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# 'A Virtual Pied Piper. . .' is President

In a moving letter written May 17, 1993, the late Dr. Eliot Stellar had called Penn alumna Judith Rodin "the ideal candidate for the presidency of Penn, for she is a scholar with great natural leadership abilities....She is a virtual Pied Piper." Farther along he added, "In my 51 years at Harvard, Brown, Hopkins and Penn I have never seen a better fit than between Dr. Rodin and Penn."

Reading from that letter as he placed her name in nomination for the presidency, Paul F. Miller, Jr., said that after interviewing the nominee, he had concluded that Eliot Stellar "understates her qualities. She is simply spectacular."

Four trustees seconded Mr. Miller's nomination, and Penn's new president—effective July 1—was elected unanimously by hand count of 37 trustees present and a poll of five who participated by conference call. After a standing ovation, Dr. Rodin delivered a short acceptance speech—with the ringing refrain, *Penn will lead the way*—which brought trustees and observers to their feet again for even more prolonged applause.

Dr. Rodin then literally led the way through Blanche Levy Park and up Locust Walk to the Annenberg Center for a gala luncheon. En route the procession was greeted by the Penn Band, and in the lobby of the Annenberg Center a was a forest of flags and school banners, one of them stretched around the balcony reading, "Welcome Home Judy." Exuberant speeches came from a procession of speakers bearing gifts for Dr. Rodin and her 11-year-old son (among them not only four Penn coaches (Al Bagnoli, football; Anne Sage, field hockey, Julie Soriero, women's basketball, and Fran Dunphy, men's basketball) but also Philadelphia's chief fan and a fellow student of the former Judith Seitz, Mayor Ed Rendell, C '65.

Dr. Gerald Porter, who had published the criteria for a president in his *Almanac* column October 5, said he sent it to Dr. Rodin with the added note "...able to leap tall buildings at a single bound." Her answer: that College Hall and Houston Hall would be no problem, but Penn Tower and the High Rises might give her pause.

(On pages 2-3: Mr. Shoemaker's report on the search process, Mr. Miller's nomination, and the seconding speeches of Dr. Langenberg, Mrs. Catherwood, Mr. Trescher and Dr. Chisum.)

Leading the way from Houston Hall to the Annenberg Center, left to right: Trustees Chairman Alvin Shoemaker; President-elect Judith Rodin; her son, Alex Rodin; and Interim President Claire Fagin, who continues in office until July 1 on a "no lame duck" platform.

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Dean Andrews

# Veterinary Deanship Endowed . . . A Center Named for Dr. Andrews

Gilbert S. Kahn of Miami, Florida, has made a gift to the University of Pennsylvania to endow and name the deanship of its School of Veterinary Medicine, Claire Fagin, Penn's Interim President has announced. Mr. Kahn, a member of the Annenberg publishing family, is a wellknown breeder and exhibitor of pure-bred dogs.

The Gilbert S. Kahn Dean of Veterinary Medicine at Penn is the first endowed veterinary deanship in North America. It is the 15th endowed chair at the School of Veterinary Medicine and the 132nd chair endowed at Penn during the \$1 billion Campaign for Penn (which recently raised its sights to \$1.3 billion).

An international search for a new Veterinary School dean is under way as the current dean, Dr. Edwin J. Andrews,

is stepping down at the end of December.

Mr. Kahn's gift was made public at a farewell dinner honoring Dean Andrews, where it was also announced that the School has created the Edwin J. Andrews Center for Student Life, a program drawing together support services for students of the Veterinary School and giving a central focus to the program for Dean's Scholars (see page 6).

"Gilbert Kahn's endowment of the deanship is important for the future of the Veterinary School and couldn't have come at a more opportune time," said President Fagin. "An endowed chair lends prestige to the deanship at a time when we are searching for a new dean of the Vet School, and will help us to attract the very best leader to hold this important position." (continued on page 6)

# **Proceedings of the Special Meeting December 16, 1993**

# Chairman Alvin Shoemaker Outlines the Search. . .

The Consultative Committee's first task when it convened on April 30, 1993, was to distribute a letter to alumni, faculty, staff, donors, friends; local, state and federal legislators; heads of minority organizations and foundations; the press; and university and college leaders from around the country. The letter set forth the qualities and qualifications we were seeking in our next president and asked for nominations. In all we mailed over 10,000 letters and received back approximately 550 letters recommending some 300 candidates.

The initial efforts of the Consultative Committee were concerned with the preliminary screening of the 300 nominees. We established four criteria with which we evaluated the biographical information, the letters of recommendation, the academic and administrative qualifications of each candidate and any information the committee members themselves had about the candidates. We traveled extensively in the spring and into the summer visiting our sister Ivy League institutions as well as some 20 other institutions around the country and in Canada. During those visits we spoke to nearly 60 presidents, provosts, deans, departmental chairs and chief financial officers. We also engaged the search firm of Spencer Stuart, which assisted our efforts by submitting names from business and government so we could be assured of locating potential leaders outside of academe. In July and August I and Barbara R. Stevens, Vice President and Secretary of the University, spoke with the deans of Penn's 12 schools as a prelude to the on-cam-pus discussions we had with the faculties of every school. We also met with the A-1 and A-3 Assemblies, the undergraduate and graduate student leadership, the Faculty Senate and the Athletics Department, as well as holding a luncheon and telephone meetings with local legislators. In all we scheduled 32 on-campus meetings in addition to our Consultative Committee meetings.

By early fall we had reduced the list to manageable proportions and begun to assemble information about these candidates, using the services of Spencer Stuart as well as the resources of our own committee members. Our meetings with candidates were still being done on a consultative basis, thus preserving confidentiality while allowing us to conduct our evaluations. By mid-fall our list had narrowed to fewer than ten persons, which included internal as well as external candidates. The Committee conducted extensive discussions with every candidate here in Philadelphia and then in two separate meetings in November reviewed the candidates and decided on a short list of those whom the Committee believed to be the most qualified and wished to recommend to the Executive Committee. These names were submitted to the Executive Committee, which in turn interviewed the remaining candidates and then reached a unanimous decision after an evening of deliberation. It is with great pleasure that the Executive Committee places before you its recommendation of Dr. Judith Seitz Rodin.

# Paul F. Miller, Jr., Nominates. . .

I tried my own words, then in reviewing biographical information I came upon the very first letter we received nominating Dr. Judith Rodin. It says it better than I ever could:

I am writing to nominate Dr. Judith Rodin for the Presidency of the University of Pennsylvania. I have been in close touch with her from her undergraduate years on...so I am up to date on her scholarship and her qualities of leadership. I have been an advisor to her in her ambitions for a career in academic administration and leadership.

Dr. Rodin is an ideal candidate for the presidency of Penn, for she is a scholar with great natural leadership abilities and the energy and ambition necessary to succeed. She has the highest academic values and the planning and management skills to put them into effect. Even more important, she has the interpersonal skills, the political and social sensitivity, indeed, the charisma, to inspire others to join her in the formation of goals for the University and their attainment. Her scholarship is of the highest caliber. Her research brings together the disciplines of social psychology, neuroendocrinology, psychiatry and medicine. In all of this research it is important to point out that she has not only made solid empirical contributions but also has made important theoretical contributions and conceptualizations.

Her leadership and administrative abilities have been evident from the beginning. A vague memory tells me she was president of her class at Penn. Certainly she has been a leader in her professional career. She is one of the pioneers in the women's health fields and one of the leaders in establishing women's health on a national basis. Her leadership of the MacArthur Foundation Health and Behavior Network has been outstanding; she is a key member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and has chaired her section there. Perhaps most important is her record of academic leadership as chair of the Department of Psychology, Dean of the Graduate School and now as provost at Yale. Her hallmark is the free exchange of ideas and then decisive action when she has enough evidence and enough consultation to make up her mind. Dr. Rodin has a full range of presidential qualities. She has solved complex fiscal problems, she has been successful in representing Yale publicly, she has a good record in fundraising, she is dedicated to diversity in universities and is sensitive to social, racial and gender issues in a balanced way that maintains the academic standards that everyone wants. She can do all these things in research and academic leadership because she is very, very bright, has superabundant energy, and is a superb manager of her time. In addition, she knows how to delegate and how to utilize the advice and input of others. Moreover she enjoys everything she does. She is a virtual pied piper. Couple these qualities with grace and poise and with great personal integrity and a sensitivity to the needs of a great institution and you have what I believe is an ideal candidate for the presidency of Penn.

I recommend Dr. Rodin to you in the strongest of terms. In my 51 years at Harvard, Brown, Johns Hopkins and Penn I have never seen a better fit than between Dr. Rodin and Penn. You should interview her and see her for yourself."

That letter is from our beloved late colleague, Eliot Stellar. We did interview her—and interview her, and interview her. My own conclusion: Eliot Stellar understates her qualities. She is simply spectacular and, as a real bonus, she has the love for and gratitude to Penn that her fellow alumni around this table share. With the greatest of pride and confidence I nominate her for the presidency of the University of Pennsylvania.

# Dr. Donald N. Langenberg Seconds . . .

One of the qualities that Penn expects of its president is that she be a scholar, someone who has a deep understanding of and experience with the joys and the frustrations of the life of the mind, the search for knowledge and understanding.

Dr. Rodin has these qualities in ample measure. She's been there. Her achievements have been reflected in prolific publications—more than 200 papers and book chapters and ten books. They've been recognized beginning with her undergraduate days, through election to Phi Beta Kappa and the Society of the Sigma Pi; she's a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an elected member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of the Institute of Medicine; she has been a Guggenheim Fellow and a Woodrow Wilson Fellow; and she is a skilled grantswoman who has successfully won support from the National Institutes of Health, the MacArthur Foundation and many other agencies. She has devoted her research to understanding the links among the human mind, human behavior, and such universal human concerns as aging and body weight. She is an expert in obesity, which should help with official dinners, and she has done work on the effects of stress on the immune system, which should also be helpful. I was struck by two titles in particular in her c.v.: Is Bad News Always Bad? Cue and Feedback Effects on Intrinsic Motivation, and Provoking Jealousy and Envy: Domain Relevance and Self-Esteem Threat. Both of these ought to be required reading for university presidents.

Many of us in higher education believe that although our colleges and universities remain the envy of the world, our academic sky is filled with ominous stormclouds. The winds of change are blowing strongly through the groves of academe. In the future I think the excellence of Penn will be measured in part by the nature and quality of its response to rapidly changing and increasingly difficult circumstances. Penn will change and must change. There could be no better academic

preparation for leading this change than a life devoted to understanding human behavior and how it may be modified. I want to quote the last sentence from Eliot Stellar in his letter of nomination: "I know we shall all be richly rewarded if you select her, and Penn will move on to even greater levels of achievement." Eliot Stellar gave prolifically of himself to this University, and it is a great pleasure for me to join with Eliot in that sentiment and a great honor and matter of personal pride to be able to second the nomination of Judith Rodin as the next president of the University.

# Mrs. Susan W. Catherwood Seconds . . .

Another quality the Consultative Committee was looking for in a nominee is academic administration ability. Dr. Rodin has developed wide experience in academic administration throughout her career, as director of the Graduate School in Yale's Department of Psychology, as director of the Health Psychology Training Program at Yale, and as continuing chair since 1983 of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Network on Determinance and Consequences of Health Promoting and Health Damaging Behavior, as chair of the Department of Psychology at Yale, as Dean of the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences at Yale and most recently as Provost of Yale, which includes the administrative responsibility that at Penn rests with the Executive Vice President.

Dr. Rodin has been practicing a long time for the challenges which are about to begin here at Penn. The University will benefit enormously from this part of Dr Rodin's background. It gives me the greatest pleasure to add my second to the nomination of Dr. Judith Seitz Rodin to be the next president of Penn.

# Mr. Robert L. Trescher, Esq., Seconds . . .

Being here today is important to me, because I'm so honored and delighted to second Mr. Miller's motion that Judith Rodin become the next president of the University.

I think most of you know that until 1930 the chief executive officer at this University was the provost. It was in 1930 that the presidency was added. It's just a coincidence that in 1930 I came to Penn as a student. I was very active in supporting the presidency of Thomas Sovereign Gates. Since then, either as an alumnus or a trustee, I have worked closely with George McClelland, Harold Stassen, Gaylord Harnwell, Martin Meyerson, Sheldon Hackney, and currently Claire Fagin. I hope that for a long time I will be able to provide my best efforts for President Rodin.

### Dr. Gloria Twine Chisum Seconds . . .

Dr. Rodin is a native Philadelphian, a product of the Philadelphia school system as well as the University of Pennsylvania. The announcement of the Executive Committee report ten days ago has been greeted with enthusiasm for many reasons. Among those reasons, in addition to Dr. Rodin's professional accomplishments, is the message that her nomination sends regarding the University's continuing and strengthening commitment to the City of Philadelphia and to our immediate neighbors in West Philadelphia. She is also committed to a task that we as an institution have undertaken this year: that of strengthening the internal community here at Penn.

For all of these reasons I am pleased to second the nomination of Judith Rodin to be the 22nd chief executive officer of the University of Pennsylvania, and Judy and Alex to be the first family at Penn.

## The Resolution is Adopted . . .

[by a hand vote of the 37 trustees present and a roll call of five trustees participating by telephone conference call]:

Resolved, that Judith Seitz Rodin be elected president of the University of Pennsylvania, effective July 1, 1994.

# Dr. Rodin Accepts: 'Penn Will Lead the Way'

Your praise is overwhelming, and I will work every day of my presidency to earn it. And yet we've come here to honor not me but a great university.

Penn has a daring, a spirit, a soul that sets it apart. It has the drive to excel and the courage to try. Together I know we will forge a vision for the 21st century that will provide a model all universities will emulate.

In emphasizing more experiential and discovery-oriented learning for students, Penn will lead the way.

In providing leadership and support for faculty achievements in teaching, in scholarship, in application of knowledge and in public service, Penn will lead the way.

In regaining public trust and confidence in the mission of higher education, Penn will lead the way. In forging new avenues of collaboration among universities and between the University and the society that supports it, Penn will lead the way.

In becoming truly international in reach, in scope, in ambition, in instructional activity, Penn will lead the way.

In working to help to solve the problems of urban life and an urban campus, Penn will lead the way. With the knowledge that this university knows no limits in its commitment to excellence in the classroom, in the laboratory, in the library, on the playing fields and in life, I accept with the greatest pleasure your offer to become the seventh president of the University.



Mr. Eckman in 1983

# Death of John Eckman

John W. Eckman, a former vice chairman of the Trustees who chaired the \$255 Million Program for the Eighties, died on Friday, December 17, at the age of 74 after a long illness.

Amemorial service is planned for 1 p.m. January 8 at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church.

The widely respected former chairman and chief executive officer of the Rorer Group Inc., "brought good judgment, acumen, and fairmindedness to deliberations in Penn's highest councils," noted a resolution of appreciation on his becoming emeritus trustee in 1989. "By so doing he has contributed enormously to the well being of countless students, faculty, and other members of the University family, as well as benefiting those whom the University serves through its research and community activities."

During his 26 years as a trustee Mr. Eckman served as founding chairman of Boards of Overseers for both SAS and the Libraries; headed the Trustees' Executive, Development and Nominating Committees; chaired the board of the Wistar Institute; and was "ever willing to accept the many ad hoc tasks his alma mater presses upon him again and again," the resolution added.

Mr. Eckman was a New Yorker who attended Yale before transferring to Penn to take his B.S. in economics from the Wharton School in 1943.

After service as a submarine officer in World War II, he took up what would prove to be a long and distinguished career in the pharmaceuticals industry. Beginning at SmithKline and French, he moved to what is now Pfizer as a vice president in 1952. Ten years later he joined Rorer, the Pennsylvania-based firm that developed Maalox, as executive vice president. Rorer's president from 1970 to 1980, and CEO from 1976 until 1985, he chaired the executive committee from 1986 until the merger that formed Rhone-Poulenc Rorer in 1986. He was a director of the international firm at the time of his death.

Mr. Eckman was a mainstay of the financial, civic and cultural life of Philadelphia, at various times heading the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Pharmaceutical Manufacturer's Association, the United Way, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania and many other organizations.

In Mr. Eckman's honor, Rorer endowed the John W. Eckman Professorship of Medicine, to (continued on page 6)

# **JANUARY AT PENN**

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### **Endowing the Veterinary School's Deanship** from page 1

Mr. Kahn said that he is very happy to follow the family tradition of supporting the University of Pennsylvania and that helping the School of Veterinary Medicine reflects his interest in animal welfare and canine health issues.

An internationally-known judge of toy dogs and a number of terrier and non-sporting breeds, Mr. Kahn exhibits and breeds Japanese Chins, long-coated Chihuahuas, and Shih Tzu. He is the delegate of the Japanese Chin Club of America to the American Kennel Club and a member of the board of directors and the executive committee of The Dog Museum. He is one of the few American members of The Kennel Club of England.

Mr. Kahn is president of the Animal Welfare Society of South Florida, Inc., which established and supports a low-cost spay/neuter clinic and a hospital that provides full-service veterinary care. He is also on the executive committee of the Concert Association of Florida, Inc.

Through his Charing Cross Research Fund, Mr. Kahn has supported Penn Veterinary School research of granulomatous meningoencephalitis, an inflammatory disease of the central nervous system epilepsy; and kidney disease. He is a major contributor to the Dr. M. Josephine Deubler Dean's Scholars Fund in the Veterinary School.

**Dean's Scholars:** A resolution dedicating the new Edwin J. Andrews Center for Student Life records that

"One of Dr. Andrews' outstanding contributions was the initiation of programs which improved the quality of student life and relieved their burden of debt. The Dean's Scholarship Program provides an annual tuition sub sidy to designated students. Due to the persuasiveness of Dr. Andrews, the Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Act of Pennsylvania was amended to include veterinary students. The Act reduces the loan indebtedness of Pennsylvania residents practicing...within the Commonwealth.

"The Edwin J. Andrews Center for Student Life embodies Dr. Andrews' commitment to provide exceptional support services for students. His influence served as a unifying force among the Offices of Academic Affairs, Admissions, Financial Aid and Student Programs."

### Death of Mr. Eckman from page 3

which Dr. Mark Greene of pathology and immunology was named in 1989. His numerous other honors include the 1972 Alumni Award of Merit.

Mr. Eckman is survived by his wife, Jane Haussmann Eckman; a daughter, Alison Eckman Bieser, a son, Stephen; two stepdaughters, two sisters and a grandson.

# **Death of Professor Witthoft**

Professor John G. Witthoft, emeritus associate professor of anthropology, died December 16 at the age of 72. Professor Witthoft took his MA from Penn in 1947 and returned to teach here in 1966. He was known for his work in both archaeology and ethnology, with special interests in North American Indians, primitive technology, cultural evolution, and symbol systems. He became emeritus in 1986.

Professor Witthoft is survived by his wife, Bonnie and their twin sons, Thomas and Richard, an older son, Tsani, daughters Jean S. Zeigler and Maria S. Neve; eight grandchildren and two great-grandsons. A memorial service will be held Sunday, January 16 at the West Chester Friends Meeting House at 2:30 p.m.

# **Speaking Out**

# Voice from the Past

I recently had a letter from Arthur Scouten, an emeritus professor of English at Penn, now enjoying his golden years in France. The letter spoke to the issue of the threatened closing of the Department of Religious Studies by telling the following story about its creation. This took place in 1949 when Edwin E. Aubrey, president and professor of Christian Social Philosophy at nearby Crozer Theological Seminary, was appointed Professor of Religious Thought at the University with a mandate to develop a new department and a graduate program. According to Scouten's reminiscence:

I was at the meeting of the College faculty when the undergraduate Department of Religious Thought was voted and approved by that faculty. Several members expressed objections at this meeting. Old Matt Shaaber, our Shakespeare scholar, thought this department should be placed in the Department of Anthropology. However, when the Dean told us that this proposed department would be fully endowed and funded by a donor, the College faculty voted to establish this department.

I remember this occasion clearly, because of the laughter when the suggestion was made that this department be subsumed under Anthropology, so don't let anyone tell you that this is an incorrect story. I'll bet my next month's pension check that the present Dean doesn't know what I have just told you here.

There are many interesting aspects of this story, among them the possibility that the

Department of Religious Studies may have been founded with an endowment, a circumstance of which we have not been aware. But I am especially struck by the change in faculty participation in the process: in 1949, the faculty *voted* to establish our department; in contrast, in 1993, Dean Rosemary Stevens disregarded a vote of the faculty, who had at the faculty meeting of October 21 urged by a vote of 2-1 that the department be reviewed before any further action was taken. I do not know when the faculty lost the final say in the establishment and disestablishment of departmental units. I do not know if there was ever a formal change in procedure, or merely a shift in faculty participation that came about gradually. It is possible that the faculty actually voted to give up the right to vote on issues such as this. But, however it happened, it is tragically clear that the faculty of the School of Arts and Sciences has lost a significant part of its autonomy and selfgoverning power between 1949 and 1993. It seems to me that the task before us now is to reclaim the self-governance we have lost.

> E. Ann Matter, Professor and Chair Department of Religious Studies

**Ed. Note:** At the request of the Dean's Office, the University Archives has forwarded a record that "Supplement B, page 6 of Subscriptions to Funds and Projects for the period July 1, 1950, to June 30, 1951, shows the endowment of the Moritz and Josephine Berg Professorship for the Teaching of Religious Thought." The chair is now held by Dr. Robert Kraft.

# **Concern Beyond SAS**

We have watched with alarm the unfolding saga of proposed cuts in the School of Arts and Sciences. It is particularly disturbing that few voices of opposition have been raised outside of SAS, as if this is some local skirmish of no great concern to other faculty within the University. We maintain that although substantive reviews of individual departments and disciplines may be most appropriately limited to experts in that field of inquiry, the process issues of decision-making cut across all disciplines and must engage all members of the academy.

Explanations offered by the administration of SAS for closure of departments, most especially Religious Studies, remain unconvincing. Significant change in the status of faculty, departments and curriculum deserves appropriate evaluation and public debate in advance of seemingly final decisions. Several faculty have convincingly detailed the failure to honor such procedures. These are common expectations among those who share the academic life, and when they are violated by administrators or faculty, our confidence and trust in one another is seriously eroded. If indeed the reasons for streamlining are about excellence, knowledge, and broader, more relevant approaches to education, let us consistently examine every department at the University by these standards.

Neville Strumpf, Associate Professor
 Jacqueline Fawcett, Professor
 School of Nursing

Speaking Out welcomes reader contributions. During weekly publication, short timely letters on University issues can be accepted Thursday noon for the following Tuesday's issue, subject to right-of-reply guidelines. We are not scheduled to publish on December 28 or January 4, but letters are being accepted through noon January 6 for publication January 11. The office will be closed between December 24 and January 2, but see the e-mail and fax addresses on page 7. Advance notice of intention to submit is appreciated.—Ed.

# **Thomas Cook: Currency Unit Moves**

Thomas Cook Currency Services, Inc. will no longer service the University of Pennsylvania from its branch office location at 3728 Spruce Street as of January 3, 1994. Until that date the office hours will be 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed December 23, 24, and 31. Thomas Cook U.S. Dollar Travelers Checques may be purchased at Thomas Cook Travel at the same location beginning January 3. No service fee will be added to the face value of the checks.

No other services at Thomas Cook Travel Services, 3728 Spruce Street, will be affected.

Travelers Checques in six foreign denominations and over 100 foreign currencies may be purchased from Thomas Cook Currency Services at 1800 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia. The telephone number of the Penn branch, 573-3400, will be forwarded to the Center City location beginning January 3. The office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. No service fee will be charged for currency services if travelers present a Penn identification card.

- Lyn Hutchings, University Travel Office

About the Crime Report: The report for the City of Philadelphia's 18th District did not arrive this week in time for publication. Below are all the Crimes Against Persons and Crimes Against Society listed in the campus report for the period December 13 through December 19, 1993. Also réported during this period were Crimes Against Property which included 45 thefts (4 burglaries, 3 thefts of auto, 3 thefts from auto, and 6 of bikes and parts); 6 incidents of criminal mischief and vandalism; 1 case of trespass and loitering; and 1 of forgery and fraud. The full reports can be found in Almanac on PennInfo. Those who do not have PennInfo can access the data at public kiosks listed on this page). -Ed.

# The University of Pennsylvania Police Department **Community Crime Report**

This summary is prepared by the Division of Public Safety and includes all criminal incidents reported and made known to the University Police Department between the dates of December 13, 1993 and December 19, 1993. The University Police actively patrol from Market Street Baltimore Avenue, and from the Schuylkill River to 43rd Street in conjunction with the Philadelphia Police. In this effort to provide you with a thorough and accurate report on public safety concerns, we hope that your increased awareness will lessen the opportunity for crime. For any concerns or suggestions regarding this report, please call the Division of Public Safety at Ext. 8-4482

### **Crimes Against Persons**

34th to 38th/Market to Civic Center:	Threats & harassment—5
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12/13/93	11:51 AM	Speakman Dorm	Complainant harassed
12/14/93	9:58 AM	Nichols House	Unwanted phone calls received
12/15/93	1:29 AM	Nichols House	Receptionist received harassing calls
12/17/93	7:19 PM	Coxe Dorm	Obscene phone calls received
12/18/93	8:57 AM	Nichols House	Harassing phone calls received

# 38th to 41st/Market to Baltimore: Robberies (& attempts) — 5. Simple assaults — 2.

Threats 8	harassment-	-5	. ,
12/13/93	3:56 PM	Van Pelt House	Harassing phone calls received
12/14/93	1:25 AM	41st & Spruce	Robbery by males/no injuries
12/16/93	1:31 AM	300 Blk. S. 41st	Robbery by males
12/16/93	12:43 PM	4000 Blk. Walnut	Sweater taken from vendor stand
12/16/93	8:40 PM	200 S. Blk. 40th	Male struck complainant/to HUP
12/17/93	9:24 AM	40th & Locust	Cab driver harassed complainant
12/17/93	9:37 AM	Evans Bldg.	Threats by terminated employee
12/17/93	4:01 PM	Evans Bldg.	Complainant harassed
12/19/93	5:08 PM	40th & Chestnut	Complainant struck in eye
12/19/93	8:21 PM	3900 Blk. Walnut	Male harassed/grabbed complainant
12/19/93	11:29 PM	4000 Blk. Pine	Robbery by 2 juveniles w/automatic gun
12/19/93	11:33 PM	3900 Blk. Baltimore	Robbery by 2 unknown males w/gun

### **41st to 43rd/Market to Baltimore:** Robberies (& attempts)—3

12/15/93	8:16 PM	42nd & Spruce	Backpack w/wallet taken at gunpoint
12/16/93	8:26 PM	4201 Walnut	Robbery by unknown male w/gun
12/17/93	1:15 AM	4100 Blk. Pine	Robbery of MAC card

# 30th to 34th/Market to University: Simple assaults-1

12/17/93 5:26 PM Hill House Male struck complainant in face/fled

### Outside 30th to 43rd/Market to Baltimore: Purse snatches—1

12/14/93 7:17 PM 45th & Pine Sts. Actor snatched purse/fled

# **Crimes Against Society**

38th to 41st/Market to Baltimore: Disorder	ly conduct—3, Weapons offenses—1
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12/18/93	2:22 AM	3900 Blk. Locust	Fight/male taken to HUP/arrest
12/18/93	4:22 AM	3800 Blk. Walnut	Males w/bb. gun in car/issued citation
12/18/93	12:21 PM	4000 Blk. Locust	PPD stopped males in van/gun found
12/19/93	3:00 AM	1925 House	Disorderly male in area/arrest

### 30th to 34th/Market to University: Disorderly conduct-1

12/13/93 9:40 AM Moore School Male caused disturbance in library



Hansel and Gretel: The AVA Opera Theater and Annenberg Center mark the 100th anniversary of Engelbert Humperdinck's festive opera with evening performances December 23-29 and school matinees January 3-4. For times and ticket information: Ext. 8-6791.



# PennInfo Kiosks on Campus

PennInfo kiosks can be found at:

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- SEAS Undergraduate Education Office\*
- Faculty Club\*
- Greenfield Intercultural Center Library
- Houston Hall Lobby
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- PennCard Center
- Penntrex Office
- Student Health Lobby
- Student Financial Information Center
- The Bookstore
- The College Office

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# Make It a Break, not a Break-in

# Special Checks for Near-Campus Residents

Winter Break 1993 is here!Traditionally, this is a time of low occupancy and greater opportunity for crime—a time to be more safety and security conscious than ever.

To reduce the opportunity for crime—especially burglaries—and increase the apprehension of criminals who sometimes elude uniformed officers, Public Safety will introduce a new patrol initiative on December 24 and maintain it through January 6, 1994. This is how it will work:

Students, faculty and staff who live between 38th and 43rd Streets, from Baltimore Avenue to Chestnut Street, and who expect to be away, may list their property with Public Safety for Special Checks during the period it will be vacant.

Plainclothes officers of the University Police will periodically check the exterior of the property for signs of criminal activity or security breaches - and if they find signs of it, they will take action ranging from arrest of perpetrators to conducting interior checks of the property, with subsequent notifications to the listed occupant.

Call 898-9001 for applications for the Special Check during Winter Break—or stop by the Office of Off-Campus Living (4046 Walnut), University Police (3914 Locust Walk), or the Mini-Station (3927 Walnut) as soon as possible, so you can return the application before you go away.

And below are more Safety and Security Tips to help keep the holidays safe and happy.

Wishing you peace and joy this Holiday Season, Susan M. Holmes Lieutenant, Community Relations

# If you are going away for Break,

- Secure or remove all valuables (jewelry, computers, stereos, televisions, etc.). All valuables should already be engraved with your Social Security Number.
- Close and lock all windows; close all shades, drapes and blinds. Lock and bolt entrance doors to rooms or apartments.
- Use timers on lights and a radio or television to give the appearance of being occupied.
- Register your property with Public Safety for Special Checks during the Break.

# If you are remaining at Penn during Break,

- Use one of the ten MAC machines located in University buildings\* and avoid taking money out at night.
- Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you; trust your instincts.
- If you are expecting guests, do not open your door until you know it is the right person.
- If accosted, don't resist, don't panic! Get a good description of the assailant (approximate age, race, sex, height, weight, clothing description, direction traveling when last seen, etc.).
- Know the locations of Blue Light Emergency Telephones. No need to dial: just open the box, lift the receiver or push the button to talk.
- Report any suspicious person(s) or activities as soon as you can: Where,

What,

Who,

When and

How.

Know your emergency telephone numbers: Clip and save the list at right.

Since some buildings are closed all or part of the time during the Winter Break, Ms. Holmes recommends using the MAC inside Steinberg Hall-Dietrich Hall, which is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to persons with a valid Penn I.D.

University **Police Department** 3914 Locust Walk

On Campus 511

Off Campus 573-3333

Philadelphia Police 911

Non-Emergencies 898-7297 or 7298

898-4485

Victim Support Services 898-6600 or 4481