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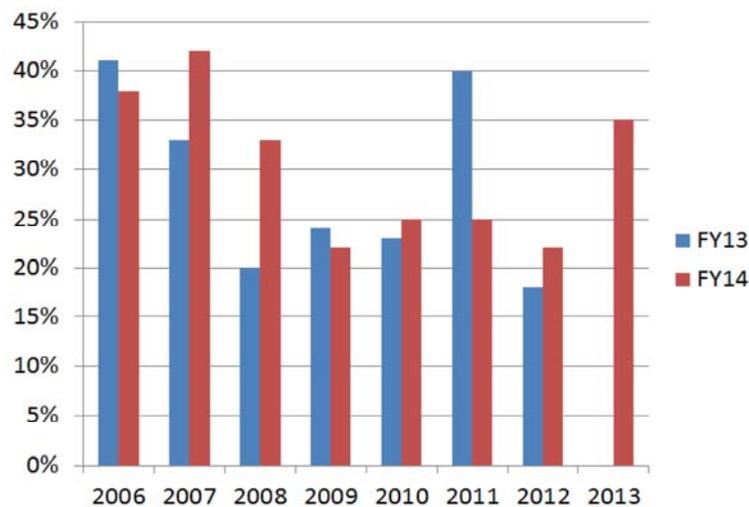
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Only 11 days left to donate... FY ends June 30!

The Class of 2007 is leading the pack as of 6.17.14 and surpassing its gifts from last year. We are so fortunate to have alumni who are willing to pay it forward by donating back to Olin. We are currently at 35% alumni participation and need your help to maintain last year's high rate of 71%. Check out more on our [website](#).

FY13 and FY14 Alumni Cash Participation



If you haven't made a gift to Olin this FY, you can make an [online gift](#) (or fulfill your pledge) today! It's also an ideal time to contribute, because an anonymous donor will match your gift dollar for dollar up to \$52,500. Your gift of any amount can go to the designation of your choice and this generous match will be designated toward scholarship, providing an important benefit to future students!

(Hint from fellow alumni who have already donated: [recurring gifts or pledge fulfillment](#) make it easier to donate now and in the future and save you from future reminders.)

Alumni Spotlight

Congrats...

President Richard Miller was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award by the California Institute of Technology. Rick was cited for visionary leadership and commitment to innovation in engineering education for the benefit of society.

Vice President for Development, Family and Alumni Relations Mary Kay McFadden was inducted in the University of Idaho Alumni Hall of Fame. Mary Kay's induction was based on her nationally recognized career and many accomplishments in the field of higher education fund raising.

Professor Zhenya Zastavker was invited to serve on the NAE Grand Challenge Scholars Program Steering Committee. This is a national committee, on which Professor Lynn Andrea Stein has been serving for a few years.

Last Wednesday, Vin Manno was a panelist at Umass Lowell the Deshpande Symposium. On the plenary panel, Manno, along with other influential educational professionals, spoke about "Innovation and Entrepreneurship as a Means to Institutional Transformation"

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Last Thursday, Professor Lawrence Neeley participated in Boston's State of Innovation Forum. Neeley was part of a panel of seven local leaders in education to discuss the "Struggles and Strengths of the Future of Education".

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Kevin Tostado '06 Wins 4 Emmys!

We want to offer our congratulations to Kevin Tostado '06 for winning a total of four Pacific Southwest Emmys for his documentary "Under the Boardwalk: The MONOPOLY Story." The documentary was awarded honors in directing, editing, documentary and musical composition. Way to go, Kevin!



An alumna's incredible European adventures

Having won a Gates Cambridge scholarship in her senior year, Ilana Walder-Biesanz '13 graduated and then began the transition from our small, ten-year-old college to the 800+ year-old University of Cambridge. There Ilana is about to complete a Master of Philosophy degree in European Literature and Culture. During her year abroad she has studied Nietzsche and Freud, participated in more than nine productions (serving as actor, American accent coach and chorus member), done a great deal of classical singing and traveled to Grenada, Normandy, Vienna and Prague. Most recently Ilana accepted a Fulbright Scholarship and plans to spend the 2014-15 academic year studying the use of technology in theater and opera in Germany. She has chronicled her exciting year and many of the details are presented on our post-graduate-planning blog. [READ MORE](#)



'14 Outcomes and Your Portfolios: A PGP Update

84 new Olin grads have been launched from the Bubble into the Big World. With this class, we have our first alumni attending grad school for dentistry and cinema arts. Four grad-school bound seniors will attend Stanford, and CMU and MIT grad programs will have two students each. Two additional seniors will go to Harvard Business school after working for two years. Entrepreneurs in this class will continue working on their own businesses - including [Lilypad Scales](#) and [The Technical Machine](#). Others will work for Amazon, Boeing, Facebook, Google, Microsoft, SpaceX, Teach for America and Twitter. Several are planning to travel for the summer before settling in to their new lives. Check out more accomplishments of the Class of '14 - both wise and wacky - [here](#).

Remember, OlinJobFinder which is a library of **example portfolios**, is a great resource provided by PGP. We're reaching out to both current students and alumni in the hopes that you will share your awesome portfolios with us! **If you've got a portfolio that you're proud of and willing to share just send an email to [PGP](#) with a link to it.**

OAC Updates

Now welcoming Eric Kolker, '13 as the new OAC Treasurer and Larissa Little and Brendan Quinlivan as '14 Class Reps. A full list of your Olin Alumni Council members, along with other resources, is located on our [website](#)

Are you missing your favorite things from Needham, or maybe your home town?

We know you are all over the world! Now get 10% off local products from various US states and abroad on [PiecesofThere!](#) Use the discount code "olinalumni" for 10% off at check out.



Upcoming Events

Summer Parties - June - August

Check our [website](#) or our events calendar for details on a party coming to an area near you!

[Belmont CA](#) - June 21

[Mountain View CA](#) - June 28

[Pittsburgh PA](#) - July 12

[Avon CT](#) - July 12

[Glenview IL](#) - July 13

[Lafayette CA](#) - July 19

[Tustin CA](#) - July 19

[Southborough MA](#) - July 19

Alumni Weekend - September 19 - 21

We currently have 29 RSVP's for Alumni Weekend on our [Facebook event!](#) Updates on the schedule of diverse, fun, awesome activities to come! Visit our [Lodging, Dining, & Area Tips](#) page for the available hotel room rates/blocks for that weekend.

**Alumni Weekend is formerly known as Reunion Weekend. The focus of the weekend will be on celebrating all alumni and reconnecting you with one another and on-campus community members. There will also be a special event to celebrate the 5-year Reunion for the Class of 2009*

Also check out

- WEBUR: [Why Women Don't study Engineering -- and What Olin College is Doing About it](#)
- Looking for a job? Be sure to check out the [latest postings](#) from PGP!
- Read [John Seely Brown's address to the graduating class](#)
- 5-year updates from the [class of 2009!](#)
- FileHippo: [Olin helps develop fully customizable, 3D-printable robot](#)
- Video: [Olin Rock Orchestra performs Knights of Cydonia](#)



Last week in the Bay Area...



President Miller, Director of Family and Alumni Relations Krissy Raposa, and Mary Kay McFadden, the new VP of DFAR were thrilled to reconnect in person with many at last week's **Bay Area Alumni Social**. Thanks to nearly 40 who were able to attend and the OAC and Pocket Gems for helping us host such a successful event. In addition to catching up, alumni enjoyed hearing from Rick regarding the Boston Globe article response, need for faculty, collaborative updates and more. See pictures from the event [HERE](#).

Image: Mary Kay (far right) with Kelsey Breseman '13, Erick Kolker '13, Tim Ryan and Jon McKay '13 (left to right)

While in the area Mary Kay and Krissy, were also delighted to visit **Google, Facebook, Tesla, Twitter, GitHub, RocksBox and more**. They appreciated the gracious hospitality, interesting tours, informative information on what you are doing now and reflections on Olin. If you are interested in providing more feedback feel free to do so [HERE](#).

President Miller participated alongside Tony Wagner in the Next New World hosted forum by *New York Times* journalist and author Thomas Friedman. Tony is a distinguished academic partner at Olin, expert in residence at Harvard's new Innovation Lab and author of "Creating Innovators: The Making of Young People Who Will Change The World," Their talk "Developing an Innovation-Driven Workforce" convened leaders drawn from the C-suite, government, education, think tanks and other fields to discuss how growth is generated and how the workforce needs to be educated to acquire the skills necessary in the 21st century. [READ MORE](#)

Resources

- [Alumni website](#)
- Update your info and connect with each other [Community Directory](#)
- Reorder your class ring [here](#)
- [Flickr](#) (Olin Photos)
- Olin Gear [website](#)
- Family and Alumni Relations office [Facebook Page](#)
- Join the Olin Alumni [Facebook group](#)
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