



# THE HARVARD CLUB of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday, July 14, 2010 @ 6PM

#### *"Harvard Serves" Wrap Party*

**Location:** Wokano Restaurant (Santa Monica)  
**Cost:** Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cash bar  
**Contact :** Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com

### Thursday, July 15, 2010 @ 6PM

#### *City Governance: Current Challenges*

**Location:** The California Club of Los Angeles  
**Cost:** \$20 Members; \$25 Non-members  
**Contact:** Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

### Saturday, July 17, 2010 @ 8:30PM

#### *Warners Bros. Presents Bugs Bunny at the Symphony*

**Location:** Hollywood Bowl (EVENT SOLD OUT!)  
**Cost:** \$45 each, reserved parking at \$15  
**Contact :** Beverlee Bickmore, beverleeb@earthlink.net

### Saturday, July 24, 2010 @ 8:30PM

#### *2010 Pageant of the Masters*

**Location:** Festival of Arts, Laguna Beach, CA  
**Cost :** EVENT SOLD OUT!  
**Contact:** Dr. A.J. Rogers, rxsurgeon@aol.com

### Thursday, July 29, 2010 @ 7PM

#### *2010 Los Angeles Tennis Open at UCLA (Event Sold Out!)*

**Location:** Los Angeles Tennis Center at UCLA  
**Cost:** \$40 Members; \$45 Non-members  
**Contact :** Steven Arkow, stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net

### Wednesday, August 4, 2010 @ 6PM

#### *Harvard Asian-American Alumni Alliance Mixer*

**Location:** Renaissance Hollywood Hotel and Spa  
**Cost:** No charge, cash bar  
**Contact :** RSVP to LAMixer@HAAAAA.Net

### Saturday, August 14, 2010 @ 5:45PM

#### *Gourmet Dinner and Concert in Old Pasadena*

**Location:** Levitt Pavillion in Memorial Park  
**Cost:** \$55 Members; \$60 Non-members  
**Contact :** Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com

### Friday, August 20, 2010 @ 7:30PM

#### *LA Sparks Game and Post-Game Reception*

**Location:** Staples Center (vs. Minnesota Lynx)  
**Cost:** \$30/all attendees, includes reception  
**Contact :** Thania St. John, VRMother@aol.com

Please visit [www.Harvard-LA.org](http://www.Harvard-LA.org) for a complete list of upcoming events



## Dan Medina Becomes New Club President

Dan Medina AB '79, MBA '83 became the Harvard Club of Southern California's President on July 1. He had previously served as the Club's Membership Vice President from 2005-2009, and Vice President for Communications from 2009-2010.

Dan works for Needham & Company, a New York based investment bank. He was previously Chief Operating Officer of Capital Knowledge, LLC, a financial services and litigation advisory firm that he helped found in 2002. He lives in San Marino with his wife, Laura (HBS '83), and their three children.

"It is an honor to be appointed President of the Club and I hope to build on the momentum and good works of my predecessors, Susan Reardon, Cynthia Torres and Ken Williams. This is a very exciting time for the Club and the Board is working hard to provide interesting and fun activities for our members. I am really looking forward to the next two years."

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## City Governance: Current Challenges

# A Conversation with David Chiu and Eric Garcetti



Presidents respectively of the City Councils of San Francisco and Los Angeles. Moderated by Marcos Velayos '95, Founding Partner, Park & Velayos LLP.

**Date:** Thursday, July 15, 2010  
**Time:** 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.  
**Location:** The California Club of Los Angeles  
538 South Flower Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90071  
**Cost:** Members \$20, Non-members \$25  
(includes valet parking and one beverage)  
**Contact:** Albert Chang, 310-994-9974 or  
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This newsletter accepts items for publication. Materials must be submitted by the 12th of the prior month to appear in the following newsletter. Please include a phone number or email address with all submissions. Email submissions to: HarvardSoCal@gmail.com



## Veritas Book Club — Inaugural Meeting

The first meeting of the Veritas Book Club has been rescheduled for July 27th at 7 p.m. Please contact Shoshana Robinson at sjcet@yahoo.com or 310.686.8226 for location and book title information. We look forward to having you join us!

**Date:** Tuesday, July 27, 2010  
**Time:** 7:00pm  
**Location:** TBA (address to be sent by e-mail)  
**Convener:** Shoshana Robinson '87. RSVP to  
sjcet@yahoo.com or 310-686-8226



*Medina Becomes Club President, from page 1*

Ken Williams AB '78 has been appointed by Jack Reardon, Executive Director of the Harvard Alumni Association, to serve for a three year term as Regional Director for the Pacific Southwest. Williams will represent a geographic cluster that includes Southern California and Hawaii on the HAA Board. Williams will continue to serve on the Harvard Club of Southern California Board of Directors as the Immediate Past President.

Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi EdD '81 will continue to serve as the Club's Executive Vice President. A list of the Club's new officers may be found on page 2

## Harvard Club 2010 Summer Fellows



The Harvard Club's three Summer Fellows are congratulated by two former Harvard Club Presidents at the Club's July board meeting. From left, former Club President George Newhouse AB '76, Sharon Song '12, Henry Luu '11, Eddy Palacios AB '10, and former Club President Cynthia Torres AB '80, MBA '84. Each year the Club awards summer fellowships to Harvard undergraduates who work at non-profit organizations in Southern California.



## LA Sparks Game vs. Minnesota Lynx



### and Post-Game Reception

Bring the whole family to see the Sparks and enjoy a post-game reception with team owners Kathy Goodman AB '83 and Carla Christofferson.

Reception following game including a behind-the-scenes tour of the Staples Center.

**Date:** Friday, August 20, 2010

**Time:** 7:30 P.M.

**Location:** Staples Center

**Cost:** \$30 for all attendees, includes reception

**Contact:** Thania St. John, VRMother@aol.com, or 818-784-1874



## Los Angeles Harvard Asian-American Alumni Alliance Mixer

Are you an Asian or Asian-American alum or a current student of any of Harvard's 12 undergraduate or graduate programs? Join us on Wednesday, August 4, 6:00 to 7:30 pm, at Hollywood's Renaissance Hotel and Spa (coinciding with this year's 2010 Asian American Journalists Association National Convention) to reconnect, reacquaint, and reminisce.

Come hear about the new national Harvard Asian American Alumni Alliance network and exciting details about our inaugural Harvard Asian American Alumni Summit, taking place on the Harvard campus the weekend of October 15-17, 2010.

*Please RSVP no later than July 31, 2010.*

**Date:** Wednesday, August 4, 2010

**Time:** 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.

**Location:** Renaissance Hollywood Hotel and Spa

**Cost:** No charge, cash bar

**Contact:** Please RSVP to LAMixer@HAAAA.Net

# Three Very Special Events at the Hollywood Bowl

HOLLYWOOD BOWL



## Warner Brothers - Bugs Bunny At The Symphony

**Date:** Saturday, July 17, 2010  
**Time:** 8:30 P.M.  
**Contact:** Beverlee Bickmore, (323) 254-0837 or [beverleeb@earthlink.net](mailto:beverleeb@earthlink.net)  
**Cost:** \$45 per ticket, reserved parking at \$15

**This Event is Sold Out!**

Don't miss this world premiere anniversary concert of Warner Bros. cartoons on the big screen with their exhilarating scores played live!



## The Big Picture: The Films of Twentieth Century Fox

**Date:** Sunday, September 5, 2010  
**Time:** 7:30 P.M.  
**Contact:** Beverlee Bickmore, (323) 254-0837 or [beverleeb@earthlink.net](mailto:beverleeb@earthlink.net)  
**Cost:** \$40 per ticket, reserved parking at \$15

From *The Sound of Music* to *Star Wars* to *Avatar*, a sweeping tribute to the amazing 75-year legacy of 20th Century Fox, with award-winning scores and scenes projected on the big screen.



## Pink Martini and Fireworks Finale

**Date:** Friday, September 10, 2010  
**Time:** 8:30 P.M.  
**Contact:** Katie O'Brien, (310) 310-0088 or [katieo@post.harvard.edu](mailto:katieo@post.harvard.edu)  
**Cost:** \$45 per ticket, reserved parking at \$15

Portland's Pink Martini (founded by Harvard alums) returns with their extraordinary blend of French chanson, Argentine tango, soft merengue beats and vintage-chic style, accompanied by the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra.

RSVP Hollywood Bowl Event Ticket orders must be received with a  
**SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE**

Mail completed reservation form to: Beverlee Bickmore, 1225 N. Ave. 63, Los Angeles, CA 90046

Tickets are limited and are sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please make checks payable to: *Harvard Club of Southern California*

### Hollywood Bowl Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$45 per ticket, per show, reserved parking at \$15 per show.

Event Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_



## “Harvard Serves” An April Success

At the Kick-Off in March, over 100 Southern California alumni convened in Santa Monica to “shop” among volunteer activities for the first annual Harvard Month of Service. Dubbed “Harvard Serves,” the effort aimed to mobilize all 333,000 alumni, faculty and students worldwide in giving back to their communities. Throughout April, 150 area alumni participated, and by their number, topped all other cities’ participation.

“It was wonderful to see such a great turnout with participants of all ages!” said Peggy Nguyen, who coordinated four activities. . On April 25th, at Balboa Sports Complex, in Los Angeles, Peggy galvanized alumni, family and friends to plant trees alongside the LA Conservation Corps.

Under the leadership of Liz Ryan, the LA Public Service Task Force, a committee of Harvard alumni volunteers, garnered 19 volunteer opportunities in areas as diverse as medical research, inner-city kids, global poverty, ecology, hunger, and music and art for the underprivileged.

On July 14th, you’re invited to join these volunteers as they meet each other, and representatives of the participating organizations. Sign up at [Harvard-la.org](http://Harvard-la.org), or email Liz at [lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com](mailto:lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com). And, if you’d like to become involved in helping plan future volunteer events, please join the Community Service Committee, found under the Service tab on the Club website, [www.Harvard-LA.org](http://www.Harvard-LA.org). Many thanks to Liz Ryan, the Task Force, and all the volunteers who participated in the Harvard Serves Program this year. Come help celebrate our success!



*Harvard Club volunteers at the LA Regional Food Bank*



*Harvard Club volunteers at the World Child Project*



*Harvard Club volunteers at the LA Conservation Corps*



## “Harvard Serves” Wrap Party — July 14, 2010

Over 150 Southern California alumni shared their time, energy and skills to volunteer with 19 local organizations during the First Annual Harvard Month of Service this past April. In response to ongoing enthusiasm, those Harvard-affiliated non-profit organizations requesting Harvard volunteers year-round will now be listed at [Harvard-LA.org](http://Harvard-LA.org), under the tab “Service.” It’s not too late to volunteer! Additionally, under this same menu, sign up anytime to join the Community Service Committee, and help widen the scope of our activities.

Thanks to all of you who volunteered in April! Come compare notes, meet other volunteers, and thank the tireless volunteer coordinators and LA Public Service Task Force members who helped put it all together. Friends, interested volunteers, and representatives of participating organizations are invited as well.

- Date/Time:** Wednesday, July 14, 2010, 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
- Location:** Wokano Restaurant, 1413 5th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401-2401
- Cost:** Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cash bar
- Contact:** Liz Ryan, [lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com](mailto:lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com) or call 310-822-6042
- Register:** Please RSVP at [www.Harvard-LA.org](http://www.Harvard-LA.org)



## Gourmet Dinner and Concert at Levitt Pavilion in Old Pasadena

**Date:** Saturday, August 14, 2010  
**Time:** 5:45 P.M. Reception  
6:15 P.M. Catered Dinner  
7:45 P.M. Concert  
**Location:** Levitt Pavilion in Memorial Park, Pasadena, CA  
**Cost:** \$55, Members; \$60, Non-members  
**Contact:** Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com or 310-822-6042  
**Register:** www.Harvard-LA.org  
**Deadline:** August 11, 2010

Join us on Saturday, August 14, 2010, when the Levitt Pavilion Pasadena will be presenting the artfully tweaked tejano, merengue, rock and ska elements of NPR favorite, Charanga Cakewalk. Due to popular demand, the Levitt Foundation once again this year extends an exclusive invitation to members of the Harvard Club of Southern California to meet Founder Liz Levitt Hirsch at a gourmet catered *al fresco* dinner at dusk, underwritten by the Levitt Foundation, and to stay for the concert among friends! Glen Williams, MBA '82, is President of Levitt Pavilions, the national support organization for the expanding network of Levitt Pavilions.

Last year's HCSC event at the Levitt Pavilion Pasadena was a sold-out success, so be sure to register early.



## 2010 Los Angeles Tennis Open at UCLA

**Date:** Thursday, July 29, 2010  
**Time:** 7:00 P.M.  
**Location:** Los Angeles Tennis Center at UCLA, Straus Stadium  
**Cost:** \$40, Members; \$45, Non-members (same prices as last year)  
**Contact:** Steven Arkow, stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net  
**Register:** www.Harvard-LA.org (**Event Sold Out!**)

The best in men's tennis comes to Los Angeles for the 2010 LA Tennis Open at UCLA, celebrating its 84th year. The event is expected to feature top-ranked Novak Djokovic along with defending champion and Santa Monica resident Sam Querrey, former Harvard standout James Blake, Marcos Baghdatis, and top-ranked doubles and five-time champions Mike and Bob Bryan.

Join us for an optional pre-match dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Food Court, which is south of the Stadium court. (You can pay on site for your meal and the meal is not included in ticket price. Meet at Display Booth 12, which is nearest the southeast corner of the Grandstand court, and is towards the northwest section of the Food Court).





c/o Membership VP  
 627 Aviation Way  
 Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

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**“HARVARD SERVES”  
 WRAP PARTY  
 ~ JULY 14, 2010 ~**

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS AND GENERAL CLUB NEWS, VISIT THE CLUB WEB SITE AT  
***www.harvard-la.org***

# CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

To recommend an event or volunteer for one, contact one of our Programs VPs. Contact information can be found on page 2.  
 \*All checks for events are non-refundable unless explicitly stated otherwise. Unless specifically noted, RSVPs are not confirmed.

DATE/TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	COST*	CONTACT
July 14, Wed. 6:00 P.M.	“Harvard Serves” Wrap Party	Wokano Restaurant Santa Monica, CA	Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cash bar	Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com
July 15, Thursday 8:30 P.M.	City Governance: Current Challenges	The California Club of Los Angeles Downtown LA	\$20, members \$25, non-members	Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net
July 17, Saturday 8:30 P.M.	Warner Bros. Presents Bugs Bunny at the Symphony	Hollywood Bowl Hollywood, CA	SOLD OUT	Beverlee Bickmore, beverleeb@earthlink.net
July 24, Sat. 8:30 P.M.	Pageant of the Masters: Where Art Comes to Life	Festival of Arts Laguna Beach, CA	SOLD OUT	Dr. A.J. Rogers, rxsurgeon@aol.com
July 29, Monday 7:00 P.M.	2010 Los Angeles Tennis Open	Los Angeles Tennis Center at UCLA	SOLD OUT	Steven Arkow, stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net
August 4, Wed. 6:00 P.M.	LA Harvard Asian American Alumni Alliance Mixer	Renaissance Hollywood Hotel and Spa	No charge, cash bar	RSVP to LAMixer@HAAAA.Net
August 14, Sat. 5:45 P.M.	Gourmet Dinner and Concert in Old Pasadena	Levitt Pavillion Pasadena, CA	\$55, members \$60, non-members	Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com
August 20, Friday 7:30 P.M.	LA Sparks Game vs. Minn. Lynx and Reception	Staples Center Los Angeles	\$30, all attendees includes reception	Thania St. John, VRMother@aol.com