant as a person. I have to sacrifice to help other people grow."

Embracing her own personal growth through the University's many cultural, social and intellectual offerings has been an essential component to her undergraduate experience. Harris said her appreci-

"I think that it sounds really cliché, but I learned at Temple to love who I am as a person. We are of so much greater use to the world when we let go of our insecurities."

Toni Harris
Social work graduate

ation for her father's financial sacrifices and his commitment to her education spurred this desire to make the most of her time as a student.

In addition to social work internships, community service commitments and her job as a resident assistant, the African studies minor with a 3.96 grade-point average challenged herself creatively outside the classroom, organizing an African history show called "Journeys in Black" and performing poetry at campus venues.

Perhaps not surprisingly, Harris has many ambitious goals for her post-college life as well. Among them, she wants to open her own HIV/AIDS social services center and become a professor. This fall, she will attend Columbia University in pursuit of a master's degree in social work.

Although Harris admitted that she sometimes worries about living

up to her own high standards, she is motivated by friends, family and belief in herself.

"I think that it sounds really cliché, but I learned at Temple to love who I am as a person," she said. "We are of so much greater use to the world when we let go of our insecurities."

Harris' mentor, social work professor Rosalie Schofield, has faith that she will succeed.

"She really has all the elements of a wonderful social worker," Schofield said. "I believe she'll do what she intends to do. She certainly has the talent and the commitment."

When Harris takes the stage at the Liacouras Center in front of the class of 2006, she wants to remind her classmates that their accomplishments give them a responsibility to assist those who have not been lucky enough to don a cap and gown.

"I know so many people who are much smarter and more capable of giving the commencement address than I could ever be," she said. "Yet, because their lives involve such hardships as stigma, poverty and disease, they go unrecognized and their accomplishments are undervalued. My only goal on May 18th is to give them a voice, to share with my class the lessons of humility and service that these individuals have shared with me." ♦



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Commencement speaker Toni Harris will attend Columbia University in the fall to pursue a master's degree in social work. Her career goals include working with HIV-positive and AIDS-infected individuals and becoming a professor.

Bachelor of business administration/accounting

Ten years of hardship didn't stop this grad

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For 10 years, Dana Prather put any hopes of graduating college on hold.

When she was only 15, her mother was diagnosed with advanced cancer; three years later, her mother died. For the next decade, Dana Prather was the sole provider for her two younger siblings, then 10 and 13.

But this January, she triumphed, graduating cum laude as a business honors student with a major in accounting.

It was a long road. Initially, just finishing high school while her mother was suffering from advanced breast cancer was a struggle. Then, trying to finish her first semester of college after her mother died was even harder, and she dropped out.

At first, Prather worried that her sister and brother would be put in foster care. But her courage kept the family together.

For the next eight years, Prather made sure her siblings were taken care of until both of them graduated from high school. Then, once the danger of foster care for her siblings passed, Prather moved to Manhattan, hoping for a fresh start. There, for six years, she worked as a waitress and a "fit" model, a model who helps design-



Photo by Ryan S. Brandenberg/University Photography
Dana Prather's college dreams went on hold at age 15 when her mother died and she had to care for her younger siblings. This week, she proves the power of perseverance, graduating cum laude with a degree in accounting.

ers test out how a garment fits and moves.

But Prather longed to continue her education.

With the encouragement of a supportive English professor, Paul McGarvey, at the Community College of Philadelphia and a job as a financial service associate, she returned to Philadelphia and began working toward her community college degree in spring 2002.

But one roadblock to her four-year degree remained.

"Before my mother passed, I

failed my first semester of college classes," Prather explained. "When it happened I didn't go to my classes and withdraw, so my transcript had straight F's."

Although she was worried about her early college transcript, she had done well since then. She applied to Temple anyway. After doing some research online, she contacted economics professor Michael Leeds, who directs The Fox School Honors program. She liked the school's accounting program and the smaller size of Honors classes.

Noticing that her early F's were soon replaced by excellent grades, Leeds encouraged her to join the Honors program.

In 2004, she began attending Temple, where she quickly began to thrive. At The Fox School she is a member of Beta Alpha Phi, the national honors organization for financial information professionals, as well as the National Association of Black Accountants.

Engaged to be married in August, she is now working as a tax associate at Grant Thornton.

"Of course, I'm proud to be a role model for my brother and sister," Prather said, "but I'd say my biggest accomplishment is graduating. I'm the first person on my mother's side to get a degree. I never thought I'd make it to this point." ♦

Introducing 2006 Graduates ...

Nicole Johnson

Metals, Tyler School of Art

Hometown: Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

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Why I chose Temple: "I wanted to go far away, but when I came here, it just clicked. I love the community here, being surrounded by artists, and the professors are amazing and encouraging."

How Temple has helped me grow: "I was able to experiment with so many different art forms. I took art history, and I did the summer abroad program in Scotland between my sophomore and junior years. Working in the Tyler admissions office and as a tour guide on campus, I've loved talking to prospective students and their families and sharing my experience at Tyler. I remember being there, not knowing what I wanted to do, and then in four years, we're artists."

Something no one would ever guess about me: "I joined the Amnesty International group at my high school when I was in ninth grade. I became president in 11th grade, and by my senior year, I was the student area coordinator, organizing 35 groups in the Philadelphia region. This is my fifth year in that position. I keep them current on amnesty issues,



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run workshops on nonviolent protesting and other topics at regional conferences and state meetings, design posters and give talks. ... I just signed up to be part of a campaign to help AI members stay connected after college because I'm about to be in just that position."

Why I chose metals: "In jewelry design, wearability and functionality combine with a strong artistic concept and process. Even as my work has gotten more sculptural, I love the technical aspect."

What's surprising about my artwork: "It's designed to be poked at. I've created a series of 'inflation' brooches, made of silver and rubber, that are made for the person to interact with. My work is visceral and so much about touch."

What's next: Taking art history courses at Brown University, with plans to go into a graduate program in art history.

— Harriet Goodheart

Senior year for roommates Tricia O'Donnell (left) and Courtney Ignarri was disrupted when their off-campus building collapsed, destroying everything inside.

Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography



Apt. collapse can't ruin roommates' senior year

On Sept. 13, two Temple police officers tracked down Courtney Ignarri and Tricia O'Donnell.

To their relief, they found them where they were supposed to be — in class. The off-campus building in which Ignarri and O'Donnell lived

had completely collapsed; the police wanted to make sure no one was hurt in the rubble. The collapse disrupted the fall semester for both students.

But in the aftermath of the disruption, the longtime friends managed to pull themselves together and

maintain their impressive academic careers. Ignarri and O'Donnell hiked around the debris in combat boots, hunting for anything retrievable, all the while prepping for the GRE and turning in assignments on time.

— Karen Shuey

Introducing 2006 Graduates ...

Tricia O'Donnell

Psychology/criminal justice, College of Liberal Arts

Hometown: Upper Darby, Pa.

Accomplishments: Phi Beta Kappa; Criminal Justice Department Baccalaureate Award.

What's next: State University of New York at Albany, doctoral program for criminal justice.

Sound bite from O'Donnell: "After being a part of the Inside-Out program this past fall, I completely changed my mind as to what I wanted to do when I graduated. Through that course, I saw that there is a lot of research to be done concerning correctional facilities in America."

Community service: O'Donnell has taken the skills she has learned in the classroom to pioneer a new community service program called Voices Inside Philadelphia. The program is designed to help women in correctional facilities use creative writing as a coping mechanism. "It means a lot to these women to take pride in something they have created."

Introducing 2006 Graduates ...

Courtney Ignarri

Psychology, College of Liberal Arts

Hometown: Upper Darby, Pa.

What's next: Lehigh University, doctoral program for social psychology. "I received a fellowship from the university, which gave me even more incentive to go there," she said.

Career goals: "I want to be a professor someday with a focus on research. But the interaction with students is what I will value most."

Most memorable Temple class: "Death and Dying," taught by John Raines. The course made me realize how to get my own views about issues across to others. Having the opportunity to write about personal experiences is a big part of that class and something you don't find that frequently in other courses."

Mentor: Andrew Karpinski, assistant professor of psychology in the College of Liberal Arts. "Without [Karpinski], I don't think I would have done as well as I have academically."

Bachelor of music/composition

Bridging cultural divides through music

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Hanna

Composition major and honors student Mena Hanna, one of only 40 students nationwide to receive the prestigious Marshall Scholarship this year, plans to study Coptic chants and the influences of Eastern composition on Western music at Oxford University this fall.

"I am interested in transcribing Coptic chant and then finding evidence of real links between all of this music — a sort of Rosetta Stone," Hanna said. "Believe it or not, this is sort of a hot topic right now. Many people think it could answer big questions, like, what is the origin of Western music?"

Viewing music as a social and spiritually beneficial art, he is exploring ways to merge these worlds

through the unity of sound. A current project involves combining the lyrical work of English, German and Arabic poets into a single work.

Since entering Temple's composition program to work with accomplished composers such as Matthew Greenbaum, Maurice Wright and Richard Brodhead, Hanna has been recognized internationally for his work. He was commissioned to set to music "La storia di un cilegio," an Umbrian fairy tale that he conducted at its premiere in Italy. The U.S. debut was in Rock Hall, at the inaugural Temple Undergraduate Research Forum and Creative Works Symposium last month.

This summer, Hanna will study

on a full scholarship in Darmstadt, Germany, where he will be working with a full orchestra, learning with some of Europe's most brilliant composers and giving large concert performances. At Internationale Ferienkurse für Neue Musik, one of the largest music festivals in the world, he will premiere his cello piece "Wadi-n-Natrun."

Afterward, he is destined for Oxford University, where he will pursue a master's degree in composition and musicology. While he says he will always compose his own work, he wants one day to come back to Temple as a music professor.

"I am a sociable person, and I think I have a genuine thirst for knowledge. Teaching not only keeps me sane, but it quenches my inquisitiveness," he said. ♦

Doctor of philosophy/pharmaceutical science

From Iran to Philly, grad had the faith to keep fighting

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As a girl in Tehran, Shahrzad Missaghi was lucky. She and her family are members of the Baha'i faith, a religion not officially recognized by the Iranian government, though it's the largest religious minority group in the country.

"Many of my friends lost their parents due to religious persecution," Shahrzad said.

Still, her family did suffer in many ways. Her mother, a pediatrician, was declared "unfit" to care for Muslim children and was expelled from the hospital where she worked. Her father lost his job as well, and in addition to financial woes, her parents continuously struggled to explain to their children why they were being expelled from school on the grounds of being Baha'i.

Today, after a long, difficult road that included studying at an underground university and waiting five years for a passport, Missaghi, cheered on by her parents visiting from Iran, her brother and her husband, will receive her Ph.D. in pharmaceutical science from the School of Pharmacy.

Although Missaghi and her brother, Nizam, were born in the United States, when their mother was undergoing medical training here, the family returned to Tehran when Shahrzad was 2 years old. Her father is an agricultural engineer.

"I have very fond memories of my childhood in Tehran and miss the food, the closeness of relationships and the great hospitality there. I tend to separate the country from the government," she said.

Inspired by her parents, Missaghi dreamed of a science career. But, barred by the government from attending an institution of higher learning, she had to earn her bachelor's degree from an underground university founded by members of the Baha'i faith. In the wake of the 1979 Islamic Revolution, the founders had been expelled from their previous positions as university professors on the basis of their religious beliefs.

"The Baha'i university suffered many raids and attempts at closure by the Iranian authorities," she said.

After graduation, Missaghi struggled for five years to leave the country for further education in the United States. It was purely by chance that she was at last granted an Iranian passport. Although she is a U.S. citizen, the Iranian gov-



Photo by Joseph V. Labolito/University Photography
This week, Shahrzad Missaghi earns a doctorate in pharmaceutical science, an achievement that would have been impossible in her native Iran, where members of her Baha'i faith are persecuted.

ernment did not recognize her U.S. passport, nor did it officially issue passports for Baha'is to leave.

She did finally make it to the United States, and though she was offered admission to three universities, Temple initially rejected her. Fortunately, one of her Iranian professors intervened on her behalf and spoke with the director of graduate studies here. After visiting Temple for an interview, she was admitted and awarded a teaching assistantship.

"I chose Temple because of its strength in pharmaceuticals, and Philadelphia because of the job opportunities in my field, the

active Baha'i community here and the academic opportunities for my husband, who is currently studying at the University of Pennsylvania," she said.

Since then, Missaghi and her brother have tried to convince their parents to join them in the

U.S. but to no avail.

"Iran is their country, and even though life is difficult, problems can also create unity. The situation for Baha'is sometimes appears to be getting better and other times worse," she said.

Missaghi is already working in her field, as an applications technologist in the pharmaceutical division at Colorcon, a pharmaceutical technology and chemical company. She lives with her husband in South Jersey.

"Temple allowed me to pursue my Ph.D. in the field I love: pharmaceuticals. My graduation will mark not only my accomplishments, but the accomplishments of my colleagues who painstakingly struggle to pursue higher education in Iran," she said. ♦

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Shahrzad Missaghi
Ph.D. graduate from the School of Pharmacy

Doctor of medicine

Former hospital administrator now a doctor

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Brian Lahmann, 39, worked closely with doctors for years as a hospital administrator, all the while harboring a dream to be one of them. As time went on, the dream pushed closer to the surface until it burst in his early 30s.

"It got to a point where I thought, if I'm going to do this, I just have to do it," he said. "I realized that being a doctor was what I always wanted to do. For a while, it was okay to do the next best thing — run a hospital as a business administrator, but I had my midlife crisis early and couldn't see myself doing that for another 25 years. It wasn't making me happy."

Lahmann admired those physician colleagues who took time out of extremely busy schedules to stop and truly listen to patients. He was also impressed with those doctors who were down to earth.

"That's how I want to approach my work with patients, by making that personal connection. I want to be known as Brian, who happens to be Dr. Lahmann, and who can help people get better," he said.

Ever seeking variety in his work life, Lahmann has chosen to specialize in emergency



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Brian Lahmann, who pursued his M.D. while raising a new daughter, found a supportive environment at Temple. "I don't think I would've gotten that at other med schools," he said.

medicine and will begin a residency at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Camden this summer.

"I was surprised to learn in medical school that I really enjoyed each rotation — obstetrics, psychiatry, surgery — and wanted to find a way to be involved with all of these different

types of patients. Emergency medicine was the answer because it delivers care to a huge cross-section of the population: old, young, rich, poor, women and kids. I know myself, and I can't do the same thing every day."

Lahmann's goal was to begin residency training by the time he was 40 years old. And

"I want to be known as Brian, who happens to be Dr. Lahmann, and who can help people get better."

Brian Lahmann
School of Medicine graduate

though most of his fellow students were in their mid-20s, he never felt out of place in medical school.

"I have to say that students at Temple were so remarkable — very mature and articulate. Everyone was just so supportive, knowing that I had a family and just treating me the same as everyone else," he said. Lahmann and his partner Doug have a 4-year-old daughter, Helen, who was born just six months before medical school started. "No one blinked an eye when my daughter was sick and I needed to reschedule a lecture. I don't think I would've gotten that at other med schools."

Though Lahmann was happy to discover such supportive colleagues at Temple, he originally chose Temple for professional reasons.

"Temple has a reputation for producing good, strong clinicians — doctors who can practice great medicine on the front lines," he said. ♦

Bachelor of arts/philosophy

Combining philosophy, music, law to follow in Locke's footsteps

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A onetime classical trumpeter who was talented enough to play Carnegie Hall, Steven Horowitz came to Temple and fell in love with philosophy.

"When it came down to it, I realized I didn't want to spend my life waiting for an orchestra job," Horowitz said.

From the moment he took Robert Guay's "Ethical Theory" course he became fascinated with the application of philosophy to everyday life. In the fall of 2004, Horowitz researched intellectual property theory as part of the first group of Diamond Scholars, who as undergraduates pursue advanced-level research. Combining his affinity for philosophy, music and law, he used a Lockean approach to copyright theory in analyzing the ethical ramifications of music-sharing sites like Napster.

"The Diamond Scholars program was an incredible experience," Horowitz said. "Being able to do research instead of work over the summer, and getting the financial support to do so, enabled me to become a skilled researcher. The program also provided an outstanding mentor in law professor David Post, one of the finest scholars in the field, with whom I continue to talk and whose continued guidance has been invaluable."

Horowitz's scholarship was so impressive that it was published in

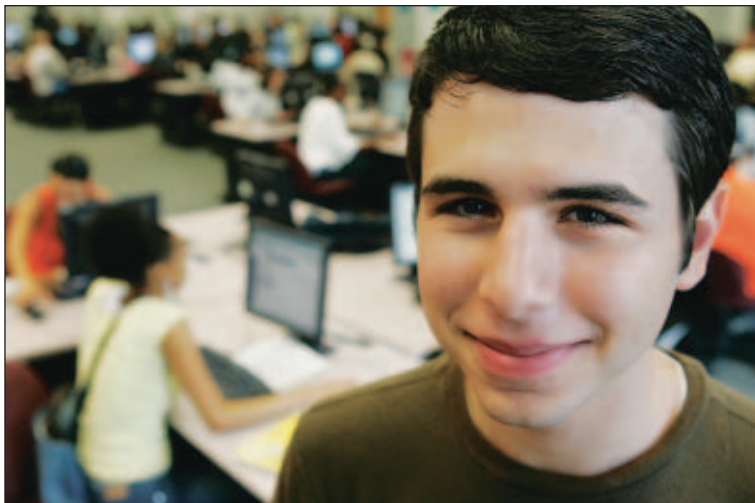


Photo by Joseph V. Labolito/University Photography
Through Temple's Diamond Scholars program and other undergraduate research opportunities, philosophy graduate Steven Horowitz explored the application of his discipline to everyday life.

the *Deakin Law Review* of Deakin University in Australia, almost unheard of for an undergraduate. In addition to this accomplishment, he is a two-time winner of Temple's Library Prize and Temple's Undergraduate Research Incentive Fund Grant.

With help from Temple's Research Incentive Fund, this year he was flown to Pacific University in Oregon to present his work "As Boundaries Fade: The Social Contract in Cyber Space." The Research Incentive Fund also paid for his travel to a conference at Harvard on Internet law.

When it came time to graduate, Horowitz's extraordinary accomplishments as a legal academic left him with offers from the Harvard, Yale, Stanford, Columbia, NYU and Penn law schools. He finally

chose and will be attending Harvard this fall to study intellectual property theory in cyberspace and copyright law.

"The one thing I'm not looking forward to at Harvard is being a die-hard Yankees fan in the heart of Red Sox nation," Horowitz admitted.

What he is looking forward to, however, is the evolution of his ideas in legal and political philosophy. He hopes eventually to contribute to students and academia the way Post has.

"I'd prefer not to spend my professional life in the monotony of what people call 'biglaw,'" he said. "I want to be a law professor so that I can continue to pursue philosophical questions and help shape how the legal community understands the law. The best place to do that is in academia." ♦

Introducing 2006 Graduates ...

Abigail Zbikowski

Dance, Boyer College of Music and Dance; minor in psychology

Hometown: Cherry Hill, N.J.

Before Temple: Started dancing in first grade and never stopped. At Cherry Hill High School West, she also earned MVP honors as goalie on the field hockey team and was a South Jersey All-Star.

G.P.A.: 3.82.

Accomplishments: Abby was one of four choreographers chosen to represent the Northeast region at the American College Dance Conference in Washington, D.C., and performed her piece at the Kennedy Center on May 16 — the first Temple undergraduate ever selected for this honor. Also nominated for a Student Choreographer Award by *Dance* magazine. On May 17, she received the Undergraduate Dance Scholar and Choreography awards at the Boyer College awards ceremony.

Her winning piece: "Acquaintance," a duet with undergraduate dance student Eiren Shuman. "It was very therapeutic for me; it's about a friendship I had that ended up not being what I thought it was all those years in high school. I was really happy the judges 'got' it."

Why I chose Temple: "My dance teacher got her M.F.A. at Temple and recommended it to me. With the program's focus on choreography and modern dance, it was a good fit artistically for me."

How Temple has helped me grow: "My freshman year, I thought I'd be doing nothing but



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dancing all day long. I've learned so much about myself here. The dance program helped me learn to self-motivate and accomplish what I want to achieve."

Why I chose dance: "There was serious illness in my family when I was growing up, and dance was always an outlet, a way to channel my energy and the stress I was feeling in a constructive way."

Dancing vs. choreographing: "I can throw myself into dancing without restraint. Choreographing is a lot more complex. There are so many layers — space, movement, design — to make it successful and clear. I've started to find my artistic voice and my style, but it's going to take a few more years to fully develop it."

What's next: Abby will put on her own show in the Philadelphia Fringe Festival, continue taking dance classes and eventually go to graduate school. "I want to perform while my body's still working, and I want to work with kids."

Something no one would ever guess about me: "I was my high school's homecoming queen."

— Harriet Goodheart

Diamond Awards winners recognized

On May 3, more than 70 of the University's most distinguished students came together for the first annual Diamond Awards ceremony. Sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs and the Alumni Association, the new event creates a centralized forum to honor undergraduates who have won high honors from campus departments as well as from local and national sources. In 2006, Temple students received several highly competitive national awards, including a Marshall scholarship, NASA grants, and a Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation scholarship.

Students were recognized for various awards in five categories: academics, memorial, peer educator, scholarships and student life.

Seventeen students who earned a trip to the LeaderShape Institute based on their participation in Student Affairs' Leadership Challenge project were also recognized at the reception.

"Temple University has some of the finest students in the world, and we're very pleased and very excited to be recognizing them for all that they have achieved," said Ainsley Carry, Temple's associate vice president for student affairs and dean of students.

The following is a list of Diamond Award winners broken down by category:

Academics

Mena Hanna, Marshall Scholarship Student

Josiah Mount, Thi Thach, Justin Pasquale, Jeremi Leasure and Dennis Defino, NASA grants

Alisa Ann Waxman, Interdisciplinary Award of Excellence

Amy Vuong, Mind Body and Spirit Award

Pat Kinsella, Rohm and Haas

Allison White, Teacher Education Graduate in Special Education

Aineya Ricketts, RCC Outstanding Mentor Award

Jennifer Levy, ACUHO-I Stars College

Memorial

Anthony DeFusco and Eric Jutkowitz, Adeline and Marvin Wachman Scholarship Fund

Priya Patel, The Dorothy A. Seegers Memorial Award

Jennifer Benson, Jerry Zaslow Memorial Award

Amber Ziminski, Joel M. Scafer Award

Amy Rice, Jeremy Shinefeld and Nikolin Kordhishti, Sol Feinstone Award

Neal Santos, Valaida S. Walker Award

Traci Dougherty, Whittaker Award

Erin Davis, Samantha Davis and Olusemilore Owolana, LeRoy M. Carl Award

Peer Educators

Molly McKendry, Outstanding THEO Certified Peer Educator

Cyd Katz, Outstanding THEO Volunteer

Jeannie Sabaroff, CASA Peer Educator of the Year

Cathryn C. Clark, CERT Peer Educator of the Year

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Bachelor of arts/history and political science

Love of history spurs globe-circling trek

By Harriet Goodheart
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"I have a dream."

Those were the first words of English that Naoko Koda learned. She was 6 years old, growing up in Shiga, Japan, and her father was playing a recording of Martin Luther King Jr.'s legendary speech and following along with a printed translation in Japanese.

"My father is a very curious person, and there were always a lot of history books around the house," Koda recalled. "After listening to Dr. King, I just kept repeating 'I have a dream,' 'I have a dream.' And my father did, too."

Koda's own flourishing interest in history, particularly U.S. history, drew her to the United States after graduating from high school. "I was 18 when I arrived in New York with one suitcase, not speaking English. I don't even know how I found my way from the airport."

After a year taking English classes for international students at Columbia University, she headed to Philadelphia, and to Temple. "I wanted to study American history in the city where this nation began. I just thought it would be the best place to be," she said.

Even with additional English classes at Temple, Koda's confidence in her command of the language faltered. "I was afraid I would be at a huge disadvantage in a discipline as difficult as history, and worried about how I'd ever write an essay exam."

She briefly considered biology, but knew that history was where her heart was. In her first introductory survey course with history profes-



Naoko Koda's early interest in U.S. history brought her from Shiga, Japan, to Philadelphia, "the city where this nation began," she said. Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography

or Ralph Young, Koda sat in the first row at every class and taped every lecture, then listened to them over and over at night.

"Her English was practically nonexistent that first semester," Young said. "Yet she excelled. Naoko not only taped all my lectures, she'd come to my office to have me explain things she didn't understand."

Bolstered by the support of Young and her other history professors, Koda not only continued her pursuit of history, but also picked up a

double major with political science. "As I studied American history, I realized I needed a better understanding of the structure of the government and how it works," she said. "I remember reading about the Electoral College, and I didn't know what it was."

Now fluent in English and graduating with an impressive 3.7 G.P.A., she's looking ahead to graduate school and a teaching career of her own. "The professors have been so helpful; every class I've taken, I want to be just like them." ♦

Introducing 2006 Graduates ...

Bridget Doak

Ph.D., music therapy, Boyer College of Music and Dance

Accomplishments: The first woman in the nation to receive a Ph.D. in music therapy — the Boyer College of Music and Dance offers the only doctoral program in the field; published her research on music therapy and adolescent substance abuse in *Music Therapy Perspectives*, the discipline's leading journal; started a music therapy program for women and children who were victims of domestic violence at a crisis shelter, and another for incarcerated women at a correctional facility; past president of the Music Therapy Association of Minnesota.

Currently: Working with adolescent mental health inpatients at the University of Minnesota Children's Hospital, Fairview, in Minneapolis.

Before Temple: Received her bachelor's degree in music therapy from the University of Dayton, and her M.A. in human development from Saint Mary's University; completed additional graduate coursework in music therapy at the University of Minnesota to meet the American Music Therapy Association's requirements for faculty authorization.



Photo courtesy Bridget Doak

How Temple has helped me to grow: "Temple has helped me to become a more effective clinician and researcher. I especially appreciated the opportunity to study both music psychotherapy and music medicine techniques and research practices. I hope to continue to integrate these practices into my daily work as a music therapist."

Something no one would ever guess about me: "I was a baton twirler in high school and twirled everything from a hoop baton to lighted batons and two fire batons."

Mentor: "Cheryl Dileo, Ph.D., professor of music therapy and director of the Arts and Quality of Life Research Center, mentored me through my entire dissertation process. I am forever grateful to her. I also learned a lot from professors Ken Bruscia and Darlene Brooks."

Books currently on my nightstand: *Outlander* by Diane Gabaldon and *Fromer's Guide to Ireland*.

— Harriet Goodheart

Bachelor of arts/art education

Temple program the ticket out of prison, into new life

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Prison wasn't a life Angela Crafton wanted for herself, but until she became part of the Inside-Out program taught by Temple's Lori Pompa, she didn't see any other future.

"I knew I wanted to change, but I just didn't see any way I could change," Crafton said as she looked back. "I thought I would get out of prison and get back into trouble."

Instead, she's graduating with a bachelor's degree in art education, and looking forward to a life that uses art to help others.

Crafton, 34, was an inmate at the Philadelphia Industrial Correctional Center in 1999 when she entered the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program, a program that brings students and prisoners together as one group to explore issues of crime, justice, race, class and victimization. Created by Pompa, a criminal justice instructor, the program has become a model for similar efforts throughout the country. But for Crafton, it was also a way out.

"Being able to keep up with Temple students — that was exciting," Crafton said.

After getting herself straight and being released from prison, Crafton took classes at community college before entering Temple. She had



Crafton

not been in touch with Pompa since she left prison, and was at first reluctant to revive that connection, because she had never been successful in her past

attempts at success.

"Lori didn't know I was here," Crafton said. "I didn't contact her until I was sure I was on the right track. It was so amazing to meet with her for the first time, and see how far the program had come."

Now Crafton goes with Pompa to train professors from other universities on the value of bringing students and inmates together to learn from each other.

For Crafton, that also means going back to prison and talking with inmates. "I love telling them: I was there, I know what it's like."

She has been working with the city's Mural Arts Program and helping to design a mural for Benjamin Franklin High School, where she has been student teaching.

She wants to continue with public art, and maybe come back to Temple for her master's degree.

And she's going back to prison, but this time, she's in control of her future and she's there to help others — and herself.

"I think going back to prison keeps me out," she said. ♦

Bachelor of music/percussion performance

Music major learns by immersion

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Senior percussion performance major Sarah Van Doel has spent her life pushing the boundaries — musically, culturally, educationally and even socially.

Her success is evident in her seemingly endless string of accomplishments in and out of the classroom. But to merely list her scholarships, honors and activities fails to capture the reason she has been so successful in the first place: She is passionate, enthusiastic and rises to every challenge without fear of adversity.

As a 6-year-old, she began playing the marimba (a percussion instrument similar to a large xylophone) while her friends were playing with dolls.

In high school, Van Doel attended Interlochen Arts Academy, a prestigious boarding school in Michigan, winning national and international music competitions in her spare time.

And during her four years as a Temple student, she has given her all in everything she does, whether she's in India speaking the local Gujarati language with young music students or helping Philadelphia high school students crack the SAT. "The more you put into something, the more you get out of it," she said.

That might as well be her motto. It hasn't always been easy, however. When Van Doel, 22, arrived on Temple's campus, she wasn't happy.

The Avon, Ind., native had wanted to attend a conservatory for music. However, her parents insisted she go to a university, and the Boyer College of Music and Dance at Temple offered an excellent program.

Still, Van Doel admits she had a rough time adjusting to the University. Then, she got mugged.

"It was one of the most eye-opening experiences of my life," she



Photo courtesy Sarah Van Doel
While in India last summer as part of a Temple independent study program, senior percussion performance major Sarah Van Doel (right) immersed herself in the culture — wearing saris, speaking Hindi and Gujarati and learning to cook Indian food.

said. "I wasn't mad; I just wanted to do something about it."

The next semester, she decided to tutor inner-city high school students. The program director was impressed with Van Doel's enthusiasm, but doubted that students would be receptive to her — because she is white. However, Van Doel was persistent, spending her spare time making worksheets and even teaching herself calculus.

"I told them they wouldn't get into college if they had terrible grades and SAT scores; it is just a fact," Van Doel said. "I proved to them that color didn't make a difference — the difference was within the work they put in and extra tutoring from someone who truly cared about their well-being."

It paid off. Her students' grades

rose dramatically, and she won over the harshest of skeptics.

Back on Temple's campus, Van Doel was making her own educational strides as well. Though she was still committed to percussion performance, Van Doel discovered

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Sarah Van Doel
Percussion
performance graduate

her passion for ethnomusicology, the study of music and culture. She also began to appreciate the University for its educational opportunities and diversity.

"Coming to Temple was the best decision I ever made," she said. "If I didn't go to Temple, this whole other world wouldn't exist."

Van Doel became particularly intrigued with the Indian tabla drum, so when she learned of a Temple program through which she could study with a music teacher in Dhrangadra, India, she jumped at

the opportunity and won University scholarships to finance her travel.

Once there, she threw herself into her research and the culture, wearing saris each day and spending 12 hours a day, seven days a week at the male music instructor's studio, which was also his home. She would have stayed longer, but her presence was already somewhat controversial in the conservative, close-knit village.

"I definitely pushed the cultural boundaries," she said. "I was there too much, but I gained their respect and trust. They knew I cared."

In addition to studying the tabla, Van Doel researched the role of women in Indian culture and how this affects the way girls are taught music.

Van Doel, who studies Spanish, Korean, Hindi and Gujarati, fell in love with Indian culture and plans to return as an ethnomusicologist. She also wants to travel elsewhere, but don't expect to find her at the typical tourist hot spots.

"Why would I want to go to Europe when I could go to Afghanistan or Korea?" she asked.

But Sarah's plans to return to India are on hold for now. The newly engaged Van Doel and her fiancé, fellow 2006 graduate Stephen Horowitz, are off to Boston in the fall: Van Doel to study ethnomusicology (on a full ride) at Tufts University, and Horowitz to attend Harvard Law School.

Van Doel, who is also the student speaker at the Boyer College of Music and Dance's commencement ceremony, credits the University with helping her discover her passion, and said she hopes to give back one day.

"Temple taught me not to judge people on first meeting, listen before I speak, care about the world around me and to be a better person," she said. "If I spend my life helping others and learning about my surroundings, I will have led a wonderful and generous life." ♦

Diamond Awards winners continued

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Scholarship

Allison Pymer, Barry Goldwater Fellowship Honorable Mention

Samantha Davis, Ruth Whitney Scholarship

Emilie B. Haertsch, St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia

Summer Hammoudeh, Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Scholarship

Veronica Fontama, Justin Somers, Aelon Porat, Joseph Milicia, Leah Major, Sarah Leszczuk, Ben Faust, Nicholas Boyer and Chris Holzinger Kingsboro, Spencer Educational Foundation Scholarship

Demaris Trapp, Fellowship from the Institute for International Public Policy

Student life

Angelica Buchanan, Jason Toussaint, Tymira Wright and Kyle Shireman, Ted Feshuk Memorial Award

Alysha Brennan, Chris Stover, Christoher Wink, Chris Reber, Brandon Lausch, John Kopp, Nadia Stadnycki, Samantha Davis, Ben Watanabe and Steve Gengler, Keystone Award

Paolo DeVito, Greek Man of the Year
Sabrina Hanitz, Greek Woman of the Year

Alpha Epsilon Pi, Greek Chapter of the Year

Oscar Chow, Outgoing TSG president

John Gross, Male Athlete of the Year

Jenna Remmert and Ashley Shepps, Female Athlete of the Year

Anthony Munoz, James S. White Award 2005–06

Jamie Nguyen, Local Hero Award for Community Service

Neal Santos, Volunteer of the Year

Good Fellaz, Best Student Organization

April Eagan, Best Student Leader

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., Best Program

Christopher P. Griffenkranz, George C. Marshall ROTC Award

Toni Harris, Commencement speaker

Bachelor of arts/political science

Outgoing student president is a model of determination

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You could say political science major Oscar A.R. Chow, president of Temple Student Government, was born to lead.

The problem was that life kept putting obstacles in his way. A lot of obstacles.

Chow was born in Managua, Nicaragua. He never knew his father. When Chow was 2 years old, his family lost their home and all their belongings to a hurricane.

His grandmother, who lived in Massachusetts, sent for the family. Chow, his mother and his brother eventually settled in Philadelphia, where they lived in low-income neighborhoods; for a time, they lived in a one-room apartment, sharing a hall bathroom with three other families. Chow's mother supported the children by working as a nanny.

Chow ran with a tough crowd as a boy, so his mother sent him to St. John Neumann High School to try to keep him out of trouble. At Neumann, he got into fights, many of them racially motivated, he said. (Chow's mixed heritage — part Hispanic, part black, part Asian — presented challenges when he was growing up.) At one point, Chow was threatened with expulsion.

Yet he did well in school, earning top grades. During one class on presidential history, he announced to his teacher that he would be president one day.

"I'm sorry, Oscar," he recalled the nun telling him, "but people like you can't be president."

The fights dwindled as he became an upperclassman, and Chow decided to run for senior class president.

"They told me that I couldn't run because of my disciplinary history," Chow said.

Chow was devastated. "My grades



Photo by Joseph V. Labolito/University Photography
Testifying before the Pennsylvania House Appropriations Committee in Harrisburg this February, Oscar A.R. Chow (left) urged lawmakers to increase state funding for higher education. Chow was joined by Temple student Sara Getz and President David Adamany.

were always good. I was running track and in band and clubs," he said.

"I walked out of that meeting and decided that I was going to go to college and turn around every facet of

my life," Chow continued. "A lot of people I had associated with weren't positive. A lot of my friends sold drugs; some of them died. I didn't want any part of that anymore." ♦

Chow came to Temple hungry to prove himself. Within a year of his arrival, he became a resident assistant in White Hall and assumed leadership positions in his fraternity, in the Johnson, Hardwick and Peabody Senate (where he served as president from 2003 to 2005), and in Temple Student Government (where he served as chair of internal operations until being elected president in 2005).

The next goal for Chow: law school. He's hoping to attend Temple or Penn. And after that, he said he'll stay in Philadelphia and do what he can to help residents in its underserved neighborhoods.

"I'd like to get involved in state and local politics," Chow said. "I love this city — I grew up here, and I want to give back to it as much as possible."

"And one day," he added with a smile. "I hope to sit on the Temple Board of Trustees."

Don't bet against it. ♦



Photo courtesy Lenka Adamcova

Lenka Adamcova (center) volunteered at A Taste of the Book and the Cook festival along with actors from the Broadway musical *Cats*. The festival, which features popular cookbook authors and chefs, was organized by the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management in 2005.

Bachelor of science/tourism and hospitality management

Eastern Europe or Cape May, distance no barrier

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Graduating School of Tourism and Hospitality Management senior Lenka Adamcova hasn't seen her family or homeland for nearly five years. This May, the hard work, long commutes and sacrifice will finally pay off when she receives her diploma.

Born in communist Czechoslovakia, Adamcova grew up in a time when her country prohibited travel. At age 11, when the borders of her country finally opened, her desire to travel took hold.

She got her first chance to visit another country when she was 21 through a summer program called Camp America, which allows participants to work in the United States. As a camp counselor in New Hampshire, she slowly learned the basics of the English language.

Later, in 2001, she was recruited for a tourism job in Cape May, N.J. She started saving money to return to school, and decided to pursue a degree in tourism and hospitality management at Temple.

"I wanted to get a good education, and Temple is a great school. My parents always used to tell me that 'what you know, no one can take away from you.'"

So at age 25, Adamcova began commuting more than an hour and

a half each way from Cape May to Temple and back while earning her degree. She had to work three jobs to pay for tuition: one as a busgirl at a restaurant, and two at Cape May bed and breakfasts.

"There was no partying or social life for me, for four years. On my days off from school I was working. I learned that if you are willing to work hard you are going to make it, but it is not easy," she said.

Adamcova found support at Temple from Assistant STHM Dean Jeffrey Montague, who encouraged her to apply for the Provost Scholarship for International Students — which she won.

Over the years, Adamcova's dedication has been rewarded many times. Besides the Provost Scholarship, she also won the Greater Philadelphia Hotel Association student leadership award in December, and she just received a President Scholar award for graduating with a G.P.A. above 3.75. And then there's her new full-time job at the Rittenhouse Bed and Breakfast, which began as an internship in January.

"I met wonderful people here, and I thank everyone for their support and for being there for me," Adamcova said. "It was very difficult to be here by myself, but I had a goal, and my dream came true — and that's the best feeling." ♦

Announcement

New University Housing director named

Temple and the Division of Student Affairs are proud to announce the hiring of Michael Scales as the director of University Housing. Scales will join the Temple family from Drexel University, where he served as the director of university housing. He brings a wealth of experience to the position and has a well-rounded background in housing and residential living.

Scales earned a master of arts in higher education administration and student affairs from Ohio State University and a bachelor of arts in psychology at Appalachian State University. He has more than 13 years of university housing experi-

ence, holding positions at Ohio State, the Georgia Institute of Technology, North Carolina State University and most recently Drexel University.

Scales is an active member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, the American College Personnel Association, the Association of College and University Housing Officers International, the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, Mid-Atlantic College and University Housing Officers and the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators.

Scales will begin as Temple's director of University Housing on June 12. ♦

Plenty of perks await new alumni

After four years of papers, exams and the occasional pop quiz, graduation is a time for celebrating and taking your place among the rest of Temple University's alumni.

Your free lifetime membership in Temple University's General Alumni Association begins the day you graduate. With this membership come a number of benefits to help further your career, keep in touch with friends and take advantage of University resources.

As Temple's official alumni organization, the GAA hosts such events as Founder's Celebration, Homecoming and Temple on the Road, and programs such as Senior Scholars. To learn more about what benefits are available to alumni go to <http://alumni.temple.edu>.

Alumni card

Your alumni card basically serves as your key to the University. No, you can't get into all of the buildings or use it for Diamond Dollars the same way you did as a student, but you will find it useful at several locations, such as the libraries and Recreation Services.

Career services

Career Development Services provides high-quality resources and services. You can visit the office to research careers and make an appointment to receive free career planning and counseling services.

Alumni insurance program

Medical insurance; life insurance; and auto, homeowners and renters insurance. For more information, call Meyer and Associates at 800-635-7801 or visit www.meyerandassoc.com/ma/temple.

Library services

Alumni can search the stacks and research for free, but checkout and other services of the University Libraries require a \$10 annual fee.

License plates

Temple license plates are available to Pennsylvania residents for \$20; New Jersey residents for \$50; and Delaware residents for \$10.

Loan consolidation program

The Alumni Loan Consolidation Program enables recent graduates and their parents to reduce their monthly student loan payments by consolidating their eligible federal student loans. Graduates or parents with federal student or PLUS loans can take advantage of this program.

Online alumni community

- Online alumni directory
- Class notes
- Career center
- E-mail forwarding

Recreation services

Alumni may use the student recreational facilities at the Health Sciences Center, Ambler Campus, and Main Campus, including the Independence Blue Cross Student

Recreation Center. All you need is to purchase an Alumni Rec Access Card, available from the Office of Recreation Services in McGonigle Hall, suite 102. For more information, call 215-204-1267.

Reunions

Each spring, the Alumni Center sponsors silver (25-year) and gold (50-year) reunion celebrations. During these celebrations, alumni are welcome back to campus for special events, including basketball games and receptions, the annual Founder's Celebration and more.

Temple Senior Scholars

Co-sponsored by the University and the GAA, Temple Senior Scholars offers alumni age 50 and up the opportunity to return to Temple's Main Campus and audit a variety of regularly scheduled classes for a nominal fee.

Temple Platinum Visa Card

The Temple University Platinum Visa card offers you a low APR and convenient ATM cash access. And each time you make a credit card purchase, you'll contribute to the University at no extra cost to you.

Temple Review

Your lifetime membership to the General Alumni Association entitles you to a free subscription to the *Temple Review*, Temple's quarterly alumni magazine.

— Karen Shuey

Changes since grads' freshman year abound

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around campus ballooned to more than 9,000, nearly double the number when Lausch was a freshman. Those numbers bring with them huge implications.

"As the campus has gotten more residential, there are more opportunities to meet and greet," Lausch said, adding that he made lasting friendships while living on campus.

According to Theresa A. Powell, vice president for student affairs, the number of student organizations has increased.

"You want people to interact at such a large campus as this, and I think this provides a venue for that," Powell said.

Options

Student Affairs responded to the residential boom with a blitz of new programs, from Friday night Texas Hold 'em and bingo tournaments lasting until 2 a.m. in the Student Center, to more organized trips to Philadelphia events and restaurants, and nearby amusement parks and cities.

"I don't remember seeing so many low-cost trips or reduced ticket prices when I started," said Courtney Ignarri, a graduating senior from Upper Darby, Pa., who will receive her bachelor's degree in psychology this week.

"The best part is that these encourage students to get off of campus into the city or to the surrounding area," she added.

When spring came in 2002, so did the shops at Liacouras Walk. A 24-hour 7-Eleven and other shops

— even an on-campus inn — joined the ever-popular lunch trucks and McDonald's, as well as options at the new Student Center food court.

"The campus has become a lot more vibrant," said student body president Oscar Chow, who graduates this week with a bachelor's degree in political science. "There seems to be a renewed atmosphere of social activity and interaction."

Even just over the past year, the 24-hour TECH Center and Star-

students to meet," he said. "The campus got brighter and livelier, especially with the addition of the 7-Eleven and the restaurants at Liacouras Walk."

In fact, the entire campus seems to come alive at night these days, as many more students are seen socializing on campus at all hours, Powell said.

"There is always something to do," she said. "You just have to take advantage of it."

To be continued ...

As soon as this fall, graduates coming back to visit friends or catch home basketball games will see more of the trend they helped set in motion. They'll be able to shop and catch movies at Avenue North, the privately developed residential, commercial and entertainment complex at Cecil B. Moore and Broad. In another year or so, they'll be able to cross the street to a renovated Progress Plaza, where a 24-hour Fresh Grocer will serve hungry students and the community.

All the while, that rumble of construction you hear could come from anywhere: Alter Hall or the new Tyler School of Art on Main Campus; the new Medical School building at the Health Sciences Center; or the Ambler Learning Center at Temple Ambler.

"I look forward to coming back to Temple and seeing what campus looks like in the future," Ignarri said. "What's happening here is exciting for students and for the people who live in the neighborhood." ♦

"The campus has become a lot more vibrant. There seems to be a renewed atmosphere of social activity and interaction."

Oscar Chow

Student body president and political science graduate

bucks have become a center for work, socializing and, for some, sleep, with up to 8,000 people going on weekdays during the semester. The second renovation of the Student Center returned a movie theater, the Reel, to campus, and added an entertainment center and dance club, the Underground.

Dave Weiss, who graduated in May 2005 with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology, noticed that the renovations of the Student Center in 2001 and Liacouras Walk in 2002 changed the vibe on Main Campus.

"The old Student Center did not provide for many opportunities for

Ann Weaver Hart to take over reins at Temple

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from NASA. The University of New Hampshire is one of only nine universities ranked as a top-tier land, space and sea grant institution, designations that provide federal funding for research, education and outreach efforts authorized by Congress.

At Temple, Hart will lead a university that is in the midst of recruiting more than 300 tenured and tenure-track scholars to its faculty from the world's leading institutions and is conducting a \$400 million construction program that includes a new School of Medicine, a new Tyler School of Art and an expansion of The Fox School of Business and Management.

Temple is a comprehensive public research university that enrolls more than 34,000 students and is one of the nation's leading centers of professional education. Its student body has been ranked the second-most diverse in the United States, and nearly 9,000 students now live on or around Temple's increasingly vibrant and residential Main Campus, which also boasts the largest college computer center in the country.

Adamany praised Hart as "a strong leader who understands the importance of education for its own sake, as well as for career preparation. She will be a great president."

Trustees Chairman Howard Gittis pointed to Hart's experiences in the classroom, as well as in academic and administrative leadership positions.

"President Hart is a teacher and researcher,



Photo by Joseph V. Labolito/University Photography
Ann Weaver Hart, the president of the University of New Hampshire, visited campus on May 2 to speak with students, faculty and staff. Two days later, she was elected the ninth president of Temple University by its Board of Trustees. She will assume leadership of Temple on July 1.

a mentor to students and a colleague to faculty," Gittis said. "She has extensive experience in higher education policy and funding issues, and has conducted research on leadership succession, organizational behavior in educational organizations, and academic freedom and freedom of speech in higher education."

Hart received her master's degree in history and doctorate in educational administration from the University of Utah. Her publications include more than 85 articles and book chapters and five books and edited volumes. She

has served as editor of *Educational Administration Quarterly*, the top refereed research journal in her field.

During her career, Hart has been actively involved in leadership roles in numerous professional and service organizations. She is chair-elect of the Commission on International Programs of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges. Hart serves on the Board of Trustees of the University System of New Hampshire, the Board of Directors of Citizens Bank of New

Hampshire, and the Board of Governors of New Hampshire Public Television, as well as serving as an incorporator of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. She has been recognized for her achievements and service by many organizations, including the Business and Professional Women's Foundation, the University Council for Educational Administration, and the Utah Women's Forum, and has been honored as a Distinguished Alumna of the College of Humanities of the University of Utah.

Hart and her husband, Randy, have four daughters, two granddaughters and four grandsons.

The search for Temple's ninth president was conducted by a search committee led by Polett and consultant R. William "Bill" Funk, of Korn/Ferry International. The search committee consisted of 12 trustees (Joan H. Ballots, Leonard Barrack, Nelson A. Diaz, Richard J. Fox, Gittis, Lewis Katz, Joseph W. "Chip" Marshall III, Mitchell L. Morgan, Judge Theodore A. McKee, Polett, Patrick J. O'Connor and Judge Anthony Scirica), two faculty members (Jane Evans, professor of art history in the Tyler School of Art and chair of the Faculty Senate, and Terry A. Halbert, professor of legal studies in The Fox School of Business and Management and director of General Education), one student (Oscar Chow, president of Temple Student Government), one alumna (Loretta C. Duckworth, president of the General Alumni Association), and one senior administrator (Clarence D. Armbrister, senior vice president). ♦

Student Leadership Challenge preps students to take world by storm

By Patti Truant
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All year, students from across the University attended extra lectures and read books that their professors did not assign, with one goal in mind: to become better leaders.

For those who took part in the first year of Temple's Student Leadership Challenge, the extra effort was well worth it — offering valuable lessons for today, tomorrow and beyond.

"I thought the program was an excellent way to be involved on campus, meet new students and administrators and continue developing my leadership skills — skills that I think will help me as I move forward not only in being involved in Temple student organizations, but also as I enter the working world," said Nicole Testa, a senior double-majoring in human resource management and risk management and insurance.

Approximately 300 students participated in one or more components of the program, according to Amy Hecht, assistant dean of students. The challenge combined team-building exercises such as a ropes course trip and community service projects with classroom-based learning in the form of seminars and a six-week course on *The Leadership Challenge*, a book by Jim Kouzes and Barry Posner. Kouzes and Posner advocate five principles: "modeling the way, inspiring a shared vision, challenging the process, enabling others to act and encouraging the heart."

Another component of the Student Leadership Challenge was an interactive session based on the book *Now, Discover Your Strengths*, and hosted by Vanguard, a Valley Forge-based investment management company.

"I enjoyed the Vanguard workshop because it gave me a chance to network with an employer that I was considering for a summer internship," Testa said.

Senior human resource manager Erica Tarpey said the challenge's focus on discovering individual strengths helped improve her leadership approach.

"Without a doubt, the program forced me to look at my skills and weaknesses in leading others," she said.



Photo courtesy the Division of Student Affairs
Temple students work together on a ropes course activity as part of the yearlong Student Leadership Challenge program sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs.

"By forcing the self-evaluation, I am better able to be well-rounded when leading others in any type of event or situation."

Another strength of the program was its flexibility to students' schedules, Tarpey said.

"I particularly appreciated the various times, dates and locations that events were offered because students with different schedules were able to participate," she said. "I think it was a great success."

To culminate the yearlong effort, the Office of Student Affairs funded 60 students to attend a six-day program at the LeaderShape Institute in Reisterstown, Md., in May.

Junior health information management major Vipin Davis said he expects his participation at the institute to further build on the principles he has learned through the Student Leadership Challenge.

"When I come back from my trip, I hope to be a step closer to becoming an exemplary leader — one who leads with honor and integrity," he said. "Something that I realized during this program is that we are all born leaders and we all have the talent. We just have to find what it is that drives us ... to bring out the leader within."

Planning for next year's program is now under way, and an updated schedule of events will be available online by the fall semester. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/studentleadershipchallenge. ♦

Overseas Adventures: Journey over, time to return

By Erica B. Fajge
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Now that the spring 2006 semester has come to a close, Temple students in Philadelphia and Ambler are putting their books away, planning their summers, and, for some, walking at graduation in their caps and gowns. For study abroad students, the transition is much greater; most have either come home or are anticipating the day they step foot in the United States once again.

Our "Overseas Adventures" students, Khanh, Taylor and Ian, share their most recent thoughts about their experiences and coming home.

"I cannot believe that this program is inching toward the end. It seems like yesterday that I was saying goodbye to my friends, family and professors. ... Sometimes, I felt very homesick and wanted to go home. Other times, I felt that Vietnam is my home, and I was scared to come back to the United States. My journey to Vietnam has given me an opportunity to critique myself. ... I would love to come back to Vietnam after I graduate from college and live [on my own] for a couple of years."

— Khanh Le, from Vietnam National University in Hanoi

"When I arrived, I found myself in the midst of a lot of people in the same situation of unfamiliar territory and unfamiliar people. We really had no choice but to make friends and get one another around this strange new country. ... Somewhere in my



Photo courtesy Khanh Le
History major Khanh Le, who is wrapping up a semester at Vietnam National University in Hanoi, is one of three Temple students who shared their experiences abroad through regular journal entries.

adaptation to all this, I changed a lot. I learned to talk to people, to do things for myself or to rely on others when I needed to and, really, to live. I may not be ready for the world yet, but, because of Japan, I'm certainly on my way."

— Taylor Benjamin-Britton, from Temple Japan

"I have been home for only a few days. For me, though, this is more of a transition than going to Rome in the first place. I expected change when I went overseas. I prepared. I was ready. Nobody prepares to go home — at least, I didn't. When I arrived in Rome, I was finally there. When I arrived back in Philadelphia, there I was, so soon. Four days removed from Europe, it already feels months away. Usually, you know you can go home, but many of us will not ever again be abroad without serious responsibilities."

— Ian Waldraff, from Temple Rome

To read Ian's, Khanh's and Taylor's journal entries, visit the "Overseas Adventures: Spring 2006" Web site at www.temple.edu/temple_times/oip.

Hands-on classes with real clients give students an edge

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As they begin the job interview process, many students who finished their undergraduate programs with work experience will find they have a clear advantage over those who didn't. Often, that experience comes from internships, which most Temple departments strongly encourage and help facilitate. But for students of several courses, academics and fieldwork merged this semester through work with real-life clients.

The marketing department in The Fox School of Business and Management offers a co-op experience course in which students act as a marketing agency for a corporate client. The School of Communications and Theater's advertising department offers a course in which students are broken into account teams for several clients. In the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management, a sports and recreation administration course forms a 501 nonprofit corporation, and students plan real charity events.

In all these cases, Temple students who have been assigned professional roles in their agencies learn to work together to deliver high-quality products to eager clients.

Marketing Subaru

Students in Mary Conran's "Marketing Co-Op Experience" class didn't just learn marketing basics; they applied them by marketing Subaru's Impreza to Temple students. The 14 students in the class participated in PROJECT ACCELERATION: The Subaru Impreza Collegiate Challenge, competing against other 11 other schools in the United States for the best marketing plan.

This is the fifth year that The Fox School's "Co-Op Experience" class has marketed a real product of service for an actual company. Last year, the class marketed the new Chevrolet Cobalt in the spring semester and employment opportunities with the CIA in the fall semester.

"Because of classes or other commitments, these students didn't get the opportunity to have a real marketing internship, something they could discuss with potential employers," Conran said of the course. "The idea for the class was to build the internship around the project."

This year, students had to run all the ideas for their marketing campaign by Subaru executives. "It wasn't just enough for them to come with a good idea," Conran said. "They also had to deal with implementation of an integrated communications campaign."

According to Lee Grodsky, regional marketing manager of Subaru, the partnership with Temple students not only helped the students gain real-life experience, it also helped Subaru with marketing strategies.

"This was a good learning lab for us," he



Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography
In April, Diamond Edge Communications advertising students were working on professional-quality advertising materials for real-life clients.

said. "We watched the students explore non-traditional media ways, and their approaches to reaching out to the students on campus."

Subaru gave the students a budget of \$2,500. The students created interest in the cars by organizing two events on campus and then advertising them on Facebook, an online database providing the opportunity for college students to communicate with each other. The students also placed ads in *The Temple News* and distributed fliers around campus.

Adrienne Boone, a marketing major graduating in May, is the agency coordinator. She enjoyed using what she learned in the classroom, and applying it to everyday life.

"We quickly realized that a budget of \$2,500 does not go as far as you would expect," she said.

Diamond Edge ad agency

Diamond Edge Communications, originally known as Creative Services Workshop in the mid-1980s, is a student-run ad agency aligned with an internship for junior and seniors in the advertising department in the School of Communications and Theater. One of only seven student-led ad agencies in the country, DEC provides a real-world atmosphere and hands-on experience.

The DEC classroom, overseen by advertising professor James Marra, is structured into eight groups that plan and execute real client projects. From concept to production, DEC develops overall marketing strategies and tactics for its clients and also provides brochures, posters, letterhead, Web pages, event planning and other related services. The students' clients have included the Alzheimer's Foundation, W.I.S.E., SEPTA, the U.S. State Department and Empyrean Chocolates, a new chocolate company that DEC helped launch this year.

"If you're serious about advertising, DEC is

the greatest thing you can do to prepare yourself for the demands of the industry," said this semester's DEC account manager, Shenese Stewart, a senior advertising major. "You learn a lot about yourself and how you work with other people."

DEC has earned regional and national recognition for its excellence in advertising, most notably the Silver Award for the Direct Marketing Education Foundation student competition (second place out of 140 schools).

"We've discovered that DEC students invariably catch interviewers' attention when they talk about their hands-on experience in a student-run agency," said Michael Maynard, chair of the advertising department. "DEC has evolved into a smooth-running, on-campus internship that rivals the kind of hands-on experiences students gain from Center City agencies."

A 501 corporation

Students' real-life experience is not limited to the corporate world. A charity golf tournament, adopt-a-school, clothing and blood drives are just a few of the special events students organize as part of their participation in sports and recreation administration professor Michael Jackson's "Sport Administration 501 Corp." class for sports and recreation graduate students in the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management.

For 15 years, Jackson has been helping his students prepare for the real world by giving them experience in event planning and corporate structure. "We emphasize learning through understanding and doing," Jackson said. "We stress competency, critical thinking, decision-making and teamwork."

For the first day of the semester, the class is set up as a business, for which the students elect board members. Along with academic



Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography
In March, Subaru managers Lee Grodsky (left) and DeLu Jackson (second from left) attended a promotional event for the Subaru Impreza at the Bell Tower. The event was organized by students in the "Marketing Co-Op Experience" class, including graduating seniors Kortney Kutsop (second from right) and Jose Delgado.

requirements, as members of their corporation, students organize and participate in University and community service events throughout the semester.

Each October, the fall semester class organizes a golf tournament, proceeds from which go to a charity the students choose. The golf tournament is the largest event the class holds. Students are given the date and location of the tournament, but have only four weeks to organize the rest of the event, including finding golfers, sponsors and items for the silent auction.

Since the golf tournament started 10 years ago, nearly \$60,000 has been donated to Philadelphia youth charities. Last fall, students raised \$6,000 to be donated to Variety - The Children's Charity of Greater Philadelphia, and supported other charities as well.

For Andrew Girman, a teaching assistant in STHM's industry relations department, the golf event was "a real wake-up call."

"We had to deal with time and pressure situations, similar to working in a professional environment," said Girman, who last year was the 501 Corp. class's financial chair. "We had what seemed like unlimited number of tasks to complete in a short period of time, but it brings you together."

Jackson requires that students stay connected to alumni of the class, keeping them apprised of their progress. The students share a lifetime bond with 501 Corp. alumni; they even have a name for themselves: "501ers."

"It's kind of like a fraternity or sorority," Jackson said. "They bond and work together for life." ♦

Beloved economics professor Leeds named Honors Professor of the Year

By Julia Straka
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Professor Michael Leeds is best known nationally as a sports economist, having written numerous articles for major journals, as well as being the co-author of *The Economics of Sports* and the upcoming textbook *Principles of Economics*.

But at Temple, Leeds is best known for his passion for economics, and for his compassionate guidance as the director of the Honors Program for The Fox School of Business and Management.

In recognition of his dedication and enthusiasm, Honors Program students named him Honors Profes-

sor of the Year, an honor Leeds says is "very rewarding."

What do you do for the Honors Program?

"Since becoming director of Fox's Honors Program in 1994, I've done everything from soup to nuts: recruiting, advising, developing the research scholars program, coming up with the curriculum, staffing, and working with The Fox School's Center for Student Professional Development."

Do you have a teaching philosophy?

"Economics is not a distinct subject; it brings together other subjects: philosophy, history, sociology and math. Economics is a science of living. That makes it aesthetically beautiful."

Why did you become a teacher?

"I can tell you the day I decided I wanted to be a teacher. It was in my eighth-grade history class, and the teacher was grossly overqualified. I was engaged in a way I'd never been before; he made it important to me. And I decided that's what I wanted to do for other students."

What have you learned while teaching?

"To keep it real. As long as the student can relate to it, they will be engaged."

What advice would you give students?

"Take more economics. It's just a great subject and is it involves each one of us every day." ♦



Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography
On May 1, Honors students gathered in the Honors lounge to celebrate economics professor Michael Leeds, whom they had voted the 2006 Honors Professor of the Year.

TUcalendar

Events May 18 to May 24

All events free unless otherwise noted. For the most up-to-date listings, visit the TUcalendar at <http://calendar.temple.edu>.

ONGOING

2006 M.F.A. exhibition

Through May 20. Temple Gallery, first floor; Lauren Carbone; Temple Gallery, second floor; Pamela Zimmerman; Penrose Gallery; Keith W. Fledderman. Visit www.temple.edu/tyler for details.

Rome Campus: "Urban/Suburban" exhibition

May 24–June 21. Rome Campus. This exhibition, curated by Shara Wasserman, investigates the current state of photography through the works of 14 artists from six different countries. Sponsored by Temple Rome in collaboration with the German Academy Rome Villa Massimo for the FotoGrafia International Festival of Photography. For more information, contact Shara Wasserman at s.wasserman@tiscalinet.it.

THURSDAY, May 18

Temple University Commencement

10 a.m. Liacouras Center; tickets required. Family members and friends who are unable to attend Temple's 119th Commencement may view the ceremony via webcast. For more information, visit www.temple.edu/commencement. For individual school and college diploma ceremonies, see page 12 of this issue.

FRIDAY, May 19

Welcome Home McCoy Tyner Festival

8 p.m. Tomlinson Theater. Performance by McCoy Tyner, living jazz legend and Philadelphia native. Tickets: \$35; available from Upstages at 215-569-9700. Sponsored by WRTI, Musicopia and Lifeline Music Coalition. For more information, contact Graziella D'Amelio at 215-557-7277 or lifelinemusic@comcast.net or Porsche Blakey at 215-204-6517 or porsche@wrti.org.

Registration deadline: "Youth Anxiety in the Spring/Summer: What Parents Need to Know"

Held May 20, 10 a.m.–noon. Weiss Hall, lower level, Child and Adolescent Anxiety Disorders Clinic. Parent education seminar

to discuss how anxiety can impact youth during the summer, common signs of anxiety, how parents can help with anxiety and psychotherapy and medication treatments for anxiety. Sponsored by the Child and Adolescent Anxiety Disorders Clinic, psychology department. For more information or to register, contact Courtney Weiner at cweiner@temple.edu or 215-204-7165.

SATURDAY, May 20

Fifth annual East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention

10 a.m.–7 p.m. Anderson Hall, lobby, room 17. Learn about African Americans involved in the comic book, cartoon and science fiction industries. Meet and network with comic book publishers, writers and artists, and find rare and unique comic books. \$5 for adults; free for those 17 and under. Register on-site at the event. Sponsored by the Temple University Pan-African Studies Community Education Program. For more information, contact Yummy Odom at 215-204-1993, or Maurice Waters at BlackAgeofComics@yahoo.com or visit www.ecbacc.com.

Welcome Home McCoy Tyner Festival: Welcome home party

Noon–6 p.m. Student Center, second floor, Banquet Hall. Vendors will sell unique arts and crafts, and live bands will perform, including: Arpeggio Jazz Ensemble; Alfie Pollitt; John Blake, Jr.; Gary Bartz; Temple University Youth Orchestra and Gabriel's Music; South Philadelphia Youth Orchestra. Tickets: \$10 at the door. Sponsored by WRTI, Musicopia and Lifeline Music Coalition. For more information, contact Graziella D'Amelio at 215-557-7277 or lifelinemusic@comcast.net, or Porsche Blakey at 215-204-6517 or porsche@wrti.org.

Tyler School of Art: "Pamela Zimmerman: Ritual" exhibition reception

5:30–8:30 p.m. Temple Gallery, 45 N. Second St. Reception to celebrate the M.F.A. exhibition by Philadelphia artist Pamela Zimmerman, who presents a new series of twelve tabletop objects that house a sweet. Sponsored by the exhibitions and public programs department, Tyler School of Art. For more information, contact tyler@temple.edu, or call the Tyler School of Art at 215-782-2776 or the Temple Gallery at 215-925-7379.

Tyler School of Art: Lauren Carbone exhibition: "Gear left adrift, must be a gift" reception

5:30–8:30 p.m. Temple Gallery, 45 N.

Second St. Reception to celebrate the "Gear left adrift, must be a gift" exhibition by Lauren Carbone. Exhibition features an installment of four video works with the artist herself cast as subject. Carbone's work explores how video and photography are the dominant mediums of communication in visual culture and self-identification today. Carbone has a B.A. from the University of California at Davis, and will receive her M.F.A. from the Tyler School of Art in May 2006. Sponsored by the exhibitions and public programs department, Tyler School of Art. For more information, contact tyler@temple.edu or 215-782-2879, or visit www.temple.edu/tyler.

Andre Rieu and his Johann Strauss Orchestra

8–10 p.m. Liacouras Center. Classical Dutch violinist Andre Rieu comes to the Liacouras Center. Tickets: \$47 and \$62. Presented by WHY? Tickets are available at the Liacouras Center box office (cash sales only), online at www.liacourascenter.com or by telephone at 1-888-OWLS-TIX.

TUESDAY, May 23

Thrombosis Research Seminar Series

Noon–1 p.m. Health Sciences Center, Kresge Science Hall, lecture room C. Lecture entitled "Homocysteine and Endothelial Injury" presented by Hong Wang, associate professor, pharmacology department, School of Medicine. Sponsored by the Thrombosis Research Center, School of Medicine. For more information, contact D. Navaneetham at dnavaneetham@temple.edu.

Registration deadline: Franchising 101

Held May 24, 6–8 p.m. Temple Small Business Development Center, 1510 Cecil B. Moore Ave. Learn the basics of franchising and insights on self-employment. Discover the essential information needed to explore franchising as a good "fit" for a self-employment career option. \$10. Sponsored by the Temple Small Business Development Center. For more information or to register, contact the training department at sbtrain@temple.edu or 215-204-3856, or visit www.temple.edu/sbdc.

WEDNESDAY, May 24

Special seminar: "Role of p53 in neuropathogenesis of AIDS"

Noon. Biology-Life Sciences Building, room 237. Presented by Bassel E. Sawaya, neuroscience department, School of Medicine. Sponsored by the neuroscience department, School of Medicine. For more information, contact Cynthia Schriver at cynthia.schriver@temple.edu or 215-204-0618.

"The Life Story of Marvin Gaye: Silky Soul Singer"

8–10:30 p.m. Liacouras Center. A musical

Library Prize for Undergraduate Research



Photo by Ryan S. Brandenburg/University Photography

Undergraduates (left to right) Symbol Lai, Denene Wambach, Ryan Drummond, Steven Horowitz and Victoria White were honored last month for their research using library resources.

Winners of Temple's second annual Library Prize for Undergraduate Research were recognized during a celebratory reception in Paley Library on April 28.

Three students were each awarded \$1,000 for their prize-winning entries, selected from 49 projects submitted for consideration this year: Ryan Drummond for "Interstate Station Stop; A Voyage into the American Frontier Myth," Steven Horowitz for "As Boundaries Fade: The Social Contract in Cyberspace" and Symbol Lai for "Defining Abolitionism: Antislavery Resistance among Philadelphia's African American Community and Women." Honorable mentions (and \$100 bookstore gift certificates) were given to students Denene Wambach and Victoria White.

"It is exciting to recognize in this tangible way the work of five outstanding undergraduate students," said Larry Alford, vice

provost for libraries. He praised the students' use of research materials, their writing skills, and their ability to think creatively.

He also noted that "the Library Prize symbolizes an important relationship the library tries to build each day with our students and faculty. Through the prize, we can demonstrate that this active partnership is an important component of successful research."

The awards were presented by Alford and Peter Jones, acting vice provost for undergraduate studies. On hand to congratulate the winners was 1949 alumnus John H. Livingstone Jr., whose endowment provides the ongoing funding for this award.

More information about the annual prize is available at <http://library.temple.edu/prize>, where the winning entries will be posted.

— Carol Lang, Temple University Libraries

stage play about the singer's extraordinary climb to international stardom, performed by an all-star cast. Tickets: \$49–\$62. Tickets are available at the Liacouras Center box office (cash sales only), online at www.liacourascenter.com or by telephone at 1-888-OWLS-TIX.

Registration deadline: Franchising 101

Held May 25, 6–8 p.m. 401 Commerce Drive, Fort Washington. Learn the basics of franchising and insights on self-employment. Discover the essential information needed to explore franchising as a good "fit" for a self-employment career option. \$10. Sponsored by the Temple

Small Business Development Center. For more information or to register, contact the training department at sbtrain@temple.edu or 215-204-3856, or visit www.temple.edu/sbdc.

List your events

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

Jewelry makers win business competition

Karen and James Moustafellos crafted the business plan for their manufacturing firm Io with the same care that goes into the fine jewelry their company makes — and it won them the grand prize at The Fox School's eighth annual Business Innovation Competition.

James Moustafellos is an assistant professor for the architecture program at the Tyler School of Art. He and his wife, Karen, are also the co-principals of Intellectual Property, a Philadelphia-based studio whose focus is architectural design. At right, Karen is wearing a current Io design, called the "Spine" necklace.

This year, the Business Innovation Competition, which is open to Temple students, faculty, staff and alumni, received more science and technology submissions, greater representation from a wide variety of Temple schools, and more faculty and alumni submissions than ever before.



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The master of ceremonies was Rob McCord, the managing director and co-founder of PA Early Stage and the chairman of Eastern Technology Council, and the keynote speaker was Dean Adler of Lubert-Adler Real Estate Funds. The event was organized by Chris Pavlides, executive director of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Institute, and Michelle Eisenberg, the IEI's associate director.

— Julia Straka

Bio grad students present research at conference

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Four biology graduate students who work in the lab of professor George P. Tuszyński in the newly formed neuroscience department presented their research at the American Association for Cancer Research meeting in Washington, D.C., April 1–5. The students shared work they had done on how angiocidin, an anti-angiogenic and anti-tumor protein discovered in Tuszyński's lab, functions to stop cancer growth.

"I am extremely proud of the accomplishments of these students at the AACR meeting," Tuszyński said. "Their hard work, and the recognition it received from cancer researchers across the spectrum,

reflects well on not only on my lab and the departments of biology and neuroscience, but Temple University as well. I am thankful for Temple's commitment to biomedical research for both faculty and students. Each student was awarded the newly developed travel award provided by the College of Science and Technology to support graduate research."

Darryl Z. L'Heureux's paper, describing how angiocidin disrupts the cell cytoskeleton, the major scaffold of the cell, and how this disrupting activity contributes to the anti-angiogenic activity of angiocidin, won the prestigious AACR-AstraZeneca Scholar-in-Training Award, which includes a stipend of \$1,000. He was among 43 students whose papers were chosen for this

award from the more than 16,000 papers presented at the meeting.

Anita Gaurner was chosen to give an oral presentation at a prestigious mini-symposium organized by Robert Kerbel, a leading cancer therapy expert. She presented her work on the role of angiocidin in the modulation of immune function.

Yamini Sabherwal presented her work on the binding of angiocidin to tumor and endothelial cells, in which she identified a cell surface adhesion receptor for angiocidin.

Finally, Xiao Yang presented work in which she has been able to modulate the expression of angiocidin in cells using short inhibitory RNA. Tuszyński said this technology holds promise in further defining the role of angiocidin in tumor progression. ♦

Diploma Ceremonies

Ambler College

3:30 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at Ambler Formal Gardens. Speaker: Joseph W. "Chip" Marshall III, Temple University trustee and chairman and CEO of Temple University Health System. **4:30 p.m.:** Reception.

Art, Tyler School of (includes art, art education and art history)

2:30 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at Tyler Lawn, Beech and Penrose avenues, Elkins Park. Reception follows. Rain Location: Abington High School auditorium.

Art, Tyler School of (architecture)

2 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at the Independence Visitor Center, Sixth and Market streets. Faculty speaker: John James Pron, acting chair of the architecture program, Tyler School of Art. Reception follows.

Business and Management, Fox School of

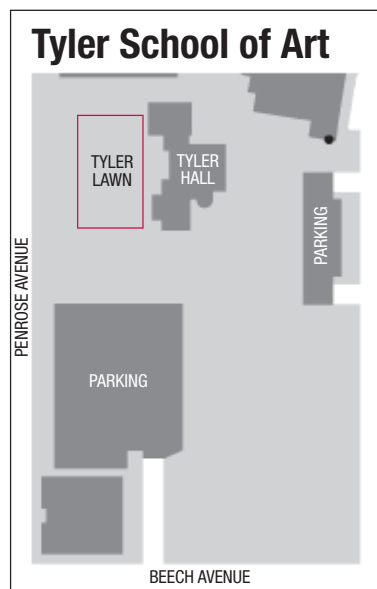
2 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at the Liacouras Center (28) (with the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management). Speaker: Stephen Steinour, president of Citizens Financial Group. **4 p.m.:** Reception at Shusterman Knoll (43).

Communications and Theater, School of

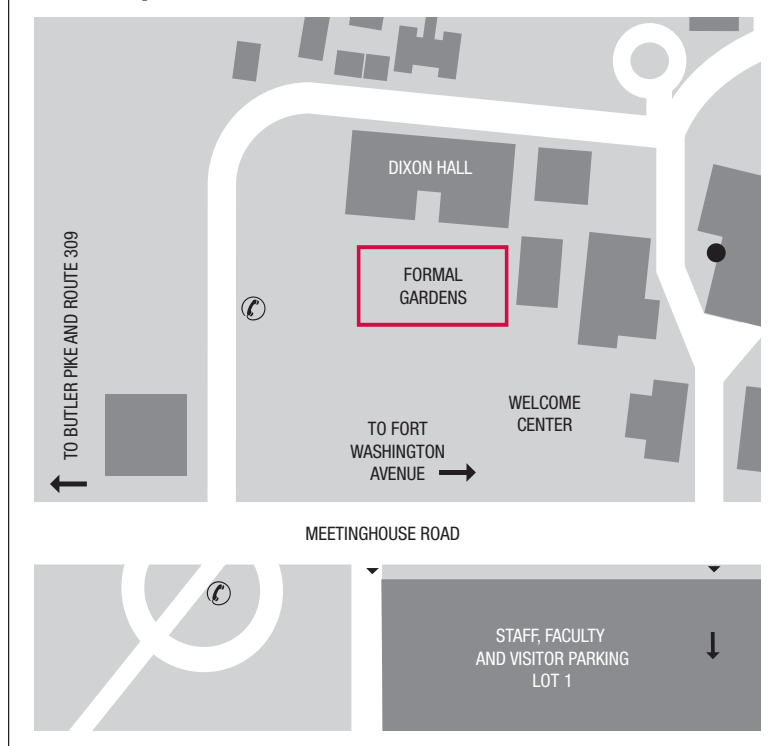
1 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at the Student Pavilion (48). Speaker: Shirley Powell, senior vice president for communications at Turner Broadcasting. Reception follows at the Joe First Center (atrium), Annenberg Hall, 13th Street entrance (2).

Dentistry, School of

4 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at the



Ambler College Landscape Architecture and Horticulture



Main Campus key

- The Conwell Inn
- Temple photo opportunities
- Wheelchair access

Dining facilities

- 30** Diamond Club
- 40** Dining Services Grand Tent
- 22 & 25** Dining Services JHP
- 28B** Draught Horse Restaurant
- 18** Shops at ECEC
 - 7-Eleven
 - Subway
- 42A-B** Shops on Liacouras Walk
 - 7-Eleven
 - Master Wok
 - Maxi's
- 47A** Student Center Food Court

Academy of Music, Broad and Locust streets. Speaker: Carl E. Misch, founder and director of the Misch International Implant Institute. Reception follows in the Rehearsal Hall.

Education, College of

12:30 p.m.: Reception at Pearson Hall, gym 100 (36). **4 p.m.:** Bachelor's and master's ceremony at McGonigle Hall (29). Speaker: Michael W. Smith, chair, College of Education Steering Committee. **6:30 p.m.:** Doctoral hooding and degree conferral ceremony at Beury Hall, room 160 (8). Faculty speaker: Barbara Wasik, PNC Professor of Early Childhood Education. Reception follows.

Engineering, College of

Noon: Luncheon in the Engineering Building lobby (17). **1:30 p.m.:** Diploma ceremony at Anderson Hall, room 17 (1).

Health Professions, College of

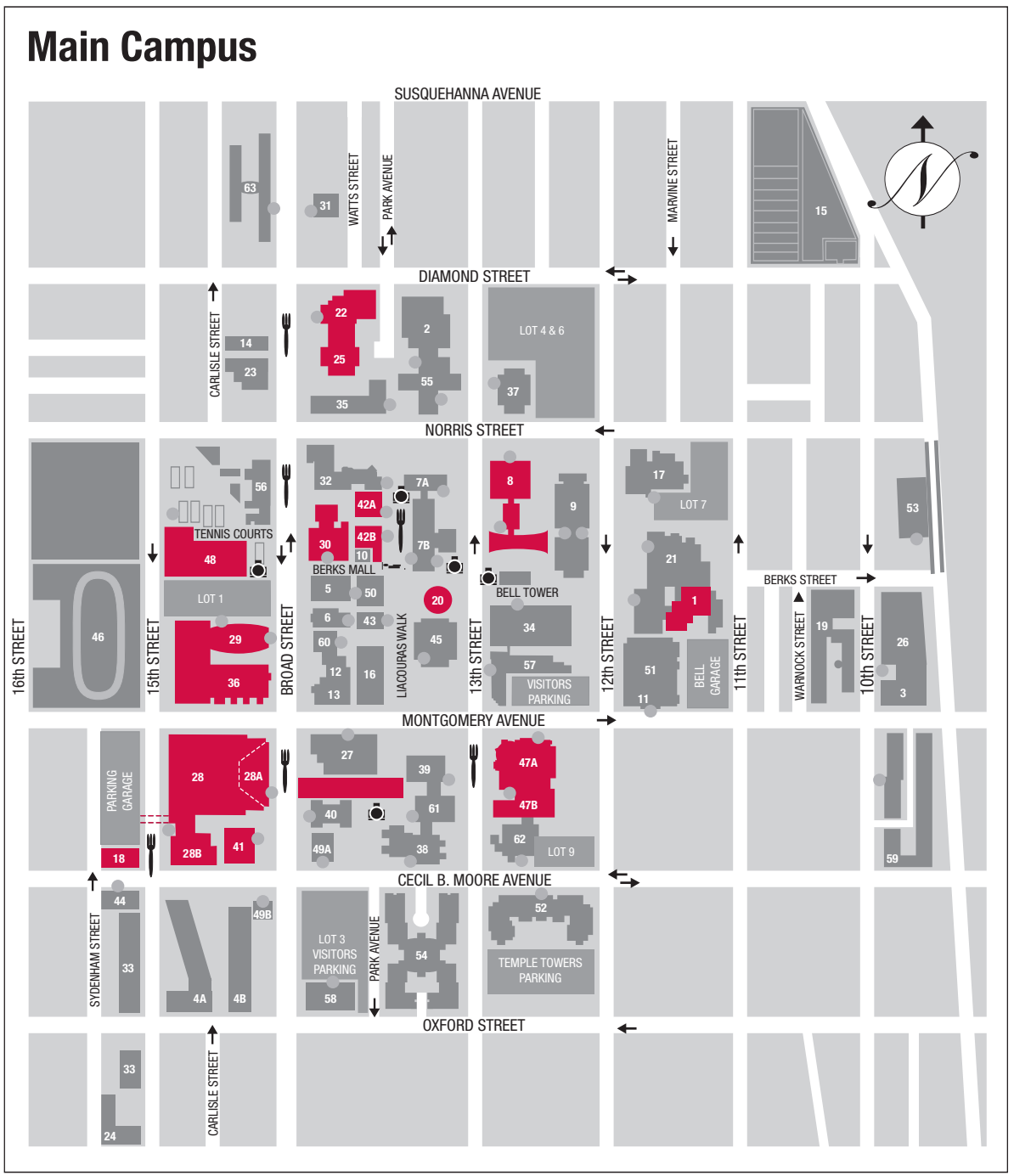
6:45 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at McGonigle Hall (29). Speaker: Stephanie Stahl, medical reporter for KYW-CBS TV. Reception follows.

Law, Beasley School of

3 p.m.: Awards ceremony at Tomlinson Theater (55). **4 p.m.:** Reception at the Law School knoll (27). **6 p.m.:** Diploma ceremony at the Liacouras Center (28). Speaker: Nelson A. Diaz, Temple University trustee and 1972 graduate of the Law School.

Liberal Arts, College of

1 p.m.: Bachelor's diploma ceremony



at McGonigle Hall (29). Faculty speaker: Jayne Drake, English professor and director of the M.L.A. program. **3:30 p.m.:** Reception at Pearson Hall, gym 100 (36). **4:30 p.m.:** Master's and doctoral diploma ceremony at Rock Hall (40). Faculty speaker: Rachel DuPlessis, English professor.

Medicine, School of

Saturday, May 20, 10 a.m.: Academy of Music, Broad and Locust streets. **Noon:** Reception follows at the DoubleTree Hotel, Broad and Locust streets. Speaker: Francis S. Collins, director of the National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health.

Music and Dance, Boyer College of

Wednesday, May 17, 4:30 p.m.: Awards ceremony at Rock Hall (40). Reception follows. **Thursday, May 18, 3 p.m.:** Diploma ceremony at Mitten Hall (30). Reception follows.

Pharmacy, School of

12:30 p.m.: Reception at the Park Hyatt Philadelphia at the Bellevue, Broad and Walnut streets. **1:30 p.m.:** Luncheon and diploma ceremony. Speaker: Rep. George Kenney Jr., chair of the health and human services committee. Kenney and state Sen. Shirley Kitchen to receive appreciation awards.

Podiatric Medicine, School of

Friday, May 19, 10 a.m.: Diploma ceremony at the Academy of Music, Broad and Locust streets. Reception follows at the Union League, Broad and Sansom streets. Speakers: Daniel Polett, Temple trustee and vice chairman of the board of directors of the Temple University Health System; Calvin B. Johnson, secretary of the state Department of Health; and Harold Glickman, president of the American Podiatric Medical Association.

Science and Technology, College of

2 p.m.: Reception at the Student Pavilion courtyard (48). **5 p.m.:** Diploma ceremony at the Student Pavilion.

Social Administration, School of

2 p.m.: Diploma ceremony at the Student Center, room 200 (47). Speaker: Naomi Tutu, former chair of the Tutu Foundation and current program coordinator for the Race Relations Institute at Fisk University. Reception follows.

Tourism and Hospitality Management, School of

Noon: Reception at Shusterman knoll (43). **2 p.m.:** Diploma ceremony at the Liacouras Center (28) (with The Fox School of Business and Management). Speaker: Stephen Steinour, president of Citizens Financial Group.

