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### Calling all Kickstarters

Are you looking for another way to highlight the interesting projects you are creating in connection to Olin? Good news! We are creating an Olin College-curated page on Kickstarter\* where we can link to all past, present and future projects. If you have funded a project through Kickstarter or are thinking about it, tell us about it. Please email Senior Media Relations Representative, [Anne Marie Dorning](#).

\*This will not affect your individual project page.



### Receive a postcard on Build Day 2014!

If you want to make sure you receive a postcard from faculty, staff and students on Build Day, please update your mailing address in the [Olin Community Directory](#) which is on the left column navigation in the [Olin Portal](#). Log into the [Portal](#) using your Olin network username and password. Please visit <http://password.olin.edu> or send IT a help desk ticket ([HelpDesk@olin.edu](mailto:HelpDesk@olin.edu)) if you have any password problems. Check out the [user guide](#) for more information.



### Every-Commencement Contingent

Have you been to **every single** Olin College Commencement since the dawn of time? If you are part of this elite celebratory squad, step forward and be recognized! Email [Tiana Veldwisch '08](#) with your name and Olin affiliation, and we'll contact you with further instructions. See you on May 18!



### Upcoming events

**April 17- Bay Area Minerva Event** - Have you heard of Minerva University? It's a startup university based in SF aiming to re-shape higher education. Sound familiar? I hope so! Minerva will host an open house exclusively for Olin alumni 7:00 - 9:00pm, where you can learn more about this initiative. The Minerva staff are also eager to talk to alumni and learn more about what made the Olin experience so special for you. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP **HERE**

**April 19 - Olin Rock Orchestra** - Come join the [Olin Rock Orchestra](#) for its last concert of the year! Free admission 8:00-10:00pm (doors open at 7:30pm) Sorenson Theatre at Babson College (231 Forest St. Wellesley, MA, 02457)



**May 2 - Build Day** - A day to celebrate building relationships and strengthening Olin's community! You can check out what students are planning for this year on their [blog](#). Project work

and other events will start at 9:00am and continue until 4:30pm, with a break for lunch. If you can't participate in person, look forward to updates on the [FAR Facebook](#) and [Olin College Facebook](#). If you would like to participate by supporting the community [donate](#) to fund this year's Build Day projects! Please RSVP [here](#) or email [Trevor Hooton](#). Follow Build Day on Twitter at @BuildOlin and look for updates after the event on our [blog](#)!

**Build Night** - The Build Day Architects are thrilled to be collaborating with the [Student Alumni Association](#) and the [Olin Alumni Association](#) (OAC) Events Committee to host our first Build Night, an alumni event to mix and mingle with current students fresh off of Build Day. Join us for dinner, tour the projects, meet the teams and enjoy an evening of food and games!

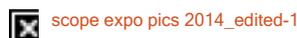
**May 7 - Olin College and North Hill**, a senior living community, will jointly host a "Celebration of Innovation" to launch their latest collaboration, the North Hill-Olin College Fund for Innovation in Aging. The official kick-off for the fund will be held Wednesday, May 7, 2014, from 6:00-7:30pm at the Epicenter in South Boston. The featured speaker will be Doug Rauch, former president of Trader Joe's Company, CEO Conscious Capitalism Inc. and founder and president of Daily Table, who will deliver the first Olin/North Hill Innovation Lecture. Following the lecture, there will be an award presentation to confer the first grant from the fund to Olin College student Amos Meeks '14, co-founder LilyPad Scales, a digital scale that can be used by individuals with limited mobility, such as the elderly or those who are in wheelchairs.

**May 10** - SAC invites you to spend a fun-filled Carnival with students on Saturday, May 10! Spend the day playing inflatables games and eating delicious food club treats, then roast marshmallows over a bonfire and participate in other campfire activities. Come for as long or as little as you like! RSVP to [sac@olin.edu](mailto:sac@olin.edu).

**May 12 - Olin Expo** - Meet our dynamic current students and see their exciting projects. Projects will be presented in poster sessions, oral presentation sessions and artistic performances. For more information email Expo contact and Assistant Professor of Applied Physics [Rebecca Christianson](#).

**May 12 - The National Science Foundation**, in conjunction with the Office of Congressman Joseph Kennedy III, is hosting an all-day workshop is expected to draw over 250 people. Participants will spend the day attending panel discussions that focus on the shortage of skilled middle-level STEM workers in the United States. Speakers will include President Miller, Jonathan Rothwell of the Brookings Institution, Deborah Boisvert, executive director of an NSF-supported Advanced Technological Center at UMass, Boston and Joan Ferrini-Mundy, assistant director of the National Science Foundation among others. For more detailed information [CLICK HERE](#).

**May 13 - SCOPE Expo** - Visit campus 9:15am until 4:00pm as teams of seniors present results from their year-long, corporate-sponsored projects. They will be featuring rocket talks and poster sessions. Please [RSVP](#).



**May 18-20 - Commencement Weekend** - If you are planning to join in the weekends festivities and need hotel accommodations, there is still availability! Reserve a room in our group/block rate before April 16 and 17! OAC will be hosting a celebratory social in the city so stay tuned for more details. If you have questions, you are welcome to contact [commencement@olin.edu](mailto:commencement@olin.edu). We look forward to seeing you in one month!

**June 11 - Bay Area Social** - Join President Miller and Director of Family and Alumni Relations Krissy Raposa and meet the new VP of DFAR Mary Kay McFadden, for an [event](#) beginning around 8pm in San Francisco. Stay tuned for more details.

**September 19-21 - Reunion/Alumni Weekend** - Save the date and see our [Lodging, Dining, &](#)

[Area Tips](#) page for the available hotel room rates/blocks for that weekend. **CLICK HERE** to fill out a survey that will help us make the event even better.



### Looking for a job?

Be sure to check out the [latest postings](#) from PGP.



### Host an Olin Family & Alumni Summer Party!

That exciting time of year is almost here...summer! Last summer nearly 530 Olin family members attended 28 parties and get-togethers from Maine to California in homes, parks, clubhouses restaurants and coffee shops. Summer parties were hosted by alumni, current students and alumni parents.

Will you join the fun this year and help Olin by hosting a [Family & Alumni Summer Party](#)? Welcome the incoming class of 2018 and their families and encourage everyone in the Olin community who lives within driving distance -alumni, current students, parents, family members, faculty and staff- to gather and celebrate with you. Parties need not be elaborate. Potlucks are perfect. If you would like to host a party between mid-June and mid-August please email Parent Advisory Board(PAB) Events Committee chair [Susan Liebson](#) P '16, and include your name, and year, area you would like to host in and preferred number and email for further logistical planning.



### Members of the Foreign Press visit Olin

On March 26, fifteen foreign journalists visited Olin as part of a State Department-sponsored trip. The program was designed to offer the reporters a look at trends in higher education, uses of technology and approaches to STEM education, particularly engineering in the United States. Journalists from Egyptian broadcast television Al Alhaya to representatives from the Seoul Broadcasting System and China's Peoples Daily were among the visitors. In addition to hearing from Provost Vin Manno, the journalists took a tour of Olin's campus and visited an Engineering for Humanity class.



### Also check out

- [Q&A with President Miller on the design of education](#)
- [The Collaboratory hosts faculty members from Inspur](#)
- [President Miller appointed to Epicenter Advisory Board](#)
- [Video: A View from the Top: Rethinking Engineering Education by Rick Miller](#)
- [Science on Screen: Chaos Theory Lecture by Professor John Geddes](#)
- [Forbes: The Top 50 ROI Colleges 2014](#)



### Resources

- [Alumni website](#)
- Update your info and connect with each other [Community Directory](#)
- [Flickr](#) (Olin Photos)
- Visit the Olin Gear [website](#)
- Follow the Family and Alumni Relations office [Facebook Page](#)
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