

Welcome to the November 2007 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

Princeton launches comprehensive campaign to raise \$1.75 billion

Aspiring to sustain and expand its excellence in teaching and research, and to increase the University's impact on a changing world, Princeton leaders launched a comprehensive fundraising campaign on Nov. 9 to raise \$1.75 billion over the next five years. The campaign, bearing the name "Aspire: A Plan for Princeton," will focus on a set of priorities that includes strengthening the core Princeton experience, providing unrestricted funds through the Annual Giving program, and raising funds to enhance the University's capacities in the critical areas of engineering and the environment, the creative and performing arts, neuroscience, and national and global citizenship.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/45/55K65/>

University names Center for the Arts after donor Lewis

Princeton on Nov. 8 named its new arts center the Peter B. Lewis Center for the Arts in recognition of the \$101 million gift Lewis, a 1955 alumnus, pledged last year to support the University's major arts initiative.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/44/75A49/>

Judge issues preliminary rulings in Robertson Foundation lawsuit

New Jersey Superior Court Judge Neil Shuster on Oct. 25 issued rulings on seven pretrial motions in the lawsuit brought against Princeton University by several members of the Robertson family in July 2002.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/33/23C63/>

University Art Museum and Italy sign agreement over antiquities

The Princeton University Art Museum and Italian cultural authorities on Oct. 30 signed an agreement that resolves the ownership of 15 works of art in the museum's collection. "This agreement meets Princeton's two primary goals," museum Director Susan Taylor said. "First, it is consistent with our long-standing commitment to responsible stewardship of our collections. Second, it encourages the development of future opportunities for collaboration that will advance new scholarship in both Italy and the United States."

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/37/62Q26/>

02. ACADEMIC DIGEST

Together to fly: Age-old question pushes scientists to step beyond their fields—into each other's

For the past five years, a quartet of Princeton researchers has tried to resolve a tricky and timeworn issue about the first moments of life by examining the fruit fly. The effort has netted the group not only a surprising discovery and two papers in a prominent scientific journal, but plaudits from scientists at other institutions, who have hailed the work as setting a new standard for the integration of physics and biology.

<http://www.princeton.edu/pr/pwb/07/1112/fly/>

Prior reveals media choice hurts political participation

In a new book, "Post-Broadcast Democracy: How Media Choice Increases Inequality in Political Involvement and Polarizes Elections," Princeton political scientist Markus Prior has found that the explosion of media choices created by technology has had a profound effect on participation in the political process.

<http://www.princeton.edu/pr/pwb/07/1112/book/>

Engineering skills propel champion cyclist Frey

Nick Frey '09, a mechanical and aerospace engineering major, has conjured ways to put his knowledge from the classroom to work in modifications to his racing bike. The reigning national time-trial champion and co-president of the University cycling team, Frey has aerodynamic aspirations that go far beyond taping the vents on his helmet -- a common practice among racing cyclists to reduce wind resistance. <http://www.princeton.edu/pr/pwb/07/1105/cycle/>

Princeton scientists break cholera's lines of communication

A team of Princeton scientists has discovered a key mechanism in how bacteria communicate with each other, a pivotal breakthrough that could lead to treatments for cholera and other bacterial diseases. The mechanism is a chemical that cholera bacteria use for transmitting messages to each other, known as CAI-1, and has been isolated in the lab of molecular biologist Bonnie Bassler. The discovery could lead to a new class of antibiotics. <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/50/60175/>

Weisenfeld examines religious motivation in activist, artistic fields

Religious images are recurring subjects of inquiry for Judith Weisenfeld '92, a new professor of religion and an affiliated faculty member in the Center for African American Studies. Along with an interest in African American religious history, Weisenfeld is drawn to religious influences in activities that are not primarily religious, such as political and social activism, musical performance and film. <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/42/93A85/>

03. ALUMNI INTEREST**Rogers, Goldman to receive top alumni awards**

Princeton University will present its top honors for alumni to John Rogers Jr. '80, founder of the nation's largest minority-run mutual fund firm and a leading civic activist, and Lawrence Goldman '69, '76, president and chief executive officer of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. Both awards will be presented on Alumni Day on Saturday, Feb. 23. <http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/39/22E50>

Tilghman to host conference in Los Angeles

President Shirley M. Tilghman will host a Princeton conference in Los Angeles on Saturday, Dec. 1. The full-day program includes presentations by faculty members Samuel Wang (molecular biology and neuroscience), Melissa Harris-Lacewell (politics and African American studies) and Edward Felten (computer science and public affairs) as well as Vice President and Secretary Bob Durkee '69. For more information and to register, visit: <http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/news/calendar/la07>

Princeton Black Graduate Caucus presents second annual winter formal

All graduate alumni and friends are invited to "A Winter Masquerade" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, in the Friend Center. The formal celebrates the relationships between graduate students, graduate alumni, faculty, staff and administration. There will be a live jazz band, DJ, door prizes and a mystery prize for best mask. Please RSVP by Nov. 30 to bgc@princeton.edu. Space is limited. <http://www.princeton.edu/~caf/events.html>

Princeton Journeys offers warm-weather getaways

Want to escape colder climates this winter? Consider an educational travel program with Princeton Journeys. Spend January whale-watching in Baja California. Explore the artistic and cultural riches of Vietnam in February. Transit the Panama Canal and snorkel on both sides of Costa Rica in March. For more information or to book your own get-away, contact Princeton Journeys at journeys@princeton.edu or visit:

http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/education_travel/princeton_journeys/2008_journeys_roster/

Make your voice heard

Organizations in the Alumni Association make a number of awards throughout the year. The Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni and three of the Alumni Association's standing committees make annual awards for which they solicit nominations from the entire Princeton community. Learn more about these awards and how you can add your voice to the nominations by going to:

http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/volunteers/awards/call_for_nominations/

From the PAW: Math mecca

Princeton's math department may be best known for its glory days in the 1930s, but recent accomplishments show the luster is as bright as ever.

http://www.princeton.edu/~paw/archive_new/PAW07-08/04-1107/features_math.html

04. ASPIRE: A PLAN FOR PRINCETON**Campaign to enhance key areas**

Princeton's new comprehensive campaign has three principal goals: enhancing the programs that form the core of the Princeton experience; expanding capacities in critical areas of study; and encouraging all Princetonians to engage more fully in the life of the University and help shape its future.

<http://aspire.princeton.edu/priorities/>

Film captures the spirit of Aspire

Princeton students aspire to make a difference in the world. A new short film illustrates the power of aspirations -- past and present -- and their promise for the future.

<http://aspire.princeton.edu/news/media/>

05. EXHIBITS & EVENTS**Chamber Choir to perform seasonal concerts**

The Princeton University Chamber Choir will present concerts at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, in Richardson Auditorium, Alexander Hall. Sacred and secular music of French composers, including Duruflé and Ravel, will be the highlight of the November concert. The Princeton University Glee Club will join the Chamber Choir at the December concert for music of the Advent season. Tickets are available at:

<http://www.princeton.edu/utickets>

New Yorker editor Remnick '81 to speak on Nov. 20

David Remnick '81, editor of The New Yorker, will participate in a discussion with Michael Wood, Princeton's Charles Barnwell Straut Professor of English and Comparative Literature, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, in McCosh 50. Topics will range from Russian politics to the U.S. presidential race to famed journalist A.J. Liebling. A brief question-and-answer period will follow the dialogue.

<http://lectures.princeton.edu/?p=192>

Renaissance coins examined in new Firestone Library exhibit

The role that the study of ancient coins played in Renaissance culture is examined in an exhibition in Firestone Library running through July 20.

<http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S19/38/67E89>

Leading Mexican artist's work displayed at art museum

"El Maestro Francisco Toledo: Art From Oaxaca, 1959-2006," an exhibition of more than 40 works by one of Mexico's greatest artists, is on view through Jan. 6 at the Princeton University Art Museum.

http://www.princetonartmuseum.org/pop_press0828.html

06. SPORTS UPDATES

Gunn leads Tigers to 66-58 win over Iona, 2-0 start

Lincoln Gunn said after the Princeton men's basketball team's Nov. 14 win over Iona that he, like many college players, has a lot more confidence as a sophomore than he had as a freshman. His performance in the win at Jadwin Gym certainly proved the point.

http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=1312415

Volleyball completes first 14-0 Ivy season, awaits NCAA bid after 20th straight victory

The Princeton women's volleyball team made two very different trips to the City of Brotherly Love this season. The first time, the Tigers were 1-2 and figuring out just what kind of team it would be. The second time, they knew exactly who they were. The 2007 Ivy League champions completed the first-ever 14-0 league season with a 3-1 win at Penn and improved their winning streak to 20 matches. Their next stop is the NCAA tournament.

http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=1312383

Football looks to end strong in rivalry showdown with Dartmouth

The season finale may not have the same meaning in 2007 as it did in the last two years, but a Princeton-Dartmouth football game is never without meaning. With the 1917 Sawhorse Dollar and positive momentum going into the offseason on the line, Princeton will head to Hanover on Saturday, Nov. 17, for a 12:30 p.m. showdown with the explosive Big Green.

http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=1311454

Follow the leader

Sydney Johnson '97 has been the Ivy League Player of the Year, a professional basketball player and an assistant coach on a Final Four team, and he brings all of those experiences with him during his first season as Princeton men's basketball coach.

http://www.goprincetontigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=46548&SPID=4231&DB_OEM_ID=10600&ATCLID=1310534

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<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/priorities/>
- Public events calendar - <http://calendar.princeton.edu>
- Visiting Princeton - <http://www.princeton.edu/Siteware/Visitors.shtml>
- Princeton Alumni Weekly - <http://www.princeton.edu/paw/>
- Princeton Weekly Bulletin - <http://www.princeton.edu/pr/pwb/current.html>
- Daily Princetonian - <http://www.dailyprincetonian.com/>
- Tiger E-News archives - <http://alumni.princeton.edu/main/news/>

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