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Ready to Lead

President Neil Theobald takes office as Temple's 10th president

Neil Theobald officially started as Temple's 10th president on Jan. 1. But it would be wrong to think he's just getting started. Throughout the fall semester, even as he was finishing his duties at Indiana University, Theobald was getting to know Temple University.

With the help of Richard M. Englert, who served as acting president through Dec. 31, Theobald gained a good sense of the issues facing the university as the two communicated almost every day, either by email or phone. During visits to campus in the fall semester, Theobald met with students, faculty and staff and asked for their views on Temple's strengths, challenges and opportunities for the future.

As he settles into his new role, the Temple Times asked him several questions about his experience so far.

Temple Times: You have already been talking with numerous Temple students, faculty, staff and alumni. What are your initial impressions?

President Neil Theobald: First, I want to thank Dick Englert. He was an amazing colleague and took his time to help me gain an understanding of Temple and what it means to be the president of this great university.

Dick Englert is not alone. Temple has many talented, committed and passionate students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends. I plan to learn everything I can about Temple from the people who know it best. My goal is to use this information as we put together a five to 10-year agenda for the university, which will be unveiled at an October inauguration.

TT: What kinds of comments are you hearing? What priorities are people concerned about?

Theobald: One clear concern is the number of key leadership positions that are open. We need to fill these positions as quickly as possible with the best people available. We'll start with the provost. As you know, we're doing an internal search, so I expect to have recommendations on finalists in the next several weeks. Dean searches are also underway, so we are making great progress.

People are the key to a great university. One of the most important things we do at Temple is recruit and retain the best faculty and staff. We need these talented people at Temple so that we can provide an excellent

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Englert appointed a chancellor by Board of Trustees

Richard M. Englert, who served as acting Temple president through December, was named a chancellor of the university effective Jan. 1.

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Richard M. Englert used his last report to the university Board of Trustees as acting president to highlight the achievements of Temple's students. For those who have worked with Englert during his 36 years at Temple, it was not a surprising move.

"Our students are second to none, and the unique opportunities they have here at Temple, under the tutelage of a world-class faculty, enable them to experience and do amazing things," Englert said.

He also took the opportunity to briefly reflect on his role as acting president.

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Computer access is focus of 2013 MLK Day service activities

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Although it's been nearly five decades since Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his renowned "I have a dream" speech at the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, his words endure as a reminder of the imperative of equal access.

In today's digital society, access

requires technology that could not have been imagined in 1963. According to a report by KEYSPO, a federally funded initiative designed to broaden Internet access, training and technology, more than 40 percent of Philadelphians don't have the basic tools needed to compete in our computer-driven culture.

To help bridge that digital divide, Temple's Office of Community

Relations has organized a signature event for the 18th Annual Greater Philadelphia Martin Luther King Day of Service.

Temple volunteers will deliver and set up 26 refurbished computers at Bright Hope Baptist Church, near the southeast corner of Main Campus. Provided by Temple's Computer Recycling Center, the technology will be made available to

the church administration, as well as children participating in the church's afterschool and summer camp programs.

The initiative is one of more than 1,500 community service projects throughout the region on Monday, Jan. 21, the King federal holiday. Members of the Temple community

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LGBTQ scholarship recipient feels support of Temple community

Award frees honor student to focus on creative pursuits

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When Michael C. Busza came out as a gay man, the support and love from his closest friends and family never wavered. Now, as the recipient of the first Temple University scholarship for the LGBTQ community, he has felt that support grow from his inner circle to his school.

"The mere existence of an LGBTQ scholarship at Temple is both empowering and inspiring," said Busza, a junior honors student with a double major in communications and English and a minor in business.

The MarcDavid LGBTQ Scholarship was created to recognize a student's



Michael C. Busza, a resident assistant and double major in communications and English, is the first recipient of the MarcDavid LGBTQ Scholarship, created last month to recognize a student's efforts to further inclusion at Temple.

efforts to further the inclusion of the LGBTQ community at Temple. Busza feels the scholarship is another big step in the right direction toward creating an atmosphere at Temple in which others in the LGBTQ

community feel more comfortable in their own skin.

"There are some people who can't talk about this part of their life with anyone," he said. "It's important to realize that there is support out there, whether or not it's in your personal life."

Already busy as a resident assistant and student worker in the Temple Office of Orientation, Busza says the \$5,000 scholarship will allow him to focus on other creative pursuits. He has been working around the clock on his latest project, a full-length web television series called "One of the Guys" (oneoftheguystv.com), which will premiere online Feb. 19.

The series will explore the relationship among roommates, three of whom are gay and a fourth who is straight. It's a relationship Busza experiences in real life that he has not seen explored on television before.

"Now, I can actually focus on

producing this show and making my voice heard," he said. "The scholarship shows me that people think that what I'm doing is important and that my stories are important."

Scott Gratson, director of the School of Media and Communication's Communication Studies Program, first met Busza at one of Temple's open houses.

"He is not only an exceptional student but an active, caring part of the campus community," said Gratson. "He has used his talents in a variety of ways, including opening up avenues for students' voices through media."

Gratson said the MarcDavid LGBTQ Scholarship "marks a new development in Temple's consistent and decades-long process toward becoming even greater leaders in incorporating the needs of LGBTQ faculty, staff and students into the campus community." ♦

University-wide survey will assess Temple service

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Every day, Temple faculty, staff and students help make a difference in local, national and global communities.

In an effort to gauge the number of people and campus organizations participating in volunteerism projects, the Office of Community Relations has launched an online survey that will help quantify the number of community service and outreach programs that the university provides.

Over the next several weeks, students, faculty and staff are being asked to complete this year's online Community Service Inventory. The entire process can be completed in as little as 10 minutes, said Andrea Swan, director of community and neighborhood affairs.

"A small amount of data will go a long way in helping us determine the breadth and scope of Temple University's community related projects," said Swan. "Cooperation from everyone in the campus community will help in gathering all of the volunteer efforts and capturing the true impact of these services."

From work in Philadelphia-area schools, to healthcare screenings and student-driven service projects that benefit our neighbors, the Community Service Inventory will assess the many contributions made by the Temple University community.

In addition, the inventory will survey the numerous boards, commissions and agencies on which Temple faculty, staff and students serve in their spare time.

The assessment consists of two separate instruments: an inventory that highlights Temple-sponsored community service and outreach programs and a personal service inventory that all members of the Temple community can fill out.

The goal is to receive all completed surveys by Thursday, Jan. 31. The results will be compiled and released in an annual report that will be shared with the Temple community.

To access the survey, log in with your Temple Accessnet usernet and password at apps.temple.edu/community. ♦

Theobald earns highest honor before departing Indiana U

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As he prepared to take charge as Temple's 10th president, Neil Theobald had one last honor to receive from Indiana University, where he had served as vice president and chief financial officer.

Last month, Theobald received the President's Medal for Excellence from Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie. The President's Medal is the highest honor an IU president can bestow.

The presentation was made during a special farewell ceremony for Theobald and his wife, Sheona Mackenzie.

According to an Indiana University release, the President's Medal for Excellence recognizes, among other criteria, distinction in public service, service to the university and



Neil Theobald, left, receives the President's Medal for Excellence from Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie before departing to join Temple as president.

extraordinary merit and achievement in the arts, humanities, sciences, education and industry. The medal itself is a reproduction in silver of the symbolic jewel of office worn by IU's president at ceremonial occasions.

McRobbie praised Theobald for his outstanding fiscal leadership

during the nation's prolonged economic crisis and innovative thinking that helped reduce the impact of recent cuts in higher education funding.

"Thanks to Neil's superb financial management of the institution, IU has been able to weather the Great

Recession far better than many of our peers," McRobbie said. "We have been able to not only preserve but to enhance the academic mission of the institution and the infrastructure that supports it. We have continued to elevate the quality of our faculty, to keep an IU education affordable, to attract record numbers of highly qualified students and to provide those students with record amounts of institutional aid."

"Neil's leadership has helped to make all this possible," McRobbie added. "Indiana University and the state of Indiana owe him a great debt for his outstanding service over the past two decades."

As CFO at Indiana, Theobald was responsible for managing the university's \$3 billion budget, which supports its more than 110,000 students, 3,000 faculty and 14,000 staff members. ♦

Theobald

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education for our students and research innovation for the region and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

TT: What are you hearing from students?

Theobald: Students love their Temple experience! I'm always fired up after talking with students. But they have concerns, too. It's clear we need to help students and families in limiting student debt. This requires Temple to provide robust financial aid packages and to help undergraduates earn their degrees within four years.

We need to focus on containing costs while simultaneously maintaining the high quality of a Temple degree. Students also need to graduate with a degree that prepares them for the job market.

TT: Decentralized budget planning was very much a part of the structure you helped oversee at Indiana University. What can members of the Temple community expect?

Theobald: There is already a great steering committee overseeing this effort, and the university's staff and faculty will become more engaged with the new process over the next 18 months. We will decentralize our budget in 2014-15. Our goal is to allow Temple to

operate in a more cost-effective manner by allowing those closest to the action to make critical funding decisions.

TT: There are clearly a lot of changes coming. What Temple qualities will you build on in the months ahead?

Theobald: Temple is known in the city, the state and the nation as a quality university where high school graduates with strong academic ability will find a home. We have a reputation for providing an affordable educational opportunity that is second to none. Temple rightly cherishes that core characteristic and we need to keep it central to our mission in an increasingly complex funding environment.

TT: If members of the Temple community want to tell you their ideas or concerns, what should they do?

Theobald: Talk to me. I would invite those who see me at campus events to come over, say hello and let me know what you're thinking. And if you prefer, you can also send me your thoughts via email at president@temple.edu.

TT: Any closing thoughts?

Theobald: I can't tell you how thrilled I am to be here at Temple and in Philadelphia. My wife, Sheona, and I plan to spend the spring exploring this great campus, the community around us and this historic city. And I am looking forward to setting down roots here and working with so many really great people. ♦

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"As my term as Temple's acting president draws to a close, I want to personally thank you for your outstanding support over these last six months. It has been a tremendous honor to work closely with each of you," Englert said. "Thank you for this great opportunity to serve our wonderful university, which all of us love so well."

Englert's term as acting president came to a close on Dec. 31, and Neil Theobald took the reins as Temple's 10th president on Jan. 1.

"I am confident that President-elect Theobald will be a truly great leader for Temple University and that Temple will flourish in his very capable hands," Englert told the board members. "I know you will support him and work with him in a rewarding and productive partnership."

"Be assured, I will lend him my full support and assistance as he takes on the responsibilities of leader of this great university," added Englert.

He and Theobald have developed a strong working relationship in recent months, either talking or emailing each other every day.

As a sign of their gratitude to

Englert, trustees unanimously voted to designate him as a chancellor of the university, effective Jan. 1. Englert joins former presidents Peter J. Liacouras and David Adamany as chancellors, an honorary position at the university.

And, for the first time in his career, Englert will eschew administrative duties in favor of teaching at the College of Education, after he takes a one-year sabbatical.

In remarks before the board voted on the chancellor resolution, Board of Trustees Chairman Patrick J. O'Connor said the university was fortunate to have someone as dedicated as Englert, who has always responded when Temple called.

"We have been blessed to have Dick as president for the last six months. It's been a great pleasure working with him. The relationship that he has with the Temple community is second to none," said O'Connor.

"I know that he has built a great relationship with Neil Theobald and our next president has some very large shoes to fill," remarked the chairman. "There is no more fitting way to thank you for your service to Temple than to confer on you the title of chancellor."

Englert said he continues to be willing to respond should Temple come calling in the future.

"I'm happy to be of help to you at any time in the service of our Temple mission," Englert said. ♦

Grant-funded performance art will help deepen understanding of disabilities

Six new grants take the Institute on Disabilities in new directions

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It was a big stretch — but they wanted to stretch. In fact, administrators in Temple’s renowned Institute on Disabilities (IOD) knew they would have to think creatively if they were to expand the institute’s reach and impact.

Both the state and federal disabilities budgets the IOD has relied on for almost 40 years have been changing dramatically. So this past year, the staff dipped their toes into new waters, developing several funding proposals that would take the institute in different directions — even a foray into public performance art.

The fresh approach has paid off. Since last spring, the IOD has been awarded six new grants totaling \$1.1 million, including \$75,000 from the Pew Center for Arts & Heritage to produce a play featuring people with intellectual disabilities as part of the cast.



Pei-Chun Hsieh, assistant professor of rehabilitation sciences (left), leads a focus group of people with disabilities to learn more about the support they need as they age as part of one of six new grants awarded to Temple’s Institute on Disabilities.

It’s this project in particular that Celia Feinstein, co-executive director of the IOD, believes might have the biggest impact. Over the decades, the institute has successfully convinced the disabilities community to care, to advocate and to mobilize, but it hasn’t done as much to help convince those who aren’t directly affected by disabilities.

“That would be our biggest

success,” said Feinstein. “Through this performance, we’re going to contribute to the push to convince other people to care.”

The institute’s other grant awards will allow the institute to focus on such areas as the transition from work to retirement, emergency response, criminal justice, non-traditional education and communication technology for people who are deaf and blind.

Feinstein attributes the institute’s successful funding pursuits to the expansion and diversification of its staff, as well its ability to address issues that are priorities to funders.

The institute’s longtime funding partner, the Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council (PADDC), has provided four of the grants, including one that will help people with disabilities in the event of public emergencies.

“Hurricane Sandy reminded us of the importance of emergency preparedness,” she said. “For people with disabilities, there are additional considerations, including their use of technologies such as power wheelchairs and communication devices.”

Another critical issue for both the institute and its funders is the aging baby boomer generation. One of the new grants will look at the transition from work to retirement.

“People are living longer,” said Feinstein. “What supports do the people with disabilities who are aging and their aging caregivers need so they can transition successfully?”

Working with the PADDC came

naturally to the IOD. But applying for a grant from Pew was venturing into new territory. That proposal was an outgrowth of the IOD’s oral history project, Visionary Voices, which revealed the profound experiences of mothers of children with disabilities.

“We came to see these young mothers in the 1950s and ‘60s as accidental warriors in the intellectual disability rights movement,” said Feinstein. “How did they come to identify themselves and their kids, and what’s happened as a result of all that?”

She recalls the story of Ginny Thornburgh, the wife of former Gov. Dick Thornburgh. When her son Peter, who has an intellectual disability, was ready to go to school, she was disturbed to learn that his classroom would be in the basement boiler room. The school’s principal justified the poor conditions, remarking that students with disabilities don’t care where they are. Thornburgh replied, “They do care. And because of that we have to care triple.”

For more information on the IOD, part of Temple’s College of Education, and its initiatives, visit [disabilities.temple.edu](#). ♦

Temple’s top 2012 news stories

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In the final week of December 2012, Temple’s official Twitter feed, @TempleUniv, celebrated the end of a busy year by counting down the top Temple-related news stories, using the hashtag #TopTUSTories. Below is a recap:

10. Anderson Cooper comes to Temple

After receiving the Low Klein Excellence in the Media Award at a ceremony in Mitten Hall on Oct. 18, CNN anchor Anderson Cooper spent an hour answering students’ questions, balancing stories of covering the revolution in Egypt and rape victims in the Congo with references to Lady Gaga and Honey Boo Boo. “Shouldn’t you be studying?” he asked. “I hope you at least get credit for this.”

9. Temple-commissioned orchestral works earn GRAMMY nominations

It’s rare for a college ensemble to earn a GRAMMY nomination; earning two may be unprecedented. A pair of works commissioned by Temple’s Boyer College of Music and Dance and performed by the Temple University Symphony Orchestra were nominated for “Best Instrumental Composition” GRAMMYS, earning a front-page story in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. [See story, page 7.]

8. Tech licensing revenues explode

Licensing revenue from Temple-created technologies has increased more than six-fold since fiscal year 2010 to nearly \$2.5 million in the fiscal year that closed June 30. Boosted by a commercialization agreement between a local biopharmaceutical company and a global healthcare company involving a university-created cancer therapeutic, licensing revenue is projected to surpass \$13 million this year.

7. Matt Rhule named new football coach

After searching far and wide, Temple Director of Athletics Bill Bradshaw said that he had found “the perfect person to take the Temple football program to the next level” — Matt Rhule of the New York Giants, a former Temple assistant who Bradshaw called “one of the top young minds in the profession.” [See story, page 7.] At the press conference announcing his hire, Temple met Rhule’s secret weapon: his son and future ball boy, Bryant.

6. The rise (and naming) of Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Hall

The newest addition to the Philadelphia skyline is Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Hall, the state-of-the-art residence hall and dining complex currently under construction at the corner of North Broad Street and Cecil B. Moore. The gleaming, 27-story structure was topped off this summer and named for Temple trustee Morgan and his wife in October. Lucky first residents will move in next fall. [See story, page 7.]

5. Temple launches \$100 million fundraising campaign for student scholarships

Temple took dramatic steps to position itself as a national leader in reducing student debt. This fall, the university kicked off a campaign to raise \$100 million within five years to help students pay for their education — the largest fundraising effort devoted solely to student scholarships in Temple’s history.

4. The Temple community takes on Hurricane Sandy

We were lucky. The storm that devastated lower Manhattan, erased portions of the Jersey shore and left hundreds of thousands in the dark created far less damage in Philadelphia and at Temple. We know that now, but we didn’t know that in late October

when Sandy was bearing down on us. During those frightening days, the Temple community came together to prepare for the worst and support each other.

3. The Temple Made marketing campaign catches fire

You’ve seen those two words at train stations, on TV ads and projected onto buildings at the biggest party Main Campus has ever seen: Temple Made. The university’s new marketing campaign — a celebration of Temple pride, achievement, energy and creativity — launched this summer and has captured the imagination of students and alumni across the nation.

2. Temple trustees announce base tuition freeze for 2012-13

On June 27, Temple University took a bold step, announcing a freeze on base tuition for in-state and out-of-state undergraduate students enrolled for the 2012-13 academic year. “Rising student debt is one of the major issues facing this nation today. Temple is committed to being a national leader in the effort to offer an affordable quality education,” said Patrick J. O’Connor, chair of Temple’s Board of Trustees.

1. Neil Theobald named Temple’s 10th president

On Aug. 6, Temple University’s Board of Trustees approved Neil Theobald, formerly senior vice president and chief financial officer at Indiana University, as Temple’s 10th president. Theobald made his mission clear in meetings with students, faculty and staff this summer: hold down the cost of tuition, ramp up financial aid, raise funds and push the importance of high quality academics.

To link to the original stories, visit [news.temple.edu/TopTUSTories2012](#). (And be sure to follow Temple’s official Twitter feed, @TempleUniv.)



As they did last March, members of the Temple community will travel to the State Capitol in Harrisburg to showcase the many sides of Temple to Pennsylvania’s elected officials as part of Cherry and White Week.

Office of Government Affairs plans student events in Harrisburg

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As part of the university’s efforts to help Pennsylvania’s elected leaders get to know Temple and its students better, the Office of Government Affairs will hold this year’s Cherry and White Week in Harrisburg during the week of March 18.

This year’s programming will include several activities:

■ March 18 is **Undergraduate Research Day**, when undergraduate students from across the university and throughout the Commonwealth will showcase their research projects to members of the General Assembly and visitors to the Capitol Building. Students are being selected to participate by the Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies.

■ March 19 is **Owls on the Hill Day**, during which students and alumni will descend on the Capitol to visit the office of each member of the legislature and share their Temple stories. Temple Student Government has partnered with the Office of Government Affairs to recruit students to participate. Registration information will be announced in the coming weeks.

■ On March 20, **Temple Made Day**, students from Temple’s arts and athletics programs will showcase their talents along with representatives from several schools and colleges.

“Cherry and White Week is a great opportunity for students to use their voice and advocate for their education,” said Kenneth L. Lawrence, senior vice president for government, community and public affairs. “Elected officials appreciate the opportunity to hear from their constituents about the importance of commonwealth support for Temple and higher education.”

For more information on Cherry and White Week, follow the Office of Government Affairs on Twitter @TuGovtAffairs. ♦



Elfreth's Alley in Philadelphia

Public archeology project embraces Philly's immigrant past

Temple Ph.D. candidate and volunteers uncover 19th century artifacts in Philadelphia's historic Elfreth's Alley

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Often archaeologists prefer to keep the public as far away from their sites as possible — fears of looting or damage to important artifacts and architectural features compel them to conduct much of their work in secured areas.

But not Temple doctoral student Deirdre Kelleher.

In fact, one of the primary goals of Kelleher's current archeology project is engaging the public in the process of digging up old treasures.

Her dig at national historic site Elfreth's Alley — popularly known as "our nation's oldest continuously occupied residential street" — has been undertaken within full view of both block residents and visitors to the historic site's museum, and it is even being conducted with the help of volunteers.

"I see the history of Elfreth's Alley as the history of everyday man: It is everyone's history," said Kelleher. "By offering volunteers the opportunity to become actively involved in the excavation, they are essentially reclaiming their history and taking part in the past."

Her work is part a movement known as public archeology. According to Kelleher, it's an idea that's gaining momentum, but having volunteers trained and actually participating in an excavation as she does at Elfreth's Alley is still outside the norm — as is having it all take place at an active museum.

"At our site, museum visitors are always passing by as we perform the excavation. Sometimes they return to see how we are doing or

to volunteer. It's a way for them to really start to embrace their history," she said.

Kelleher's research is also unique for another reason. It's among the first archeology projects in Philadelphia specifically intended to understand the experience of 19th century immigrants.

Located in Old City, Philadelphia, Elfreth's Alley was created in 1702-04 as a cart way between Second Street and the riverfront, connecting the thoroughfare to the smiths and mills along the Delaware River.

Kelleher has been excavating areas behind two of the alley's 18th century houses where extensions to the houses in the form of tenements built through the 19th century. Although those structures no longer exist, Kelleher's findings provide clues about the day-to-day lives of the working class Irish and German immigrants who resided in them.

Found objects include pipe stems, buttons, bottles, straight pins, ceramics, animal bones, lice combs, ball-and-claw stove feet and architectural features. From these artifacts Kelleher is trying to determine to what extent the residents participated in the temperance and abstinence movements of their day and what access they had to economic mobility.

She and her volunteers worked on the dig all summer, sometimes in 100 degree temperatures. But that was the easy part. Now they meet biweekly in Temple's Anthropology Lab to dust off and process the found items. The group will return to Elfreth's Alley next summer to continue digging.

Volunteer Wendy Miervaldis of Basking Ridge, N.J., plans to be there. Miervaldis learned about the dig at a meeting for the Archeology Society of New Jersey and has been working with Kelleher since last June. She has found that participating on the dig accentuates her understanding of the past.

"As you are down on your hands and knees, moving dirt slowly,

carefully and things start to pop up, you really do feel connected to the past," said Miervaldis. "You can almost imagine when a tea cup was broken or was tossed out. It's a mystery and you're in the middle of it. It's better than a book."

Kelleher got started at the location in 2009 when a homeowner on the street contacted Temple's Department of Anthropology to see if someone would be interested in exploring an ash chute he had discovered beneath the remnants of fireplace in his living room. Having always been fascinated by Elfreth's Alley, Kelleher jumped at the opportunity and worked there for three days under the supervision of her advisor, Assistant Professor David Orr.

"Archeologists typically don't conduct their digs in homes where people are currently living. But that added an interesting dimension to the work: I was researching how people lived centuries ago on a site where people still were living," she said. Through that experience, Kelleher realized that working both at Elfreth's Alley and with the public was something she wanted to continue.

"Deirdre's work has been such a great way for us to build on the story we tell here," said Patrick Wittwer, museum operations manager at the Elfreth's Alley Association.

"So many of Philadelphia's historic sites focus on the colonial times. But it's important not to overlook the 19th century and the working class in Philadelphia. Being able to look into the tenements that we had behind the alley, but are no longer there, gives us a window into that life," Wittwer said.

When her project is complete, Kelleher's findings will ultimately be displayed in an exhibit at the Elfreth's Alley Museum. In the meantime, her experiences on her Elfreth's Alley dig are chronicled for the public in the blog, "Archeology on the Alley," at elfrethsalleyarchaeology.blogspot.com. ♦

Courtesy GPTM/C. Ridgeway

Let crying babes lie

Study supports notion of leaving infants to cry themselves back to sleep

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Today, new parents often find themselves confronting a common dilemma: Should they let their babies "cry it out" when they wake up at night? Or should they rush to comfort their crying little one?

In fact, waking up in the middle of the night is the most common concern that parents of infants report to pediatricians. Now, a new study from Laura H. Carnell Professor of Psychology Marsha Weinraub gives parents some scientific facts to help with that decision.

The study, published in *Developmental Psychology*, supports the idea that a majority of infants are best left to self-soothe and fall back to sleep on their own.

"By six months of age, most babies sleep through the night, awakening their mothers only about once per week. However, not all children follow this pattern of development," said Weinraub, an expert on child development and parent-child relationships.

For the study, Weinraub and her colleagues measured patterns of nighttime sleep awakenings in infants ages six to 36 months. Her findings revealed two groups: sleepers and transitional sleepers.

"If you measure them while they are sleeping, all babies — like all adults — move through a sleep cycle every one and a half to two hours where they wake up and then return to sleep," said Weinraub. "Some of them do cry and call out when they awaken, and that is called 'not sleeping through the night.'"



For the study, Weinraub's team asked parents of more than 1,200 infants to report on their child's awakenings at 6, 15, 24 and 36 months. They found that by six months of age, 66 percent of babies — the sleepers — did not awaken, or awoke just once per week, following a flat trajectory as they grew. But a full 33 percent woke up seven nights per week at six months, dropping to two nights by 15 months and to one night per week by 24 months.

Of the babies that awoke, the majority were boys. These transitional sleepers also tended to score higher on an assessment of difficult temperament that identified traits such as irritability and distractibility. And, these babies were more likely to be breastfed. Mothers of these babies were more likely to be depressed and have greater maternal sensitivity.

The findings suggest that genetic or constitutional factors such as those that might be reflected in difficult temperaments appear implicated in early sleep problems. "Families who are seeing sleep problems persist past 18 months should seek advice," Weinraub said.

Another takeaway is that it is important for babies to learn how to fall asleep on their own. "When mothers tune in to these night time awakenings and/or if a baby is in the habit of falling asleep during breastfeeding, then he or she may not be learning to how to self-soothe, something that is critical for regular sleep," said Weinraub.

"The best advice is to put infants to bed at a regular time every night, allow them to fall asleep on their own and resist the urge to respond right away to awakenings." ♦

Journalism student learns tough lessons covering Sandy Hook tragedy

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Newtown, Conn., normally doesn't get mentioned on the pages of the *New Haven Register*.

But when so many innocent lives were lost Dec. 14 at Sandy Hook Elementary School, its editors knew it was their duty to cover the tragedy just outside of its coverage area. And they needed help.

The *Register* asked reporters at its sister papers throughout the country to help inform its readers of the latest news of the shooting and its impact on the community.

Danielle Lynch, a master of journalism student at Temple University's School of Media and Communication, was one of the reporters who answered the call.

The county government reporter at the *Delaware County Daily Times*, Lynch mentally prepared herself to face the aftermath of this horror as she made the four-hour trek to the makeshift satellite office in a hotel conference room just 15 minutes away from the school.

"I remember saying a prayer that hopefully what I do up there will bring some comfort to them," she says.

Lynch says the hodgepodge staff of reporters from papers from Pottstown, Pa., to Denver worked well under their

unfamiliar editors from Connecticut while she reported on the story over the three days just before Christmas.

"You had to be careful not to step on anyone's toes, but everyone was trying to be helpful," she says.

Lynch's first assignment took her to a nearby school that was on lockdown because of a perceived threat. As she drove to the school, it all looked too familiar to her Chester County neighborhood.

"I felt like I was at home," she said.

Lynch was in Newtown nearly a week after the shooting and the residents were ready to reclaim their quaint community back from the news trucks and reporters. She overheard people talking outside of a child's funeral she was sent to cover.

"We hope that the media eventually goes away," one said.

"But without them, we wouldn't know about these funerals," another responded.

Later, a passerby rolled down his window to yell "Scumbags," at a cluster of news cameras.

"People in the community wanted us to leave, and I understand that," she said. "At the same time, I hope they understand that we're trying to explain things to people... by what we write and report. We're not there to cause any harm." ♦



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Researchers dig into Hurricane Sandy’s geological legacy

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Temple Earth and Environmental Science faculty and graduate students explored areas along a New Jersey beachfront last month, looking for the geological signature of Superstorm Sandy recorded in the layers of sand.

“We know quite a bit about Sandy from the meteorological data,” said Assistant Professor Ilya Buynevich, who led the research field trip to Mantoloking in Ocean County, N.J. “But with the geological data we gather, we can link the properties of sand to the forces of storm surge.”

The researchers examined washovers and other geological

features for deposits of light and heavy minerals in the sand as evidence of the wave surges that caused so much destruction. The surges leave alternating layers of dense and light minerals, much like a layer cake, during each individual wave surge. The proportion of pebbles and dense “heavy” minerals left in the sand can indicate a wave surge’s strength, including its velocity and duration.

“It’s like Mother Nature has given us a geological recorder,” said Buynevich, a coastal geologist. “We can then use Sandy’s geological signature to compare it with other washovers along the coast, geological data from recent storms such as Hurricane Irene, as well as storms that occurred hundreds and even

thousands of years ago when there was no documentary or instrumental data.”

The researchers dug trenches behind the eroded beach and x-rayed the washovers with georadar to measure the magnetic properties of the sediments. They also collected samples to determine the size and shape of individual grains of sand.

Temple graduate student Irina Beal will be using the information as the basis for her master’s thesis and will present the results at a special session dedicated to the superstorm at a regional Geological Society of America conference. Next summer, the team will visit other areas along the New Jersey coast to collect additional data. ♦



Temple graduate student Andrew Bentley (left) uses georadar to x-ray the washover as Anna Jaworski looks on.

Courtesy Ilya Buynevich

Study will compare zero-calorie drinks versus water in dieting

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You’ve made a New Year’s resolution to lose weight in 2013, but should you favor zero-calorie drinks or water as part of your diet? Or does it matter at all which of these beverages you choose for weight loss?

That’s what researchers at Temple University’s Center for Obesity Research and Education (CORE) and the University of Colorado’s Anschutz Health and Wellness Center are hoping to discover as part of a year-long study comparing the effects of zero-calorie drinks and water in the context of weight loss. The Food and Drug Administration defines zero-calorie drinks as those having five or fewer calories per eight-ounce serving.

Water has long been the recommended beverage in any weight loss/maintenance program, yet dieters frequently turn to the more flavorful diet or zero-calorie beverages as a replacement.

“Since both of these drinks are calorie neutral, you should be able to lose the same amount of weight regardless of whether you consume zero-calorie drinks or water while dieting,” said Stephanie Vander Veur, program director for clinical research at CORE. “On the other hand, some think that non-nutritive sweetened beverages may increase a person’s preference for a sweet taste that may lead them to consume additional calories.”

Temple is seeking to recruit up to 150 people to take part in the study, which is being led by CORE Director Gary Foster. The first Temple group of 18 already began participating in the study in November.

Those who are selected to participate must be regular consumers of zero-calorie or diet beverages and above ideal body weight. They will participate in a weekly 60-minute group weight loss program during the first 12 weeks of the study and then 10 monthly 60-minute group weight loss/maintenance meetings thereafter.

Participants will be required to drink a minimum of 24 ounces per day of either water or a zero-calorie beverage that includes a non-nutritive sweetener, depending on which study group they are randomly assigned. Those who are in the water group will not be able to drink any zero-calorie beverages, and must also refrain from using non-nutritive sweeteners in other drinks such as coffee or tea. Foods that contain non-nutritive sweeteners are permitted.

The study will be conducted at CORE, located at Temple’s Health Sciences Center in North Philadelphia; Jeanes Hospital in Northeast Philadelphia; and Temple’s Center City campus.

The study is being funded by the American Beverage Association. ♦

Anyone from the Philadelphia region interested in participating in the study should contact Temple’s Center for Obesity Research and Education at 215-707-3292.

MLK

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will join some 110,000 volunteers helping to organize projects, workshops and presentations around the city. In another KEYSPOD initiative, volunteers will distribute netbook computers, modems and digital literacy resources to more than 150 Philadelphia Housing Authority residents as part of the city-wide effort.

Temple students, alumni and employees will also participate in a range of other service projects on and around the Main, Ambler and Health Sciences campuses and at the city’s host site at nearby Girard College.

Students from the College of Education will kick off their service activities on Friday, when Development Associate Maggie Esteves joins a group of Temple students in leading a program on the history of Martin Luther King at KIPP Elementary Academy on Westmoreland Street.

Elementary students will decorate banners with peaceful slogans while second grade students discuss the



Martin Luther King Jr. addresses the crowd at a 1965 rally at the Baptist Temple, now the Temple Performing Arts Center.

Temple University Urban Archives

importance of volunteerism and create their own personal community service pledges.

“We really want to engage the students at KIPP and make the conversation about Martin Luther King relevant as early as possible,” said Esteves. “We’ll talk a lot about what they can do to continue to uphold King’s legacy and how they can work together to continue to push his ideas forward.”

The national Martin Luther King Day of Service was created in 1994 through federal legislation co-authored by former Pennsylvania U.S. Sen. Harris Wofford and Rep.

John Lewis, both veterans of the Civil Rights Movement.

Mel Dorn, a Freedom Fighter who demonstrated as part of protests to desegregate Girard College and worked closely with Cecil B. Moore and King, said the MLK Day of Service is an opportunity for everyone to participate in King’s dream for a better America.

“It’s not about numbers — it’s about what you feel when you’re there. Everyone seems to have a feeling of hope and satisfaction of being around a group of people who care and want to help their neighbors,” said Dorn. “It just shows how far we’ve come.” ♦

Electricians honored for assisting with Kardon fire

Five Temple electricians were honored last month by the Hospital Fire Marshals’ Association for assisting the Philadelphia Fire Department in extinguishing a dangerous high voltage transformer fire in the Kardon Building last February.

Electrical supervisor Sean Ounan and electricians Bill Schweizer, Bob

Giles, Ralph Del Donno and Bob Haddy were nominated for the honor by Temple Fire Marshal John Maule.

Maule, a former captain in the Philadelphia Fire Department, noted that the electricians took initiative in shutting down a high voltage transformer, allowing arriving firefighters to extinguish the fire.

“Temple’s electricians voluntarily

responded to assist,” Maule said. “They did this without complaint or hesitation, even though it is not in their job description.”

Without their response, Maule noted, the fire would have spread to other equipment and potentially displaced the 1,000 students living in the privately managed property.

— Preston M. Moretz

Pre-clinical data shows Angiocidin effective against leukemia

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Angiocidin, a novel tumor-inhibiting protein, has been shown to reduce acute myeloid leukemia (AML) cells in mice by almost two-thirds in pre-clinical experiments.

George P. Tuszynski, a professor of neuroscience in Temple’s School of Medicine who discovered Angiocidin, presented the findings during the American Society of Hematology’s national meeting in Atlanta in December.

AML causes certain white blood cells to stop maturing, resulting in their uncontrolled proliferation. The spread of the cells can lead to suppression of the immune system and

often fatal secondary problems such as infections, including pneumonia, and an increased risk for bleeding.

In earlier studies using four AML cell lines and patient AML cells grown in petri dishes, Angiocidin demonstrated the ability to stimulate maturation in the affected white cells, causing them to behave and function like normal cells.

With 50 percent success in the in vitro patient studies, the researchers next focused on how Angiocidin would perform against cells from AML patients in vivo. Samples from a patient were injected into a special mouse model developed by Martin Carroll, associate professor of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. Over a 14-week period, the leukemia cells engrafted to the bone marrow of the mice.

The mice were then given doses of Ara-C, Angiocidin or a combination of both. The chemotherapy agent Ara-C, or cytosine arabinoside, is standard-of-care for AML and kills cancer cells by inhibiting DNA synthesis.

Mice treated only with Angiocidin saw a 63 percent reduction in AML cells, while those treated with both experienced a 79 percent reduction in AML cells. Mice treated with Ara-C alone saw a reduction of only around 40 percent.

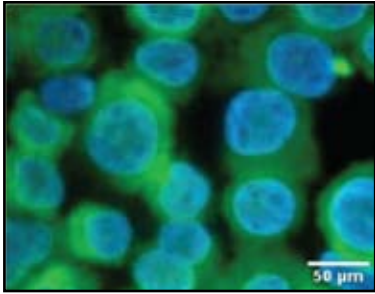
“One question we had is whether Angiocidin would be able to get into the bone marrow,” said Tuszynski. “These results clearly show that Angiocidin is able to prevent the growth of AML cells in the bone marrow.” Tuszynski cautioned,

however, that pre-clinical data is not always predictive of activity in humans.

While Ara-C and other drugs used to treat AML are highly toxic, Angiocidin has exhibited no evidence of toxicity, making it a potentially safer alternative treatment to standard-of-care, especially for elderly patients who can’t tolerate chemotherapy.

Tuszynski said that additional pre-clinical tests are being performed to gather more data and to determine an optimal dose of Angiocidin for patients. “Once we have all of our pre-clinical data together, we will be able to begin preparing for a clinical trial in humans,” he said.

The pre-clinical testing of Angiocidin has been funded through



Untreated acute myeloid leukemia (AML) cells as seen under a microscope.

Courtesy George P. Tuszynski

a grant from Philadelphia’s University City Science Center.

A start-up company, Diffregen LLC, has licensed Angiocidin from Temple. They recently submitted a small business innovation research (SBIR) grant proposal to the National Institutes of Health to support product development activities for this novel treatment for AML and potentially other cancers. ♦

History professor brings American-style dissent to Prague

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What could Temple History Professor Ralph Young teach students about dissent in Prague, Czech Republic, home of the Prague Spring that was brutally crushed in 1968 and the Velvet Revolution of 1989?

As it turns out, quite a lot. In teaching a two-week version of his popular Temple course “Dissent in America” at Charles University in Prague over the winter break, Young hoped that the Czech students would come away with a deeper understanding of Americans and our history. But he actually expected to learn more from them about the concept, while deepening his understanding of its international influences. In the end, he experienced all that and more.

Although a tradition of dissent dates back to America’s founding, Young found that the Czech students were surprised at how deep and long it has been part of this nation.

“The earlier stuff was eye-opening for them,” he said. “I emphasized that it’s fundamentally part of the American tradition.”

The Czech Republic was one of the more open countries behind the Iron Curtain during the Cold War, but citizens there had to express dissent in a “much more undercover and subtle

way than the American way,” he said. “At certain times in their history, it was much more dangerous to protest than it was here.”

During the two-week seminar, Young focused primarily on the 1960s and present-day protests, such as Occupy Wall Street. The class explored how American dissent influenced European dissent in 1968 and how the Arab Spring influenced America in 2011. What both teacher and students came to understand better is that in this global age, protests do not happen in a vacuum — nations are constantly influencing one another.

“The experience broadened my already broad perspective,” said Young. “I lived in Europe for ten years, and this recent trip solidified my own thinking that there really are these very deep connections with other countries — especially in countries like the Czech Republic that have had so much oppression.”

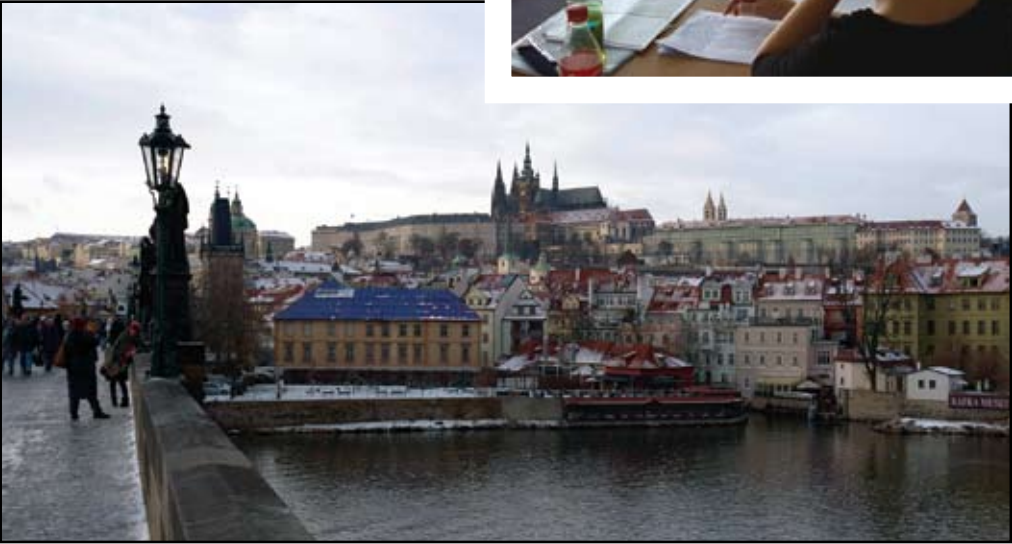
Young said that the students also enjoyed the American-style classroom atmosphere.

“In Europe most professors just lecture. I’m constantly trying to get a discussion going and to get the students talking. At

times this was hard, but they eventually opened up,” said Young.

He even used his guitar to demonstrate American protest music, as he does in his Temple class. “It was refreshing for them, this kind of laid back atmosphere.”

It appears that Young definitely left his mark. To paraphrase one of Young’s Czech students, Adam Podhola, “It was a great decision to bring Mr. Young to us. My classmates and I agree on this. His lectures were really engaging, and they will certainly stay in my mind. It’s been a long time since I looked forward to going to class so much.” ♦



Professor Ralph Young brings his American-style of teaching to students at Charles University in Prague.

Courtesy Ralph Young

Abroad and on track: Science majors study in Europe through TASSEP

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Being a Temple science major means doing really cool things: working alongside experienced researchers, using advanced — and expensive — equipment and occasionally handling a virus or sulfuric acid. But because most science programs have a very rigorous sequence of courses — biology majors, for example, must take “Organic Chemistry II” in their third year before taking “Cell Structure and Function” in their fourth year — science students have often missed out on something else very cool: an opportunity to study abroad.

Through the Trans-Atlantic Science Student Exchange Program (TASSEP), a consortium of universities from Europe, Canada and the United States, Temple science majors can now study at one of 19 European universities in 10 countries for up to a full academic year. The goal is to enable students to take most of their junior-level courses abroad and still be able to graduate on time. Since the program began in the spring semester of 2012, four Temple students have gone abroad while six international students have come to Main Campus.

Aseem Malhotra, an honors biology major who graduated in 2012 and is now at the School of Medicine, studied at Lund University in Sweden. “Some of my courses included molecular biomedicine, bioimaging, Swedish social policy and an introductory



Temple biology major Ka Li (left) with a friend from Peru, at the Chateau de Chambord in France. Li is studying biology in Paris through the university’s TASSEP program.

Courtesy Ka Li

Swedish-language course,” he said. “My time at Lund was an amazing experience.”

Many science students want to go abroad but still finish their degree on time, so “TASSEP solves that conundrum,” said Eric Borguet, professor of chemistry. “With Aseem, I did have to cajole him just a bit to apply.”

Ka Li, an honors biology major, is studying at the Université Pierre et Marie Curie in Paris (UPMC), one of the most respected science schools in France. In addition to a French language course, Li is enrolled in “Biostatistics with Linear Algebra,” “Biochemistry” and “Human Physiology with Anatomical, Experimental and Histological Approaches.” All her courses are conducted in French.

“I studied French for six years, but I still found it difficult, especially in the beginning, to pay attention to the professor, understand the materials and communicate with my colleagues,” said Li. “The instruction methods are very different at the junior-year level. Most UPMC students decide their specialist track freshman year, so they have already taken

more advanced biology classes in their sophomore year than American students. I had to review these advanced science subjects in greater depth and adjust my learning style.”

Another Temple honors student, chemistry major Ashley Truxal, recently earned a €1,200 scholarship from UPMC. “All of our TASSEP students have been excellent ambassadors for Temple,” said Borguet.

Outside of the classroom, Li enjoys traveling across Europe and volunteering for a local organization that works to alleviate homelessness and poverty. It was that work that gave her the opportunity to meet France’s President François Hollande.

And that’s another very cool thing. ♦

To learn more about TASSEP’s academic requirement, students can contact Sara Lynott, education abroad coordinator, at sara.lynott@temple.edu or 215-204-0723. The Education Abroad office will host TASSEP information sessions on Thursday, Jan. 31 at 11 a.m. and Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 4 p.m. in Room 200 of Tuttleman Learning Center. The program’s application deadline is March 1.

Two Temple-commissioned orchestral works earn GRAMMY nominations

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Two major pieces of orchestral music performed and recorded by the Temple University Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Professor Luis Biava have been nominated for a 2013 GRAMMY Award.

“Music of Ansel Adams: America” and “Overture, Waltz and Rondo,” both nominated in the “Best Instrumental Composition” category, were commissioned by Temple’s Boyer College of Music and Dance, recorded at the Temple Performing Arts Center and released on Boyer’s record label, BCM&D records.

“This is an extraordinary accomplishment for Temple and for Boyer,” said Robert T. Stroker, dean of Temple’s Center for the Arts and vice provost of the arts. “For a university ensemble to participate in a GRAMMY-nominated work is rare enough — for a university ensemble to be part of two GRAMMY nominations in one year may be unprecedented. It’s a testament to the talent of our students and the dedication of our faculty.”

“Music of Ansel Adams: America” was composed by late jazz pianist and composer Dave Brubeck — who died the day nominations were announced — and his son Chris. The piece, which was co-commissioned in 2008, was premiered by the Temple University Symphony Orchestra (TUSO) at Lincoln Center in New York in 2010 with Dave Brubeck and members of Ansel Adams’ family in attendance.

“Overture, Waltz and Rondo” was commissioned by Boyer and composed by former Boyer faculty

member Bill Cunliffe in 2011. Professor Terell Stafford, director of Jazz Studies and chair of Instrumental Studies at Boyer, was trumpet soloist on the piece.

A National Association of Recording Arts and Sciences voting panel of composers, producers and musicians selected five nominees from a pool of 375 qualifying entries in the “Best Instrumental Composition” category. The 55th Annual GRAMMY Awards will take place on Feb. 10 at the Staples Center in Los Angeles. The GRAMMY for “Best Instrumental Composition” will be awarded before the prime-time telecast sometime after 4 p.m. (Viewers can watch live at www.grammy.com).

Although TUSO’s student musicians are as excited as anyone about the nomination, they also acknowledged the value as part of their professional training.

“Working with composers like Chris Brubeck and Bill Cunliffe — having them in the room with us and giving us feedback — was valuable for us,” said senior Fiona Last, an oboe performance major who played on both GRAMMY-nominated works. “It was great to see how a composer goes about preparing for a premiere and how a recording happens. Those are the kinds of things that we will experience as professionals.”

“Music of Ansel Adams: America” and “Overture, Waltz and Rondo” are the second and third Temple-commissioned, TUSO-performed orchestral works to have been nominated for a GRAMMY. A piece by Bill Cunliffe, “fourth stream...La Banda,” was a “Best Instrumental Composition” nominee in 2010. ♦



A new scoreboard in the Liacouras Center has 1,800 square feet of video screens capable of showing live-action footage, replays, game animation and real-time statistics.

Courtesy Liacouras Center

New display system illuminates TU hoops

By Laura Kuserk
For the *Temple Times*

Owl fans attending men's and women's basketball games in the Liacouras Center this season may have found that the atmosphere has gotten bigger and brighter.

That's because last fall, the university installed a larger, more dynamic scoreboard high above center court. The new display brings more than 1,800 square-feet of dynamic content, including live-action footage, replays, game animations, team logos, student athlete introductions and real-time statistics.

Designed and installed by ANC Sports

Enterprises, the scoreboard features four video screens that are seven feet high and 10 feet wide and four 16-millimeter scoring panels that are three feet high and 10 feet wide. An LED ring displays animated university branding, crowd prompts and sponsor acknowledgments. Four Temple "T" screens are positioned in each corner of the display.

The Liacouras Center also installed a 360-degree display on the 200 level that features advertisements and crowd prompts.

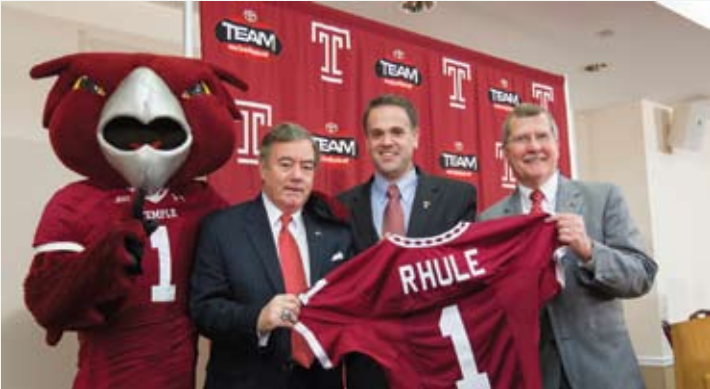
"The new display system will create an exciting environment at the Liacouras Center and will change how games, concerts, graduation and other

events are experienced at the venue," said Bill Bradshaw, Temple's director of athletics.

"The old center-hung scoreboard had no video capabilities," added Fran Rodowicz, Liacouras Center general manager. "This new display, which shows real time footage and replays, will have a huge impact on the overall fan experience."

The scoreboard is part of a multiyear partnership with ANC Sports, which will operate and maintain the signage during all Liacouras Center events and create all of the content and statistical layouts for the system. ♦

Matt Rhule named head football coach



Joseph V. Labolito

From left, Hooter, Temple Athletics Director Bill Bradshaw, Matt Rhule and Richard Englert during a December press conference announcing Rhule as the Owls' new head football coach.

At a press conference last month, Temple Director of Athletics Bill Bradshaw officially introduced Matt Rhule as the university's new head football coach.

"The interest in our head coaching position was overwhelming, diverse and national in scope," said Bradshaw at the press conference. "But the one who never wavered, who wanted this position more than any other candidate, just happened to be the same coach who we wanted the most."

"It is with tremendous pride and anticipation for the future that my family and I are coming home

to Temple University," said Rhule. "When the opportunity came to return and serve the Temple student-athletes and the greater university community as a whole, I knew it was right. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity and look forward to continuing the program's upward momentum as a member of the BIG EAST Conference."

Rhule, who has 15 seasons of coaching experience, was an assistant coach at Temple from 2006 to 2011. Last year, he served as the assistant offensive line coach with the New York Giants.

Housing leaders offer details on state-of-the-art residential complex to open in fall

By Laura Kuserk
For the *Temple Times*

Temple's Office of University Housing and Residential Life is making plans for the fall 2013 opening of Mitchell and Hilarie Morgan Residence Hall and Dining Complex.

At information sessions last month, Temple Housing officials shared details on the interior of the new property, now under construction at Broad Street and Cecil B. Moore Avenue, and the process through which Temple students can apply to live in the new residence hall.

"This is what our students deserve — what you deserve," said Michael Scales, associate vice president of Student Affairs, addressing students attending the meeting.

Kevin Williams, director of residential life, added that Morgan Hall will go a long way to strengthening the sense of community across Temple.

"Students want to live on campus because it's safer and they can be closer to their academic buildings," he said. "It's an opportunity to form lasting friendships and remain fully immersed in campus life."

The facility's 27-floor tower, which will be known as Morgan Hall North, will include 24 floors of residential living space for returning sophomores, juniors and seniors. The tower will include 144 four-bed apartments, 12 one-bed apartments and 24 one-bed staff apartments, many with stunning views of the city.

The mid-rise building, Morgan Hall South, will have nine residential floors for incoming freshmen. The building will include eight five-bed apartments, 149 four-bed apartments, eight one-bed apartments and 17 one-bed staff apartments.



The Morgan Hall complex will offer 20 single bed apartments, eight five-bed apartments and 293 four-bed apartments. The four and five-bed suites will include a kitchenette and a living room with a 42-inch television.

Courtesy Temple Housing



inside and outside on the courtyard terrace. Sodexo, Temple's dining vendor, is also in talks to bring in a "restaurant of note."

Other features will include four multi-purpose rooms for the use of student organizations and a skytop event space on the top of the tower. Temple Police will also have a station located within the complex for added security.

Morgan Hall, which reached its top height last summer, is named in honor of Temple Board of Trustees member and alumnus Mitchell L. Morgan and his wife, Hilarie, for their lifetime of support of the university,

including a \$5 million commitment that helped make the residential complex a reality.

Students interested in living in the complex can apply through the normal housing selection process, which opens for returning students on Jan. 21. Information about the housing selection process for both new and returning students is available via an online guide at the Housing website.

Students must first submit a housing deposit. Housing assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis — the earlier students submit a deposit, the better the chances of receiving their preferred accommodations.

Students who ultimately do not receive housing will have their deposits refunded or applied to their university accounts.

After the Bursar's Office processes the housing deposits, students can log into the MyHousing website through TUportal to book their own room with Student Web Self-Assign. Rising juniors and seniors will be able to select housing for Morgan Hall beginning Feb. 19. Selection will be open to rising sophomores beginning on Feb. 26.

Housing costs for 2013-14 will be set by the Board of Trustees in early 2013. Prices vary per residence hall based on demand and property amenities.

For more information and to take a virtual tour of a model apartment, visit the University Housing and Residential Life website at temple.edu/studentaffairs/housing. ♦

Relaunched Temple website brings user-focused design, mobile compatibility

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Prospective students, parents, alumni and the broader community will now have easier access to the information they are seeking about Temple with last month's launch of a newly redesigned website at www.temple.edu.

"The new site applies the latest thinking about web development and user-centered design," said Nicole Naumoff, associate vice president of University Marketing and Advancement Communications. "It's also ADA compliant and features responsive design, which means that if you are viewing the website on a mobile phone or tablet the website adjusts accordingly."

Driving the new website is a content management system using Drupal 7, an open source system that simplifies making updates, ensuring the content remains fresh, Naumoff explained.

"Temple is a high-quality institution, and it deserves a website that illustrates that quality," she said. "Our website's home page is where we make our first impression with our most important audiences. We need to always look our best and perform up to people's expectations."

While many of the features on the former site carry over, the new design means those features are in new locations. The page was tested with groups as it was being refined, but Naumoff says feedback is still needed. Comments about the new site can be shared by email to electroniccomm@temple.edu.

"This effort was truly a collaboration," said Naumoff. "I want to thank and congratulate everyone who worked so hard on this project over the last year." ♦

Game on! Tyler students sweep prestigious design competition

Winning game designs displayed at Philadelphia Museum of Art

By Hillel J. Hoffmann
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Students in Temple's Tyler School of Art swept the top awards at the prestigious 2012 Collab Student Design Competition, an annual event held in conjunction with the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

This year's Collab Student Design Competition challenged students to design a game, either redesigning and repackaging an existing, iconic game or designing a new game of their own. Fifty entries were submitted from students attending Philadelphia-area institutions. Submissions were judged

by leaders in the field, including top executives and designers at Cerealart; Little, Brown Book Group; the Museum of Modern Art; Pentagram; and ZOLO.

Lou Stuber, an undergraduate in Tyler's Graphic and Interactive Design (GAID) program took first place; GAID MFA candidate Lydia Nichols took second place; and undergraduate GAID major Michelle Gish took third place. In addition to sweeping top honors, two Tyler BFA candidates earned honorable mentions: Metals/Jewelry/CADCAM major Corinne Hansen and GAID major Joey Basko.

Stuber's winning submission was a



Lou Stuber, an undergraduate in Tyler's Graphic and Interactive Design program, took first place at the prestigious 2012 Collab Student Design Competition with his game *Are We There Yet?*

board game called *Are We There Yet?* that takes players on cross-country road trips, with stops along the way at what he calls "not-so-appealing travel destinations," from a snake petting zoo to the world's largest chair. Like all of the Tyler undergraduates who entered the competition, Stuber completed his project over a 10-week period as

part of a GAID course. He credited the GAID program for preparing him for the rigors of the competition.

"Tyler's GAID program teaches you to do more than just design — it makes you think about things. It forces you out of your comfort zone and pushes you to challenge yourself," said Stuber, who earned \$1,000 for first place honors (Nichols and Gish earned \$750 and \$500 respectively). "The hardest part for me was designing the rules. I didn't play board games as a kid, so I had to do a lot of research."

The competition was held in conjunction with the museum's exhibition celebrating the innovative graphic design work of Tyler alumna Paula Scher, BFA 1970, and Seymour Chwast, recipients of Collab's 2012 Design Excellence Award. The winners were invited to attend the Design Excellence Award ceremony and meet

Scher, one of the GAID program's most distinguished alumni.

Kelly Holohan, an associate professor at Tyler and GAID's MFA coordinator, said that meeting and interacting with Collab's judges and honorees was one of the primary benefits of participating for the students.

"The judges are leaders in the field of game design and design for children who are doing cutting-edge work. We want our students to learn from them so that one day they can be leaders in the field," Holohan said. "It's also huge to have Paula out there as a role model. She was proud and thrilled to see how well Tyler students are doing."

The work of the Collab Student Design Competition's winners was displayed at the Philadelphia Museum of Art as part of the exhibit "Double Portrait: Paula Scher and Seymour Chwast, Graphic Designers." ♦

FeaturedEvents

Ambler Arboretum director to lead a discussion on English gardens

In preparation for the "Brilliant!" the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Great Britain theme for the Philadelphia International Flower Show, Jenny Rose Carey, director of the Temple Ambler Arboretum, will take visitors on an English garden trip — without leaving the Ambler Learning Center auditorium.

The lecture, on Jan. 27 at 2:30 p.m., will begin with a discussion of the earliest known English gardens, developed during the Roman occupation, then to Medieval Monastic and pleasure gardens. Using colorful, evocative photographs that she has taken during many garden visits, Carey — a native of England who grew up in a family of gardeners and botanists — will entertain and enlighten the audience about Britain's various types and styles of gardens.

Garden styles and fashions change with the times, says Carey, and this is illustrated by the transition from the formal, geometric and knot gardens of the Tudors and Stuarts that were swept away and destroyed in the 18th century to make way for the English landscape garden.

During the Victorian era, exotic annual plants massed in ribbon or carpet beds became very popular. Following a loss of labor after World War I, gardens began to change again to what we would recognize as a 20th century garden.

The lecture will conclude with some of the typical features and plants that are associated with the style that is today considered "English."



Temple's 2013 Alumni Weekend will be held April 19-21.

Deborah Willis and Barbara Krauthamer.

The book includes 150 photographs — some never before published — from the antebellum days of the 1850s through the New Deal era of the 1930s. From photos of the enslaved on plantations and African-American soldiers and camp workers in the Union army to Juneteenth celebrations, slave reunions and portraits of black families and workers in the American South, the images in this book challenge perceptions of slavery.

They show not only what the subjects emphasized about themselves but also the ways Americans of all colors and genders opposed slavery and marked its end.

The discussion and book signing will take place from 3 to 6 p.m. in Mitten Hall's Great Court.

Save the date for 2013 Alumni Weekend

The Office of Alumni Relations is finalizing plans for Alumni Weekend, which will be held April 19-21.

The weekend will include family-friendly activities and sporting events; seminars, exhibits and lectures from Temple faculty members; tours of Philadelphia hot spots and landmarks; and several alumni gatherings and parties. The classes of 1963, 1988 and 2003 will celebrate special reunions.

Unless otherwise specified, all events are free and open to the Temple community. For the latest information, visit alumni.temple.edu.

The program is free and open to the public. Reservations are suggested, but not required, and can be made by contacting the arboretum at 267-468-8400.

Temple Libraries explores the Emancipation Proclamation

On Feb. 8, Temple Libraries will host a discussion and book signing of *Envisioning Emancipation* with authors



Athletics Department honors Temple employees during winter recess

By Laura Kuserk
For the *Temple Times*

At four home basketball games during winter recess, Temple's Department of Athletics continued to honor Temple employees for their service to the university. The honorees were nominated for the award by Interim Provost Hai-Lung Dai.

On Dec. 17, three newly appointed Provost's Undergraduate Mentors were honored for their support, energy and commitment to the principles and practices of student mentoring.

Rhonda Nelson, assistant professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences and program director for the Therapeutic Recreation Program, has served as a faculty mentor for several Diamond Peer Teachers and Creative Arts, Research and Scholarship (CARAS) Award recipients. Nelson has been the recipient of two Innovation in Teaching Awards as well as the College of Health Professions and Social Work's Excellence in Teaching Award.

Alison Reynolds, associate professor of music education, is a researcher, early childhood and general music curriculum author, presenter and teacher. Since 2002, Reynolds has served as academic advisor to undergraduate and graduate music education students and as faculty advisor to Boyer's Collegiate Chapter of the National Association for Music Education. She has served as mentor to five Diamond Peer Teachers, two Diamond Research Scholars and one CARAS grant recipient.

Dana Saewitz teaches advertising courses in the School of Media and Communication and runs an internship program for the Department of Advertising. Saewitz has mentored nine Diamond Peer Teachers. Last year, Dana won the Junior Faculty Teaching award for the School of Media and Communication.



Harry Young, center, was honored on Dec. 19 for his service to Temple's Human Resources Office.

During the Dec. 19 game against Canisius, Harry Young, Temple's retiring associate vice president of Human Resources was honored.

Young, who earned a Bachelor of Business degree from Temple in 1972, has been a part of two milestones for Human Resources. The first was receiving the U.S. Department of Labor's Exemplary Voluntary Effort award for efforts in increasing employment opportunity for minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, disabled veterans and Vietnam-era veterans. He also helped develop the Community Outreach and Hiring Program, which assists members from the communities surrounding Temple's campuses in improving their job search skills.

On Dec. 31, during his last day serving as Temple's acting president, Richard M. Englert was honored for his dedication to the university.

Englert came to Temple in 1976 as assistant to the dean in the College of Education and went on to fill the roles of chief of staff to the president, dean of the College of Education, vice president for administration, interim provost and provost. He's now been named chancellor by the university's Board of Trustees. [See story, page 1.]

After handing over the presidency to Neil Theobald on Jan. 1, Englert will be taking a year-long sabbatical before returning to the university to teach education courses.

At the Jan. 12 game against Saint

Louis, Grace Ma, a professor in the Department of Public Health in the College of Health Professions and Social Work, was honored for her community-based research.

Ma is the director the Center for Asian Health, the first of its kind in the nation dedicated to reducing cancer and other health disparities among Asian Americans. She is the recipient of more than 55 grant awards, has trained and mentored more than 115 junior researchers and has published five books and more than 110 peer-reviewed articles. ♦

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