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Upcoming Events

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Cost: \$25 per person

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Free entrance and parking Cost:

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\$75 (Main Tier Center) Cost:

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Location: TBD

Cost: No charge, RSVP requested

Sunday, August 21, 2016 @ 1:00 P.M. 6th Annual Tennis Interclub Event

Location: Pacific Palisades Tennis Center Cost: \$15 members; \$25 non-members

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Outgoing Club President's Message

by Dr. Kay Park

It has been my privilege to serve as President of the Harvard Club of Southern California for the past two years. It hardly seems possible that 11 years have passed since I came to my first Harvard Club event, the Annual Dinner, and decided to keep coming back. Over the years as I joined the Board and became a part of a large group of dedicated volunteers, I've enjoyed connecting with other alumni who are interested in expanding their personal and professional networks while having fun – whether attending operas and concerts, cheering on visiting Harvard sports teams, meeting visiting Harvard Professors or mingling with a couple of hundred alumni at Global Networking Nights.

I am proud to say that our Club has one of the most robust calendars of events of all Harvard Clubs, thanks in large part to our hard-working VPs of Programs, Madeleine Mejia, Lisa Watanabe-Peagler and Sonia Molina, but also to all the alumni who volunteer to organize an ever-growing variety of programs.

Our Schools and Scholarships Committee, headed by Dan Medina, Eva Plaza and Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi, succeeded in interviewing over 3,000 high school applicants to the College, another record year.

Our reinvigorated Early College Awareness program, headed by Gus Frias and John Wang, launched its first event at Eastmont Intermediate

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School in Montebello, and the Harvard Prize Book program, chaired by Sonia Molina, will continue to recognize promising high school students.

This past winter break, we started offering Harvard undergraduates the opportunity to network with local alumni in the financial and entrepreneurial sectors, through the efforts of James Low, Patric Verrone and John Wang. And we continue to offer Summer Fellowships, under the leadership of George Newhouse, to those undergraduates committed to performing public service in Southern California.

This upcoming year, the Club will start a Mentoring Program, spearheaded by Tomi Adeyemi, one of our recent graduates, to connect our younger alumni with our more experienced ones. I hope that you all will consider volunteering to help make the program a success. While I have only highlighted the newer programs that our Club has initiated this past year, the entire Board has continued their dedicated work to the Club through various committees: Finance, Communication, Radcliffe, Orange County, Education and Membership.

Maintaining and increasing our Club membership is vital, as membership dues provide a substantial portion of the funds required to organize a wealth of interesting and important programs, and to publish this newsletter. I hope that you will invite other alumni and friends to join the Club, and I thank you for your continued support. See you at the next Harvard Club event!



Harvard's Advanced Leadership Initiative is Now Accepting Nominations

Please help Harvard's Advanced Leadership Initiative identify a distinguished group of leaders for the 2017 Advanced Leadership Fellowship. You may already be familiar with this pioneering, interdisciplinary initiative which has recently been featured in *Forbes*, *Financial Times*, and the *Harvard Gazette*.

Harvard's Advanced Leadership Fellowship provides the opportunity for a group of already accomplished leaders to return to the University in preparation for their next achievements, now focused on positively impacting society. AL Fellows move "from success to significance" by addressing some of the world's most pressing needs, such as education, public health, economic development, social justice, or the environment. Your nominations are valued and can be made online at http://advancedleadership.harvard.edu/nominate.

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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



Left to right: Kay Park, AB '87; Vince Madeleine Mejia, EdM '00

Harvard Global Networking Night in Los Angeles - June 15, 2016

The Harvard Club of Southern California joined forces with Harvardwood to host the semiannual Harvard's Global Networking Night at The Parlor on Melrose Avenue on June 15. Over 350 alumni and their Eckert, AB '09; D. Dona Lee, AB '05; guests from the college and graduate schools networked, met up with old friends, and made new ones. "I had a great time meeting people from a variety of backgrounds and reconnecting with friends and old classmates," said

Alain Koyama, SM '11, PhD '15. "I was glad to have seen many people in the healthcare section and look forward to the next global event." Club President Kay Park, AB '87 stated that the turnout created a sense of community for Harvard alumni. "The large gathering of alumni at this Global Networking event not only included the past HAA President, Cynthia Torres AB '80, MBA '84, and incoming HCSC President Steven Arkow AB '84, but also current undergraduate students back in Los Angeles for the summer," said Park. "I saw many new faces and I also saw many people connecting with one another." The goal and mission for the Harvard Club of Southern California is to help bring the Harvard community in Los Angeles together. Global Networking Nights, as well as our many other events, are designed specifically to connect alumni with one another. Join us at our upcoming events.



Discover Your City | Smorgasburg LA! - June 19, 2016

On Sunday, June 19th, 2016 a group of alumni met at the debut of Smorgasburg LA!, a weekly outdoor food market held at the Alameda Produce Market in downtown Los Angeles. Although it was a very hot day, the group

in attendance enjoyed delicious lobsters from Lobsterdamus (co-owned by Barbara Alterio AB '82), ramen burgers, specialty soda pop drinks from Pop'd Up, donuts from Donut Friend, and ice cream from Paloma's Paletas. Xindy Hu, SPH SM '14, ScD '18 said, "It was such a pleasant surprise to find out about the Discover Your City, Smorgasburg LA event hosted by the Harvard Club of Southern California. I just moved to LA and expected to know no one here, but touring Smorgasburg, tasting the food, and meeting alumni was a lot of fun! This was also a great way to know the city I will be setting into. All the alumni I met are all super nice and I really appreciate the opportunity to mingle with people across class years and across schools." More upcoming events and meet ups will be taking place at Smorgasburg, so please join us as we discover new dishes and delectable food.



Harvard Latino Mentor Program

The Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance and The Harvard Club of Southern California invite you to attend the Harvard Latino Mentor Forum. This Forum will introduce the New Harvard Latino Mentorship Initiative, which will help identify Harvard mentors for current Harvard students, recent Harvard graduates, or local needy youth. Presenters will include alumni from Harvard's Education, Business, Government, Medical, and Law Schools. All Harvard students and graduates are welcome.

Date/Time: Sunday, August 7, 2016 @ 12:30 P.M.

Location: Hispanic Scholarship Fund Headquarters (Gardena)

Cost: No charge, RSVP requested

Dr. John Rodarte, rodartejohn2@gmail.com Contact:

Hollywood Bowl Event:



Harry Potter & The Sorcerer's Stone (SOLD OUT)

Harvardwood joins forces with the Harvard

Club of Southern California to head to the Hollywood Bowl this summer for a screening of the first Harry Potter movie, while the score is performed live by the L.A. Phil!

Date: Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Time: 8:30 P.M.

Location: Hollywood Bowl (Los Angeles) **Cost:** \$25 per person, limited availability

Contact: Madeleine Mejia,

Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu

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

HARVARD ALUMNI IN HEALTHCARE



Harvard Healthcare SIG Cocktail Party

We are building an international community for Harvard Alumni with an interest in Healthcare. If you have a Harvard degree and an interest in healthcare, then join us!

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2016

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Location: Wilshire Restaurant (Santa Monica)

Cost: No charge, RSVP requested

Contact: Dr. Keith Gross '83:

KeithGross@harvardalumnihealthcare.com

Discover Your City: Get Fit -



Malibu Creek State Park

Join us for a hike through Malibu

Creek State Park, as we visit several scenic areas along Malibu Creek including a striking section of the Santa Monica mountains known as the Goat Buttes, the MASH filming site, and the Rock Pool.

Date: Saturday, July 9, 2016

Time: 8:00 A.M.

Location: Malibu Creek State Park (Agoura Hills)

Cost: Free entrance and parking

Contact: Alain Koyama,

alain.koyama@gmail.com

Difficulty: 6 miles round-trip. 800 feet of elevation

gain. Moderate hike.

Dogs: Not allowed on the trails. **Register:** http://www.Harvard-LA.org



STROLLFIT -

60-Minute
Fitness Class
for Harvard
Mothers

Please join other Harvard Mother Alums to stay fit by participating in STROLLFIT, a Baby Boot Camp class! STROLLFIT is a 60-minute class format for mothers and babies that caters to all fitness levels: pregnant moms, new moms recovering from pregnancy, and conditioned moms with one or more stroller-aged children.

Date: Saturday, July 16, 2016

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Location: Westside Pavilion (Santa Monica) **Cost:** No charge, RSVP requested

Contact: Lisa Watanabe-Peagler,

lmwpeagler@gmail.com



2016 Pageant of the Masters: *Partners* — July 29, 2016

Please join us for our annual trip to see the beautiful and memorable Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach. This year the show features provocative and passionate tales of some of art's dynamic duos – artists and patrons; models and muses; and even dance partners.

There are a limited number of tickets!

Date: Saturday, July 29, 2016

Time: 8:30 P.M.

Place: Festival of the Arts (Laguna Beach)

Cost: \$75 (Main Tier Center)

Contact: German Enciso, enciso@uci.edu







6th Annual Tennis Interclub Event

Calling all Harvard Club members, alumni, students, parents, and spouses who are non-professional tennis players: Come play with the Pacific Palisades Tennis Club at the beautiful Pacific Palisades Park. This is the 6th annual event. Tennis play will be followed by a courtside al fresco picnic dinner (courtesy El Pollo Loco).

Date: Sunday, August 21, 2016

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Location: Pacific Palisades Tennis Center

(Pacific Palisades)

Cost: \$15, members; \$25, non-members

Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net



Discover Your City - Field Archery in Pasadena

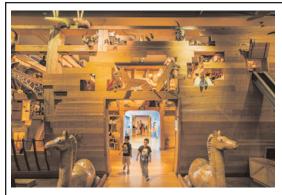
Come join the Harvard Club of Southern California for an archery class! Archery is a universal sport, found throughout history in virtually all cultures over the last 50,000 years. It is also a modern sport that is gaining popularity since it is increasingly embedded in popular media. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced shooter, this is an excellent opportunity to practice the numerous skills involved in this sport.

Date: Saturday, September 10, 2016

Time: 12:30 P.M.

Location: Pasadena Roving Archers (Pasadena) **Cost:** \$15, members; \$20, non-members

Contact: Alain Koyama, alain.koyama@gmail.com



HCSC Members Only! Bring Your Family to an Exclusive Visit to Noah's Ark at the Skirball

Bring the whole family for an exclusive Harvard Club experience of Noah's Ark, the Skirball Cultural Center's innovative and unique destination for children and families, which won an Excellence in Exhibition award from the American Alliance of Museums. There is

a maximum of 40 tickets available for Harvard Club members and their families.

Climb aboard a giant wooden ark amidst hundreds of whimsical, life-size animals made of found and re-purposed materials, and help bring to life the ancient tale of weathering life's storms and keeping the community afloat. Join the Skirball's Vice President and Director of Education Sheri Bernstein (MA '91), who served as the Noah's Ark Project Director, for an exploration of this fanciful space. Along with other Harvard parents and kids, you'll have the opportunity to work together before the exhibit opens to the public to create a storm with instruments and low-tech devices, help construct the ark, load animals up the ramp to safety, climb in the ark's rafters, and much, much more.

Date: Sunday, September 18, 2016

Time: 9:45 A.M.

Location: Skirball Cultural Center (Los Angeles)

Cost: \$12 for adults; \$7 for children 2-12 years; Free for children under 2 years.

Contact: Lisa Watanabe-Peagler, lisawatanabe@post.harvard.edu

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

Save the Date - October 13th!



Ivy OktoBeerFest

Join us and other Ivy alums for an Ivy Happy Hour and Networking event in October. More details to follow soon.

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2016

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Patio of the Arts District Brewing

Company (Los Angeles)

Cost: Cash bar

Contact: Madeleine Mejia,

Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu

RSVP: www.Harvarad-LA.org



Save the Date - Nov. 4-6, 2016! Harvard Women's Weekend

We are excited to announce the first-ever Harvard Women's Weekend. Save November 4–6, 2016 to explore the topics most relevant, interesting, and top of mind to women connected with Harvard and around the world.

Date: November 4-6, 2016

Location: Harvard University (Cambridge, MA) **Contact**: HAA AlumniEducation@harvard.edu



Q&A from 02138... Carolyn Pushaw '16

Carolyn Pushaw '16 concentrated in Human Evolutionary Biology and is a proud alumna of Leverett House. She was born in Columbia, Missouri but grew up in Los Angeles, where she graduated from Malibu High School. In high school, she was a four-year varsity athlete in basketball and track and field. She captained the basketball team and was the editor-in-chief of the school newspaper. At Harvard, Carolyn participated in the Harvard College in Asia Program and Harvard College Israel Trek, worked as an EMT-B with CrimsonEMS, and was a member of the sorority Kappa Alpha Theta. However, her main extracurricular focus was Navy ROTC, where she served in a variety of leadership roles during her four years in the program, most notably as Marine Platoon Commander and Battalion Commander for the Boston University-MIT NROTC Consortium. Last sum-

mer, she completed Marine Corps Officer Candidates School in Quantico, Virginia. Carolyn commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps on May 25th, 2016. She will attend The Basic School this fall and flight school next spring.

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

CP: I was pleasantly surprised to find that despite their incredible achievements (founding start-ups, winning international competitions, etc.) most Harvard students are extremely down-to-earth and personable. The diversity of experiences that Harvard students have creates a learning environment like no other; I definitely learned more from my fellow students than from my academic classes.

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

CP: I first visited Harvard the summer before my senior year of high school, when I was starting the college application process. I was struck by the history and beauty of the campus, the activity of Harvard Square, and the evident passion of my admissions tour guide. She was loud, fun, and energetic, defying my expectations of the typical nerdy Harvard student, and her love for Harvard made me consider for the first time that this might be a place I could call home for four years.

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

CP: My favorite class (Stress) was also taught by my favorite professor, Dr. Judith Flynn. I had Judith as a professor freshman year for Hormones and Behavior, a lecture course that convinced me to concentrate in Human Evolutionary Biology, and again junior year for Stress. Stress was an HEB research seminar that focused on the physiological and psychological correlates of stress, primarily in humans. What I loved about the course was how interactive Judith made it, and how she helped us draw connections with our daily lives. She also focused on improving our public speaking, a vital skill that induces unnecessary stress in many people. Not only did we learn about stress from a biological perspective, but we also learned how to manage it and harness it in a positive way. I have been able to draw on the lessons I learned in this class to help myself and others in stressful situations.

HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

CP: I can't think of just one event, much less one that is appropriate for a newsletter, but a definite highlight was commandeering a kayak with my friends during the record-breaking Juno blizzard last spring and sledding down the steps of the football stadium in it.

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

CP: Ban the Quad.

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

CP: I missed being near my family, and being so close to nature. Boston is a wonderful city with so much to do and a vibrant local culture, but in Southern California you are never far from hiking, beaches, and other outdoor activities. It's a bit more difficult to get out of the city in New England, and while there is a lot of green space in Boston it isn't the same as the rugged land-scape out here.

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

CP: I would love to be stationed at Camp Pendleton or Miramar sometime during my Marine Corps career, but I have a few years of training in Virginia and Florida to get through first. At least having family here means I have a great excuse to visit every year!



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

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