Candidates selected as elected directors of the HAA, serving three-year terms, were:

John F. Bowman ’80, M.B.A. ’85, Santa Monica, California. Executive producer, Disney Company.

Yvonne E. Campos, J.D. ’88, San Diego, California. Superior Court Judge, State of California.


Brian Melendez ’86, J.D. ’90, M.T.S. ’91, Minneapolis. Partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP.

Cambridge Scholars

Four members of the class of 2012 have won Harvard Cambridge Scholarships to study at the University of Cambridge during the 2011-2012 academic year. Eva Gillis-Buck, of Leverett House and Pittsburgh, a joint concentrator in human developmental and regenerative biology and studies of women, gender, and sexuality, will be the Charles Henry Fiske III Scholar at Trinity College; social studies concentrator Abigail Modaff of Eliot House and Minneapolis will be the Lionel de Jersey Harvard Scholar at Emmanuel College; history and literature concentrator Mikael Schinazi, of Quincy House and Saint-Mandé, France, will be the John Eliot Scholar at Jesus College; and economics concentrator Chenzi Xu, of Lowell House and Watkinville, Georgia, will be the Governor William Shirley Scholar at Pembroke College.

Alumni Gifts

The thirty-fifth-reunion class of 1977 broke the all-time reunion-gift record by raising “an extraordinary $68.7 million” in contributions as of May 23, reported University Treasurer James F. Rothenberg ’68, M.B.A. ’70, during the HAA’s annual meeting. “That number even makes the president of Harvard smile a little bit,” he joked at the podium. “And, by the way, there are still five weeks remaining in their campaign.”

Other reunion classes also did well. The class of 1962, celebrating its fiftieth reunion, is poised to reach its class gifts and participation goals, and the class of 1987, celebrating its twenty-fifth reunion, “is on track to exceed three goals: total gift, immediate use, and participation,” Rothenberg said. The University declined to release exact figures for these classes, and for the senior class gift.

All alumni fundraisers were publicly thanked for their hard work, with a special nod to Paul Weissman ’52, who has chaired his class’s reunion-gift committee for 60 consecutive years—another Harvard all-time record.

GSAS Centennial Medalists

The graduate school of Arts and Sciences Centennial Medal, first awarded in 1989 on the occasion of the school’s hundredth anniversary, honors alumni who have made notable contributions to society that emerged from their graduate study at Harvard. It is the highest honor the Graduate School bestows, and awardees include some of Harvard’s most accomplished alumni. The 2012 recipients, announced at a ceremony on May 23, are: Daniel Aaron, Ph.D. ’43, Litt.D. ’07, founding president of the Library of America and Thomas professor of English and American literature emeritus at Harvard; East Asia expert Karl Eikenberry, A.M. ’81, a political and military leader who served as U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan from 2009 to 2011, Nancy Hopkins ’64, Ph.D. ’71, a professor of biology at MIT who has blazed a trail for women in science; and international-relations scholar Robert Keohane, Ph.D. ’66, professor of public and international affairs at Princeton’s Woodrow Wilson School.

Clockwise from top left: Daniel Aaron, Karl Eikenberry, Nancy Hopkins, and Robert Keohane

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