Police chase after shooting ends near campus

By Scott Lapsansky

A fatal shooting in Southwest Philadelphia resulted in an intense police chase that ended in a police car crash in a parking lot near a Coatesville Construction Projects. The shooting occurred just before the police arrived and the car was stolen. The police gave chase, but the car crashed through a fence and into a parked police vehicle, killing the suspect. The car was later found abandoned in a nearby wooded area. The suspect was later identified as a 24-year-old man from Greensburg. He had a long history of criminal convictions and was wanted for a pending theft charge.

The shooting, which occurred on a University of Pennsylvania campus, raised concerns about safety on campus and in the surrounding community. The university has taken steps to increase security, including implementing a new surveillance system and increasing police patrols. The university has also announced plans to build a new police station on campus to better serve the community.

The incident highlights the need for continued vigilance and proactive measures to prevent similar incidents from occurring in the future. The university and local law enforcement agencies are working together to ensure the safety of all members of the community.

Students to vote on UA reorganization

By Stephanie Cooperman

A new student government constitution was approved by Undergraduate Assembly members and the student government. The new constitution includes a number of changes that are intended to strengthen the student government and increase its accountability to the student body. The new constitution includes provisions for regular elections, a strong competing party system, and a greater degree of transparency and accountability.

The proposal was introduced by UA President John Conley and was supported by a majority of UA members. The proposal was also supported by a majority of the Undergraduate Assembly and the student government. The new constitution will take effect next semester.

The proposal was praised by many members of the student community, who welcomed the opportunity to participate in the democratic process and to have a voice in the future of their university. The proposal was also praised by UA President John Conley, who expressed his confidence in the student government and its ability to implement the new constitution effectively.
IUC does not fear warning events of an LCE presence at Fling

By Randy Rotthberg

InterFraternity Council (IFC) meetings at the University of Pennsylvania are often heated affairs. At last week’s meeting, the IFC heard a report on the presence of an LCE (Light-Carrying Entity) near the campus, which has raised concerns among students.

According to the report, the LCE was first detected by a student on campus last Friday. The student, who wished to remain anonymous, reported seeing a large, bright light hovering near the university’s engineering building.

The IFC was informed that the LCE is a new form of communication technology that can transmit data at high speeds over a long distance. However, there are concerns about the potential for interference with university infrastructure and equipment.

The IFC discussed the implications of this development and decided to form a task force to investigate the situation further. The task force will consist of representatives from the IFC, the university administration, and affected students.

Students pick rooms in arena

By Beca Imerson

After waiting for his arena number to be called, senior morning major Stephen Jones Woodard was relieved to learn that his luck had finally changed. "I've been waiting for this for as long as I can remember," said Woodard. "I'm so glad it's finally my turn."

Students began selecting their arena rooms on Friday, with a total of 200 rooms available. Rooms were assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, with an equal number of rooms available for each residence group.

"We had 250, so we had to make a decision," said IFC President David Beeman. "We didn't have any complaints about the number of rooms available."

Students selected their rooms using a lottery system, which was administered by the arena's administration staff. Students were required to enter their name and major at the information desk to be eligible to participate.

"It was a bit chaotic," said one student. "But we were happy to finally have a room to call our own."
It's Psychology's time and place

Administrators should move forward on planning a new Psychology facility on the northeast corner of campus.

The time for administrators to plan a new Psychology facility is now. For over 20 years, administrators have said the Psychology Department is a priority for new facilities. And with the identification of a potential building site on the northeast corner of 34th and Chestnut streets, administrators should follow through on their intentions.

But in planning a Psychology building on the proposed site, administrators should not forget the different mission of the Graduate School of Fine Arts—which planned on having a new facility completed on that site within the year.

We think the site is well suited to the needs of the Psychology Department. The buildings in that area of campus are few, surrounded by parking lots, and can provide administrators with the chance to expand the facilities if needed. If the department is located on Locust Walk as it has asked in the past, there would be no room for expansion, knocking down another building.

Several administrators said a decision on where to put a new Psychology facility could not be made until the department decided if it should split into two or stay together. Now that the department has chosen to keep its divisions together, the University should move quickly to build on this new site. Psychology has spent several years planning to obtain space for better facilities. The department vied for the current Book Store site last semester before it was given to the Wharton School for use. And in 1993, the School of Arts and Sciences said in its strategic plan that Psychology would have a new building in the center of campus as part of an "SAS Precinct." But this version of SAS's strategic plan did not come to fruition.

Not only should the site be used for this new Psychology facility but the Graduate School of Fine Arts should also have part of the large site for its use since GSFA's new building—the Arthur Methodist Episcopal Church—was close to completion on this site.

The GSFA already has funding allocated for a facility and administrators should address their space needs on this site as well.

Administrators find themselves in a situation in which they can adequately provide new facilities to two parts of the University in one site. Penn's Psychology Department is in a situation where it can be a priority, why don't administrators give Psychology the top-notch facility it deserves?

By removing the option of specializing, Wharton will be turning management into an all-or-nothing trade but many of its students would prefer to have one additional course or major. As people have become more of an academic exercise than actual preparation for the business world, it is hard to imagine a general Management major and a Wharton Management major holding up the standard of any business. By offering specialized courses, students gain a more practical experience in a certain area. Management provides the basic groundwork for understanding the specialized courses provided for the major.

That's why it is a Wharton student to take courses in entrepreneurial ventures, another in international competitive marketing, another in personnel management and a fourth in the management of technology.

The issues facing a manager in a start-up venture are quite different than those facing a large company.
FBI focuses on possible TWA missile launch site

President uses crutches in public for first time

WASHINGTON — President Clinton used crutches in public for the first time on Monday, a day after injuring his left knee during a snow mobile crash. The president was on crutches when he led a recruitment drive for Wheelchair USA, a nonprofit organization that helps match people with disabilities with jobs that can be done with a wheelchair.

Smithtown, N.Y. — The FBI has expanded its inquiry into a small area where an attacker most likely would have been standing when he allegedly launched a missile at TWA Flight 800, The Associated Press learned yesterday.

The missile theory has been deemed no more probable than the possibility that a high-powered chemical malfunction caused the July 17 explosion of the plane’s cockpit, which killed 230 people. But it is a theory that investigators have said has been kept because of eyewitness accounts.

"If a missile hit the aircraft, the projectile would have had to break through the airplane’s skin somewhere aboard the plane as it flew straight down,” said an investigator at the FBI’s Washington field office. "For an object of an enormity of something that big, it would have had to break through the skin in a very small area. That’s what the eyewitnesses reported."

"If that is true, then they were quality a control of the wreckage. They have also studied indications with a person who was stuck in the sky before the plane exploded, and they have discovered that there was no evidence of anything that anyone investigators considered as significance, let alone a missile," said James Kalil, the New York Times reporter who covered the story.

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In the first row.

FBI’s to focus trip on the environment

The vice president is arriving Japan as a vacation.

Tokyo — Adding a new dimension to relations traditionally eroded by economic and security interests, Vice President Gore is trying to bring Japan and China more into his personal agenda of protecting the environment.

Gore’s visit, which starts March 12, comes at a time when greenies, environmental groups are demanding that the United States consider slashing its oil consumption.

The visit includes about 40,000 troops in South Korea as well as N.Korea, N.Size and Air Force units in Japan.

The environment also is high on Gore’s agenda for four days in talks in China, during which the vice president and his team will discuss China’s plans to quadruple energy consumption over the next decade.

China is most abundant on renewable resources. More than 35 of its oldest power plants are operating on hydroelectric power, 37% of its land consists of carbon mining and other renewable sources. China may have some of the world’s most fertile soils, yet it has suffered a dramatic fall in first time in China’s 3,000-year history, largely because of deforestation.

The last couple of years in the period.

Experts insist Simpson sitting on gold mine

Los Angeles — An expert who testified for plaintiffs in O.J. Simpson’s civil trial said Monday that the former football star is sitting on a gold mine.

"If he wrote a book about his legal troubles and that made millions from selling his auto- graph, hernia and resumes

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Netanyahu blames Arafat for deaths

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President Mobutu Sese Seko spoke to journalists to prove that he is still capable of ruling in Africa.

KINSHASA, Zaire — "My name is Mobutu." With these words, a smiling but tired-looking President Mobutu Sese Seko emerged from seclusion yesterday, trying to prove to the world that he still rules Zaire.

Wearing his signature leather cap and waving a wooden cane, Mobutu walked slowly out of the re-

sidence on the Zaire River in his capital, Kinshasa. He appeared to have lost weight, and some aides even joked that he had lost his thug's" 

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One year after its release, Public Safety sees plan coming to fruition

Psychology hopes for facility space

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certainty, government and community operations.

But despite the quantity of im-
mpartial reflection, many of the plans' accomplishments or even what is in progress.

'Seamon announced a $5 million contract last October with the non-

profit Electronic Corporation to provide a state-of-the-art campus secu-

rity system.

* The University purchased prop-

erties on the east block of Central Campus last year to allow for the estab-

lishment of Public Safety starting next year.

* In addition to the 4th Street im-

provements, plans are in the works for a University-City Special Services district similar to one in Center City.

* The University contracted with

Specialized to install photography

security guard operations on campus.

* The University Police closed

structures were overwhelmed in Jan-

uary after a Delco bomb threat.

* University Police doubled their

investigative staff by hiring for-

mer Philadelphia Police detectives.

* Many officers have been certified in new semiautomatic handguns.

But the department has run into
delays and difficulties with oth-
er parts of the strategic plan, some-
times due to unforeseeable circumstances. For instance, Seamon said that there are still shortages and cost overruns that have delayed the installation of the new emergencyIfNeeded telephone system.

"It's impossible," Seamon said. "The phones should have been up by now."

Anesthesiology Professor Steve Kennedy, chairperson of University Council's Safety and Security Committee, said although he had not looked at the plan "in quite a while," he was unaware of any major delays or problems to be addressed and did not contain any plan alterations.

Not everyone, however, has been satisfied with the plan.

Penn-Radio President Jon Brizzolillo criticized the plan's complete omission of any specific data by which it is felt that the University has been satisfied with the plan. "My major problem with the plan was and still always been that the University's idea of it is in the first place to simply install telephones," Brizzolillo said.

And he said the University is fight-
ing a "losing battle" with the Philad-

elphia Police Department, explaining that as the University expands and increases in police force, "the city can't "move away."

A Philadelphia Police Department

spokesperson, however, recently told The Daily Pennsylvanian that the department has no plans to reduce its force from its current "stable" of 1,344 police officers.

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But the plan does not sufficiently address what he felt was the most important issue facing the University — the state of the crime rate in Philadelphia.

"There are discussions about crime in different areas of the city," Seamon said.

While the Philadelphia Police Department said it was ready to "praise" the plan, University Police Capt. Doug McFarland — president of the Protec-
tive Union of Police Lodge 13, which represents all University Police offi-
cers — applauded the department's progress on implementing the plan.

"To the best of my knowledge, it's running smoothly," he said. "I'm more than happy it's under way."

College Sophomore Courtney Fles-

chairperson of the Undergraduate

Assembly's Safety Committee, said she believes the Division of Public Safety "really considered the stu-

dents' concerns and the concerns of faculty members as well" in devising the major plan.

Seamon — a former deputy Philadelphia Police commissioner who was on duty last year when the bombing occurred — said he was "very encouraged" by the progress made on the plan.

"I think it is impossible to long-term crime to simply add and expand," the University Police claim.

And final determination of a site will require identification of donors for the project, Graeite said.

The Psychology Department's pre-

liminary plans proposed an approxi-
mately $10-35 million facility, department Chairperson Robert Mey-

rold said last week.

And while the siting of the new Psychology facility calls for a site in the same area as the donation, Graeite said the site would have to be completed approximately four years after construction be-

ins. "We have a sense of what they need," Graeite said. "The question is how best to meet that need."

He noted that he expects to select an architect by the end of March.
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• 38th & Pine

• 38th & Walnut

• 40th & Bilt.

listening to these kids, they're shelling out 30 grand here, and this UA is their representation.  "They have more to lose in terms of representation," he said.

"While it's not the U's role to support the Interfraternity Council, a school should assist students in dealing with the current price issues and problems that a national organization can't resolve," said UA incident and College sophomore David Gould — supporter of a tacked U proposal to establish a $50,000 contingency fund for the Interfraternity Council — said.

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The University of Pennsylvania is one of the eight Ivy League institutions. It is consistently ranked among the top universities in the United States and has a strong reputation for its academic excellence and its contributions to society.

Penn's undergraduate curriculum is designed to provide a broad liberal education that prepares students for diverse careers and contributions. The university offers a wide range of majors and minors, as well as interdisciplinary programs that allow students to explore their interests.

Penn's graduate and professional schools offer a variety of programs that prepare students for careers in fields such as medicine, law, business, and education. The university is also known for its research programs, which are supported by a strong foundation of federal and private funding.

The University of Pennsylvania has a strong alumni network, with over 150,000 members worldwide. Penn alumni are highly successful in a variety of fields, including business, law, medicine, and academia.

The university is located in one of the most vibrant and cosmopolitan cities in the United States, providing students with endless opportunities for cultural, social, and athletic engagement. Philadelphia is home to many cultural institutions, including the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Academy of Music.

The University of Pennsylvania is committed to providing a diverse and inclusive learning environment that welcomes students from all backgrounds and socio-economic statuses. The university has a strong financial aid program to help students who need it.

Penn is known for its emphasis on interdisciplinary and collaborative learning, as well as its strong focus on research and innovation. The university has a number of research institutes and centers that support cutting-edge research in a variety of fields.

The University of Pennsylvania is a highly selective institution, with a low acceptance rate. The university receives a large number of applications each year, and it is known for its rigorous admissions process.

In conclusion, the University of Pennsylvania is a world-renowned institution that offers a unique and comprehensive educational experience. It is a great place for students who are looking for a challenging, engaging, and meaningful academic experience.
Softball hits .500 mark with three wins this weekend

The Penn softball team started the 500 mark (17-7-2) at the top of the ECAC on Wednesday, April 23, with a 5-0 victory over the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. The Quakers have now won three straight games, improving their overall record to .500 for the first time since the 2000 season.

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with back-to-back, run-scoring doubles. Neither did the bulk of the damage, with four RBIs for the game. Freshman Jill Fotheringham plated both her fourth home run of the season and her fourth home run of the season. Freshman Jill Fotheringham plated both her fourth home run of the season and her fourth home run of the season.

Unlike the previous days, the weather was clear and sunny, allowing the players to enjoy a day of fun and competition. The game started with a bang, as the Penn team scored two runs in the first inning. Both runs were scored on a sacrifice fly by senior Samantha Frenkel. The following inning, the Quakers added three more runs, taking a 5-0 lead into the top of the sixth inning. The defense held strong, allowing just one run in the top of the sixth, keeping the score at 5-1 in favor of Penn.

In the bottom of the sixth, the Quakers added two more runs, making the score 7-1. The defense continued to hold strong, allowing only one run in the top of the seventh inning, keeping the score at 7-2 in favor of Penn. The game ended with a score of 7-2, as the Quakers improved their overall record to .500 for the first time since the 2000 season. The win was a welcome return to form for the team, who had struggled earlier in the season. The next game is scheduled for April 29, against the University of Notre Dame.

Quakers circle the bases 34 times in wins

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on a lead-off home run, but he only tied the score. The Redbirds scored two runs in the top of the first inning, taking the lead away from the Leopards. However, the Quakers responded with a six-run inning in the bottom of the first, scoring all the runs on two plays: first, a lead-off home run by sophomore Brad Simonian, and second, a bases-loaded walk by senior Mike Lecker. The Quakers continued their momentum with a four-run inning in the second inning, taking the lead back with a two-run home run by senior Brad Simonian. The game was an exciting and competitive one, with the Quakers coming out on top with a score of 11-2.

In the third inning, the Quakers added three more runs, taking the lead to 14-2. The defense held strong, allowing only one run in the top of the fourth inning, keeping the score at 14-3 in favor of the Quakers. In the bottom of the fourth, the Quakers added two more runs, making the score 16-3. The defense continued to hold strong, allowing only one run in the top of the fifth inning, keeping the score at 16-4 in favor of the Quakers. The game ended with a score of 16-4, as the Quakers improved their overall record to .500 for the first time since the 2000 season.
Seniorless Arizona bests Friars, writes ticket to Indy

ANNABOOGA, Ala. — Arizona is a team that could not be stopped in the NCAA tournament. And it did not appear that the Wakefield Three would be able to slow Arizona in the Final Four.

Arizona took a 50-28 lead into halftime after a 16-2 run for the Wildcats. By the time they left the court after a 79-75 win, the Wildcats had scored the final 21 points of the game.

The Final Four will be played in Indianapolis in April.

Vanderbilt football player dies in fall from dorm window

Vanderbilt quarterback David Snelson, 24, was killed in a fall from a dormitory window. Snelson was a senior from Houston, Texas, and was a starting quarterback for the Commodores.

Snelson was found unresponsive in a dormitory window at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

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U.S. drops World Cup qualifier, 3-2

EL PASO, Texas — The United States women's national team lost to Argentina on Saturday, losing 3-2 in a World Cup qualifier.

Argentina's first goal came in the 12th minute when a long shot from Clarisa Díaz deflected off the United States goalkeeper and into the net. Argentina scored again in the 28th minute on a penalty kick taken by Mauro Gattorno.

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The United States played well in the second half and had several chances to score, but they were unable to find the back of the net.

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FIBA 3x3 World Cup

The FIBA 3x3 World Cup is a basketball competition for national teams. The tournament is held every four years and features the best teams from around the world.

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"Someone bought exactly right," Herman said. "Every match was really close. It was good preparation for the Ivy League Games."
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Queridos Amigos,
Dear Friends,

“Festival Latino De Penn” was founded in 1982 when ACELA (La Asociación Cultural de Estudiantes Latino Americanos) and MECHA (El Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán) united in an effort to increase the awareness of Latino culture at the University of Pennsylvania. Together with the Albert M. Greenfield Intercultural Center, the groups organized an annual Festival Latino de Penn, a week-long series of events recognizing the achievements and contributions of Latinos to the American society. Now, the Festival Latino de Penn Planning Committee has contributing members from various Latino organizations, such as ACELA, MECHA, La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Lambda Upsilon/Señoritas Latinas Unidas Sorority Incorporated, Inc., and Penn Brazilian Club. With this united effort, we are confident that this year’s Festival will continue to be both enjoyable and educational.

The 15th Annual Festival Latino de Penn promises to follow in the tradition of campus-wide recognition. Our celebration is from Friday, March 22nd to Saturday, March 29th. Our primary goal is to involve the Latino communities from Penn and neighboring universities, and the larger Penn and Philadelphia communities. This year’s theme is “Latinos del Mundo, Si Se Quiere, Se Puede”. It was chosen from the inspirational words of our keynote speaker, Dolores Huerta, and it represents the strength that lies within a determined community.

We invite you to participate in this year’s events. You will have the opportunity to attend a Spanish mass, meet Dolores Huerta, activist and co-founder of the United Farm Workers of America, hear from the authors Achy Obejas and Carolina Garcia-Aguilera, learn to dance to salsa and merengue from a professional dance instructor, Chico Garcia, and move to the rhythms of Latino music at our biggest parties of the year.

So, open your mind and come learn about our beautiful Latino culture which encompasses Indian, African, and European roots!!!

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Festival Latino Kickoff Party
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Live Band, DJ, Food, Drinks
9:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m.
$5 tickets, $7 at the door
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Dance performance by Onda Latina,
Penn's first Latino Dance Troupe
Auditorium, Nursing Education Building
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SPANISH MASS
St. Agatha-St. James Catholic Church
38th and Chestnut Street
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CAROLINA GARCÍA-AGUILERA
Cuban-born author of detective novels
Bloody Waters and Bloody Shame
Albert M. Greenfield Intercultural Center
3708 Chestnut Street
5:00 p.m.
cosponsored by Cubanacan

Monday, March 24, 1997

KEYNOTE ADDRESS - DOLORES HUERTA
CO-founder of the United Farm Workers of America
Steinberg Hall-Dietrich Hall Rm. 351
7:00 p.m.
cosponsored by MECHA and BHO

Tuesday, March 25, 1997

EL SABOR LATINO
Dinner featuring Puerto Rican cuisine with
Philadelphia Deputy Mayor Emmanuel Ortiz
Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall
6:30 p.m.
cosponsored by ADEPEP, Penn Brazilian Club, and LUL

Wednesday, March 26, 1997

CUBA TODAY
Representatives of the Cuban Interests Section Pedro
Manuel Alvarez Aguirre and Eugenio Martinez
Enriquez will speak about the Helms-Burton Law.
Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall
7:00 p.m.
cosponsored by ACELA and the Cuba Support Coalition

Thursday, March 27, 1997

DANCE LESSONS
Salsa and Merengue Lessons
Professional instruction by Chico Garcia
Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall
7:30 p.m.
cosponsored by SLU and WLUA

Friday, March 28, 1997

ACHY OBEJAS
Cuban-born lesbian author of Memory Mambo and
We Came All the Way From Cuba
So You Could Dress Like This?
Albert M. Greenfield Intercultural Center
4:00 p.m.
cosponsored by BGLAD

Saturday, March 29, 1997

FESTIVAL LATINO PARTY
Featuring Joseph Portes and
DJ Nito Prado from La MEGA 900 AM
Hall of Flags, Houston Hall
10:00 p.m.
$3 with Penn I.D., $5 all others
cosponsored by all Latino student organizations


ALL EVENTS ARE FREE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
LATINO ORGANIZATIONS AT PENN

The Penn Brazilian Club

The Penn Brazilian Club (PBC) is a SAC-funded student organization aimed at providing a forum for members of Penn's community interested in matters relating to Brazil. The group hosts social events, seminars, movie viewings, and speakers, and also meets to discuss current issues in Brazil. Matters of interest include, but are not limited to, society, economics, history, folklore, politics, and news. Of course, any and all suggestions are welcome.

Membership is open to the entire University of Pennsylvania community and anyone is welcome to attend PBC functions. In the past, the PBC has been host to the students, faculty and staff of Penn, members of the Philadelphia community, as well as people across the USA. The PBC's most famous activity is its annual Carnaval in February, which follows the calendar of Carnaval in Brazil itself. The event was held in the evening at Brasil's Restaurant and Bar on February 8th. The Carnaval introduced people of many different backgrounds to Brazilian culture. Brazilian drinks were available for many to try. There was dancing (LOTS of dancing!) to samba, lambada, and other types of Brazilian music. The complete Brazilian atmosphere allowed attendees to enjoy life through music, dance, food, and friends as Brazilians do.

For more information on the PBC write to either PO Box 31942, Philadelphia, PA 19104-0642, or e-mail at pbc@dolphin.upenn.edu. The PBC newsgroup, upenn.brazil, contains notices pertaining to the PBC as well as daily news postings from Brazilian journals.

MEChA

MEChA, a national organization, was founded at the University of Pennsylvania in 1970. MEChA is a primarily social organization whose purpose is to aid Mexican-American/Chicano students in adjusting to PENN. One of MEChA's main goals is to increase Chicano awareness on campus. In addition, MEChA also aims to assist the University in the recruitment and retention of Chicano students, faculty, and administrators. Membership is open to anyone in the PENN community that wishes to learn more and participate in Mexican-American/Chicano culture.

Sigma Lambda Upsilon/Sororitas Latinas Unidas Sorority Inc. (SLU/SLO)

Sigma Lambda Upsilon/Sororitas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc. exist to create a bridge among all women committed to seeking the advancement of Latinistas. The organization was founded at the State University of New York at Binghamton on December 1, 1987 by four Latinas who saw the need for an organization that would provide sisterhood and support, while also promoting academic achievement, service to the community and campus, leadership and cultural enrichment.

Today, nine years later, the impenetrable bond of sisterhood unites Hermanas of a wide variety of ethnic and religious backgrounds. The essence of Sigma Lambda Upsilon/Sororitas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc. is epitomized by the diverse cultural backgrounds of our members and the common goal we share to unite and empower Hermanas through mutual respect, trust, honesty, and academic support. Our relentless commitment to one another is the reason we consider our sisterhood lasting, “Hasta la Muerte.”

The Gamma Chapter of Sigma Lambda Upsilon/Sororitas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc. at the University of Pennsylvania was established on April 12, 1990. The women of the Gamma Chapter strive to maintain a strong support system for one another while working with the Latino, PENN, and Philadelphia communities.

Sigma Alpha Upsilon (SAU)

Sigma Alpha Upsilon (SAU) is an organization that would provide sisterhood and support, while also promoting academic achievement, service to the community and campus, leadership and cultural enrichment.

For more information on the organization, please contact any SAU member at the University of Pennsylvania. Members are welcome to participate in various events and activities.

Boricua/Latino Health Organization

Boricua/ Latino Health Organization (BHO) was established as an advocacy group for increased access to quality health care and education in the health professions for Latinos. In the spirit of these ideals, the Penn chapter of BHO was created to address the specific needs and concerns of Latino medical students. BHO primarily functions to provide a networking foundation and support system for Latino medical students.

In addition, BHO is committed to working with the Latino community in Philadelphia. The chapter organizes various projects for all students wanting to develop skills to serve the large and rapidly growing Hispanic population. Its members also serve as role models for Latino undergraduate and high school students interested in the health professions.

Furthermore, BHO is actively involved in enhancing the medical school commitment to Latinos and all students of color. Finally, BHO works in a close partnership with Student National Medical Association to foster a united and supportive environment for students of color at the School of Medicine.

Latin American Law Students Association

The Latin American Law Students Association (LALSA) at the University of Pennsylvania Law School is an organization of approximately 60 students from diverse backgrounds. LALSA focuses on academic support, professional outreach, social activities and public service to the greater Philadelphia Latino community. As part of the public service component, many LALSA members participate in the Philadelphia Urban Law Student Experience (PULSE) program teaching legal subject to students at Edison High School in North Philadelphia.

Wharton Latino Undergraduate Association (WLUA)

The Wharton Latino Undergraduate Association was founded September, 1995 at the University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School. Wharton Latino was founded in order to provide academic and professional assistance and support to those with a particular interest in Latino issues. Wharton Latino is a professional, academic, cultural, and social organization that is also diverse in its membership.

Currently, Wharton Latino's membership is comprised of about fifty students from the United States, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean. To join, there is only one requirement; you must be a University student. There are many opportunities available through Wharton Latino. We take pride in our strong commitment to the advancement of our professional and academic careers as well as our active involvement in the Latino community. We hope that you will take some time in the near future to see what we are about. If you have further questions, contact Jennifer Trejo, trejo27@wharton.
A.C.E.L.A. was organized in 1957 in an attempt to accommodate the cultural, social and academic needs of Latinos within the Penn community. Because such a need still exists today, the organization continues to work towards creating a comfortable and receptive environment in which all students can share in the diversity of Latino culture. A.C.E.L.A. also serves to support and assist in the efforts of other student organizations on campus and in a number of Latino organizations in the North Philadelphia community.

La Asociacion Cultural de Estudiantes Latino Americanos would like to congratulate all individuals who have supported the 15th Annual “FestiPALo Latino De Penn.” We applaud the unselfish efforts of students, faculty and support staff who have assisted in celebrating and promoting an awareness of the Latino culture. We would also like to acknowledge those departments and local businesses that have committed their financial support. The members of A.C.E.L.A. are particularly enthused by the quality of events presented by the Festival committee this year. Many of the older members of the group have witnessed how the caliber of events has reached levels unimagined. We hope to see the Festival continue to grow in future years.

12 Signs That You Are an ACELA Member
by Debralee Santos

You know you’re an ACELA member if:

• you remember where you were and what you were doing when you heard the very first time that the original members of Menudo had just broken up

• it was a shock to find not everyone ate rice and beans at practically every meal as your mother had you believe as a child.

• you were as surprised as anyone to hear Natalie Wood in her Spanish accent as Maria in “West Side Story”—who knew Natalie was really Chicana?

• you find that leaving a scrap of food on your plate is not, as your mother had suggested with complete certainty, a mortal sin defined by the Church and for which starving children will die due to your negligence

• you are consistently puzzled as to why other people go out of their way to point out you’re late when you show up right on time for everything—15-20 minutes after it’s started

• you are not troubled by the possible Freudian implications in addressing your latest significant other as “mami” or “papi”

• you are the only student in your “Voices from el Barrio” to have actually lived in one

• you are still wondering why every other girl in your class waited until she was sixteen to celebrate her coming-of-age (strange...) while you got to experience all the glory at fifteen instead

• the terms “salsa” and “merengue” do not refer to foods usually found in the snack section of your convenience store, but to actual activities requiring considerable energy and stamina (and a partner...sometimes, anyway)

• you have wondered why it is that your father’s Spanish accent is considered the sign of an uneducated man while the French and English sound like the height of sophistication

• the sound of rubber sandals (chancletas) hitting a pavement (or any surface, for that matter) still makes you wince and run around in a panicked frenzy while yelling, “Mami, no, no!” like a brainwashed war veteran

• you have spent any amount of time in life with an “-ito” or “-ita” attached to the end of your name

Should these warning signs ring true for you or a loved one in need, rush to the nearest ACELA meeting... it might just save your life.
¿Qué Es Chicano?
by Delia Valdejo

Chicano is a term used to describe people living in the United States of Mexican origin. It was originally used as a derogatory term, but it has lost its negative connotations, and it is often used with a sense of pride of one’s background. There are over 13.3 million (1990 census) Chicanos in the United States, and the numbers are rapidly growing. They mainly live in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Illinois.

With the exception of Illinois, most Chicanos live on the land that was sold in 1848 to the White House by Generalissimo Santa Ana for $15 million as part of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. Among With Native Americans, with whom they have had a long history of intermarriage, Mexicans are the oldest inhabitants of this part of America. They call this region Aztlan, a mythical homeland where the Aztecs, a Mesoamerican tribe, first lived before the 1325 founding of Tenochtitlan, the capital of their empire (on the site of present-day Mexico City). Mexican-Americans—they are also called Chicanos, Xicanos, Pochos, La Raza, Spaniards, Texas Mexicans, or simply, Mexicans—have a strong sense of belonging to that part of the earth.

Chicano history in Aztlan predates the Declaration of Independence by more than four centuries. One of the results of this long history is that Chicano influence is obvious in many facets of American culture. Mexican food, dress, music and cultural traditions are commonplace in many American households today. Eating chips and salsa and breaking piñatas at birthday parties are just some examples of how Chicano culture adds to the rich cultural diversity of the United States.

NURSE, HURRY!
You tell me not to worry
Yet you’re going tocrastinate me.
You tell me not to be afraid
Yet these scars won’t fade.
You tell me that it’ll be alright
Yet I can’t take a hit.
Of your rice and beans
and you know that’s obscene
THAT’S HOW I SURVIVE!
And not to be trite
but that’s
that’s how I stay
con vida, ALIVE
con tamales, mescal, perrin, cuchifritos y pasteles
And you tell me not to worry.

I HOPE THIS MEDICINE’S PAID!
You tell me it’ll be alright
C’MON BOY!!! FIGHT!
to merengue and salsa,
and yell “Basta!”
when they do the Macarena
and de-spice our food, our music.
BASTA!!
Oh, so you got me?
Pumped with AZT, no they got me.
de-spiced, without life.
Bro, it ain’t the AZT.

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“YOU’RE LATINA?”
by Laura Kolin

How many times have I heard that before? Too many to count. People never think I’m Latina because I have fair skin and blue eyes. How can I be a woman of color when I’m as white as a gringa?

Well, my external features don’t mean a thing when it comes to my culture. My heart, my soul—my mind—they are all Latina. I’m as Latina as the café-con-leche puertorriqueña, as the black dominicana, as the brown cubana. Must the color of my skin darken in order to be acknowledged and recognized as Latina by others?

Yes, my skin is white, but I am completely Latina. A smile always appears on my face when I hear some samba or merengue. I’ll choose an empanada over a hamburger any day. Words always sound better to my ears when they are in Spanish or Portuguese. I don’t miss South America; I have saudades for it. When I get a paper cut, I yell ¡Ay! not Ouch! And, don’t be upset if I interrupt you while we are taking, it’s just the way conversation flows among Latinos, as a series of interruptions.

So why does color matter? The phrase “women of color” most often refers to color as in race. But saying that I’m Latina means I’m identifying with my ethnic heritage, not a racial one.

Sadly, color is important within the Latino community. Some of my hamanas y hermanas don’t reciprocate my feelings. They feel they cannot identify with me because I don’t look Latina. My very own people are discriminating against me on the basis of the color of my white skin, just as they are discriminated against on the basis of their darker skin. Funny how people who are faced with intolerance all the time cannot tolerate their own.

But I understand where this intolerance comes from. I have not been faced with so much racism as other darker-skinned Latinas have. In fact, I was helping a friend with Spanish and one person mistook me for someone who would enjoy a racist comment. He said, “The only thing you need to know in Spanish is you’re under arrest!” This was one time I was happy that someone didn’t know I was Latina so that I could teach him a lesson with the anger I expressed.

But there is racism on the other side of the spectrum within the Latino culture. White equals good. You become whiter when you do “good deeds.” A compliment such as “Tú eres un hombre blanco” (You are a white man) is given to celebrate one’s achievements.

So what’s in a color. Obviously, there is great emphasis placed on color in order to identify people. But you will never hear me talk about my color. I am LATINA through and through.
Looking Ethnic
by Annie Brown

One night at a bar, I saw a guy who works with me. Seeing me, he came over to tell me that it seemed like everyone from our office was there—he had seen Kathy and That Other Girl. He was too drunk to think of her name. Wanting to know who he was talking about, I asked to which girl he was referring. My co-worker described her as a brunette—which didn’t narrow it down enough, so I asked him to elaborate. He replied: “You know, she’s that ethnic-looking girl.” I guess that was good enough because now I knew she was not obviously black, white or Asian. She was my Latina friend (born in the U.S. to Latin American parents).

This minor incident reminded me of how insensitive people can be with regard to issues of heritage and culture. In a country that only breaks things down into Black and White, where do all the shades of brown fit in? Who is Latino? What does it mean to be Latino? Do all Latinos speak Spanish? What do Latinos look like? Is Latino a racial designation? These questions are not easily answered, especially if you do not have contact with people of Latino descent. In fact, these questions may have never even crossed your mind.

Until I joined ACLEA, I rarely considered how I would answer these questions. I realize that the Latino identity is too complex to be broken down into a tidy sentence or two. To begin with, Latinos are Americans with roots in the Caribbean and Central and South America. Latinos come in all colors and sizes and their heritage can range from European to African to Native American. They don’t all look like Antonio Banderas (though some people wish they did). Latinos don’t all have surnames like Chavez and Reyes, and they don’t all speak Spanish or are Catholic.

There is a rich history and culture that varies from region to region. From Tegucigalpa to Los Angeles, from San Juan to New York, or from Mexico City to San Antonio, these various traditions have crossed the borders into the United States. Americans must realize that a culture transported to a foreign land is fragile, and must be preserved in a more authentic form than Taco Bell and Madonna playing Evita. The Festival Latino de Penn provides the Penn community with an opportunity to experience a more honest portrayal of Latino culture and presents a forum to discuss major issues affecting Latinos. If you have ever seen an “ethnic-looking” person and wondered what they were about, here’s your chance to find out.

Mándame para el demonio
Andres C. Vidal

Yo soy un hijo de hijos de padres que nacieron en Cuba y murieron en los Estados Unidos, que fueron de un demonio para un paraíso endemoniado donde yo nací y vivo y me pregunto <dónde estoy?>

Es una isla grande, y yo soy americano, pero yo soy chiquito.

Mándame para la isla pequeña endemoniada que será mi paraíso, la cuna de mi alma Cubana.

My Land, Your Land
by Delia Vallejo

Aliens, go back to your Mexico.
You are not wanted in Our Precious America.
There is no room for you here.

You know, Mojados,
Our America
Stretches from Atlantic to Pacific.
The Manifest Destiny was fulfilled.

Wetbacks, no one remembers
This was once
Your land.
Aztlán was probably here.

No one gives a damn.
Our America
Is not for you to come and
Reap our fruits.

Stay in Mexico, Brown Man.
Wait...we need cheap labor.
Come, let us exploit you
In our America.

¿Quién Eres Tú?
by Karla Lozano

“What are you?” or “What is your background?” is a question that people often ask me when they are interested or curious in learning about my ethnicity.

To some people, the question, “What are you?” is offensive, since it can be a paraphrase for, “Where the hell are you from because you look so damn different?” or “You look like an interesting person, how did your parents meet?” However, I actually enjoy telling people my ethnic background because it is unique. I often answer by saying, “You will never guess!”, and this is when the fun starts.

They: “Puerto Rican.”
Me: “Nope.”
They: “Colombian.”
Me: “Wrong again!”
They: “I don’t know! Hungarian?”
Me: “What?! ¿De donde sacaste eso?”
They: “Italian.”
Me: “You got half of it right!”
They: “So, what’s the other half?”
Me: “I will give you a hint. Name a country in Central America.”
They: “Uhh... (this person sounds like Beavis)-Ecuador?”
Me: “No, you doofus!! Don’t you know your geography!! I said Central America, not South America. Mejor te lo digo. My mother is from Honduras.”
They: “Wow, that is interesting!”

Yeah, it is interesting because my parents are from two different cultures, but the similarities outweigh the differences, like their bad temperaments and loud voices. My mother comes from an over-protective but loving family, as does my father. The best part is that I get to have the best of both worlds, the food (a.k.a. grub), Pasta and papusas, which are warm tortillas with melting cheese on the inside (OK, pupusas are really Salvadoran, but Hondurans make them better!).

But, if someone were to ask me what I consider myself, I would immediately identify myself as a Latina. I was born and raised in a Latino neighborhood, where my first language was Spanish. My mother purposely placed me in a bilingual school until the third grade so that I could learn how to read, write, and speak Spanish well. Le doy”tas mil gracias a mi madre for having done that, because it has facilitated my learning of other languages. It has also given me the pleasure of talking in Spanish about others pa’ que no sepan que estoy hablando de ellos.

As for my father, I did not grow up with him, so I never knew what being “Italian” meant. However, during my junior year at Penn, I decided to learn the Italian language and culture. Hopefully, if Dios quiere, I will travel to Italy and see my father. This is the choice that I have made, and I believe that one can never stop learning about oneself. There are many wonders out there waiting to be discovered, so sigue pa’ lante con la belleza de tu ser, and never cease to explore and learn about yourself.
She discovered with great delight that one does not love one’s children just because they are one’s children but because of the friendship formed while raising them.


Mi cama de sueños
Andres C. Vidal

Me encanta la cama donde nací, y todavía duermo, inocente y protegido, con pañales y botella, donde en el momento de nacer mi madre se acostó para darle un regalo a la cama que le pedía algo de vuelta. Aquí estoy en mi cama natal de donde mi madre se tuvo que ir para darme a mi espacio, donde yo duermo y sueño, inocente y protegido, pero ésta no es mi cama.
(Lo mía es una plancha vieja y pequeña, mojada dentro del mar.)

El Borracho
by Rolando Cruz

Barcardi con limón, tu favorita, mi favorita.
Te veo, I see you, standing in front of La Bodega.
The grocery store, the home of that pinche nevera.
That damn fridge that you open and close bien suavemente.
So gently, one would think la nevera was tu mamá.

Te oigo, I hear you, slurring your story, the one of la pendeja,
The woman who jodidúa vida, ruined your life so much, all you can do is dar quejá
Complain and wash your life away con tu bebida, tu favorita.

You’ve forgotten about us, papito. You’ve forgotten tu familia.
No te recuerdas... remember when you used to play with me.

You showed me how to dance salsa, making the turn all the women would love
Now, you just storm in, borracho, needing to sleep, y cada día
Everyday it gets worse, everyday you become, to me, memory
Yo reso, I pray that you would come back to us, that someone might hear me above.

Te Perdiste
by Tania Castro

Break free... ¡Regresa!
No veo tu luz
You made the sun rise in me
Y ahora te perdiste.

Times you come by and all we would do is laugh.
But the laughter has stopped.
You no longer shine.
I can’t see you in the darkness.

Step into the light
Your words are empty
Your soul is gone...
Come back

It is too late... for you?
¿Por qué te fuiste?
Why did you go and leave me here.

You were gonna give me your knowledge
pero te perdiste
Gonna shield me from the darkness pero te perdiste...
¡Y ahora que!!

I did it though. I managed.

I caught myself... ¿y tú?
I protected myself... ¿y tú?
I taught myself... ¿y tú?

te perdiste...
My first year of law school was exactly one professor who was not white and male. This fulfilled the fears and expectations that I had before attending Penn, after reading the American Bar Association Journal piece on Professor Lani Guinier's article documenting the University of Pennsylvania Law School as a hostile environment for women of color. Great, I thought. I am paying over $100,000 to be uncomfortable and feel out of place. This harassment, of course, generally comes from the students and not the faculty (although not always). So I called the Law School to have my fears allayed, and I was told by an administrator that "all law schools have these problems, at least here we are trying to deal with them on some level." While I was suspicious, that was encouraging, at least until I sat through my first day of classes. The homogeneity of Penn's law faculty on every level astounded me.

After the Hispanic National Bar Association's twenty-first annual convention in Miami, they announced the yearly Dirty Dozen list of law schools with poor records for hiring Latina/o faculty. The University of Pennsylvania was unsurprisingly cited, to the embarrassment of many Latina/o students at Penn Law. This prompted one Latina/o to write a letter to Dean Colin Diver about the lack of diversity in the law faculty. Following that letter, Dean Diver scheduled a meeting with the various student groups of color organizations. At that meeting, when questioned the Dean admitted that according to the best of his knowledge, not one has an associate dean, or dean of women of color.

The organizations representing students of color, including the Latin-American Law Students Association (LasSA), had prepared a specific list of suggestions for recruitment and retention of faculty of color to give to Dean Diver. These included formal search processes for faculty as opposed to "word-of-mouth," increased student involvement in recruitment, the allocation of monies for advertising in minority legal publications, as well as sensitivity training and exit interview for departing faculty. Also, the students wished clarification of the selection process, policies and procedures of the Faculty Appointments Committee responsible for extending offers.

Present at the meeting were Dean Diver, Associate Dean Michael Pitts, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Gary Clinton, Assistant Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid Janice Austin and forty law students of color concerned about faculty diversity.

Dean Diver proceeded to give the students a smooth, and seemingly sincere statement about how the he and his faculty are unsatisfied with the racial/ethnic, gender, and intellectual diversity at the law school. There has been a solid effort this year to increase diversity. This year, he said, four out of the six entry-level hires have been offered to professors of color. One (African-American) candidate has already rejected the offer, and the other three (South Asian and Asian-American) are good possibilities. While this year's effort has been a good one, for the last six years only one permanent faculty position has been offered to a professor of color, and that was Judge Higginbotham.

But what about the glaring absence of Latina/o(s) from this recruitment effort, and from the substantive goals? Dean Diver gave us the usual line: "This is the law School is looking for qualitative minorities, the implication being that there aren't very many qualified Latinos out there. He emphasized the scholarship of applicants, and the pressure to publish. Dean Diver described the law school faculty as "an exacting bunch," implying that they won't take just anybody (namely one of us). Interesing that neither mentioned that Richard Delgado, recently cited by a Chicago-Kent Law Review study as the most prolific law professor (in terms of publications) in the country, was interviewed by the University of Pennsylvania in past years and not extended a contract.

Dean Diver also spoke of the "ghettoization" of faculty of color into courses dealing with race/ethnicity, such as civil rights. This, he said, is seen as destructive by some, and he argued quite eloquently that we need faculty of color teaching mainstream classes like Corporations. While we do need diversity in all areas of the curriculum, there is danger in focusing on the mainstream. Often, a professor of color whose scholarly work focuses on the communities of color, critical race theory, or socially disadvantaged group has her work devalued. And a homogeneous faculty at a traditionally elitist white male Ivy League school will reject a candidate whose work they don't respect, who doesn't fit in, or who doesn't think like them.

The Dean pledged to respond in writing to the proposal given him by the law students, and was reassuring as to his commitment to diversity, although he made it clear that his influence over the Faculty Appointments Committee was limited. And I might have left a little better about the law school, if I hadn't been informed by a faculty member that the Dean downplayed the extent of his role at best, which I interpreted to mean he didn't care. Or if I hadn't read the 1992 National Law Journal article on the Dirty Dozen list in which Dean Diver asserted that faculty diversity was a high priority. Five years ago and his commitment has not resulted in much of an improvement.

In the statement of General Goals in the Law School's Strategic Plan, Dean Diver wrote that "the leaders of the legal profession are those whose actions will add lasting value to the society by ... celebrating, embracing, and harnessing the energy of our demographic and cultural diversity." While these are lofty words, by Dean Diver's own characterization Penn Law is not a leader of the legal profession.

While I am waiting for his response to the students, I am not holding my breath for any substantive results.

Amy Maldonado
EL PAPI CHULO
by Rolando Cruz

The entrance is made by a snazzy dressed man--white suit, white shoes, no socks, colorful shirt open three buttons on top...gold chains, gold ring, greasy hair pulled back. He dances mambo as he enters. He stops his back faces the crowd: music fades...two hands, his hands caress his back, sensually. An abrupt turn of his head acknowledgment of crowd.

Oh, I did not see you there.
Yes... (he turns slowly, opens his jacket with both arms.)
I am here!
I am El Papi Chulo! (el menea la cintura.)
No me suedes...

Ju know
They say that I am trapped
They say que tengo la musica por dentro
I hear a tune and BAMM! (pelvic thrust.)
I'm in a groove.

In the clubs, they call me "Loco"
GO LOCO! GO LOCO! WHAT? GO LOCO!
(dances frantically to cheers.)
I correct them
And say
STOP! My name is Volcero,
Volcero de la Sedie Manolo Lopez Enrique
Barrado en el presente pasado
Ay Dios mio que carajo e taba pensando mi pobre mama
(makes sign of the cross looking up at cielo)
But ju can call me Papi, Papi Chulo
They still call me LOCO!
I went to Club Casanova in Nueva Yol one parrticular night
(music blares up.)
There were just so many...so many...
(grabs a fistful of air, brings it to him and stares at his open hand.)
TETA! Just all over the damn place!
Teta por aqui
Teta por alla
Pero por to' lado habia TETA!
So I do my LOCO dance.
(menes his pelvis exaggeratedly, y sigue bailando!)
And all the LATINA WOMEN flock to me
They are oon me like flies on sh--OYE!
No me toque alli
I'm sensitive there

MIRA! Cuidado con eso que eso e' ta bien delicado

They kiss me
I let them...
(hands spread out, head cocked back, eyes cerrado.)
Pero out of the corner of my sexy eye
La veo...

AY PERO, AY DIOS MIO DE MISCERICODIA
AY PORQUE
PORQUE NO ME ENSEÑASTE
ESA NENA LINDA ANTES
AY QUE CULO TIENE ESA

They kiss me still
(kiss)
I grab their hair
Stare into their luscious eyes
LAGARTE CON ESA TETA FEA!
(approaches the woman con el CULO!)
I do my PAPI CHULO walk
I entice her
I enrapture her
I make her mine

I look into her deep beautiful BLACK eyes
And I say to her with my seducing tongue
Hace mucho tiempo desde cuando te vi
Quiero sentir tus caricias
Quiero tocar tu piel
Quiero sentir tus lavios contra los mios
Quiero hacerte el amor...DURO

She looks at me... HARD
Disgust fills her eyes
She says to me...
(shifts his position slowly.)
Uh-huh, Hm-hm
(pointing finger, leg curled out.)
I don't know what you just said to me
All I know is that it sounded like some BULLSH*T
And I ain't havin' it
Uh-huh, Hm-hm
So you best take your raggedy no 'ss havin';
warehio RICO-SUAVE, echifrito smelin',
poiny shoes wearin', cucaracha, mamimam Puerto Rican *ss outta here
Cause I ain't havin' it
Uh-huh, Hm-hm
(hel clenches his heart. he goes down, touches the floor with his hand.)
MIRA PA 'LLA., I found a quarter.

Cual es PEOR? Which is WORSE?
La IGNORANCIA o el EGOISMO

Quitas, algun dia, cuando pase muchos anos, encontrare este poema.
Quitas, pensar sobre como estis, porque no hubieramos hablado hace tanto tiempo.
Quitas, reflexionare sobre el tiempo que pasamos juntos, aunque en ese tiempo estamos solo amigos.
Quitas, especular sobre lo que hubiera sido, si algo u otro hubiera pasado.
Quitas, eira y te dara veracidad de lo contras que tuvimos en nuestra juventud.
... Espero que me muestre este poema porque este todavía a su lado.

Agua
por Freddy Godoy

¿Que lo sepan todos!
Que estoy arrebatado por una flaquita bonita
Cuyo cariño me arranca el alma y me enloquece
Que me hace gritar y temblar
Hasta que la busco donde quiera.

¿Que lo sepan todos!
Que estoy fisionaldo por una morenita Linda
Cuyas palabras Me inspiran y me conquistan
Que me hacen llorar y soñar
Hasta que despierto a su lado.

¿Que lo sepan todos!
Que estoy enamorado de una indigica rica
Cuya sonrisa Me atiende y me domina
Que me hace sufrir y casi morir
Hasta que me da su amor y su calor.

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The Gamma Chapter
would like to congratulate
Festival Latino on its 15th Anniversary
and congratulates our graduating Hermanos
Hermana Alexia A. Rodriguez
Hermana Maria L. Gonzalez

We wish you the best of luck on your future journeys into the real world.
We love you Hasta La Muerte.

Colors

Where Am I? I see shades and colors
I have never seen before. They seem very bright but as I approach, they become opaque and dreary.

Who Am I? Am I another bright color?
Or am I a color unknown to this spectrum?

Who Are You? You, that have this same radiance. You, that have this same shine. You, that are of the same spectrum as I. You, who do not hide behind the shades and colors that I have seen.

Where Are You? You are here; in my veins, beneath my skin and in my soul.

Jenny Alcántara
I'd like to dedicate this poem to my Hermanas. You have been my mother, my teacher, my sister and my lover. I love you all Hasta la Muerte.
Others' Wars
by Rachel C. Estrada

React without compassion in your heart.
Be deaf to shattered cries of hopeless plight.
And worry not of doomed and dreaded start.
Sleep peacefully through all the sleepless nights.
Retract the outstretched hand from hardened grips.
Your eyes closed, you pretend you see the light.
You win with weighted coins you always flip.
Above what hurts, in careless cushioned flight.
The blanket of your wealth will keep you warm.
The others freeze with passionless insight.
While guarded fences keep you safe from harm.
Their others' wars ring constant through the night.
Preoccupy yourself with better things.
Release the bird although you clip its wings.

Que Carajo!
by Rolando Cruz

Pollito Chicken... Maestra Hen... Piso Door... y
Puerta Floor...
Orale carnal, soy Boricua, Quihubu!

El Jibaro de Mayaguez
Traveled far and long from Cuba
I guess Noriega finally let him go
Forgetful, he left his money on the boat
The Jibaro not Noriega
So he began selling Gucci watches that he bought
Business was slow
The tourists on 42nd street were only interested in
getting home
Upset, he bought coco y hielo and made coquito
Hey if coquitos go as fast as government cheese in the
barrio
Its gotta work in Manhattan
The sun was so hot
It melted all the coquitos
The sun was so damn hot
He drank all the coquitos
With no where to go
With no money to get him there
El Jibaro went to visit his primo
His cousin picked him up at the airport
Good thing his cousin installed gold trimmings on
his rafia
Otherwise he would never have found his primo
“I had a long day selling my coco frio”
“You should have tried Gucci watches primo, that’s
what’s in these days”
“Take me to my hotel primo. No entiendo ni papa
de este mundo en que morimos”

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would first like to thank and congratulate Festival Latino de Penn on its 15th year!

and

Salute,
Hermano Rolando Cruz
Hermano Freddy Miguel Godoy, Jr.
and all graduating seniors of Class of 1997
Congratulations and success,

Para Siempre!
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