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Upcoming Events

<u>Saturday, February 2, 2013 @ 9:30AM</u> Family Snowtubing at Mountain High North Pole

Mountain High North Pole (Wrightwood, CA) Location:

\$24/person; \$18 for a 36"-42" child Cost: **Contact:** Peggy Nguyen, peggynguyen@hotmail.com

Friday, February 8, 2013 @ 7PM

Ivy Pride... Women's Pre-Valentine's Day Mixer

The Den of Hollywood (Hollywood, CA) **Location:**

Cost: Cash only for food & drinks

Althea Chia, althea.chia@jhilburn.com **Contact:**

Saturday, February 9, 2013 @ 11AM Brunch and Renaissance Tour at the Getty Center

The J. Paul Getty Center (Los Angeles, CA) **Location:** Brunch (Dutch treat); parking (\$15, pay at entry) Cost: Contact: Albert Chang, Albert Chang@charter.net

Sunday, February 10, 2013 @ 2PM

Noel Coward's Fallen Angels

Pasadena Play House (Pasadena, CA) Location:

\$45 in row M; \$38 in row N; \$30 in row P Cost:

Contact: Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2013 @ 7:30PM Noel Coward's Fallen Angels

Staples Center (Los Angeles, CA) **Location:**

Cost: \$80 for Loge Level 100, \$70 for 200 Level.

Contact: Maurice Levin, maurice@cycads.com

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013 @ 6:30PM Ivy Pride... LGBT Ivy Young Alumni Mixer

The Abbey (W. Hollywood, CA) Location:

Cost: No Cover, Cash Bar & Food

Andrew Park at ajpark514@gmail.com **Contact:**

Friday-Sunday, February 22-24, 2013 17th Annual Ivy League Ski Weekend

Location: Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort

Cost: \$295 per person.

http://www.columbia-socal.org/ Register:

Saturday, March 2, 2013 @ 6:30PM Lunar New Year Banquet with Guests of Honor April Hong and James Hong

Mission 261 Restaurant(San Gabriel, CA) **Location:** Cost: Members and guests, \$45; Non-members, \$50

Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com **Contact:**

Please visit www.Harvard-LA.org for a complete list of upcoming events and to register.



Harvard Club Hosts Area Undergraduates During Winter Break

The Harvard Club of Southern California hosted numerous events for Harvard undergraduates and alumni during the Harvard winter break, which lasted from December 22, 2012 through January 27, 2013.

The largest event, Global Networking Night, attracted over 250 students, alumni, and guests to the Viceroy Hotel in Santa Monica for an evening of networking and fun at the bi-annual event. A wide range of professional fields were represented, offering attendees the opportunity to mix and mingle with fellow Harvardians who have chosen different professional paths. "Beyond the networking, there was a clear sense of unity and cheer in the air," said Mac Bartels AB '09, the event's organizer. "The success of the event was yet another example of how vibrant the Harvard community is in Southern California - over 3,000 miles from Cambridge!"

Fifty-seven undergraduates and alumni attended a winter break kick-off party at the Pacific Palisades home of Patric M. Verrone '81 and Maiya Williams Verrone '84 on January 8, 2013. HAA directors John Bowman AB '80, MBA '85 and Liz Ryan AB '81 attended as well as HCSC president Albert Chang, MD AB '63 and board member Ethel Seminario-Lackzo EdM '84. Two dozen of the undergraduates were participants in the Harvardwood 101 boot camp. Many had already scheduled Winternships in the entertainment industry.

"The Harvard Winternship program is developing into an invaluable way for undergraduates to advance their career prospects through the network of alumni who have an instant connection to them," said Verrone, the program's coordinator in Southern California. "There is no shortage of Harvard students who either live in Southern

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California or who want to settle here and who are anxious to meet with alumni in their workplaces and see what their professional lifestyles entail. In the years to come, more alumni will need to be engaged in the program to offer undergraduates these opportunities during the January recess."

Another well-attended event welcoming all Early Action Admits to the Class of 2017 was held at the home of Josh Friedman AB '76 and Beth Friedman on January 13. Over 30 admitted students to the Class of 2017, and their parents, attended, and had an opportunity to interact and speak with current Harvard students and alumni. "The Friedman family were such generous and gracious hosts, and everybody had a great time," said Schools Committee Vice President Dan Medina AB '79, MBA '83.



Boomer Canyon Hike on January 19, 2013

Several members as well as friends and family of the Harvard Club participated in a guided hike of Boomer Canyon on Saturday January 19, 2013. The guided tour was pro-

vided by Brian Hughes, an Interpretative Specialist for the Irvine Ranch Conservancy which is a non-profit, non-advocacy organization created to help care for 50,000 acres of permanently protected wildlands and parks on the historic Irvine Ranch.

During the three-mile hike, the group learned that the Irvine Ranch wildlands and parks is one of the five small areas of the world with Mediterranean climate zone and as the first California Natural Landmark by the State of California and the U.S. Department of the Interior, these lands are home to hundreds of species of plants and animals as well as rare species of birds, reptiles, amphibians and plants.

Additionally, the wildlands and parks have special ecosystems that are not only the most threatened in the world, but have been also identified as one the world's biodiversity "hot spots," which means that it is an area with large concentrations of different species. The Irvine Ranch Conservancy maintains and cares for this area and provides many programs and events weekly and monthly for the community.

Overall, everyone enjoyed a beautiful day outdoors meeting new people and learning about nature. Some even enjoyed a tasty cactus pear during the hike.

To find out more information about the Irvine Ranch Conservancy and its events, please visit: www.irlandmarks.org.

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Q&A from 02138...Zachary Wong

(These interviews will be a regular contribution to the HCSC Newsletter and will spotlight students enrolled at Harvard who are from Southern California)

Zachary Wong '16 was born in Santa Monica, CA and graduated from Concord Prep High School in Santa Monica, CA. In high school, he co-directed the school's production of Waiting for Godot and has been making short films starting in elementary school. In his freshman year at Harvard, he plays cello in the Harvard Radcliffe Orchestra. He also is an illustrator for Harvard College Stories for Orphans, a group that writes children's books for international orphanages each semester.

HCSC: What were some interesting classes that you took this past semester?

ZW: I had the pleasure of participating in a wide range of classes, ranging from Shakespearean Acting to Chamber Music Performance. One of the courses that I particularly enjoyed was on Asian American Literature. I remember on the first day of class during shopping week, Professor Ju-Yon Kim posed the question, "What defines a narrative as Asian American?" As the class progressed, our readings of Jhumpa Lahiri's beautifully crafted short stories and Charles Yu's meta-science-fiction-father-son novel redefined my answer to that question. They challenged my understanding of something I had previously taken for granted: my heritage and how it manifests in my own narrative.

The class challenged my prior understanding on the subject in that it taught me that the representation of Asian Americans in the Asian American canon has been multifarious. The poems and novels we read consider a diverse range of themes, from conflict with externally imposed expectation and stigmas to itinerancy and detachment from place. For example, I learned that each person's reactions to the racially specific casting instructions in Julia Cho's play "The Piano Teacher" or responses to the controversial "non-fiction" categorization of Maxine Hong Kingston's short story "Woman Warrior" were different and distinct.

Despite its brevity, this past semester has been a truly formative experience. In hindsight, it was extremely fortunate to have found these classes. Each one opened and broadened my perspective in ways that I think will influence my direction at Harvard. I look forward to the classes I will take in the semesters to come.

HCSC: What can you tell us about your fellow Harvard schoolmates?

ZW: It has been an incredibly humbling and inspiring experience meeting such passionate and talented people. And despite their impressive resumes and accolades, the students that I have met have been extremely modest and genial. Several students will surprise you when their secret lives as jazz pianists, computer programmers, athletes, and writers suddenly reveal themselves. The diversity in their interests has really encouraged me to keep an open mind and has introduced me to several fields I would never have otherwise encountered.

My roommate and I constantly challenge and encourage one another by playing music, watching films, and tossing around ideas on ways to represent sound and music through short films. What I find refreshing is the fact that among my friends, the interests we have are completely divergent. However, this supposed discordance results in some of the most insightful conversations I have had.

My classmates have introduced me to a wide range of interests, ranging from heavy metal drummers to computer science.

HCSC: What are your career aspirations?

ZW: I have always had a passion for screenwriting and directing and I hope to pursue them as a career. I have been interested in telling stories that express the struggles that hyphenated Americans have had to experience. To me, film and television are mediums that have seamlessly integrated into the framework of public perception. Because of that, they can have tremendous agency, shattering stigma, and bringing light to previously marginalized narratives. I have written and directed several short films in high school and have continued to write during my first semester at Harvard. However, during my time at Harvard, I would like to cast the net beyond filmmaking and open myself up to a broad variety of fields and perspectives. I believe that the experiences I have at Harvard will inform my craft in filmmaking.

HCSC: Finally, how can your alumni club assist you?

ZW: I think that the Harvard Club of Southern California already has been assisting me, providing a supportive and encouraging atmosphere for its members through networking events and community activities. Having a chance to speak with former alumni based in Southern California reminds you that the Harvard community extends beyond Cambridge, and that though the time you spend in college is brief, it can greatly affect the career you will have afterward. I have been lucky to meet such considerate and perceptive people within the Harvard Southern California community who generously have given me advice that they attained during their unique experiences at the school. The alumni club is a community that I only wish to grow closer to and one for which I am grateful.



Organizer Liz Ryan clowns around at Peace4Kids

Public Service Task Force Needs Volunteers

This April, Harvard's Global Month of Service will be celebrating its fifth anniversary! Last year, 230 Southern California alumni shared their time, energy and skills to volunteer with 27 local organizations, topping all other cities' participation! Fifty-three cities in all participated, offering 131 opportunities and garnering over 1000 volunteers worldwide. This year we hope to double our participation.

The generous and energetic alumni of the LA Public Service Task Force each coordinate volunteers to serve with their favorite local non-profit organization, and help host our Kick-Off and Wrap parties. Last year, events "sold out," with volunteers, representatives of participating local non-profits and friends comparing notes, networking, and just having fun. In

the next several weeks, the "Task Force" will again be mobilizing. If you missed this last year, now's the time to get involved. Mark your calendars, this year's Kick-Off will be on March 21.

Do you sit on the board of a non-profit organization? Are you active with a favorite charity? How might they be able to use a team of people in April? Would you be interested in helping to organize our April offerings? The March Kick-Off? Please let us know. Contact Liz Ryan, Harvard Club of Southern California Public Service Coordinator and Harvard Alumni Association director from Los Angeles, at lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com, who again this year has kindly agreed to spearhead our efforts in Southern California.

Watch the Harvard Club website for news as it develops. http://www.harvard-la.org. Whether you're interested in helping the organizing effort, or in volunteering, we'd love to have you join us. With 15,500 alumni in Southern California, imagine what an impact we can have!



Monday, Jan 14th - Global Networking Night

On Monday, January 14th, over 250 Harvard graduates from across the University gathered at the Viceroy Hotel in Santa Monica for an evening of networking and fun at the bi-annual Global Networking Night. A wide range of professional fields were represented, offering attendees the opportunity to mix and mingle with fellow Harvardians who have chosen different professional paths. Beyond the networking, there was a clear sense of unity and cheer in the air. The success of the event was yet another example of how vibrant the Harvard community is in Southern California - over 3,000 miles from Cambridge! Please note that the next Global Networking Night will take place in June of this year. We look forward to seeing you then!

16th Annual Ivy League Ski Weekend







Date: February 22-24, 2013

Time: 12:30 P.M.

Location: St. Anton Condominiums,

Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort

Cost: \$295.00 per person.

Register: http://www.columbia-socal.org/

Join fellow Ivy League and Seven Sisters alumni for a fun-filled ski weekend at Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort. Every year is a sellout, so sign up early, as space is limited! The **fun** starts with the bus ride up, continues with a reception Friday night and with the skiing through the rest of the weekend. Any level of skiing, snowboarding, or cross-country skiing is welcome.



Family Snowtubing at Mountain High North Pole

It's time for Havard and friends' families to connect with some family fun in our local mountains. Let's take advantage of this great snow year and take our families out to make snowangels, snowmen, and great family snowtubing memories. We can catch up or get to know each other at the meet and greet, in line for our turn at the slopes, and over lunch.

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2013

Time: 9:30 A.M.

Location: Mountain High North Pole

Cost: \$24/person; \$18/child with paying adult

Contact: Peggy Nguyen,

peggynguyen@hotmail.com

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org

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Noel Coward's Fallen Angels at the Pasadena Playhouse

Join us at the Pasadena Playhouse for one of Noel Coward's

most popular comedies. FALLEN ANGELS is a champagne cocktail of wit, charm and high comedy that set the stage for such classic female comedic duos as Lucy and Ethel; Laverne and Shirley; Patsy and Edwina as well as inspiring current hit shows like "Sex and the City" and "Desperate Housewives." This is Noël Coward at his inimitable best.

Date: Sunday, February 10, 2013

Time: 2:00 P.M.

Location: Pasadena Play House

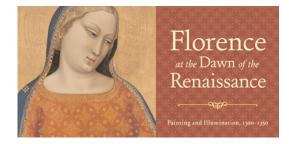
Cost: \$45/row M; \$38/row N; \$30/row P

Contact: Madeleine Mejia,

Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org

Join us on February 9th!



Brunch and Renaissance Tour at the J. Paul Getty Center

Alumni talks by Leticia Sanchez AB '01 and Albert Chang AB '63 about the early Renaissance, combined with a tour of the current exhibition "Florence at the Dawn of the Renaissance."

Date: Saturday, February 9, 2013

Time: 11:00 A.M.

Location: The J. Paul Getty Center

Cost: Brunch (Dutch treat); parking (\$15 at entry)
Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org



Harvard's Jeremy Lin Clippers Event

Join fellow Harvard Alums to see the LA Clippers take on the Houston Rockets. Houston is current-

ly led by Harvard Grad Jeremy Lin (AB '10) and the Clippers are among the most exciting and best teams in the NBA.

Each ticket includes early entry (5:30 PM for a 7:30 game) and a special post-game event on the famous STAPLES Center court.

Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2013

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Location: Staples Center (Downtown LA)
Cost: \$80/Loge Level 100, \$70/200 Level.
Contact: Maurice Levin, maurice@cycads.com
Register: by contacting our Clippers liaison, Victor

Yee, 213-763-2671, vyee@clippers.com



Conversation
with Author and
UCLA Professor
of Medicine,
Dr. Barbara
NattersonHorowitz

Join us for this very special event and a chance to meet author Barbara Natterson-Horowitz AB '83, AM '83 where she will discuss her new book *Zoobiquity: What Animals Can Teach Us About Health and the Science of Healing.*

Date: Sunday, March 3, 2013

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Location: UCLA Ronald Reagan Medical Center

Cost: No charge

Contact: Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org



Arabian Horse Show and Tour of Equine Research Center

Arabian Horse Show and Tour of Equine Research Center, including demonstration of horse physiology research projects. Our group will be meeting in front of building 67 by 1:00pm.

Date: Sunday, March 3, 2013

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Location: Cal Poly University Pomona,

W.K. Kellogg Arabian Horse Center

Cost: \$5.00, Adults;

\$4.00, children (6-17);

Children 5 and under Free

Contact: Jonathan Baskin,

inbaskin@pacbell.net

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org



Lunar New Year Banquet with Guests of Honor April Hong and James Hong

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2013

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: Mission 261 Restaurant (San Gabriel)

Cost: Members/guests, \$45; Non-members, \$50

Contact: Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org

The Harvard Club of Southern California and the Wellesley Club of Los Angeles are happy to invite you to this special celebration with guests of honor, April Hong and James Hong.





Gioachino Rossini's La Cenerentola at the LA Opera

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California at the Los Angeles Opera for this very special performance of Gioachino Rossini's La Cenerentola (Cinderella). Also attend an optional pre-performance lecture about the opera one hour prior. Rossini's retelling of the Cinderella story is a delightfully romantic comedy, brought to life by the dazzling vocal fireworks of an exciting young cast, a production new to LA, and conductor James Conlon.

Deadline to register is February 23, 2013. There are a limited number of tickets, which will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Date: Thursday, March 28, 2013

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Location: Dorothy Chandler Pavilion **Cost:** \$81 (Rear Loge Seats)

Contact: Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com

The Harvard Club of Southern California Membership Registration Form

Stay involved with the local Harvard community:

Southern California residents who have been connected for at least one academic year with any department of Harvard University as a student or instructor are eligible for membership in the Harvard Club of Southern California. Member benefits include a monthly newsletter, reduced fees for Club events, electronic updates, and inclusion in the annual directory. Reciprocal benefits with other Ivy League clubs are also available, as determined by each respective organization.

For your added convenience, you are welcome to renew on-line on our website: www.harvard-la.org

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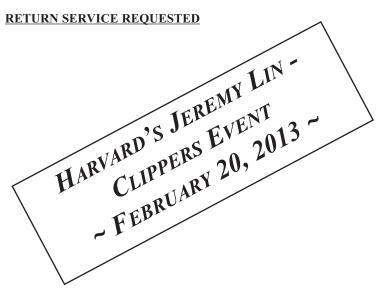
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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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. <u>Unless specifically noted, RSVPs are not confirmed.</u>

DATE/TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	Cost*	CONTACT
February 2, Sat. 9:30 A.M.	Family Snowtubing at	Mountain High North Pole	\$24, adults	Peggy Nguyen,
	Mountain High North Pole	Wrightwood, CA	\$18, children (36"+)	peggynguyen@hotmail.com
February 8, Fri. 7:00 P.M.	Ivy Pride Alliance: Women's Pre-Valentine's Day Mixer	The Den of Hollywood (Patio) Hollywood, CA	Cash only for food & drinks	Althea Chia, althea.chia@jhilburn.com
February 9, Sat. 11:00 A.M.	Brunch and Renaissance Tour at the Getty Center	The J. Paul Getty Center Los Angeles, CA	Brunch (Dutch treat) Parking (\$15 onsite)	
February 10, Sun. 2:00 P.M.	Noel Coward's Fallen Angels at the Pasadena Playhouse	Pasadena Play House Pasadena, CA	\$45/row M; \$38/N; \$30/P Made	Madeleine Mejia, eleine_Mejia@post.harvard.edu
February 20, Wed. 6:30 P.M.	Ivy Pride Alliance LA: LGBT	The Abbey	No Cover,	Andrew Park,
	Ivy Young Alumni Mixer	W. Hollywood, CA	Cash Bar & Food	ajpark514@gmail.com
February 20, Wed. 7:30 P.M.	Harvard's Jeremy Lin	Staples Center	\$80/Loge Level 100	Maurice Levin,
	Clippers Event	Los Angeles, CA	\$70/200 Level.	maurice@cycads.com
Feb. 24-26, Fri-Sur	n 17th Annual Ivy League	Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort	\$295.00 per person	Columbia Club,
12:30 P.M.	Ski Weekend	Mammoth Lakes, CA	htt	p://www.columbia-socal.org/
Mar. 2, Saturday	Lunar New Year Banquet	Mission 261 Restaurant.	\$45, members/guests	Kay Park,
6:30 P.M.		San Gabriel, CA	\$50, non-members	kayparkmd@yahoo.com
Mar. 3, Sunday	Arabian Horse Show and Tour	Cal Poly University Pomona, W.K.	\$5, adults	Jonathan Baskin,
1:00 P.M.	of Equine Research Center	Kellogg Arabian Horse Center	\$4, under 17	jnbaskin@pacbell.net