Alumnus may withhold $5000 unless Hackney bans military

In a letter to Hackney last week, the University lost a significant supporter about a week after Sheldon Hackney's recent recruiting visit. The letter, "I am tired of hearing the word military on campus," was written on behalf of inmates at the Federal Correctional Institution in Danbury, Connecticut, to Hackney, the University's chancellor. The letter, signed "a concerned citizen," addressed the University's recent recruitment of former Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, who spoke at the University last week, as well as the University's ongoing research in military affairs.

"It strikes me as an unfortunate coincidence that the University should be recruiting military leaders when it is currently reevaluating its policies on military involvement," the letter said. "People have a right to know more about military recruitment policies at the University," the letter continued. "I believe that the University has a responsibility to make clear its stance on military recruitment, and I am concerned that the University is not doing so."

The letter was written on behalf of a group of inmates at the Federal Correctional Institution in Danbury, Connecticut, who have been participating in a campaign to end the University's involvement in military recruitment.

Law suits could foil future of photocopying

By DAVID GODFREY

Problems and proposals about the future of photocopying were discussed at a conference for college presses last week. The conference was held to address concerns about the future of photocopying in higher education, with particular focus on the relationship between college presses and the University of Pennsylvania Press.

The conference was organized by the Association of University Presses, in collaboration with the Pennsylvania State University Press, and was held in Old Main on the University of Pennsylvania campus. The event was attended by representatives from college presses across the country, as well as members of the University's administration.

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Campus Events

Graduate / Professional Students

TODAY

Officials of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers will visit the campus to discuss a new federal contract for the design of a new William Hall. The Corps is the official agency responsible for the design and construction of federal facilities.

TOMORROW

Students of the School of Nursing will present a program on the health needs of the elderly population.

FUTURE

The Student Senate will hold a special meeting to discuss the budget for the upcoming year.

NOTICE

A meeting of the Student Government Association will be held to discuss the allocation of student fees for the coming year.

Graduate / Professional Students

U.S. News & World Report has ranked the University's graduate programs in the top ten in the country. The university's programs in business, law, and medicine have all received top rankings.

Philadelphia Police Indict five officers

U. Press flourishes after long decline

Graduate / Professional Students

The Philadelphia Inquirer has published its first edition of a new weekend section, "Inquirer," which will feature local and national news stories.

Philly Hackney attends state budget hearing

Suits threatens future of photocopying

Philadelphia Police indict five officers

Philadelphia Police have arrested five officers in connection with a large-scale cover-up of police corruption in the city. According to the indictment, the officers conspired to obstruct justice and to defraud the government by falsifying police reports and destroying evidence.

Philly Hackney attends state budget hearing

Philly Hackney, the new state budget hearing, attended a hearing yesterday on the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. He expressed concern about the proposed cuts in education funding and urged the legislature to consider increasing funding for public schools.

Suits threatens future of photocopying

The American Library Association has voted to end the ban on copying photographs, a decision that threatens the future of photocopying services across the country. The decision has been met with mixed reactions, with some libraries welcoming the change and others expressing concern about the impact on their budget.
Tuesday/City Limits

U. City leaders strive to relieve ethnic tensions

BY ALVIN BURNHAM

Twelve-year-old Vat Moua and his

brothers are playing stick marbles near the
dirt garden of the M.E. Temperance Tabernacle Church,
at 43rd and Walnut Streets.

They are Hmong refugees, and

like thousands of others, they are

settling in the predominantly Asian

neighborhood of West Philadelphia.

The Hmong, a Southeast Asian

nation of Laos, the Hmong find the

area where they settled, a dominate

community, where social isolation

is common.

The Hmong, who came to

Philadelphia in the late 1970s

after a ten-year war in Laos, have

found themselves caught in the

middle of a war between blacks and

Hmong and other Southeast Asian

migrants who fled the Southeast

in the 1970s.

Recently, Vat Moua and his

friends have been having
disputes with the neighborhood boys, who

are black.

"I'm tired of people running

around and doing things that

bother other kids. Some of

these boys won't take no for

an answer," said Moua.

The Hmong say that black kids

are stealing their marbles and

forcing them to leave.

"They don't play the same
games as we do," said Moua.

"We all want to play, but they

won't give us a chance.

They stick up for each other and

they're not willing to share."

Government aid to refugees is

no longer available to the

Hmong.

"The government stopped

helping us when we were

newcomers," said Moua.

"Hmong refugees sometimes

feel like there's no one who

understands them."

Hmong children playing with a 'yung' jump rope

1. a) Discuss the issues related to ethnic tensions in West Philadelphia.
b) What are the underlying causes of the conflict between the Hmong and the black community?

2. a) How do the Hmong and black communities differ in their perceptions of the conflict?
b) What measures are being taken to address the tensions?

3. a) How do the Hmong and black communities view the role of government aid in resolving conflicts?
b) What are the implications of the government's decision to stop providing aid to refugees?

4. a) How do the Hmong and black communities view their respective roles in the conflict?
b) What are the long-term implications of the current situation?

5. a) What strategies can be employed to promote understanding and cooperation between the Hmong and black communities?
b) How can community leaders facilitate dialogue and conflict resolution?
A Positive Effort

In a University population of almost 22,000, the relatively small number of black students can find themselves feeling socially and culturally separated from the campus mainstream. Such feelings of isolation have in the past led to complaints about the university as an environment for black students. A newly created program sponsored by the Black Alumni Association and the Black Student Union promises to bridge this gap through increased social interaction and presentation of black student issues. The program brought about different perspectives and interest back to campus to help black students and others.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
The issue is such a…

The True West

The Wholesome Truth

Kevin Nacson, President, Black Alumni Society

Academic Freedom in El Salvador: It's Disappearing

By Sandy Waxman

The university community in a country ruled by military leaders acquires a degree of independence from the state that is unique in Latin America, where the military has traditionally exercised a virtual monopoly over political life. University administrators and faculty members are able to exercise a considerable degree of autonomy in matters of academic freedom. However, the military regime has been cracking down on opposition to its policies, and university educators have been targeted for criticism.

Quotation of the Day

Natalie Lora, a correspondent for the Radio Corporation of Nicaragua, who was on campus when the massacre took place, described the situation as a "catalyst" for demands for greater freedom of speech and expression. "This is a time when we need to stand up for what is right," she said. "We need to speak out against the violence and injustice.""
Houston Hall to ban on-ben Board considers barring recruiters

This year's Spring Break will feature a groundbreaking initiative when Houston Hall begins the process of banning recruitment on its campus. The decision was reached at a meeting of the Student Senate on February 20, 2003, following discussions over the past several months.

Background Information:

Houston Hill is a residential college of the University of Pennsylvania, located on the main campus in Philadelphia. The college is divided into two parts: Hill College, which houses scholars and students of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Houston, which houses the College of General Studies and the School of Education.

Houston Hill has a long history of recruiting activities, with students from all over the country coming to visit and learn about the college. However, the college administration has been increasingly concerned about the impact of recruitment on the academic environment and student well-being.

The Decision:

At the meeting of the Student Senate on February 20, 2003, the board voted to begin the process of banning recruitment on the campus. The decision was reached after several months of discussion and consultation with students, faculty, and staff.

The Senate voted to form a task force to explore the feasibility of implementing a recruitment ban. The task force will be charged with developing a plan for the implementation of the ban and will report its findings to the Senate by the end of the academic year.

The task force will consider various factors in making its recommendations, including the potential impact of the ban on student recruitment, the impact on the academic environment, and the impact on the college's ability to attract new students.

The Senate will review the task force's recommendations and make a decision on whether to implement the ban. The decision will be made by the end of the academic year.

The decision to ban recruitment is a significant step forward in ensuring a more positive academic environment for all students at Houston Hill.

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He said, "I have learned a lot from the college's computer science courses.

Alumni sponsorship of the college's computer science program has provided significant financial support.

The college is striving to attract more students to the program.

The college is committed to providing a supportive environment for all students.

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Michaela Jones, a junior computer science major, said, "I am very pleased with the college's computer science program.

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Ex-refusenik speaks on Brailovsky family

Lecture addresses hardships for Soviet dissidents

By: Deborah Markowitz

February 21

Famed ex-refusenik Grigori Freeman spoke to about 25 people in Philadelphia, Mariana's sister and co-author of the book about Freeman's life, told the audience that the former Soviet exile "is a product of his time. He is a real human being. He has lived a difficult life."

Ms. Freeman said Freeman will talk to explain what they call "boot devices" as they travel through the criminal process.

"He's taken from me and worse," she said. "He's denied an exit permit to Israel, where he currently resides, and now there has been problems with the government."

"He didn't want me to talk about him. He said 'I have been denied an exit permit to Israel.'"

"As he travels, he is denied an exit permit to Israel."

"I'm very proud of him. He is a very interesting person in helping his friends who are still in the Soviet Union."

City toughens parking regulations

By: Shirley Seligson

The recent passage of a "booting" bill by City Council has put Philadelphia Parking Authority to the test. A new parking regulation is now in effect, requiring motorists to pay for parking or face having their vehicles booted.

"I don't like it," said one Philadelphia resident. "I feel like I'm being punished for my mistakes."

"It's a good idea," said another. "It will deter people from parking too long on the street.

"The initial cost will be more than offset by the initial rate," he said.

City Transportation Director Richard Hillman defended the new regulation of parking fines.

"The boot is a tool used to get people to pay," he said. "People in Washington have shown that with the boot a city can get parking ticket collections of about 100 percent."

"We have fixed the conscious feelings and brought inner peace by uniting mind with the cosmic mind," he said. "The resultant of all conscious entities is the cosmic mind."

"This is how we practice yoga."

"We also practice meditation," he said. "It helps to clear the mind and focus on the present moment."

"In the US, we have received the same results."

"The initial idea was to have more rain," he said. "But it didn't work."

"The result is that we have more drought and less rainfall," he said.

"But we are taking steps to improve the situation," he added.

"We have implemented new strategies and are working towards a better future," he said.

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When I wrote the book, I didn't know what I would have to do."

"In the decision that I would have to do," he said. "It was very bad.

"I'm sorry," he said. "I do not believe that the concept of yoga is the answer."

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McElreary's decision is Penn's loss—

LARRY McELREARY stood in the back of the room as the first five members of Penn's fencing team walked out onto the court. The Quakers' coach never missed his Wednesday morning pre-meeting.

McElreary's decision is Penn's loss—

He sent those five men down the road to their respective categories. He then turned to walk down, stopping just before the first man had reached his station. He stopped and took in the sight of his team as they prepared to begin another day of practice.

McElreary, who has been coaching the Penn fencing team for 15 years, is one of the most respected coaches in the sport. He has guided his team to national championships and has produced several Olympic-caliber fencers.

Despite his accomplishments, McElreary has never been considered for the position of head coach at Penn. Instead, he has been passed over in favor of younger, less experienced candidates.

This decision has caused frustration among many members of the Penn fencing team. They believe that McElreary deserves to be recognized for his contributions to the sport and the university.

McElreary's retirement is scheduled for the end of the season. He plans to continue coaching as an independent consultant and to remain involved in the sport he loves.
W. Squash rolls past Brunis, 10-0
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Thirtysome years in squash, but for most of that time as theoubles, but at least six of them went to the Penn

"I was pleased with the way we played," Panarese commented. "I'm pretty sure we'll be ready for the nationals."
Despite strong efforts, M. Track 5th at Heptes

By MIKE HERING

"I was never proud to see a person in a purple and gold uniform," said head coach Betty Quate. "We're fighting for the performance of the Penn men's track and field team, and we've got to work hard to be competitive in more meets."

Several Quakers turned in strong performances over the weekend, but they weren't enough to vault the team into the top 20 of the national rankings. After finishing third in four meet times last year, the Quakers fell to sixth place this year.

"It's a disappointing finish for us," said coach Quate. "We had a lot of good performances, but it didn't come together for us on the day."

Quate said that the team's performance was "impossible to lose," but he added that "the competition included three top 20 teams, and we know that at least two of those will be competitive in more meets this year."

The Quakers' best performance came from the 4x100 meter relay, where they clocked a time of 41.88 seconds to finish third. Other strong efforts came from the 200 and 400 meter dashes, where Quakers finished fourth and fifth, respectively.

"We're not disappointed in the meet with how we did," said coach Quate. "We had some great performances, but it just didn't come together for us on the day."

The Quakers' next meet is on April 15 at the Penn Relays in Philadelphia. The team will be looking to build on their strong performances from the weekend in their next event.

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DP SPORTS

McElreavy's fortune is low for football team

By STEVE BRACKNOL

Revenge can be sweet. As the AP and coaches' polls continued to rate Penn State's defense at No. 1, the Quaker defense finished 17th in the final AP poll and 19th in the coaches' poll.

"We're not disappointed in the final AP poll," said coach McElreavy. "We had some great performances, but it just didn't come together for us on the day."

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Renters, used furniture help decorate homes

By JOE TORSELLA

Students who rent housing off campus don’t have to spend the year sleeping on the floor, eating standing up, and sitting on stolen milk cartons. There is a better way.

An off-campus residence can be furnished inexpensively and attractively — all that is required is creativity and a knowledge of the options.

The easiest way, of course, is to rent a furnished apartment. If you do, it is advisable to make a list of all items in the apartment when you move in, and give a copy to the landlord. Describe the condition of all pieces to avoid penalty for any damages you are not responsible for.

Furnishing a furnished room, however, is not always a viable option since only three rental agencies in the University area offer a large number of furnished units. University City Housing, Lilian Chance and Chestnut Hall.

Off Campus Living Director Mary Morrison said last week that most residents in the surrounding community come with only a minimum of furniture.

“Most of the apartments in this area are rented unfurnished,” she said. “Typically, they have only a refrigerator, a stove and a few cabinets. There may be a few built-in pieces, but for the most part, they are unfurnished.”

But that doesn’t mean you should start combing the attic or shopping your bedrooms set from home. If you have no furniture of your own to spare, or would like to add to what you do have, used furniture is an inexpensive alternative to buying new pieces. There are a number of pieces in the University area, including...

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7000 find off-campus homes

Housing office provides into on living options, landlords

By KIM CHILDS and NINA LIU

For more than 7000 students who live beyond campus at the Office of Off Campus Living provides information and guidance on housing issues and responsibilities.

The office, located on the second floor of 3732 Locust Walk, helps prepare students for the experience of living off-campus by holding consultations with them and providing a wealth of information on available housing, landlords, crime and theft prevention and transportation services. It has also, within the past year, added more fact sheets, such as listings of child care centers, churches and banks, and a bulletin board to inform students who live off-campus of upcoming events and activities at the University.

Moe Morrison, director of Off Campus Living, tries to encourage students to consider thoroughly the pros and cons, hazards, benefits, disadvantages and unfamiliarity of choosing to rent a house. Students must learn what is expected of them as tenants, and must understand their rights as well as responsibilities, she said.

"I think our students are interested in becoming more and more independent, as a sort of preparation for the 'real world," she added.

Morrison reports an increasing number of students who are interested in renting houses for next year, and more students who are moving farther away from campus as far as 48th Street. Also, there are more groups with both males and females, "many for safety reasons," she said.

"The office provides checklists to avoid "house hunters" in considering ad options and selecting sound, safe and secure residences. Also, since legal contracts and landlord relations are new to many students, Morrison makes sure they are aware of financial and legal responsibilities.

"I caution them about certain misconceptions they may have," Morrison said. "For example, many students think living off-campus is always cheaper. This is not necessarily true."

Partly because student demand for houses has grown significantly this year, rents have also increased—some as high as $700 to $1150 a month. Many landlords are now asking from $700 to $1350 a month.

"I've been cautioning students not to rush into leases without reading them carefully, and without attempting some negotiating," Morrison said.

Off Campus Living also offers students to other resources on campus, such as the Pennsylvania Consumers Board (PCB), which helps residents find the "best buy" for their money, assists in disputes between consumers and businesses, and provides counseling services.

To help students in their selection of off-campus housing, PCB prints the PCB Landlord Guide and the PCB Landlord Survey, which rate most landlords in the area.

and provides sample leases and lease translations.

The largest concentration of University students, faculty and staff reside in Spruce Hill, a neighborhood which extends west from campus to 46th Street between Market Street and Woodland Avenue. However, in a trend which started last year, more students have opted to move as far as 49th Street and to Center City.

Morrison said most community members of West Philadelphia are fairly receptive to students living in the neighborhood. Problems with trash disposal, parties and noise do arise, but can often be solved by consulting with the landlords and neighbors. The office tries to promote student interaction with the community in block associations, especially for crime prevention purposes.

Landlords also come to the office for advice and information about their residents' needs and wishes. Morrison said that as a result her office has received more cooperation from them.

"There has been a decrease in landlord complaints on the part of students due to orientation education of students," she said. They are returning security deposits on time and students are communicating with their landlords. Also, we've been able to get landlords to allow students to break leases with legitimate excuses.

Information on available housing is issued every two weeks on computer printouts, including descriptions, locations, landlords and rents for campus houses and apartments. A bulletin board in the office has advertisements for roommates, rooms and houses available or needed.

"We're trying to save what we think is a huge amount of time for students," Morrison said. "Students who live off-campus can drop by here regularly to keep informed of what's going on; instead of getting the information from many different offices."

Anyone with questions about living off-campus is encouraged to drop by the office or call 926-3522.

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Inspecting before renting can prevent problems

By DUANE LYONS and GARY MILLER

The process of searching for an apartment is complex. Spending a few extra minutes to study all the options may save days or weeks of problems and headaches after the lease has been signed.

When visiting an apartment there is no better place to start inspecting than the front door. Does it have a peephole? Although it is not mandatory, it is usually advantageous to have one. Check to see that the front door has a strong lock. A poor lock can easily be picked by files or credit cards.

Many apartment buildings have two sets of doors—a door to the floor below followed by a door to the lobby. Be sure to check for adequate lighting, secure locks, and if there is a buzzer or intercom system, check to see that it works.

Although the landlord is not required to put bars on first floor windows, it is advisable to have this done. Also check to see that all windows have bars.

When in doubt, ask the present tenant or a neighbor for an honest answer. The best way to do this is by returning to the apartment later without the landlord. Ask the tenant if the landlord is concerned about his protection.

Be sure to examine the entire apartment before signing a lease. Do not accept a friend’s recommendations blindly, as apartments in the same building sometimes differ greatly. Check all cabinets and closets for ample storage space and sufficient lighting.

Another thing to watch for is the number of electrical outlets in each room, since it can be difficult maneuvering around a million cords. There should be at least two outlets in each room, although one outlet and one overhead light is an acceptable substitute.

In addition, ask the current tenant what last month’s utility bill came to. This will provide an indication of electricity costs. See if there is access to the fuse box. No one likes to wait in the dark for the landlord to arrive.

When entering a room, look up at the ceiling. Cracked or stained plaster may be a sign of a leaking roof or bathroom above. Likewise, check for cracked wall plaster or peeling wallpaper. See if the walls are good sound insulators, so the next door doesn’t seem to be heard moving.

Getting adequate heating and hot water also could prevent a problem. If leasing a house, find out who is responsible for water payments. Moreover, check the water pressure. Flush the toilet while simultaneously turning on the faucets. If the pressure is low, consider the importance of living in that specific apartment.

Look for space heaters. If one is in sight, beware. This usually indicates that the landlord is not generous with heat. There should be a heating duct or radiator in every room.

There are various lease forms which are used in this area. The Pennsylvania Consumers Board (PCB), located in Houston Hall, can help determine which forms should be avoided and which should be used.

Remember that leasing is a serious legal obligation. Never rent an apartment without first visiting it. University City is a diverse neighborhood, and dives and palaces may exist side by side. This is also true for other areas. Once a lease is signed, there is a commitment to follow its terms.

A question often asked is “How do I get out of my lease?” For all practical purposes, it cannot be done. If tenants were allowed to leave an apartment whenever they felt like it, the landlord would be able to ask a tenant to leave or raise the rent whenever he felt like it.

In most yearly leases, there is a commitment for one year and notice must be given by a specified date (indicated in the lease) if you do not plan to retain the apartment. If proper notice is not given, the lease may automatically be extended for another year. This is not applicable in the case of a PCB lease.

Subletting is another issue that especially applies to student tenants. Most landlords say that no tenant may sublet without the landlord’s knowledge and consent. However, the landlord must make an effort to accept a reasonable subletter. Subletting without the landlord’s permission can result in the eviction of the tenant and the subletter, and the tenant is held responsible for the rent.

One thing to remember about subletting is that the tenant is still responsible to the landlord for the term of the lease. Even if the subtenant pays directly to the landlord, the tenant is still responsible for the rent if the subtenant fails to make the rent payment. It is best to have a strong written agreement with the subletter to avoid any problems. A sample agreement, developed by PCB, is available at the Office of Off Campus Living.

When renting with roommates, remember that all are collectively and individually responsible for the rent. If one roommate fails to pay the rent, the others must make it up to the landlord. Most landlords will not care about personal situations.

The security deposit is another area of common concern with apartment rentals. This money is held by the landlord to cover any future monetary losses the tenant causes, either by physically damaging property or by not paying rent. It is not acceptable to use this money for the last month’s rent, and the landlord has the right to take legal action if a tenant attempts to do so.

The landlord is entitled to require two month’s rent for a security deposit for the first year and only one month’s rent thereafter. However, he is allowed to ask for as many months the rent “in advance” as he wishes. After two years of living in an apartment, the landlord must pay interest on any sums over $100.

After moving out of an apartment, the landlord must be furnished with a forwarding address. Moreover, he must send the entire security deposit, or the portion that remains, plus a letter detailing the deductions, to the tenant within 30 days. To avoid the landlord’s making unfair claims, it is suggested that a letter be made of all damages done to the apartment before being rented. This letter should be witnessed by the landlord or one of his agents. A copy of the list should be sent to the landlord by registered mail, return receipt requested, to prove that he received it.

If a tenant feels he has been treated unfairly, or the security deposit and/or letter of explanation were not received, he can file a case with PCB or go by Small Claims Court.

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Remain alert to minimize risks

By DIRK ZIFF

While it is impossible to ensure that students living off campus enjoy the same degree of safety as those housed in dormitories, there are measures which off-campus residents can and should take. Mayor Monroe, director of Off Campus Living, said students who reside beyond campus boundaries often have a false sense of security.

"(Philadelphia is a city in transition," she said. "Anyone living here has to see common sense and good judgment."

Adequate street lighting and busy streets are the greatest insurance of safety. When seeking off-campus accommodations, one should look for areas which are heavily occupied by owners since stability breeds security. Students should avoid areas dominated by families, as they tend not to be on the streets at night.

Off-campus residents who travel on foot should stick to the main thoroughfares of the neighborhood — Pine, Spruce, Walnut and Chestnut Streets, as well as 40th, 45th and 50th Streets. Walk in the middle of the street if you are unfamiliar with the area, and avoid side streets and shortcuts through parks or alleys, especially unfamiliar ones.

The Office of Off Campus Living offers some general words of advice to minimize risks:

- Always lock your doors and windows. Make sure you know who is knocking at your door before opening it.
- If your door is not equipped with a peephole, have one installed — it's inexpensive, and well worth it.
- Take care to draw all curtains, and never dress in front of a window.
- If, upon returning home, you suspect someone has been inside, don't enter and immediately call the police.
- Have an alarm system and display a sticker on your door saying you have one.
- Keep outside lights on all night. Leave some lights on inside your home if you're away for the evening, and be careful not to leave ladders outside. Be wary of unexpected deliveries or service calls. Seriously consider buying a home security alarm system and display a sticker on your door saying you have one. Also, it's a good idea to engrave your valuables with an identification number, such as your driver's license or social security number.

The Philadelphia Police Department offers additional tips for making homes more secure:

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While it is crucial that, once settled in a new neighborhood, you get to know its residents and resources. There are always places you may take to make your neighborhood safer for you and your neighbors.

- By all means, join a block association, or if none exists, start one — it isn't difficult. Invite neighbors over for serious discussions about security, and encourage them to promote safety by noting the license plate number of any suspicious vehicles parked on your street.
- Lester Gottschalk, assistant to the Pharmacology Department chairman, actively promotes safety on the streets of University City. She founded "Neighborhood Walk," a group which patrols the streets of the Garden Court area in search of illegal activities.

Members of the group, who patrol an average of two hours a month, are armed. Instead, they carry very,

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Students try Center City life

By ILANA HARLOW

Some students venture into Center City once in a blue moon. Some students make the trek every day. They have to — they live there.

Out of more than 2,000 students living off campus, 757 are living in Center City this year, compared to 642 who lived there last year. Off-Campus Living Director Mae Montross said last week. Most of the people who opt to live in Center City are graduate students who wish to escape the crowded, congested environment on campus and in the surrounding areas.

Many students said a basic appeal of Center City life is the "real world" environment, where the lifestyle is more private, and where they can meet people other than students.

Second-year Law School student David Prager, who lives on 20th and Chestnut Streets, lived in Graduate Towers last year, and found them "colorless and cramped." But it was not just the room which prompted him to live in Center City. "I had an option to live closer to the Law School, but decided that the neighborhood had it's appeal," Prager said. "I wanted a place with my own rights and sounds and different people. West Philadelphia has a student ghetto during the school year. I prefer Center City where I live amongst people living normal lives, not only students. Center City residents range from apartments and studio townhouses and Victorian homes. Most students said they were pleased with their accommodations because they were more spacious and attractive than campus dormitories and West Philadelphia residences.

Their main complaint was the rent which is significantly higher than the rent in neighborhoods surrounding campus. Most apartments range from $300 to $600 a month, but these are one-bedroom apartments for as low as $275 and houses which go for $1,100. Montross said while more and more students are choosing this alternative, somewhat of a disadvantage is that the rent payments for making homes more secure are always above $500.

"Many people can't afford Center City, or what they can afford is undesirable so they live in University City," Montross said. "Some students living in Center City come back — they can't afford it and go for University City living."

I was interested in campus life and an opportunity to try something new which attracted most of the current residents to Center City. It was a new, exciting environment, and I decided to take the rent payments for making homes more secure are above $500."

"I think of being away as the freedom — it's change and I need change to study," Haber said. "If it gets to be

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Furniture, or the lack of it, could present a problem. If the apartment is furnished, find out exactly what comes with the apartment. It is advisable to get this list in writing from the landlord. Also examine the quality of the furniture, especially the condition of the mattresses and couches.

The kitchen should also be investigated thoroughly. Check to see that there is a full kitchen table and plenty of shelf space. Also see if there is a garbage disposal, a free refrigerator, plenty of counter space, electrical outlets and proper ventilation.

Repairs are often an important factor in apartment living, especially when living in a neighborhood with buildings as old as some of those in University City. The landlord is legally responsible for these categories of repairs, those necessary to conform to the Philadelphia housing code. These repairs specifically mentioned in the lease and those necessary to maintain the feasibility of the apartment.

The landlord is legally responsible for all repairs, including those that may be the responsibility of the tenant.

The landlord may have the option of making the necessary repairs and deducting the cost from the rent. Never deduct from the rent without first consulting PCB or an attorney, as the tenant is responsible for all repairs and may be sued.

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There are six distinct neighborhoods in University City, all of which have their own neighborhood associations.

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• Walnut Hill - Walnut Hill Community Association, P.O. Box 16747, Philadelphia, Pa. 19139, 476-8109
• Cedar Park - Cedar Park Neighborhood, Inc., 716 South 49th Street
• Kingsessing - Save Our Neighborhood Association, 526 39th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19143, 727-3041
• Powelton Village - Powelton Village Civic Association, 315 North 36th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104
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too monotonous. It's hard to study. Just walking across the bridge is a nice change.

Dave D'Oroliano, a Wharton graduate student who lives on 36th Street in Queen's Village, said he appreciated the company in Center City. "Being a grad student, the city has a lot more to offer," he said. "Down here, people are more like me in style and age. It's a young professional crowd and is very neighborly."

"It's a whole different line down here," he continued. "If nothing else, it gives you more of a perspective of Philly as a city rather than the University of Pennsylvania as a microcosm."

Although many students on campus consider Center City to be too far from campus life, residents there feel that the benefits outweigh the inconvenience. Students accustomed to big cities said they felt isolated living in West Philadelphia and praised Center City for its bars and clubs, restaurants and movies.

"The bars here are more fun, the music is pretty outrageous and the food is great," D'Oroliano said. Other students said they enjoyed the proximity to cultural institutions such as the Philadelphia Art Museum and Franklin Institute.

Another characteristic of Center City life which appeals to students is the lively nightlife and the number of people who are on the streets until late. Most students said the crowds made them feel safer, but one College junior said the hustle and bustle of the city was disturbing.

"The city, in some respect, is overwhelming," he said. "Everyone's trying to keep up with everyone else. People live the fakenet race which is really ridiculous. If you can establish it in your head so you don't get caught up in it, and keep a cool head then it's good."

But he added that it was also this aspect of the lifestyle which at times intrigues him. "You see everyone rushing to work in business suits. Everybody's so serious and worried about what I walk out in the morning say, 'Hey, I just have two classes to day.' I'm tired in those hours," he said.

Getting away from the collegiate lifestyle, however, also means leaving the social atmosphere and the student activities which keep the campus alive. Many of the students who live in Center City have several close friends who come down from West Philadelphia to visit them, and others make friends who also live in the neighborhood.

Wharton graduate student Elain Revah, who lives at 2400 Chestnut Street said the social life is quieter in Center City and can get lonesome if friends do not live nearby, but feels that the benefits outweigh the loss.

There may be a lot of a trade-off between University friends and friends in the holding," he said. "You give up some of the action on campus, but here you meet other types of people who aren't in college."

Graduate students tend to view the quiet as a distinct advantage. Many said they specifically wanted to avoid the noise and distractions of dorm and campus life to concentrate on their studies, but added that they would welcome undergraduates from time to time.

"It's better for college students to be on campus," Revah said. "Grad students become more realistic and are looking for something different. The college atmosphere is much more relaxed than the modern day atmosphere. If I were a college student I'd like to have noise, parties and fun.

Students who live in Center City generally found their landlords to be more receptive than those in the University area. The residents of 2400 Chestnut praised the rental manager, doorman and maintenance men as being friendly and helpful.

But of course there are the exceptions. One student who is not particularly pleased with the Center City landlords said, "They own these three blocks of real estate and they're immoral and unjust. They don't care about anything but money and themselves."

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