

Election Results

THE NAMES of the new members of the Board of Overseers and new directors of the Harvard Alumni Association (HAA) were announced at the association's annual meeting on the afternoon of Commencement day. The 31,176 alumni who voted in the two elections represented a turnout of 14.4 percent.

The Overseers, elected for six-year terms, are:

Alan D. Bersin '68. Superintendent of public education, San Diego Unified School District, San Diego.

Helen M. Blau, Ph.D. '75. Baxter professor and director of the Baxter Laboratory of Genetic Pharmacology, Stanford University School of Medicine, Palo Alto.

Ann M. Fudge, M.B.A. '77. Chairwoman and CEO, Young & Rubicam Inc., New York City.

Merrick B. Garland '74, J.D. '77. Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, Washington, D.C. (Garland, a current Overseer, was elected in 2003 to fill an unexpired term; this time he was elected to a full six-year term.)

Thomas Stephenson '64, M.B.A. '66. General partner, Sequoia Capital, Menlo Park, California.

The HAA directors, elected for three-year terms, are:

William H. Adler III '61, M.D. President, Wiltshire Associates Ltd., Severna Park, Maryland.

Ketanji Brown Jackson '92, J.D. '96. Assistant special counsel, U.S. Sentencing Commission, Washington, D.C.

Scott D. Malkin '80, J.D.-MBA '83. Chairman, Value Retail PLC, London.

Sanjay Patel '83, S.M. '83. Co-president, GSC Partners, New York City.

Deborah Ramirez, J.D. '81. Professor, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston.

Denise Ann Thal '77. Vice president and CFO, Henry Ford Greenfield Village, Dearborn, Michigan.

The HAA nominating committee proposes Overseer and elected director candidates each year, and candidates may also be nominated independently. All Harvard degree holders except Corporation members and officers of instruction and government are entitled to vote for Overseer

At the Forefront

The oldest graduates of Harvard and Radcliffe present on Commencement day, who led the alumni parade into Tercentenary Theatre before the HAA's annual meeting, were 101-year-old **Philip Keene** '25, S.M. '40, of Middletown, Connecticut, who was making his third appearance at the head of the line, and 95-year-old **Frances Pass Addelson** '30, of Brookline, Massachusetts. According to University records, the oldest alumni, apart from Keene, include: **James G. Jameson** '22, 104, of Orlando, Florida; **Charles H. Warner** '21, 104, of Berkeley, California; **Albert H. Gordon** '23, M.B.A. '25, LL.D. '77, 102, of New York City; **Marion Coppelman Epstein** '24, 101, of Boston; **M. Louise Macnair** '25, 101, of Cambridge; **Eliot K. Bartholomew** '25, 101, of Monarch Beach, California; **Halford J. Pope** '25, 100, of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina; **A. Suzanne (Fawcett) Snow** '25, 100, of Silvis, Illinois; and **Hugh Langdon Elsbree** '23, 100, of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Outstripping them all is **Walter H. Seward**, J.D. '24, of West Orange, New Jersey. Born on October 13, 1896, he is 107 years old.



Frances Pass Addelson and Philip Keene

candidates using ballots mailed by the HAA each spring.

In their own annual election, the Overseers chose Thomas E. Everhart '53, of Santa Barbara, as their new president. Everhart, who is president emeritus of the California Institute of Technology, succeeds C. Dixon Spangler Jr., M.B.A. '56.

Gifts That Keep Giving

"A GIFT TO HARVARD is a gift to the world," declared Robert G. Stone Jr. '45, L.H.D. '03, the longtime chairman of the Committee on University Resources, in presenting his annual report at the HAA meeting on the afternoon of Commencement day. Among the donations that Harvard wants to use "to make the world a better place," Stone noted in particular those from this year's anniversary classes. The class of 1989 raised a record fifteenth-reunion gift of \$4.7 million. The class of 1949, who raised \$30.781 million in

1999—the record for a fiftieth reunion in the twentieth century—set a new record for fifty-fifth reunions with a gift of \$11.3 million. The class of 1969, despite graduating, as Stone noted, in a time of turmoil in the world and in Cambridge, contributed \$12.6 million as their thirty-fifth-reunion gift; the fiftieth reunioners, the class of 1954, Stone said, presented \$22,000,054. And the class of 1979 set a new twenty-fifth reunion record with \$36.3 million. In all, Stone announced, more than 30,000 alumni contributed to the Harvard College Fund during the past fiscal year. Gifts flowed to professional schools as well: the Business School has raised \$450 million, or 90 percent of its current capital-campaign goal with a year yet to go, while the Law School, with \$196 million already in hand, is just under halfway to its campaign goal and has four years to go. (For details of major financial-aid contributions to the University this year, see page 55.)