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SPOTLIGHT ON...

President-Elect Walter J. Sleeth '65

Wally has enjoyed the variety of the Club's activities and members for many years. As President-Elect for 2002, he will assist the HCSF's President, Modesta Garcia.



Wally's began his alumni volunteering by interviewing high school seniors in the South Bay. Introducing Harvard to students was great fun and helped him in advising his own three children with their college plans. It was a natural move from interviewing to leading HCSF's Schools Committee for several years.

Having learned Quicken, Wally became HCSF's CFO and Treasurer. This coincided with his retirement from AirTouch Communications, where he was Senior Counsel in charge of all domestic legal support to Operations. The retirement did not last long as he soon joined an Internet software company, SurfWax, where he is VP for Strategy and Business Development. The company is in that exciting phase of operations, where (continued on page 4)

Current Events

Date	Event
10/4	Harvard Volunteer Night
10/13	1st Annual Golf Tournament
10/20	Book Club: "Disgrace"
10/21	Recent Grads KQED Mixer
10/26	Opera Night: Tosca
10/27	Yerba Buena Music/Dance
11/17	HCSF Bridge Tournament
11/18	Audra McDonald Concert

Golf for Glory!

1st Annual HCSF Golf Tournament
Saturday, October 13th, 10:00 am
Oakhurst Country Club, Clayton, CA

Join duffers of all ages for a fun day on the East Bay links. Enjoy this scenic course designed by Ron Fream, located at 1001 Peacock Drive (behind the Chronicle Concord Pavilion).

Built in 1990, this semi-private course is nestled in the Mt. Diablo foothills. Traversing hillsides, creeks, and valleys, the championship course combines scenic beauty with plenty of challenges. We welcome golfers of all abilities, high and low handicappers, amateurs, and weekend hackers.

Golfers will face both open and narrow fairways with fast greens.



Course amenities include a double-sided driving range with three putting greens, men's and women's locker rooms, restaurant and lounge, a junior Olympic-size, heated swimming pool and a state-of-the art fitness room.

Admission includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, cocktails and prizes for the lucky winners. Space is limited. The cost is \$140.00 per person; RSVP to the club office. Golf club rentals are available on site at an extra cost.
- Andre Brown

Dance with the "People of the Forest"

Saturday, October 27th, 7:00 pm
Yerba Buena Center for the Arts,
San Francisco, CA

The People of the Forest project is a stunning collaboration between Alonzo King's LINES Ballet and Nzamba Lela, a group of 16 Aka Pygmy musicians from the forests of the Central African Republic.

Alonzo King uncovers the spirit behind in this evocative work combining the rich transformative sounds of the Aka Pygmy artists with the daring agility and phenomenal strength of the LINES Ballet dancers.



This work presents a remarkable opportunity for people of all ages to experience music that has been a way of life for these inhabitants of the central Africa rainforests for a millenia.

The program features a conversation with Dr. Joni Jones in the Theater Terrace Lobby, prior to the show. A Performance Ethnographer from the University of Texas, Jones will discuss the lifestyle of the inhabitants of the Ituri forest.

The cost is \$40.00 per person with paid reservations. RSVP to the club office.
- Verna Gibbs

Enjoy a Night at the Opera - Tosca



San Francisco Opera
Friday, October 26, 8:00 pm
Opera House, San Francisco, CA

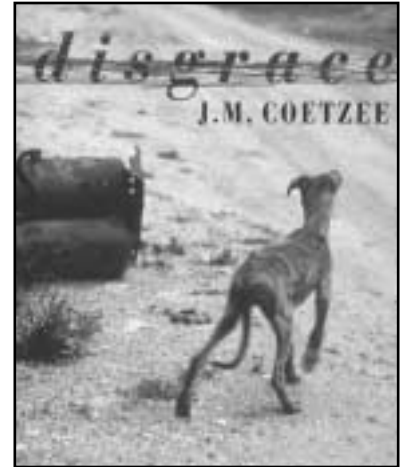
The last hours of three people in the 19th century Rome are the focus of Giacomo Puccini's harrowing verismo work. The fates of Tosca, the beauti-

ful and famed opera diva; Mario Cavaradossi, her lover; and Baron Scarpia-one of the most diabolical villains you will ever meet-entwine. Puccini's masterpiece combines the energy of dramatic action with the power of a brilliant score.

The event features Soprano Eva Urbanova in the role of Tosca and tenor Richard Leech returns to the San Francisco Opera as her lover Mario. Baritone Franz Grundheber plays the part of the evil Baron Scarpia.

The production is artist Thierry Bosquet's re-creation of the San Francisco Opera production of Tosca by Armando Agnini, which opened the Opera House in 1932 and reopened it in 1997.

Tickets are \$110.00 per person. Please RSVP to the club office.
 -David Balabanian



How do you view "Disgrace"?

Book Discussion Group
Saturday, October 20th, 4:00pm

We meet at the home of:

Noman Coliver
 Bavarian Condominium
 795 Sutter Street, San Francisco
 RSVP (415) 673-2640

J.M. Coetzee, a South African author, won Great Britain's Booker Prize. A quick and easy read, this book challenges our way of viewing issues.

Volunteer Night to Benefit East Bay Community

Thursday, October 4th, 5:30-9:00 pm

Oakland, CA

Come get your hands dirty for a good cause. Join other Harvard grads to build a customized wood play structure in the Rockridge-Temescal neighborhood of Oakland.

No previous building experience necessary! Members of FROG (Friends of the Greenbelt) will help oversee the building. Children as young as ten are welcome to come and build under the supervision of their parents.

Make a lasting difference! Even if you don't live in the area, enjoy being a part of a terrific community-based project.

To sign up, contact Colleen Gaard (510.553.0280 x30, colleeng@sonc.org) for directions to the site and what to wear.

FROG has been working to raise funds to increase the limited amount of park and recreation space in Oakland. Currently FROG plans to transform two unusable vacant lots into playgrounds for area residents.

For more information about FROG, visit www.frogpark.org or contact Volunteer Coordinator Lisa Kaplan at 510.653.5870 or lisak_k@yahoo.com.
 - Colleen Guard



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Audra McDonald Concert
Sunday, November 18th, 8:00 pm
SF Symphony, San Francisco, CA



World-renowned soprano, three-time Tony Award winner and SF favorite, Audra McDonald performs a program of "swing" hits from the 30s and 40s. Joined by a dance band, the program features tunes by Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, Harold Arlen and many others.

Davis Symphony Hall is at 201 Van Ness Avenue in the Civic Center, between Hayes and Grove. Tickets are \$60.00 per person with paid reservations. RSVP to the club office.

- Andre Brown

Celebrate the Festive Nutcracker

SF Ballet Gala Opening Night
Tuesday, December 11th, 6:30 pm
Opera House, San Francisco, CA



Join our 2nd annual evening at Gala Opening Night of the San Francisco Ballet's Nutcracker.

Be dazzled by the splendid performance, holiday decorations and fabulous treats in the grand foyer of the Opera House.

Opening Night is a very special San Francisco tradition, with snow falling as guests arrive on the Opera House steps and a Sugar Plum world of fantasy and feast awaiting inside the resplendent lobby.



Our guests will be greeted and entertained, with special photo opportunities, by the Fairy Princess, clowns, a

stilt walker, Nutcrackers, and other players in costume. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. Pre-performance festivities and special effects (SNOW) begin at 5:30 pm.

Complimentary desserts will be served at intermission along with no-host champagne. Ticket price, including pre-performance and intermission desserts and entertainment, is \$55.00 per person. Reservations must be paid for by November 16.

Last year's tickets sold like hot cakes! RSVP to the club office immediately.

The event planner, Elaine Black, will distribute paid tickets in the Opera House lobby from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Latecomers may pick

up their tickets at the lobby ticket window. Note; you should not arrive later than 7:15 pm.

- Elaine Black

Event Reservations - October 2001

Events marked (R) require advance reservations and payment. Club policy requires a 48-hour notice for cancellations. No-shows will be charged. Reserve your seats by phone, fax or mail. You may pay by credit card (Visa, MasterCard) or with a personal check.

Current Events	Res	Date	Cost	Qty	\$ Total
1st Annual Golf Tournament	(R)	10/13	\$140	x _____ = _____	
Opera/Puccini's Tosca	(R)	10/26	\$110	x _____ = _____	
Yerba Buena Music/Dance	(R)	10/27	\$40	x _____ = _____	
Bridge Tournament	(R)	11/17	\$25	x _____ = _____	
Audra McDonald Concert	(R)	11/18	\$60	x _____ = _____	
Helen Zia Book Talk (\$15 non members)		11/27	\$10	x _____ = _____	
SF Ballet Nutcracker	(R)	12/12	\$55	x _____ = _____	

\$ Total _____

RSVP - phone: (415) 750-1442
 fax: (415) 750-1446
 hcsf@harvardclub-norcal.org

Or mail this form & make check payable to:
 Harvard Club of San Francisco
 4200 California St. # 207, SF, CA 94118

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone (Day): (____) _____ - _____

Phone (Eve): (____) _____ - _____

Pay by: Visa MasterCard

Card Number: _____

Exp. Date: _____/_____/_____

Signature: _____

Note: No confirmations are sent. Door lists are maintained. Reservations made less than 48 hours before an event must be placed with a credit card. Events at the University Club require a dress code: men wear a coat and tie and women wear comparable formality (no jeans or tennis shoes).

Recent Grads at KQED

**Wine Tasting, Mixer and Tour
Sunday, October 21st, 6:00 pm
KQED TV, San Francisco**



Enjoy fine wine, friends and conversation at our annual welcome to recent graduates. Plus, get a behind the scenes

tour of the PBS television studios. So put down that old standby Merlot, join us for a beautiful October evening, and we'll be sure to have you home in time for the Simpsons. KQED is located at 2601 Mariposa (at Bryant, between 17th and 18th) with street parking. RSVP (with a nominal donation) is required to attend, so email your name (and those of any guests) by 10/19 to: justingawhite@post.harvard.edu
- Justin White

Save the Date



**Piano Recital by
William Watson
December 6th**

Back by popular demand! The Winter Holiday Event is at

the University Club at 7 pm and is sponsored by the Diversity Committee.
- Modesta García

Let's Make a Deal!

**HCSF Bridge Tournament
Saturday, November 17th, 1:00 pm
University Club, San Francisco**

Show off those analytical skills you acquired at Harvard! We will play in pairs format, with prizes for the best North-South and East-West scores.

Not only are spouses welcome, but if you have a regular partner who is not a member, please bring him or her along. Cost is \$25 per person, which includes the services of a top-notch professional director plus coffee, tea, and light refreshments. RSVP to the club office.
- Frank Rettenberg



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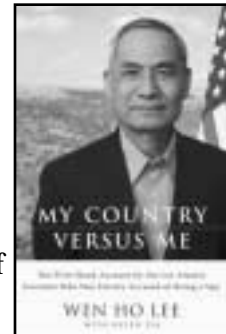
they are beginning the marketing of its meta-search technology and research management software to clients.

Wally looks forward to helping the Harvard Club of San Francisco reach more alumni than ever in the Bay Area, and hopefully use tools from the old economy and the new.

Meet Author Helen Zia

**Book Discussion
Saturday, November 27th, 7:00 pm
University Club, San Francisco**

Meet the Oakland writer and co-author of Wen Ho Lee's upcoming account of his life at Los Alamos. Co-sponsored by the Organization of Chinese Americans (SF chapter) and HCSF Diversity and Latino committees. Tickers are \$10 for members in advance or \$15 at the door (\$15/20 for non members). Appetizers and cash bar start at 6:30 pm.
- Modesta García



Join the "September 11th" Committee

During this time of national crises, education and understanding constitute the basis of informed action. HCSF's new committee will organize events that promote the discussion and understanding of the historical, political, cultural, economic, military, psychological, and religious issues surrounding the terrorist attacks and the USA's developing response. We welcome your participation! Contact Marc Miller: mmiller@crimsonlanguage.com.



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