Dear Students and Friends of La Casa Latina:

We are closing in on the end of another academic year at Penn and there are many exciting things happening. First and foremost we celebrate and congratulate the outstanding success of all our seniors.

Thank you Seniors, for your support and participation in La Casa Latina programs and services. Each one of you have contributed to the growing history of Latina/o student achievements and contributions to the history of the University of Pennsylvania, to La Casa Latina and the overall Latino community at Penn. As you move on to continue your legacy in life we salute you and remind you that you will always have a Familia at La Casa Latina.

For all other students, congratulations on another successful semester and thank you for your support throughout the academic year 2011-12. Know to please let us know if we can support you in any way. I know that this is a very stressful time of the year, so please take care of yourselves. As many as you know La Casa Latina will be moving to Houston Hall this summer and we will be there temporarily for about two years while full renovations are made to the ARCH Building. We will make sure to keep you informed of our events and activities, but if you do not hear from us please feel free to email us and/or visit us in Houston, but most importantly we hope that all of you can join us in the great celebration when the cultural centers move back to state-of-the-art facilities in the ARCH in a few years.

Much success always and see you soon,

Sincerely,

Johnny Irizarry

Director

Center for Hispanic Excellence: La Casa Latina

University of Pennsylvania

ARCH Building, Suite 123

3601 Locust Walk

Philadelphia, PA. 19104-6224
Bingo Event

The Philadelphia Chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses is hosting a BINGO event at the Taller Puertorriqueño Community Center (2557 North 5th Street) on Sunday, April 22, from 12-4pm. This is a family friendly event! There will be a buffet lunch, door prizes and much more. All proceeds benefit higher education for Latino high school students. Tickets are $20 and may be paid for at the door, however reservations are requested by Monday April 16. Please RSVP to Olga Jarrín ojarrin@nursing.upenn.edu

Legs Against Arms 5K Run/Walk/Roll

As an outgrowth of our commitment to eliminate the epidemic of youth violence in Philadelphia, Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR) is hosting Legs Against Arms VI, a 5K Run/Walk, to strengthen legs while opposing illegal handguns in our city. Individuals, families, and teams are encouraged to participate as activists and advocates for a future filled with hope, not harm.

Date: April 29, 2012
Location: Saint Joseph's University
Race starts at 8:30 am
Website: www.legsagainstarms.org

PennMOVES

PennMoves and volunteers are needed for collection points at the College Houses and for the sale day itself, and donations of items like plastic bags. First and foremost, however, student workers are needed who would serve as coordinators at the collection points. These students manage the volunteers, monitor the collection points, and communicate needs such as pick-ups from Goodwill, etc. Contact Nancy McCue (mccue@upenn.edu) if interested in earning a little money in May and possibly qualify for housing extension.

“A Better Life”

The Rave Theater at 7pm on May 10th. It's a showing of the independent move "A Better Life" sponsored by the Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition in order to raise awareness about Philadelphia's immigrant community.

You can find more information and a link to tickets here: http://tugg.com/events/434#.T4DMfZpWo

Latina Researchers Conference: Increasing the Pipeline for Future Scholars

April 27-28th, 2012 in New York City

In response to the underrepresentation of historically disadvantaged populations with advanced degrees, including STEM degrees (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), and in support of examining the barriers and opportunities for advancement in research and academic positions, the conference seeks to:
* Present the state of academia as it relates to underrepresented scholars
* Highlight how researchers from under-represented groups are approaching research related to vulnerable populations
* Increase exposure of advanced research careers in the academy to the next generation of investigators and provide examples of excellence in scholarship

www.jjay.cuny.edu/LRC
Like us on FaceBook at http://www.facebook.com/pages/Latina-Researchers-Conference/126943254089977

Pre-Law Undergraduate Scholars Program

Our program is a four-week immersion program into the legal world. The primary purpose of the program is to increase the diversity and quality of applicants applying to law school while also promoting the success of underrepresented minorities in the legal profession. The PLUS Program will include:
Law school classes, Field trips (law firms, legal services organizations and other venues), Guest Speakers, Professionalism Seminars, A moot court competition
This inaugural year, we will host 20 undergraduate students who are currently in their freshman or sophomore year in college. This is a residential program: students will live in the Rutgers-Camden Residence Hall, receive free meals at our dining hall, and receive a stipend. Please mention our program to any students you are advising who are interested in law as a possible career. More information and application forms may be found here: http://camlaw.rutgers.edu/plusprogram The deadline for applications is April 15, 2012.
Events and Programs

Beyond Translation Initiative of EPA Region III
The Beyond Translation Initiative of EPA Region III would like to invite you to attend a speaker event on Access to Health Care for Asian Americans and Minorities. Register for free online at: www.trainex.org/BT-SS. Event details are below:
Tuesday, April 24, 2012
10 am - 12 pm
U.S. EPA Region III
1650 Arch Street
Shenandoah Room (4th Floor)
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Please join as Walter Tsou, M.D., M.P.H, discusses opportunities to obtain health care for Asian Americans and other minorities. Special emphasis will be fore those uninsured, undocumented, and qualifying for Medicaid. He will also explore the potential benefits and problems with the Affordable Care Act (Obama health plan). The topic of health care is especially important in light of environmental issues that disproportionately affect minority populations.

Latinas Learning To Lead Program
The National Hispana leadership Institute (NHLI) invites you to participate in the only National Leadership Program for Latina College -aged women. NHLI’s Latinas Learning to Lead Program promotes and fosters the development of young college-age Latina leaders through training, mentoring opportunities, access to national networks and tools to create a community impact through their leadership projects.
Training Elements
• Attend a 5-day leadership training in Washington, D.C. (June 17–22, 2012)
• Attend a virtual webinar training on professional skill building
• Participate in NHLI’s CyberMadrina online mentoring program and pairing with an NHLI alumna
Requirements
• Be 18-24 years of age
• A minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
• A minimum of 30 semester college credits by May 2012 and not graduating before December 2012
• Must have a valid government issued ID for travel
For more information please visit our webstie: http://nhli.org/latinas_lead/lll_faqs.html

Alzheimer’s forum for the Latino community
From the staff at: La Casa Latina, MAKUU, PAACH, CURF and Career Services
Location: Congreso de Latinos Unidos 216 West Somerset Street Philadelphia, PA 19133
Date: Saturday, April 28, 2012
Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Topic: Special Risk Factors for Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia in Latinos, Presenilin Gene Mutation, Diabetes Metabolic Syndrome

Penn Museum / Upper Egyptian Gallery
Date: Monday, April 16, 2012. Time: 3 -5 PM, Location: Penn Museum / Upper Egyptian Gallery, All Penn Planners are invited to attend the Special Events, Meeting for a great opportunity to network and hear from Facility Rentals Managers about their venues and what they have to offer. Facility Rentals Managers from campus venues will be giving brief presentations about their event spaces. A presentation timeline will be sent after venues have been confirmed. Please RSVP to Atiya German at atiya@upenn.edu or 215.898.3024.
Internship and Scholarships

**Summer Fellowship with Hispanics in Philanthropy**
HIP is seeking dynamic activists who demonstrate a passion for Latino issues and show a high degree of independence, creativity, and initiative. **Application deadline is May 7, 2012.** For more information visit: [http://hipfellows.drupalgardens.com/](http://hipfellows.drupalgardens.com/)

**Sales and Marketing Internship**
UD offers a paid summer sales internship to college students who are self-motivated, energetic, organized, and have a desire to succeed. As an advertising sales representative, you will sell and market advertising and communication services in Philadelphia, PA. The internship begins with an **expense-paid training** on the campus of the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. Following training you will embark on a summer-long internship where you will develop and improve the needed skills to succeed in today’s business world. The internship is Monday-Friday, May 21-August 10. Throughout the summer you will work with local business owners to target their **advertising** to the college community and provide them with a well-rounded **marketing strategy.** Our Internship program is open to all years and all majors, as it provides students with tangible skills to apply in any field. You will learn marketing, sales, advertising, time management, and several other tangible skills from the internship. The experience you gain this summer will make you **stand out** from the rest in today’s overcrowded job market. University Directories has several Career Partners who hire students directly from our internship program.
To apply visit: [http://www.universitydirectories.com/internship-outside-sales.asp](http://www.universitydirectories.com/internship-outside-sales.asp)

**Fulbright Opportunity**
Would you like to spend a (fully-funded) year abroad?
Fulbright funds 9-10 months of study, research, investigative learning or English teaching in over 165 countries. (post-BA, must be US citizen.) Over 1000 grants available every year.
Info session: Tues April 24, 4 pm, Fireside Room, 2nd floor of the ARCH
Deadline: Sept 17, 2012
For more information: [http://www.us.fulbrightonline.org/home.html](http://www.us.fulbrightonline.org/home.html)
Advising appointments: 215-746-6488
Questions: shipman@upenn.edu

**Philip G. Hubbard Prep Program**
**2012 Program: June 4 - June 29, 2012**
The University of Iowa College of Law is pleased to offer the **Philip G. Hubbard Law School Preparation Program.** This program seeks to support diversity in the legal profession by inspiring students from groups historically under-represented in the law to become lawyers and by providing them with the skills and assistance that will strengthen their preparation for law school. Whether students are interested in the University of Iowa College of Law or in learning more about legal careers and the law school experience, the Philip G. Hubbard Law School Preparation Program is an opportunity worth considering.
To find out more information on the Hubbard Program, you may visit [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/prospective/pre-law/hubbard.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/prospective/pre-law/hubbard.php).
We Are Mantua Choice Neighborhoods Planning Team Seeks Youth Leadership Intern
The Mt Vernon Manor Board of Directors and the We Are Mantua Choice Neighborhoods Planning leadership team is seeking a Youth Leadership Intern to help organize the participation of young adults in the Choice Neighborhoods Planning process. The Youth Leadership Intern will be a member of the Choice Neighborhoods Steering Committee and will lead a Mantua Youth Task Force, made up of Mantua young adults that will produce a report summarizing proposals for the future of Mantua that will be included in the Mantua Transformation Plan being developed through the Choice Neighborhoods Planning process. To view the full job description visit www.wearemantua.com.

Long-term & Summer Campaign Director Positions with Fair Share Alliance
Fair Share Alliance is a citizen-based non-profit advocacy organization that works to provide every American with a fair shot at a good job, a secure future and a strong voice in our democracy. Fair Share Alliance is looking for people who work hard, communicate well, and are committed to positive social change. As a Campaign Director, you’ll be part of building a Fair Share Alliance organization in your community and raising the profile of our issues to make a real impact in the lives of your friends, family and neighbors. To receive more information about the organization and position, and to learn about upcoming interview opportunities visit http://fairsharealliance.org/jobs/jobs_careers.

Muchas Gracias!