

Welcome to the September 2009 edition of Tiger E-News, Princeton University's monthly electronic newsletter for alumni. Tiger E-News, a joint publication of the Office of the Alumni Association and the Office of Communications, provides an easy-to-scan digest of pertinent University news, information and Web-based resources.

01. UNIVERSITY NEWS

Class of 2013 includes record level of financial aid recipients

Princeton's class of 2013 is its largest ever and includes a record percentage of financial aid recipients, with 60 percent of the 1,300 incoming freshmen receiving assistance under the University's groundbreaking aid program.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/35/66Q48/>

Task force to review relationships between the University and the eating clubs

Princeton President Shirley M. Tilghman and Undergraduate Student Government President Connor Diemand-Yauman are establishing a task force composed of students, faculty, staff and alumni to review the relationships between the University and the eating clubs. The charge to the task force also asks it to "examine whether there are steps that can and should be taken to strengthen those relationships for the mutual benefit of the clubs and the University, and for the benefit of Princeton students and the undergraduate experience."

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/31/50S68/>

First Bridge Year students inspired to serve abroad

The 20 students selected for Princeton's inaugural Bridge Year Program have departed for their extended period of international service, propelled by the inspirational words of University President Shirley M. Tilghman.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/19/32E15/>

Freshmen begin journey with advice from 'Tilghman's Top Ten'

Inspired by comedian and television host David Letterman, Princeton President Shirley M. Tilghman offered freshmen at the Sept. 13 Opening Exercises her Top Ten list of "things I hope you do before you march proudly out the FitzRandolph Gates" at Commencement. The ceremony also included the awarding of four undergraduate prizes.

Opening Exercises: <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/28/78K02/>

Undergraduate prizes: <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/27/77C36/>

Fields Center, Community House celebrate new home; Campus Club reopens

When establishing their new home at 58 Prospect Ave., the Fields Center and Community House staff decided to make it a beacon for multicultural education and social opportunities within the University campus and local community. The opening of the new facility was marked with a public celebration Sept. 17. A day later, Campus Club celebrated its reopening as a gathering place for undergraduate and graduate students.

Fields Center and Community House: <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/25/93O76/>

Campus Club: <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/30/48C72/>

02. ACADEMIC DIGEST**Sigman, Zoli '88 win MacArthur 'genius grants'**

Daniel Sigman, a Princeton biogeochemist who has conducted pioneering work exploring the large-scale systems that have supported life on the planet throughout the millennia, has been selected as a 2009 MacArthur Fellow. Also chosen was Theodore Zoli, a 1988 alumnus and a visiting lecturer in Princeton's Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering since 2003. Zoli is a structural engineer who has developed novel ways of protecting transportation infrastructure in the event of natural and man-made disasters.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/35/75G78/>

Gunn wins National Medal of Science

James Gunn, Princeton's Eugene Higgins Professor of Astronomy, has been chosen to receive a National Medal of Science, the nation's highest scientific honor, for his sweeping contributions to modern stargazing. Gunn is among nine scientists and engineers who will be presented with the award by President Barack Obama at the White House on Oct. 7. Elaine Fuchs '77, the Rebecca C. Lancefield Professor at Rockefeller University, also will be honored.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/32/17Q70/>

Princeton awarded more than \$17 million in Recovery Act funding

As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Princeton has received more than \$17 million in research funding from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation. The grants will fund some 40 projects in wide-ranging fields, including energy, mathematics, engineering, meteorology, computer science, politics and neuroscience. More awards will be announced over the next several months.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/32/85I28/>

Princeton achieves marked progress in curbing grade inflation

Five years after its inception, Princeton's new grading policy has shown significant progress in bringing grades in undergraduate courses under better control. In 2008-09, A grades (A+, A, A-) accounted for 39.7 percent of grades in undergraduate courses across the University—the first time that A grades have fallen below 40 percent since the policy was approved.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/35/65G93/>

Houck '00 named top young innovator

Andrew Houck, an assistant professor of electrical engineering and the Princeton class of 2000 valedictorian, was named to Technology Review magazine's list of the top 35 young innovators for 2009. The magazine lauded Houck's work on quantum computing, a field in which physicists and engineers hope to develop computers fundamentally different from those that currently exist.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/20/86K64/>

03. ALUMNI INTEREST

Visit the new TigerNet Online Community

TigerNet, Princeton's alumni online community, received a facelift over the summer. One new feature is your individual profile page, My TigerNet. There you can manage your information, edit your profile and choose what you want to display through custom privacy settings. Check out your My TigerNet page. Not registered? It's easy to do so through the new TigerNet Account Services.

Log in: <http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/>

Register: <https://devservices.princeton.edu/TigerNetAcct/>

Alumni Studies course to focus on health care in America and abroad

As the health care debate continues, the Office of the Alumni Association is offering an Alumni Studies course on the topic of health care this fall. Led by journalist and author T.R. Reid '66, the course will tackle this timely topic by comparing health care in the United States to other industrialized nations and exploring the idea of health care reform and a country's moral obligations to its citizens. In addition to reading assignments and an online discussion group, the course will feature online lectures by Professor Uwe Reinhardt as well as PBS video programs featuring Reid. The course will begin on Oct. 1.

http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/education_travel/home_study_programs/fall09/

Before you hit the stadium, hit the classroom!

This fall, the Alumni Association is sponsoring three hourlong faculty lectures on Saturday mornings before home football games: Oct. 3, "The Unknown Commander in Chief: Woodrow Wilson and World War I" by Paul Miles, history; Oct. 31, "Trick or Treat? Behavioral and Neurochemical Evidence for Sugar Addiction" by Bart Hoebel, psychology; and Nov. 13, "Dilemmas in Athletics," by Harold Feiveson, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. These lectures are free, open to the public and do not require advanced registration.

http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/education_travel/on_campus_programs/football_lectures/

Graduate alumni to gather in Bethlehem, Pa., Oct. 15

Graduate alumni in Lehigh Valley are invited to join Dean William Russel for dinner at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, at Edge Restaurant in Bethlehem, Pa. Reconnect with old friends and hear what is happening at the Graduate School.

<http://gradschool.princeton.edu/alumni/events>

Tiger tailgate in Crimson territory, Oct. 24

Make plans now to attend the Biennial Tiger Tent Celebration at the Harvard game in Cambridge, Mass., on Saturday, Oct. 24. Sponsored by the Princeton Association of New England, this is the largest gathering of Princetonians outside of Princeton!

http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/goinback/football_weekends/

Tilghman to host town meeting in New York City

University President Shirley M. Tilghman will hold a town meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, at the New York Marriott Marquis at 46th St. and Broadway. She will be joined by healthcare policy expert Uwe Reinhardt, the James Madison Professor of Political Economy and Professor of Economics and Public Affairs. For more information and to register, visit: <http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/news/calendar/ny09/>

04. ASPIRE: A PLAN FOR PRINCETON

Doherty '81 named chair of Princeton's Annual Giving Committee

R. Kelly Doherty '81, founder and managing partner of Caymen Advisors, has been named chair of Princeton University's Annual Giving Committee. "I am delighted that Kelly Doherty has agreed to spearhead our Annual Giving efforts," said President Shirley M. Tilghman. "His deep commitment to Annual Giving and the mission of our University, coupled with his energetic spirit and financial expertise, will be a source of inspiration for his fellow volunteers and all of Princeton's alumni, parents and friends."

<http://aspire.princeton.edu/ag/agnews/agchair09.xml>

05. EXHIBITS & EVENTS

Turkey's prime minister to deliver major policy address

Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, the prime minister of Turkey, will deliver a major policy address titled "Building Global Peace: Turkish Regional Foreign Policy Priorities," at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, in Richardson Auditorium, Alexander Hall.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/26/37K14/>

Chinese business leader discusses sustainable building

Zhang Yue, one of China's best-known business leaders and an advocate of sustainable building practices, will deliver a lecture titled "A Sustainable Building Revolution: Chinese-Style" at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, in the Friend Center Convocation Room.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/26/36C23>

Fall farmers market set for Sept. 22-Oct. 27

The Greening Princeton Farmers Market at Firestone Plaza will return this fall for six weeks, open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays from Sept. 22 through Oct. 27.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/26/38K56/>

Chinese shadow figures highlight University's extensive, seldom-seen collection

An exhibition of vividly painted and delicately carved Chinese shadow theater figures at Princeton's East Asian Library provides a window into an enduring art form as well as Chinese religious beliefs, literature and other cultural markers. The exhibition will run through Jan. 22, 2010, in the East Asian Library on the third floor of the Frist Campus Center.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S25/07/38M24/>

06. SPORTS UPDATES

Kopolovich '10 is back as a back for football team

Senior Dan Kopolovich sacrificed his own personal stats for the Princeton football team good last season. His move from defensive back to quarterback was a necessity for a team with several freshmen at the position, but with the 2009 squad deep at the position, Kopolovich is ready for his best season as a starting defensive back.

http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&ATCLID=204798906&DB_OEM_ID=10600

Men's, women's cross-country teams win Cappy Anderson Invitational

The Princeton men's and women's cross-country teams won the Cappy Anderson Invitational held at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore on Sept. 19. The men's team earned 29 points in the 8K race. The women's team earned 20 points, with Princeton runners taking second through eighth places for the victory.

Men's team: [http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?
&DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=204798250](http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=204798250)

Women's team: [http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?
&DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=204798253](http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=204798253)

Shoji, Siow win doubles title at Farnsworth/Princeton Invite

Sophomore Yohei Shoji and freshman Matt Siow won the "B" doubles title in men's tennis at the Farnsworth/Princeton Invitational on Sept. 20, capping three days of competition at the Lenz Tennis Center among players from nine schools.

[http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?
SPSID=46478&SPID=4218&ATCLID=204798275&DB_OEM_ID=10600](http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=46478&SPID=4218&ATCLID=204798275&DB_OEM_ID=10600)

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For all the latest Princeton sports news, visit the University's official athletics site:

<http://www.goprincetontigers.com>

07. PRINCETON WEB CONNECT

- Princeton University - <http://www.princeton.edu>
 - Alumni Association - <http://alumni.princeton.edu>
 - Class pages - http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/alumni_communities/classes/class_pages/
 - Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni - <http://www.princeton.edu/apga>
 - Aspire: A Plan for Princeton - <http://aspire.princeton.edu/>
 - Public events calendar - <http://calendar.princeton.edu>
 - Visiting Princeton - <http://www.princeton.edu/Siteware/Visitors.shtml>
 - Princeton Alumni Weekly - <http://paw.princeton.edu>
 - Princeton University Bulletin - <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/bulletin/>
 - Daily Princetonian - <http://www.dailyprincetonian.com/>
 - Tiger E-News archives - <http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/news/newsletters/>
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