

COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM

2009



*A calendar of social and academic events of interest
to graduating seniors, alumni, and friends of the University*

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INFORMATION ON HARVARD & RADCLIFFE REUNIONS and CLASS OF 2009 EVENTS may be obtained from the Harvard Alumni Association, 124 Mount Auburn Street, 6th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02138, 617-495-2555.

THE UNIVERSITY INFORMATION OFFICE, ground floor, Holyoke Center, has information on special Commencement exhibits, special events, and Commencement coverage by WHRB (95.3 FM) and Cambridge/Greater Boston area Channel 283. Hours, Monday through Saturday, are 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Tours of the campus can be arranged by calling 617-495-1573.

WHRB, 95.3 FM, will broadcast the Phi Beta Kappa Literary Exercises, Baccalaureate, and the Senior Class Day Exercises.

Thursday, June 4, Morning & Afternoon Exercises will be televised *Comcast cable* (Cambridge/Greater Boston area Channel 283 and Boston/Brookline - channel 12) and broadcast on WHRB, 95.3 FM.

*For further information on Commencement and other events telephone
617-495-2555*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

- 11:30 AM ROTC COMMISSIONING CEREMONY *Tercentenary Theatre*
- 12:00 PM CLASS OF 2009 CLASS DAY PICNIC LUNCHEON for Seniors and their guests by reservation only through the Harvard Alumni Association office. *The Old Yard*
- 2:00 PM SENIOR CLASS DAY EXERCISES with guest speaker Mr. Matt Lauer and members of the Senior Class speaking; featuring the Harvard and Ivy Orations, and presentation of the Ames Awards. *Tercentenary Theatre*
- 5:00 PM THE MASTERS' RECEPTIONS for Seniors and their guests. The time is approximate and varies with each House. *Undergraduate Houses*
- 8:00 PM RADCLIFFE CHORAL SOCIETY, HARVARD GLEE CLUB, & HARVARD UNIVERSITY BAND CONCERT *Tercentenary Theatre*
Diverse musical selections including folk songs from around the world, interpretation of romantic literature, and traditional Harvard and Radcliffe songs. Open to the public.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

- 6:45 AM GATES OPEN *The Old Yard*
Families of graduates with tickets and alumni with tickets may enter the Yard through the gate indicated on the back of their tickets. All other guests may watch the exercises on large screen television sets located in the Science Center.
- 8:00 AM SENIOR CLASS CHAPEL SERVICE *Memorial Church*
- 8:15 AM ACADEMIC AND ALUMNI PROCESSION FORMS *The Old Yard*
between University Hall and the Johnston Gate.
- 8:30 AM ALUMNI PROCESSION begins. *The Old Yard*
- 8:50 AM ACADEMIC PROCESSION begins. *The Old Yard*

- 9:45 AM **HARVARD'S 358th COMMENCEMENT:
THE MORNING EXERCISES** *Tercentenary Theatre*
Including conferring of degrees on candidates from the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the University Extension School, all Graduate Schools and Harvard College, as well as the conferring of Honorary Degrees.

This portion of the ceremony can also be seen on Comcast cable (Cambridge/Greater Boston area Channel 283 and Boston/Brookline-channel 12.

- 11:30 AM ALL PREASSIGNED CLASS HEADQUARTERS & HOSPITALITY ROOMS OPEN. *The Old Yard*
See list of room locations at the Information Gazebo.
- 11:45 AM THE GENERAL ALUMNI SPREAD. *The Old Yard*
Prior Reservations only.
- 11:45 AM LUNCHEON AND DEGREE PRESENTATION CEREMONIES for Seniors and their families, by ticket only. Tickets are available at the House offices. *Undergraduate Houses*
- 12:00 PM THE TREE SPREAD for Alumni/ae of the Harvard and Radcliffe College Classes of 1918 through 1958, including the 55th, 60th, 65th, and 70th Reunion Classes, by invitation only. These designated alumni/ae are guests of Harvard College. Tickets for spouses and guests of alumni/ae are \$35.00 per person are by reservation only through the Harvard Alumni Association office. *The Old Yard*
- 1:30 PM ALUMNI PARADE, forms by class, including the Class of 2009, in front of Harvard Hall. Please stand behind the ropes until your class is called. *The Old Yard*

Alumni who march in the parade do require a ticket and should enter through the Alumni Gate next to Wadsworth House. Guest tickets can be obtained in advance from the Harvard Alumni Association office.

2:30 PM **THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HARVARD
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:
THE AFTERNOON PROGRAM**

*Tercentenary
Theatre*

Includes welcoming remarks and recognition by Walter H. Morris, Jr. AB '73, MBA '75, President of the Harvard Alumni Association; announcement of Overseer and Director elections; presentation of Harvard Medals and address by President Drew Faust.

Address by the University Commencement Speaker
Dr. Steven Chu, United States Secretary of Energy.

5:00 PM **HARVARD GAY & LESBIAN CAUCUS ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT RECEPTION & DINNER**

Lowell House

The Harvard Gay & Lesbian Caucus Annual Commencement Dinner welcomes alumni/ae, faculty, staff, students, and their guests to hear guest speaker Evelyn Hammonds, Dean of Harvard College. Laurence Tribe, Carl M. Loeb University Professor, will receive the HGLC Veritas Award. Visit www.hglc.org for more information. \$60 per person for dinner; registration required.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

10:15 AM **RADCLIFFE AWARDS SYMPOSIUM**

*Loeb Drama
Center*

Presentation of the Graduate Society Award, Alumnae Recognition Awards, and the Jane Rainie Opel '50 Young Alumna Award. Symposium is entitled "Seeking Harmony in a Tumultuous World: How Does an Individual Make a Difference?"

Moderator: Joan Meschino '87, chair of the Radcliffe Alumnae Awards Committee. Visit www.radcliffe.edu for more information

12:30 PM **RADCLIFFE INSTITUTE ANNUAL LUNCHEON**

*Radcliffe Yard
Tent*

Welcome and Presentation of the Radcliffe Institute Medal: Dean Barbara J. Grosz
Keynote Address: Sandra Day O'Connor, former associate justice of the United States Supreme Court, the first woman to serve in that office.

Visit www.radcliffe.edu for more information.

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