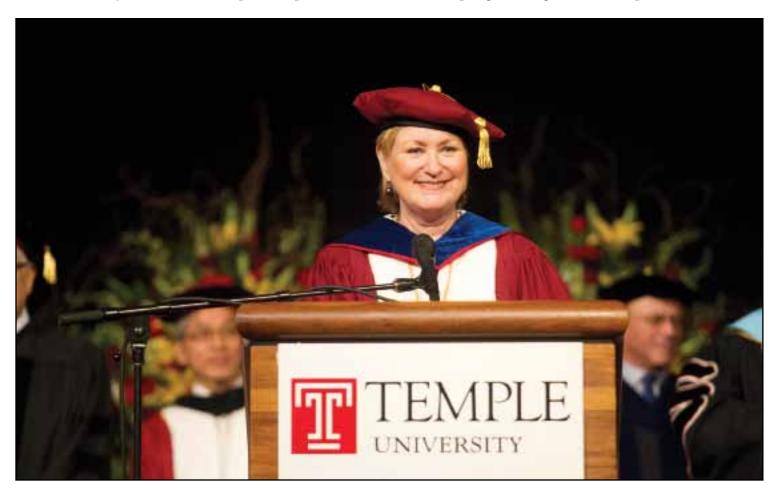
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After six years as president,
Ann Weaver Hart leaves Temple strongly positioned for success

A record of accomplishment

By Raymond Betzner rbetzner@temple.edu

As she wound up her last Commencement ceremony as Temple University's president, Ann Weaver Hart reminded students of their shared experience and the tremendous opportunities that

await them. "The dance floor is open and they're playing your song," she said.

Hart could have just as easily been talking about the optimistic future that she has paved for Temple during her six years as its first female president. The university has experienced extraordinary growth and evolution, forging a national reputation for attracting high-performing students to a

campus that is reshaping itself for a 21st century residential learning experience.

The president's tenure ends June 30, when she leaves to become president of the University of Arizona. The transition will be a dramatic one, as Hart leaves behind a city she has come to love.

"I have treasured my time at Temple and am proud to have been a part of this extraordinary academic community, which is so central to the vibrant future of our city," said Hart. "As the Philadelphia Inquirer has said, 'As Temple goes, so goes Philadelphia."

Academic innovation drives campus improvements

When Hart came to campus in July 2006 from the University of New Hampshire, she articulated a strong vision for the University, starting with a campus-wide discussion of the University's academic goals. Temple faculty, staff and students came together to create the Academic Strategic Compass, a five-year academic plan for the institution's future. Using the Compass as a guide, the university focused on academic achievement and opportunities, research excellence, a global commitment and strengthening the relationships with the greater Philadelphia community.

These efforts have drawn praise from groups like the 2010 Middle States Commission on Higher Education accreditation review committee, which said Temple showed "impressive results in a short period of time" toward the goals articulated in the Academic Strategic Compass.

After creating the academic plan, President Hart

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Richard M. Englert to serve as Temple's acting president

Temple Board of Trustees Chair Patrick J. O'Connor has announced that Richard M. Englert, provost and interim senior vice president for academic affairs, has agreed to assume the responsibilities of president of Temple University beginning July 1, 2012.

Englert will serve as acting president of Temple until the Presidential Search Committee completes its work and

recommends to the board an individual to become the university's next president, O'Connor said.





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on the acting appointment last week and will ratify Englert's appointment at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 21.

Temple's Presidential Search Committee continues to actively review, assess and meet with potential candidates. The committee has been pleased with the quality of the candidates, said O'Connor, and members are confident that it will successfully complete the search in the next several months.

Englert brings a wealth of leadership, knowledge and Temple experience to the post of acting president. A professor of educational administration, he has been at Temple since January 1976 and has served the university with distinction in a number of positions, including vice president for administration, associate dean and dean of the College of Education, deputy provost and dean of the University College, and chief of staff to the president.

In an acting capacity, he has also served as dean of the graduate school, CEO of the School of Podiatric Medicine, director of athletics and dean of the former College of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

A graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles, where he was awarded a doctoral degree in educational administration in 1976, Englert also has a master's degree from Pepperdine University (1971) and a bachelor's degree from St. John's College in California (1967).

"The Board of Trustees has full confidence that Dr. Englert will ably lead the university in the months ahead with fidelity to its mission of access to excellence," said O'Connor. "We call on all members of the Temple University community to give Dr. Englert their full support during his time as acting president." u



Shown at a celebration for 2011 recipients of the Temple 20/20 scholarship are State Senator Shirley M. Kitchen; scholarship recipients Verishia Coaxum and Naisha Gonzalez; Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter; recipient Javon Johnson; Temple President Ann Weaver Hart; recipient Laquana Sanford; Congressman Chaka Fattah; and recipients Tyquinten Gulley-Allen and Tamika Adams.

Faces of Temple

A series profiling students and the opportunities available to them at Temple, Faces of Temple features students sharing meaningful experiences that have shaped their perspective and career aspirations.

Ann Preston

Year: Junior **School:** College of Liberal Arts **Majors:** Geography and Urban Studies, Environmental Studies

Home town: Silver Spring, Md. Recent honors: Be-

came the first Temple student ever to win two prestigious and competitive national scholarships: a Truman and a Udall.

Why I chose Temple: "Every year, more and more students at my high school (in suburban Maryland outside Washington, D.C.) were going to Temple. In many ways, my high school is a lot like Temple: it's big, it's diverse and it has a lot of programs. Those are similarities that I liked. Also, for someone like me who wanted to be in a city, Philadelphia is both close — and pretty cool. When I came to Philadelphia I saw all the gardens and art projects and non-profit community pro-grams. At Temple, it seemed like there were a lot of different opportunities to get involved in community service projects in classes, in student organizations and off campus. I saw living in North Philadelphia and studying in the city as the space for creativity and action. And that's what I found here."

Transformative moment: "When I was a freshman, a friend from my high school who's a student at Fox wrote a business plan for a non-profit called the Urban Tree Connection that does urban greening projects in Philadelphia. He entered it into Temple's Be Your Own Boss Bowl business plan competition and got second place. That was the seed money that was used to create an urban garden on a vacant lot in West Philadelphia. But they needed someone to do the farming. That was me.

"Starting that April, I biked over to West Philly every day after class. At the beginning, there was a lot to do: digging, spreading fresh soil, germinating seeds, transplanting plants, rallying kids in the neighborhood to help plant, weeding, watering, flyering door-to-door about farm stands and cooking classes and garden clubs, picking up trash, managing volunteers from local churches. It was the start of an urban farm business that now employs two people, runs a farmer's market and a flea market, has an afterschool program for kids and produces enough food to feed 50 families.

"I'm not doing this to build a farm that would build my livelihood; I'm doing this to create a farm that's a resource for the community and that would be sustainable in the future. It's in somebody else's neighborhood — it has to reflect their visions to survive in the long term.

'This farm project has given me a lot of organizational skills — how to lead a group, how to run a meeting, how to run kids programs — that will help me develop other projects like and build a bigger system of farms in Philadelphia. I'm really hoping to do that — once I have less homework. People talk a lot about a global food shortage. The issue isn't that we don't have enough land, it's that we're not using it in the right way. This urban farm has shown me how a project on a small scale, on a local level, can address those kinds of problems."

Robert Lawton Jr.

Year: Senior

School: Fox School of Business **Major:** Marketing

Home town: Will-iamstown, N.J. Why I chose Temple: "The campus lo-

cation attracted me here. The city always appealed to me. I went to high school not too far from the city in New Jersey. You could see the Philadelphia skyline from the campus of my high school. I've got family members



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who attended Temple, but it was the allure of the city. When it came to choosing a program at Temple, my mother made me go to Fox. Really, she made me! But I'm glad she did. I've gained tools and useful skills by being part of the marketing program at Fox. I've learned so much more about leadership. I've got a competitive edge now."

Transformative moment: "I'm the general manager of WHIP, Temple's student-run radio station. I want to stress — completely run by students. When I first took on the role of general manager, I was pretty scared, to be honest. I had a lot of ideas for the

organization, but I never had to be the one to make them happen and come up with a plan. I had to put together a team of people that I could trust and I could depend on.



"We used to average 50 listeners a week. Now we're in the

thousands. WHIP recently joined the iHeartRadio broadcasting platform, owned by ClearChannel. Previously you could only listen to WHIP on your computer. Now, via iHeartRadio, you

Success Stories Wanted

To nominate a student for Faces, please contact Hillel J. Hoffmann, assistant director, University Communications, at hjh@temple.edu.



During a 2008 ceremony, President Hart, center, signed the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment, pledging to reduce Temple's impact on global climate.

Ryan S. Brandenberg

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in 2009 unveiled the Temple 20/20 framework for campus development, which is the guide for a state-of-theart living and learning environment taking shape today. Chief among the framework's features are:

n A residential and retail complex on North Broad Street that will open in Fall 2013, bringing more than 1,200 students into the largest residential complex in Temple's history. Keeping true to her vision of the connection between the city and the university, the new student complex will feature some of the best views of Center City available anywhere.

n Renovation of Pearson and McGonigle Halls that revitalized the student recreation experience and added a dramatic new structure on one of the city's busiest avenues. The building opened in January and the finishing touches are being completed this spring.

n The new Architecture Building opened in the fall of 2011, to give both architecture and the College of Engineering an opportunity to expand.

Meanwhile, plans have been completed for a six-story science, education and research facility with high-tech classroom spaces, lecture halls, collaboration and critique space, enhance the learning experience and research effectiveness. The new building at 12th Street near Gladfelter Hall will help the university position itself as a leader in academic and funded research.

Student success coupled with enhanced research

The academic qualifications of new students at Temple have grown during President Hart's tenure. The average SAT score of Temple freshmen increased sharply from 1088 (67 points above the national average) in the fall of 2006 to 1114 (97 points above the national average) in the fall of 2011. The average high school grade point average of Temple freshmen increased from 3.26 to 3.41 during that same period.

Enrollment in Temple's Honors Program has also risen, and Temple students now routinely win the nation's most prestigious and competitive academic awards. For

example, 19 Temple students have won Fulbright awards in the last four years alone — an unprecedented streak of success.

All of this was accomplished while retaining the diversity of Temple's student body. In fact, Temple's student body today has a significantly higher percentage of students who self-identify as minorities — nearly a third — than it did 25 years ago.

These students have been able to take advantage of the new worldclass interdisciplinary research centers and programs which made their debut during Hart's tenure, including the Center for Obesity Research and Education; the Moulder Center for Drug Discovery Research; the Center for Preparedness, Research, Education and Practice; and the Public Health Law Research Program (established with the help of \$19 million from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation).

Under Hart, Temple's community engagement programs — including hiring and housing initiatives, educational support, health services, arts and cultural activities and volunteer efforts — have grown and become more coordinated. These efforts have earned the university Community Engagement Classification from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and a spot for three straight years on the Corporation for National and Community Service's President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll.

She also created the university's first Office of Government, Community and Public Affairs, which fosters stronger ties to elected officials and spearheads the advocacy efforts for continued Commonwealth support in Harrisburg. The office also creates a focus for enhanced engagement with the local communities in North Philadelphia.

Two initiatives from Hart's inaugural address have also made themselves felt: increased globalization and a comprehensive sustainability initiative.

In 2010, for the first time in the university's history, more than 1,000 Temple students studied abroad during one academic year, capping a period of explosive growth in study abroad. New study abroad and exchange programs were launched in Europe and Asia and articulation agreements with more than a dozen international universities

established. And new programs were created, such as the Ann and Randy Hart Passport Scholarship and the Diamond Ambassadors Program.

And during her tenure, the university established the highly visible Office of Sustainability, which has created an active campaign for urban environmental awareness and action. One of the first steps came on the eve of Earth Day 2008, when Hart signed the American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment, which aligned Temple with more than 500 colleges and universities around the world that have made reducing their impact on the world's climate a high priority.

A winning spirit and an 'amazing' future

flagship **Temple's** athletics programs are experiencing a national renaissance. After a long drought, Temple football has had two consecutive winning seasons and played in its first bowl game in three decades in 2009 before winning the Gildan New Mexico Bowl in 2011. Temple men's and women's basketball have won conference titles and become fixtures in the NCAA tournament. All three programs are led by coaches hired under Hart (Steve Addazio, Fran Dunphy and Tonya Cardoza, respectively).

The ultimate endorsement of the success of Temple Athletics came when the widely televised Big East Conference extended an invitation to Temple football for 2012 and the rest of the university's athletics programs in 2013- 2014, when all Owls teams will compete in the same conference for the first time in university history. Now, all Temple football and men's basketball games will be nationally televised, positively affecting university revenue, athletic recruitment, admissions and more.

Hart's legacy is so pervasive that students already are feeling the impact.

"When students walk around campus, the sense of momentum is palpable," says former Temple Student Government President Colin Saltry, SBM '12. "The academic reputation has grown. Temple research is on the rise. The place looks great. When we look back in five or 10 years from now, we're going to find a boatload of Temple grads who'll say they were proud to be here at this time," he said.

"The future is going to be amazing." u

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Temple to name signature residential hall for Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan

By Raymond Betzner rbetzner@temple.edu

Temple's newest residential complex, now rising on North Broad Street at Cecil B. Moore Avenue, will be named for Board of Trustees member Mitchell L. Morgan and his wife, Hilarie.

The naming recognizes the Morgans' lifetime of support for the university, including a recent \$5 million commitment. The residential complex will be named Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Hall.

"Mitch Morgan's commitment to Temple over the years has been exemplary. He has an infectious enthusiasm for Temple's physical transformation, and has been instrumental in building support among board members, donors and many others," said Board of Trustees Chair Patrick O'Connor. "This is a fitting honor for a couple who have given so much to Temple."

President Ann Weaver Hart echoed the chairman's praise for Morgan's contributions.

"Mitch Morgan understands the impact new facilities can have on

taking an organization to the next level. Temple's continuing upward academic trajectory is reflected in its increasingly impressive academic and campus life environment," said the president.

Morgan said he and his wife were touched by the Board of Trustees decision to name the new building in their honor.

"Temple has been an important part of our lives for many decades. It has been thrilling to see how the university has advanced during that time, both academically and physically," said Morgan.

"This incredible residential complex will bring new vitality to North Broad Street and increased opportunities to North Philadelphia. Hilarie and I are deeply humbled by this tremendous honor," said Morgan.

Morgan is founder and president of Morgan Properties, a King of Prussia company engaged in investment, development and management of real estate properties in the United States.

Morgan earned a bachelor's degree in business administration degree from Temple's Fox School of Business in 1976, and a law degree from the James E. Beasley School of Law in 1980. A member of the Temple Board of Trustees since 2002, Morgan chairs the board's facilities committee and serves on the executive, investments, and alumni relations and development committees.

Morgan served on the board of visitors for the Beasley School of Law since 2003, and was on the Fox School of Business board of visitors from 1999-2011. He is also a member of the university Chairman's Circle, the group that recognizes the most generous of Temple's benefactors whose cumulative giving to Temple University exceeds \$1 million.

Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Hall provides a dramatic new facility at Temple's southern entrance, encompassing the block along North Broad Street from Oxford Street to Cecil B. Moore Avenue.

When construction on the project is completed in 2013, Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Hall will have more than 1,200 beds, many of them in a 26-story tower that will offer unparalleled views of Philadelphia. The tower features four-person suites, each with a full kitchen, shared living



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space and two bathrooms.

Complementing the tower building will be a seven-story mid-rise structure featuring residences, dining facilities and retail space. Together, the buildings will add 660,000 gross square feet of building to the main campus physical plant.

The facility will offer additional jobs and economic opportunity to members of the North Philadelphia community. As part of the larger Temple 20/20 framework for the Main Campus physical transformation, the complex makes good on the university's pledge to attract more

students to live on campus while remaining within Temple's existing footprint.

In conjunction with the project, Temple also created 250 four-year scholarships to be awarded over 10 years to students in the North Philadelphia neighborhoods surrounding its main campus. The program is boosting the amount of scholarships awarded to Philadelphia students by Temple to nearly \$12 million annually.

The first Temple 20/20 scholars enrolled in the university in the fall of 2011 u

Optimism prevails at 125th Commencement ceremony

By Vaughn A. Shinkus vshinkus@temple.edu

Emotions ran high as soon-to-be grads prepared to enter the Liacouras Center and take their seats at the center of family and friends for Temple's 125th Commencement ceremony. Most were nervous. But all were eager to begin the next phase of their lives.

"I feel excited and nervous like everybody else," said Zachary L. Harris, who graduated from the Fox School of Business with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. "But at the end of the day, I'm moving on to bigger and better things."

School of Communications and Theater graduate LaToya Stroman echoed that sentiment in her remarks as student speaker. Stroman, who overcame financial hardships, a tough neighborhood and a devastating house fire to reach the day's milestone, reminded her peers that "it's not how you start, it's how you

"Nothing will stop us," she said. "Because of all that we have been through we are here today. Because Temple University believed in us we are graduating today. We have finished what we started."

finish."

In her remarks, Temple President Ann Weaver Hart encouraged graduates to face the future with optimism and determination in spite of those who warn of its uncertainty.

"Optimism and audacity are in short supply in our broader society," said Hart. "We need you to burst through these doors today and proclaim to the naysayers and pessimists that while the future is uncertain, it is not beyond hope."

Legendary music promoter Larry Magid, a Philadelphia native and alumnus who received an honorary doctoral degree at the ceremony, has proven the value of watering dreams with optimism in his years since attending Temple. As co-founder of Electric Factory Concerts, Magid has produced and promoted more than 16,000 performances, including 1985's Live Aid and 2005's Live 8, two of the biggest music events in history.

"For me, life began at Temple," said Magid. "I came here with little more than hopes and dreams. While here, I started a little business booking bands

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into fraternity parties... (It) would eventually become one of the biggest and most influential music industry companies."

Temple's best-known alumnus, university Trustee William H. Cosby, Jr., offered words of wisdom for the class of 2012 in a tonguein-cheek address that has become a highly anticipated Temple tradition.

"Get up and do what you're supposed to do," quipped Cosby. "This is it. This is all we ever asked. We know you're scared. We want you to think and use reason. Take your education, think back to the things you should take with you. Congratulations to you. You've got plenty of time but don't dream through it. Wake up."

The university conferred 5,903 bachelor's degrees, 1,897 graduate degrees and 868 first



professional degrees at the main ceremony and at others held by individual schools and colleges throughout the week. Graduates ranged in age from 19 to 67.

At the conclusion of the event, Hart declared a recess until the ceremony resumes this weekend at Temple's Japan Campus, in Tokyo. u

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Joseph V. Labolito

—LARRY MAGID

Faculty award recipients mold minds and inspire students

By Kevin Kaufman For The Temple Times

It has been said that teaching — which involves both mind and spirit — is one of the greatest arts. If that's the case, then this year's Temple Great Teacher Award recipients, Shohreh Amini and Sarah Bass, are truly masters.

Amini holds professorships in Neuroscience and Biology and is the associate dean for research and graduate programs at the College of Science and Technology. The 2009 Lindback Award winner also served as Biology Department chair from 2002-2010.

Bass is an associate professor of public health (clinical), undergraduate public health program director, and codirector of the Risk Communication Laboratory. She is the architect of one of only 12 undergraduate public health curricula to be accredited by the Council on Education in Public Health.

Universally recognized as outstanding in classroom-based knowledge transfer, they foster classroom environments where challenging their ideas is encouraged. They seek continuous improvement in their teaching through student feedback and ongoing research in their fields.

"Dr. Amini only required that we learn," said former student Afton Metkowski. "A good teacher is able to present the material as they understand it. A great teacher takes the time to understand a student's learning style and presents the material in a way that makes sense to the student. The fact that Dr. Amini stepped out of her standard teaching style to help me learn makes her a great teacher."

Their curriculum vitae are catalogues of published articles, invited talks, awards, appointments to influential boards and federally funded grants. However, it is their dedication to and mentoring of students who enter their stratosphere that sets them apart as Great Teacher Award winners.

"She offers her students a unique and inspiring perspective that follows from her vast experience in the field of health education," 2008 graduate Megan Johnson said of Bass, who is often referred to as "Momma Bass" for her caring quality or the "Smiling Sergeant" because of her no nonsense attitude. "As public health students, we were hard pressed not to admire Dr. Bass' professional accomplishments, which made her lectures particularly poignant."

It is the endless lines of adviceseeking students queued up outside their offices. It is helping an international student find a teaching assistantship to help support his





BASS

family. It's begging a student to seek counseling to leave an abusive relationship. Why do these women give so much of themselves to their students? Very simply, it's who they are. Even their co-curricular activities speak to this desire to assist students, as well as those outside the university.

Amini came of age in Iran in the 1970s, graduating from the University of Tehran's International Institute for Biochemistry and Biophysics with a master's degree in cell and molecular biology. With a scholarship from Iran's Ministry of Science, she immigrated to the United States in 1979 to complete her Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. Four years later, with a doctorate in molecular biology, she was publishing articles about her research.

Against that backdrop, Amini has developed a deep commitment to STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education for students of every educational level.

As a member of the advisory board for the National Institutes of Health-sponsored Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) program, Amini seeks ways for minority middle and high schoolers to accrue laboratory time. She also serves as a research mentor.

She also oversees the "Scientists as Teachers; Teachers as Scientists" program, wherein Temple graduate fellows in STEM disciplines pair with Philadelphia School District science teachers to enhance science teaching and learning. Many of the students of those district teachers have gone on to receive recognition in regional and national science fairs.

"It is extremely rewarding to witness the scientific growth of students who otherwise would not have the opportunity to flourish and exhibit their true potential," said Amini.

Bass takes her co-curricular activities directly to the streets. Through the Risk Communication Laboratory, she oversees research on health and risk communication and how public health messages are crafted for audiences about such issues as colorectal cancer screening barriers, smallpox vaccination and avian flu perceptions and HIV clinical research participation barriers, among others.

2012 Faculty Award Winners

GREAT TEACHER AWARD

n Sarah Bass College of Health Professions and Social Work, Dept. of Public Health

n Shohreh Amini College of Science and Technology, Depts. of Neuroscience and Biology

RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Research Award

Science

n Cynthia Folio, *Award for Creative Achievement*Boyer College of Music and Dance,

Dept.of Music Studies n Thomas Gould, *Eberman Faculty*

College of Liberal Arts, Dept. of Psychology n Christopher Wlezien, *Temple Univer*sity Faculty Research Award College of Liberal Arts, Dept. of Political

PROVOST'S TEACHING AWARD IN GENED

n Peshe Kuriloff College of Education, Dept. of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

LINDBACK DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARDS

n Barrie Ashby School of Medicine, Dept. of Pharmacology

n Elizabeth Bolman Tyler College of Art, Dept. of Art History

n Richard C. Broadhead Boyer College of Music and Dance, Dept. of Composition

n Chris Harper School of Communications and Theater, Dept. of Journalism

n Peter Marshall College of Liberal Arts, Dept. of Psychology

n Dennis Silage

College of Engineering, Dept. of Electrical
and Computer Engineering

"The majority of our work in the lab has been with low literacy populations and attempting to develop materials that meet the needs of all of the public," said Bass. "Public health issues occur everywhere but urban areas are especially impacted because those most at risk for poor health outcomes are often disadvantaged economically. It's fulfilling to develop literacy appropriate materials that can make a difference for people making decisions about their health."

Bass began advocating for people with HIV and creating messages to help the public understand their risk during a stint as a public information officer for the West Virginia State Health Department during the '80s



Patience Lehrman, national director of Temple's Project SHINE (Students Helping in the Naturalization of Elders), meets with President Obama and immigration policymakers in Washington.

Project SHINE director discusses immigrant advocacy with President Obama

By Michele Aweeky For The Temple Times

Patience Lehrman is getting familiar with the White House.

To commemorate the first anniversary of President Barack Obama's Champions of Change initiative, Lehrman made another visit to Washington, D.C., where less than a year ago she sat with top immigration policymakers and fellow Champions of Change at a roundtable discussion.

Lehrman, national director of Temple's Project SHINE (Students Helping in the Naturalization of Elders), was awarded the E Pluribus Unum Prize in 2011. Competing against 450 applicants, Lehrman was one of only four to receive the award for exceptional immigrant integration initiatives.

The \$50,000 prize, given by the Migration Policy Institute, was used to fortify and expand Project SHINE's initiatives.

That same day, Lehrman, a Fox School of Business Executive MBA graduate who also holds Temple master's degrees in education and organizational development, was named a White House Champion of Change.

Project SHINE is a nonprofit based at Temple's Intergenerational Center. Today, SHINE operates on 19 campuses in nine states. The program started in 1985 and has trained nearly 10,000 college students to provide important English, civics and literacy knowledge to local older immigrant populations. More than 40,000 immigrants have been assisted through the project.

Lehrman joined Obama and 12 other Champions of Change on April 26 in an event highlighting the great accomplishments achieved by alumni since initially being honored as White House Champions of Change. The program was created by the Obama administration to "honor ordinary Americans doing extraordinary things" and has recognized more than 500 people from all 50 states.

Lehrman believes immigrants are America's greatest asset and that it is imperative that they are integrated into society in order for the nation to excel politically, economically and socially.

"By raising the profile of this issue and calling for a national conversation on immigration reform, the White House recognizes that the best ideas that result in real change come from the American people," Lehrman said. "By leveraging every asset and every talent in our communities, we can win the future." u

Bonny M. Reeder,

Kornberg School of Dentistry

Teresa Rios, School of Medicine

Temple set to honor newest 20-Year Club members

Temple's 20-Year Club will induct 66 new members — staff employees who began their careers at the university between July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1992 — at a June 15 program that will be held at 5 p.m. in the Temple Performing Arts Center. Dinner will follow at the Great Court in Mitten Hall. Invitations have been sent to all eligible club members, and RSVP's are due by June 1.

This year marks the club's 60th anniversary of honoring employees who have completed 20 years of continuous full-time service to Temple. According to Dawn F. Ramos, president of the group that organizes the event, the

20 YEAR CLUB E. Ramos, president of the group that organizes the event, the club offers a formal avenue for recognizing long-time employee loyalty while creating a community among current and former staff.

"This year's event illustrates that our employees are very committed to Temple University, since the club has been able to offer employees this meaningful membership for 60 years," said Ramos, director of administration in the dean's office at the School of Communications and Theater.

The event also honors club members celebrating a five-year increment anniversary, recognizing milestones from 25-45 years service. New members of the club are listed below. For more information, and a list of all club members, visit *sites.temple.edu/20yearclub*.

Alice M. Abner, Graduate School Samuel A. Alston, Facilities Management Cynthia B. Batt, Beasley School of Law

Michael P. Boland, School of Medicine

Willie Brumfield, Facilities Management Lynell D. Burke,

Fox School of Business Gregory Cade, Facilities Management

Edna G. Caringal, Paley Library
Iona C. Chisom, School of Medicine
George L. Clanton,

Campus Safety Services Valentina Cleary, Tyler School of Art Gavin T. Collier, Campus Safety

Christopher J. Corbett, Facilities Management

Human Resources

Kim A. Downing, School of Medicine Joseph Dunleavy, Campus Safety

Karen R. Eisenhart, School of Medicine Marylouise C. Esten, Beasley School of Law Diana Estrada,

Fox School of Business Walter R. Gilliam, Housing John W. Goodheart, HSC Library Marjorie K. Gray, Kornberg School of Dentistry

James R. Guglielmo, HSC Library Anna C. Harris, Duplicating Carmen S. Harris, School of Podiatric Medicine

Delores Harvin, Undergraduate Admissions Muriel R. Hooks,

College of Science and Technology Stanley R. Horwitz,

Computer Services
Wayne Hudson,
Facilities Management

Mary A. Jenkins, College of Education Deborah A. Johnson, Facilities Managemen

Preston H. Johnson, Campus Safety Services Julia E. Kershaw-St. George, College of Education Joseph C. Leotti, Facilities Management Joseph T. Long, Facilities Management Anthony P. Lower, Computer Services

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Criminal Justice programs teach policing with "Heart"

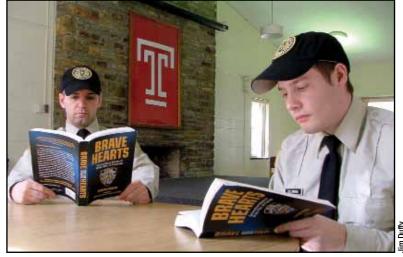
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Cynthia Brown didn't set out to put the lives and experiences of police officers onto the printed page.

After working in a community policing program in Boston in the 1970's she felt a "strong obligation" to shine a spotlight on what officers actually go through on the job through their personal stories — the triumphs, tragedies and everything in between.

"When I worked in the station in Boston, I saw more acts of human kindness in some very intense circumstances," said Brown, who has been working with and advocating for police and law enforcement for more than 30 years and is publisher of American Police Beat magazine. "I don't think most people have a clue what police officers go through on our behalf to keep us safe."

With her book Brave Hearts: Extraordinary Stories of Pride, Pain and Courage, Brown sought to "change minds about law enforcement" through the stories of 15 New York



Temple University Municipal Police Academy Police Cadets Michael Stolzer and Christopher Kellerman read Cynthia Brown's book, Brave Hearts, which tells the stories of 15 New York City police officers. Temple's academy is among the first to incorprate the work into its curriculum.

City police officers. The stories told are sweeping in scope: from gathering anti-terrorism intelligence, to searching for survivors in the aftermath of 9/11, to tracking a serial killer, toeveryday crime.

Just as Brown didn't initially set out to change the perception the general public might have of law enforcement, she didn't initially anticipate the academic applications of her book. Police academies across the country, however, saw its enormous potential to help educate the next generation of law enforcement.

The Temple University Municipal Police Academy, offered at Temple University Ambler, is one of the first to incorporate Brave Hearts into its curriculum. The Philadelphia Police Department and Indiana Law Enforcement Academy are also using the book in the classroom, and other academies will soon follow.

"Brave Hearts is a compendium of incidents from officers in the field that faithfully and accurately describes so many different types of the work that police officers do," said Temple University Municipal Police Academy Director Robert Deegan. "These are stories of successful officers with a strong work ethic and the courage to risk their own physical and mental health to protect and serve.

"It talks about the stress that officers are involved in, the frustrating nature of criminal investigation, the endless paperwork, dealing with people at their worst, but it also talks about the rewards — doing your work well and positively impacting people and communities."

As an unvarnished look at the lives of police officers, Deegan said Brave Hearts is an excellent tool to help academy cadets think about

and reflect on the law enforcement profession."

"It's one thing for an instructor to talk about what they are getting into. It's another to see it in print, to read about the experiences of officers in the field," he said. "Each cadet receives a copy of the book and they are asked to prepare a report based on their findings and interpretations. Each chapter opens up a dialogue and encourages discussion. It provides insight into the culture of law enforcement through detailed and thought-provoking questions."

Deegan said Brave Hearts helps the academy develop cadets who are "graduating with a better understanding of the career they are entering into."

"The more you know about what you are getting involved in, the more prepared you are to deal with the problems and the stresses, the better the officer," he said.

Individuals interested in applying to the Temple University Municipal Police Academy should contact Robert Deegan at 267-468-8605, 215-204-9028 or deeganr@temple.edu or visit www.temple.edu/cjtp.

Area school students unveil apps, wind-powered devices at weekend STEM events

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Two recent events demonstrate Temple's commitment to advancing science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education in the community.

On May 25, students from Philadelphia's George Washington Carver High School for Engineering and Science, Central High School and Harambee Institute of Science and Technology Charter School graduated from a three-month Java/ Mobile Apps Design Studio that culminated with the unveiling of applications they had developed for Android mobile phones.

The next day, students from five Greater Philadelphia area middle schools and four high schools competed at the College of Engineering in designing and building a windmill device to harness wind energy to accomplish specific tasks.

Both programs were part of Temple's Math Engineering Science Achievement (MESA) program, an award-winning initiative that promotes participation in STEM coursework among students from disadvantaged and under-resourced schools.

Students participating in the MESA design studio had spent their Saturdays for three months learning the basics of computer science, Java programming skills and developing mobile applications under the tutelage of Emmy-award winning technologist Dean Harris. As part of their graduation, the students will receive summer internships to teach other high school students computer science skills.

The graduation ceremony featured a keynote address by technology entrepreneur and author W. David Tarver, who worked with Harris when both were engineers with Bell Laboratories in New Jersey.

"It was very inspiring to see (the



Students from Philadelphia's Leeds Middle School work on their windmill design during the first Pennsylvania qualifier for the MESA National Wind Energy Challenge. The team will represent Pennsylvania in the USA National competition on June 21-24 in Seattle, Washington.

students') applications," said Tarver. "And not only see what they have produced, but to see how excited they were and how well they worked together."

The windmill competition was the first Pennsylvania qualifier for the MESA National Wind Energy Challenge. A team from Philadelphia's Leeds Middle School was the overall winner and will be sponsored by Temple to compete in national finals in Seattle against schools from eight other states with MESA initiatives. The team from Young Scholars Frederick Douglass Middle School will attend the finals as an alternate.

Jamie Bracey, director of STEM education in Temple's College of Engineering, who oversees the MESA initiative, said the student teams had been preparing for the competition for the past six months.

"This is the first MESA competition for Pennsylvania, and it allows Temple to leverage its diversity across the university as part of a nationally recognized STEM program," she said.

Last year, Temple became the lead institution in Pennsylvania for the MESA initiative, which has sites in eight other states through institutions such as Johns Hopkins, the University of Washington and UC-Berkley. u

Singapore officials explore Temple's non-traditional programs

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Many at Temple are familiar with the university's history and longstanding tradition of providing access and excellence in higher education for a student body with diverse backgrounds, interests and ages.

In April, Singapore's Minister of State for Education and Defense, the Honorable Lawrence Wong, and a delegation from the Ministry of Education called on Temple to learn more about how the university fulfills this mission and to discuss best practices for delivering education to non-traditional adults.

"Singapore is a leader in higher education, and Temple is happy to exchange our knowledge base with the Singapore Ministry of Education," said Richard Englert, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs. "Temple is also eager to continue our work with the National University of Singapore on a range of initiatives."

Temple's School of Pharmacy currently partners with NUS to provide courses in quality assurance through video conferencing.

Last week's information-gathering visit was part of the Singapore government's initiative to provide adults in the nation with an opportunity to pursue higher education as non-traditional students.

"We welcome this opportunity to understand best practices in delivering adult and professional education," said Lawrence Wong,



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Hai-Lung Dai, senior vice president for international affairs, and dean of the College of Science and Technology, described Temple's strategy this way: "We pursue excellence with a social conscience."

Dai explained that, in general, full-time, non-traditional age Temple students as well as part time adult students and returning veterans are all admitted into the same tracks toward graduation as traditional students.

Peter Jones, senior vice president for Undergraduate Studies, described for the delegation the critical role played by a strong advising program in the retention of non-traditional students, and Vicky McGarvey, vice provost of University College, emphasized how important the location and times of course offerings were in serving adult and part-time students.

Rajan Chandran, vice dean for Temple's Fox School of Business put it simply: "We started as a night school for working people. This is in our DNA at Temple." u

Temple physicians recognized as "Top Doctors"

Thirty-two Temple physicians have been included in *Philadelphia* magazine's 2012 "Top Doctors" list.

This list is compiled by a healthcare and research information company that reviews educational and professional experience of candidates and polls physicians and medical leadership of hospitals to identify those physicians who are most highly regarded by their peers.

This year's 32 Temple "Top Docs"

— who are nominated by their

professional peers — cover a broad array of services offered at Temple University Hospital and Jeanes Hospital, including cardiovascular, diagnostic radiology, gastrointestinal, gynecological oncology, hematology, diseases, infectious internal medicine, neurology, neuroradiology, otolaryngology, pediatrics, physical anđ medicine rehabilitation, pulmonary, surgery (including the subspecialty areas of general surgery, hand surgery, neurosurgery,

More online

To view a complete list of Temple's 32 Top Doctors, visit the Temple University Health System website at www.templehealth.org.

orthopaedic surgery, thoracic surgery and vascular surgery), urology, and vascular and interventional radiology. u

Mobile healthcare tech firm takes Be Your Own Boss Bowl prize

By Brandon Lausch blausch@temple.edu

A mobile healthcare technology company aiming to improve efficiency and reliability in home healthcare won the grand prize at the 14th annual Be Your Own Boss Bowl, a Temple-wide business plan competition.

PHmHealth, co-founded by CEO Michael Mittelman '10, Chief Innovation Officer Jennifer Hinkel and marketing and sales Vice President Dirk Rassloff, took home more than \$125,000 in cash, products and professional services during the April 26 finalist presentations at the Fox School of Business.

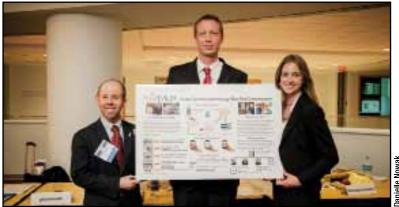
"I knew we had this great team in place, and I thought if we can win this, then this will change all of our lives," Mittelman said a day after winning top prize. "And so far it is. It's just going to completely change things for all of us."

The proposed PHmHealth System would result in efficiencies, lower costs and reduced risk of fraud in the delivery

of home healthcare. The system would facilitate record keeping and could even, for example, alert a family member with a text message if a provider doesn't arrive for a visit with a loved one.

"Our product is designed to provide value to patients and their families, to healthcare providers and to the system as a whole," said Mittelman. "We want to fundamentally transform home healthcare."

Mittelman said the prize money is funding product development. The team hopes to be testing on the market in September or October and projects to launch in January 2013. On May 18, PHmHealth plans to attend the Mid-Atlantic Diamond Ventures (MADV) early spring venture forum. MADV is a Temple-based entrepreneurship advisory and venture forum program that provides support and connections to capital to early-stage innovation and knowledge-based businesses. It is



Students from winning Be Your Own Boss Bowl team PHmHealth are: PHmHealth CEO Michael Mittelman, SBM '10, marketing and sales Vice President Dirk Rassloff and Chief Innovation

the largest, year-round venture forum program in the Greater Philadelphia region by clients served annually.

The annual Be Your Own Boss Bowl, the flagship program of the Temple Innovation and Entrepreneurship Institute (IEI), is one of the most lucrative and comprehensive business plan

competitions in the country. This year, nine business plans representing five of Temple's 17 schools and colleges were selected as finalists. They competed for \$250,000 in cash prizes, Microsoft and Dell products, professional services and incubation space.

This is the second year the competition included a competitive track for social innovation ventures, in addition to an undergraduate track and a track for Temple graduate students, alumni, faculty and staff. New category prizes for best-written plan by a woman, best-written plan by a minority, and best-written cleantechnology plan also were introduced last year after Goldman Sachs Gives donated \$500,000 to the Be Your Own Boss Bowl® at the recommendation of Temple alumni Alan and Deborah

For the third year, the IEI awarded the Chris Pavlides Spirit

Be Your Own Boss Bowl® by the numbers

- n 259 preliminary judges from 17 states
- n 159 participating team members
- n 144 senior-executive mentors
- n 15 sponsors
- n 14 participating Temple schools and colleges
- n 12 finalist judges
- n 11 presentation coaches
- n 4 scorekeepers

of Entrepreneurship Award to a graduating senior. Entrepreneurship major Mark Franzen is the 2012 recipient.

Be Your Own Boss Bowl participants benefit from coaching, mentoring and networking opportunities with the Philadelphia area's leading business professionals, including members of GPSEG, the Greater Philadelphia Senior Executive Group. Overall, the competition receives support from more than 450 executives and entrepreneurs. u



At a recent ceremony, the Kornberg School of Denistry unveiled its new "Tree of Peace, created by UNESCO Artist for Peace Hedva Ser and donated by alumnus Allen L. Finkelstein.

Megan Chiplock

Peace sculpture recognizes Dental School's global outreach

By Preston M. Moretz pmoretz@temple.edu

As a "reminder of the strides being made to create a legacy of global peace through dentistry," Temple's Kornberg School of Dentistry recently unveiled and dedicated a "Tree of Peace" sculpture created by UNESCO Artist for Peace Hedva Ser.

The seven-foot, 800-lb bronze sculpture of a tree is a gift from Allen L. Finkelstein, CEO of Bedford Healthcare Solutions and a 1969 Dental School alumnus. He donated the sculpture in honor of his children and grandchildren, as well as Temple's Dental School and its dean, Amid Ismail.

"Today, we carry on from one generation to another and dedicate this tree if front of my alma mater to my children and to my grandchildren," said Finkelstein. "Through dentistry, and our respect for one another, we will show the world what the true definition of peace is."

"All humans want peace and need peace but, unfortunately, not all of us live in peace," said Ismail, who is also the inaugural chairman of the Alliance for Oral Health Across Borders, an international organization focused on improving oral health around the world while working to promote peace. "To ascend beyond our divisions, faith

and prejudices, is a prerequisite for peace."

The sculpture was created by Ser, a French sculptor and painter named "Artist for Peace" by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), "in recognition of her contribution to the defence of tolerance and the meeting of cultures through her art."

In addition to Ismail, Finkelstein and Ser, the dedication ceremony included Temple Senior Vice President and Provost Richard Englert, Dean of the Hadassah School of Dental Medicine at The Hebrew University in Israel Adam Stabholz, Vice President for Student Affairs and Service at Al-Quds University in Palestine Musa Bajali, as well as a pastor, a rabbi and an emir representing the Christian, Judaic and Muslim religions.

"It's appropriate for this tree and all it represents to find its home here at the Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry," said Englert. "Dentistry can be a powerful vehicle for peace because dentists all speak the same language."

This is the third "Tree of Peace" sculpture to be placed at a dental school. The first was dedicated in 2007 at Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem, while the second was dedicated last year at A.T. Still University's Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health. u

Portable gardens are growth opportunity for Temple senior

By Eryn Jelesiewicz dobeck@temple.edu

How does an urban-dwelling vegan quench his desire for home-grown vegetables? By building a portable garden on wheels, of course.

When Dylan DeVlieger, a senior painting major, decided to grow his own vegetables, he first investigated the possibility of starting a community garden near his apartment at 12th and Spring Garden streets. But the logistics proved too daunting and he dreamt up the idea of building portable gardens on wheels instead.

DeVlieger parks the gardens — one is 4' x 3.5' and the other is 5.5' x 4' — outside of Tyler School of Art, where his mini crops of peas, beans, tomatoes and, soon, squash can get good sun. He has easy access to a water source and, when he started in March, he could wheel the gardens inside on cold nights.

"It's a practical solution to a couple of obstacles," said DeVlieger. "I wanted to have fresh vegetables, but I live in an apartment and have no yard or land to garden on. It is also difficult to start and maintain a garden as a college



Tyler School of Art student Dylan DeVliger designed a portable garden as a solution for space challenges inherent in urban gardening.

student, as we tend to move around relatively frequently. I figured that if the beds were on wheels I could move them wherever I went."

DeVlieger sees the gardens on wheels as a good option for all

community gardeners, most of whom don't own the land on which they till. If the land ends up getting sold, he said, they can just cart their garden off to another spot.

The gardens also give Dylan the real-life, hands-on experience he wants to build for a post-college career in farming.

"I could research growing vegetables and knew a lot about gardening already (his mom and uncle are big gardeners), but actually knowing what part of the season to plant what crops, how deep the soil has to be for what kind of vegetable and where to get soil and composting are skills I've been figuring out through this process. I think they're useful skills to have," said DeVlieger.

The wooden boxes of vegetables have brought lots of smiles and curious looks from passersby, and DeVlieger reports having made some new friends thanks to the project.

Fresh vegetables, new friends and marketable skills — can't beat it.

The Ridley, Pa. native plans to move to Georgia after graduation to pursue farming opportunities alongside friends who now live there. His gardens on wheels? They'll be donated to one of Philly's community gardens. u

Successful EarthFest welcomes more than 10,000 visitors

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Cold winds didn't chill the spirits of more than 10,000 visitors that spent the day celebrating the Earth at Temple University Ambler's EarthFest 2012 on April 27.

"We couldn't be more pleased with how EarthFest turned out this year," said EarthFest Coordinator Susan Spinella Sacks. "While the weather presented a few challenges for us, our visitors and exhibitors fully embraced the day as an opportunity to learn about and share information that will be beneficial for this and future generations."

This year, for the first time, all exhibitors and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Junior Flower Show were held entirely on the Ambler campus — in prior years the Flower Show was held in fields across from the center of campus — forming a loop of exhibitors and activities. Event organizers report that the circle



Visitors to this year's EarthFest were able to participate in hands-on learning activities and come face to face with some incredible animals.

of activity was well received and contributed to the event's success.

EarthFest is one of the most highly anticipated events of the year at Temple Ambler. Thousands of students from all over the region come together and spend time learning about the world in which we live and the interconnected systems on which the lives of people and animals depend.

With more than 10,000 visitors and more than 90 exhibits, EarthFest takes a veritable army of volunteers

changes to the location and time of EarthFest 2012, the need for dedicated

to be successful each year. With the



individuals to help visitors get their most out of their day was all the more urgent, according to EarthFest Volunteer Coordinator Rachel Berger.

"With this year's changes, there were a lot of questions and a lot of people — both visitors and exhibitors

— who needed a little help navigating the event," said Berger. "Our volunteers — students, faculty, staff, and community members — were excellent ambassadors for Temple at EarthFest. We had more community volunteers than ever before, which I think shows how important the event has become in the region — people want to be a part of this special day.

William Parshall, executive director of Temple Ambler, and Teresa Scott Soufas, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, highlighted that sentiment in a letter to the campus community offering special thanks "to the numerous individuals and groups who participated in myriad ways to ensure that EarthFest 2012, our 10th annual celebration of Earth Day, was a success."

"We are proud to acknowledge community engagement as one of the core values of Ambler, and we are pleased that EarthFest provides an important opportunity to celebrate this aspect of Ambler's academic mission," they wrote. u

Tree planting program seed success in city neighborhoods

By Khoury Johnson For *The Temple Times*

On Sunday April 21, a group of Temple volunteers weathered torrential downpours to plant trees in Kensington as part of a partnership with the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Tree Tenders, a series of university-taught training modules focusing on tree planting and other sustainable practices in urban environments, prepares university, staff and residents to apply classroom knowledge to plant trees in city neighborhoods.

Bess Wellborn, a Temple professor and instructor of two of the program's training modules, "An Introduction to Tree Biology" and "Tree Care Basics," led the student group in planting seedlings on 10th Street between Norris Street and Berks Avenue.

Participants were drawn mostly from Temple's Students for Environmental Action (SEA), an on-campus sustainability advocacy group, and from Wellborn's gen-ed courses "Green vs. Gray: Improving and Sustaining Urban Ecosystems" and "Trees in the City." Residents from neighboring Yorktown also



pitched in with the planting.

"The Tree Tenders training on the Temple campus was a great success," said Wellborn. "In the future, in addition to holding training sessions on Main Campus, I'd like to see trainings also held on the Ambler campus to draw area residents and students from the northern and northeastern areas of the city and suburbs."

Jackie Boone, former president of SEA, says that the classes taught by Wellborn were so popular that even she — who leads a group that takes on Temple's Tree Tender's missions

Volunteers helped the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources get a little bit closer to meeting their goal of planting one million new trees in the state by the end of 2012. The Temple volunteers planted seedlings on 10th Street between Norris and Berks Ave.

Courtesy Temple Tree

— was unable to participate because classes were filled before she could sign up.

Organizers say the training courses are of interest to students in all majors.

"We had students from environmental classes, environmental student groups, sororities and fraternities, parents, community members and Temple staff participating and involved in this year's training," said Wellborn.

"It really doesn't make a difference what major you are, we are really only interested in teaching the importance of trees and green in urban settings," added Monheim.

Tree Tenders is part of a broader initiative known as "Tree Vitalize" run by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). The department's goal includes planting and nurturing one million trees by the end of 2012, relying on the efforts of the over 10,000 volunteers it hopes to amass in the state's 14 metropolitan areas.

Through its involvement, Temple is putting its best foot forward to improve community relations and engagement, says Wellborn. By greening local communities, the university is simultaneously improving the overall vitality of the region.

"Living in a community where trees are planted has many benefits," said Wellborn, who cites more attractive neighborhoods, increased business revenue and an improved community health as benefits.

"Today, childhood asthma and obesity are major health issues, especially in low-income areas throughout Philadelphia," she said. "One major reason for that is lack of clean, safe spaces to go. Tree planting is a way to change that." u



Volunteers help sort through clothing and other items that were donated as part of Temple's Give+Go Green initiative

Re-use is goal of end-of-year residence hall collection

By Laura Kuserk For *The Temple Times*

It's inevitable: over the course of the school year, students in Temple residence halls accumulate lots of stuff. And in many cases their parents don't want it back in their homes when they return home for summer.

To ensure all those unloved fashions, foods and furnishings didn't end up in a trash heap, Temple's offices of Residential Life and Sustainability established the Give+Go Green clean-out program.

During end of year move-out, students were encouraged to donate unwanted clothing, shoes, non-perishable food, electronics, carpets and school supplies, which Temple staff and volunteers sorted for distribution to area charities.

Food items were distributed to Philabundance food banks, clothing was sent to Goodwill Industries and carpets and rugs were offered to Revolution Recovery, an organization that recycles construction, manufacturing and residential materials.

Assistant Director of Residential Life Jim Poole said Temple's emphasis on re-use distinguishes the program from those at other universities.

"We collect the material and donate it directly to charitable organizations, whereas other collegiate end-of-year recycling programs hold a yard sale in which items are sold and the money donated," said Poole.

Organizers hoped to collect 15,000 pounds of materials this year. Last year, the program diverted 14,000

Parents' work-life stress hinders healthy eating for family

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In a tight economy, with fewer jobs, many people end up working harder and sacrificing more to stay employed. A new study finds that one of those sacrifices is

sometimes their own and their family's nutrition.

While prior studies have implicated working mothers in providing less healthy family food environments, this is one of the first studies of family nutrition to look at fathers — in particular a population of

urban fathers, who face higher rates of unemployment and underemployment. According to lead author Katherine Bauer, an assistant professor of public health and researcher at Temple's Center for

Obesity Research and Education, the study is also one of the first to look at work/family conflict for both parents and to focus on families of adolescents.

Of the 3,709 parents of adolescents

surveyed by the researchers — many

of whom were from a racial or ethnic minority group and lower income — only 64 percent of fathers and 46 percent of mothers were employed full-time.

Mothers employed fulltime "reported fewer family meals, more frequent fast food for family meals, less frequent encouragement

of their adolescents' healthful eating, lower fruit and vegetable intake and less time spent on food preparation, compared to part-time and notemployed mothers," said Bauer. Meanwhile, the only difference

among fathers by employment status was that full-time employed fathers reported significantly fewer hours of food preparation than part-time or not working fathers. However, regardless of employment status, mothers were spending more hours on food preparation than fathers.

When looking at the role of work-life stress, for both moms and dads greater stress levels appeared to interfere with healthful eating opportunities. For example, parents experiencing high levels of work-life stress reported having one and a half fewer family meals per week and eating half a serving less of fruits and vegetables per day, as compared to parents with low levels of work-life stress.

Bauer noted that over time these differences can add up to have a big impact on parents' and children's health. She's careful to note, however, that the burden of this problem not fall solely on mothers, and instead be approached holistically by the whole family, the community and society.

"Our work underlined the need to take into account the competing pressures that so many families — especially those that are lower income — are experiencing," said Bauer. "There's a great need to help parents find realistic and sustainable ways to feed their families more healthfully while taking into consideration all of the stresses on parents these days."

She suggests that spouses, partners and teenagers chip in to help with grocery shopping and preparing and serving healthy family meals.

"We need to teach kids how to cook," said Bauer. "We know if kids have cooking skills and good eating habits, not only will they be healthier, but as adults they'll put those skills to use to feed their own children more healthfully."



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Dr. Oz's 15-Minute Physical proves to be a lifesaver at Temple Health

By Khoury Johnson For The Temple Times

Held last weekend at Temple's Medical Education and Research Building, Dr. Oz's 15-Minute Physical was a game-changing event for at least two participants, for whom health screenings revealed life-threatening conditions.

"I think that by coming here today you may have saved your life," Dr. Mehmet Oz told one of the patients, before directing her to Temple University Hospital for emergency

Spearheaded by Oz, host of "The Dr. Oz Show," and Larry Kaiser, CEO of the Temple University Health System, the event was designed to promote the value of prevention and proactive management as vital to good health. Local residents were offered free physical screenings general health evaluations administered by Temple physicians and medical students, volunteer practitioners and even Dr. Oz

For each participant, volunteers measured key indicators of heart disease and diabetes, two of the most serious and prevalent diseases in the nation. They ran tests checking five key concerns: blood pressure, BMI, weight and blood-sugar and cholesterol levels.

"This is a big deal," said Oz. "It turns out that 70 percent of how well you feel about yourself depends on things you can control. There are five numbers we want to check on in all [participants], all in

For their part, many visitors were eager to take advantage of a rare opportunity to get medical assistance from a public figure. Before launching his nationally syndicated health talk show in 2009, Oz appeared on the "The



Two particpants in the May 19 15-Minute Physical event at Temple's Medical Education and Research Building talk with Dr. Mehmet Oz, host of the syndicated health talk show "The Dr. Oz

Oprah Winfrey Show," "Larry King Live" and other national television

"I wanted to relay his nutrition tips

to my clients," said Angela Mahone, a physical trainer who attended the

Following the screenings, Oz

stressed the public benefit of maintaining a healthy population. He presented a "Health Data Report Card" to Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter and Philadelphia Health Commissioner Donald Schwarz, M.D., M.P.H. Among the alarming findings: 43 percent of participants were obese, 43 percent had high blood pressure, and 40 percent were borderline

"You can't be wealthy if you're not healthy," said Dr. Oz. "So if we're sick as a city we're not going to be able to survive financially either."

Oz has held similar 15-Minute Physical events in cities throughout the U.S. as part of a nationwide effort to increase awareness of sustainable health practices.

"It works well; we've done them around the country," he said. "But I think if we can make this work, we can begin to make this a larger and larger initiative." u



The women's rowing team begins their two-hour practice at 6 a.m. on the Schuykill River- rain or shine.

Women's rowing takes off under new coach

By Eryn Jelesiewicz dobeck@temple.edu

One of the best student-athletes in Temple history now leads the university's women's rowing team, bringing a new energy and edge to the 25 year-old program. Since Olympic gold medalist Jason Read's arrival as head coach last August, the team has more than doubled in size and will bring in its largest recruiting class this fall.

As a member of Temple men's rowing in the late 1990s and early 2000s, Read led the Varsity 8 from the stroke seat to four Murphy Cup, Big East and Dad Vail Varsity 8 championships — the only rower in Dad Vail history to accomplish such a feat. A member of 13 U.S. national teams since 1995, Read took home the gold medal in the men's 8 at the 2004 Athens Olympic Games, setting a record that still stands. He returned to the Olympics in 2008 and is right now training for a spot on the 2012 men's rowing Olympic

"It's an honor to return to Temple and to work with such promising students," said Read. "Plus, I get to work underneath two of my heroes, athletic director Bill Bradshaw and men's rowing coach Dr. Gavin White. If someone wants to call it work, OK, but this is a dream job."

Read's weekdays start at 6 a.m. on the Schuylkill River in the shadow of the Strawberry Mansion bridge, where he meets his team for a oneand-a-half to two-hour practice on the water — no matter what the weather. Only ice or flooding keeps them off the river.

On most days, there's also an afternoon practice, sometimes back on the river but usually back at Main Campus, either weight training or using the stationary rowing machines. Read and his team like to climb the 15 stories in Wachman Hall for an intense workout — sometimes taking two steps at a time. For his own training, Read puts in about 12 sessions a week on both water and land to prepare for the London Olympic trials taking place this month in Princeton.

On a recent morning, Read and volunteer assistant coach Danielle Ponzio motored alongside the women rowers in a pontoon, taking turns at the megaphone offering words of guidance and encouragement.

"Squeeze the glutes. Point the

"Watch your blade. Make it super horizontal, one inch above the water and then catch."

"Good, Vicki! Committing to a long finish. Making it natural, making it automatic."

"I want to see a little more impulse. Stepping through...accelerating the handle to the finish."

For both the coaches and students athletes, it's been a year of great transition.

"They've learned what it means to work hard, with more of a purpose and a clear regimen," said Ponzio.

"We've changed everything that we believe will get us going in the

right direction — new boats, new coaching staff, more walk-ons, and better health and fitness for the rowers." said Read. "Every one of these athletes comes down here each morning driven with a passion that they've never had before, and not just for rowing or sport, but for academics, too."

The women rowers have indeed improved their standing in the classroom.

"We're trying to develop the whole person. It's part of an entire transformation," said Read.

For junior fine arts photography major Claudia Loeber, the transition has been challenging but rewarding.

"This year, it took some getting used to a very different routine, but it's been really beneficial," said Loeber. "I feel like I'm in the best shape that I've ever been in, and everyone's been working very hard."

Taylor Wasserleben, a senior and captain, agrees. "A lot of things are different with our new coach and it's a good different," she said. "There's a lot of energy on this team and I wish I were a freshman to repeat everything because I think the program is going to take off significantly in the next couple

With Read at the helm, there's no doubt about the bright future for women's rowing.

"Temple's a great school and it's undergoing a renaissance," said Read. "To be back on campus is so invigorating. I'm super-motivated to do what I can to help make Temple a better place." u

Owl Club will host Philadelphia Cherry and White Caravan

On June 18, the Temple Owl Club will host the 27th Annual Golf Classic and Philadelphia Cherry and White Caravan. The dinner and auction will take place at White Manor Country Club in



at 5:30 p.m. The event costs \$85

per person, with all proceeds benefiting Temple's student athletes.

For more information, contact Chet Zukowski, 215-204-6912, or Mike Bamonti, 215-204-2587.

Conference explores new ideas in inclusive learning

Each July, Temple's Institute on Disabilities, in collaboration with the College of Education, welcomes education professionals from Philadelphia and surrounding areas to learn from experts in the field about the new ideas in creating the most inclusive learning environment in every school. This year's event takes place July 10-12.

The three-day conference is designed for educators, school administrators and other professionals, as well as parents, features a diverse collection of presenters who offer information about, and idea-sharing of, cutting edge technology, new techniques and latest products and publications. With each day building on the last, attendees come away with a collection of fresh approaches to making the classroom a welcoming and fullyinclusive environment for all students.

Registration for all three days is \$395 per person or \$195 for one day.

For more information, contact Julie Kessler at iod@temple.edu or 215-204-1977.

Academic Calendar

- n June 4: Last day to drop a Summer I
- n June 18: Last day to withdraw from Summer I course
- n July 9: Start of Summer II session n July 20: Last day to drop Summer II
- n Aug 6: Last day to withdraw from Sum-
- mer II course
- n Aug 27: Fall 2012 classes begin n Aug 31: Diploma date

FeaturedEvents

New students will arrive for summer orientation

New Temple students will visit the university for two-day Orientation sessions on various dates beginning in late June through August. The overnight visits include presentations, academic advising, class registration, social activities and small group discussions covering a wide range of topics related to the academic and co-curricular experience.

Orientation dates for 2012 are:

n June 25-26 n July 23-24 n June 28-29 n July 26-27 n July 9-10 n July 30-31 n July 12-13 n Aug 2-3 n July 16-17 n Aug 22-23

Football prepares for first season in the BIGEAST

The Temple Owls, under second-year head coach Steve Addazio, will open the 2012 football season against the Villanova Wildcats in the fourth annual Mayor's Cup on Friday, August 31 at Lincoln Financial Field.

The Owls have won the game the past two years, beating the Wildcats 42-7 last year.

On March 7, the BIG EAST announced that Temple would join the conference for all sports. After five years in the Mid-American Conference, Temple football begins BIG EAST play immediately this fall, while all other Owl sports, including men's and women's basketball, will leave the Atlantic 10 Conference and begin play in the BIG EAST starting in 2013-14.

Season tickets for 2012 Temple football are on sale now, with packages starting as low as \$12.50 per game. Contact the sales office at 215-204-8499 or visit owlstix.com.

Save the date for Homecoming 2012

The Office of Alumni Relations is planning a full weekend of events for 2012 Homecoming Weekend, which