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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 17, 2013 @ 6:00PM

"Harvard Serves" Wrap Party

Location: Barsha Wines and Spirits (Manhattan Beach)

Cost: \$5 per person

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Location: La Fonda Restaurant & Levitt Pavilion
MacArthur Park (Downtown Los Angeles)

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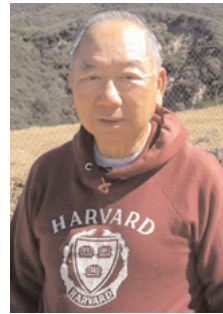
September 20-21, 2013

Harvard Football Comes to San Diego (Reception, Pre-game Tailgate and Game)

Location: University of San Diego (San Diego)

Cost: \$20 per person (Tailgate); \$5 (Game tickets)

Contact : George Newhouse AB '76,
gnewhouse@brownwhitelaw.com



Club President's Message

by Albert Chang, MD

When preparing this year's "State of the Club" Annual Report, I was reminded of the famous violinist who continuously received poor marks, "Bad!" from his teacher. On graduation, our artist gave a terrific performance of a violin concerto and pleaded "Maestro, you have to admit that was a great performance. You must say more than one word in praise!" So the Maestro blurted "Not Bad!"

So, my fellow Club members, the state of our Club is also "Not Bad!" This year, we had a dedicated, hard working Board of Directors. The Club developed a comprehensive "Conflict of Interest Statement." We don't want to be the next Enron! Our scholarship funds provided financial assistance to 55 students from our area and four summer fellowships. Over the past 12 months, our newsletters have listed over 74 Club events, about six to seven each month, that our Club sponsored or co-sponsored. Our signature events such as the Hollywood Bowl events, the annual H-Y football telecast, the Harvard-Yale Holiday party, the Lunar Calendar New Year dinner, and the Annual General Meeting and Awards dinner have been sold out events. We have a book club called (you guessed it) the Veritas Book Club and we have read "The Swerve" by Harvard Professor Stephen Greenblatt. Our Alumni Talks range from such titles as "Fifty Jewish Messiahs," "Backside Lunar Observatory," and "The Too Big to Fall Debate." We even went on a hike (no, it was not the Appalachian trail) of the Bommer Canyon trail of the Irvine Conservancy. It was planned by a former Summer fellow. Our Club even has a Tennis team, which plays local clubs.

But we are also dedicated to promoting student applications to Harvard and to service to our communities. Every year our Schools Committee representatives interview over two thousand applicants to Harvard College. For the past few years our annual "Harvard Serves" initiatives in April have been a national leader in these efforts. I hope that I have presented sufficient evidence that our Club's performance has been "Not Bad." On behalf of the Club, I want to thank everyone who has served the Club this year in whatever capacity, large or small. With your support we will strive and hope to achieve next year that exalted "G" word and grade... "Good". - **Albert Chang MD MPH, AB '63, President, Harvard Club of Southern California.**

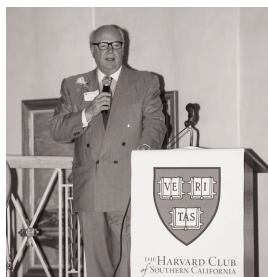


Record Attendance at Annual Dinner - June 9, 2013

Approximately 150 guests attended the annual dinner to honor Lucy Fisher, Producer, Red Wagon Entertainment, recipient of the John Harvard Award for Distinguished Service to the Community; Thomas Hudnut, President and Chief Executive Officer of Harvard-Westlake School recipient of the Excellence in Education Award and Cynthia Torres, recipient of the Fred Smith Award for Outstanding Service to the Harvard Club of Southern California "a la Gatsby style." Thanks for helping us make this a magical night!



(Right to left): John Harvard Award honoree Lucy Fisher AB '71 with event organizer Ethel Laczko EdM '84.



Thomas C. Hudnut, CEO of Harvard-Westlake School, recipient of the Club's Excellence in Education Award.



Cynthia Torres AB '80, MBA '84, recipient of the Club's Fred Smith Award for Outstanding Service to the Harvard Club of SoCal.



Global Networking Night - June 25, 2013

On June 25, 2013, approximately 250 alumni from across the University congregated at the Viceroy Hotel in Santa Monica. New friendships were formed and old friends reconnected poolside at the hotel. With the weather in our favor, attendees mingled and shared their diverse professional experiences with one another. This year's GNN was yet another example of the strength of the Harvard community in Southern California. The next Global Networking Night will be on January 13, 2014!



Volunteer in a School



Here's an opportunity to do your part for education and learn first-hand about Los Angeles public schools. 32nd St./USC Magnet School--a K-12 arts and math-sci magnet-- welcomes volunteers for the coming school year. Please contact Priscilla Heim at priheim@verizon.net or t 310-478-4478 for further information.

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Faculty Lecture Series - Prof. Paul E. Peterson - June 21, 2013

This year's Faculty Lecture Series was led by Professor Paul Peterson. As the Henry Lee Shattuck Professor of Government and Director of the Program in Education Policy and Governance, Professor Peterson delivered an engaging lecture on the perilous state of education.

In his presentation, Prof. Peterson discussed the long-term benefits of better schools and argued that digital learning can provide the customized learning needs to make necessary gains. Curriculum, he argued, will be three dimensional providing interaction via games, social networking and projects, and delivered either open and online to provide greater access and customization to learners.

Professor Peterson also stated that this type of education will be most available in institutions of higher education and not so much at the secondary school level. Therefore, he concluded that education policy needs to provide parents and students at the secondary level with the same choice as is provided in higher education. He affirmed that digital learning will disrupt the high school model as it exists today.

After the lecture, the group gathered for dinner at USC University Club. The conversation and discussion was extended with a participant sharing his learning experience growing up in Shanghai, China. Comparisons between both educational systems were made. The event concluded with several questions asked of Prof. Peterson about the next steps for education policy.



“Harvard Serves” Wrap Party — July 17, 2013

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 17, 2013, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Location: Barsha Wines and Spirits, 917 N. Sepulveda Blvd.,
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
Cost: \$5/person includes hors d'oeuvres & cash bar
Contact: Liz Ryan, lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com or 310-822-6042
Register: Please RSVP at <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

This year, for “Harvard Serves,” our Global Month of Service in April, over 100 SoCal alumni from Pasadena to San Pedro once again chipped in their time, skills and energy to give back to their communities alongside fellow participants. The Club's Public Service Task Force invites you to join us for our upcoming "Harvard Serves: Wrap Party" -- Come meet our volunteers, representatives of the non-profits, and the tireless Alumni Volunteer Coordinators who facilitated this year's 18 volunteer opportunities throughout local organizations during the month of April.

Come help celebrate our ongoing success! Friends, family and future volunteers are all invited! Alumni interested in volunteering in future public service activities can register on the Club's website at www.harvard-la.org, under the tab “Service.”

Many thanks to our SoCal HAA Director Liz Ryan AB '81, chair of the Club's Public Service Task Force, Task Force members, and all the volunteers who participated in the Harvard Serves Program this year. We hope to see you at the Wrap Party!





Recent Grads Mixer at the Village Idiot

Make new friends or reconnect with old ones. It'll be a great chance to meet up and hang out with everyone from the Classes of 2006-2013 who has recently made the move from Harvard Square to Hollywood. Graduates from all schools welcome!

Please join us in welcoming our newest class of young alumni, the Class of 2013, to Los Angeles! It will also be a fun way for recent graduates who are moving to LA to connect with Harvard alumni in the area (see HAA Website for details on events in cities around the world).

Sponsored by the Recent Alumni Committee of the HAA in conjunction with HCSC

Date: Thursday, July 25, 2013
Time: 7:30 - 11:00 P.M.
Location: The Village Idiot, Los Angeles, CA
Cost: No charge (no host bar and appetizers)
Contact: Mac Bartels, mac.bartels@gmail.com



Dinner and Docent-led Tour of A. Quincy Jones (Architect) Exhibit

The first major museum retrospective of the Los Angeles-based architect's work and pays special attention to the unique collaborative nature of his practice. We will have a group dinner at The Glendon Restaurant after touring the exhibit. Deadline to register, Tuesday, August 13. Space is limited.

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2013
Time: 6:30 P.M. (Tour of exhibit)
7:30 P.M. (Dinner)
Place: The Hammer Museum (Los Angeles)
Cost: \$40, members and guests;
\$45 non-members and guests
Contact: Ali Jeevanjee, ali@locllc.org



Harvard (Virtual) Tennis Club

As a "warm up" for the US Open, the Harvard (Virtual) Tennis Club invites all Harvard Tennis Players to our annual tournament at the historic LA Tennis Club in Hancock Park. For additional information, please contact Team Captain Bill Glass at wggjr@aol.com

Deadline to register is Thursday, August 8, 2013. Space is limited.

Date: Saturday, August 10, 2013
Time: 3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Place: LA Tennis Club (Hancock Park)
Cost: \$30 members; \$35 non-members
Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net or call 310-994-9974

Getting to Know Our Neighborhood: Chinatown Tour and Lunch



Join us for a tour of LA's Chinatown. Includes visit to the Chinese Historical Society, the Chow Benevolent Association, the Central Plaza, the Bruce Lee statue, Castelar School, the Taoist Temple, and the Chinese American Museum. Limited registration, first come first served. Deadline to register is August 15, 2013. Parking included. Directions will be sent after registration.

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2013
Time: 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Location: Chinese Historical Society of SoCal
Cost: \$20, members; \$25, non-members (includes Dim Sum lunch)
Contact: Roger Wong, rog3714@yahoo.com or 617-448-8233

***Gourmet Dinner and Concert at
Levitt Pavilion
in Historic
MacArthur
Park***



Due to the popularity of last year's event, once again this year the Levitt Foundation extends an exclusive invitation to members of the Harvard Club of Southern California to a gourmet dinner at La Fonda Restaurant and concert at the Levitt Pavilion in historic MacArthur Park. You are invited!

Date: Sunday, August 25, 2013
Time: 4:30 P.M. (Reception)
 5:00 P.M. (Dinner)
 7:00 P.M. (Performance)
Place: La Fonda Restaurant, Los Angeles, CA
Cost: \$45 Members, \$50 Non-Members,
 \$40 Recent Grads (Since 2008)
Contact: Eva Plaza, plaza@theplazalawgroup.com
 Liz Ryan, Lryan.ryanworks@gmail.com

**2013 Pageant of the Masters:
Where Art Comes to Life
August 31, 2013**



Date: Saturday, August 31, 2013
Time: 7:30 P.M.
Place: Festival of Arts, Laguna Beach, CA
Cost: \$90 (Main Tier Center);
 \$50 (Director's Tier Center)
Contact: Ryan Probasco, rprobasco7@gmail.com

Please join us for our annual trip to see the beautiful and memorable Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach. We have fantastic seats in the center section this year - sign up early, as these seats will sell out quickly.

Q&A from 02138... Catie Williams, '13



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

Catie Williams, '13, was born in Los Angeles, California. She graduated in 2008 from Harvard- Westlake School in North Hollywood where she sang in three different choirs, including as a section leader in school and a member of the Los Angeles Children's Chorus. She also received honorable mention for photography in the Spotlight Awards. Williams was a Social Studies concentrator and Quincy House resident. At Harvard, she sang with the Radcliffe Pitches for three years, and the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum for four years. In the Collegium, she was the financial manager, manager and President. A recent graduate, Williams was selected as one of the five senior gift co-chairs for the Class of 2013. Her father, Ken Williams '78 (Winthrop House), served as president of the Harvard Club of Southern California during 2008-2010.

HCSC: *What was your senior thesis topic?*

CW: I wrote a thesis this year about Upton Sinclair's campaign for Governor of California in 1934. My thesis focused on the rhetorical choices made by Upton Sinclair in his campaign for Governor of California in 1934, when he ran on the Democratic Party ticket (as opposed to the Socialist Party, of which he had been a life long member). I argued that Sinclair had made highly strategic choices about how to portray his generally radical platform (End Poverty In California, a proposal to create self-sustaining colonies on the production-for-use model) as more moderate/Democratic, using nationalist and populist rhetoric.

HCSC: *What was your most recent prior summer internships or employment?*

CW: Last summer I was a Summer Fellow at New Sector Alliance in Boston, working on communications strategy for a Boston Literacy non-profit.

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

CW: I was surprised at first with how many opportunities at Harvard were just waiting to be seized. No one at Harvard spoon feeds you directions about what to do or where to go, but if you take initiative and look for things, there is pretty much no limit to what you can accomplish.

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

CW: The first time I visited Harvard was at my dad's 25th reunion, when I was 13-- I thought the yard was enormous and was afraid of getting lost. I remember watching my dad sing with his reunion groups and thinking that Sanders was a pretty amazing building.

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

CW: Professor Marglin's course on Development and Modernization has continued to impact the way I think about social issues in the world. I also loved my course with Dr. Terry Aladjem on American Law and Society, so much so that I asked him to advise my thesis the following year. Both of these courses were incredibly well taught and run, and both forced me to question deep underlying assumptions I held about the ways that communities were constructed and about the hidden consequences of seemingly harmless ideas. One example we studied was the implementation of mandatory smallpox vaccines in India. We looked at how the program, while appearing in the Western mindset to be perfectly logical and beneficial, was not at all aware of the cultural context of India and therefore ultimately created more barriers to treatment and communication.

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

CW: I would create more social spaces in the areas around the houses or the yard in order to foster a stronger social environment and undergraduate community, even beyond the houses. I would also allocate more money to mental health resources.

HCSC: *What do you miss most about Southern California?*

CW: The weather, of course!

HCSC: *How would you describe the opportunities available to students who are interested in singing at Harvard?*

CW: There are so many amazing places to sing at Harvard-- pretty much any kind of music, any size group, and any level of time commitment, from a casual barbershop quartet to a choir that performs enormous choral-orchestral masterworks on a regular basis. The Director of Choral Activities, Dr. Andrew Clark, is pretty new to Harvard and has been doing some really exciting things with the Collegium, Choral Society, and Glee Club. And, if there's ever something you'd like to do, but doesn't exist yet, it's pretty easy to find people to help you make it happen. For example, I worked with three of my friends this spring to have a course where we learned how to sing an early renaissance isorhythmic motet by Dufay. I had a lot of fun traveling with the Pitches. In the summer of 2010, we went to Japan and Hong Kong on an international tour. One of my favorite memories from that trip was going to the top of the peak in Hong Kong that overlooks the whole city. The international travel opportunities I had through the Collegium and through the Pitches were some of the most incredible parts of my Harvard experience.

HCSC: *Which is your favorite all-male singing group at Harvard?*

CW: I have to say, it's hard for any of the men's groups to hold a candle to how amazing The Radcliffe Pitches are. Relative to them, the men's group are all pretty good, I guess.

HCSC: *Have you ever sung in a performance with your father?*

CW: My dad and I have sung together at our church in Los Angeles fairly often, but I don't think we've ever sung together for a performance at Harvard. I wish we could have!

HCSC: *What are your plans after graduation?*

CW: I have recently moved to New York City where I am working for a marketing consulting company.

HCSC: *What are your career goals?*

CW: I am planning to take the skills I will develop at my new job and apply them to social interest or political causes in the future. I'd like to run communications and branding for national political campaigns.

HCSC: *How do you think Southern California will figure into your future after Harvard?*

CW: Southern California will always be home for me, though I don't know if I'll return there for quite some time.



Harvard Football Comes to San Diego - September 20-21, 2013

For the first time in almost 70 years, Harvard Football will travel to California to play the University of San Diego on Saturday, September 21, 2013 in a noon kickoff. Register to attend these events through the Harvard Varsity Club: <https://www.harvardvarsityclub.org/> or call 617-495-3535.

Friday, September 20, 2013 — Welcome Reception | Courtyard Marriott Old Town | 6-10pm

The Harvard Department of Athletics invites all Harvard alumni, friends, and football fans to attend a welcome reception on Friday night. Complimentary appetizers provided. Drinks will be available for purchase. Please join us in the Santa Barbara Ballroom and Patio to hear an update from Nichols Family Director of Athletics, Bob Scalise, and learn more about the weekend's co-hosts.

Saturday, September 21, 2013 — Pre-game Tailgate | USD Campus | 10am-12 noon

Reconnect with alumni and friends before the Crimson take on the USD Toreros. Kickoff is at 12 noon so join the tailgate starting from 10am near the field. Event co-sponsored by the Department of Athletics, the Friends of Harvard Football, the Harvard Alumni Association, and the Harvard Varsity Club. Registration price \$20.

Purchase Game Tickets through the Harvard Varsity Club Site at <https://www.harvardvarsityclub.org/>
Advance sale game tickets are \$5 and can either be collected at Will Call on game day or mailed in advance (please indicate preference when purchasing). Additional tickets will be available on game day at the USD ticket office for \$10. All tickets are general admission seating.

Hotel Information

We have reserved 30 rooms at the Courtyard Marriott Old Town for the nights of September 19, 20, and 21. A group rate of \$119/night will be available until August 20. To reserve a room, please call 1-800-321-2211 and ask for the Harvard Alumni group rate.

Transportation Information

USD has a shuttle that picks up three blocks from the Marriott and provides round-trip service to campus. Daily event parking is available at the Marriott for \$7. Parking will be available in the USD garage.

Contact

For more details, please contact George Newhouse AB '76, gnewhouse@brownwhitelaw.com

Dates: Friday-Saturday, September 20-21, 2013

Locations: Courtyard Marriott Old Town (reception)
USD Campus (tailgate and game)

Cost : \$20 tailgate; \$5 game tickets; No charge for reception

Contact: George Newhouse AB '76, gnewhouse@brownwhitelaw.com or 213-613-0500

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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. Unless specifically noted, RSVPs are not confirmed.

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