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SMITH CLUB OF CLEVELAND



Dear Friends,

The Club started off the year with an October 8th panel presentation, "Cleveland Brain Gain & Our Role," and kickoff of our celebration of Smith's 10 year anniversary with Summer on the Cuyahoga (SOTC). Approximately 50 people attended this event at JumpStart. It was moderated by Lynn-Ann Gries '84. There was good food and drink for all thanks to Program Chairs Heather Stoll '94 and Kären Pritchard '82, who organized the event.

It was clear that our efforts are important to the overall mission of attracting and retaining young people in Cleveland. Now, we have to do a better job of keeping the Smithies here for the long term. To that end, our Gateway Project, started by young alum rep Lauren Reed '06, is important. The idea is to connect Northeast Ohio students and Smith SOTC interns nearing graduation with alumnae in their desired career fields. I encourage you to go to the site Lauren has created: <http://bit.ly/SmithGateway>. Please fill in your information and let us know of your willingness to participate and of your professional and other affiliations so we can match up students and alumnae.

Also evident was that our participation in SOTC since 2004 has been a worthwhile endeavor for the Smith Club here, the region, and the College. This is evidenced by the fact that we have three former interns on our Club Board this year. It means your increased financial support as we celebrate this year's 10th anniversary milestone is necessary. Not only will it allow us to bring 7-10 Smith students to Cleveland this summer, but it will help sustain the program in the future. Together we can reach our goal of \$20,000 with 100 members participating. Of course our Club dues and scholarship contributions are important as well!

Fast forward, mark your calendars to attend the holiday party Sunday, December 8 at Sara's Place Restaurant in Gates Mills. This year, we are veering from tradition and trying something different by having the event at a public place. The food promises to be good and the décor festive. We hope we'll see some new faces and everyone will enjoy.

Hope to see you at the holiday party,

Elizabeth Chandler '87, President

Have you put the **Holiday Party** (think winter weekend, young alums) on your calendar yet? If not, put aside this newsletter (just for a minute) and mark it for Sunday, December 8 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Sara's Place Restaurant, by Gavi's in Gates Mills. By now you should have received your invitation by mail and email. This year's event will include dinner, so you won't go home hungry. Don't worry there will be plenty of time for mixing and mingling too! We'll have complimentary valet parking, so this gives you one less excuse not to come. Cost is \$35 per person which includes appetizers, dinner, dessert, all non-alcoholic beverages, and two complimentary drink tickets for wine or beer. Please help our program chairs out and send in your reservation to Heather Stoll '94 by November 25th. Note that once we confirm the count at the end of November, the Club will be charged for those who don't show. So, there will be no cancellations or refunds after November 29th. Thanks for your understanding.

Summer on the Cuyahoga is looking for bikes for their interns to explore the city and employers for summer 2014. Anyone with a bike no longer in use who would like to donate it (you'll get a gift receipt) and or who would like to employ an intern or know someone who might, should let Marjorie Roth '67 (riroth@comcast.net), one of our Smith SOTC reps, know. Marjorie will connect you with the folks at SOTC. They make it easy for employers to participate. It is a great way to find smart, capable hires. And, through the program interns get housing and are exposed to all that is great about Cleveland through a myriad of events over the summer. There is no obligation or cost to employers who post jobs, but who don't find a student who matches their criteria. If they do, the cost is \$1,100 for intern housing and events plus the intern's salary, which is at least minimum wage. The website went live for employer postings on October 26 and will close on January 24. Students interested in the program may start applying for jobs starting on November 8. Hiring will conclude April 18. SOTC's executive director, Jean Koehler, was just on Smith's campus November 7 and met with our 2013 interns and about 28 students who came to two information sessions she held about the program.

Come this spring, Marjorie Roth and her co-chair, a former SOTC intern, Lydia Bussiere '12, will be looking for host families and for alumnae help with organizing events for our Smith interns, so you should contact Marjorie if this interests you. There are eight participating schools. They include CWRU, Colgate, Cornell, Ohio Wesleyan University, University of Chicago, Yale University, Smith, and Denison, which joined this year. The program is 8-10 weeks in duration for interns.

Thanks go to the 19 alumnae who have already contributed \$8,275 toward our **goal of \$20,000 with 100 members participating** this year. Our donors to date include:

Patricia Ashton	Yen Izanec	Clara Rankin
Christy Bittenbender	Susan LaPine	Marjorie Roth
Joanne Bonder	Amy Miller	Ginger Van Wagenen
Amy Carlson	Jan Mottinger	Musette Vincent
Elizabeth Chandler	Ella Quintrell	Alice Webster
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If you haven't yet answered to our challenge and sent in your gift in response to the letter sent to all area alumnae in mid-October, it isn't too late. We hope you will include this program, which is such a win-win for Cleveland and Smith, in your plans for year-end giving. Gifts of all sizes are encouraged and welcome. Checks may be made payable to "Smith College Club of Cleveland" with "SOTC" in the memo and sent to: Smith College Club of Cleveland, Summer on the Cuyahoga, C/O Yin Mei Lim, 1388 Blackmore Road, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118.

Thanks go to our SOTC Steering Committee that has put in place the structure to help us meet our goals. Its members include: Lydia, Marjorie, Barbara Galvin '57, Susan LaPine '68, Yin Mei Lim '98, Ella Quintrell '49, Betsy Sampliner '62, and Suzanne Stratton-Crooke '61. Smith is also fortunate to have Lynn-Ann Gries '84, who represents Smith well, as president of the SOTC board comprised of members from participating schools.

Joanne Bonder '76 hosted the first **decade party** of the year for classes 1964 to 1976 at her house on October 19th. As the event coincided with President McCartney's Inauguration and Installation that day, the group watched the live webcast of the installation. Amy Miller has volunteered to host the classes 1990-2013 again this year. Details about that decade's party and the others will be forthcoming. The Senior Smith Luncheon is scheduled for Friday, May 2 at noon at the Cleveland Skating Club.

Should you have questions about **Book Club** or like to join, Kathy Abramczyk '74 (kmabramczyk@gmail.com) is the one to contact. The book list and schedule for the rest of the 2013-2014 year follow. It is also posted on the Club's website <http://tinyurl.com/smithcle>.

Date	Title	Author	Host (H)/Discussion Leader
December 11, 2013	How Georgia Became O'Keefe	Karen Karbo	Yen Izanec (H)
January 8, 2013	The Yellow Birds	Kevin Powers	Ginnie Dawson
February 12, 2014	The Dinner	Herman Koch	Eileen Gold (H), Jean Rhodes
March 12, 2014	The Celestials	Karen Shepard	TBD
April 9, 2014	The Calligrapher's Daughter	Eugenia Kim	Susan LaPine (H)
May 14, 2014	Citizens of London: The Americans Who Stood With Britain in its Darkest, Finest Hour	Lynne Olson	Diane Collier (H), D. Collier
June 11, 2014	And the Mountain Echoed	Khaled Hosseini	Ginnie Dawson (H), Betsy Sampliner & Carol Posner

We are saddened to report the **death** of Jean Miller Latimer '33 in October. Jean regularly attended Smith Club events. She was also very active in the Girls Scouts, which honored her in 2004 for 80 years of girl scouting and service of exceptional quality. She was honored again by them in 2011 at her 100th birthday. Condolences go to daughter Patricia, who accompanied her mother to many Smith events in recent years, and son Harold, who both live in the Cleveland area.

Our **young alum** reps Lauren Reed '06 and Julianne Roseman '13 are planning a Julia Child cooking event for young alums on a date to be determined. Details will be forthcoming. Lauren keeps this group up to date through the Club's Facebook page. It is <http://facebook.com/groups/SmithClubCleveland> or <http://bit.ly/SmithCle>. If you are on Facebook and haven't joined the group, you should. Among other items, she posts pictures from events. Young alums can also contact Lauren and Julianne directly at smithclubclevelandyoungalums@gmail.com.

News from the Smith Campus: Just in from campus, an update from the newest area students there, Anna Render and Blythe Coleman-Mumford. Both entered Smith this fall and were gracious enough to respond in time for this newsletter's publication. **Anna**, a graduate of Berea High School and daughter of Cecilia Render '83, seems to be settling into Gardiner House and life at Smith well. A student in the Picker Engineering Program, her favorite class is EGR 100, Engineers for Everyone. Anna is an AEMES scholar (Achieving Excellence in Mathematics, Engineering and Science), having been invited upon her acceptance at Smith. The program is "dedicated to building a community of diverse students in STEM fields at Smith." She is treasurer of the Madeleine (yearbook) and enjoyed apple picking on Mountain Day with her housemates. When asked of her impressions of Smith so far she replied, "Drench yourself in words unspoken; live your life with arms wide open; today is where your book begins; the rest is still unwritten"—Natasha Bedingfield, *Unwritten*. A graduate of Oberlin High School, **Blythe** is a member of the Green Team, an environmental organization on campus. She is a sustainability rep for her house, Capen, and is helping it to be more environmentally sustainable. She wants to pursue an environmental policy major with a concentration in sustainable foods and is taking Spanish in preparation for study abroad in South or Central America. Her first semester course load has included classes in environmental policy, sociology (101), accelerated Spanish, the global coffee trail (first year seminar, history and study of coffee), and aerobic conditioning. "I love my house community - ever since the first day, I've felt utterly comfortable and at home," says Blythe. "It could not have been a smoother transition! I truly feel a general sense of empowerment from being here!"

Membership Update

We are pleased to list and thank the following 72 alums and friends who have paid dues and/or made scholarship contributions for 2013-2014 as of November 1, 2013. We are particularly grateful to the 33 sustaining members and the 40 alums who have contributed to the scholarship fund.

Glenn G. Anderson
***Patricia Ashton**
***Bonnie M. Baker**
Christy Bittenbender
 *Joanne Bonder
 *Elaine Brophy
 *Ann Case
 *Elizabeth Chandler
 *Diane Collier
 *Katherine Collin
 *Virginia Dawson
 Muffie Distad
 *Molly Downing
 *Nancy Duff-Boehm
Mary Dunbar
 Gretchen Dutko
 Mary Emerson
 *Barbara Y. Galvin
 Pam Gibbon
 *Eileen Gold
 *N'omi Greber
 Marjorie Grodin
 *Suzy Hartford
 *Marie Heed

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 *Mary Herrick
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 *Nancy Lavelle
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 *Nancy McCormack
 Nancy McCrickard
Amy Miller
 *Samantha Mishne
 *Jane Ross Moore
 Rita Moore
 Caroline Morgan
 *Sally Morley
 Jane Morris
Joanne Mortimer

*Janice Mottinger
 Meg Naylor
 Lydia B. Oppmann
 *Jane Outcalt
 Sue Pacini
 *Kathy Pender
 Carol Posner
 *Ella Quintrell
Clara Rankin
 *Marjorie Roth
Lois Roulston
 *Betsy Sampliner
 *Julie Siegel
 Suzanne Stratton-Crooke
 Ilga Svechs
 *May Targett
 Elizabeth Tone
Ginger Van Wagenen
 *Musette Vincent
 *Mary von Herrmann
 *Alice Webster
 Nancy West
 Dudley Yost
 *Margot Youngs

Bold Denotes Sustaining Members

* Denotes Scholarship Fund Contributors

Please support our programs by sending in your dues. Thanks! Dues payments are for the fiscal year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. If you have not yet paid your dues, you may send your check payable to The Smith College Club of Cleveland along with the form attached below to: Muffie Distad, 20005 Sussex Road, Shaker Heights, OH 44122-4920

The Smith College Club of Cleveland
2013-2014

Name _____ Class _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip _____
 E-Mail _____ Phone(____) _____

Membership Categories (please check one):

\$75 (Sustaining)____ \$45 (Regular) ____
 \$15 (Junior: classes 1999-2008) ____

(Free introductory membership for classes 2009-2013)____

My scholarship contribution is \$250____\$100____\$50____ Other ____

I am willing to: open my home for a large meeting____ small meeting____;
 network with current students & recent alumnae in the field of:_____
 volunteer for a board position____, SOTC____, recruiting students____.