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Tragedy at Columbia rocks the student body

In the aftermath of Kathleen Rosko's murder, students are both mourning and fearful.

By Jeffery Shlachter

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Looking For a Place to Live? Check Out the Classified Section.

**Campus Events**

**Rain or shine get the news on weather in the DP.**

**Friday, February 9, 2001**

**MONDAY**

*Open Chapel* - The Chapel of the Christian Association is open for prayer and meditation.

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**TUESDAY**

*Jozi's* - Open to all students and visitors.

**WEDNESDAY**

*American Holocast Survivor* - Wednesday, February 14, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday.

*World Cultures* - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

**THURSDAY**

*Scholarship* - Open to all students and visitors.

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**FRIDAY**

*American Holocast Survivor* - Monday, February 26, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday.

*World Cultures* - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

**SATURDAY**

*American Holocast Survivor* - Saturday, March 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday.

*World Cultures* - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

**SUNDAY**

*American Holocast Survivor* - Sunday, March 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday.

*World Cultures* - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

**HOLOCAUST from page 1**

When the Nazis converted her Polish Catholic church into a fortress for her family, which consisted of her mother, father, and younger sister, she was forced to witness numerous concentration camps in Eastern Europe — a fact she referred to as the “Death March.”

Eva Schindler’s story is particularly unique in a number of instances. She was an American citizen. She was even interviewed by director Steven Spielberg for his Academy award-winning film, “Schindler’s List.”

Her mental weariness and physical exhaustion caused her to lose hope. It was not until the Swedish Red Cross rescued her from the camp that she stopped hoping for death and started applying for various United States visas. However, on her arrival in the United States, she realized that she did not have the funds to make it. She began her work.

She had kept her word. She wrote letters on her own, and was given characters of her family. She visited the United States, and was given the opportunity to work on her own. She visited the United States, and was given the opportunity to work on her own.

Nevertheless, Zyznicki said she refuses to let her experience at Auschwitz consume her. “Never again” will never be over in life, she said.

**Q U O T E O F T H E D A Y**

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A History of Apathy

It was just decades ago that college campuses were characterized as bastions of political involvement. The universities of the 1960s were hotbeds of student protest, with sit-ins, teach-ins, and open housing protests against the war in Vietnam. Yet today, many college students claim that they are disengaged from political processes, with a lack of interest in current events and a general apathy towards political involvement.

This disengagement is not limited to the United States. In the United Kingdom, for example, voter turnout among young people is among the lowest in the world. In the 2019 general election, less than one in five people aged 18-29 voted, compared to over 70% of those aged 70 and over.

One reason for this disengagement is the perception that politics is irrelevant to their lives. Many young people feel that their voices are not heard, and that the political processes are not designed to be accessible to them. As a result, they may choose to disengage from the political process altogether.

Another factor contributing to this disengagement is the influence of the media. With the proliferation of social media and the internet, young people are increasingly exposed to a variety of viewpoints and opinions. This can lead to a sense of political disengagement, as they may feel that they cannot make a difference in the political process, or that their views are not valued.

It is clear that if we are to address the issue of political disengagement among young people, we must address these underlying factors. By providing young people with the tools and resources to engage in the political process, we can help to ensure that the future is bright for democracy.
Art and design fuse in museum exhibit

By Alison Stein

In an exhibit exploring the bound-aries between art, architecture, and design, visitors to the Institute of Contemporary Art can see how art and design work together, rather than being in opposition.

The exhibit, "Against Design," features work by 10 artists who use design and the artists' use of the ex-pensive materials to create art.

"It's a critique of how we live and the environments we choose to live in," said Claudia Gould, the new director of the museum, she said last week. "We are no longer as conscious of our surroundings."

Only humans are affected by macular degeneration, in testing poten-tial treatments is very difficult, she noted. Bennett's research team de-veloped mice that are genetically en-gineered to create the conditions necessary to study the disorder. The mice were not used on any animals, Bennett said, treat-ments suitable tested on humans in the near future.

"This exhibit, theoretically, is far out for her, said Bennett, noting that humans who added to her knowledge of the disease. She is looking at the possibility that the disease could otherwise have been treated." Bennett said. However, the grant from the Foundation will allow her team to continue her work in developing a treatment for macular degeneration.

The exhibit opened on February 3 and will be on exhibition until late May.

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Henry Schue was a member of the Columbia junior, the event was cancelled "out of respect. It was the right thing to do," he said.

"The move was made to protect the students," Columbia President Judith Rodin said in a press statement. "This is a difficult decision, but it was the right thing to do in the circumstances."
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Plane problems traced to Alaska Air crash

Concerned pilots may be overtaking their planes, leading to overheating and other problems.

LOS ANGELES — Worried about the problem reported in the crash of Alaska Airlines Flight 261, pilots may be hard-landing their airplanes on up to 10 times as many occasions as airline officials had thought, according to a government report.

"It may be that some pilots are being overly cautious and are running through their checks several more times than they typically do with their stabilizer," said Jack Evans, an Alaska Airlines spokesperson.

The crew of Flight 261, en route from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to San Francisco and then Seattle, struggled with a stabilizer problem for at least 30 minutes before the plane crash-landed into the Pacific Ocean, emergency landing in Los Angeles. The horizontal stabilizer is a moveable, 40-foot wing section mounted high on the aircraft's tail.

The horizontal stabilizer controls the up-and-down motion of the plane during flight. It is controlled by two motors that turn a jackscrew, pressing up to 90 seconds before overheating and other problems.

"Negotiations remain our favorite option," said Joe Bobek, an Afghan official.

He characterized the negotiations, conducted in English, as "fairly calm and businesslike" and said authors of the talks expressed no intention to show the hijackers hospitality.

Afghan dissidents still control airplane

At least 140 passengers aboard when it was hijacked Sunday in Afghanistan.

The Israeli air strike was in retaliation for Hezbollah attacks.

"Those who have harmed us, will be harmed," said Efshid Bakh, an Afghan official.

Israel last summer struck a guerrilla stronghold and power stations across Lebanon early today, causing widespread blackouts in apparent retaliation for Hezbollah attacks that killed five Israeli soldiers.

The Israeli army said the attack on the Hezbollah stronghold, which controls a major port in south Lebanon, was in response to "the severest escalation in the situation of recent days and other re-

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Michigan to force Athletic Director to resign

Don't let your boyfriend/girlfriend, mom/dad, wife/husband, S.O. or best friend go through Valentine's Day without knowing how much you care for them. Procrastinators rejoice: UPS Second Day and Next Day Air Services are guaranteed to get your letter or package there on time, or your money back!

Irritated Cr.
M. Swimming sweeps at home

S. Tetrault reporting for The Daily Pennsylvanian

There was a healthy crowd on hand at the Palestra on Saturday to watch the Penn men's swimming team sink some Bison. Burkhart led Penn 108-113 in the last home meet for the Quakers this season.

For the second straight year, Burkhart had a 14-14 record but in a season securing early victories at the meet, so that by the time the duals were over, the Quakers had achieved a corresponding lead. However, the races themselves were very close, with the winners of most of the events finishing a full second ahead of the losers and the results scanned onto the scoreboard.

Frontstroker Spencer Lott was named for a raffle that will be held at the Palestra. In that game, the junior diver showed his form, winning the 10-meter dash with a time of 4.01. He also won the 50 free with a time of 19.94.

Rohren has been instrumental in securing early victories in backstroke events. Mahowald and Sheremeta have been key in winning the sprint events.

The Red Blue Crew has not yet achieved its goal of $10,000. The crew does have a total of $6,000 with its first win over Bucknell last week. The goal is to have the entire team raised for a tough meet against Penn's Ivy rivals.

“Any way you look at it, this was a great race for the Quakers,” said Rohren. “We had a strong showing for Penn. The seniors have displayed some quality.”

The squad has secured victories in backstroke events. Maslow and Sheremeta have been key in winning the sprint events.

“M. Basketball from page 12

"It felt great to go out on top," said Landis. "We got some more things organized and it hurt (the team) somewhat to lose our class, but I think the team will find a way to get over it."
Peel back the表皮

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — With an astonishing solo run to win the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, Tiger Woods carved his name into the history of golf with a performance that many say could have ended on Sunday with his 18th hole in the 123rd year of the California event.

The 24-year-old Woods, who won by 12 strokes, ended 18 holes on 26 under par for a 15-under total of 273, breaking the previous record of 274 by Gene Sarazen in 1932.

"Tiger shows people who he is," said Jack Nicklaus, who won the event seven times between 1962 and 1975. "He shows them the wonderful player he is."


"I've been around for a long time," said Arnold Palmer, who won in 1960, 1962 and 1965. "I've never seen anything like that in my life."

"There are certain times in history where a sport is dominated by one person," said Ed Sneed, who won in 1970. "I'd say now Tiger has done that for golf."

"He had all the elements," said Tom Watson, who won in 1975. "He had cover, he had imagination, he had control."

"He's got it all," said Nick Faldo, who won in 1989. "He's got it all."
Records fall in first Ivy Win for Gymnastics

Bennette and tied individual national records to beat Brown.

By Christine Zeb

The Penn gymnastics team got not only its first Ivy League win of the season Saturday, but also individual national records to prop up the team.

Penn's senior Kelly Thorne said, "I think we've had a tremendous season so far. I think we were the best team in the Ivy League and the country."

The team scored an unprecedented score of 147.875, beating its own record set against Yale last weekend.

"It was definitely the most exciting meet of the year, especially with the crowd," Kovic said.

The most important result of the meet, besides a much-needed win, was the confidence that it provided for the rest of the team, "especially on the vault by earning performances on bar and floor," which boosted her confidence in a big way," Kovic said.

The Red and Blue's nearly 100 years of competition has come in a 5-4 victory in their event.

One particularly impressive victory came in the 4x400 was good enough for first place in the Ivy League's estimation.

W. Track still can't locate its stride

Penn was upset with its performance at the Delaware Invitational.

By Jennifer Doherty

Their words at week started a definite interest in the Delaware Invitational after their disappointing effort. Their efforts failed to provide such an upset, however.

Last week, the members of the Penn men's track team said they hoped to perform well at the Jumper Field before them, wanting to improve in a more than stretch of games.

Senior pole vaulter Bob Reynolds went on to say that the team was ready to make noise to act as if the championship was the 15-12 loss to the Engineers came already enough right off the bat, and that hurt us so much trouble. While Golia won two matches, though he recognizes that scheduling may have played a role in the Quakers' loss, though he recognizes that the Quakers were "over-matched for Penn.

The Quakers' NYU meet came right after their event, which the Quakers had anticipated to be a 5-4 victory in their event, but was forced to act as if the championship was the long jump with a mark of 6.37 meters. The place was won by the strongest part of the team, produced three winners in the first, second and third (4.65).

Although the Red and Blue's fifth place in the standings was an improvement over last year's meet, it was still a tough loss for the Quakers.

The Quakers moved into the three home meet, but were still looking for the Quakers to win at the second meeting of the Red and Blue Crew.
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1. Applicants must be freshmen, sophomore, or junior full-time students.
2. Applicants must be able to guarantee that they will be at the University of Pennsylvania for the entire 2000-2001 school year (anyone seriously considering going abroad should not apply).
3. Applicants will be appointed to no more than 2 different committees. Applicants may submit applications for up to three different committees.
4. The Nomination Process consists of two components, written application and interview.
5. In the application stage, applicants must submit 3 copies of their application. If you are applying for more than one committee, you must submit 3 copies of each committee application.
6. All applications are due in the High Rise North lobby from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
7. The NEC screens all applications and selects the most qualified candidates to interview for the limited number of available positions. Not all applicants will receive an interview.
8. Interviews will be held on Saturday, February 26, 2000 and Sunday, February 27, 2000 from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. All applicants MUST be available to interview on these days.

Dear Applicants,

If you have been searching for a meaningful way to get involved at Penn, serving on one of the over thirty-five the Undergraduate Committees is the way to do it. The time and effort you put into serving on these committees is rewarded with the meaningful results that each committee generates every year. These Undergraduate Committees bring about REAL change, and you can be a part of that change. If you have complaints, concerns, or suggestions about how this University can be improved, here are your chance to not only be heard, but be directly responsible for the improvements.

A list of the thirty-six committees the NEC will be appointing to are within this insert and online at www.sas.upenn.edu/~bkr. If you read through them all, I promise you will find at least one committee that fits your interests.

This year, you also have a chance to apply to become a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee (NEC), the branch of the student government that runs this entire nominations process. In addition to being responsible for appointing all undergraduate students to the countless university committees, the NEC is also charged with running all student government elections. The NEC was created as a completely apolitical organization that could guarantee fairness and dignity in both elections and nominations. An NEC member must be a strong, ethical leader who values the concept of fairness. There are six positions available for NEC members and one position available for someone with excellent technical skills, so if you feel you are qualified to become a member of the NEC I encourage you to apply!

The next page regards applying to the NEC. The rest of the insert addresses the thirty-six committees you can apply to. Please, use the information in this insert, along with the information on the web to find a committee that addresses your concerns and skills and then apply. Here is a chance to change things at Penn, for the better!

Good Luck,
Brian Rosenzweig
NEC Vice Chairperson for Nominations
The Nominations and Elections Committee  
(NEC)

THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR A FEW EXTREMELY QUALIFIED STUDENTS. STUDENTS APPLYING TO THE NEC SHOULD HAVE LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE, STRONG ETHICS, AND AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONCEPT OF FAIRNESS AND WHAT IT MEANS TO THIS UNIVERSITY.

NEC members:
• Run all Undergraduate Assembly and Class Board Elections

• Appoint all undergraduate students who serve on the over 35 University Committees

• Serve as members of an apolitical branch of the Penn student government whose overriding goal is to provide fairness for all students

Once Appointed to the NEC, the student serves until graduation. We are looking for 6 extremely qualified students to become members, in addition to a student with excellent technical skills to aide in the evolution of online voting.

If you would like to apply to become a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee, you must complete the following application and submit three typewritten copies of it in the High Rise North Lobby on Tuesday, February 15 between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

1. Please indicate your name, e-mail address, local address and phone number, school, year, and major.

2. Why are you applying to become a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee? What will you be able to bring to this branch of Penn’s Student Government?

3. Discuss briefly your opinion about the concept of fairness and the role you feel it should play at this university.

4. What experience or qualifications do you have which you feel will make you an excellent NEC member? Have you held any leadership positions in the past, if so what? Have you had any significant interaction with faculty and/or administrative staff?

5. Describe your leadership style. Describe how you work in a group, and what role you feel comfortable playing in a group project.
Application for Spring 2000 Committees

All Applications are due Tuesday, February 15 between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the High Rise North Lobby (3910 Spruce)

(applications should be no longer than 3 pages)

COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT:

www.sas.upenn.edu/~bkr

1. Please indicate your name, e-mail address, local address and phone number, school, year, and major.

2. Indicate the committee for which you are applying. (**Note that if you are applying to more than one committee, a separate application is required for each committee you are applying to**)

3. What do you see as the most important issue, or issues facing this committee? Why are these issues important to you?

4. Discuss your leadership style. Describe how you work in a group? How do you reach decisions?

5. What experience or special qualifications do you have which make you a strong candidate for this committee? Have you held any leadership positions in the past, if so, what? Have you had any significant interaction with faculty and/or administrative staff?

6. Briefly list all other extracurricular activities you are currently involved in or plan to be involved in?

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

A. All applications are due in the High Rise North Lobby between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15

B. Don’t forget to submit THREE copies of each application.

C. Should you be called back for an interview, interviews will take place on Saturday February 29, and Sunday February 30.

For any general or specific questions or problems relating to the 1999 Spring Nominations Cycle, please contact:

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Committee Descriptions

The Nominations and Elections Committee is accepting applications for 36 different University-wide committees. The committees are divided into three different categories depending upon whom they report to and their general place within the University governance system. The following descriptions provide more detailed information on these categories -- Trustee Liaison Committees, University Council Committees, and NEC Miscellaneous Committees -- as well as providing specific information on the make-up, authority, and recent actions of the individual committees.

I. Trustee Committees

The Board of Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania serves as the University's ultimate decision making body. The majority of the work of the Board is done at the committee level and students currently have representation on five of the Trustee committees. Though they do not have official voting powers, students serve as fully participating, vital members of the Trustee committees and, in fact, are the only students with whom the Trustees have direct, consultative contact. Student representatives chosen for these committees can then be expected to be the best of the best and should expect to commit extensive time and energy in preparation for each meeting. Outside research and contact with appropriate student organizations is an integral part of the Liaison responsibility. Students who are appointed are expected to have a thorough knowledge of issues confronting the University. All students except for seniors may apply for these one-year terms. Students may apply for as many committees as they wish but will not be selected to serve on more than one.

Committee on Academic Policy: (1 available position)

This committee shall include but not be limited to selected trustee chairmen of the boards of overseers and other advisory boards. Within its purview are matters of general policy relating to the faculty, including academic appointment, tenure, academic freedom, and faculty classification. The academic planning processes and procedures of the University shall be subject to review by this committee. Similarly, organization, including the addition or deletion of degrees and the establishment of schools shall be submitted to this committee for review. Policy guidance on the University library and on guidelines for research and admissions are also the responsibility of the committee. Finally, the Committee on Academic Policy acts for the Trustees in the coordination and review of the board of overseers and other advisory boards. This year the committee has dealt with the state of the University's ailing academic advising system.
Committee on Budget and Finance: (1 available position)
This committee is concerned with University finances. It reviews and approves the operating and capital budgets and budgetary procedures of the University and shall monitor budget compliance. The Trustees shall delegate to the committee the authority for approval of the disposition or acquisition of real property involving less than $500,000, provided such action is consistent with the University's capital budget. The committee shall be responsible for University policies and program review in matters of insurance/risk management and for review of the monetary impact of human resource policies. The liaison's role will be to examine the budget to be approved, and to raise any questions that he/she feels concern the student. This year the committee has dealt with the financial problems of the University Medical System and their impact on the rest of the University.

Committee on External Affairs: (1 available position)
This committee is concerned with the public and governmental relations of the University. Public relations includes the interpretation of the University through communications with its many constituencies, both internal and external, at local, regional, national, and international levels. Government relations include relations with legislators and executive branches at the local, state, and federal levels.

Committee on Facilities and Campus Planning: (1 available position)
This committee considers all aspects of facilities and campus planning, including real estate development, capital projects, and maintenance of buildings and grounds. The committee specifically monitors physical planning for the campus and surrounding area, including buildings and grounds controlled, owned, or used by the University, and the acquisition or sale of real estate. All capital construction projects and the acquisition or sale of real estate will be reviewed by this committee for its recommendations prior to action by the Budget and Finance Committee. This year the committee worked on the proposed 10 year, 100 million dollar renovations to the University's housing and dining structures.

Committee on Student Life: (1 available position)
This Committee is concerned with policy and planning for support services affecting both graduate and undergraduate students. Specifically, but without limitation, its area of responsibility includes on- and off-campus housing conditions, dining accommodations, fraternities, student health care, student-run campus news media, other University-sponsored or recognized extracurricular student activities, security, financial aid, career planning and placement, student/trustee and student/alumni relations, student government and student judicial and disciplinary systems. This year the committee discussed the state of Career Services as well as the new Alcohol Policy.
II. University Council Committees

The University Council is a highly representative and deliberative forum charged with considering the actions and policies of the University at all levels. Composed of representatives of the administration, faculty, staff, and the undergraduate and graduate student body, the Council reports and makes recommendations directly to the University President, Provost and other officials on a range of issues. The Council is especially important because it is the body through which many administrative issues are worked out and resolved before moving on to the Board of Trustees for final approval. Student representatives serve as full, voting members on the eleven Standing Committees, whose work is most directly relevant to the University's educational goals. Each year these committees work in session, discussing charges provided for them by the Council and then make a final, year-end report to the Council on their conclusions and recommendations.

Admissions/ Financial Aid: (3 available positions)
This committee considers University-wide matters of undergraduate and graduate/professional recruitment, admissions, and financial aid. It also carries out studies on existing recruitment and admissions procedures and their relationships with existing policies on admissions and financial aid. This year the committee discussed issues of minority recruitment and early decision '99.

Bookstore: (2 available positions)
This committee considers the purposes of the University Bookstore and advises the University Council and the Director of the University Bookstore on policy, development, and operations. Recently, the committee discussed charges of pornography in the Bookstore.

Communications: (2 available positions)
This committee monitors the internal communications and public relations activities of the University in its various formats, which include electronics, audio, video, and print. It also monitors the operations of the News and Public Affairs, the Publications Office, and communications with alumni. The committee also serves to interpret the University to its many constituencies. Recent issues have included the wiring of the Greek houses, the new Penn Web Calendar, and electronic privacy.

Community Relations: (2 available positions)
The Committee advises and helps the University Council make policy regarding the relationship of the University to the surrounding community. It works with the Office of Community Relations to assure that the University develops and maintains a constructive relationship with the community. This year the committee has discussed the new K-8 School, changing perceptions of the West Philadelphia, and the implementation of the new bike paths.
International Programs: (3 available positions)
This committee reviews and monitors issues related to the international programs and activities of the University. The committee makes policy recommendations on services for international students and scholars, foreign fellowships and studies abroad, and cooperative undertakings with foreign universities. Last year the committee discussed orientation programs for international students and tuition charges for students studying abroad.

Library: (2 available positions)
This committee advises the Director of Libraries on the policies, development, and operation of the University libraries. The committee has focused recently on the continued renovations to Van Pelt Library and on establishing effective outreach programs within the College House system.

Pluralism: (3 available positions)
This committee advises the University Council on ways to develop and maintain a supportive atmosphere on campus for the inclusion and appreciation of pluralism among all members of the University community. It also addresses specific diversity issues that arise on campus. Last year the committee discussed the issue of minority recruitment and retention.

Recreation and Intercollegiate Athletics: (2 available positions)
This committee makes policy recommendations on recreation and intramural and intercollegiate athletics and their integration with the educational program of the University. Recently the committee has dealt with the allocation of limited recreation space and the advising system for student-athletes.

Research: (2 available positions)
This committee maintains awareness over all matters of policy relating to research, and the general environment for research, at the University. It monitors the assignment of research funds by the University and adjudicates any conflicts that arise between research programs and University Policy. The committee most recently discussed post-doctoral grievance procedures.

Safety and Security: (3 available positions)
This committee advises the President, the Director of Public Safety, and the administrators or directors of specific buildings, offices, or projects on all matters concerning safety and security. Its principle responsibility is to consider and assess means to improve safety and security on campus. Recent issues discussed have been the development of an undergraduate safety curriculum and the installation of panic alarms in bathrooms.

Student Affairs: (3 available positions)
This committee monitors the conditions and rules of undergraduate and graduate student life on campus. The committee analyzes information concerning student life and affairs and makes recommendations to the University Council, the Vice-Provost for University Life, and other appropriate administrative offices. It also monitors the performance of, and recommends improvements for, all student services. Amongst many other issues, the committee has recently discussed changes to the Alcohol Use policy, and the University's disclosure policy.
The NEC is also accepting nominations for three special, Independent Committees which the Council does not charge directly, but which it calls upon to report and to make recommendations on a variety of issues.

**Academic Planning and Budget: (1 available positions)**

This committee provides the administration with advice on the composition of the annual budget and on multi-year financial plans for the University; taking into account long-range implications of current budget issues and alternatives. Further, it provides advice on the evolving educational mission and needs of the University, and their present and futures budgetary implications.

**Honorary Degrees: (2 available positions)**

This committee solicits nominations from faculty, staff members, and students for honorary degrees, which are awarded by the University at Commencement and at special convocations. The committee then submits a slate of nominees for action by the trustees and may also make recommendations to the president regarding Commencement speakers and the conduct of special convocations. This committee gives student representatives unique access to special degree recipients. Only JUNIORS may apply for this committee.

**Open Expression: (2 available positions)**

This committee monitors University communications processes to help prevent conflicts. Further, it recommends policies and procedures for the improvement of all levels of communication, investigates alleged violations of the right of open expression of any member of the University committee, advises administrative officers where appropriate, and participates in the evaluation and resolution of on campus conflicts.

### III. NEC Miscellaneous Committees

Equally as important as the other committees, NEC Miscellaneous Committees are termed such because they fall not under the authority of one central body, as do the Trustee and University Council Committees, but rather under the authority of a number of different administrative offices. The sixteen committees in this section report, variously, to the Vice-Provost for University Life, the Office of Student Life, the Office of the President, the Office of the Provost, the School of Arts and Sciences, and the Wharton School. These committees generally serve as advisory boards to high-level University administrators.

**Affirmative Action: (1 available positions)**

This Committee is an advisory committee appointed by the president to review the University’s affirmative action program. It recommends change, develops policy proposals, and monitors the performance and progress of programs relating to affirmative action throughout the University.
Alcohol and Other Drug Task Force: (2 available positions)
This task force advises senior administrators on alcohol issues pertaining to policies, education, and services. The committee is currently divided into five subcommittees: Policy and Education, Treatment and Recovery, Teleconference, Data Collection, and Social Planning.

Fraternity/Sorority Advisory Board: (1 available positions)
This committee advises the Director of Student Life with regard to policies toward fraternities and sororities. It advises on issues pertaining to the Greek system such as pledge practices, chapter recognition, and disciplinary procedures and it reviews charges levied against the organizations. Only students who are not, nor have ever been in a fraternity or sorority here or at any other university are eligible. Applicants for this committee may not be, nor ever have been members of a fraternity or sorority here or at any other university.

IT Advisory Board: (1 available position)
This Committee deals with the enhancement of Penn's academic mission through the innovative use of technology. The Board is charged with advising the Provost and the Executive Vice President on specific initiatives and to assist in better integrating information technology planning into overall academic planning.

IT Roundtable: (1 available position)
The focus of this Committee is information technology strategy. It is comprised of senior technology officers from all 12 Schools and major centers, along with faculty and student representatives. Its primary role is as an orientation and communication vehicle for the community of IT Directors. The Roundtable will discuss emerging technologies and the possible applications and implications and will sponsor pilot projects to experiment with and assess these technologies.

Network Planning Task Force: (1 available position)
This committee focuses on addressing ways to improve Penn’s network use in the future. Though fairly new, it is believed the committee will address off-campus housing and use of the Penn network.

Network Policy Committee: (1 available position)
This committee aims at creating policy regarding Penn’s use of the network. It addresses the constantly changing landscape of the Penn community regarding use of the network and the Internet.

Lindback Awards: (2 available position)
This committee solicits nominations from the University community for candidates for the Lindback and Provost Awards for distinguished teaching. Every year these awards are presented to faculty members who enhance Penn students’ education through their charismatic and creative teaching methods. The committee reviews the candidates and submits recommendations to the Provost for final consideration. If you are concerned about not allowing excellent teaching to go unnoticed, apply for this committee.

SAS Curriculum: (2 available position)
This committee reviews all proposals for new courses, majors, and undergraduate programs, and recommends to the faculty the approval or rejection of each proposal. The curriculum committee
is divided equally among the three divisions of the school of Arts and Sciences. Only students in the College may apply.

**SAS General Requirement: (1 available position)**
This committee examines the General Requirement for the School of Arts and Sciences. Responsibilities include reviewing and recommending policy for the General Requirement and acting on recommendations from departments of courses to be listed in the various sectors. Only students in the College may apply.

**SAS Undergraduate Education: (2 available position)**
This committee advises the Dean on all matters broadly affecting the undergraduate educational mission of the School of Arts and Sciences, including educational policies, proposed new organizational units, and reviewing of the advising system. Only students in the College may apply.

**SAS Ira Abrams: (2 available positions)**
The Ira Abrams Award for Distinguished Teaching is presented annually to a faculty member in the School of Arts and Sciences to celebrate his/her contribution to teaching. In general the award seeks to recognize intellectually challenging and exceptionally coherent teaching that leads to an informed understanding of the discipline. The undergraduate representatives join faculty members to read detailed dossiers, which can be up to 100 pages each, prepared by the departments about their nominees.

**Student Awards: (2 available positions)**
This committee selects the recipients of most of the awards presented on Ivy Day. The awards are primarily presented to seniors, although there are some underclassmen awards. Examples of awards given are the Fienstone Award, which is given to a sophomore, junior, or senior who has shown constructive social and educational change, and the Wiess Memorial Award which is given to a senior with outstanding academic and extracurricular records. Only freshmen and sophomore students may apply for this committee.

**Wharton Computing and Technology: (1 available position)**
This committee acts as an advisory body to Wharton’s two computing areas, Academic Technology Services and Information Technology Services. The committee guides overall Wharton School policy on the use of computers in research, teaching, and administrative applications. Applicants must be in the Wharton School and have successfully completed OPIM 101.

**WXPN Policy: (1 available position)**
The Policy Board recommends program policy and standards and advises the station manager on implementation policies. It has the responsibility to advise the Vice-Provost for University Life on current fiscal affairs, the selection and evaluation of the station manager, and long-range fiscal and administrative planning. Additionally it has the responsibility to consult with various constituencies including faculty, students, support staff, alumni, members of the listening community, and public-broadcasting professionals.
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