ACADEMIC CALENDAR

8 Fall Term Classes End.

Reading Days. Through December 12.

13 Final Exams. Through December 20. 20 Fall Semester Ends.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Decorative Dashiki; decorate a Dashiki skirt to wear or give as a gift; ages 7+; 10 a.m.; Penn Museum; \$10, \$5/members; register: (215) 898-4016 (Museum).

Garen Thomas—Disney/Pixar Storybook Collection & Santa's Kwanzaa; Penn Bookstore; 11 a.m. (Bookstore).

9 Kids' Holiday Centerpiece; design a centerpiece for your family's holiday table; ages 5-12; 10-11:30 a.m.; Morris Arboretum; \$31, \$28/members; register: (215) 247-5777, ext. 125 (Arboretum).

Peanut Butter and Jams: World Cafe Live

Shows begin 11:30 a.m.; \$10/adults, \$7/children, unless otherwise noted. Info.: www.worldcafelive.com.

2 *Trout Fishing in America*; Christmas album songs plus familiar favorites; 11 a.m., 1 & 3 p.m.; \$18, age 1 and under: free.

9 They Might Be Giants; Grammywinning band popular with kids and adults; 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.; \$20, \$15/children.

16 Steve Pullara and His Cool Beans Band; zany family favorites.

30 Gustafer Yellowgold's Wide Wild World; original music and dynamic cartoon illustrations.

CONFERENCES

1 The G8's Response to Africa: Is It Making a Difference? 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Houston Hall; register: www.gsc.upenn.edu/pro-grams/ip.php#g8 (Graduate Student Center).

2 Traces and Symbols in Italian Neorealism; celebrates the centenary of the birth of Italian filmmakers Roberto Rossellini and Luchino Visconti; 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; rm. 401, Fisher-Bennett Hall; info: (215) 898-8782 (Center for Italian Studies).

Chinese Art: New Directions in Yuan Painting; scholars discuss current research on Chinese art (1267-1368 CE); 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Penn Museum; register: (215) 898-4890 (Museum).

EXHIBITS

Admission Donations and Hours Annenberg Center; free; Mon.-Fri.,

9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Arthur Ross Gallery, Fisher Fine Arts

Library: free; Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., noon-5 p.m.

Burrison Gallery; University Club

at Penn: free; Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Charles Addams Fine Arts Gallery, Charles Addams Fine Arts Hall: free; Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Esther Klein Gallery: free; Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Graduate School of Education

(GSE) Student Lounge: free; Mon.-Fri., ICA: \$6, \$3/artists, seniors, students

over 12; free/members, children 12 & under, w/PennCard; Sun., 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Wed.-Fri., noon-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

International House; free; for hours

call (215) 387-5125.

Kelly Writers House Gallery: free; Mon.-Thurs., 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m.; Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat., noon-11 p.m.; Sun.,

Kroiz Gallery, Fisher Fine Arts Library: free; Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.;

Sat.-Sun., appointment only.

Meyerson Gallery, Meyerson Hall:
free; Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Morris Arboretum: \$10, \$8/seniors,

\$5/students & youth 3-18, free w/ PennCard, children under 3; Mon.-Sun., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Penn Museum: \$8, \$5/seniors, children 6-17, full-time students w/ID, free/members, w/PennCard, children under 6; Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Slought Foundation: free; Wed.-Sat.,

Van Pelt-Dietrich Library: free; for hours see: http://events.library.upenn. edu/cgi-bin/calendar.cgi.

Peace Around The World, Penn Museum's annual free holiday offering, a family afternoon of fun featuring multicultural entertainment with a focus on children around the world. December 3, 1-4:30 p.m.; Penn Museum. Below: Penn Museum's mascots.



Upcoming

The Architect's Eye: Master Drawings From the Collection of the Architectural Archives; original sketches and renderings by Louis I. Kahn, Robert Venturi, and Frank Lloyd Wright; Kroiz Gallery. *Through March 30*, 2007.

Undergraduate Thesis Preview; Charles Addams Fine Arts Gallery; reception: *December 6*, 5 p.m. *Through* December 11.

MFA Final Critiques; Meyerson Gallery. Through December 10.

9 Butabu: Adobe Architecture of West Africa; British photographer James Morris' visual survey, from monumental mosques to family homes; Penn Museum. *Through March 3*, 2007.

ICA Programs/Events Info.: www.icaphila.org.

Armleder and Marclay; performance blending different artistic disciplines; 7 p.m.

3 *Free Sunday Tour*; the role of myth in shaping real historical narrative among the artists displayed in Fables; 1 p.m.

Penn Museum Tours

Meet at Trescher Main Entrance; 1:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted; free with admission donation. Info.: www.museum.upenn.edu.

Year of Egypt: The Everyday Life of Egyptian Peasants; 11:30 a.m. African Music and Masks.

Mesoamerica: Ancient Ball Game.

10 *Native Americans of the Southwest.*

16 Daily Life in Ancient Egypt.

17 *Highlights of the Collection.*

MFA 2nd Year Exhibition and Auction; Meyerson Galleries. Through December 6. 🐵

Crises; film, digital video and experimental multimedia to commemorate the anniversaries of 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina; Plaza Lobby, Annenberg Center. *Through mid-December*.

Gulliver's Reading: Jonathan Swift's Library and Reading; reconstructs a large portion of books owned or read by Swift; Rosenwald Gallery, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. Through December 15. Military Psychology Photo Exhibit;

from Military Psychology, Clinical & Operational Applications by Drexel professor Eric Zillmer; International House. Through December 15.

About Nothing; works on paper by John Armleder from 1962-2007; ICA.

Through December 17. Fables; the urge to tell a story merges with the desire to dismantle one in works that represent a range of media; ICA. Through December 17. Fertilizers: Olin/Eisenman; remi-

niscent of several key elements of the partners' many unbuilt projects; ICA. *Through December 17.*

Ramp Project: Irene Fortuyn; bronzed tree branches create abstract pat-terns on the walls and form spaces where psychological and emotional effects can be loosened; ICA. Through December 17. Benjamin Pierce: Photographs,

2003-2006; Burrison Gallery. Through December 22.

The Figurative; works by artists Betty Schaefer and Shirley Steele; Kelly Writers House. Through December 22. Views from the Penn Lens II; images

by Penn students who studied abroad and international students who are studying in Philadelphia; International House. Through December 22.

Primal Secretions: A Günter Brus Retrospective; photos and videos of the artist's past performances; Slought Foun-

dation. Through December 23. In Search of Israeli Art; photographs by Israeli artist Dani Shoshan; Slought Foundation. *Through December 23*. Art Within Reach; in collaboration

with ArtReach, helping underserved audiences experience arts and culture by increasing accessibility; Esther Klein Gallery.

Through December 29.
Holiday Garden Railway Display; lights and holiday décor adorn the Garden Railway for the holiday season; Morris

Arboretum. Through December 31. Trouble in Paradise: The Art of Polynesian Warfare; considers the functions and decorative elements of war clubs; Dietrich Gallery, Penn Museum.

Francisco Goya y Lucientes: Los Caprichos: An Early Edition from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross; celebrates the 25th anniversary of association between the Arthur Ross Foundation and Penn; Arthur Ross Gallery.

Through January 7, 2007. Literae Humaniores: Treasures from the University of Pennsylvania Library; books & manuscripts; Kamin Gallery, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. *Through* February 16, 2007. 🝩

Under European Eyes: Conquista-dors & Arts of the New World; artifacts that reveal how Europeans perceived the arts of their newly conquered subjects; Penn Museum. Through February 26,

Amarna, Ancient Egypt's Place in the Sun; artifacts from the period of King Tutankhamun and from the 1920s excavations of Amarna; Penn Museum. Through October 2007. See On Stage.

Coming to the Small Screen: Ormandy & Television; Eugene Ormandy Gallery, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. Ongoing.

meta Metasequoia; see the world

from among a canopy of redwood limbs; Morris Arboretum. Ongoing. A Wonderful Life: A Daughter's Tribute to a Family of Educators; Joan Myerson Shrager's digital art; Student Lounge, GSE. Ongoing.

Ongoing at the Penn Museum

Worlds Intertwined: Etruscans, Greeks and Romans; Canaan & Ancient Israel; Living in Balance: The Universe of the Hopi, Zuni, Navajo and Apache; Mesoamerica; The Egyptian Mummy: Secrets & Science; Raven's Journey: The World of Alaska's Native People; Buddhism: History & Diversity of a Great Tradition; Africa: The Cradle of Humankind; Polynesia: 'ahu'ula + lei niho palaoa.

FILMS

Gespenster; 8 p.m.; Class of 1925 TV Lounge, Gregory College House (German Film Series).

Y Tu Mamá También; 9 p.m.; Heyer Sky Lounge, Harrison College House (Cinema Studies).

7 *Ground Truth*; 7 p.m.; rm. B21, Stitler Hall (PFSAWI).

11 Il Gattopardo; 9 p.m.; Class of 1925 TV Lounge, Gregory College House (Italian Film Series).

Film Culture Program

Film Lounge, Van Pelt Manor. Free w/PennCard.

City of God; 8:30 p.m. The Royal Tenenbaums; 8 p.m.

International House

With English subtitles: 7 p.m.; \$7, \$5/ members, students, seniors unless otherwise noted. Info.: www.ihousephilly.org.

7 The Pact; with special guests and post-film discussion.

Lunacy; 6 & 8:30 p.m.

16 Galaxy of Terror followed by Battle Beyond the Stars; 8 p.m.; \$10.

Italian Film Festival

Screenings at 5 p.m.; International House; free admission.

Fire at My Heart followed by Santiago and What the Hell Am I Doing

FITNESS/LEARNING

Class of 1923 Arena; 3130 Walnut St.; admission: weekday \$5.50, weekend \$6.50, \$1 off w/PennCard; skate rental \$2.50; public skating: Mon.-Thurs., 1-3 p.m.; Sat. 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-2:30 p.m.; group rates and skating lessons

offered; info.: www.upenn.edu/icerink. Jazzercise; 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays; Newman Center; first class free; \$7/class, \$5/students; contact Carolyn Hamilton: (215) 662-3293 (days) or (610) 446-1983 (evenings).

14 Penn Knitters; noon-1:30 p.m.; The ARCH.

Christian Association

Info: www.upennca.org/ Christian Activist Power Lunch; representatives of all campus groups share programs & initiatives and build a more powerful network; noon. Also December 8.

5 *Christians in Dialogue: The Model* Life; focusing on inter-religious dialogue

noon.

SLANGuage; practice speaking
English; 3 p.m. Also December 12. Queer Christian Fellowship; fellowship and conversation with dinner;

College of General Studies

Adult non-credit courses. Register: www.pennclasses.org.

5 A Season of Ballet in Philadelphia; preview the Pennsylvania Ballet with video recordings, discussions and commentary; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; \$55.

Learning and Education: HR Open to faculty and staff. Register: www. hr.upenn.edu/training_coursecatalog/.

6 Brown Bag Matinee-Straight Talking; noon-1 p.m. 14 Career Focus Brown Bag-

Negotiating a Salary; noon-1 p.m.

Morris Arboretum Register: (215) 247-5777, ext. 125. **2** Creating Illuminated Paper Sculptures; 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; \$60, \$54/mem-

3 Terrariums: Create a Miniature Greenhouse; 1:30-3 p.m.; \$17, \$15/

members. Maintaining Tree Health; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; \$85.

7 Festive Fragrant Holiday Wreath; noon-2 p.m.; also 6:45-8:45 p.m.; \$45, \$40/members.

9 Holiday Wreath Making; 12:30-3:30 p.m.; \$45, \$40/members. **12** Holiday Tabletop Tree with Lights; 6:45-8:45 p.m.; \$48, \$43/members. Also December 17, 1-3 p.m.

19 *Holiday Table Centerpiece*; 10 a.m.noon; *also* 6:45-8:45 p.m.; \$45, \$42/

PennFit: Department of Recreation Free to Penn students, faculty & staff. Events at Pottruck Health and Fitness Center, noon-1 p.m. Register: www.

upenn.edu/recreation or (215) 898-6100.

Body Composition Measurements. Keeping Off the Winter Pounds, Part I.

Keeping Off the Winter Pounds, Part II.

Quality of Worklife: HR

Open to faculty and staff. Register: www. hr.upenn.edu/training_coursecatalog/. 6 Helping Your Kids Manage Asthma;

noon-1 p.m. **7** It Takes a Village: Elder Care; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

December ATPENN

Wherever these symbols appear, more images or audio/video clips are available on our website, www.upenn.edu/almanac/.





The Holiday Garden Railway Display (above) has become one of Morris Arboretum's most beloved attractions since it opened in 1998. It features a quarter-mile of track with seven loops and tunnels with fifteen different rail lines and two cable cars, nine bridges (including a trestle bridge you can walk under), and bustling G-scale model trains, all set within Morris Arboretum's picturesque winter garden. The Railway opens November 24 and runs through December 31. Visit www.morrisarboretum.org for more information. Closed December 24, 25 and January 1.

Technology Training Services Classes at ISC labs; 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.,

unless otherwise noted. Open to faculty, staff & students. Register: www.tts.isc. upenn.edu.

Excel Introduction; \$190.

FilemakerPro Introduction; \$260. Dreamweaver 8: Introduction; \$570.

Access Advanced; \$448. Continues December 8. **11** Word Intermediate; \$190.

Continues December 6.

12 Access Introduction; \$357. Continues December 13.

14 Excel Intermediate; \$190.

15 Business Objects Introduction; \$380. **18** PowerPoint Introduction; \$190.

19 Visio Introduction; \$224. **MEETINGS**

8 PPSA Board; noon-1:30 p.m.; Class of '42 Conference Room, Sweeten Alumni House; RSVP: ppsa@pobox. upenn.edu.

12 WPSA Board; 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Political Science Lounge, Stiteler Hall.

MUSIC

Spiritual Unity; group dedicated to re-imagining the music of Albert Ayler, one of the pillars of modern jazz; 8 p.m.; International House; \$30, \$22.50/students; \$28/members & seniors (I-House).

16 Philadelphia Boys Choir Holiday Concert: 'Tis The Season; 8 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium; \$25-\$40.

Eileen Ivers: An Nollaig—An Irish Christmas; 8 p.m.; Zellerbach Theatre; Annenberg Center; \$22-\$46; info./tickets: www.pennpresents.com (Penn Presents).

Music Department \$5 unless otherwise noted; free w/PennCard.

Penn Wind Ensemble; 8 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium.

Info.: www.sas.upenn.edu/music.

Penn Symphony Orchestra; 8 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium. Ancient Voices; 3 p.m.; Amado

Recital Hall, Irvine Auditorium. 5 Penn Chamber I: 8 p.m.: Amado

Recital Hall, Irvine Auditorium. Penn Chamber II; 8 p.m.; Rose Recital Hall, Fisher-Bennett Hall.

World Cafe Live

Irvine Auditorium.

Performances daily. For a complete listing, see www.worldcafelive.com.

ON STAGE

8 *University Choral Society*; 8 p.m.;

Baby with the Bathwater; 6 p.m.; \$5; Harold Prince Theatre, Annenberg Center. Also December 2, 2 & 8:30 p.m. (Quadr-

Candide; 8:30 p.m.; Iron Gate Theatre. Also December 2, 8:30 p.m.; \$7 (Penn Singers).

Theater-in-the-Galleries: Vagabond Acting Troupe; original short theatre program to complement the new Amarna exhibit; multiple performances beginning after 1 p.m.; Lower Egyptian Gallery, Penn Museum; free with admission. Also December 3 (Museum). See Exhibits.

READINGS/SIGNINGS

Kelly Writers House

Events in Arts Café unless otherwise noted. RSVP where noted: wh@writing.upenn. edu. Info.: www.writing.upenn.edu/~wh/.

Aaron Dorfman-American Jewish World Service; 5:30 p.m.

Arthur Sze, poet; 6 p.m. Speakeasy: Poetry, Prose, and Any-

thing Goes!; 8 p.m. Also December 20. Yaacob Dweck & Nicholas de Lange, translators; 6 p.m. Penn Bookstore

Info.: www.upenn.edu/bookstore. Valerie Joseph-Darden—Reflections on Valerie's World; noon. Joan Saltzman—Mr. Right and My

Left Kidney; 5:30 p.m. **11** Lisa Roberts—Antiques of the Future; 5:30 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Holiday Shopping Days; Museum shops offer three days of discounts; 15% w/PennCard, HUP or CHOP ID; focusing on items reflecting Egypt, including reproductions of artifacts from the collection and the new *Amarna* exhibit: view new shop items at: www.museum.upenn. edu/new/shop/r_egypt.shtml; 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Penn Museum. Through December 3 (Museum).

Women of Color at Penn Annual Arts & Crafts Fair; 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Houston

Hall (ÅARC). 3 Peace Around the World; multicultural entertainment featuring choral music, games, face-painting holiday craft workshops, food and international music; 1-4:30 p.m.; Penn Museum (Museum).

13 University Club at Penn Annual Holiday Dinner Buffet; 5:30-8 p.m.; University Club; reservations: (215) 898-4618 (University Club).

SPORTS

Info./tickets: www.pennathletics.com. (M) Basketball vs. Villanova; 7 p.m.

(W) Basketball vs. Villanova; 1 p.m. (W) Swimming vs. Columbia; 6 p.m. (M) Basketball vs. Fordham; 7 p.m. **10** (W) Basketball vs. American; 1 p.m.

(W) Basketball vs. Drexel; 1 p.m.

(M) Basketball vs. University of Illinois at Chicago; 7 p.m.



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This December calendar is a pull-out for posting. Almanac carries an Update with additions, changes and cancellations if received by Monday noon prior to the week of publication. Members of the University may send notices for the *Update* or *January* AT PENN calendar.

TALKS

1 Aerial Robotics: What's Ahead and What Have We Left Behind?; Eric Feron, Georgia Tech; 11 a.m.; rm. 307, Levine

Hall (GRASP Laboratory).

Bacterial Fatty Acid Synthesis;

Violation of the E. coli Paradigm; John Cronan, University of Illinois; noon; rm. 209, Johnson Pavilion (Microbiology).

The Structure of Adolescent Sexual Networks; Peter Bearman, Columbia University; noon; auditorium, Colonial Penn Center (LDI).

The Formation of a Mercantilist State and the Economic Growth of the United Kingdom 1453-1815; Patrick O'Brien, London School of Economics; 2 p.m.; Lea Library, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library (Penn Economic History Forum).

Gaia Revisited: The Interplay of Climate and Life on the Early Earth; Jim Kasting, Penn State University; 4 p.m.; rm. 358, Hayden Hall (Earth and Environmental Science).

4 Function Neuroanatomy of Memory in Young and Older Adults; Roberto Cabeza, Duke University; noon; Institute for Research and Cognitive Science (Psychology).

Preliminary Transfer Function Coseismic Subsidence Estimates from the 1700 A.D. Earthquake in Oregon; Andrea Hawkes, earth and environmental sci ence; noon; rm. 358, Hayden Hall (Earth

and Environmental Science).

Stroma-Derived 3D System; Microenvironmental Effects on Cell Behavior; Edna Cukierman, Fox Chase Cancer Center; 2 p.m.; Austrian Auditorium, CRB (Pennsylvania Muscle Institute).

Nipah and Hendra Viruses: Different and Dangerous; Christopher Broder, Uniformed Services University; 4 p.m.; rm. 321, Rosenthal Bldg. (Microbiology).

Cross-Catalytic Architectures; Cecil Balmond, architecture; Peter Lloyd Jones, pathology and laboratory medicine; 6 p.m.; Slought Foundation (Slought).

Host Factors Involved in Viral Pathogenesis: Lessons Learned From Drosophila; Sara Cherry, microbiology; noon; Austrian Auditorium, CRB (Micro-

biology).

Incorporating Green: Opportunities for Pursuing Sustainability in Conventional Disciplines; Master of Environmental Studies Program students: Mayosha Mendis; Lydia Loh; Matt Kondratowicz; Nick Tichich; noon; Carolyn Hoff Lynch Lecture Hall, Cret Wing, Chemistry Labs (Earth and Environmen tal Sciences).

Title tba; Marcia Brose, otorhinolaryngology, SOM; noon; rm. 252, BRB II/III; info.: (215) 573-5446 (CRRWH).

Prospects for Expressing Membrane Proteins as Drug Targets: Water, Glycerol, and Ammonia Onwards; Robert Stroud, University of California-San Francisco; 12:30 p.m.; Reunion Auditorium, John Morgan Bldg. (Biochemistry and Biophysics).

Proteomics Technologies in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease; Kelvin Lee, Cornell University; 3:15 p.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium, Levine Hall (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering).

Measles: Insights into Protective Immunity and Virus Clearance; Diane Griffin, Johns Hopkins University; 4 p.m.; Grossman Auditorium, Wistar Institute (Wistar).

The Santa Fe-ing of America? The Impact of Transportation Technology on Cities; Joel Garreau, Washington Post; 5 p.m.; rm. 200, College Hall; register: (215) 573-8280 (Penn Humanities Forum).

Ruin's Wheel; G. Jan Colijn, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey; 6:30 p.m.; International House; RSVP: (215) 895-6536 (I-House).

Human Rights Dimensions of HIV/ AIDS Research and Their Relationship to Bioethics and Health Law; George Annas, Boston University; 1 p.m.; auditorium, BRB II/III (Center for AIDS Research). Rationing HIV/AIDS Treatment in Africa: Ethical and Human Rights

Dimensions; George Annas; Boston University; 1 p.m..; auditorium, BRB II/III (Center for AIDS Research).

8 An Ethical Seesaw: Complex Living Kidney Donors; Peter Reese, renal division; noon; Center for Bioethics (Center for Bioethics).

Regulation of Bacterial Heme and Iron Metabolism; Mark O'Brien, SUNY Buffalo; noon; rm. 209, Johnson Pavilion (Microbiology).

Managed Care, Drug Benefits and Mortality: An Analysis of the Elderly; Gautam Gowrisankaran, Washington University in St. Louis; noon; auditorium, Colonial Penn Center (LDI).

The War Club: An Important Moche Symbol; Elizabeth Benson, Institute for Andean Studies; 1:30 p.m.; rm. 345, Academic Wing, Penn Museum (Museum).

12 How the Success and Failure of Prenatal Care Changed the Way We Think About Pregnancy; John Lantos, University of Chicago; 4:30 p.m.; Class of '62 Lecture Hall, John Morgan Bldg.; RSVP: (215) 898-7136 (Center for Bioethics).

13 Gained in Translation: Generation of MHC Class I Peptide Ligands From Newly Synthesized Viral and Cellular Gene Products; Jonathan Yewdell, NI-AID/NIH; noon; Austrian Auditorium, CRB (Microbiology). Women of Color Networking Series;

Afaf Meleis, nursing; noon; Penn Women's Center (Penn Women's Center).

Placental Inflammation: Role for Fetal Programming of Obesity; Sylvie Hauguel-de Mouzon, Case Western Reserve University; noon; rm. 252, BRB II/III (CRRWH).

Transport of Proteins In and Out of the Endoplasmic Reticulum; Tom Rapoport, Harvard University; 12:30 p.m. Reunion Auditorium, John Morgan Bldg. (Biochemistry and Biophysics).

Theory and Experiments for Advancing Transition Metal Catalysts Design; Manos Mavrikakis, University of Wisconsin-Madison; 3:15 p.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium, Levine Hall (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering).

14 From Neuroscience to Politics Without a Soul; Nancey Murphy, Fuller Theological Seminary; 4 p.m.; Ben Franklin Room, Houston Hall; RSVP: smithel@psych.upenn.edu (Psychology).

Penn VIPS Christmas Drive: November 28 through December 15

Please join us in the Annual Penn Volunteers In Public Service Holiday Drive. As you buy toys and presents for the holiday season, please consider spreading some cheer to deserving members of our community. All toys and gifts donated will support the efforts of organizations including the People's Emergency Shelter, Bridges To The Community, Potter's Mission, Carroll Park Community Council, Intercultural Family Services and many more. All items for the holiday drive must be new, not used, and please indicate the gender and age appropriateness of all gifts. Below are locations to drop off donations:

Abramson Cancer Center Af-Am Resource Center CCP Cell & Dev. Biology Engineering Graduate Student Center Houston Hall Human Resources Law School Law School
Linguistics
Museum Reception Desk
Claire M. Fagin Hall
Off Campus Living
Political Science Renal Division SAS School of Medicine ULAR University Club Van Pelt-Dietrich Library Wharton Women's Center VPUL

16 Penn Tower 3537 Locust Walk 133 South 36th/5th Floor 1157 BRB II/III 107 Towne Bldg. 3615 Locust Walk Information Desk 3401 Walnut St., Suite 538A 265C 3401 Walnut St. 203A Sansom West Silverman Rm 145 Silverman, Rm. 145 619 Williams Hall Near Kress Gallery 4th Floor Mailroom 4046 Walnut St. 217 Stiteler Hall 700 Cinical Research 120 Logan Hall 233 Blockley Hall 220 South 40th St. 3611 Walnut St./Inn at Penn Shared Catalogue Dept. 1000 SH-DH 3643 Locust Walk 3611 Locust Walk

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Penn VIPS Adopt A Family for the Holidays Program

Won't you consider adopting a family during the Holidays? Several departments have adopted a deserving family for the holidays and will be providing the family with toys and gifts so that they too can have a joyous holiday. Families are selected from the Carroll Park Community Council Housing program and from SunnyCrest Family Agency. Share some joy this holiday by making life a little more merry for deserving families. Call Isabel Mapp at (215) 898-2020 or e-mail sammapp@pobox.upenn.edu for additional information about this program.

-Isabel Mapp, Associate Director, Faculty, Staff and Alumni Volunteer Services, Director, Penn VIPS, CCP



The plans for this year's 19th Annual Operation Santa Claus are underway. The party is held each year for the young and senior citizens. The Sheraton Hotel is again generously hosting the festivities. The guests of honor will be the Penn Center for Rehabilitation & Care (Ralston House) and St. Mary's Villa for Abused & Neglected Children. Gifts will also be collected and distributed to St. Vincent's and the People's Emergency Center. Our senior citizen friends & the children will again be treated

to a holiday luncheon, gifts from Santa, a magician/clown and a special musical performance on Tuesday, December 12.

Last year's party was an overwhelming success, over 500 gifts were donated along with monetary donations to pay for the party expenses. The gifts were distributed to all the guests, as well as enough to be sent back to the children and elderly not able to attend. We're

asking for your help again. We are in need of gifts as well as monetary donations to cover the cost of the party. Monetary donations are extremely appreciated. This is used to cover the cost of transportation, entertainment and additional gifts that are always needed.

For further information on how to donate or participate, please call Yvonne at (215) 898-9997. You may also contact George Reale (Facilities) at (215) 898-7171, Anne Marie Pitts (English) at (215) 898-7341, Phyllis Vizzachero (Mailroom) at (215) 898-4545 or Maureen Stridick (Programs and Special Events) at (215) 898-6163.

We will be supplied lists of each child and senior citizen attending the party—we would appreciate your call if you would like to purchase a gift more personally. You will be given the name of a senior or youngster, and their gift wish. Simply wrap your gift addressed to them from Santa and drop it off to one of us no later than *Monday*, *December 11*. Or if you prefer, choose from these gift suggestions: gift cards to department stores or toy stores; children's board games/electronic games/ radio control cars/barbie dolls; sweatshirts/pants (men's & ladies' sz. medium–2X); socks (men's white and dark and ladies' knee socks & knee highs); perfume, cologne and dusting powder for ladies; men's and ladies' sweaters, t-shirts, undershirts & thermals (medium–2X); men's & ladies' slippers with back out (slip-ons). Wrap it, & place a label/tag on the outside marked with what the item is, whether for a man or woman, girl or boy and the size, if applicable. Please contact us and let us know if you are interested in participating so we can be sure that all the children and senior citizens attending will receive a gift.

There has always been a lot of interest from our staff and friends around campus. We are hoping that you will again be able to belp. Please belp make this another successful holiday project full of joy and giving for the less fortunate children and elderly.

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A special thank you to Ken Kapikian, Mike Baldino and their staff at the Sheraton Hotel for their generosity and assistance in making such a wonderful day for these children and seniors. A special thank you as well to Local 835 who help us each year with a donation from the Bobby Null Memorial Fund. And as always our appreciation to all the volunteers who come and help us each year.

-Yvonne Giorgio, Manager of the Student Financial Services Call Center

2006-2007 Holiday Hours for University Services and Facilities

Accounts Payable/Comptroller's Office Closes December 22, noon. Open December 27-29, 9 a.m.-noon. Regular hours resume January 2, 9 a.m.

Annenberg Center Box Office Closes December 22, 2 p.m. Reopens January 2, 10 a.m.

Arthur Ross Gallery Closed December 24-January 1. Reopens

Cashier's Office Closes December 22, 2 p.m. Open December 27-29, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Christian Association Closed except by appointment December 23-January 1. Regular hours resume January 2, 9 a.m. College Houses and Academic Services Closes December

22, 2 p.m. Reopens January 2, 9 a.m. **Community Housing and Conference Services** Closes December 22, 5 p.m. Reopens January 2, 9 a.m.

Computer Connection Closes December 24, 4 p.m. Open weekdays and Saturdays December 26-30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. December 31, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed December 25 & January 1. Open January 2-5, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Regular hours resume January 6. See www.upenn.edu/computerstore/

Gifts Accounting & Administration Open December 22, 9 a.m.-noon. Closed December 25. Open December 26-29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Hillel Closed December 25 and January 1.

Houston Hall Closed December 23-January 1. Open January 2-5, 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Closed January 6. Open January 7, noon-11 p.m. Regular hours resume January 8.

ICA Galleries close December 17, 5 p.m. and reopen January 19, noon. Open for administration December 18-22; re-opening January 2.

Information Systems & Computing Operators will be answering main calls (215) 898-5000 December 26-29. No operator service December 25. Networking and Telecommunications staff will be on-call and responding to critical networking and telephone emergencies. Critical networking problems should be reported via First Call automated hotline (215) 573-4778. Telephone emergencies should be reported via Telecommunications Customer Service Center at (215) 746-6000. The Data Center will operate its normal 24x7 schedule.

Jazzercise Closed December 26 & 28.

Kelly Writers House Closes December 22, 5 p.m. Open for administration hours December 18-22 and January 3-5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Regular hours and programs resume January 8.

Levy Tennis Pavilion Open Mon. 9 a.m.-10 p.m.; Tues.-Thurs. 7 11 p.m.; Fri. 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. December 24 & 31: 9 a.m.-noon. Closed December 25 & January 1.

Morris Arboretum Open daily, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed December 24, 25 & January 1. Regular hours resume January 2.

Newman Center Closes December 20, 1 p.m. Reopens January 8, 9 a.m.

Penn Bookstore Open December 24, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Closed December 25. Open December 26-29, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; December 30, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; December 31, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; January 1, 11

PennCard Center Closes December 22, 2 p.m. Reopens January 9 a.m. See www.upenn.edu/penncard.

Penn Ice Rink at the Class of 1923 Arena Closed December 23-26. Reopens December 27, 1 p.m.; Closed December 30-31. Closed January 1; reopens January 2, noon. See www.upenn.

Penn Museum *Galleries*: Closes December 24, 4 p.m. Closed December 25. Open December 30, 10 a.m. -4:30 p.m., December 31, 1-4 p.m. Open regular hours December 26-29 and January 2 onward.

Penn Transit Service Closed December 24. Reopens January 2. During Winter Break, limited transportation will be provided in cooperation with Public Safety, call (215) 898-RIDE (7433).

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Recreation Department—Pottruck Center & Hutchinson Gym Pottruck Center: Open December 11-19: Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-midnight; Saturday: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sunday: 8 a.m.-midnight; December 20-22, 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Closed December 23-25. December 26-29: 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Closed December 30-January 1. Open January 2-5: 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; January 6: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; January 7: 8 a.m.-midnight. Hutchinson Gym: Open December 11-19: Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday: noon-6 p.m.; Open December 20-22: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.; Closed December 23-January 1. Open January 2-5: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.; January 6-7: noon-6 p.m. See www.upenn.edu/recreation. www.upenn.edu/recreation.

Registrar's Office Closes December 22, 2 p.m. Reopens January 2, 9 a.m. See www.upenn.edu/registrar.

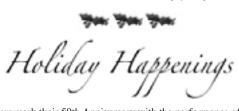
Residence Halls Sansom Place East, Sansom Place West, Harnvell College House, Harrison College House and Rodin College House will remain open. All other houses will close on December 21 at noon, and will reopen January 4 at 9 a.m.

Student Financial Services Closes December 22, 2 p.m. Reopens January 2, 9 a.m. See www.sfs.upenn.edu.

Student Health Service Closed December 24, 25, 31 & January 1. Open December 20-21, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; December 22, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; December 23, 9-11:30 a.m.; December 26-30, 9-11:30 a.m.

University Club at Penn Closed December 25 through January 1 for Winter Break. Regular hours resume January 2

Van Pelt-Dietrich/Lippincott Libraries and Rosengarten Reserve December 3-19 extended hours — Van Pelt-Dietrich/Lippincott: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-2 a.m.; Sat.-Sun., 10 a.m.-2 a.m.; Rosengarten/USG: Mon.-Thurs., 24 hours; Fri. closes 2 a.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-2 a.m.; Sun. open 10 a.m.; Library Center—December 20, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; December 21-22, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Closed December 23-25; December 26-29, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Closed December 23-25. December 26-29, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Closed December 30-January 1; January 2-7, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m.-midnight. For updates and hours information for other Penn Libraries see hours on wave library upgan edu. Libraries, see hours on www.library.upenn.edu.



The *Penn Singers* mark their 50th Anniversary with the performance of Voltaire's *Candide* (below left) on December 1 & 2 at 8:30 p.m. in the Iron Gate Theatre. *Eileen* Ivers (below right) will bring her grand holiday show, An Nollaig-An Irish Christmas, to the Zellerbach Theatre on December 16 at 8 p.m., with such favorites as "Do You Hear What I Hear" and Irish classics like "Miss Fogarty's Christmas Cake." For tickets and information, visit www.pennpresents.org. The Philadelphia Boys Choir (bottom) will perform their 2006 Holiday Concert, 'Tis The Season, on December 16 at 8 p.m. in the Irvine Auditorium.



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