

# This Week @ PhilaU

February 9, 2004

A Weekly Newsletter for Faculty, Staff and Students

## NEWS BRIEFS

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### Students Countdown to Commencement

#### **Graduation 2004 to be Held at the Mann Center**

Students participating in the May 2004 Commencement Ceremony joined other members of the University community on Feb. 5 for a special celebration to kick off the countdown to Commencement 2004.

President Gallagher saluted this year's graduates and announced that Commencement Ceremonies this May will be held at The Mann Center for the Performing Arts.

In his announcement to the campus, Dr. Gallagher said, "This unique open-air theater located in Fairmount Park is the only outdoor cultural arts venue in the Philadelphia region. It is truly a wonderful setting in which to celebrate the accomplishments of our talented students, the dedication of our faculty and the continued success of our University. By hosting Commencement at The Mann Center, we will be able to provide a comfortable atmosphere that includes adequate seating under cover for our graduates and their families."

## Campus Center Architects Introduce Preliminary Plans



Shepley Bulfinch Richardson & Abbott visited the campus on Feb. 5 to present the schematic, or early, design concepts for the new Campus Center. The architects explained preliminary plans for the building's site as it relates to the campus typography and environmental issues, as well as the possible internal workings of the Center. At this stage, the proposed building includes a coffee shop, dining area, University store and mail center, as well as multipurpose space. They also discussed some plans for the rec center and parking facility. After the presentation, the Shepley representatives fielded questions from members of the University community.

For more information, contact Jeff Cromarty at [cromartyg@PhilaU.edu](mailto:cromartyg@PhilaU.edu).

## EVENTS

Monday, February 9

### YOGA

5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Down Hall Room 6

All are welcome. \$10 at the door.

Every Monday throughout the semester.

Contact: Lois Janney, x2727

### Black History Month Film

**Presentation** sponsored by the Honors Program, Academic Achievement Program and Student Development

6 to 8:30 p.m.

Student Center Lounge

Contact: Bridget Haines-Frank, x2634

### Free Open Swim at Penn Charter High School

Every Monday and Wednesday

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Contact: Brad Koch, x2723

### Women's Basketball vs. Mercy College

6 p.m.

Althouse Hall, Bucky Harris Gym

Contact: Athletics Office, x2720

### Men's Basketball vs. Mercy College

8 p.m.

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Contact: Athletics Office, x2720

## NEWS BRIEFS *continued*

### Hopping Fences: Influences in modern living

#### Opening Reception Friday

**13 February • 7 – 9pm**

Philadelphia Art Alliance

251 S. 18th St.

(between Spruce and Locust Streets)

*Music by pianist Heath Allen.*

#### **A collaboration between the Philadelphia Art Alliance and The Design Center at Philadelphia University**

Five interdisciplinary design/build firms from the Philadelphia area have created site-specific installations in the Art Alliance galleries. Conceived as an alternative to traditional furniture or design shows, *Hopping Fences* reflects how design impacts, and is influenced by, modern urban living: the pace and demands, allowances and challenges.

*Target Stores, Presenting Sponsor*

*The Philadelphia City Paper Media Sponsor*

For more information about Hopping Fences, visit [www.PhilaU.edu/DesignCenter/HoppingFences](http://www.PhilaU.edu/DesignCenter/HoppingFences).

#### **Corporate Connections Thursday**

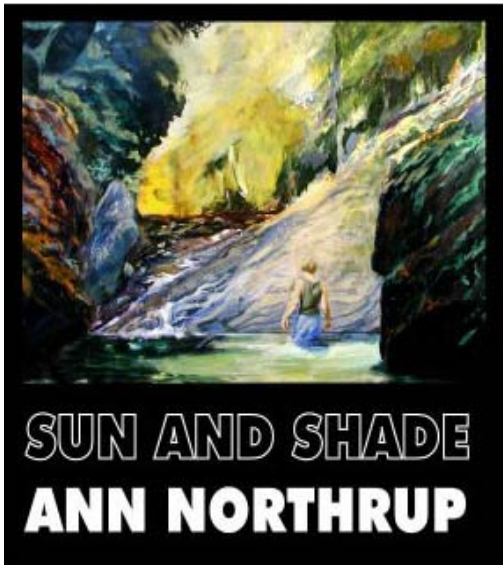
Thursday, Feb. 12

10:30 a.m. to 1p.m.

Downs Hall Auditorium

All students conducting a full-time or summer job search are invited to attend. For a list of employers attending, log on to <http://www.philau.edu/career/employers/CorporateConnections.htm>. Contact the Career Services Center with any questions at 215.951.2930.

#### **Faculty Member Work in Exhibition**



The watercolor paintings of Ann Northrop, coordinator of Foundation Design, School of Textiles and Materials Technology, are on exhibit until March 5 at the CSA Gallery, 1818 Callowhill Street in Philadelphia. Visit [CSAgallery.com](http://CSAgallery.com) to find out more.

## Tuesday, February 10

#### **National Condom Days**

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ravenhill Dining Hall

In recognition of National Condom Day, Student Health Services staff will be available in the Ravenhill Dining Hall with information about sexually transmitted infections, abstinence and safe sex. Free condoms will be available. Complete the Sexually Transmitted Infections Quiz for a chance to win prizes.

Contact: Beth Anne Hampson, x2986

#### **Black Student Union (BSU) Fashion Show Practice**

7 to 10 p.m.

Ravenhill Mansion

All are welcome!

Contact: Evina Scott, 215.843.0334

#### **Cornerstone Meeting**

9 to 10 p.m.

Student Center Lounge

A weekly gathering of students who believe in Jesus Christ – a time for teaching, fellowship and worship. All are welcome!

Contact: Ellen nave, 215.843.3102

## Wednesday, February 11

#### **Free Open Swim at Penn Charter High School**

Every Monday and Wednesday

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Contact: Brad Koch, x2723

#### **Delta Sigma Pi Chapter Meetings**

9:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Downs Hall Room 12

Contact: Lauren Muckley, 215.676.4804

#### **Delta Phi Epsilon Meeting**

10 to 11:30 p.m.

Downs Hall Room 1

Held every Wednesday throughout the spring semester.

Contact: Denise Lee, x1841

# Black History Month Celebration

## Film for Thought



Monday, Feb. 9

6pm

Student Center Lounge

A master strategist and tireless activist, Bayard Rustin is best remembered as the organizer of the 1963 March on Washington, one of the largest nonviolent protests ever held in the United States. He brought Gandhi's protest techniques to the American civil rights movement, and helped mold Martin Luther King, Jr. into an international symbol of peace and nonviolence.

*Sponsored by Student Development, AAP and Honors Programs.*

## Amiri Baraka

Friday, Feb. 20

4 to 6 p.m.

Tuttleman Auditorium

Newark New Jersey's Poet Laureate Amiri Baraka is a renowned dramatist, poet and novelist, who is known for his political frankness, as evidenced by his poem *Somebody Blew Up America - a memorial to September 11*.

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## SPOKEN WORD

### By In The Company Of Poets

Friday, Feb. 27

7 to 9 p.m.

Mansion

### PHILLY'S FIRST AND FINEST FEMALE SPOKEN WORD TRIO

Sistah Poets Speak on Living 360 Degrees of Life as...

Conscious, Spirited, Warrior, Divas, telling Stories of Wisdom on the Universe!"

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Thursday, February 12

### Corporate Connections

#### Networking Reception

10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Downs Auditorium

Calling All Majors! Get your job search started now! Take this opportunity to connect with employers for full-time, part-time, and internship/co-op opportunities. This event is open to all classes and majors. You do not need to attend a workshop to participate. Just bring a resume, dress professionally, and be prepared to talk with employers. To see what companies are attending, visit the Career Services website at [www.PhilaU.edu/career](http://www.PhilaU.edu/career) or

Contact: Tracy DiPedro or Michele Greenfield, x2930

### Honors Junior Seminar: History of US Popular Culture Film Screenings

Woman of the Year (1942) starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy, directed by Alan Crosland. In the first film pairing Hepburn and Tracy, two columnists trade barbs then fall in love, but their relationship has problems due to differences between her hectic schedule and his laid-back lifestyle.

11 a.m.  
Downs Hall Room 10

If time permits, a short discussion led by Prof. John Devoti will follow the presentation.

Contact: Marcella McCoy, x5367

### Math Review Sessions

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Downs Hall Room 5

Contact: Melanie Boston, x6834

### Black Student Union (BSU) Meeting

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Downs Hall Room 7

All are welcome!

Contact: Evina Scott, 215.843.0334

### National Condom Days

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The Common Thread

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Contact: Beth Anne Hampson, x2986

## PLAYER OF THE WEEK



**Brent Welton**  
Men's Basketball  
Junior, Guard  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Roman Catholic

Welton led the Rams to a pair of road victories this past week, averaging 28.0 ppg while also contributing 6.0 assists per contest. He opened with a 22-point performance in a win at Queens College while also adding eight assists and poured in a game-high 34 points, including eight three-point field goals, in a win at Southampton College. Welton shot 53.1 percent (17-32) from the field for the week including a 61.9 percent (13-21) clip from beyond the three-point arc.

## HATS OFF

**Bob Conroy, assistant director of the Campus Store**, has been named an Executive Board Member of the Middle Atlantic College Stores, Inc.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Design Expo

Thursday, March 25

3 to 6 p.m.

Gutman Library, Second Floor

Graduating Design students are invited to join employers for conversation and portfolio reviews. For additional information log onto <http://www.philau.edu/career/employers/DesignExpo.htm> or call the Career Services Center at 215-951-2930.

### Time, Talent & Treasure 2004

Friday, March 26

6 to 10 p.m.

The National Constitution Center

A historic setting to celebrate the past and envision the future of Philadelphia University with President James P. Gallagher. This special evening presented by Philadelphia University's Alumni Association will include a cocktail reception and buffet, music by Steve Cutcher Trio, The National Constitution Center Theater Presentations and self-guided tours of the exhibits. The 2004 Time, Talent & Treasure recipient, Martin J. Zeldin '55, president, Martix Fiber Southern Corporation and Zeldin Family Foundation, will also be honored. For more information, contact Alumni Relations at 215.951.2929 or visit <http://www.philau.edu/alumni/schedule.html>.

### 2004 FIA Annual Fashion Show

Monday, April 26

8 p.m.

Academy of Music

## Thursday, February 12

### Commuter Student Social

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Student Center Lounge

Contact: Jenn Thorpe, x2542

### Asian Cultural Association Meeting

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Hayward Hall Room 111

All are welcome!

Contact: Linda at [iem2@PhilaU.edu](mailto:iem2@PhilaU.edu)

## Friday, February 13

### Friday Prayers by Minaret

1 to 2 p.m.

Student Center Lounge

Contact: Bilal Abdul-Hakim,

[hakim2@PhilaU.edu](mailto:hakim2@PhilaU.edu)

## Saturday, February 14

### Women's Basketball vs. LIU-C.W.

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2 p.m.

Althouse Hall, Bucky Harris Gym

Contact: Athletics, x2720

### Men's Basketball vs. LIU-C.W. Post

4 p.m.

Althouse Hall, Bucky Harris Gym

Contact: Athletics, x2720

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