



## ASSOCIATION OF HARVARD COLLEGE CLASS SECRETARIES & TREASURERS

Thank you to all who were able to attend the 122nd Annual Meeting of the Association of Harvard College Class Secretaries and Treasurers. You can view the group photo screenshots on the [Officers Lounge](#).

### **Commencement and Reunions Recap:**

#### **Commencement**

On Thursday, May 26, Harvard celebrated the Class of 2022. The Class was addressed by New Zealand prime minister Jacinda Ardern. To view the recording, visit [Harvard University's YouTube page](#).

On Sunday, May 29, we welcomed back the Classes of 2020 and 2021 for their delayed celebration. Over 90 percent of the graduates returned to campus to celebrate! To view the recording, visit [Harvard University's YouTube page](#).

#### **Radcliffe Day**

On Friday, May 27, educator and civil rights attorney [Sherrilyn Ifill](#) received the 2022 Radcliffe Medal to honor her work in advancing equality and access to education. Recordings of the panel discussion on [higher education access and the American workforce](#) and the [keynote discussion](#) are available on the Radcliffe website.

#### **Harvard Alumni Day**

The first annual Harvard Alumni Day was a great success! The parade was led by our eldest alumni, Henry Lee AB '48 and Linda Black AB '51. To view the recording, visit [Harvard University's YouTube page](#).

## **Reunions**

Thank you to all the reunion leaders and volunteers from the reunion classes. Together we hosted many joyous in-person events for the first time since 2019! We were thrilled to see so many of you back on campus enjoying time spent with classmates.

## **Crimson Society**

[The Crimson Society](#) held its first in-person programming for all our alumni who have already celebrated their 50th Reunion. They enjoyed two days of programming, a classic New England clam bake in the yard, and led our alumni parade. Class of 1972, we are excited to officially welcome you to the Crimson Society! Crimson Society [cohort resources](#) can be found on the Officers Lounge.

Between all of the events, Harvard hosted over 70,000 alumni, guests, new graduates, and family members. Many thanks to our alumni volunteers, campus services, and the 2,000-person facilities team, who helped us with the 300 tents, 120,000 chairs, and 20,000 tables required to host so many people!

## Class Spotlight

### **Robert Blacklow AB '55, MD '59, Secretary**

The Class of 1955 shared a Zoom talk by Zack Nowak PhD '18, a lecturer on history, on the social life of Harvard and Radcliffe students. It was suggested to me by Ken Rossano AB '56, secretary of the Class of 1956, and was a success. Any other names to suggest to all of us that the earlier classes might be interested in?

### **Alice Ingraham Davies AB '65 PhD '73, Treasurer**

The Harvard and Radcliffe Class of 1965 managed to pull off our COVID-delayed 55th Reunion at the Harvard Club of Boston on May 13–14, 2022, with minimal help from the HAA. We now appreciate how much work goes into simply registering people at such a function.

**Rachel V. Kemp AB '79, MPA '99, Secretary**

ClassACT HR79 held a bipartisan teach-in on ranked-choice voting (RCV). The teach-in featured Avi Green MPP '99, Jeanne Kempthorne AB '78, Eric Maskin AB '72, PhD '76, Bill McKibben AB '82, and Natalia Linos AB '03, ScD '12 in a rapid-fire Q&A. The featured speakers provided real life examples of RCV benefiting candidates and simplified RCV as a political process.

**Shane Dinneen AB '05, Treasurer**

Because our 15th Reunion was cancelled, we worked with HAA to offer \$1,000 reimbursements from the class treasury to encourage local gatherings (mini-reunions). To qualify, at least five Class of '05 alumni needed to attend, and reimbursable items included food, tickets, and event space. So far, the experiment has been a success! To date, we've had 23 inbound inquiries for mini-reunions. Events have spanned the gamut from outdoor family picnics in the San Francisco Bay Area to reunion dinners in Dallas, Chicago, Washington, D.C., New York City, and Cambridge to a fishing excursion. Well done, Class of 2005!

Thank you for sharing your class activity and engagement! If you have news to share, [submit to the Class Spotlight for the next issue of the newsletter!](#)

## Volunteer Resources

**Support for Non-Reunion Classes**

Looking for assistance communicating with your whole Class? Need help brainstorming in-person or virtual event ideas? Have questions about using your class treasury? [Explore the ways the CAP team can support you!](#)

## Want to Be an Admissions Interviewer?

Help us recruit prospective students, interview Harvard College applicants, and welcome accepted students by volunteering for our Schools & Scholarships Committee, the alumni interviewing program! Interviewing is an important part of the application process and helps bring the applicant to life. Each alumni interviewer meets with a handful of prospective students between September and March. [Learn more on the Harvard Admissions YouTube channel](#). To express interest in interviewing, please [fill out the information form in the Harvard Admissions portal](#). If you have any questions, please contact the Admissions Alumni Interviewing Team at [ssinfo@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:ssinfo@fas.harvard.edu).

Please view the Officers Lounge website to use other resources such as the [secretary and treasurer minimum standards](#), [class website toolbox](#), and [Partnered Class Treasury Administration Program](#) information.

## HAA and University Updates

**Allyson Mendenhall AB '90, MLA '99** will begin her term as president of the Harvard Alumni Association on July 1. Allyson is the first Graduate School of Design alumna to serve as president. Welcome, Allyson!

**President Lawrence S. Bacow JD '76, MPP '76, PhD '78** recently [announced his plans](#) to step down from his position at the end of June 2023.

**Save the date!** The Harvard–Yale game will be returning to Harvard Stadium for the first time since 2016! Join us and cheer on the Crimson on Saturday, November 19.

**The Report of the Committee on Harvard and the Legacy of Slavery** was released on April 26 and President Bacow announced a historic commitment of \$100 million to fund the implementation of the committee's recommendations. To read the full report and learn more about the recommendations, visit [legacyofslavery.harvard.edu/](http://legacyofslavery.harvard.edu/).

## In Memoriam

Please join us in honoring the association member we have lost since the last publication of *Quill and Key*.

- **Richard K. Lincoln AB '53, Secretary**

## New Members

Please offer a warm welcome to the new Association members that have joined us since the last publication of *Quill and Key* this past March:

- **David M. Silverman AB '53, MBA '63, Secretary**
- **Alicia Vernell Rivera AB '22, Secretary**
- **Sharelle Samuel AB '22, Treasurer**

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For additional information, and assistance, please visit the **Officers Lounge** or contact College Alumni Programs (**haa\_collegealumniprograms@harvard.edu**).

We highly encourage you to **submit content for the next issue of Quill and Key**. Thank you for your service and dedication to your Class!