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### **Ivy Social Club Reception**

**Friday, May 14**

**6:30- 9:30 pm**

International Student House  
1825 R Street NW  
Washington, DC

Discover another hidden gem at the Ivy Social Club's next reception at the International Student House (ISH). This 19th century Tudor-style mansion with oak paneled walls, fine stonework, antiques, and artwork is now the home to ISH, a non-profit serving visiting scholars, interns, and clerks working at major institutions, embassies, and Congress. Join your fellow Ivy alumni for food, wine, and fine conversation.

Prepaid reservation only — NO WALK-INS

Admission is \$40 and includes open bar and hors d'oeuvres. [Click here to reserve online](#) (a \$1.50 processing fee will be added for online registration), or Send check payable to MIT Club of Washington to Greg Howland, 6312 Carnegie Drive, Bethesda MD 20817. Please write your email address and the name of your school on the check.

Send any questions to [gshowland@gmail.com](mailto:gshowland@gmail.com). For more information please visit the website at [www.ivysinglesdc.com](http://www.ivysinglesdc.com).

### **Hands On DC Community Service**

**Saturday, May 15**

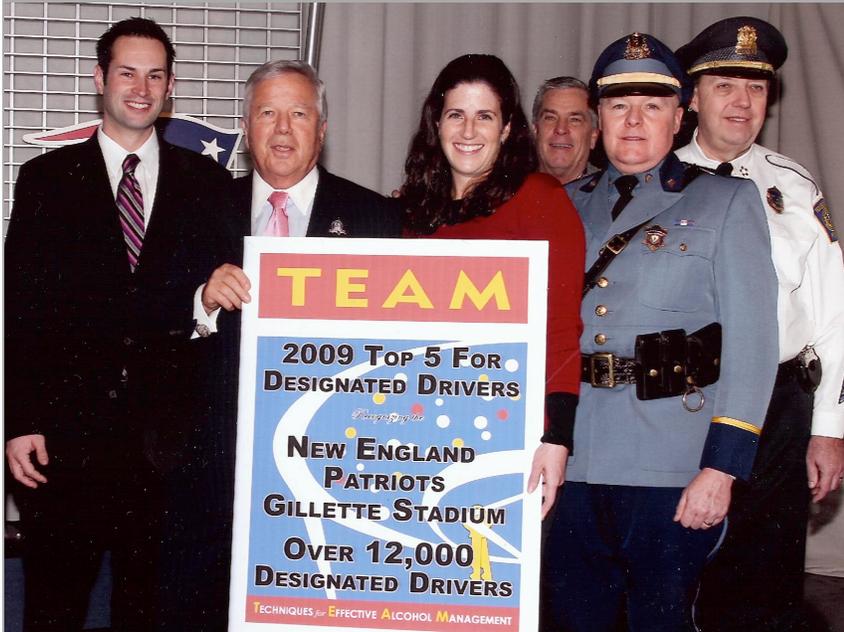
**9- 2pm**

Langdon Elementary School  
1900 Everts Street NE  
Washington, DC

WDCSA volunteers will be painting, mulching, and planting at Langdon Elementary School as part of the annual Hands on DC work-a-thon to create brighter learning environments for DC students. Hands on DC is an all-volunteer event involving more than 2,000 volunteers at 30 local DC schools. All WDCSA volunteers will be at the same school, and will work on projects as a team.

To sign up or for more information, please contact Christina Russell at [carussell17@comcast.net](mailto:carussell17@comcast.net) or sign up for the WDCSA team at <http://handsondc.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=340456>.

## MEMBER PROFILE: JILL PEPPER



Jill, center, represented TEAM Coalition at the New England Patriots final home game of the 2009 regular season, congratulating team owner Robert Kraft, among others, for being one of the Top 5 teams in the NFL with the most fans pledging to be designated drivers.

time communicate an important message. Jill is active in the WDCSA community in several ways. She, along with Chris Shinkman, represents WDCSA in CAN (Capital Alumni Network), ensuring that we are in good standing for both our co-ed softball and flag football teams in the CAN leagues. Jill is a player/coach for the softball team, and a defensive-smack talker for the flag football team. Jill aspires to score a touchdown just once in her WDCSA flag football career and NEVER AGAIN strike out watching, especially at her last at-bat for the season!

Jill Pepper, BA'93, has put her economics and public policy degrees as well as her MBA (MIT Sloan '97) to good use by running a DC-based non-profit organization for the last eight years. Jill's job at TEAM Coalition is to prevent drunk driving and promote responsible behavior to sports fans and concert-goers nationwide. She attends the World Series, the Super Bowl, the NBA Finals, MLS Cup and the NCAA College World Series and Final Four FOR HER JOB!

She knows how lucky she is to have a job that a true sports fan can appreciate and at the same

### **Book Club Discussion**

**Sunday, May 16**

**5 pm**

Vienna, Va.

The book group will meet at the home of Connie and Terence Barrett to discuss the novel *Song of Solomon* by Toni Morrison.

For more information, e-mail [alisoncolew@hotmail.com](mailto:alisoncolew@hotmail.com).

### **Calling All Stanford Entrepreneurs! Networking/Happy Hour (and Mentoring!)**

**Wednesday, May 26**

**6:30 - 8:30 pm**

LongView Gallery  
1234 9th St. NW  
Washington, DC

Come meet entrepreneurs from your field and other schools, as well as up-and-coming entrepreneurs from NFTE (Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship) who are looking for mentors! This exciting WDCSA event will feature entrepreneurs from Stanford Business School (GSB), those with Stanford undergraduate degrees, the Princeton Entrepreneurs' Network of DC, and the local Harvard Business School entrepreneurship club. As our special guests, the young entrepreneurs from NFTE – [www.nfte.com](http://www.nfte.com) – will do a short presentation on their current businesses.

Come to our very cool venue, the Longview art gallery – [www.longviewgallery.com](http://www.longviewgallery.com) – a fantastic, contemporary space located across the street from the DC convention center, walking distance from the Metro. Included is an open bar and catering by

**EVENT SPOTLIGHT:****DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY UNDER SECRETARY KRISTINA JOHNSON ENERGY & CLIMATE CHANGE ISSUES**

Johnson, above, addresses a packed room during her April 15th speech at Electric Power Research Institute.



Pictured from left: Garry Tyran ('75), Sara Grosvenor ('78) Barbara Tyran ('75) Under Secretary Kristina Johnson ('79, '81 MS with distinction, '84 PhD) and Andrew Paterson ('79.)

On April 15, approximately 50 Washington DC-area Stanford alumni gathered with members of the local energy community at the Washington office of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) to welcome DOE Under Secretary for Energy, Kristina Johnson. With three degrees from Stanford (bachelor's, master's [with distinction] in electrical engineering and Ph.D.), all enjoyed Under Secretary Johnson's reminiscences of her education and campus memories, as well as her perspectives on energy/climate change issues in 2010 and beyond. Following an excellent selection of refreshments from 6:30-7:00, Dr. Johnson provided informal remarks and answered many questions about her arrival in Washington and experiences to date. Thanks to the Under Secretary's thoughtful remarks and interesting insights, it was a terrific experience for all who attended.

Occasions Caterers, thanks to Mark Michaels, a Stanford entrepreneur!

Cost: Free for young alumni WDCSA members ('05 - '09) and Stanford in Washington students. \$15 for WDCSA members and young alumni non-members. \$30 for non-members (includes \$15 membership fee!). Registrants may bring a guest for the same price.

Questions? Contact Tom Kohn, '83, at [kohntom@gmail.com](mailto:kohntom@gmail.com). Space is limited! Register online at <http://pgnet.stanford.edu/goto/event6676reg>

**Stanford at the Opera****Spring 2010****Tuesday, June 1 @ 7:30 pm**

Hamlet – Thomas

A Washington National Opera premiere of this seldom performed opera with bass Samuel Ramey as the evil Claudius, Diana Damrau as Ophelia and Placido Domingo conducting.

Deadline for ordering is May 7. Tickets will be mailed week of May 17.

Orchestra \$151.50; 2nd Tier \$ 76.50.

## EVENT SPOTLIGHT: SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES MAIN FOCUS OF PARENTS' INITIATIVE MEETING

On April 11th, approximately 25 parents attended the WDCSA Stanford Parents' Initiative held at the home of Melissa Clark P'12. The primary topic of conversation was career and internship opportunities for Stanford students.

Two parents, Kathie Krumm '83 and John Michopoulos, provided information about future internship and temporary or post-graduate employment opportunities at the World Bank and the Office of Naval Research and Naval Research Laboratories. World Bank jobs are available only to graduating seniors or graduate students, and this year's deadline has passed. The Naval Research summer internships for undergraduates include (among others) sub-professional and technical positions in occupations of engineering, physical science and math, and computer operations.

For a description of all the jobs available through ONR and NRL, visit <http://www.onr.navy.mil/en/Education-Outreach.aspx>. Contact Kathie ([homevkgv@yahoo.com](mailto:homevkgv@yahoo.com)) or John ([michopoulos@gmail.com](mailto:michopoulos@gmail.com)) for more information about future opportunities.

Stanford students can visit the the Stanford Career Development Center (CDC) website and join the Cardinal Careers database, which maintains an events calendar (for career fairs, etc.), posts information about internships and job opportunities, and sends e-newsletters out to students.

WDCSA members willing to talk to students informally about employment opportunities at his or her organization or career interests in his or her field, or offer resume advice for applicants interested in applying for a position, should contact Kristin Conner ([kconner@stanford.edu](mailto:kconner@stanford.edu)) at the CDC. She will share this contact information on a case-by-case basis with interested Stanford students in the Cardinal Career database.

Any WDCSA member (parent or not) who might know of an internship or employment opportunity should visit <http://cdc.stanford.edu/employers/> and create an account, which will then let you post directly to the site.

For tickets - send a check payable to WDCSA to Betty Byrne, 1822 Ingleside Terrace NW, Washington DC 20010. Contact Betty @ [bettybyrne@stanfordalumni.org](mailto:bettybyrne@stanfordalumni.org) or 202.483.4048.

**Venture Capital in DC –  
“Don’t Call Us A ‘Government Town,’  
Please.”  
Tuesday, June 15                      6:30 - 8:30 pm**

Save the date! As part of the WDCSA Speakers Series, you are invited to a stimulating panel

discussion from the area's top venture capitalists, all Stanford grads. How has the DC venture capital environment changed over the years? How is DC different than Silicon Valley? What are the best opportunities for entrepreneurs thinking of starting a new business? Is there a VC “formula” for evaluating what types of companies get funded? How is a strategic investor different from a VC?

The panel features John Backus, class of '81 and GSB '84, managing partner of New Atlantic Ventures, and Brinda Jadeja, GSB '98, principal of In-Q-Tel, a

strategic investment firm that supports the missions of the U.S. Intelligence Community, and formerly with Intel Capital, Intel's in-house strategic investment group. Check up-coming email announcements from WDCSA for registration information. Space is limited! Questions: Contact Tom Kohn, '83, at [kohntom@gmail.com](mailto:kohntom@gmail.com).

### **Stanford in the News**

- Toby Gerhart, the 2009 Doak Walker Award winner as the nation's top running back and runner-up for the Heisman Trophy, was selected by the Minnesota Vikings in the second round of the NFL Draft.
- Although many airlines have resumed flights to Europe after days of delays from Iceland's volcanic ash cloud, they've had to do so without a clear measure of the risk, according to Darcy Ogden, Post-doctoral Researcher in the Department of Geophysics.

### **Get Involved!**

#### *Local Hiking Outing*

Join WDCSA member Jim Finucane on Saturday, May 8th for a local hike. The group will work on a section of the Appalachian Trail for a couple of hours and then do a circuit hike down Rose River Canyon – for a picnic and possible swim. For more information call Jim at (301) 365-3485 (before 9 pm) or email [jim.finucane@yahoo.com](mailto:jim.finucane@yahoo.com).

#### *Housing Request*

2004 Stanford alumna seeking a summer sublet in Washington DC while interning for Barbara Boxer this summer, after graduating from the Kennedy School of Government. Internship runs from June - August, but move-in and move-out dates are flexible. Please contact Lauren Wechsler at [lwechsler@gmail.com](mailto:lwechsler@gmail.com) or 617-999-6061 if you have a sublet or know of any leads.

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