

# Updates to Ongoing News Stories

## Bill Cosby Found Guilty

At his second trial, a jury found Bill Cosby guilty of three counts of aggravated indecent assault on Thursday April 26, 2018, for drugging and sexually assaulting Andrea Constand at his home in a Philadelphia suburb in 2004. His first trial last year ended in a hung jury.

Cosby attended Temple University in the 1960s, receiving his bachelor's degree in 1971. He was a member of Temple's Board of Trustees for many years prior to his resignation after the charges had been brought against him. On April 27, 2018 Temple's Board announced that it had rescinded Cosby's honorary degree. The Temple University Faculty Senate passed a resolution in 2015 calling for the Board to rescind his honorary degree. Other Universities to rescind Cosby's honorary degrees include Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh, Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana, and Wesleyan in Middletown, Connecticut. On May 4, 2018, The Board of Governors of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has officially voted to expel the actor and comedian from its membership ranks.

## Neighbors, Students, Faculty Again Protest the Proposed Multi-Purpose Facility

On May 1, 2018, a collection of students, faculty, and neighborhood residents staged a protest march down Broad Street from Berks Streets to City Hall. The Temple University Faculty Senate recently passed a resolution opposing the construction of a new stadium in North Philadelphia. The motion was subsequently presented to the entire faculty electronically and was approved 375 to 106.



Protesters Marching to City Hall, photograph by Jennie Shanker