OLD NASSAU

Tune every heart and every voice,
Bid every care withdraw;
Let all with one accord rejoice;
In praise of Old Nassau.

In praise of Old Nassau, we sing,
Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!
Our hearts will give while we shall live,
Three cheers for Old Nassau.
A BRIEF HISTORY OF CLASS DAY

The tradition of the Princeton Class Day dates back to as early as 1856, and in 1898 it was described as “a day over which the Graduating Class has full charge and which we run to suit ourselves, in our characteristic way.” Although seniors no longer smoke long white clay pipes before smashing them on the cannon, Class Day still features student speeches, remarks by the University President, and the presentation of awards. During the twenty-first century, prominent Class Day speakers have come to entertain and advise the class; recent class speakers have included comedians, actors and statesmen. Other elements of contemporary Class Day exercises include the presentation of a symbolic key to the campus by the University President, the wearing of orange and black class jackets and the singing of “Old Nassau.”

RECENT CLASS DAY SPEAKERS

2013: David Remnick ’81
2012: Steve Carell
2011: Brooke Shields ’87
2010: Charles Gibson ’65
2009: Katie Couric
2008: Stephen Colbert
2007: Bradley Whitford
2006: Bill Clinton
2005: Chevy Chase
2004: Jon Stewart
2003: Jerry Seinfeld
2002: James A. Baker, III ’52
2001: Bill Cosby

A BRIEF HISTORY OF CLASS JACKETS

Senior class jackets, popularly known as “beer jackets,” are a common sight on Class Day. This article of clothing traces its origins to 1912 when a group of students decided to wear blue denim overalls and jackets to prevent beer from spotting their clothes. The following year, the Class of 1913 followed suit, but chose to wear white instead of blue. After the First World War, costumes were embellished with humorous logos, including jabs at Prohibition. Although overalls were abandoned following the Second World War, beer jackets have remained an integral part of Commencement activities.

Class Day and Class Jacket Histories courtesy of the Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library.

Following the ceremony, seniors – denoted by class jackets – may pick up lunch for themselves and their four guests on Alexander Beach near Witherspoon Hall.

If you return to Cannon Green to eat after the ceremony, please use the seats closest to West College, as the other seats will be moved to prepare for this afternoon’s Hooding Ceremony.

Wristbands, which are needed to receive beer and wine at tonight’s Prom, may be obtained in advance during lunch today between Whig and Clio. You must present government-issued identification to receive a wristband. Wristbands are available until 2 p.m. and may also be obtained at Prom from 8:30 p.m.

Please do not leave your seat to take photos. Professional photos from University photographers will be available online at www.princeton.edu/pr/gradpics/2014. Please note that any personal photos or videos taken during this event should be used for personal purposes only.
HONORARY CLASS MEMBERS

John Barbour, Jr.
Sergeant, Department of Public Safety

Cynthia Cherrey
Vice President for Campus Life

Gabriel Crouch
Senior lecturer in Music

Vice President Al Gore
Class Day Keynote Speaker

Dov Weinryb Grohsgal *13
Lecturer, Princeton Writing Program

Ailsa Leen
Exchange student, Oxford University

John Luria
Director, Bridge Year Program

Joy Roberts
Kosher cook, Dining Services

CLASS DAY 2014

WELCOME

Taylor Francis ’14
Teddy Schleifer ’14
Alisa Tiwari ’14
Class Day Chairs

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

Christopher Eisgruber ’83
20th President of Princeton University

CLASS PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

Luchi Mmegwa ’14
Class President
PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS PRIZES

Kathleen Deignan
Dean of Undergraduate Students

Acknowledgment of Pyne Prize Winners
Allen Macy Dulles Class of 1951 Award
Frederick Douglass Service Award
Harold Willis Dodds Achievement Prize
W. Sanderson Detwiler 1903 Prize
Class of 1901 Medal

STUDENT REMARKS

Adam Mastroianni ’14

PRISCILLA GLICKMAN ’92 MEMORIAL PRIZE

Kimberly de los Santos

John C. Bogle ’51 and Burton G. Malkiel ’64 Director of the Pace Center for Civic Engagement

PRESENTATION OF ATHLETIC AWARDS

Gary Walters ’67
Ford Family Director of Athletics

Class of 1916 Cup
William Winston Roper Trophy
C. Otto von Kienbusch Award
Art Lane ’34 Citizen Athlete Award

THANK YOU

The Class of 2014 would like to thank the following retiring faculty members for their commitment to the education of undergraduates at Princeton:

Kwame Anthony Appiah
Philosophy

Gillian R. Knapp
Astrophysical Sciences

Robert William Bagley
Art and Archaeology

Paul Lansky ’73
Music

Michael Leslie Bender
Geosciences

Larry L. Peterson
Computer Science

William Happer ’64
Physics

Alejandro Portes
Sociology
SPIRIT OF PRINCETON AWARD RECIPIENTS

Farrah Bui ’14
Estela Diaz ’14
Sara Fgel ’14
Jenesis Fonseca-Ledezma ’14
Carmina Mancenon ’14
Adam Mastroianini ’14
Matthew Vengalil ’14
Benedict Wagstaff ’14
Trap Yates ’14

SINGING OF OLD NASSAU

Charmaine Lee ’14
Eric Traub ’14
Ariana Gover-Chamlou ’14
Bennett Butler ’14
Nikhita Prasanna ’14
Ryan McCarty ’14
Tanyaradzwa Tawengwa ’14
Jonathan Schwartz ’14

STUDENT REMARKS

David Drew ’14

INDUCTION OF HONORARY CLASS MEMBERS

PRESENTATIONS BY

Dylan Ackerman ’14
Class Vice President
Sophia Deng ’14
Class Treasurer
Cameron Henneberg ’14
Class Social Chair
Mary D’Onofrio ’14
Class Secretary

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Vice President Al Gore

CLOSING REMARKS

Taylor Francis ’14
Teddy Schleifer ’14
Alisa Tiwari ’14
Class Day Chairs
FIGEŁ Change. But do not lose yourself. MIrYAM AMSILI See the world semester by semester.

AUGUST BLOOM Learning about discovery, diversity, service, transformations. BrUNO VeLLOSO Learn, grow, becoming more than oneself. ALexANDer LC JUDGe T’was unforgettable, now savor the memories. eLIZABeTH experiences. reBeCCA SMAHA I adopted an ethically sourced puffin. eLAN kUGeLMAS The shrunken squirel has become my latest obsession. eMILY FOuRièrre Here’s to never growing up. PHILIP DerSHWITZ This went by surprisingly quickly. GA-