

The *Quill & Key* is a quarterly email newsletter from the College Alumni Programs office for class secretaries and treasurers. Read on for HAA and University news, updates and best practices from volunteers, and resources for volunteers.

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Dear Class Secretaries and Treasurers,

The *Quill and Key* begins its third year of publication with the Fall 2022 issue. In this quarter's installment, significant undertakings and upcoming events as well as announcements about new AHCCS&T members. I would like to highlight one of these events: the Harvard-Yale football game to be played on November 19. This will be the first game in this legendary rivalry to be held at Harvard Stadium in six years. That's two graduating classes of that never played Yale at home! After such an unusual hiatus, the game offers a particularly timely opportunity to gather with classmates on campus. My Class of 1974 is planning to host an epic tailgate in honor of The Game's return to the Stadium and you will see that the Classes of 1955 and 1988 are planning similar festivities.

As many of you know, the *Quill and Key* is an evolving newsletter and we welcome any feedback about how this newsletter can be even more useful for you.

Tom Quirk '74

AHCCS&T President

Save the Date

Harvard Alumni Day

Friday, June 2, 2023

Save the date for the second annual Harvard Alumni Day celebration! For more information about how volunteers can gather their classmates, check out the Officers Lounge.

The 138th Game

There's still time to purchase tickets to the Harvard-Yale game on Saturday, November 19, at Harvard Stadium. Go Crimson!

HAA and University Updates

Convocation for the Class of 2026!

On Tuesday, August 30, we welcomed the Class of 2026 to Harvard. Thank you to the Happy Committee members and alumni interviewers who volunteered and spread joy throughout the day. After class sizes grew from students delaying their entrance due to the pandemic, the Class of 2026 is back to being a typical Harvard College class size of about 1,700 students. They are all living in the traditional 17

first-year dorms.



Photo by Melanie Fan

FAS Strategic Planning

Under Dean Gay's leadership, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences is entering year two of the three-year FAS strategic planning process. The FAS will also continue the work catalyzed by the Report of the Presidential Committee on Harvard and <u>the Legacy of Slavery</u> and inspired further by the <u>Report of the FAS Task Force</u>

on Visual Culture and Signage. In a recent message to the FAS community, Dean Gay wrote, "To build the scholarly community we aspire to be today and in the future, we must achieve a full and nuanced understanding of our past, both our proud history of discovery and achievement and the painful chapters marred by exclusion and discrimination. We will embrace the University's call to confront those dual legacies with honesty and resolve."

- Meet the HAA president, Allyson Mendenhall AB '90, MLA '99
- The search for new HAA Executive director is underway. Harvard has hired prominent executive search firm Isaacson, Miller to help find the next HAA executive director. Founded in 1982, the Boston-based firm specializes in leadership searches for higher education and nonprofits. The vice president for Alumni Affairs and Development, Brian Lee, is leading the search and hopes to have Phillip Lovejoy's successor named later this fall.

Q&A with President Bacow

Update on the Presidential Search

The Presidential Search Committee invites your thoughts on the search for the next president of Harvard University. Please consider sharing your thoughts on key opportunities and challenges Harvard is likely to face; priorities for the next president; qualities, abilities, and experience you feel is most important for the next president to have; and any individuals you believe warrant serious consideration for the role via email to psearch@harvard.edu or by mail at Harvard Presidential Search Committee, Loeb House, 17 Quincy Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

Class Spotlight

David Silverman AB '53, MBA '63, Secretary

The Class of 1953 is starting to plan our 70th Reunion to take place June 1–2, 2023.

Dana Krumholz AB '76, GSASP '77, Secretary

Recognizing the 50 years since arriving in Cambridge in 1972 as well as the first time

that women lived in Harvard Yard, a group of women from Harvard-Radcliffe '76 joined together in a celebration on September 22 and 23, 2022. As these 50 women from the Class of 1976 marched through the University gates again, they served as the bridge between the women at Radcliffe College who had been segregated in housing and extracurricular life and the women at Harvard today. During the two days of panels and guest lecturers at Friends Meeting House combined with visits to the Harvard museums and Harvard and Radcliffe libraries, the female classmates reflected upon the challenges they faced, the choices they made, and the barriers they broke through in their careers and in their lives.

Debra Graham AB '88, Secretary

Class of '88 is kicking off our reunion year with three events this fall. First, we have a writing party with a class author offering tips for writing Red Book entries. We are going to make it a working session with the vibe of working in the dining hall during finals. Second, we have a block of 250 tickets for the Harvard-Yale game and are planning a bring-your-own tailgate. Finally, in December, 150 classmates will meet in New York to see classmate Diane Paulus's Broadway play, *1776*. We will meet at a local restaurant then walk to the play together. Diane will address the Class after the play.

Robert Blacklow AB '55, MD '59, Secretary

1955 is planning a pre-Yale game dinner at the Doubletree Hotel and a tailgate before the game. Our numbers continue to dwindle, but our enthusiasm does not!

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

Minimum Standards

Recent Graduate Volunteer Resources

Reunion Volunteer Resources

Crimson Society

HAA Class Email Service

Non-Reunion Event Support

Class Website Toolbox

Partnered Class Treasury Administration Program

Find more resources on the Officers Lounge

In Memoriam

Please join us in honoring the association member we have lost since the last publication of the *Quill and Key* this past June:

Wellington F. Scott III, Esq., AB '49, LLB '52, BD '67, Treasurer

New Members

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

- Lindsay "Peter" White AB '62 MArch '69, Co-Secretary
- Stephen S. Weddle AB '60, Assistant Treasurer

For additional information and assistance, please visit the <u>Officers Lounge</u> or contact College Alumni Programs (<u>haa collegealumniprograms@harvard.edu</u>).

We highly encourage you to <u>submit content for the next issue of *Quill and Key*</u>.

Thank you for your service and dedication to your Class!