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Citations given over Spring Fling weekend

All students cited have court dates; some considering pleading not guilty

BY ALEX ZIMMERMANN & HARRISON FALLON
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At least 30 students must attend court hearings due to the underage drinking citations they received at parties over

Spring Fling weekend.

According to Vice President for Public Safety Maureen Rush, 31 citations were issued Thursday night by the Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement — a branch of the state police — at two off-campus parties.

Division of Public Safety and the BLCE could not be reached by publishing time Sunday for comment or clarifi-

cation on the exact number of citations issued throughout the rest of the weekend.

DPS officers were on hand while the citations were being written "to ensure order," Rush said.

Everyone who was given citations either had a container of alcohol in their hand or admitted to drinking that night, according to DPS.

At one off-campus event on

Thursday night, plainclothes BLCE officers entered the house, and separated those who were under 21 from those who were of age. Most under-21 attendees were issued citations for underage drinking, according to a freshman member of the student group that hosted the event.

He said that while others were asked about what they had to drink, the officer that

questioned him did not do so, and he did not have a drink in his hand when police arrived. Instead, the freshman said, the officer asked another officer about what drink was in a keg at the party, and noted on the citation that the student was "observed possessing and/or consuming" Coors Light.

The student said he and several others are consider-

ing pleading not guilty at their court hearings because they did not admit to underage drinking at the time.

Another attendee of the same party said he was able to negotiate his way out of a citation. He added that several people expressed frustration that the BLCE had raided their smaller event, rather

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Flingin' in the rain with Girl Talk

The Spring Fling concert has seen a lot of controversy and dissatisfaction

BY RYAN ANDERSON
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Students' Fling spirits were not dampened by the bad weather this weekend.

This Friday was Social Planning and Events Committee's annual Spring Fling concert at Franklin Field that featured a lineup of Tyga, Janelle Monae and DJ Girl Talk.

Those who attended the concert said they had a good time despite the downpour that began during the middle of the concert. At one point, Monae commanded the audience to crouch, and as she lowered her hand, a wave of people sunk.

"She was really energetic," College freshman Melissa Ramirez said. The concert was really fun, "especially because of the people I went with."

This year's concert was not without controversy. Some took issue with Tyga being invited to perform because of his misogynistic lyrics. Additionally, students were unhappy with the selection of Girl Talk as the headliner and chose to go to Villanova University's concert instead which featured DJ Alessio.

While the number of ticket



Luke Chen and Amanda Suarez/News Photo Editor and Photo Manager

Students enjoyed the concert featuring Tyga, Janelle Monae and Girl Talk Friday night at Franklin Field. At one point, Girl Talk's act sprayed people with toilet paper. However, this year's concert has faced controversy, with many upset with the artist choices.

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Philadelphia planners present city design plan

Plan has residential apartments around 40th and Market streets

BY CAROLINE MEUSER
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Visions for a greater Philadelphia are being ap-

plied at a local level.

On April 18, the Philadelphia planners will present a draft of the University Southwest District Plan to the Philadelphia City Planning Commission.

The plan is a part of the Philadelphia2035 "Integrated Planning and Zoning Process," for which PCPC just received a Best Practice award from the American Planning Association. As a part of the comprehensive plan for the city's future, Philadelphia2035 separated Philadelphia into 18 districts and aims to improve each one according to community needs and suggestions. The University Southwest District includes Powelton Village, University City, Walnut and Spruce Hills and Kingsessing.

The plan proposes more diverse development around 40th and Market streets. For example, denser, mixed-income residential apartments were recommended for the area.

Other major changes involve the re-zoning of single-family residential areas. If the plan is adopted, higher buildings will be concentrated along the eastern edge of the district that includes University City. According to a press release, some of these properties would be restricted as residences to families as opposed to being divided for student apartments.

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A picture worth a thousand notes



Engineering senior design team created app to transform pictures into music

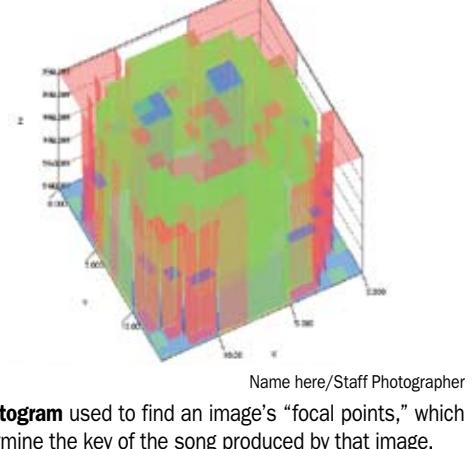
BY FIONA GLISSON
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Last spring, then-Engineering junior Stefan Zhelyazkov was walking through Hill Field when a curious thought suddenly came upon him.

He thought to himself, "I wish I could take a picture and understand the beauty of this picture, somehow figure it out."

This semester, Zhelyazkov and two other computer science seniors in the School of Engineering and Applied Science have made that fantasy into a reality — an app that uses algorithms to "transform" a picture into music.

The team, which also includes Eric O'Brien and David McDowell, began researching for the project last year.



A histogram used to find an image's "focal points," which determine the key of the song produced by that image.

O'Brien, whom Zhelyazkov recruited not long after pitching his idea to his senior design class, matched Zhelyazkov's enthusiasm. "The idea of converting a picture into some type of music and saying ... 'that picture sounds like that' was a really awesome goal for us to have," he said.

According to computer science professor Insup Lee, the senior projects instructor in the major, students are expected to synthesize what they have learned in all their Engineering classes.

However, senior design projects also draw inspiration from the team members' outside

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SENIOR DESIGNS

This is part two of a three-part series that looks at projects Engineering students have designed.

JUSTICE ON THE MENU



Name here/Staff Photographer

At a rally Friday, Bon Appetit @ Penn workers, the Philadelphia Security Officers Union and the Student Labor Action Project called for higher wages and more paid sick leave.

Wharton contest seeks to solve social issues

This is the first ever Wharton Social Venture Business Plan competition to be hosted at Penn

BY TVISI RAVI
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Wharton students are building businesses that give back to the community.

On Friday April 12, the Wharton Social Impact and Private Equity and Venture Capitalist clubs announced the team 1DocWay as the winner of the first annual Social Venture Business Plan Competition. The competi-

tion asks students to create a business idea which addresses a global social issue.

1DocWay, comprised of first year Wharton MBA student Samir Malik, 2009 Wharton and Engineering graduate Danish Munir and 2008 College graduate Mubeen Malik, is a business that acts as an online doctor's office to con-

nnect hospitals to underserved patient populations, such as those who live in rural areas and the elderly.

The winners of the competition received a \$3,000 grand prize.

Twenty business plans were submitted in total, and six finalists were selected based on their financial plans, which detail the budget of the projects and how the money will be allocated, along with demonstrated social impact. The finalists included the teams Energize the Chain,

Toilets for People, the Social Loan Company, Social Enrichment Partnership Card and Bridging Communities Fund.

According to competition coordinator and Wharton MBA student Jeanne Chen, the idea for the event stemmed from the Wharton Business Plan Competition, an annual seven-month-long competition which recently received \$1.65 million from Wharton graduates.

"This [competition] is really the idea that social

enterprises are and should be a different track than an average business plan competition," Chen said. "There isn't that much support to help social startups to grow. There's a lot more focus on conventional startups."

The competition was part of the Social Impact Week organized by Wharton MBA students. The Penn community was invited to celebrate and learn about social impact through a variety of events, including lunches with professors and lectures by guest

speakers.

Chen hopes that the winner of the competition will carry out their business plan, but added that the real goal was to spread awareness about social impact.

"This is one opportunity to get people to do something about [social impact] instead of just talking about it," she said. "We'd love to see this become an institutionalized annual event. We'd love to see this continue and really become part of the annual Wharton landscape."

Senator's co-sponsored gun bill makes way through Senate

Toomey, a Republican, has advocated for extended background checks at gun shows

BY WILL MARBLE
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After the rollout of a bipartisan Senate proposal for universal background checks, Washington is inching closer to an agreement on gun policy reform.

The proposal was authored by Sen. Pat Toomey (R-Pa.) and Sen. Joe Manchin (D-W.V.) — both of whom have "A" ratings from the National Rifle Association — and is one of the first bipartisan deals with momentum in the months following the Newtown, Conn., shooting. The senators announced the results of their negotiations,

which will be added as an amendment to a broader gun-control bill, last week. The Senate voted to move forward with debate on gun control on Thursday.

The amendment would expand background checks to prevent people with criminal records and serious mental health problems from purchasing guns.

"It is already illegal for them to own guns," Toomey wrote in a Philadelphia Inquirer op-ed on Sunday. "The background check system is merely a tool to help

enforce the law and protect the public."

The proposal has received endorsements from groups as disparate as the pro-gun Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg's pro-gun control group Mayors Against Illegal Guns. However, background checks alone may not prevent much of the gun violence that occurs in Philadelphia.

There were 331 murders in Philadelphia in 2012, and over 85 percent of them were committed with a gun, according to Philadelphia Police Department statistics. All of those guns were obtained illegally, according to Philadelphia District Attorney Seth Williams, many

of them through so-called "straw purchases."

"Guns are legally purchased by people who are stand-ins for folks who want to resell guns on the street to people who can't pass background checks," Bryan Miller, the director of a group that advocates against illegal firearm sales, said in a January interview. "There's a very highly developed, highly efficient distribution system" from gun shops to street sales, he added.

Still, the proposal would close several loopholes that gun-control advocates have decried as easily exploitable — including a lack of background checks at gun shows and purchases made on the internet. The larger

bill would also increase penalties for straw purchases.

While the proposal has some bipartisan support — attracting the praises of Republican Sens. John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Susan Collins (R-Maine) — its fate is still largely up in the air.

"I think it's an open question as to whether or not we have the votes. I think it's going to be close," Toomey said on CNN's "State of the Union." More Republicans will need to throw their weight behind the measure to compensate for red-state Democrats who will not support what groups such as the NRA have called a violation of Second Amendment rights.

However, Manchin, the measure's co-author, was confident that once senators

read the measure, it will have enough support to pass. The fact that Toomey, who up until now has been a staunch advocate for gun rights, is so closely linked with the proposal may also sway some moderate Republicans to support it.

Analysts have said the move may benefit Toomey when he's up for re-election in 2016 in Pennsylvania, a state that hasn't voted for a Republican president for six election cycles.

"Pat believes in this. He believes it's the right thing," former Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell told The Inquirer. Rendell consulted with Toomey leading up to last week's announcement. "It's also a very wise political decision," Rendell said.

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Systems that others 'can't replicate' set UPHS apart

The DP checks in with UPHS CEO Ralph Muller, who took office almost 10 years ago

BY DINA MOROZ
Associate News Editor

Almost a decade ago, on April 22, 2003, Ralph Muller was named chief executive officer of the University of Pennsylvania Health System.

According to the Penn Almanac, Muller's top priorities included "implementing the Strategic Plan for Penn Medicine ... further strengthen[ing] the patient-focused approach to care, and explor[ing] additional opportunities for growth that are consistent with financial realities and marketplace factors."

The Daily Pennsylvanian took some time to speak with Muller about what sets Penn Medicine — which includes

both the UPHS and the Perelman School of Medicine — apart from other local and national medical centers.

The Daily Pennsylvanian: What are the core values of Penn Medicine?

Ralph Muller: We're a comprehensive medical center that supports patient care, teaching and research. There are others like us around the country, but we're the pre-eminent one in Philadelphia. [We] integrate those missions in a way that serves the population of Philadelphia and beyond.... Our role is to take care of people in the immediate commu-

nity, two, three, four, five miles around... but also to serve the mid-Atlantic region.

DP: What does Penn Med pride itself on most?

RM: Being one of the leaders nationally in cancer care and cardiovascular services, and taking care of high-risk infants and having a general set of programs that serve both Philadelphia and beyond.

DP: How many local hospitals do you compete with?

RM: The eastern cities hospitals — like Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago — tend to have four or five major medical centers and in Philadelphia we're the largest, but there's also the Jefferson system, the Temple system... and Hahnemann Hospital.... Some of our patients come

from all around the country and all around the world and our research is known around the world as well.

DP: How does Penn Med differentiate itself?

RM: We're the biggest because we have the most comprehensive set of programs, so patients come to us for cancer care... They bypass local hospitals when they have... cancer and they want to get into a clinical trial, they want proton therapy, if they have heart failure and want a valve replaced, if they're a premature infant and they can't get that care at a local hospital — and oftentimes they can't — they come to us. So the way we differentiate ourselves is [with programs] other hospitals within one hundred miles can't replicate... advanced medicine is

our differentiator.

DP: How common is for patients to travel far distances to come to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and which treatments do these patients seek?

RM: It's true for almost everybody in the country — they rarely travel more than one hundred miles... essentially 95 percent of our patients come [from] within one hundred miles. Most hospitals have their patients come from three [or] four miles around, so having them come from one hundred miles around is a real differentiator. [They come for] cancer care, heart failure, failures of the major systems and advanced surgery they can't get elsewhere, for example. It's surgery they can't get elsewhere... we do surgery

on the throat and neck cancer that can't be done elsewhere. It's forms of surgery that they can't get at the local hospital, and clinical trial therapy. For example, you may have seen recently that we have a treatment for leukemia... those patients are coming from all around. That's the most noticeable recently.

DP: What is the meaning behind "Your Life is Worth Penn Medicine"?

RM: If you're seriously ill you should travel and come to us... don't just look for convenience — come to us. A lot of times people choose health care like they choose a local elementary school or local supermarket... and our point is that when you're seriously ill, take the hundred miles to travel to a place like Penn.

Rain affected Friday Quad festivities

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sales has yet to be publicized, Villanova's concert was sold out for the first time in several years because of the influx of Penn students.

At the end of Monae's set, rain began to fall. People on the floor and bleachers both rushed into the relative dryness of the concourse of the stadium. Many left before Girl Talk came on. "The concert was really fun at the beginning. I loved Tyga and Janelle Monae," said Sarah Katzin, a College sophomore who left the concert because of the weather. "But then unfortunately it began to rain and it ruined it."

But those who did not leave were in for a good time.

The DJ lit up the soaking, cold crowd with a mix of pop music from the past five decades. While Rick Ross' voice blared through the huge speakers, a backing Beatles track played. Girl Talk's hype men dropped huge balloons filled with confetti and blew toilet paper at the audience constantly.

"It was a lot of fun, especially after the rain," College

freshman Peter Bryan said. "Girl Talk was a lot of fun, and staying was definitely worth it."

College junior Janie Yurechko, who danced on stage with Girl Talk, said, "It was the best Fling concert I've ever been to, mostly because of that."

"I wish I would've been on the floor for Girl Talk," Ramirez added.

The next day, the festivities continued around campus. The Quadrangle hosted a carnival on Friday and Saturday, though Friday's rain dimmed the fun and few people came that day. Saturday, though, was a sunny day. Lines to get into the Quad stretched up and down Spruce Street.

"The weather on Friday pretty much ruined the quad... but Saturday was a lot of fun," College junior Tanya Thanawalla said.

SPEC Jazz & Grooves hosted a long list of performers, including student groups, on two stages in the Quad Saturday. The high-profile DJ Gigamesh, whose name had floated around as the Fling concert headliner, performed, as did many others, from the band Autre ne Veut to DJ Delorean.

"I think it went great," College sophomore Dominic Watson, co-director of Jazz and Grooves, said of Saturday afternoon. "Probably the happiest mosh pit I've ever seen." Watson also pointed out that

attendance was highest when the Gigamesh came on in the lower Quad stage.

"The Quad was really fun," Thanawalla said, citing the Mask & Wig and Strictly Funk performances.

Engineering junior Irene Jadic, a member of Jazz and Grooves, worked to manage the concerts. "Working the concerts was awesome and so rewarding," she said. "All of the acts we brought killed it, and everyone seemed to be having a blast."

The celebrations continued Saturday night as the festivities moved from the Quad to College Green where students lined up for free desserts and dinner from food trucks. Others rode a mechanical bull or just danced to the blaring music.

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Joshua Ng/Senior Photographer

Students grooved along to music by different performers Saturday afternoon in Lower Quad as part of Spring Fling weekend. Jazz & Grooves hosted three different artists — Gigamesh, Autre Ne Veut and Delorean.

Drinking to Cope?

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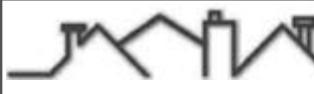
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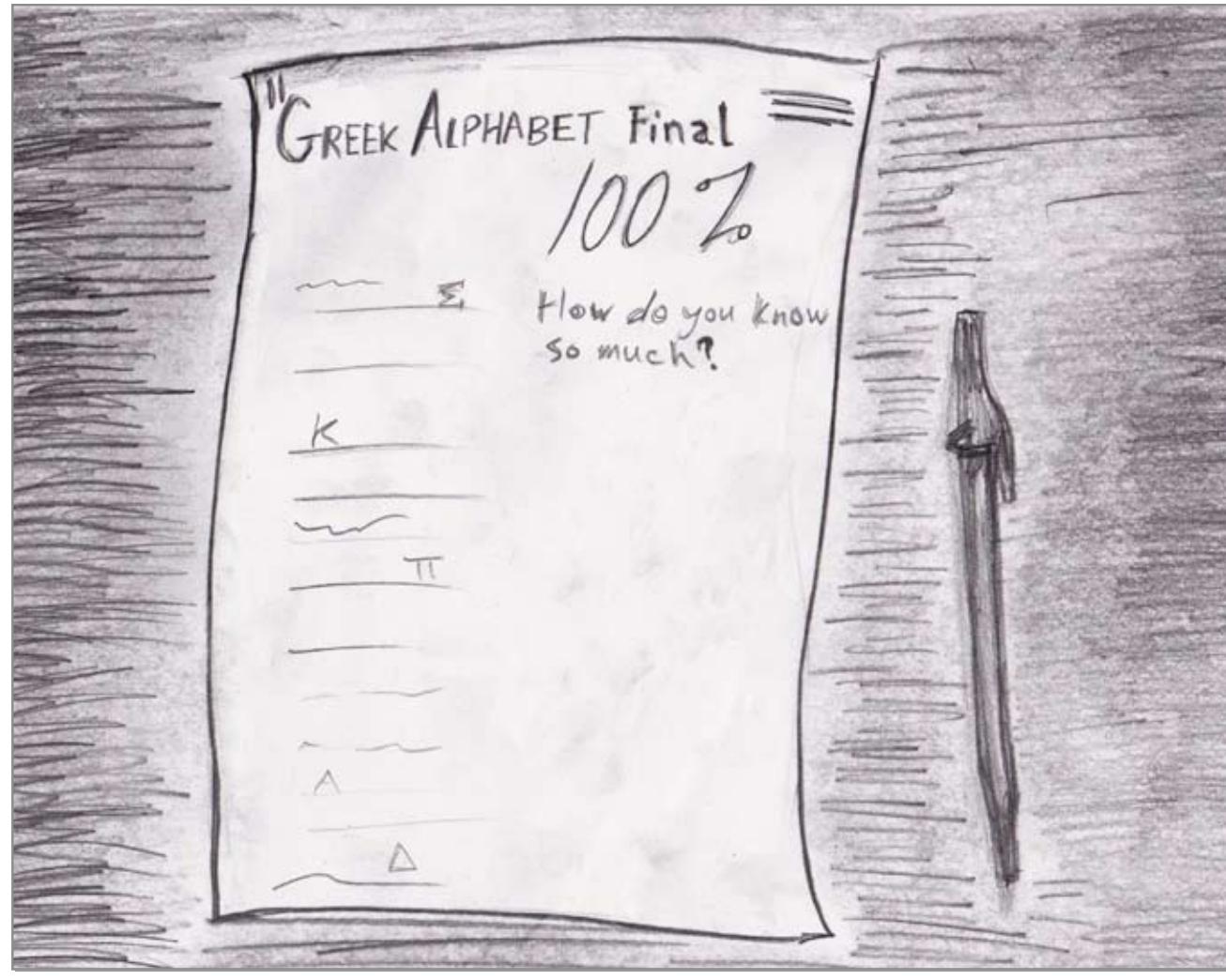
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Finished with not finishing

THROUGH MY EYES | At the dining halls, if you suspect that you might waste it, don't taste it

When I was in the second grade, I would invariably throw out part of my lunch every day so I could finish with my classmates and avoid being called a slow-poke. The reason behind my empty lunchbox remained my guilty secret for a long time — until my own Jiminy Cricket finally forced me to crack and tearfully apologize to my mother.

While my mom has long since forgiven me for lying to her and wasting food in 2002, a portion of my childhood guilt still remains with me. While at Hill or Commons, I serve myself in small portions and stop the kitchen staffers before they ladle generous servings of fried rice onto my plate.

The great thing about an all-you-can-eat franchise is that seconds are an option if

you want them. But not many people seem to see it that way. Every day, I see entire plates of food tossed into the green compost bags at the residential dining halls.

I recently sat to eat lunch with someone who got pasta from the Expo line at Hill — what to me looks like a perfectly sumptuous and filling plate — only to also get some pie and tomato soup as well. She tackled the soup and pie first and managed to finish both — barely. The pasta was left untouched all the way to the trash bins. Similarly, I ate dinner with someone who got veggie stir-fry from King's Court only to tell me that the "chicken looked too gross to eat" after she sat down.

The outcome is always the same. My suggestion to box the leftovers is unheard over the loud scrape of a spoon handle pushing food into the open mouth

of the compost bin. I have seen some compost bags at the end of the day with the plastic stretched and giving way and have wondered how many other full plates that green mouth has swallowed.

I know that normally, the dining hall staff doesn't give you a takeout box without swiping your card again. The rationale is that it would encourage people to take two servings with the purpose of taking one home, essentially getting two meal swipes out of one. But in my experience, when I ask for a box to wrap what are truly small leftovers — not a second meal I got just before leaving — they've been happy to oblige.

I am not saying that I never use the composting bin and always have a clean plate. When I accidentally served myself vegan chili, I wound up wasting it because

I am allergic to eggplant. When I couldn't eat that last spoon of beans or that last slice of cucumber, I tossed it rather than risk feeling nauseous. But my first servings are as small as the guilt of having to waste them, and I have never had to toss an untouched plate.

Every day, I see entire plates of food tossed into the green compost bags at the residential dining halls.

Interestingly, I have realized that the rampant wastefulness of residential dining doesn't repeat in Houston Market. At first, I attributed

emptier trash bins to fewer people eating at Houston, but as the noon and 1 p.m. rush cycles that clog Houston reveal, that is not the case.

The difference between the dining halls and Houston is, unsurprisingly, a question of using cash, dining dollars or bursar in Houston. You spend \$6 for a burrito and feel more accountable, a sentiment foreign to the all-you-can-eat meal swipe that becomes a question of all-you-can-waste.

Moreover, each meal served at Houston reflects a reasonably sized portion — what a person will finish in one meal. Houston does not perpetuate the eyes-are-bigger-than-your-stomach problem due to financial and practical reasons.

Perhaps the all-dining-dollars meal plan for next year will resolve this issue of boundless wastage in dining halls and encourage respon-



DIVYA RAMESH

sible eating. But in dining halls, we need to start utilizing tasting cups and smaller serving sizes, being more careful about the amount of food that goes in our plates so that we can limit what goes out.

Composting is a good practice, but it began as a way to dispose of banana peels and vegetable skins. An untouched plate of pasta or cornmeal doesn't belong in the green compost bin.

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Enough is enough

PENN DEMOCRATS EXECUTIVE BOARD | Penn Democrats launches gun control action week

On a crisp Friday morning last December, children filed into schools across America. Like many of us here at Penn, they probably thought that day would be just like any other — a day of preparing for exams and anticipating the holiday break.

But that day was not to be like any other. It was instead a day that would be forever seared into the minds of people throughout the nation, a day that saw the violent murders of 26 people, a day that President Obama termed the darkest of his presidency.

Yet as we gathered together and mourned this senseless loss, we hoped that this would be the final such day. Surely such a shocking display of the tragic power of military-grade weaponry would finally force our political leaders to enact sensible

and meaningful gun control legislation.

However, tragedy has yet again failed to inspire legislative action. Congress has now had over four months to act, and it has abandoned its responsibility. A total of 3,436 Americans have been killed as a result of gun violence since that December day. We can do nothing to restore the lives of those we have lost. What we can do, however, is demand legislation to reduce the number of families that will experience these horrors in the future.

Penn Democrats asks the Penn community to join us in demanding sensible and meaningful gun control legislation. We are specifically advocating for three common-sense reforms that will reduce the number of gun homicides in this country.

The first is universal background checks for all gun purchases. By closing the

"gun-show loophole," which allows private purchasers of guns to evade scrutiny, this provision will help ensure that only authorized citizens obtain firearms.

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The second necessary provision is a limitation on the size of ammunition clips. There is simply no defensible reason why any civilian would need upwards of 20 bullets. Such magazines have only one purpose: to fire multiple bullets in a very short period. A hunter does not need such a capability

nor does someone who carries a firearm for self-defense. Reducing magazine clip size reduces a shooter's capacity for murder.

The final component of sensible and meaningful gun control legislation is the reinstatement of the ban on military-style assault weapons. Militaries design such weapons with one purpose in mind: the ability to kill people quickly and efficiently.

These reforms are common-sense approaches that will reduce the appalling number of American gun homicides. Yet it is clear that despite the horror of Sandy Hook, Congress will not act until we speak up. Penn Democrats asks you to join us this week for a University-wide "Gun Control Action Week." Every day this week, we will host events designed to educate the Penn community and put tangible pressure on elected officials.

This afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. in Houston Hall's Bishop White Room, we will be calling congressional offices who have not yet supported comprehensive gun control to demand action. On Tuesday, campus will be covered in green ribbons and important facts about gun violence. On Wednesday, we will have a display on College Green in honor of the victims of gun violence. That evening, all members of the university community are encouraged to join us for a University forum on gun violence featuring Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter, Philadelphia Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey and First Assistant District Attorney Ed McCann at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall of Flags. Following the panel, there will be a campus-wide vigil on College Green to honor victims of gun violence. Throughout the week, we will be on Locust Walk urging students to sign a petition demand-

ing action. On Friday, we will deliver thousands of these petitions to the offices of our U.S. representatives and senators as a show of our community's desire for action on gun control. For more information on any of these events and to find out how you can get involved, please visit www.penndems.org/actnow.

While no gun control policy can ever prevent all gun violence, we must do everything we can to end the culture of gun violence. In all, 3,436 Americans have perished in the short time since Sandy Hook. Penn Democrats urges you to join us in demanding congressional action. Together, we can accomplish this.

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Alum to be sworn in as USP president Friday

Helen Giles-Gee, a Penn grad, is the first black and female president for USP

BY HUIZHONG WU
Campus News Editor

Penn graduate Helen Giles-Gee will be inaugurated this Friday as the newest president of the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia.

Giles-Gee, whose work as president began last July, has served in a variety of leadership roles in the past — including a stint as dean of the School of Professional Studies at SUNY Cortland and as associate vice chancellor for academic affairs

at the University System of Maryland.

Giles-Gee earned three of her degrees at Penn — a bachelor of arts in psychobiology, a master of science in science education and a PhD in measurement, evaluation, and techniques of experimental research 1983. Giles has also studied at Rutgers University, earning a master's degree in zoology.

She is the first female and African-American president of the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, and the 22nd president in its history.

According to a Philadelphia Inquirer survey, only two out of 50 presidents of nonprofit, four-year colleges around Philadelphia were led by African-American



HELEN GILES-GEE
President of the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia

women.

In honor of her formal inauguration, USP is hosting a weeklong celebration from April 13 to 19 with the theme, "A New Era of Opportunities: Teaching, Service, and Student Research."

USP is a private university located in University City with about 2,800 students that offers programs in science and health care. It is also the first college of pharmacy in North America, founded in 1821.

Comments on plan open until June 1

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According to PCPC City Planner, project manager and West Philadelphia Planner Andrew Meloney, this is the first time Philadelphia has implemented a city improvement plan since the 1960s. Meloney credits Mayor Nutter and his administration with spearheading the overall initiative.

"The new administration was interested in putting planning at the forefront of people's thoughts," he said. Much of the feedback for the plan has come directly from Philadelphia citizens during public meetings. The first meeting, which was held

on Nov. 13 at the Enterprise Center at 4548 Market St., set the District Plan attendance record with 169 guests. The second was held on Jan. 23 at the Kingsessing Recreation Center at 49th Street and Kingsessing Avenue, and the last meeting was on April 8 at Quorum in the University City Science Center at 3711 Market Street.

According to PCPC Planning Division Director Richard Redding, the final meeting resulted in "excellent notification of the community, strong attendance and good sharing of information."

While Redding believes a "good cross-section" of people attended the meetings, he would like to have seen greater attendance by college students.

"Youths tend to be underrepresented in community meetings, whether the meetings are held by government

or by neighborhood groups," Redding wrote in an email.

From those who attended the meetings, city planners received some unexpected but helpful feedback. For instance, participants said one of the top three destinations in the district was the Kingsessing Recreation center at 49th and Chester streets. As a result, the plan includes recommendations for this site such as installing elevators within the next five years.

"There are always some surprises," Meloney said.

Though the open house meetings are over, residents can submit comments to the plan until June 1. By the middle of June, the draft will be complete and the PCPC will have to vote on its adoption. As of now, Meloney says city planners are "proud of the plan."

"This is definitely something to look forward to," he said.

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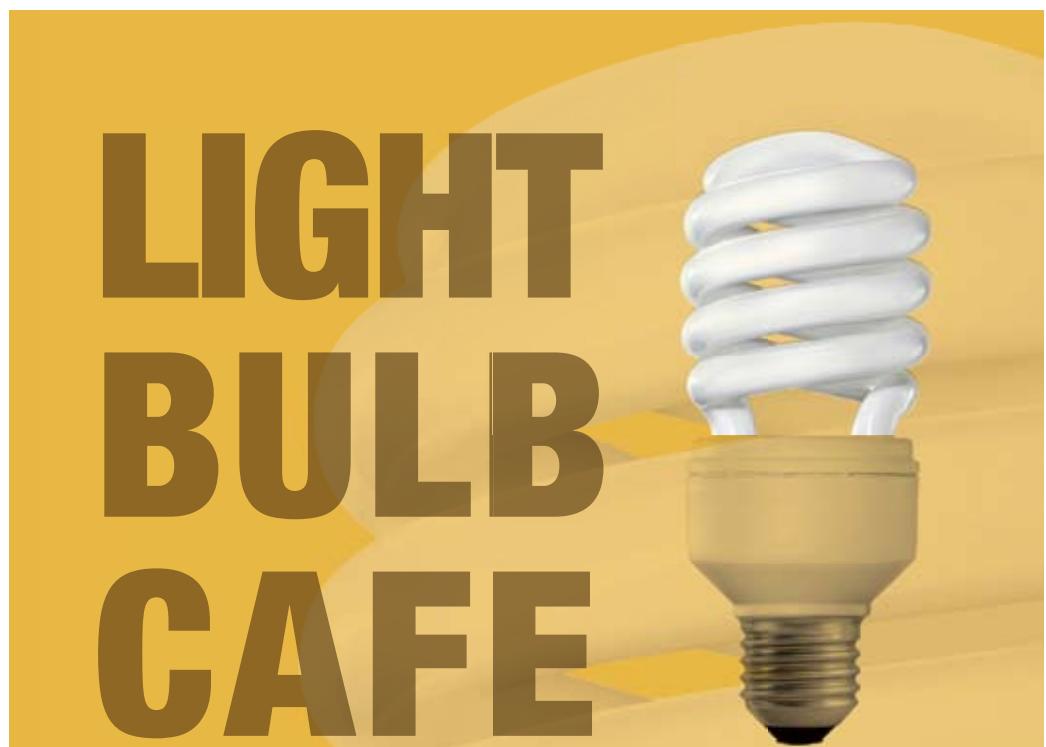
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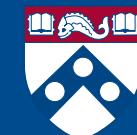
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From freaking on Franklin Field to feasting on fried oreos in the Quad, students made the most of the 41st annual Spring Fling. Here we showcase some of the best images from the weekend.

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UA representative Nikolai Zapertov hands in resignation

Zapertov said he was disillusioned with the way the UA has been run this year

BY RYAN ANDERSON
Staff Writer

College junior and Undergraduate Assembly Representative Nikolai Zapertov tendered a resignation from the Undergraduate Assembly on Saturday. He will be replaced by College freshman and former UA representative Varun Menon.

Zapertov announced his decision to leave in a letter to the UA speaker, College sophomore Joshua Chilcote, as per Nominations and Elections Committee guidelines.

In the letter, he said that he will still stick around and work with the UA as an associate member.

Zapertov cited disillusion with the way the UA worked in the past year as a reason for leaving. "There was much disrespect, much backroom deals made; all of this made me feel very dejected," he said in the email on Saturday.

His resignation letter, read at the end of the UA's Sunday night meeting, points to many flaws in intergovernmental relations, UA relationships and productivity. These complaints have been repeated many times in the past few months in the UA, as when 10 eligible sitting representatives chose to not run for re-election.

The resignation letter also points out improvements Zapertov feels could be made, and expresses hope for the body's future.

He said in the original email that "I felt that Varun could use the seat and get more marginal utility from it ... I, as a senior, am experienced enough to reach out to administrators and instigate projects on my own, and can continue to serve the student body in another capacity."

In accordance with NEC guidelines, Menon was appointed to his new position by having won the most votes after those who were originally elected in the March student government elections. He had won the 18th most votes in a race for 17 seats.

Calls to MERT down this year

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than larger open parties.

Rush described the parties which received the attention of state police as being "rambunctious and noisy."

Citations were issued at the two houses to students both inside and outside, Rush said. She added that she was aware of students being cited at a Center City nightclub Thursday night, but said this event was not specifically part of the BLCE's enforcement of liquor laws over Spring Fling weekend.

One sophomore was at a party thrown by his fraternity Saturday night, where he served as the point person when Philadelphia and Penn Police entered the house with the complaint that the music being played was too loud. The fraternity had consciously chosen to not serve alcohol at the party and to check PennCards of those entering the house to prevent undercover officers from entering, he said.

"It was simply a crackdown on social gatherings in general, which seems like a huge overstep on people's rights to get together in a social setting without alcohol," the sophomore said of the weekend's police presence.

He added that police entered the house themselves by using PennCards which allow them swipe access to all Greek houses, and were not let in by anyone in attendance.

Medical Emergency Response Team Chief and College junior Maxwell Presser said that his organization responded to fewer calls during this year's Spring Fling compared to the weekend last year.

"I believe the actions of the PA Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement definitely scared some people," Presser said in an email.

He also cited the poor weather on Friday and reduced attendance at that day's Spring Fling concert as a cause for the decline in calls.

Pennsylvania raised the penalties for underage drinking citations last fall. The maximum fine for the first offense is \$500, and \$1,000 for the second. A person cited also faces a potential driver's license suspension on top of the fine.

One of the freshmen at the Thursday night party, however, said that the officers issuing citations contradicted each other on the size of the fine and steps required to remove the citation from the student's record. Each citation comes with a date to go before a judge.

The BLCE's presence at Penn this weekend was part of a crackdown on underage drinking by the organization. In addition to actions at Penn, there has been an increased campus presence at Temple, St. Joseph's and La Salle universities.

District Officer Commander Dan Steele of the BLCE's Philadelphia office promised a zero-tolerance policing of underage drinking before Spring Fling weekend.

The BLCE also gave out a combined 143 citations for underage drinking at two Philadelphia Phillies games this season.

Anyone wishing to comment or contribute additional information about police activity during Fling weekend should contact authors Alex Zimmermann at (301) 520-2700 or alexzimm@sas.upenn.edu, and Harrison Fallon at (703) 489-3581 or hfallon@sas.upenn.edu.

Team found inspiration in philosophy

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interests.

O'Brien's musical knowledge, for example — he sings in the Penn Glee Club and performs with Penn Pipers — was especially useful to a project combining music theory and computer science.

Research that marries music and science, though, has a long history. The team found that many scientists have investigated the emotional connection between music and color, including Aristotle and Isaac Newton.

"There are these scientists from the scientific revolution or ancient ages who tried to figure out the harmony in the world by relating things that evoke emotions — like colors, like music," Zhelyazkov said.

One of the strongest intellectual currents in the project was the concept of harmony, which dates back to ancient Greece.

"[The Greeks] thought you could hear the music of the universe. If you lay down in field at night, you could hear the stars," Zhelyazkov added. "Of course, some of these things are not scientifically accurate, but the way they thought about it philosophically was interesting."

After comparing the work of earlier scientists in this field about which colors can evoke specific emotions, the team came to an interesting conclusion.

"Colors that are brighter, in the spectrum of red or yellow, [are] more warm and evoke certain positive emotions while colors that are darker evoke negative emotions," Zhelyazkov said.

From this research, the team came up with a multi-layered approach to analyzing a picture and creating a song to match.

Many scientists doing similar work analyze images sequentially, looking at every pixel in an image when trying to convert it into music. The design team, on the other hand, decided to use what they termed "focal analysis," analyzing the objects that attract the viewer's attention in a given image.

This meant creating a

three-dimensional histogram for the given picture — such as a bed of flowers — that shows the concentrations of red, blue and green light in the image.

"Every color can be broken down into how much red, how much green, [and] how much blue," O'Brien said. "You map it out like a little graph."

They then used the histogram to find the "focal points" of the image. Since the eye is drawn to areas in the image with the most contrast, these areas generally constitute the focal points.

"Contrast means that you have a section that is very different from what is around it, that is at the heart of our focal analysis," Zhelyazkov said. "We try to find those objects of highly contrasting values. And then, through those red, green and blue values, we identified them properly."

Based on several research papers, the team was then able to map colors to the circle of fifths — a visual representation of the twelve key signatures in music theory.

In order to capture the "mood" of the image used, the team decided to choose 18 standard chord progressions from classical and pop music.

According to earlier studies, each of these progressions creates music in a certain mood.

Zhelyazkov and his team analyzed the focal points in a particular image and calculated each one's average color.

The average color gave them both the starting key, according to the circle of fifths color wheel, and the mood, which indicates the appropriate chord progression. Each focal point's resulting music gives one verse of the song.

The team also generated transitional progressions in the same mood to connect the verses. These progressions serve as choruses.

Zhelyazkov said this formula for creating verses and choruses is inspired by the way a person looks at objects in an image.

"You see one object and then your eyes move away and they spot the second object," he said.

While the team continues to perfect its app, eventually users will be able to "take pictures and then listen to the things you see," Zhelyazkov added.

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Summer online language courses slow to fill

Many of the 11 summer courses only have one to six students now enrolled

BY YOLANDA CHEN
Staff Writer

Although almost half of Penn Summer Online's options are language courses, the classes are still facing enrollment issues.

According to Lada Vassilieva, administrative director at the Penn Language Center, the biggest challenge it faces is "securing enough

enrollments to run these courses." Although the numbers are still changing, there are currently between one to eight students enrolled in each session of the language courses, with Online Beginning Business Chinese having the most enrolled students.

Of Penn Summer Program's 24 online courses this summer, 11 of them are language courses that offer classes ranging from Arabic

to Italian. The program is run through the Arts & Sciences Learning Commons, a social learning platform to support online learning.

Grace Wu, who taught Online Beginning Business Chinese last summer and will be teaching it again this year, said "it was an exciting experience

to teach [the] online course." However, due to the format and nature of the subject, there were difficulties in obtaining appropriate material.

"As far as I know, we are the only one [to] offer online Chinese courses in Ivy League schools," she said in an email.

"Studies on educating Chinese learners using technology integration in the classroom are hard to find," she added.

Despite the current relatively low enrollment numbers, Vassilieva remains optimistic about the summer courses.

"We are confident that the summer online program in

languages will draw enough interest to take place this summer because the quality of these courses is very high," she said.

Although these language courses are taught online, there are still regular time slots allotted for real-time interaction between the instructor and students.

Some online classes, such as Calculus I, which has

real-time lectures from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on weekdays except Friday, force students in some parts of the world to take them in the early morning due to the time dif-

ference. However, for Online Beginning Business Chinese, which is offered from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the time difference has not posed difficulties in the past.

"There are two Korean students who took online Chinese last summer. The time zone is 12 hours different. However, they enjoy taking the class at 9:00 p.m. in Korea," Wu said.

"I did not mind the time zone difference," College senior Wontek Woo, who took the course last summer, said in an email. "For me, it was even convenient."

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Quakers split thrilling Ivy weekend series

M. TENNIS | Penn beats Big Green for first Ivy win, drops squeaker to Harvard

BY RILEY STEELE
Associate Sports Editor

By the end of the weekend, the Quakers were almost as perfect as could be.

Matched up with two of the toughest teams in the Ivy League at the Hamlin Tennis Center, the Penn men's tennis team defeated No. 70 Dartmouth on Saturday before falling to No. 19 Harvard in a heartbreaker on Sunday.

Despite a long five-game road trip and the challenge of facing a ranked opponent, the Red and Blue (9-9, 1-4 Ivy) remained undefeated in Philadelphia with their 4-3 win against the Big Green (9-11, 1-3).

"It was great for us to pick up our first Ivy League win," coach David Geatz said. "Dartmouth is a ranked team, and to beat them is just phenomenal."

Saturday's matchup was tight throughout, as the Quakers fell



vs. Dartmouth



vs. Harvard

behind twice before finally leveling the match and eventually winning.

Dartmouth scored the opening point of the match when it captured the doubles point. Entering Saturday's match, the Quakers were 8-0 when they won the doubles point, and 0-8 when falling in doubles action.

Freshman Vim De Alwis and sophomore Ismael Lahliou captured back-to-back straight sets victories to knot the match up at two apiece.

After sophomore Jeremy Court dropped a close match in straight sets, 7-6, 7-6, and junior Nikola Kovacic's three-set victory at No. 1 singles, the score was even at 3-3.

At that point, all eyes were on the No. 4 match between freshman Blaine Willenborg and Dartmouth junior Cameron Ghorbani.

Though Ghorbani took the first set in a tiebreaker, Penn's

won the final two sets, 7-5 and 6-4 respectively, to give the Red and Blue the victory.

"We've had plenty of tough losses and we're an awful young team," Geatz said. "But for our freshmen, especially Blaine, to play the way they have can give them a ton of confidence moving forward."

Sunday provided an even tougher test for Penn. Matched up against a top-20 opponent, the Quakers played perhaps their best doubles matches of the season, setting the tone for a gritty afternoon.

"We've played the worst doubles in the Ivy League over the course of the year until now," Geatz said. "Our doubles lineup has gotten stronger, and I'm really impressed with the progress we've made."

After Penn split the opening doubles matches, the tandem of Kovacic and freshman Austin Kaplan fell in a tiebreaker to

give the Crimson (16-4, 4-0) the

won the final two sets, 7-5 and 6-4 respectively, to give the Red and Blue the victory.

Whereas the Quakers overcame an early deficit on Saturday, they were unable to do so on Sunday. Harvard raced to an early lead before finally putting away the pesky Quakers.

It wasn't easy, though. Despite trailing, 3-1, Penn was able to take the remaining three singles matches to a third and deciding set.

Nevertheless, Harvard's Shaud Chaudhuri knocked off Court at No. 2 singles to extend the Crimson's winning streak to 11 matches and clinch the match, 4-3.

Though the loss was Penn's first at home this season, Geatz was still encouraged by his team's development both this weekend and all season long.

"Our guys seem to be playing better and better as the season goes on," Geatz said. "This is the most resilient group of guys that I have ever seen and we were a point away from beating one of the top-20 teams in the country.

"We just want to keep improving and play as well as we possibly can against some very good teams."



Carolyn Lim/DP File Photo

Freshman Vim De Alwis was phenomenal for Penn this weekend against Dartmouth and Harvard, winning two singles matches and a doubles match.

Red and Blue in control of Ivy destiny

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and in a comfortable position to add another tick mark in the win column.

After a few critical plays by the Tigers, capped by two home runs, the Red and Blue found themselves in a 9-6 hole.

Freshman pitcher Amanda Gisonni took sophomore Alexis Borden's place in the circle, and confidently closed out the top of the seventh.

In a tight spot, seniors Samantha Erosa and Brooke Coloma got on base. Senior outfielder Jessica Melendez followed with a single to get Erosa across home plate.

Then, junior first baseman Georgia Guttadauro smacked a double to push the Quakers to a 9-9 tie in the bottom of the seventh, with no outs and two runners on base.

The next move would ultimately decide the game.

Senior catcher Jessica Arneson hit a bunt to send Melendez sliding into home,

capping an incredible come-

back and vaulting Penn to a 10-9 victory.

"It was a great play by coach," Arneson said. "It was a whole team effort, if it weren't for those three runs, I wouldn't have been in that position."

Freshman pitcher Lauren Li stepped in to try and keep the momentum going for the Quakers.

But Penn couldn't conjure up the same magic in the Saturday afternoon matchup.

Princeton brought in runs in the second, third and fourth innings before the Quakers scored. The Tigers followed by producing two more runs in the fifth, putting the pressure on the Quakers.

Junior Elyssie Gorney and Erosa hit back-to-back solo homers, but it was too little, too late, as the Quakers could not turn in another blockbuster finish, falling to the Tigers, 5-3.

Sunday, the Quakers came out and dominated, starting the first game with an early 3-0 lead.

Penn continued to fight and kept Princeton off the board until the fifth inning when Princeton notched two solo home runs.

But the Quakers pulled away in a bottom of the fifth

explosion with an RBI single from Coloma and a three-run homer from Guttadauro. Penn widened its lead to 7-2 and ultimately won after two more runs in the sixth inning, 9-2.

Finally, another dramatic installation concluded this long Ivy weekend, starting off with a Coloma home run to put the Quakers up, 2-0.

But Princeton responded in the third with a home run to level the score.

The battle of home runs continued as Erosa smacked the ball out over left field for her second solo homer of the weekend, followed by an RBI double by Melendez to increase Penn's lead to 4-2.

More home runs came off the bat of the Tigers in the fifth. But the Quakers were able to keep their lead, securing the 5-4 win.

Looking to next weekend's matchup against Cornell, coach Leslie King recognizes the Quakers' position.

"We're in the driver's seat now," King said. "It's gonna be a tough, tough weekend, but I think we're up for it."

"Our team feeds off each other — as you can tell we don't generally score one run, two runs, we score four runs," Arneson said. "[Cornell] better look at this and better be intimidated."

Defense key in waning moments

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them from cutting," coach Karin Brower Corbett said. "Our defense really did well as a unit."

Bunting iced the cake for the Red and Blue, scoring her third goal of the day to finish off the hat trick and give the Red and Blue a two-goal lead with barely over a minute re-

maining.

"I really, really hate losing," Bunting said.

But with 28 seconds left, a trickling ball snuck through the legs of multiple Penn defenders, giving Dartmouth life in the game's waning moments.

After two fouls that infuriated the Quakers' bench and stands, the Big Green found themselves in front of the Quakers' net with eight seconds remaining.

But Penn's defense, just as it had been all day, was too much for the Big Green to overcome. The Quakers forced the Dartmouth attack behind the net, and the opposition was never

able to get a shot off.

As the clock sounded, the celebration was on. The crowd that assembled at Penn Park erupted and the bench stormed the field.

"The seniors stepped up big today," Corbett said. "They provided us with the leadership we needed, and I'm so proud of them."

With only two Ivy League games left, the Quakers control their own destiny as they prepare to take on the Tigers.

"Princeton is a strong team, but if we create good opportunities and cause some havoc, hopefully we can continue this streak on Wednesday."

Tigers take fourth win in a row

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right away," Myhr said. "When you feel like something happens out of your

control that hurts your performance, there's an immediate sense of indignation. But these guys are absolute gentlemen."

The Tigers won all four eight-man crew races and the Quakers placed second in all three that didn't feature a stray boat.

At least conditions were ideal, with all three teams enjoying minimal wind.



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Red and Blue come up short against Harvard

M. LACROSSE |

After a strong fourth-quarter comeback, Quakers fall in OT

BY DANIELLE CHUANG
Staff Writer

If only the numbers better reflected the play.

Though the board showed an 8-7 overtime loss for No. 13 Penn (6-4, 2-3 Ivy) at Harvard (6-6, 2-2) on Saturday, the Quakers fought hard in the fourth quarter, tying the score at 7-7 before falling in extra time.

Of Penn's three Ivy losses this season, two came in overtime.

"We've had a few games go into overtime this season," coach Mike Murphy said. "We've gone into the second half down by a lot several times, but then we score and score and score."

And that's exactly what



at Harvard

happened in Cambridge on Saturday.

At the start of the final quarter, the Red and Blue trailed, 6-3. But with 4:43 left, freshman attack Nick Doktor, sophomore attack Isaac Bock and junior defense Alex Blonsky had all scored to keep the Quakers in the running.

With 2:05 left, Harvard freshman attack Ian Ardrey got one past junior goalkeeper Brian Feeney to give the Crimson a one-point lead, but the Quakers didn't let the game end there.

In an exciting last minute, Penn senior attack Tim Schwalje tied the score, 7-7, on an assist from freshman midfield Mark Leonhard.

Heading into overtime, the Quakers got off on the wrong foot, losing the faceoff to the

Crimson. Things went from bad to worse when an interference penalty was called on the Quakers during a Harvard possession.

The loss was a disappointment, especially after the Quakers' triumphant victory over their tightest rivals at Brown last weekend in Providence. With a final score of 10-3, it was Penn's largest margin over the Bears since 1983.

The Quakers were looking to carry that Ivy progress into this weekend's match.

"[The Harvard game] was definitely not a step in the right direction for the team," Murphy said. "They had the home field advantage and we lost it on some possessions, but it really came down to shooting."

The Quakers outshot the Crimson, 43-26, but it was Crimson senior goalie Harry Krieger who ultimately saved Harvard.

Deceiving numbers appear to be a trend in the league. Though the Crimson's overall and Ivy records show a .500 win percentage, their games have come very close against some tough opponents, including a 14-12 loss to league-leading Cornell earlier this month.

Harvard's win marks its first over a ranked opponent since May 16, 2011, when the Crimson also beat then-No. 14 Penn in the Ivy semifinals.

Dropping below .500 in the league, the Quakers have one final shot at a victory in Ivy play next weekend.

"We're going to keep doing what we're doing," Murphy said. "We'll tweak where we have to but at this point, we don't want to change anything just for the sake of changing it."

Penn will face off against Dartmouth at Franklin Field next Saturday at 1 p.m., for its final Ancient Eight matchup.



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Senior attack Tim Schwalje scored twice for the Quakers on Saturday. He was the only Penn player to score multiple goals, as the team fell in overtime.

Penn sprinter breaks school record at George Mason Invite

TRACK & FIELD |

Sophomore Heather Bong sets record in 100-meter dash

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Penn track and field's record-setting spring continued on Saturday as the Quakers traveled to Fairfax, Va., for the George Mason Invitational.

Unlike most track meets, this invite did not have a team

scoring competition. Instead, the coaches focused on the individual performances of their athletes as the Quakers move towards the Heptagonal Championships in early May.

The Penn athletes responded by posting several new marks in the school record books.

The star of the weekend for the Red and Blue was on the women's side, as sophomore Heather Bong is now officially Penn's fastest woman of all time.

The sprinter ran the 100-meter dash in a time of 11.83 seconds, good enough for fourth overall on Saturday and first in school history. The previous school record was set by Izu Emeagwali back in 2005.

And Bong's extraordinary day wasn't done yet.

Bong ran the sixth-fastest time in school history in the 200 to finish ninth overall at the invite. She was also a part of the 4x100 relay team that finished in first place, more than a second faster than any

other school on the day.

Freshman Kaci Jones continued her stellar rookie campaign by moving into eighth place all-time at Penn in the javelin throw when she claimed third place on Saturday.

In the 100 hurdles finals, junior Gabbi Piper placed sixth, while fellow junior Brooke Hamscher also placed sixth in the pole vault.

The men's team dominated the top spots in the 400 hurdles, as sophomore Tom Timmins won the event and

senior Tim Carey claimed third for the Red and Blue.

Timmins' personal best time of 52.23 was just good enough to make the top-10 all-time list for Penn.

While Penn's top high jumper, junior Maalik Reynolds, rested for the weekend, freshman Thomas Pitt filled in well during his absence by placing fourth in the high jump.

The men's middle distance squad also produced some impressive results. Sophomore Mato Bekelja was 10th in the 800, breaking the 1:50 barrier for the first time in his career.

Freshman Thomas Awad, who normally competes in the longer distance races, moved down to the 1500 on Saturday and did very well. He finished ninth overall in a personal best time of 3:48.14.

Next weekend, Penn track and field heads to Princeton for the Larry Ellis Invitational, the final chance for the team to prepare before the 119th edition of the Penn Relays.



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Sophomore catcher Austin Bossart was a force to be reckoned with against Princeton this weekend. Bossart hit a solo home run on Saturday and smacked a ninth-inning single to score two and tie the late game on Sunday.

Penn bats go cold in home series

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Princeton took three of four from the Quakers in the weekend series, scoring seven runs in each of the four games.

A cold offense again plagued the Red and Blue.

In the first game, reigning Ivy League Pitcher of the Year Zak Hermans struck out 12 Quakers and gave up only five hits in seven innings. Penn immediately fell behind, with sophomore Connor Cuff allowing three runs in the first inning.

In the bottom of the second, a bloop single behind first base

and an error charged to sophomore outfielder Connor Betbeze allowed two runs to score, putting Princeton ahead, 5-0.

The Quakers chipped away at the lead in the bottom of the third with a solo home run from junior Rick Brebner, closing the gap, 5-2. However, that would be the last from the Quakers, as they lost the first contest, 7-2.

"I think we're thinking too much — that's all it is," Bossart said. "People just need to relax at the plate and just get the pitch to hit, and we'll be just fine."

In Saturday's nightcap, the offense woke up, scoring six runs in the first three innings. Though the Tigers closed the gap, 6-3, at the end of three, Bossart gave the Quakers more breathing room with a solo shot in the bottom half of the fifth.

Penn closer Ronnie Glenn ran into trouble looking for his

eighth save of the season — he gave up two runs in the bottom of the ninth — but ultimately secured the one-run victory, 8-7.

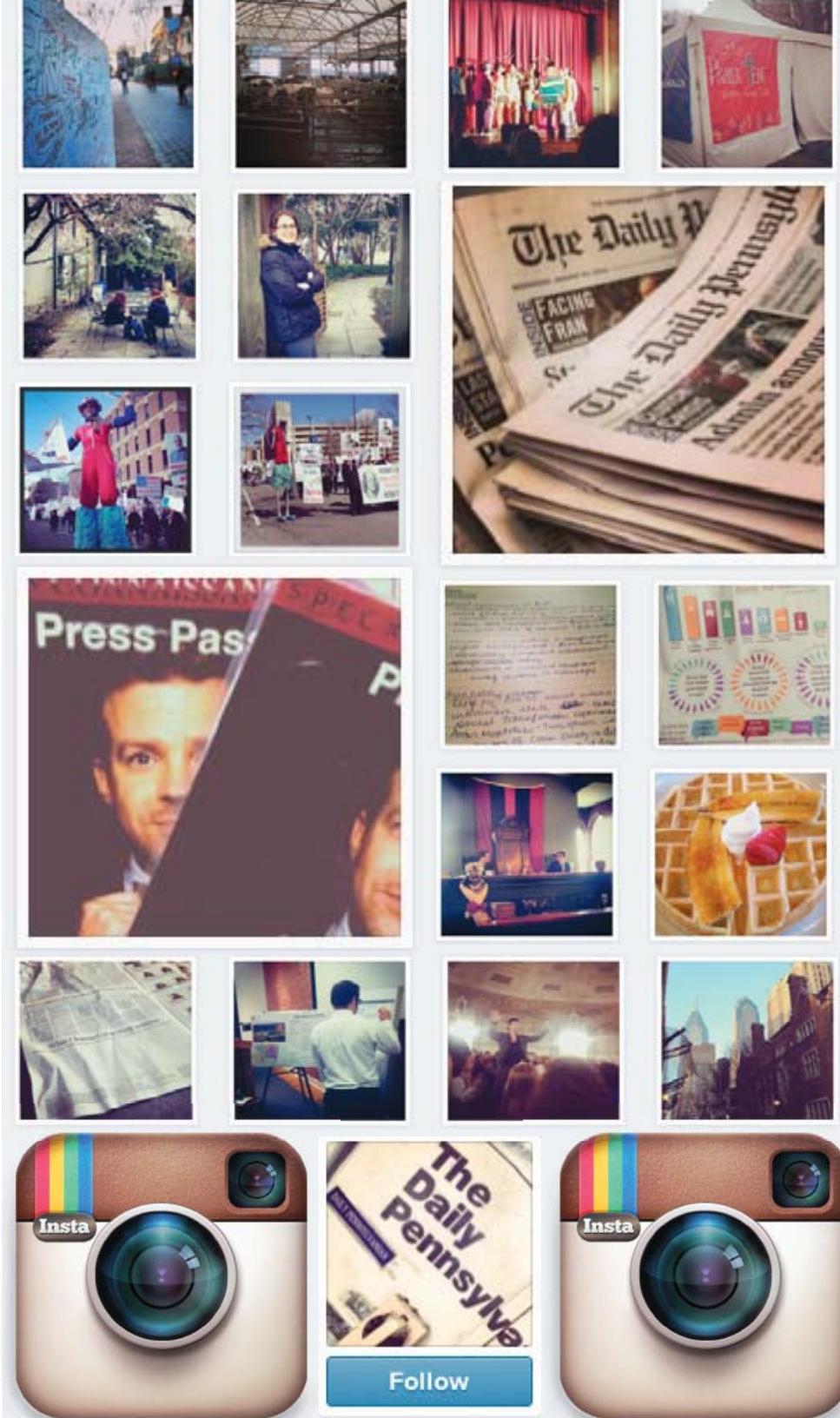
The Quakers, however, couldn't keep their momentum going into Sunday's first game, falling to Princeton, 7-1, and only managing two hits against Princeton's Mike Ford before losing the nightcap.

"We're just doing a very poor job offensively," Cole said. "[Ford's] a good pitcher for them, [Mingol] hasn't pitched much at all and we're feeling pressure when we shouldn't be and we're just not doing a good job at the plate."

The Quakers will get one tune-up in their last midweek game of the season on Wednesday against Lehigh before heading to Ithaca to face reigning Ivy League champions Cornell.

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No seventh heaven for Red and Blue

BASEBALL | Princeton scores seven runs in all four games as Penn drops series, 3-1, to Tigers

BY BRETT TROST

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With two outs in the bottom of the ninth, the Penn baseball team needed something miraculous to keep it from losing its first division series of the season to Princeton.

T P 2

vs. Princeton

T P 1

vs. Princeton

But in the end, the Quakers came up short.

Trailing the entire final game of the series, Penn (20-14, 6-6 Ivy) stood one batter away from losing to Princeton's

S P 7

vs. Princeton

T P 6

vs. Princeton

(11-21, 8-4) Cameron Mingo in what would be a complete game and his first win of the season with a 6-3 lead on his side.

But a high pitch count wore on the

Tigers pitcher, and junior Brandon Engelhardt notched a single to right. After a walk loaded the bases, the runners advanced on wild pitch.

The Quakers' rally was kept alive when Austin Bossart lined up a single into left field to tie the game, 6-6.

"I was looking for a fastball I could handle and I got it," Bossart said. "I wish we could have come out on top with that so it's just disappointing not to come out on top after that huge rally in the ninth inning."

But like much of the weekend,

Penn's success was short-lived. Danny Thomson popped the next Quakers batter out. In the top of the 10th inning, a home run by Alec Keller — his fifth of the season — ended the game and handed the Quakers their third loss in two days.

"You have two outs and come back from three runs that's pretty good," coach John Cole said. "You'd like to see them finish off the rally but we gave them a chance."

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IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

W. LACROSSE | Red and Blue escape with 8-7 victory to help break three-way Ivy tie on Senior Night

BY ALEX OTT

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Before taking the field Friday, the Penn women's lacrosse team was in a three-way tie for first place in the Ivy League. That night, the Quakers went to sleep knowing they were one step closer to a conference title.

Penn (7-4, 5-0 Ivy) celebrated the amazing contributions of its seniors before the game, and in return, a trio of upperclassmen put together one of the most clutch performances in recent memory, leading the Red and Blue to a huge 8-7 victory over Dartmouth.

The win was even more special to the seniors after Dartmouth knocked off the Red and Blue in the Ivy League championship last year.

"We really wanted to go out and get revenge today," senior attack Caroline Bunting said. "Being back on this field playing the same team, it was a great feeling to pull this one out."

The first half was a back and forth battle, with the Big Green (8-5, 4-1) scoring first for the early lead, but seniors Maddie Poplawski and Bunting each found the back of the net as time wound down, giving the Quakers a one goal advantage heading into the half.

It took all 30 minutes of the second half to determine a winner.

The Red and Blue upped their lead to two with an impressive goal from senior Meredith Cain, but Dartmouth answered quickly to tie the game at five.

After that, things got crazy.

An impressive display of speed and power from Bunting got the Quakers back the lead, but Dartmouth answered yet again to tie the teams at six.

It would be the last time the teams were tied.

Freshman midfield and leading scorer Iris Williamson battled through an injury to give the Quakers the lead on a free position attempt, and sophomore goalie Lucy Ferguson made several strong saves to preserve the Penn lead.

"Lucy played great, and our defense really kept

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Melanie Lei/DP File Photo

Senior attack Caroline Bunting helped lead the Penn women's lacrosse team to an 8-7 victory over Dartmouth on Friday. Bunting notched three goals for the Quakers, including the game winning score with less than eight minutes to play. The victory serves as revenge for Penn after a loss to the Big Green in last year's Ivy title match.

Wins fuel Penn's first-place position

SOFTBALL | Red and Blue take three out of four from Tigers behind strong offensive outings

BY JIMMY LENGYEL

Staff Writer

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5 P 3

vs. Princeton

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vs. Princeton

5 P 4

vs. Princeton

After a sloppy mid-week matchup with Villanova, a Saturday split and Sunday sweep were exactly the type of spring cleaning the Quakers needed to keep morale high and their two-game lead for first place intact.

Penn started the weekend off by splitting games with Princeton — winning, 10-9, and then losing, 5-3 — before sweeping the Jersey rivals the next day, 9-2 and 5-4.



Monica Martin/DP File Photo

Senior catcher Jessica Arneson completed Penn's comeback against the Tigers Saturday afternoon with a bunt to send in the final run in the bottom of the seventh for the Quakers' 10-9 win.

The Red and Blue (20-15, 10-2 Ivy) made critical plays, executed on base and played stellar defense to rout the Tigers (21-15, 6-6).

The first game of Saturday afternoon saw the Quakers explode for four

runs in the first inning after trailing, 1-0.

By the conclusion of the sixth inning, the Quakers were on top, 6-4,

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Wayward boat sinks Quakers' chances

M. ROWING | High school boat intrudes Red and Blue's lane, Penn settles for third

BY MIKE TONY

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Defeat literally came out of nowhere for the Penn men's heavyweight rowing team Saturday at the Childs Cup in Overpeck, N.J.

A wayward boat warming up for a high school regatta veered into the middle of Penn's lane roughly 800 meters into the 2000m race, taking the No. 13 Quakers out of contention and helping ensure the fourth victory in a row for No. 4 Princeton with a time of 5:45.0.

No. 15 Columbia placed second in 5:47.5 and Penn finished third in 5:56.2, keeping up with the Lions until the unwelcome boat, which had been preparing for the North Jersey Rowing Regatta, ran into the Quakers' path.

Launch boats holding coaches of the Childs Cup competitors shouted on bullhorns at the high school boat to get out of the

way until it finally did.

Penn protested the intrusion to no avail.

"You never expect something like that to happen," Penn coach Greg Myhr said. "I think everybody involved, coaches, rowers, officials, were all a little bit shell-shocked as far as what to do. The protest is that there was confusion and interference beyond a normal regatta situation."

"Had they restarted, that probably would have been the best course of action."

Now the Quakers are left wondering what might have been.

"[Columbia] had a really good race," Myhr said. "A very strong group. I think we could have held our own with Columbia, but to be honest, I really don't know. That's probably the biggest disappointment to this point — we really don't know how we would have done."

Fortunately, Myhr's crew will find out how the Penn stacks up to the Lions as well as Yale next weekend at the Blackwell Cup on the Schuylkill.

"Nobody takes it in stride

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