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how undergraduates are prepared for the international world (he mentions language education, internships, and study abroad), and discuss the manner in which international students are supported and integrated on campus. Expanding Harvard's relationship to the rest of the world is a rising priority at the University, he reports, citing a passage from the annual letter sent by William C. Kirby, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, to faculty members earlier this year: "Harvard has grown over the last century and a half from a provincial college into a national institution. We now face the challenge of becoming a truly international university."

Baker, who retired from Goldman Sachs International Ltd. as executive director of the company's U.K.-European equity-shares business in 1996, comes to the HAA's helm with ample experience in alumni relations, starting with his stint, soon after graduation, as an HAA elected director. An alumni interviewer since 1972, he

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Track star Baker made this magazine's May 25, 1968, issue cover.

together officers from 16 clubs in 13 European countries, and, this November, he is slated to moderate the first-ever worldwide University alumni conference in London (see "Alumni Abroad," below). Other alumni conferences are tentatively planned for Latin America, Asia, and the campus in Cambridge.

In addition to his Harvard activities, Baker's post-retirement life has included work as a business adviser/mentor for the Prince's Youth Business Trust, an organization that provides seed money to disadvantaged young people starting their own businesses. "I've been doing it for six years, so I've had a relationship with two client businesses," says Baker. "Both of them have repaid their loans, I am glad to report." As governor of the Ashcombe School in Dorking, Surrey, he has re-

Alumni Abroad

The harvard alumni association is sponsoring a "Harvard in Europe" conference, designed to "engage our global alumni in the intellectual life" of the University. The event takes place in London on the weekend of November 14.

Highlights include seminars on "Constructing a New International Order," as well as symposiums exploring ethics, global leadership, and the forefront of neuroscience. Several side excursions are also planned—among them, tours of Stonehenge, London's art treasures, "Winston Churchill's London," and a pilgrimage to Harvard's roots at Cambridge University.

President Lawrence H. Summers will give the keynote address on Saturday night; William C. Kirby, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and provost Steven E. Hyman will also speak over the weekend. The master of ceremonies is HAA president (and British native) James V. Baker '68, M.B.A. '71.

Sponsored by the HAA in partnership with the Harvard Clubs of Europe, the event is hosted by the Harvard Club of the United Kingdom. For further program details and registration information, contact Hillary Olk by e-mail (hillary olk@harvard.edu) or by phone (617-495-5416), or visit www.haa.harvard.edu/globalseries.

Well Done

ESTABLISHED IN 1990, the HAA Awards recognize outstanding service to the University by alumni volunteers. Six re-

cipients will be honored on October 23, during the HAA directors' fall meeting.

Scott A. Abell '72, of Akron, Ohio, was president of the HAA in 2001-2002 and has also served Scott A. Abell cruited and interviewed new staff members and helped to redraft many of the school's policies and procedures. Baker and his wife live in Cobham, Surrey, about 20 miles southwest of London, but these days, he adds, "Maggie and I look on Cambridge as a second home, where we have as many friends as we do in Europe."

as an HAA regional director and as president of the Harvard Club of Akron, chairing its schools and scholarships committee for more than 20 years. He now serves on the Committee on University Resources. Until 2001, Abell was the chairman/CEO of the financial services company Abell & Associates Inc.

Catherine A. Connett, M.B.A. '79, of St. Paul, Minnesota, now director of the Center for Entrepreneurship in Minneapolis, was the first woman president of the Catherine A. Harvard Business School Connett



Alumni Association. Active in both the Harvard Club of Minnesota and the HBS Club of Minnesota, she is an alumni interviewer for HBS and has chaired the global alumni conferences committee, which organizes an annual gathering for business leaders and HBS alumni and faculty members.



Joy Fallon '78, J.D. '82, of Newton, Mass., was a Radcliffe trustee and president of the Radcliffe College Alumnae Association from 1993 to 1995. She chaired her fifth reunion committee for Har-

Joy Fallon

vard Law School, and has served as a member and chair of the HAA's Overseer and director nominating committee. The former executive assistant United States attorney for the district of Massachusetts,

she is now the associate for urban and justice ministry at Trinity Church in Boston.

Joan Porter MacIver '75, of Halstead, England, has served as vice president and president of the Harvard Club of the U.K.



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(formerly the Harvard Club of London), and is currently the club's treasurer. She is also secretary for her Radcliffe class and conducts interviews for the admissions office. Founding coordinator of the Harvard Alumni in Saudi Arabia, she is the secretary of the British School of Archaeology in Iraq.

Thomas H. Parry '74, of Los Angeles, was an HAA elected director from 1005 to 1008 and subsequently cochair of the undergraduate relations committee. A long- Thomas H.



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schools and scholarships committee, he also served on his class's twenty-fifth reunion committee and as a former vice president and director of the Harvard-Radcliffe Club of Southern California. and is currently president of the Harvard Gay and Lesbian Caucus. He is the principal of Pacem Productions.

Eric Tong-Sheng Wu, LL.M. '77, M.B.A. '80, S.J.D. '90, of Taipei, is the chairman of Taiwan Securities Company Ltd., a member of the Association of Harvard University Alumni Clubs of Asia



(AHUACA), and the former president of the Harvard Club of the Republic of China. He is involved with the HLS Asian Legal Studies Program and has helped organize visits to Taiwan by University

officials. Wu is also co-

Eric Tong-Sheng Wu

founder and a board member of the Wu Foundation, which promotes international scholarly exchange and research in Taiwan.

Harvard@Home

OFFERINGS AT Harvard@Home lend alumni on-line insight into scholarly, cultural, and other events throughout the University. The following list includes highlights from programs currently available at http://athome.harvard.edu.

"Teaching American Politics" presents lectures by Thomas professor of government and sociology Theda Skocpol, Pforzheimer University professor and director of the Harvard University Library Sidney Verba, and professor of sociology

Mary C. Waters. This 50-minute program combines statistical, ethnographic, and historical evidence about the challenges to objectivity in teaching politics.

"Solving Cubic Equations: A Modern Approach to an Ancient Problem" features a discussion with Leverett professor of mathematics (and dean of Harvard College) Benedict H. Gross and Peirce assistant professor of mathematics William A. Stein, a glossary of terms, and an interactive audience session that explores various mathematical theorems dating back to a Babylonian tablet of 1800 B.C.

On-line participants may also experience various University events, among them a video montage of Commencement activities; a segment on the Hasty Pudding Awards (featuring director Martin Scorsese and actress Anjelica Huston); and highlights of the 110th Yale game, including footage of quarterback Neil Rose and all-American wide receiver Carl Morris, interviews, and a game summary.

Hiram Hunn Awards

THE HIRAM S. HUNN Memorial Schools and Scholarships Award honors alumni for service on Harvard College schools and scholarships committees. The award commemorates Hiram S. Hunn '21, who recruited and interviewed students in Iowa and Vermont for more than 50 years. This year's recipients represent, collectively, 200 years of service.

Teresita Alvarez-Bjelland '76, M.B.A. '79, of Oslo, began acquiring her knowledge of admissions interviewing as a tutor at Kirkland House

then, she has inter- Alvarez-Bjelland viewed and recruited a wide array of international students for Harvard from her 20-year base in Norway.

Alan (Mickey) Hammerman '55, of



Alan Hammerman



in the late 1970s. Since Teresita

Winnetka, Ill., is in his

fourth decade of schools

and scholarship work in

the Chicago area. He has

been committee chair-

man since 1970, and was

the national committee

chairman from 1995 to

1998. He has also twice

of Madison, Ohio, has recruited countless students for Harvard in his



John Viets

vard Alumni Award in 1990.

Call for Nominations

MEMBERS OF the Harvard community may submit nominations for honorary degree candidates for 2005. Submissions must be made by December 15, 2003, and should include biographical material and comments in support of a candidate.

Nominations may be sent to: Conrad K. Harper, Corporation Fellow and committee chair, or to Marc Goodheart, Secretary to the Corporation, at Loeb House, 17 Quincy Street, Cambridge 02138.



Edward Meilman

alumni interviewer, ably serving the admissions office on Long Island.



Barbara Meyer

Barbara (Graf) Meyer '62, of Morristown, N.J., is a former national schools and scholarships director. She has been active in admissions work in New Jersey for more than 25 years, spending the last 15 years as com-

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missions work. He has

served as president of the

Harvard Club of Cleve-

land and was twice the

chairman of the schools

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Harvard Club of Chicago.

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Edward Meilman '36,

M.D. '40, of Great Neck,

N.Y., has met with hun-

dreds of applicants during

the past four decades as an

Harvard Alumni Award.

Judith (Rood) Traum '62, of Coral Gables, Fla., has interviewed Miami-area applicants for more than 30 years and has

often helped admissions officers visiting at local schools. She also served as an HAA regional director in the early 1000s.

John (Jack) Viets '38, Judith Traum

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