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MARCH 2023

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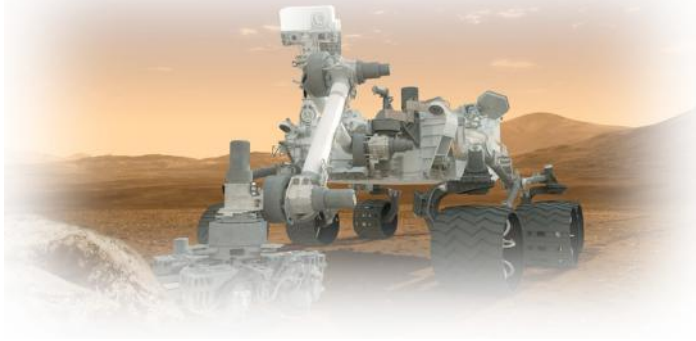
Recovered Voices at The Colburn School

On January 29, the Harvard Club of Southern California and The Colburn School hosted a sold-out concert: *"Recovered Voices: Shostakovich and Weinberg: A Story of Loss and Healing Power."* The concert was live streamed on YouTube.

The purpose of this initiative was to perform music by composers whose lives and works were suppressed, or worse, during the years of the Nazi Regime (1933-1945). Using the music of Dimitri Shostakovich and Mieczysław Weinberg, this concert painted a picture of the composers' friendship and lives at the end of World War II.

In Weinberg's own words, "My moral duty is to write about the horrors that befell mankind in our century."

We are grateful to the MIT Club of Southern California, the Yale Club of Los Angeles and the University of Chicago Alumni Club of Los Angeles for their support in making this concert such a success.



Myron Kayton Science Pub #23 - Mars Rover Curiosity from the Beginning to Now

March is the Red Planet's Month. Let's celebrate it with Adans Ko, Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) Real-Time Operations Team Chief at Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL). Ko specializes in ground data system design and cybersecurity. Ko served as a command computer flight software engineer and JPL Missions operations assurance manager for various NASA missions.

When: Sunday, March 26, 2023 @ 3pm-4pm (Pacific Time)

Cost: No charge, but pre-registration is required

Contact: Ethel Laczko, etheledu@yahoo.com or German Enciso, enciso@uci.edu

Register: Visit www.harvardsocal.org to register now

The Mars Science Laboratory mission landed the size of a MINI Cooper Curiosity Rover on Mars 10 years ago. In the past decade, Curiosity's first stop was at the Gale Crater to find water on Mars. After 3721 Sols on Mars, Curiosity is ready to drill at the Encanto site. The mission's goals range from the quest for life on Mars to preparing for human exploration. This event will review the history of the Mars Rover Curiosity, from its launch to its 10 years on Mars.

Milestones

On a space-available basis, the Club will publish announcements concerning marriages, job changes, and deaths of Club members. Please send your announcements to HarvardSoCal@gmail.com.



The Harvard Club of Southern California congratulates our Vice President for Communications Pooja Nair JD '11 on the occasion of her wedding.



The Harvard Club of Southern California congratulates our former board member Liz Ryan AB '81 (also a former HAA Elected Director) and Jeff Kichaven JD '80 on their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Kichaven met at a Harvard Club Board Holiday Party in 2017.

Recent Events

Alumni Book Talk with Anne Gardner MDV '05

On January 30, a group of travel-loving alums gathered on Zoom to hear Reverend Anne Gardner (Div. '05) give an engaging talk about her adventures hiking the 500-mile-long Camino de Santiago in Spain, which was the basis for her book, *And So I Walked*. Reverend Gardner related what motivated her to take this journey, and how the experience affected her physically, psychologically, and spiritually. She concluded with excellent tips for anyone interested in attempting this sort of long, multi-day hike.



Dean Daley Lectures on Cancer Research at UCI

On February 1, George Q. Daley, '82, MD '91, Dean of the Harvard Medical School, spoke at the University of California, Irvine for the Allen and Lee-Hwa Chao Lectureship in Cancer Research. Dean Daley gave two lectures: a community lecture on academic medicine and biomedical innovation at a crossroads, and a scientific lecture on pluripotent stem cells as a source of blood cell therapies. A physician-scientist and an authority on stem cell science and cancer biology, his discoveries have twice been cited in *Science* magazine's Top 10 Breakthroughs of the Year. Photo to the right: Dean George Daley '82, MD '91, and board members Sonia Molina DMD '89, MPH '89 and Ethel Seminario-Laczko EdM '84.



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Partner Club Event (HBSAOC): Raising Black Children to Thrive in America

Please join us along with our friends at the Harvard Business School Association of Orange Country for A Conversation with Depelsha Thomas McGruder (MBA '98) and Carol Sutton Lewis (HBS P'22 and P'23). Co-sponsored by HB-SAAA and the HBS Club of New York.



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Join the Women Presidents of the Harvard Alumni Association as they share their stories about their respective pathways to leadership, their most memorable Harvard moments as the HAA's President, and what it's like to lead the Harvard Alumni Association. Two former presidents of the Harvard Club of Southern California, Ciji Ware '64, and Cynthia Torres '80, MBA '84, will speak.



WED, MAR 8 @ 12:00PM

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No charge

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Come watch and cheer on the nationally ranked #9 Crimson as they take on some of the nation's best tennis competition. There is no cost to attend.



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HAA Speakers Bureau: Professor Benjamin M. Friedman — Religion and the Rise of Capitalism

Benjamin M. Friedman is the William Joseph Maier Professor of Political Economy, and formerly Chairman of the Department of Economics, at Harvard University. He joined the Harvard faculty in 1972. He will be discussing how religious thinking has shaped economic thinking throughout times.

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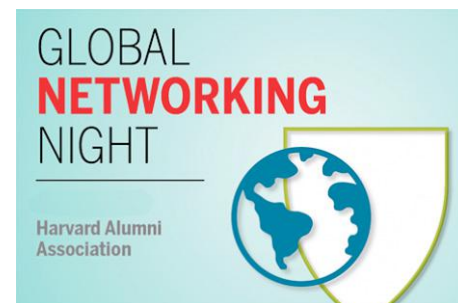
Come watch the highly competitive Harvard Men's Volleyball Team as they travel to Southern California in mid March to take on UC Santa Barbara and Pepperdine University. Tickets can be purchased at the venues for a nominal



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Harvard Global Networking Night: VIRTUAL or IN-PERSON

Sponsored by the Harvard Club of Southern California, Harvardwood, Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance, Harvard Black Alumni Society of SoCal, H4A, Harvard Alumni for Education, First-Generation Harvard Alumni, HBSASC and the Harvard Alumni Association.



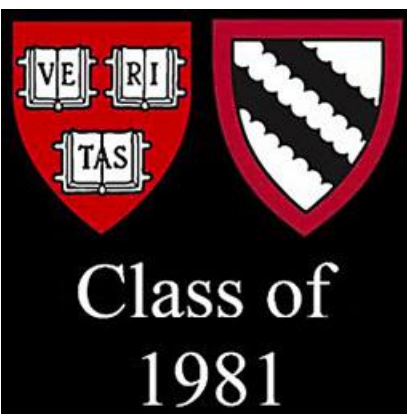
THU, MAR 16 @ 6:00PM
Virtual Event via Zoom and In-Person Events in L.A. or Orange County
No charge

SoFi Stadium Tour

Just because the Super Bowl is over, doesn't mean you can't still enjoy football! Join us for a tour of SOFI Stadium and explore the transformation of the 300-acre Hollywood Park in Inglewood, CA into a state-of-the-art football facility, followed by an afternoon of football fun.



SAT, APR 15 @ 2:00PM
SoFi Stadium (Inglewood, CA)
\$46 for members, \$56 for non-members



Harvard-Radcliffe Class of 1981 Reunion in Pasadena

Are you a member of the Class of 1981, or did you start or end with our class? If so, come join us in Pasadena for a fun off-year reunion. Events start Thursday, 3/23/23 and continue through Sunday, 3/26/23. With 98 attendees already confirmed, come visit with old friends or make new ones! Please visit https://whova.com/portal/registration/hcopr_202303/ for more information, or reach out to Liz Ryan at LRyan.ryanworks@gmail.com or at 310-480-7926.

More details and register at https://whova.com/portal/registration/hcopr_202303/

Q & A from 02138:

Spencer Williams '23



Spencer Williams, '23, a concentrator in Psychology and Economics, was born in Northridge, CA and graduated from Chaminade College Preparatory High School in West Hills, CA. He was a four-year letter winner and the varsity captain his junior/senior year. On the club circuit, he played for the top-ranked team in the nation: California Baseball Academy (CBA) Marucci. He was a member of the National Honor Society, California Scholarship Federation, and his high schools' rocket propulsion laboratory.

When he returned to Harvard post pandemic and found that Ivy League baseball was cancelled, he recorded music and painted during his down time. Two of his pieces of artwork were advertised in Harvard's Fall art show. He is a member of the Harvard Art Club.

He has volunteered for Challenger Baseball as a volunteer coordinator since 2017.

He recently participated in a new startup company, TORQ Sports, and he also has worked with the founder of a novel company, Let's Engage. He was placed on their portfolio of up-and-coming athletes and professionals.

HCSC: What surprised you about being a student at Harvard?

SW: What surprised me was the doors it opens. Harvard has broad appeal to the public, and its reputation extends immense credibility to anyone associated with the school. The branding Harvard has accomplished surprises me most. No matter who I speak to, they are beyond impressed by my attendance and affiliation with the University.

HCSC: When was the first time you visited Harvard and what were your impressions?

SW: I was impressed the first time I visited Harvard's campus in September 2018. I loved the city, the campus, the Square, and the football game versus Brown. All these aspects reassured me that this larger-than-life university felt like home.

HCSC: What was your favorite class (or professor) and why?

SW: My favorite professor at Harvard was Lynn Margulis, my first-year Afrikaans teacher. Afrikaans is a language of southern Africa that is most like Dutch. Lynn is one of those professors who makes learning enjoyable and she truly engages with her students. Years later, we keep in touch on social media and often speak over the phone.

HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

SW: Primal Scream. I thought it was a myth until I experienced it in real life. Give it a Google search!

HCSC: If you were the President of Harvard, what would you change?

SW: If I were the President of Harvard, I would focus on modernizing many elements of the social scene on campus. I would focus on elements that keep students on campus after classes and on the weekends. I believe strengthening Harvard's social scene would positively impact many of its students.

HCSC: What do you miss most about Southern California (other than the weather, food, and family)?

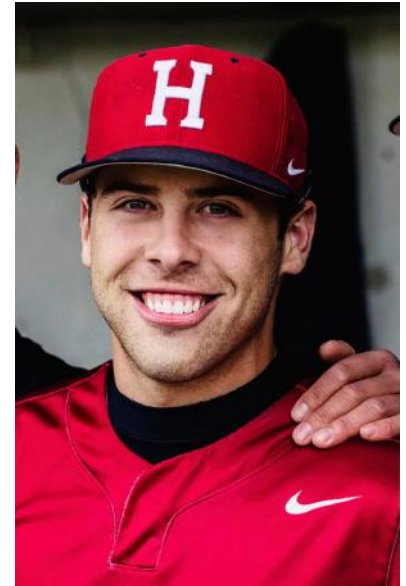
SW: Its laidback and go-with-the-flow nature. I miss the diverse landscape where a daily mountain bike excursion can take me miles up and away from the city. I crave the West Coast's ocean and its beaches, but most of all, I long for the artistic vibe and the eclectic, casual way Californians socialize, dress, and act. From Uber drivers to restaurant workers... Bostonians live fast.

HCSC: How will Southern California figure into your future after Harvard?

SW: Southern California always figures into my future. After Harvard, I will continue to network and am hopeful that my internships and business ventures, along with my Harvard degree, will help me post-graduation to find a career back home in California.

HCSC: How did you manage the transition to virtual classes?

SW: The transition to virtual classes went smoothly. Patience played a pivotal role during those trying times. Everyone slowly but surely became accustomed to Zoom University. I was able to take a break and nurture my creative side during virtual classes. I recreated the viral 2012 Harvard Baseball "Call Me Maybe" YouTube video. I brought together a bunch of my teammates by filming and coordinating clips in their cars. I continued posting clips on TikTok post-pandemic. I was approached by companies that wanted to utilize my ideas and pay me for advertisements. Since the inception of my page in 2020, I have amassed over 16.5 million views and gained over 85k followers.



Welcome to New Members...

The Harvard Club of Southern California welcomes the following new members:

Abhishek Anand '20	Tanji Holmes EdM '22	Nathan Shamtoub JD '22
Yanina Barrera SM '17, PhD '19	John Imbrie '15	Nathan Showalter THD '90
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Zhaohua Feng HMSEE '22	Genesis Nam '24	Roxanna Villagran-Mexicano '24
Brian Goldsmith '05	Victor Negrete MUP '13	Richard Williams '57
John Gomez '91	Jenni Pignatelli PLDA '23	Shuangting Yang EdM '22
Douglas Hansen '79, MBA '83	Joyce Poulin '99, PhD '05	
Joel Hartman '05, PhD '08	Matthew Quirk '06	and the entire class of 2022 living in Southern California
Irene Hedges '00, MBA '05	Laura Robinson '86	



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