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Upcoming Events

Friday, February 6-8, 2009

13th Annual Ivy League Ski Weekend

Location: Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort
Time: 12:30 P.M.
Contact : Leslie Tanaka, Leslie.Tanaka@gmail.com

Sunday, February 15, 2009

"Pippin" at the Mark Taper Forum

Location: Mark Taper Forum
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Cost: Center Section, \$58.50;
Left or Right of Center, \$49.50
Contact : HCSC Club Office, terry@ibpa-online.org

Sunday, February 22, 2009

Alumni Dinner Talk: Daniel Walker Howe

Location: Private residence in Sherman Oaks
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Cost: \$30.00, Members; \$35.00 Non-members
Register: Albert Chang, 310-994-9974

Saturday, February 28, 2009

Lunar Calendar New Year Celebration

Location: Wu La La Vietnamese Restaurant
Chinatown, Los Angeles
Time: 7:00 P.M - 10:00 P.M.
Cost: \$50.00, Members/guests;
\$55.00 Non-members/guests
Deadline: February 26, 2009
Contact : Curtis Jang, curtisjang@sbcglobal.net

Saturday, March 7, 2009

Harvard Club Visits UCLA

Location: UCLA Faculty Center
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Cost: \$40.00, Members; \$45.00 Non-members
Contact : Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

Sunday, March 22, 2009

Harvard Men's Tennis vs. Loyola Marymount

Location: Loyola Marymount
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Contact : Steven Arkow, stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net

Saturday, March 28, 2009 - Save the Date!

Alumni Talk: Marshall I. Goldman

Location: TBA
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Contact : Nina Diamond, ninaddiamond@gmail.com



New Club Membership Offer **Harvard Club Offers Joint Membership with Harvardwood**

For the first time, the Harvard Club of Southern California is offering a joint membership with Harvardwood.

"We are pleased to continue our ongoing relationship with the HCSC, and we look forward to collaborating on future events as well as growing the membership of both organizations," says Harvardwood founder and president Mia Riverton '99.

"This new opportunity to provide a discounted joint membership with both the HCSC and Harvardwood represents a great value to the Southern California Harvard community and is a natural outgrowth of our ongoing cooperative programming initiatives with Harvardwood," says Ken Williams, President of the HCSC.

Harvardwood is a non-profit Harvard alumni organization that focuses on the arts, media and the entertainment industry. Harvardwood coordinates programs and events for its members around the world, and has a large and active Southern California chapter. It also has an active online community including a website (www.harvardwood.org), alumni directory, and various email lists. A joint membership with Harvardwood will entitle you to publication in their directory and access to the Club's polished website.

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President's Message

by Ken Williams

The New Year is off to a great start for the Harvard Club of Southern California. We've already been treated to fantastic Museum Tours in Laguna, free Orchestra Concerts in Santa Monica, a sold out "Magic Flute" at the Music Center and a very special visit by Professor Peter Gomes. And that's just January.

Coming up in February is our annual ski weekend, a sold out performance of "Pippin" at the Mark Taper Forum, an Alumni dinner talk with Pulitzer Prize winning author, Daniel Walker Howe and our annual Lunar Calendar New Year's Celebration in conjunction with the Wellesley Alumnae Association. I hope to see you at one of our upcoming events.

Please note the new opportunity for Harvard Club members to take advantage of a joint membership with Harvardwood at a reduced membership fee. Also, I would like to bring your attention to support the three highly qualified candidates from Southern California who are running for Overseer and HAA Elected Director posts, as detailed in the Club Newsletter.

Annually, The Club Board of Directors holds a Spring Board Meeting in Orange County. This year we have selected Saturday morning, April 18 for our meeting, which we are planning to hold at Sports Club LA/Irvine. Stay tuned for more details. We welcome our Orange County Club member to join us for this meeting.

Club Newsletter Copywriter and Editor Sought

The Harvard Club of Southern California is seeking a skilled copywriter and editor to help us produce our club newsletter each month. Position requirements:

- Experience writing and editing copy, conducting interviews.
- Work as a member of a team.
- Ability to meet deadlines.

This volunteer position, which will require approximately five hours each month, will place the alumnus/na on a fast-track for board membership. Persons with an interest should e-mail CV/resume, along with a writing sample, to HRClubSoCa@aol.com.

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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: HRClubSoCa@aol.com

Harvard Club Offers Joint Membership with Harvardwood, continued from page 1

Club members who are not currently Harvardwood members may also become members of Harvardwood for an additional \$20. Membership dues in Harvardwood are \$40. Taking advantage of this new offer enables our members to save \$20 in annual Harvardwood dues. This offer may be accessed through the membership form on page 7, or at the Club's membership page on our website at www.harvard-la.org.

Current Harvardwood members may take advantage of the same offer through Harvardwood, and receive membership in both groups through June 2010 for an additional \$20 membership fee.

The Harvard Club of Southern California also offers joint membership in the Harvard Business School Association for an additional \$20 in membership dues.



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HARVARDWOOD

Harvard Club Visits UCLA



Date: Saturday, March 7, 2009

Time: 9:30 A.M.

Location: UCLA Faculty Center

Cost : \$40.00/members/guests;\$45.00/non-members/guests (includes luncheon)

Contact: Albert Chang at 310-994-9974 or write AlbertChang@charter.net

Would you like to attend college again? If yes, join us for the "Harvard Club Visits UCLA". We will be hosted by 3 Harvard PhD alumni on the UCLA faculty: Prof. David Schaberg, Prof. Yunxiang Yan, and Prof. Lothar von Falkenhausen. They will discuss their latest research in areas of interest of the UCLA Center for Chinese Studies. Date: Saturday, March 7, 2009, Registration 9:30 AM, Seminars 10-1PM. Luncheon at 1 PM. Visits to the UCLA campus 2 PM.



Three Southern California Candidates Stand for Overseer, HAA Elected Director Posts



Three Southern California candidates have been nominated for Harvard Overseer and Harvard Alumni Association (HAA) positions during the HAA spring elections.



Morgan Chu JD '77, candidate for Overseer, is a partner at law firm Irell & Manella LLP. He was co-managing partner of that firm from 1997-2003 and has served as a member of the firm's executive committee since 1985. In 2006 Chambers Global named him the top intellectual property lawyer in the United States. The National Law Journal has named him one of the "Top 10 Trial Lawyers" in the United States, describing him as a "litigation innovator." Since 1993 Dr. Chu has served as a member of the Board of Directors of Public Counsel, the pro-bono law firm. Chu received his A.B., M.A., and Ph.D. from UCLA. He received a master's of studies in law from Yale University.



John Trasvina AB '80, candidate for HAA Elected Director, is the President and General Counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF). Mr. Trasvina was previously appointed to serve as Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices at the U.S. Department of Justice by the Clinton administration. He also served as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs at the U.S. Department of Justice. He has taught immigration law at Stanford Law School, where he also earned his J.D. degree. He was recently elected chair of the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda. He is a native of San Francisco, has served as President of the Harvard Club of San Francisco, and has also served on the board of the Harvard-Radcliffe Club of Southern California.



Elizabeth Ryan AB '81, candidate for HAA Elected Director, is a producer, director, and assistant director in the entertainment industry. She was one of the producers of the TV shows *The Office* and *NYPD Blue*. She was a founding partner of the firm *Premiere Boards and Budgets, Inc.* and is the owner of *Ryanworks, Inc.*, an entertainment production company. She has served as co-chair of the women's committee of the Directors Guild of America and was a 2008 recipient of the DGA's Frank Capra Award.

Ballots should arrive in the mail by April 15. Results of the election will be announced at the HAA's annual meeting on June 4, 2009, on the afternoon of Commencement. All holders of Harvard degrees, except Corporation members and officers of instruction and government, are entitled to vote for Overseer candidates. The election for HAA directors is open to all holders of Harvard degrees.

Harvard alumni/ae interested in nominating candidates for next year's elections are asked to e-mail staff liaison Andy Hoffrichter at andy_hoffrichter@harvard.edu. New names are always sought so that the candidate pool continues to remain top-notch.



***Elena Kagan, Dean of Harvard Law School
Named Next U.S. Solicitor General***

Elena Kagan, Dean of Harvard Law School since 2003, has been nominated by President Barack Obama to become Solicitor General of the United States. The Solicitor General's main role is to act as the attorney for the United States government's executive branch in cases that are brought to the Supreme Court.

“I have accepted this nomination because it offers me the opportunity ... to help advance this nation's commitment to the rule of law at what I think is a critical time in our history,” said Dean Kagan.

Harvard President Drew Faust said in a statement to the law school community, “I want to recognize Elena's accomplishments since her appointment as dean. Thanks to the efforts she has guided, the faculty is even stronger, the student experience is richer, the curriculum is fresher, and the school continues to enhance its worldwide leadership in legal education and scholarship.”

Howell Jackman, the James S. Reid Jr. Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, has agreed to serve as the acting dean of Harvard Law School subject to the U.S. Senate's confirmation of Dean Elena Kagan's nomination as Solicitor General.

“Howell Jackman is a first-rate scholar and teacher who has been a core member of the Law School's leadership team in recent years,” said Faust. Jackman has served as a member of the Harvard Law School faculty since 1989. He became the vice dean for the Harvard Law School budget under Dean Kagan in 2003. Jackman's research interests include financial regulation, international finance, consumer protection, and federal budget policy.

**"Pippin" at the Mark Taper Forum:
And Special Post Performance Behind the Scenes Tour**



Date: Sunday, February 15, 2009
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Location: Mark Taper Forum at the Music Center
Cost : \$58.50/center section; \$49.50/left or right of center
Contact: HCSC Club Office, terry@ibpa-online.org

Please join us for a very special evening at the newly renovated Mark Taper Forum with a revival of the Tony Award winning musical, “Pippin”, the lively coming of age story of King Charlemagne’s oldest son. Featuring music from the award-winning composer of “Wicked” and “Godspell” this dazzlingly colorful and imaginative fairy tale first captivated audiences on Broadway and continues to appeal to the young-at-heart everywhere.

Afterwards, join us for a behind-the-scenes docent-led tour of the newly renovated Mark Taper Forum, which just reopened after a \$30 million top-to-bottom renovation. The enhanced venue includes new public areas, completely new state-of-the-art building and theatrical systems, and expanded back stage amenities. This unique, architecturally acclaimed circular structure was designed in 1967 by Welton Becket, a firm known for iconic Los Angeles buildings such as the Capital Records building and the Theme building at LAX.

Attendees will receive a commemorative booklet which was produced for the rededication of the theater. Optional pre-theater dinner at the Music Center Plaza is on your own at the Pinot Grill, an outdoor grill in front of the Mark Taper Forum.

Harvard Men's Tennis vs. Loyola Marymount



The Crimson, ranked in the top 50 and tops in the Ivy League, will head to Southern California for a match at Loyola Marymount on March 22nd. The team had a perfect 7-0 Ivy League record last season. There will be an optional pre-match brunch at a location to be arranged.

Please RSVP to Steven Arkow,
stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net no later than March 6th.

Date: Sunday, Mar 22, 2009
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Location: Loyola Marymount
 1 LMU Drive
 Los Angeles, 90045
Contact: Steven Arkow
 stevenarkow@sbcglobal.net



Alumni Dinner Talk with Pulitzer Prize Winning Author Daniel Walker Howe

Date: Sunday, Feb 22, 2009
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Location: Private residence in Sherman Oaks
(address will be forwarded to registrants)
Cost: \$30.00, Members; \$35.00, Non-members
Contact: Please register by calling Albert Chang MD, at 310-994-9974.

Join us for an Alumni Dinner Talk by Prize-winning historian, Daniel Walker Howe '60. UCLA Professor Emeritus Howe was the recipient of the 2008 Pulitzer Prize in History for his book "What Hath God Wrought: How did a revolution in communications and transportation transform the United States from a Third World to a First World country? How did the impact of the electric telegraph in the 19th century compare with the effects of the Internet in our own time? What were the social consequences of evangelical religion in that period? Of American imperialism? The Transformation of America, 1815-1848" the latest in the series The Oxford History of the United States, Oxford University Press, 2008.

Space is limited, first come, first served.



Save the Date! Alumni Talk: Marshall I. Goldman



Date: Saturday, Mar 28, 2009
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Location: TBA
Contact: Nina Diamond,
 ninaddiamond@gmail.com

Please save the date of Saturday March 28, 2009 for a Los Angeles talk by Marshall I. Goldman, professor emeritus in the Wellesley College Department of Economics, and Associate Director of the Davis Center for Russian Studies at Harvard University. Professor Goldman is an expert on the Russian economy and the economics of high technology. His talk will follow a wine and cheese reception, beginning at 5:00 pm. Guests welcome. Details of venue to follow.



Lunar Calendar New Year Celebration

The HCSC and the Wellesley Alumnae Association invite you to our annual Lunar Calendar New Year Celebration! Join us for a festive occasion and savor authentic Vietnamese delicacies. Speaker and entertainment to be announced.

Date: Saturday, Feb 28, 2009
Time: 7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.
Location: Wu La La Vietnamese Restaurant
 640 N. Broadway
 (in alley between Broadway and Spring Street) Chinatown, Los Angeles
Cost: \$50.00, Members and their guests;
 \$55.00, Non-members and their guests
Contact: Curtis Jang, curtisjang@sbcglobal.net

Please register on-line at www.harvard-la.org. For additional information, write curtisjang@sbcglobal.net.

Deadline for registration is February 26, 2009.

The Harvard Club of Southern California
2008-2009 Membership Form
New Lifetime Membership Available!

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

Please fill out and return to: **The Harvard Club of Southern California**
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627 Aviation Way
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| <u>Membership</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular | \$ 55 |
| (check one) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor | \$ 100 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Three-Year (through 6/2011) | \$ 125 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Membership | \$1,000 |
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| | Special <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) | \$ 40 |
| <u>Additional</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Membership with Harvardwood | \$ 20 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Membership with Harvard Business School Assn (HBSASC) | \$ 20 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Prize Book Sponsorship(s) | \$ 35 each |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Donation | \$ _____ |
| | TOTAL CHECK ENCLOSED FOR | \$ _____ |

Involvement Interest:

- Membership Interviewing Applicants
 Latino Asian-American African-American
 Programs Recent Grad

Program Preferences:

- Lectures Networking Wine Tastings
 Art/Music Book Club Family
 Behind the Scene Mixers Dances
 Outdoors Community Service



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**HARVARD CLUB VISITS
 UCLA
 ~ MARCH 7, 2009 ~**

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
Feb. 6-8, Fri-Sun.	13th Annual Ivy League Ski Weekend	Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort Mammoth Lakes, CA	\$285.00 per person	Leslie Tanaka, 12:30 P.M. Leslie.tanaka@gmail.com
Feb. 15, Sunday 6:30 P.M.	"Pippin" and Tour at the Mark Taper Forum	Mark Taper Forum Los Angeles, CA	\$58.50, center \$49.50, left or right	HCSC Office, terry@ibpa-online.org
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