

HARVARD CANADIAN CLUB

FALL '14 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our Newsletter!

This biannual bulletin will share information about the Canadian Club and our American adventures! Our current undergraduate membership is 60 students, and we are growing fast. Our mission is to create a sense of community for Canadians at Harvard and to share our culture with students from around the globe.

Opening Days

We welcomed the Class of 2018 with a table at the Activities Fair and were met with great enthusiasm! We also held a social for Canadian freshmen, providing them with a casual atmosphere to get to know each other and members of the board.

Social Events

Our social events this semester included brunches, small gatherings and a "Snow Daze"-themed party. These were wonderful opportunities for Canadians to congregate and connect.



Terry Fox Run

The first annual Harvard Terry Fox Run was an enormous success. It was the fourth Terry Fox Run in all of America, and the first on a college campus. With over 100 participants, and a fundraising total of \$2800 (donated directly to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research), we couldn't be happier with the results. There was a buzz around campus leading up to the event, and students from all over the world were extremely excited to be there.

Decorated with Canadian flags and custom sidewalk chalk messages, the route from Newell Boathouse around the Charles River was teeming with Canadian spirit. The music playlist was also full of Canadian content (from Rush to The Guess Who), which added an extra Canuck touch to the atmosphere. As people crossed the finish line, they were visibly proud to have participated in such an important event. We were delighted to share Terry Fox's legacy with the Harvard community, and are optimistic that this event will grow and become a fixture on campus for many years to come!



Remembrance Day

Every year, we hold a candlelit Remembrance Day ceremony on the Widener Library steps to honour veterans and members of our armed forces. The program featured short speeches, a group reading of *In Flanders Fields*, a moment of silence, and a live performance of *Last Post*. Afterwards, all attendees were invited to stay, reflect, and enjoy hot chocolate.

Thanksgiving Dinner

This year's Canadian Thanksgiving was another tremendous success. With a beautiful setup overlooking Annenberg Dining Hall, over 70 students from all different backgrounds joined together to celebrate the holiday. HUHS provided a delicious feast of roast turkey, stuffing, pumpkin pie and a host of other festive fare. Per tradition, all participants sang a hearty rendition of "O, Canada" to all of Annenberg. We look forward to hosting again next year!

Support the Club

We appreciate your interest in the Harvard Canadian Club! Financial support is needed to continue to provide excellent services for our members. Funds are used to purchase club merchandise, long-term investments (e.g. speakers), and event necessities (e.g. insurance coverage, decorations, food and drink, etc.).

Thank you for your support.

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Looking Forward...

Next semester promises to be a busy one for the club under the leadership of the newly-elected executives: Co-Prime Ministers Dylan Munro '16 and Justin Oliver '16 (studying abroad) and Treasurer Eric Hollenberg '17. We are excited to welcome prospective members of the Class of 2019 to campus during Visitas weekend! We also plan to build relationships with other student cultural groups by initiating a joint "Commonwealth Games" field day. One of our ongoing goals is to reach as many students—both Canadians and self-identified Canuckophiles—as possible to create a wide network on campus and beyond. These valuable relationships encourage discussion about topics of Canadian interest, the international student experience, and life beyond Harvard.

Fall Board Members (L to R): Zoe Osborne '17, Johnny Tang '18, Eric Hollenberg '17, Justin Oliver '16, Charlotte Horton '13-'15, Dylan Munro '16, Margaret Irving '17 and Connor Bitter '17.

