

The Boston Smith College Club Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

9/20/07 6:00 – 9:00pm

Mountain Day Party

9/20/07 6:30 – 10:00pm

Multi-College Young Alumni Get Together

9/24 or 9/25 6:30 pm

thirtysomethings dinner

10/04/07 5:30 – 7:30 pm

College Luncheon Series with Andrew Zimbalist

10/16/07 TBA

Speed Networking (Volunteers Needed!)

11/29/07 12:00 pm –

College Luncheon Series with David Morales

12/06/07 TBA

Holiday Party

President's Address

Greetings! The Board of Directors of the Boston Smith College Club (BSCC) is busy at work planning another terrific year of programs. We had an excellent turnout for the club's four signature events last year: the Mountain Day Party, Holiday Party with the Smiffenpoofs, Alumnae Tea, and the Simple Spring Supper with Smith Professor Andy Zimbalist. We hope to build upon our success in the coming year. The Board of Directors met this summer for a strategic planning retreat to discuss the overall direction of the club. We identified three priority areas: *Communications* to reach out to more Smith alumnae in the Boston area and to explore ways to improve the club's website, *Board Development* to continue to recruit strong leadership to the board, and *Membership* to better engage members with the club's activities.

You may not know the Boston Smith College Club made a gift to the college, provided book awards to numerous schools in Boston and the South Shore, or distributed welcome gifts to new Smith students. The club is also very active with Smith admissions, attending college fairs and interviewing prospective students. And last but not least, the club provides a wonderful way for local Smith women to socialize and network with one another. Please do not hesitate to contact me or any of us on the board with suggestions and let us know if you would like to become a club volunteer.

[Phoebe Slanetz '96, BSCC President](#)

News and Invitations

We send news and invitations primarily through email using the Alumnae Directory. Members will also receive invitations by postal mail. Update your email, address, and telephone here:

Website: http://alumnae.smith.edu/tools/update_address.php

Telephone: 1-800-526-2023

Smith has recently added more tools to the Alumnae Website, including group forums, resume posting, personalized lists, and more— all free of charge.



ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
of SMITH COLLEGE

Membership

JOIN OR RENEW: It's that time of year again! This year, our Club has revised our membership rates. Please join or renew your membership and note the new deadlines by filling out the form at the end of this newsletter. Benefits include mailed printed invitations, discounts on club events, and much more! Thank you to those who are renewing. We truly appreciate your continued support of our Club and we couldn't do it without you! If you do know of alumnae who would like to join or get involved, please bring them to one of our events. We'd love to meet any new area alumnae and introduce them to our Club.

Our membership last year consisted of over 100 alumnae in the Boston, North and South Shore areas, in addition to the many alumnae who participated in our Club's various events. This outstanding group of alumnae included authors, teachers, lawyers, doctors, artists, architects, graduate students, business owners, government workers, and so much more! **A special thank you goes out to those who provided additional support to the club last year.**

[Christina Bain '00](#)

BSCC TREASURY UPDATE

The club currently has a strong financial position. We have an operating revenue of \$4,033, and we donated \$2,000 to the Smith Alumnae scholarship fund in the past year. Thank you to our members and guests for helping us to raise money for Boston area students.

[Angela Williams '96](#)

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Did you hear? Smith was listed as the hottest women's college in a recent Newsweek article. Check it out!

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/20228437/site/newsweek/page/0/>

Admissions Newsflash

THANKS TO THE ADMISSIONS TEAM of 2006-2007:

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Thanks to the commitment and efforts of nearly 50 BSCC volunteers, 150 students applied to Smith this past year from the Boston area. Of this group, 63 students were admitted, and 28 students enrolled for the Class of 2011! From the South Shore, 29 students applied to Smith, 15 were admitted, and 7 enrolled!

In addition, 41 book awards were presented to local high school students from Boston and the South Shore. BSCC presents juniors, who have demonstrated exemplary leadership and academic achievements, with a copy of *Gift from the Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh. Once again, The Book Shop of Beverly Farms (www.realbookshop.com), provided us with more than 40 gift-wrapped books to distribute to schools in downtown Boston and the South Shore. These book awards were also made possible thanks to the generous contributions to the program from several BSCC members.

We appreciate the continued dedication and support of the entire admissions team, who have reached out and interviewed prospective students. Special thanks to Brandy King who led five College Fairs this year in Boston, Katie McCarthy and Tanya Trevisan who managed our admissions efforts on the South Shore, and Christine Conlon who coordinated our book awards program on the South Shore.

The South Shore Student Send Off Party was on Saturday, August 18th at the Hingham Public Library. Thirteen Smithies came; there were four first-years, one sophomore transfer, one sophomore, and seven alums from the classes of 1956 to 2005! Everyone had a good time sharing their Smith experiences and we wished the first-years off to a great year!

We're already preparing for admissions efforts to recruit the best and brightest for the Class of 2012! If you are interested in helping out, contact Audrey Paek at audreypaek@smith.alumnae.net. For more information on college fairs, contact Brandy King (brandy.king@gmail.com) for Boston or Jessica Foley for the South Shore (jessicafoleylevine@gmail.com).

Boston: Audrey Paek '92

South Shore: Katie McCarthy '05

Congratulations to Tanya Trevisan, who has been appointed Network for Alumni Admissions Coordinators for Area 1 (Massachusetts). She succeeds Peg Merzbacher who did an outstanding job in this role for the past several years. We're grateful for her inspiration and motivation!

Signature Events

The Boston Smith College Club hosts four signature events annually: the Mountain Day party in the Fall, a Holiday party in December, an annual High Tea in late Winter, and our Simple Spring Supper. In keeping with a favorite Smith tradition, the Mountain Day party promises an escape for casual fun with new and old friends as well as a chance to start or renew membership to the Club, to volunteer on a committee or two, or to just network personally and professionally with other alums. You may also want to dress up a bit, soak in the seasonal festivities, and enjoy the familiar renditions of a Smith a capella group at our Holiday party. The annual Tea has been a Boston tradition for decades, and can also be a chance for prospective students to get to know the college. And finally, you can throw winter off your shoulders and the sleepiness out of your head at a stimulating talk at another of the Boston Club's long-standing events, the Simple Spring Supper. We hope you will join us!

If you're interested in working with us on these events, please contact:

[Rachelle Boyle '89](#), [Anna Ing '95](#)

The Mountain Day Party

This year's Mountain Day party is being graciously hosted by **Elizabeth Tyminski** on her lovely rooftop patio overlooking the Boston Common. Thursday, September 20th, 6:00p to 9:00p. Two Arlington Street, #5, at Beacon Street. Back Bay, Boston. Wine, beverages and appetizers. A fun indoor celebration will continue in the event of rain. \$10 members, \$20 non-members. Annual 2007-08 membership payments will be accepted at the door. RSVP early, as space is limited!

The Holiday Party

Save the date! Thursday, December 6th at the College Club in Back Bay. Our party last year was a tremendous success, and we will be hosting a similar holiday event this year.

thirtysomethings

The thirtysomethings group is for members of the class of 1985-1997ish. It's for those who may be at crossroads in career or personal life, or just want to expand their social circle and meet other fabulous Smith women. Events range from social events (dinner group, wine tastings) to informal talks by our classmates about experiences such as starting a business or writing a book. The next event is a dinner group on Sept 24 or 25 and we're lining up a talk in October.

Questions, ideas, suggestions:

[Suzanne Brendle '93](#) and [Clare Kiley '88](#)

Over-Thirty-Somethings

The Over-30-Somethings reflects both the common interests of Smith alumnae, and the special interests of the age group suggested by its name. Luncheons are held at The Elephant Walk restaurant on 900 Beacon Street (parking and T close-by) and include wonderful food and conversations. Other activities may spin off from the luncheons; Smith alumnae have renewed old and made new friends.

[Diane Neal Emmons '55](#)

Young Alums

Starting out in the real world often means finding new friends and learning from your peers. What better way to meet smart, interesting, and ambitious young women in the area than to get together with other recent Smith grads? Young Alumnae events are held at least four times a year to gather together alums under 30 for socializing and networking. Events are typically low-cost to accommodate recent graduates. Last year the group enjoyed a gathering in the North End, three tea events at young alums' apartments, and a soup party in the winter. This year we have two fall events planned already, see below for details. [Brandy King '01](#)

Multi-College Young Alumni Get Together

Want to meet up with old college friends or find some new ones? Come to the lounge at Lir (www.lironboylston.com) on Thursday, September 20th from 6:30 – 10 pm!

All alumni from the classes of 1999-2007 are welcome:

Amherst College
Boston University
Brandeis University
Brown University
Bryn Mawr College
Hampshire College
Harvard University
MIT
Mount Holyoke College
Smith College
Vassar College
Yale University
Wentworth (WIT)

\$8 per person at the door. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cash bar. Raffles to benefit Children's Hospital Boston.

RSVP by Sept 18th to mccarthy.katherine@gmail.com
Flyer:
http://boston_smith.tripod.com/youngalumevent.pdf

Speed-Networking Event

On October 16th, young alumnae will have the opportunity to gain career insight and advice from a variety of successful Smithies established in their careers. Amy Mastrobattista '87 is generously hosting this wine and hors d'oeuvres event at her office near North Station. More details to follow.

Are you an alumna from the class of 1945 – 1999 who could serve to represent any career or field listed here, or others? Please contact brandy.king@childrens.harvard.edu:

- Health Care (doctor, nurse, nurse practitioner, etc)
- Law (lawyer, paralegal)
- Science (lab worker, engineer, academic)
- Business/Finance (banking, investments, financial planner, etc)
- Marketing/Advertising
- Teaching (elementary/middle/high school teachers, school administrators, college professor, etc)
- Technology (webmaster, information technology, etc)
- Nonprofit
- Entrepreneur (business owner, consultant, etc)
- Art/Architecture (graphic designer, museum worker, architect, etc)
- Psychology/Social Work
- Politics (local, state or national government)

Career Conversations

Career Conversations are Occasional Gatherings to discuss Careers and Life, and the program usually includes a reception, light refreshments, and conversations, typically beginning with a topic of general interest but often spinning off into related issues of interest to the group. The first meeting will be in tandem with a Young Alumnae program: Speed Networking, held on October 16. Other Career Conversations will be scheduled according to the convenience and interest of BSCC members and guests.

[Diane Neal Emmons '55](#)

College Luncheon Series

The College Luncheon Series is sponsored by Boston area alumni of Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, Hamilton, Middlebury, Smith, Trinity, and Williams Colleges. Speakers are distinguished members of the community. At past luncheons, we have been privileged to have notable speakers such as Dr. Paul Farmer, Robert Kraft, and Jill Ker Conway. Meetings are held at the Union Club, 8 Park Street, traditionally on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Recently, we have been exploring the idea of holding some of these meetings on Thursdays from 5:30 - 7:30 PM, which could, perhaps, be a convenient time for everyone involved. (The event name would remain College Luncheon Series— a quirky misnomer for evening gatherings.)

The opening event of the year in this case will be held the evening of October 4, from 5:30 until 7:30. The speaker will be Andrew Zimbalist, Robert A.

Woods Professor of Economics at Smith College who has consulted extensively in the sports industry for players associations, leagues, cities, and owners. The next gathering will be a luncheon held on November 29. The speaker will be David Morales, senior adviser to Governor Deval Patrick on policy and strategic planning.

[Diane Neal Emmons '55](#)

Book Clubs

Bookworms, unite! We have an active book club in Boston and another on the South Shore. Interested in attending or suggesting the next book?

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