Celebrating the Naming of Lauder College House

$3 Million Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences for Virginia Lee

Virginia M.Y. Lee, the John H. Ware 3rd Endowed Professor in Alzheimer’s Research, and director of the Center for Neurodegenerative Disease Research at the University of Pennsylvania, has been named one of the 2019 Breakthrough Prize winners in Life Sciences. The $3 million award is presented to the world’s top scientists who have made groundbreaking contributions in their respective fields.

Lee’s research focuses on proteins that form pathological inclusions in Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, and related neurodegenerative disorders. She discovered tau, alpha-synuclein, and TDP-43 as the critical proteins, and further clarified the role they play in each disease. She demonstrated that cell-to-cell transmission of these pathological proteins explains how each disease progresses. This research has opened up new avenues of research to identify targets for drug discovery to develop better treatments for patients with these disorders.

Now in its eighth year, the Breakthrough Prize recognizes the world’s top scientists. Each prize is $3 million and presented in the fields of Life Sciences (up to four per year), Fundamental Physics (one per year) and Mathematics (one per year). In addition, up to three New Horizons in Physics and up to three New Horizons in Mathematics Prizes are given out to early career researchers each year. The new laureates will be recognized at the eighth annual Breakthrough Prize gala awards ceremony Sunday, November 3, at NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, California, and will broadcast live on National Geographic.

The Breakthrough Prizes are sponsored by Sergey Brin, Priscilla Chan and Mark Zuckerberg, Ma Huateng, Yuri and Julia Milner, and Anne Wojcicki. Selection Committees composed of previous Breakthrough Prize laureates in each field choose the winners.

Information on Breakthrough Prize is available at breakthroughprize.org
The following is published in accordance with the Faculty Senate Rules. Among other purposes, the publication of SEC actions is intended to stimulate discussion among the constituencies and their representatives. Please communicate your comments to Patrick Walsh, executive assistant to the Senate Office, either by telephone at (215) 898-6943 or by email at senate@pobox.upenn.edu

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Actions

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

Chair's Report. After introductions, Faculty Senate Chair Steven Kimbrough welcomed the members of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) and offered a brief review of the Senate and its structure. He indicated that the responsibility of SEC is to be the central mechanism for input and feedback between faculty and Penn leaders. He encouraged SEC members to serve as conduits for communication between the Standing Faculty and the Senate leadership. A full roster of SEC members is available on the Senate’s website (http://www.upenn.edu/faculty_senate/sec_members.html). Dr. Kimbrough described the recent redesign of the Senate’s website, which is intended to enhance efficiency and advance SEC’s role in communicating with the faculty. A faculty web portal is under development, which will serve as a repository for information presented to, and discussed by, the Senate, thereby making that information available to the entire faculty. Additional features are planned to expand the website as a faculty resource.

Past Chair’s Report. The report was deferred to a future meeting.

Faculty Handbook Amendment (Faculty Parental Policy, Section II.E.4). (See Almanac, May 28, 2019.) Following on SEC’s May 15, 2019, discussions of proposed revisions to the Parental Leave Policy, a set of questions and concerns was forwarded to Vice Provost for Faculty Anita Allen, which was shared with SEC members in advance of the meeting along with an amended draft policy revision. After discussion with Dr. Allen, SEC members approved the amended version of the Policy draft as presented.

Discussion of Draft Committee Charges. The specific charges of the Faculty Senate standing committees were reviewed and approved. Discussion topics for future SEC meetings were proposed. A SEC member suggested that Penn faculty should identify approaches to more systematically ensure that its faculty are nominated for positions in honor societies. Since nominations into these societies typically require past inductees to submit candidate nominations, the member suggested that SEC should propose a process to ensure that people who are positioned to submit nominations do so in order that those who deserve honor society participation are identified and nominated.

Ad Hoc Committee on Scholarly Communications. Senior leadership from Penn Libraries joined the meeting: H. Carton Rogers III Vice Provost and Director of the Penn Libraries Constantia Constanti- nou, Associate Vice Provost and Deputy University Librarian Jon Shaw, and Associate University Librarian for Collections Brigitte Weinstein. Ms. Weinstein and Dr. Kimbrough reported on their recent participation at the University of California’s “Open Access Tipping Point Workshop,” held in Washington, DC, on August 28-29, 2019. They together recommended that the Faculty Senate convene faculty and relevant stakeholders at Penn to discuss Penn’s role in communication and dissemination of scholarly research. Following discussion, SEC members approved the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee on Scholarly Communications with the following charge: “The Faculty Senate’s Ad Hoc Committee on Scholarly Communication will convene for the 2019-2020 academic year with a focus on deliberating on current issues in the publisher ecosystem and the dissemination of scholarly research. Specifically, the Committee will evaluate how publishers are influencing, and at times inhibiting, the production of and access to information resources and explore opportunities to form unique partnerships and transformative agreements. The Committee will also address overarching issues (e.g., publisher influence, partnerships and publisher agreements, open access/scholarship, copyright and retention of author’s rights, privacy, new and experimental models for publishing, the production and dissemination of information (including the role of third parties), the role of the scholarly resource landscape, and the role of the scholarly resource landscape development) within it. The Ad Hoc Committee’s work will be prioritized by the group to keep interests aligned with the priorities of the Senate. The Committee may review some of the current topics and engender greater collective awareness of the issues involved. The Committee may delve into practices of the faculty in their various roles in scholarly production (e.g., as authors, editors, reviewers) and consider how, as a University, we can support greater dispersal of information resources developed and managed at Penn. The Committee shall have power to present reports and recommendations on any matter relating to scholarly communications to the Senate. The Committee shall be governed in its responsibilities and procedures by rules established by the Faculty Senate. The Committee’s work will be reviewed on a yearly basis by the Senate Executive Committee.”

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not the only one in my family who loves Penn ... I couldn’t be more proud of my family for giving back to the University that has given us so much. I was lucky to be among the first students to stay in the eponymous Lauder College House, before it was called that. To its future tenants, I can attest to its magnificence as a living space, and I sincerely hope that it can enrich student’s lives and leave a purely positive mark on Penn’s campus for generations to come.”

Designers from the Philadelphia-based design firm of Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, the seven-sto- ry, 198,000-square-foot, $121 million project houses undergraduate students, in three-, four-, five-, and six- bedroom suites with a dining ven-

e and many public and programmatic spaces built around a private central courtyard (Alma-
nac September 13, 2016). As a four-year house, Lauder College House is a microcosm of Penn. This year, among the 351 undergraduate residents, roughly 29% are from the Class of 2023, 31% are sophomores, 25% are juniors and 15% are seniors. Within the College House system, each of the 12 houses has a dis- tinct character and mission. The LCH community is centered around a global sustainability theme, a founding principle of the house’s design.

The celebration took place in the Heyman Courtyard, which was named for other major donors to the project, emeritus trustee Stephen Heyman and his wife, Barbara Heyman.

Deaths

Patrick Confalone, EHRs

Patrick ("Pat") Confalone, a Health Safety Technician at EHRs, passed away on August 29 from cancer. He was 55.

Mr. Confalone was born and raised in South Philadelphia and attended St. John Neumann High School. He joined Penn in 1987. He worked at Morris Arboretum before joining the staff at the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (now known as Environmental Health and Radiation Safety, or EHRs).

At EHRs, Mr. Confalone was a key member of the chemical waste and asbestos management programs and was a certified asbestos project inspector with the City of Philadelphia. When Mr. Confalone joined the EHRs office, only a handful of people worked for the department. He helped it grow into a 50-plus person depart- ment that helps with any environmental or radi- ation safety issues on campus.

Mr. Confalone is survived by daughters, Meg- gan (Dave) and Nicole (Jason); sons, Zachary and Justin; sisters, Sheila (Steve) and Kristina (Joe); and his beloved friend, Michelle.

Ann L. Strong, City and Regional Planning

Ann Louise Strong, emeritus professor of city and regional planning, former department chair and former associate dean at the Graduate School of Fine Arts (now Weitzman School of Design) at the University of Pennsylvania, died peacefully in her home in Bryn Mawr on August 25. She was 89.

Ms. Strong graduated from Vassar College and Yale Law School, where she wrote her thesis on regional planning for New Eng- land. She came to Penn in 1960 at the recommenda- tion of William Wheaton, a well-respect- ed member of the city planning department’s faculty, who suggested to the Fels Institute that she be hired to undertake a study of planning and zoning in the Philadelphia metro area. She began her career at Penn serving as a research associate and later associate director at Penn Law.

In 1963 she was appointed professor in the department of city and regional planning in the then Graduate School of Fine Arts (GSFA). Over her career of 30 years, her focus was principally in land use and environmental law policy. She taught several courses but was most well known for her course on environmental law, which was a requirement for Ian McHarg’s Master of Re- gional Planning curriculum. She also held sever-

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Trustees Meeting: Correction

Last week’s issue, listed the upcoming Trust- ees committee meetings in the incorrect order. On September 26, the Budget and Finance Com- mittee will meet 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and the Execu- tive Committee will meet 1:45-1:55 p.m. Both meetings will be held in Bodek Lounge, Hou- ton Hall. We regret the error.

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Reappointment of Steven J. Fluharty as Dean of SAS

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We are especially grateful to the members of the Review Committee for their time and effort throughout this important process. After receiving its charge from us in March 2019, the Committee—both in formal meetings and through its chair, J. Larry Jameson, Executive Vice President for the Health System and Dean of the Perelman School of Medicine—interviewed Dean Fluharty; conducted informational interviews and conversations with various members of the faculty, staff, student body and alumni community; convened discussions with department chairs, major School committees and student assemblies; and held open meetings for faculty within the School. The Committee also examined a comprehensive selection of data and documents concerning the School, including detailed budget, enrollment and employment data. The Committee met seven times over a period of 11 weeks.

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Ms. Strong published articles in planning journals and law reviews on topics such as open space preservation, growth management, eminent domain, national parks, conservation easements, wetlands conservation, and agricultural lands protection. She was active in both Europe and Asia and maintained strong relationships with planners internationally.

She served on the editorial board of the Journal of Planning Literature and as a reporter for Land Use Law and Zoning digest. She was active in numerous civic and professional organizations and a member of the boards of the Environmental Law Institute and the Environmental Defense Fund. She served on the Pennsylvania State Planning Commission and the Chester County Housing Authority (which she founded and chaired) in addition to other local and national boards.

In a 1993 article Dean Steiner wrote for the Journal of Planning Education and Research, he noted that “Through her life’s work, it is no overstatement to say that she helped create the fields of environmental law and environmental planning.”

She remained at Penn until her retirement in 1993, at which time she earned emeritus status. The Ann and Henry Strong Leadership Award is given annually by the School to an MCP student for demonstrated leadership among their peers.

Ms. Strong is survived by her sons, Mark (Claire) and Christopher (Terri); grandchildren, Sam, Nick and Jessica; and three great-grandchildren. Donations in her memory may be made to the Weitzman School of Design Annual Fund at https://tinyurl.com/4xw8222 A Memorial will be held in the fall; information to come.
Mary C. Francis: Director of Penn Press

Effective September 23, 2019, Mary C. Francis will become the thirteenth director of the University of Pennsylvania Press. Ms. Francis is a national leader in the university press community. She has been editorial director at the University of Michigan Press/Michigan Publishing since 2015 and was previously executive editor and team leader for the humanities at the University of California Press, where she started in 1999 as an editorial assistant. Ms. Francis also worked in the editorial and production departments at Oxford University Press, Yale University Press and Mayfield Publishing. She is on the board of directors of the Association of University Presses, and has served AUPresses in various capacities, including chair of the 2019 Annual Meeting Program Committee, and chair of the Acquisitions Committee. She has conducted numerous presentations and workshops on scholarly communication for the Society for Scholarly Publishing, the Social Science Research Council, the American Historical Association, Society for Cinema and Media Studies, the American Musicalological Society, as well as various library and campus groups. She has spoken on a variety of topics, including peer review, digital publishing, Open Access, and diversity, equity, inclusion and access (DEIA) issues. Ms. Francis holds a BA in music from Brandeis University and completed graduate work in musicology at Yale University. “It is truly an honor to be selected to join the Penn community as director of Penn’s excellent Press,” Ms. Francis said of her new role. “I am excited to come to Philadelphia to work and learn with Press staff to move the Press forward.”

Ms. Francis has been a leader in developing new forms of Open Access, including Michigan Publishing’s pioneering community-based, open-source platform, Fulcrum. Launched with support from the Mellon Foundation, Fulcrum is now being used by many presses across the country. At the same time, she has been an award-winning acquiring editor of books within her areas of expertise in media/film studies, digital culture, literary studies and music. “I am confident that Mary will be a spectacular leader, working closely and collaboratively across the Penn community to chart the future of Penn Press,” said University Provost Wendell Pritchett.

Outgoing director Eric Halpern has devoted 39 years to the dissemination of scholarly knowledge. He took the helm of Penn Press in 1999, and has more than 14 years of experience in academic publishing, coming to Penn from Johns Hopkins University Press and Cornell University Press. “We are deeply in Eric’s debt for the vision and integrity with which he has guided Penn Press for more than two decades,” Provost Pritchett said. “Eric has been, through many un-predictable changes in both the publishing and academic markets, a powerful steward of the Press’ highest scholarly traditions.”

Penn Dental Medicine to Name Pediatric Care Center for Alumnus Tony Saito

A major gift from a Penn Dental Medicine alumnus will help advance pediatric dentistry education and patient care. With this contribution from Tony Saito, a 1995 DMD graduate, the School will name its pediatric clinic the Saito Pediatric Care Center. “Dr. Saito’s commitment to our School, our students, and the patients we serve is tremendous,” said Morton Amsterdam Dean Mark Wolff. “His support and engagement are invaluable.”

A pediatric dentist, Dr. Saito owns a private practice based in West Boylston, Massachusetts, which he opened in 2001. After earning his DMD from Penn Dental Medicine in 1995, Dr. Saito completed a general practice residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center and went on to a pediatric residency at Columbia University Medical Center. “I chose to make this gift to support the future of our rapidly evolving profession. Our students under the guidance of our outstanding Penn faculty need the most advanced technology in order to provide the best care for the children in the Philadelphia community,” said Dr. Saito. “It is my hope to have the students that I have mentored, return to Penn Dental and give back their time and energy as I have given to them.”

Since 2017, Dr. Saito has been an active member of the Dean’s Council at Penn Dental Medicine, an external advisory group to the Dean. In addition, he lectures annually to both the DMD students and the postdoctoral students in the pediatric program at Penn Dental Medicine. “Our students benefit greatly from Dr. Saito’s perspective as a practicing pediatric dentist,” noted Betty Hajishengallis, chief of Penn Dental Medicine’s division of pediatric dentistry and director of the postdoctoral pediatric program. “His willingness to come back to the School on a regular basis to share his experiences and serve as a mentor can have a great impact as students look to enter the specialty,” said Dr. Hajishengallis.

As it is the University’s policy, to be named the Saito Pediatric Care Center, is the 16-chair teaching clinic for the School’s pediatric program, where postdoctoral students as well as DMD students provide care to children of all ages. The care center includes 10 private operatories and an open bay area with six treatment spots.

The section with the private operatories and the waiting area underwent a renovation in early 2019 to enhance the clinical care and patient experience. All 10 operatories have been outfitted with new equipment, including new dental chairs with rear-delivery instruments, new radiology units and new cabinetry. One of the most significant changes was the creation of an operatory designed to accommodate patients who use a wheelchair—now outfitted with a lift, patients can be easily treated without having to leave their wheelchairs.

“This generous support from Dr. Saito will allow us to continue to strengthen our clinical care resources, and in turn, our service to the community,” added Dean Wolff. “We couldn’t be more appreciative of his shared commitment to our mission.”

A celebration of the official naming of the Saito Pediatric Care Center will take place as part of the School’s Alumni Weekend 2020, May 15-16, when Dr. Saito will be marking his 25th reunion from Penn Dental Medicine.

Amy Sadao: Stepping Down as ICA Director

After more than seven years, Amy Sadao, Daniel W. Dietrich II Director of the Institute of Contemporary Art at the University of Pennsylvania, announces that she is stepping down to pursue new opportunities and personal projects. Under Ms. Sadao’s leadership, ICA broadened its critically acclaimed exhibition and publications program, increased attendance and public engagement, and expanded the museum’s digital impact and reach.

“It has been a privilege to work alongside ICA’s Board of Overseers and a spectacularly talented staff. Together we extended ICA’s bold history as a place to explore the unknown and the poetic, and to present contemporary artists’ affective and political contributions in an admission-free kunsthalle.”

Ms. Sadao continued, “I created and exceeded a strategic plan focused on curatorial excellence, community partnerships, and visitors’ and artists’ experience. I was guided by questions of what it means to be a feminist, anti-racist, queer- and trans-embracing contemporary museum would look, feel and act like. It’s only right that a new director creates the next strategic plan. I am excited to experience the next iteration of ICA. My goals now include a book project on art and community and the efforts to redefine the evolving roles and responsibilities of museums across the country.”

Penn’s Provost Wendell Pritchett has named John McNemey as interim director at the ICA, Mr. McNemey is currently executive director of Penn’s Sachs Program for Arts Innovation (Almanac May 23, 2019) and will continue in that role as he also serves as the ICA’s interim director.

Under Ms. Sadao’s leadership, ICA presented 51 critically acclaimed exhibitions of underrepresented and overlooked artists. Ms. Sadao shepherded 35 publications, among them the award-winning titles Barbara Kasten: Stages and Rodney McMillian. Under her tenure, ICA developed a new department of public engagement and expanded its digital impact and reach. “We wish her the best in her next steps,” said Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs and chair of the Provost’s Advisory Committee for the Selection of the ICA Director. Due to start work next month, the committee will be composed of faculty scholars and artists, staff, alumni and representation from the ICA Board of Overseers. “Penn is fortunate to have retained Russell Reynolds to assist with the search, guided by Laurie Nash and Michael Singleton,” said vice provost Allen.

The Advisory Selection Committee will include David Hart, assistant professor of fine arts, Weitzman School; Sharon Hayes, associate professor of fine arts, Weitzman School; Michael Kimmelman, Nan Wagner Farquhar Professor of History of Art and department chair, SAS; Aaron Levy, senior lecturer, English and history of art, SAS, and executive director and senior curator, Slought Foundation; Kenneth Lum, Marilyn Jordan Taylor President and Chair, Penn Dental Medicine’s division of pediatric dentistry and director of the postdoctoral pediatric program. “His willingness to come back to the School on a regular basis to share his experiences and serve as a mentor can have a great impact as students look to enter the specialty,” said Dr. Hajishengallis.

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The awarded researchers come from the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences and represent the potential for liberal arts faculty to establish local and global partnerships and lead collaborative projects with scholars from diverse fields including nursing, medicine and design.

The grant recipients are:

- The Alice Paul Center Transgender, Non-Binary and Gender Nonconforming Oral History Archives; led by Kathleen Brown, David Boies Professor of History and director of the Alice Paul Center for Research on Gender; Anne Esacove, associate director of the Alice Paul Center, co-directs this project.

- Cognitive Decline with Aging in Diverse Chilean Communities and in Comparison with Mexico and the US; led by Irma Elo, professor of sociology; Jere Behrman, William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Economics, co-directs the project along with faculty from Penn Nursing and the Perelman School of Medicine.

- Memory and Identity in Afro-Brazilian Archives; led by Michael Hanchard, professor of Africana studies; Melissa Teixeira, assistant professor of history, and Roquimando Ferreira, Henry Charles Lea Professor of History, are project co-directors.

- Life of Water: Community Resilience through Science and Art Immersion; led by Byron Sherwood, senior fellow in the department of biology; Junhyong Kim, Patricia M. Williams Term Professor of Biology, and Howard Neukrug, professor of practice in the department of earth and environmental science and executive director of the Water Center at Penn, are co-directors.

- Understanding the Effects of Mexico’s Prospera Program on Reducing Inequalities in Schooling and Academic Achievements in Diverse Communities; led by Petra Todd, Edmund J. and Louise W. Kahn Term Professor of Economics; Jere Behrman, William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Economics, co-directs this project.

- Collaborative Pedagogies in the Global History of Science: Juan-Sebastián Gil-Riaño, assistant professor of history and sociology of science, Projit Mukharji, associate professor of history and sociology of science; Harun Küçük, assistant professor of history and sociology of science; Ramah McKay, assistant professor of history and sociology of science; Marcy Norton, associate professor of history; and Ian Pierre, associate director at Center for Teaching and Learning will assist on this project, along with lecturers and doctoral students from history and sociology of science.

- International Organizations in Crisis; led by Julia Gray, associate professor of political science; Mitchell Orenstein, professor and chair of Russian and East European studies; and David Zaring, associate professor of legal studies and business ethics at Wharton, are also involved in this project.

- Rivers Have Memory: Community Recovery of a Watershed in Times of Conflict and Transition; Kristina Lyons, assistant professor of anthropology; Bethany Wiggin, associate professor of Germanic languages and literatures and director of Penn Program in Environmental Humanities, and Deborah Thomas, R. Jean Brownlee Professor of Anthropology and director of the Center for Experimental Ethnography, are also part of this project.

The Provost’s Postdoctoral Fellowships (previously called the Postdoctoral Fellowships for Academic Diversity) seek to attract promising researchers and educators from different backgrounds, races, ethnic groups and other diverse populations whose life experience, research experience and employment background will contribute significantly to the University’s academic mission. Fellowships are available for postdoctoral training in all areas of study at Penn.

The Provost and the Vice Provost for Research, in partnership with the deans, established the Postdoctoral Fellowships for Academic Diversity 10 years ago to encourage a broad spectrum of candidates to pursue research careers in academia. As the program has matured, and after benchmarking it against similar programs at peer institutions, the program has been renamed the Provost’s Postdoctoral Fellowships, consistent with titles of similar programs at peer institutions.

Postdoctoral Fellows receive a stipend of $54,000 in year one, with $2,000 increments in years two and three, as well as annual allowances for travel ($2,000) and research ($5,000) and a one-time relocation allowance of $5,000. The University also provides a medical, vision, dental and life insurance benefits package. Successful candidates will receive highly mentored scholarly and research training, as well as courses and workshops to enhance their research success skills.

The application deadline is November 1, 2019. Complete details about the program can be found at https://research.upenn.edu/postdocs-and-students/postdoctoral-fellowships/
The Bibliophile as Bookbinder: The Angling Bindings of S. A. Neff, Jr.

The Bibliophile as Bookbinder: The Angling Bindings of S. A. Neff, Jr., is on exhibit now through December 20 at Van Pelt Library.

This exhibition explores one man’s passion for the natural world and the world of books. Over five decades ago, Mr. Neff began a serious pursuit of both trout and books on the art of angling. His travels have taken him to some of the most picturesque and challenging trout rivers in this country and abroad. His collection of angling books has grown into a proper library of 3,000 volumes dating from 1554, with a focus on fly-fishing for trout and salmon.

In the early 1980s, Mr. Neff transitioned from a career in graphic design to fine bookbinding. For over two decades he has focused his binding efforts exclusively on work for his angling library. Mr. Neff creates sets of bindings with multiple volumes contained in drop-back boxes. The work ranges from bindings with intricate pictorial panels of Japanese dyed paper to decorative leather bindings (goat skin) with multiple on-lays, and elaborate gold tooling.

The design on the box serves as an introduction to its contents and even single volumes are housed in decorative boxes.

In bridging the span of centuries of binding design, Mr. Neff has often focused on modern interpretations of 17th- and 18th-century panel designs. His collection of angling books, unique in its genre, will remain intact in perpetuity in the Penn Libraries (Almanac November 1, 2016).

A fully-illustrated catalogue accompanies this exhibition. The catalogue includes essays by Mr. Neff, Lynne Farrington and Cara Schlesinger, and it features 230 full-color images, a glossary of terms, and a bibliography. The catalogue is 11” x 8.5”, 184 pages, full color, stiff paper cover with French flaps, embossed, and Smythe sewn. It is available for purchase on the symposium registration page for pick-up at the time of the symposium.

This exhibit is located in the Goldstein Family Gallery, sixth floor, Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Free and open to the public (please show photo ID at entrance). For further information: (215) 898-7088 or kislak@pobox.upenn.edu

Bound to Conserve: The Art of Angling and the Future of Rivers

This September 14 symposium, in conjunction with the exhibition, The Bibliophile as Bookbinder: The Angling Bindings of S. A. Neff, Jr., will explore conservation on rivers, book-selling, collecting and binding, all with a focus on their impact on and relationship with angling.

A one-day pop-up exhibit of historic rods, reels, flies, and books from the S. A. Neff, Jr., collection will be on display in the Henry Charles Lea Library on the sixth floor of Van Pelt Library.

The symposium will take place 1-7 p.m. in the Class of 1978 Orrery Pavilion, Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts, also on the sixth floor of the Van Pelt Library. See schedule: https://www.library.upenn.edu/about/exhibits-events/neff Please bring photo ID for admittance to the building.
The University of Pennsylvania Police Department Community Crime Report

About the Crime Report: Below are the Crimes Against Persons or Crimes Against Society from the campus report for August 26-September 1, 2019. Also reported were 13 Crimes Against Property (7 thefts from building, 2 burglaries, 2 retail thefts, 1 bike theft and 1 theft from vehicle) with 2 arrests. Full reports are available at https://almanac.upenn.edu/sections/crimes. Prior weeks’ reports are also online. 

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 August 26-September 1, 2019. The University Police actively patrol from Market St to Baltimore Avenue and from the Schuylkill River to 43rd St 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 (215) 898-4482.

18th District

Below are the Crimes Against Persons from the 18th District: 6 incidents (3 assaults, 2 robberies and 1 aggravated assault) with 1 arrest were reported between August 26-September 1, 2019 in the 18th District covering the Schuylkill River to 49th Street & Market Street to Woodland Avenue.

08/26/19
3:08 AM 3400 Spruce St Assault
08/26/19
9:23 PM 4517 Locust St Robbery
08/27/19
5:40 AM 40th/Market Sts Aggravated Assault
08/27/19
6:51 PM 3900 Woodland Ave Robber
08/28/19
10:43 AM 3400 Civic Center Blvd Assault
08/28/19
11:54 PM 3000 Chestnut St Assault

Penn Dental Med: Discounted Dental Care Fees for Uninsured Penn Students

Penn Dental Medicine is giving students throughout the University of Pennsylvania something to smile about with the introduction of discounted dental-care fees for those students without dental insurance. The discounted fees were effective September 1.

"Oral health is an essential component of general health," noted Penn Dental Medicine’s Morton Amsterdam Dean Mark Wolff. "We are pleased to offer this resource to students across the University to ensure their continued good health."

The discounted fee schedule is for dental care within the School’s teaching clinics and is available to all uninsured Penn undergraduate and graduate students. Routine preventive and restorative services are discounted 30% and all specialty services, including oral surgery, orthodontics, periodontics, endodontics and prosthodontics, are discounted 20% for self-pay students with a valid University ID. Dental plans are also available.

Care is provided within the School’s teaching clinics at 240 S. 40th Street. Regular hours are Monday-Wednesday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information or to schedule an appointment, students can call (215) 898-8965.
Two large-scale sculptures on loan for 99 years from the Association for Public Art (aPA) moved from the Philadelphia Museum of Art (PMA) to Penn’s campus this summer.

The geometric, steel *Atmosphere and Environment XII*, created in 1970 by Louise Nevelson, was installed on Shoemaker Green between Franklin Field and The Palestra. It consists of 30 open, rectangular cubes, each weighing 500 pounds, stacked and bolted together. One of a series, *Atmosphere and Environment XII* was originally exhibited in France and New York before it was purchased by the Association in 1971. (The other sculptures in the series are located at Princeton and Yale.) It now sits on a grassy curve on Shoemaker Green, making it possible to walk around the sculpture.

*Social Consciousness*, a 12-foot-high bronze of five figures by Jacob Epstein, was installed along the Memorial Garden Walkway next to the Van Pelt-Dietrich Library Center. Created in 1954, it was originally commissioned for the Ellen Phillips Samuel Memorial on terraces along Kelly Drive on the Schuylkill River. As it took shape, it became clear the site could not accommodate the massive work. It was installed at the Art Museum in 1955.

The central figure is the “Eternal Mother,” seated with outstretched arms and a solemn, sorrowful countenance. Flanking her are two standing female figures: One represents Compassion, reaching down to comfort a stricken youth collapsed at her feet, and the other personifies Death, supporting a young man who bends backward to embrace her shoulders. The location chosen at Penn for *Social Consciousness*, while along a well-used path, is also a contemplative setting.

“They are in major locations that will have a resonance and relationship with the other outdoor sculptures at Penn,” said University Curator Lynn Marsden-Atlass, who is also director of the Arthur Ross Gallery, noting that much thought went into the settings, taking into consideration the artists’ intent.

Bringing the sculptures to Penn was a two-year effort that included an extensive site research and selection process. Ms. Marsden-Atlass and her team worked with the Art Advisory Committee and the On-Campus Art Subcommittee, along with Facilities and Real Estate Services.

Both sculptures are owned by the aPA. Each was temporarily placed at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, though they ended up spending decades there. The artworks needed a new, long-term home due to the extensive renovations at the PMA. The aPA says it took the opportunity to reconsider the placement and context of the sculptures so they could be seen to their best advantage and remain accessible to the public.

Penn emerged as the best place for both.

“We are thrilled to have worked with Penn to add to the collection of public art on campus, where the sculptures can be viewed and appreciated by new audiences and revisited by their existing fans in a different setting,” said Penny Balkin Bach, aPA executive director and chief curator.

Although Penn is responsible for daily care of the sculptures and grounds, the aPA is responsible for major ongoing conservation, starting with removal of surface grime and adding a protective wax coating on *Social Consciousness*.

Crews have been working to complete the landscaping and paving; work is expected to be completed by September 10.

Atmosphere and Environment XII took two days, with one rain delay, to install on Shoemaker Green.

Moving *Social Consciousness*, with its base alone weighing more than twice that of the Penn Museum’s Sphinx, was quite the feat. It began on July 15 and finished almost a month later.