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MAY 2009

Upcoming Events

Friday, May 1, 2009

May Day Entrepreneurial Martini Extravaganza

Location: 7576 Willow Glen Road
Time: 7:00 - 11:00 P.M.
Cost: Free or \$10 contribution
Contact: Michael at zeleny@post.harvard.edu

Saturday, May 9, 2009

Harvard Global Day of Service: Literacy Festival

Location: Santa Monica College
Time: 8:30 A.M - 5:30 P.M.
Cost: No charge - Volunteers needed
Contact: Lindsey Gary, 617-803-6111

Saturday, May 9, 2009

Educators' Roundtable: Partnerships

Location: The Home of Priscilla and Michael Heim
Time: 11:30 A.M - 2:00 P.M.
Cost: \$15.00 per person
Contact: Priscilla Heim, priheim@verizon.net

Monday, May 11, 2009

London School of Economics Discussion Group

Location: Loyola Law School
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

Saturday, May 16, 2009

Second Radcliffe College Alumnae Luncheon

Location: The Villa Gardens (Pasadena)
Time: 12:00 Noon
Cost: \$25.00 per person
Contact: Isabelle Fox, 818-788-8796 or
Marilyn Monsour Tyler, 626-799-2894

Saturday, May 30, 2009

LA Child Guidance Clinic's 11th Annual Family FunFest - Volunteers Needed

Location: LA Child Guidance Clinic
Time: 11:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M.
Cost: No charge - Volunteers needed
Contact : Lisa Lennick, llennick@lacgc.org

Sunday, May 31, 2009

Harvard Club Annual Dinner & Awards

Location: Santa Anita Racetrack, Chandelier Room
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Cost: \$65.00 per person
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

Southern California Schools Committee Members Interview a Record 2,217 Applicants

Harvard College's financial aid initiatives contributed to a record 29,112 students who applied for admission this year, a 6% increase over the prior year. Harvard's undergraduate financial aid program will be the most generous in its history, with \$147 million in scholarships.

“For those aspiring to a Harvard education and for those currently at Harvard who come from families coping with job losses, home foreclosures, shrinking home equity, and the depletion of savings and retirement funds, our renewed program arrived at a crucial time,” said William R. Fitzsimmons, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid.

“The new class is excellent in so many ways - in their accomplishments, of course, and also in their personal qualities,” said Marlyn E. McGrath, Director of Admissions.

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2009-2010 CLUB ELECTION BALLOT

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the Club By-Laws, the Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following nominations for officers and directors of the Harvard Club of Southern California for the year 2009-2010:

<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>
/	President	Kenneth S. Williams, AB '78
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/	VP Orange County	A.J. Rogers, MD '79
/	VP Membership	Herbert D. Goldman, MD, AB '76
/	VP Membership	George B. Newhouse, Jr., AB '76
/	VP Radcliffe	Isabelle I. Fox, AB '47
/	Secretary	Kay L. Park MD, AB '87
/	Past President	Cynthia A. Torres, AB '80, MBA '84

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Please send your marked ballots to the Club Secretary:

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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 of Southern California to Honor Award Recipients at Annual Dinner — May 31, 2009



John Harvard Award Recipient: Father Gregory Boyle Executive Director of Homeboy Industries

Father Gregory Boyle, the Executive Director of Homeboy Industries, will be this year's recipient of the Club's John Harvard Award for Distinguished Community Service.

Father Boyle, best known as Father Greg, is a native of Los Angeles and a graduate of Loyola High School. One of eight siblings, he was ordained as a Jesuit priest in 1984. In 1992 he initiated a program called "Jobs for the Future" to address the needs of gang-involved youth. This has become a nationally recognized program called "Homeboy Industries," which is now a collection of five businesses that include a bakery, silkscreen business, café, landscaping service, and a retail store with yearly sales of \$2.5 million. For his comprehensive and effective approach to addressing gang violence and improving the lives of thousands of disadvantaged youth, Father Gregory Boyle was the recipient of a 2008 James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award.



Excellence in Education Award Recipient: Chris Steinhauser, Superintendent, Long Beach Unified School District

Chris Steinhauser, the Long Beach Unified School District Superintendent, will be the recipient of the Club's Excellence in Education Award.

As Superintendent of the third largest school district in California, Mr. Steinhauser has earned many prestigious awards for the District including the 2003-2004 Broad Prize, which honors large urban school districts for overall performance and improvement in student success while reducing the achievement gap for poor and minority students. He is a product of the Long Beach Unified School District, which he attended continuously from Kindergarten until his graduation from Wilson High. Steinhauser attended Long Beach City College and California State University, Long Beach. He began as an elementary school teacher at Burnett Elementary School, was promoted to Principal at Signal Hill Elementary School, which became known as "the miracle on Walnut Avenue." Under his leadership that spans 26 years in education, Long Beach students in all racial and ethnic groups have made unprecedented gains on rigorous state tests.

Club Dinner Details:

Date: Sunday, May 31st, 2009
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Reception, Cash Bar and Hors D'Oeuvres
7:00 P.M.
Three Course Dinner
Cost: 65.00 per person (no refunds)
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

Location:
Chandelier Room
Santa Anita Racetrack
Arcadia, California

Deadline to Register:
Monday, May 25, 2009



Admission to Harvard Class of 2013

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From the 2,217 applicants from Southern California, 117 students were admitted to the Class of 2013. The admitted student pool reflects growing numbers of Southern California families whose parents have graduate degrees and occupations in the professions. At the same time, Southern California's admit pool includes a diverse set of demographics. The Class of 2013 from Southern California is almost 55% ethnic minority (19.7% Latino, 8.5% African-American, 23.9% Asian-American, and 2.6% Native American).

The overall Harvard rate of admission declined from 7.9% to 7.0%, an 11% reduction. In Southern California, the admission rate declined from 5.5% to 5.3%, a 4% reduction, in part reflecting Harvard's continuing commitment to diversity. The educational challenges in Southern California underpin the differential between Harvard's overall admit rate and that for our region.

"With another record high number of applicants for our area, Schools Committee interviewers did an incredible job of carrying out interviews for nearly all of these 2,217 applicants," said Jonathan Baskin, Schools Committee Chair. "Hats off to all of our interviewers and Area Chairs for a job well done."

"The Harvard Admissions Officers really appreciate the heroic efforts of Southern California area chairs and interviewers," said Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi. "No other region has the applicant flow of Southern California, and no other region came as close to interviewing all applicants as Southern California," she added.

The Schools Committee continues to need to refresh and increase our pool of alumni interviewers. Anyone wishing to interview for the Schools Committee during the next cycle is encouraged to contact Jonathan Baskin, Schools Committee Vice President, at jnbaskin@pacbell.net, 626.449.8226, or Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi, Co-Chair of the Schools Committee, at marsha_hirano-nakanishi@post.harvard.edu.

Distinguished Club Treasurer, Frederic P. Smith, Retires

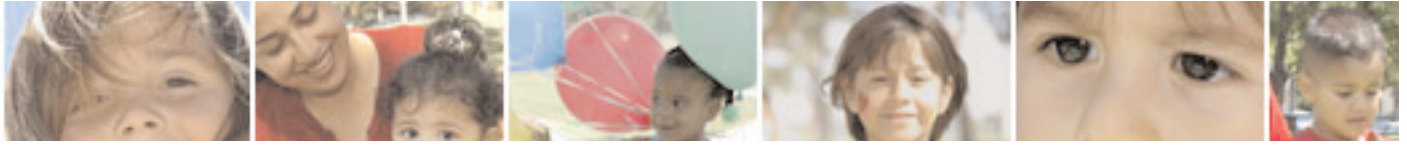
On April 4, 25 past and present officers and directors of the Harvard Club of Southern California gathered at Taix French Restaurant in Los Angeles to honor Frederic P. Smith, AB '56, AM '62, JD '63 for his 35 years of service to the Club as an officer and board member. Fred served as the Club's Vice President of Finance for the past 21 years and was the Club's President in 1980-1981, in addition to holding numerous other posts. Smith is moving to the east coast to begin his new life and marriage to his fiancée, Vivian.



A graduate of Boston Latin School, Smith moved to Los Angeles in 1964 and immediately joined the Harvard Club upon his arrival in Southern California.

In 1997, Smith was honored by the Club as a recipient of the John Harvard Award for Distinguished Community Service, the first of two active members of the Club to ever receive the award. In 2002, he received the Outstanding Club Contribution Award from the Harvard Alumni Association. In 2006 he received the HAA Award, the Association's highest honor, for his devoted service to Harvard alumni.

At the Club's April board meeting, the Directors unanimously approved the creation of the "Fred Smith Distinguished Club Service Award", with Smith as the first award recipient. The Award will be bestowed from time to time by the Club's Board of Directors in recognition of exemplary service through long term, consistent support for Club activities while in a leadership position.



Harvard Global Day of Service: Raising Readers Literacy Festival



Date: Saturday, May 9, 2009
Time: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Location: Santa Monica College
Contact: Lindsey Gary, 617-803-6111 or lindsey.gary@post.harvard.edu

Join local Harvard alumni in celebrating Harvard's Global Day of Service here in Southern California! On Saturday, May 9th, Harvard alumni worldwide will come together and give back to their communities. In the Los Angeles area, alumni are invited to take two hours of their day to volunteer for "Raising Readers - A Literacy Festival," which seeks to instill a love of reading in the young children of our community.

Since 2001, Connections For Children has presented Raising Readers - A Literacy Festival. This event is for young children and their families and focuses on the importance of ensuring that all our children love to read. This free, family festival is sponsored by Santa Monica College in collaboration with the Association for the Education of Young Children/North Bay Chapter.

We are looking for energetic volunteers to help out in a variety of ways at this year's festival. Activities include setting up in the morning, manning activity booths, dressing up as storybook characters, selling books, helping to serve food and beverages, and cleaning up at the end of the day. The festival will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2009 on the Santa Monica College campus in Santa Monica. Volunteers will work in shifts between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:30 pm. Each volunteer will receive a colorful Raising Readers t-shirt!

Raising Readers - A Literacy Festival is one of the few family events planned especially for young children from preschool through the primary grades. Each year this hallmark event attracts over 1,200 young children, their families, and caregivers.

Connections For Children, a child care resource and referral agency, focuses on child development, advocacy for quality learning experiences, and providing community resources for families, teachers, and caregivers. For the past seven years, our agency has presented Raising Readers – A Literacy Festival at Santa Monica College, a fun-filled day of activities. For more on Connections for Children, visit <http://cfc-ca.org/>

The Harvard Global Day of Service in Southern California is jointly sponsored by the Harvard Club of Southern California, the Harvard Business School Association of Southern California, and Harvardwood. To learn how Harvard Clubs worldwide are giving back to their communities, visit: <http://post.harvard.edu/harvard/alumni/html/dayofservice.shtml>

Shifts for the Raising Readers Literacy Festival will be roughly two hours each, between 8:30 am and 5:30 pm. **Set-up and clean-up are when most volunteers are needed!** Please indicate your general time preference, and we will contact you with your specific two-hour shift assignment. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Lindsey Gary at 617-803-6111 or lindsey.gary@post.harvard.edu





Calling Volunteers! Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic's 11th Annual Family FunFest

Date: Saturday, May 30, 2009
Time: 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Location: Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic
Contact: Lisa Lennick, llennick@lacgc.org

This event provides the historically underserved communities of Central and South Los Angeles with valuable community resources, including Head Start, Healthy Families and Medi-Cal enrollment.

President/CEO Betsy Pfromm, Harvard Alumna would like to extend a warm welcome to all to attend Fun Fest this year. The event will take place at the Clinic's 3787 S. Vermont Avenue site. Contact Lisa Lennick at llennick@lacgc.org to volunteer.

London School of Economics Discussion Group



Date: Monday, May 11, 2009
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Location: Loyola Law School,
Contact: Albert Chang, 310-994-9974 or
 AlbertChang@charter.net

Harvard Club members (and lawyers) are invited to a discussion of different approaches to the law of evidence by different cultures — common law, Sharia law and Chinese laws. This event is hosted by the London School of Economics Alumni Club, Los Angeles Chapter and MCLE credit is available.

Please RSVP by May 8, 2009 to Elizabeth Botsford, losangeles@aflse.org



Educators' Roundtable: *Partnerships —Linda Symcox, Moderator*

Once more educators and those interested in education will have an opportunity to discuss an important issue of the day, partnerships between schools and universities. Club members may learn and air views on this interesting situation, with Linda Symcox, professor at Cal State Long Beach and co-director of the Urban Teen Academy to moderate the discussion. Lunch will be served.

This is the third meeting of Harvard alumni—not only educators—gathering to explore the state of education. Harvard is education, so please join our ongoing discussion.

Date: May 9, 2009
Time: 11:30 a.m.-2:00p.m.
Cost: \$15.00
Location: Home of Michael and Priscilla Heim,
 500 Levering Ave., L.A. 90024
Contact: Priscilla Heim, priheim@verizon.net



Second Radcliffe College Alumnae Luncheon

Come and share memories, bring each other up to date or just enjoy a relaxing afternoon. Guests welcome!

Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009
Time: 12:00 Noon
Cost: \$25 per person
Location: The Villa Gardens, 842 E. Villa St.,
 Pasadena
Directions: The Villa Gardens on E.Villa St runs one long block north of the 210 west of Lake Street.
Hosted by: Isabelle Fox (818-788-8796 or 310-275-8227) and Marilyn Monsour Tyler (626-799-2894)
Register: To sign up send a check payable to HCSC to Isabelle Fox at 3929 Stansbury Ave, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423



c/o Membership VP
 627 Aviation Way
 Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

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**HARVARD CLUB ANNUAL
 DINNER & AWARDS
 ~ MAY 31, 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.*

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