



Williams Club Newsletter

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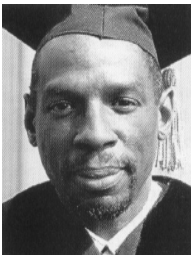
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In the very first week of 1998, the Williams Club was host to three terrific nights of programming featuring (from left to right): Prof. Robert Jackall, Cable TV Panelists Josh Lebowitz '87, Tom Vitale '86 and Wayne Wilkins '79, and the Andy Jaffe Quintet whose concert was a smashing sell-out.

LECTURES

Geoffrey Canada

Thursday, February 19th
Reception at 6:30 PM, Lecture at 7:30 PM
Price is gratis for members, \$10 for non-members and guests.



Mr. Geoffrey Canada is the President and CEO of the Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families in Harlem and was an Honorary Degree recipient at the Williams College Commencement in 1997. He has appeared on a number of local and national television programs as a renowned expert on issues concerning violence, children and community redevelopment. An extraordinary leader, he combines charisma with substance and commitment with skill in implementing workable anti-violence and conflict resolution strategies. He is a gifted communicator with children, youth and with people from every strain of American society. He was instrumental in launching the Black Community Crusade for Children and, as Eastern Regional Coordinator, has made enormous contributions to its continued growth.

A child of the inner city who returned home with Bowdoin and Harvard degrees, he has persisted over many years in building a comprehensive set of community strategies that are now being studied and considered for replication across the country.

The following is an excerpt of Williams College President Hank Payne's awarding of the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws to Mr. Canada at the 1997 Commencement:

"To save children, you have said, we must save families. To save families, you observe, we must save communities. You have pursued this battle on all of those fronts, as teacher of Tae Kwon Do to Bronx youth, as President and CEO of the pathbreaking

Rheedlen Center for Children and Families, as leader in the Harlem Peacemakers Program and Community Pride Initiative, and now as head of the East Coast Region of the Black Community Crusade for Children...

"You have eloquently written of the 'monsters' which plague the children of our inner cities, and have dreamed of a day when they would be no more. But as you observe, 'Monsters work seven days a week and don't take vacations.' Your answer has been simply to do the same, and to invite the nation, like you, never to rest until that day comes."

Mr. Canada will be discussing his new book, *Reaching Up for Manhood: Transforming the Lives of Boys in America*. Please reserve early, as space is limited.

Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr.

"Tuskegee Airmen Highlights"

Wednesday, February 4th
Reception at 6:00 PM, Lecture at 7:00 PM.
Price is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members and guests.

Dr. Roscoe Brown served as Squadron Commander of the 100th Fighter Squadron of the 332nd fighter group—the famed Tuskegee Airmen—leaving military service in 1945 with the rank of Captain. He completed 68 combat missions flying the P-51 Mustang, escorting B-24 and B-17 bombers over Germany, Austria and the Balkans. The highlight of Dr. Brown's career occurred when he became the first 15th Air Force pilot to shoot down the ME-262 jet fighter on the 15th Air Force's longest mission. This mission led to the group's receiving the Presidential Unit Citation, the highest honor bestowed upon a combat unit. For his achievements, Dr. Brown was awarded

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the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with eight Oak Leaf Clusters.

Dr. Brown later earned a Ph.D. from NYU, and has pursued a career in education as Professor, founding Director of the Institute for Afro-American Affairs at NYU, President of Bronx Community College, and most recently as Director of the Center for Urban Education Policy at the Graduate School and University Center of the City University of NY.

DIRECT FROM CAMPUS

A Capella Fest:

The Ephlats & The Springstreters

Friday, February 27th

Cocktail reception at 6:30 PM, Concert at 7:00 PM.

Price is gratis for members, \$10 for non-members and guests

Sing sing sing! That's the theme for the evening. Join us for a blockbuster concert featuring both the all-male Springstreters and the co-ed Ephlats (recently featured at Yankee Stadium) performing full sets of their latest and greatest arrangements. Combined they boast some of the school's top voices and both groups are ready for their latest "Off-Broadway" gig. Price includes hors d'oeuvres and complimentary beer, wine and soda.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Freak

Young Alumni/ae Theater Outing

Tuesday, February 10th

Show at 8:00 PM

Cort Theater

138 West 48th Street

Informal gathering for cocktails at Club at 6:00 PM.

Show at 8:00 PM

Price is \$17 per person.

All theater lovers are invited, but we're catering especially to the young alumni/ae for this outing. *Freak* is writer/director/actor John Leguizamo's new one-man Broadway debut in which he portrays a cast of thousands. Only 70 performances of this new comedy are scheduled, and the Williams Club has procured tickets for one of the last previews (official opening is Feb. 12th) at a terrific discount.

Mr. Leguizamo is perhaps best-known for his HBO, Fox and Comedy Central specials including the Emmy winning "House of Buggin." He has been featured in such films as "To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar," "Carlito's Way," "Romeo and Juliet" and "The Fan" among others. In the past, his on stage work has been sensational; the Off-Broadway "Mambo Mouth" and "Spic-O-Rama" at SRO were both critically acclaimed. Tickets are limited, so please reserve early.

In the Kitchen

with Executive Chef Christopher James

Tuesday, March 3rd

Class begins promptly at 6:00 PM,

Followed by dinner at 7:00 PM.

Price is \$50 per person plus surcharge and tax.

Come behind the scenes at the Williams Club and let our Executive Chef Christopher James show you how to cook the specialties the Williams Club is known for. You'll receive a recipe booklet, chef's hat and apron as well as complimentary wine while you cook. After the class feast on the menu you have prepared. Recipes to be covered include:

Appetizers

Grilled Vegetables & Montrachet Tureen with Basil
Angel Hair Timbale with Marinated Shrimp
and Tomato Tarragon Sauce

Entrees

Roast Rack of Lamb in an Herb Dijon Crust and Truffle Sauce
Cabernet Whipped Potato
Sautéed Vegetables
Salmon En Croute and Spinach Saffron Buerre Blanc

Dessert

Almond Tuille with White Chocolate Peaunut Butter Mousse
Fruit Crepe with Cassis Sauce

Please reserve early, as space is extremely limited.

Live Well With Wine

Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay Tasting

Thursday, March 5th

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Price is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members and guests.

Join members from all the Ivy clubs to explore the art of wine-makers through a unique and interactive wine tasting and blending session. The program will include a business perspective insider's look at the wine industry, a look at the California grape growing regions and the major wine grape varieties, a session on how wines are made from the grape harvest to the bottle,



The Williams Club
Friday, February 13,

St. Valentine's Night Out

Dinner

Appetizers

Smoked Peppered Salmon with Garni
Oysters with Spinach and Caviar
Grilled Vegetables and Goat Cheese Parfait

Salad

Williams Club House Salad with Goat
Cheese

Entrees

Veal Oscar with Crabmeat, Asparagus and
Artichoke Hearts
Salmon Pinwheel with Spinach Beurr Blanc
Pan Seared Filet Mignon with
Green Peppercorn Sauce

Dessert

Chocolate Dipped Strawberries
Espresso Creme Brûlée
Profeterolls au Chocolate

Wine and Champagne included with Din-

After Dinner

Theater Tickets

Give our staff your three top choices
and we will find and order the show
tickets for you. We will try for any
show, but the following suggested
shows currently have tickets available

The King and I
Last Night of Ballyhoo
Miss Saigon
Jeckyll & Hyde

Private Car to the Theater

After dinner, be whisked off to the the-
ater to see the show of your choice by a
private car waiting just for you.

Overnight

Come back to the Club for a stay in one
of our cozy overnight rooms, complete
with continental breakfast in the morn-

Price is \$150.00 per person plus tax and surcharge for dinner and the theater outing,
\$210.00 with overnight accomodations.

Please contact Frank Vigorito for reservations at 697-5300 ext. 208

how wines are blended, and of course a portion on how to taste wine where you will learn why winemakers swirl, sniff, and spit.

This program is a special and comprehensive tasting from the winemaker's perspective. It includes five barrel sample Chardonnay wine components from coastal vineyards throughout California. The tasting also includes the completed master blend of Kendall-Jackson Vinter's Reserve Chardonnay. Each participant is given the unique opportunity of creating their own wine blend with a pipette to use and to keep as a future tool.

The seminar will be led by Kendall-Jackson's Jim Stanley, vice-president of Corporate Communications and Lili Hsi Thomas, their Director of Education. Please try to reserve early.

An Architectural Experience

Tuesday, February 24th

6:30 PM

Price is \$5 per person.

Penn Club

30 West 44th Street

Join Charles Gwathmey, a founder and partner of premier Architectural Gwathmey Siegal & Associates Architects, for a discussion of current trends in architecture and an overview of some of his recent projects. Following Mr. Gwathmey's lecture, he will take questions from the audience.

During Mr. Gwathmey's tenure, his firm has completed numerous high profile projects involving the New York Public Library, the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, the Fogg Museum at Harvard University, and the Museum of Contemporary Art in North Miami, Florida. A Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Gwathmey was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the New York State Society of Architects in 1990.

Penn Spring Art Tours

Saturdays at 11:00 throughout the Spring

Price is \$30 per tour or \$105 for all four per person.

Tours are conducted by Stacey Winston '88 Columbia University M.A. and with other graduate level art historians at Winston Wachter Fine Art. Tours last approximately 2 hours and include literature on the various art exhibitions to be viewed on the tour.

Uptown Action

Saturday, February 7th

11:00 AM

Meeting place is D'Amelio Terras

252 West 22nd Street (between 10th and 11th Avenues)

Visit the tony upper East Side and see exhibitions of more established artists as well as some up and coming new trends. The setting is among grand beaux arts spaces as well as contemporary galleries. The tour will also meet a private dealer and learn how they work.

SoHo So Hot

Saturday, March 7th

11:00 AM

Join us as we see the latest trends in the art world in SoHo. Visit the contemporary galleries, print publishers, alternative spaces, and an artist's studio.

Chelsea Chic

Saturday, April 18th

12:00 PM

The Chelsea art community has been growing steadily over the years, attracting new dealers as well as many of the dealers who first broke ground in SoHo. Come visit their galleries, alternative spaces and the museums that have put Chelsea on the map.

Please note different start time.

Tribeca Trails

Saturday, May 16th

11:00 AM

Tribeca has become an alternative to the SoHo art scene. See beautiful architecture as we explore the neighborhood, visiting artists' studios, galleries and avant-garde art spaces.

SOCIAL

Pre-Valentine's Young Alum Happy Hour

Wednesday, February 11th

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Price is gratis.

Get in the mood for St. Valentine's Day at this Happy Hour with a buffet loaded with sumptuous chocolate goodies and a spectacular Seafood & Cheese buffet featuring a Raw Seafood Bar, Oysters Rockefeller, Poached Salmon, Goat Cheese, Baked Brie and more. In addition to chocolate truffles and chocolate intensive desserts, the Valentine sweets will include Champagne Royale and Belinnis.

Joining us this month will be alumni and from our affiliate

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED IN ADVANCE
FOR ALL EVENTS UNLESS OTHERWISE**

INDICATED. PLEASE CALL

FRANK VIGORITO AT (212) 697-5300

EXT. 208 FOR ALL RESERVATIONS AND

INQUIRIES.

**PLEASE NOTE: TICKETED EVENTS
OUTSIDE THE CLUB ARE NON-CAN-
CELLABLE**

school Union College as well as the usual mix of Columbia and Barnard grads. Drink specials and dollar beer will be on the menu as always and Bartender/Alchemist Orlando will be mixing some of his famous Valentine's Day "Love Potion." Don't miss it!

First Annual Gay, Lesbian & Friends Inter-Club Black Tie Soiree

Friday, February 20th
7:00 - 10:00 PM
Price is \$65 per person.
The Harvard Club
(27 West 44th Street)

An elegant black tie evening in the Library's landmark Gordan Reading Room by the roaring fireplace, a splendid fete is planned for a buffet and reception. Full open bar. Hors d'oeuvres, crudite, iced shrimp, carved ham & turkey and sweets are just some of the wonderful cuisine to be enjoyed this evening. Limit one guest per account. Space is limited, so please reserve early. Dress is traditional black tie.

Pre-Valentine's Day Mixer

Thursday, February 12th
6:00 PM
Price is \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door.
Penn Club
30 West 44th Street

Have a sweetheart or looking to meet one? Come to the Penn Club the Thursday before Valentine's Day for the most fun mixer of the year! We won't let you experience those winter blues since we're expecting the biggest turnout of the year. Bring all your friends and enjoy the opportunity to meet and mingle with members from all the clubs. There will be music, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and soda, as well as a cash bar for all other cocktails.

Mardi Gras!

Friday, February 20th
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Price is \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door.
Princeton Club
15 West 43rd Street

Celebrate Mardi Gras, the world's biggest party, at the Interclub Masquerade & Costume Ball at the Princeton Club and discover what Mardi Gras madness is all about. It's an extravaganza that has been taking place for over a century, originating in 1872 when Rex, the King of Carnival organized the first daytime Mardi Gras parade and selected the official colors: purple - to represent justice (and Williams), green - to stand for faith, and gold - to signify power (and Williams). So no matter what your alma mater, tonight's universal colors are those of Mardi Gras (and Williams).

Dress in masquerade, costume, or formal attire and enjoy live music provided by "Brasil Tropical," a hot 7-piece band on the nightclub circuit. Experience the excitement of Mardi Gras in Rio

while being entertained by native Brazilian dancers performing the Lambada, Samba and other Latin American dances during the dazzling floor show.

Mix with members from all the clubs and their guests, sample complimentary hors d'oeuvres and try our special Carnival Potion Punch rivaling the world famous Capirhinas. Carnival Beads will be available for purchase for other cocktails and drinks at the bar. Door prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.

Make your reservations early, as Carnival always sells out.

INTER-CLUB SCENE

Cornell Film & Brew: *Scream*

Tuesday, February 24th
6:15 PM
Price is \$2 per person.
Cornell Club
6 East 44th Street

This month's film, *Scream*, is a crowd pleasing smash hit with a sizzling cast. Critics are calling it the hippest thriller of 1996. If the sequel has left you laughing, come revisit the original for spine-tingling horror.

After a series of mysterious deaths a seemingly peaceful community becomes a place where no one is safe and everyone is a suspect! That is when an offbeat group of friends rally to unlock the town's deadly secret and get caught up in a lively mix of thrills, chills and surprises. The all-star cast includes Neve Campbell, Courtney Cox, David Arquette and Skeet Ulrich. Directed by master of horror Wes Craven.

Death by Chocolate

Thursday, February 26th
8:00 PM
Price is \$32 in advance, \$38 at the door
The Harvard Club
27 West 44th Street

If you are ready for the ultimate chocolate experience, you must come to this extraordinary event. Chef Angela Ljubicio is once again opening all stops to provide a huge variety of chocolate confections. Chef Ljubicio and Pastry Chef Jorg Sporri promise a rare sampling menu of literally dozens of desserts, all based upon the cacao bean: cakes, fondues, syrups and sauces all designed to cheer you through the last dregs of winter. To help clear your palate between samplings and to wash down the luscious sweets, there will be an array of non-alcoholic beverages, including hot chocolate. The supplies will be unlimited and multiple samplings will be strongly encouraged.

To alleviate feelings of guilt, you will be pleased to know that chocolate is healthy, non-fattening, and low in cholesterol.

This event is expected to sell out, so please reserve early.

CANCELLATION POLICY

In order to ensure equitable service for all Club members, the Williams Club adheres to the following policy regarding cancellations. Event reservations may be canceled, free of charge by 5:30 PM, two working days prior to the event. Members cancelling after this time, as well as no-shows, will be charged the full cost of the event. Out of house ticketed events are non-cancelable. Advanced cancellations for free events are also appreciated. See individual event descriptions for additional restrictions.

NEW CLUB MEMBERS

Thomas Balderston '78

Randall Friedman '95

Christopher Grant '76

Melissa Matthes '86

Laurence Meckel '89

Anne Rimm '97

Mr. & Mrs. Rina pa '01

Mr. & Mrs. Tilly pa '01

Mr. & Mrs. Wiehl pa '01

Edward Brown, U.S. Naval Academy

Alfred Cheaure, U.S. Naval Academy

Williams McGoldrick, U.S. Naval Academy

Eric Wood, U.S. Naval Academy

FAX BACK RESERVATION FORM

For your convenience, we are creating this FAX Back Form for you to make reservations to our programmed events. Simply fill out this form by marking the number of tickets you want at the left of each event title, and then send it via FAX to the number listed at the bottom. Your reservations will be confirmed by phone in the order in which they are received. We hope this will make it easier for you to take advantage of the many programs and events we have to offer. As always, questions or comments may be directed to Frank Vigorito at (212) 697-5300 ext. 208.

Tickets

Show Choice #1:

_____ Geoffrey Canada

_____ Show Choice #2:

_____ Dr. Roscoe Brown, Jr.

_____ Show Choice #3:

_____ *A Capella* Fest

_____ Overnight Room?

_____ Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay Tasting

_____ Pre-Valentine's Day Mixer

_____ In the Kitchen Cooking Lessons

_____ Death by Chocolate

_____ Pre-Valentine's Happy Hour

_____ Mardi Gras!

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_____ Penn Spring Art Tours, All 4

_____ Gay, Lesbian & Friends Black Tie Soiree

_____ Uptown Action Tour

_____ Film & Brew: *Scream*

_____ St. Valentine's Night Out:

NAME: _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER: _____

PLEASE NOTE: There are no cancellations for ticketed events outside the Club such as theater and opera outings.

FAX TO FRANK VIGORITO AT THE WILLIAMS CLUB:

(212) 697-2008. No cover sheet necessary.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Catering

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Catering Department we wish you a happy and healthy New Year, and we would also like to thank all of you who contributed to making 1997 a very successful year for us. 1998 looks like it is shaping up to be just as busy; with only three weeks behind us we are already filling up space with rehearsal dinners and weddings.

We wanted to take this opportunity to tell you about our new **Friday Night Dinner Package**. The menu includes one hour of cocktails with an open premium bar and a four course dinner complete with a selection of the Club's wines. The price is \$60 per person inclusive of surcharge and tax. (The complete menu is listed at right.)

Please call us regarding this package or our Wedding Packages. Call anytime, we look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Tancredi
Director of Catering

Geraldine Carolan-Lencsak
Catering Manager

WILLIAMS TELETHONS

February 1st,	San Francisco
February 10th,	Boston
February 11th,	Washington, D.C.
February 12th,	NYC: Williams Club
February 13th,	NYC: Williams Club
February 14th,	NYC: Williams Club
February 15th,	NYC: Williams Club

For more info, call the Office of Annual Giving at Mears House at (413) 597-4153

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER PACKAGE MENU

Cocktails

(one hour)

Chef's Selection of Cold Canapes and Crudite with Dip
Open Premium Bar

Four Course Dinner

Appetizers

(choice of one)

Grilled Vegetables with Fresh Mozzarella
Baked Crabcake with Portabello Mushroom
Housemade Country pate
Baked Red Pepper Spinach Tart

Williams Club Mesclun

or

Caesar Salad

Entrees

(choice of one)

Baked Chicken and Spinach in Phyllo
Chicken and Shrimp Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce
Filet Mignon with Grilled Vegetables
Veal Franciase, Lemon Wine Sauce
Grilled Swordfish Steak, Au Poivre
Char Broiled Fillet of Salmon with Mustard Basil Sauce

Desserts

(choice of one)

Fresh Fruit with Sorbet
Chocolate Truffle Cake with Berry Coulis
New York Cheesecake, Berry Coulis
Raspberry Almond Tart
Warm Apple Crisp with Vanilla Sauce

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Tea and Decaffeinated Coffee
Williams Club Selection of Wines

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FIRST CLASS

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