



Happy New Year from Penn's Association of Alumnae board of directors. We wish you a year full of happiness, good health, peace and prosperity. As a group that is representative of all Penn women graduates, we hope that the Association of Alumnae will be a means through which you can maintain and enrich your affiliation with the University of Pennsylvania over the coming year.

The Association of Alumnae's website, <http://www.alumni.upenn.edu/alumnae/>, provides an introduction to the association's mission and activities. We encourage you to take a look and join us whenever possible in furthering the association's goals as well as your connection to Penn.

For example, we welcome your attendance at our January 27, 2009 meeting (5:30 P.M. at the Sweeten Alumni House, 3533 Locust Walk) at which we will welcome three undergraduate students who were the 2008 recipients of the Association of Alumnae Rosemary D. Mazzatenta Scholars Award. This monetary award, which covers summer expenses associated with research in an area of academic interest, is given annually to one or more women students in the sophomore or junior class, in recognition of academic achievement and demonstrated service to country, community, and family. At the January 27 meeting, you will have an opportunity to meet these wonderful women and to hear about the scholarly activities they each undertook with last summer's financial support. In addition, Penn's Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships (CURF) will participate in the evening's program, offering important information regarding opportunities for student research grants and fellowships.

We are also planning to initiate a periodic Association of Alumnae electronic newsletter later this year. It will feature articles by your fellow alumnae and current students, as well as a Penn women history and trivia section and links to sites of interest to Penn alumnae. To receive the newsletter and other e-mails about upcoming Association of Alumnae events, please send an email to listserv@lists.upenn.edu and write "subscribe Penn Alumnae" in the body of the message.

We look forward to staying in touch with you through the Association of Alumnae.

Best wishes for 2009!

Sincerely,

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