SMITH COLLEGE CLUB OF CLEVELAND

March 2011

The Mission of the Smith College Club of Cleveland is to encourage a sense of connection and continuity with Smith, past, present, and future, to promote an awareness of Smith in the Cleveland community, to encourage qualified students to apply to Smith, and to contribute to the college’s scholarship fund.

Dear Fellow Smith Alumnae,

Since my last newsletter, we have enjoyed our delightful annual holiday party graciously hosted by Dudley Yost at his beautiful home in Cleveland Heights on Sunday, Dec. 5, 2010. On January 14, 2011, we also enjoyed a scavenger hunt hosted by the Harvard Club at The Cleveland Museum of Art and a speech by Gloria Steinem ‘56 on March 2, 2011, at Oberlin College. Dr. Giovanna Bellesis, Smith Professor of Italian Language and Literature, spoke to us about “Italian Women: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow” at Laurel School on March 6, 2011. The Decade Parties made a comeback this year with a well-attended 60’s potluck dinner at the home of Suzanne Hartford ‘65 on Feb. 25th, a 70’s cocktail party at the home of Gainor Davis ‘71 on Feb. 26th, and an Academy Award party at the home of Amy Carlson ‘84 on Feb. 27th. There will be a potluck brunch at the home of Dara Steinberg ’00, 9366 Adam Run, Twinsburg, on Sunday, April 3, 2010, for the 90’s/00’s. Please e-mail Dara at darasteinberg@gmail.com or call her at 330-998-6477 and offer to bring a dish for brunch.

Since spring has finally arrived in northeast Ohio, the Smith Club of Cleveland has sprung into action once again with many exciting events coming in the near future. We hope you can join us for some of them!

SAVE THE DATES

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2011 - 9:30 AM – 2 PM
DISCUSSION DAY
SUBURBAN TEMPLE, 22401 CHAGRIN BLVD, BEACHWOOD
COMEDY IN A MINOR KEY BY HANS KEILSON
SPEAKER: PROF. SARA HOROWITZ, YORK UNIVERSITY, TORONTO, CANADA
COST: NON-ACE MEMBERS $25; LUNCH $18
CALL 216-368-2090 FOR MORE INFORMATION – DEADLINE APRIL 4TH

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2011 - NOON
SENIOR SMITH LUNCH AT THE CLEVELAND SKATING CLUB
THE HISTORY OF SHAKER HEIGHTS
SPEAKER: GINNIE DAWSON ’65
RSVP: SUZANNE STRATTON-CROOKE 216-561-7500 OR suzanne338@aol.com
ALL ARE WELCOME! COST FOR NON-SENIORS IS $15 FOR LUNCH.
SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2011 – NOON
ANNUAL MEETING
TOWER ROOFTOP MEETING ROOM, ONE BRATENAHL PLACE
FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER: BETH MOONEY, FUTURE CEO OF KEY BANK

CANDIDATES: Shari Moore ’08 is pleased to announce that there are 6 applicants to Smith from Cleveland this year although we do not know yet how many have been accepted or will be attending in the fall. The Cleveland area presently has 3 third-years, 5 second-years, and one first-year student. We thank the Candidates Committee for all their hard work all year attending college fairs and interviewing students. Kathleen Koviak ’01 also will be distributing Smith Book Awards to various high schools in the area this spring.

SUMMER ON THE CUYAHOGA: At this writing, there are 4 confirmed Smith interns and 45 Smith applicants for our Cleveland internship program, an increase over this time last year. Kathryn Dhillon, a graduating senior from Medina, will work for Summer on the Cuyahoga, Danielle Santos, also a senior from Columbus, accepted an internship with Friends of E Prep, Lydia Bussiere, a junior from South Hadley, MA, will work at Cotsworks, a fiber optics communication equipment company, and Marianna Santiago, a sophomore from Wallingford, CT, will work at JumpStart. On November 11, 2010, Lynn-Ann Gries ’84 organized an SOTC recruiting session on the Smith campus. Forty-four employers have posted 60 jobs. If you know of anyone who would like an intern for 8 - 10 weeks this summer, please contact Susan LaPine (lapinemail@earthlink.net), Barbara Galvin (byg218@yahoo.com), or Lynn-Ann Gries (lynn-ann.gries@jumpstartinc.org). We would like to thank and acknowledge the 35 donors, who helped us raise $5610 this year:

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BOOK CLUB: Guided by Kathy Abramczyk, our very active book club meets the third Wednesday of every month, except in the summer, with 15-20 in attendance. Please e-mail Kathy at kmabramczyk@gmail.com or call her at 216-283-4717 for more information.

OUR WEBSITE: Many new alums to the area have found us on our updated website. Please check it out at http://alumnae.smith.edu/smithcms/cleveland/ Sue Pacini ’65 has done a marvelous job of putting us on the Internet. What a computer savvy club we are!

DUES: Last but not least, it is your dues that help to keep our wonderful organization, the Cleveland Smith Club, running. It is not too late to mail in your dues to Nancy Lavelle, 12526 Cedar Road #6, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44106.

We look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting when a new slate of Cleveland Smith Club officers will be presented. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president for the last two years. It has been one of the most rewarding of all of my volunteer experiences because of the enthusiasm of the Cleveland Smith community, the diligent, hard-working board who served with me, and the many new friends that I have made.

Sincerely,

Jan Mottinger ’68, President
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