President’s Note • Elizabeth F. Salsedo ’02

I was honored to be elected as President of the Hartford Smith College Club at our last Annual Meeting. We have done some great work over the past year with a new Board. In particular, Elizabeth K. has headed up our young alumnae group; Valerie Love helped plan a successful holiday party at the Town & County; Anne Guernsey planned an informative afternoon tea at the Connecticut Historical Society, and Heather Page has coordinated numerous events for prospective Smith students. It was a fantastic year as we have laid the groundwork for a Club that hosts not only social events but also activities aimed at connecting alumnae to each other, and developing and cultivating prospective Smithies. I would like to thank everyone on the Board for your hard work this year.

At this year’s Spring Meeting, we will be electing officers for the following positions: Treasurer, Vice President (Valerie, who was elected last year, will not be able to finish her term), Secretary, and Regional Alumnae Admissions Coordinator. Anne and Heather have offered to continue on as Secretary and as Regional Alumnae Admissions Coordinator respectively. Elizabeth K., our current Recent Alumnae Chair, would like to run for Treasurer. If you are interested in running for Vice President or any other available position of the Club, please feel free to contact myself or anyone else on the Board. This is an opportunity for you in the Greater Hartford area to become more active!

Coming up at our annual Spring Meeting we have a fantastic speaker, Rene Heavlow, Assistant Director Women and Financial Independence, with the Smith College Program in Financial Education, on June 12, 2008 at the Town and County. Please join us as there is much to do together in the year ahead.
Admissions Update • Heather Page’00
Greetings! The waiting is over, and the decisions are out! Smith College mailed its admission decisions to the future members of the Class of 2012 at the end of March. This has been an excellent year so far for recruiting in the Hartford area with 23 young women admitted to Smith College, including three early decision applicants who have already decided to become new Smith women. We are currently waiting for additional information from the Office of Admission regarding the acceptance of transfer students, Ada Comstock Scholars, and young women placed on the waitlist. Many, many thanks to all the alumnae volunteers who volunteered to reach out and connect with these young women.

Our next step is to encourage these young women to attend Smith College’s spring events, including Open Campus (April 10-11) and Discovery Weekend (April 11-13), and hopefully they will decide to enroll. The Hartford Smith College Club hosted an enrollment party for admitted students and their families at Cosi in West Hartford Center on Wednesday, April 9, 2008, so that these young women could celebrate their acceptances and chat with alumnae about their Smith experiences.

Finally, spring begins another important alumnae activity, which is the Smith Book Awards Program. Every year the Hartford Smith College Club gives gifts of books to young women from area schools who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership and service to their communities. This is a great way to honor the accomplishments of some wonderful high school students, and to spread the word about Smith in our communities. If anyone is interested in helping with this program, please contact Heather Page. Thank you again for all that you do for Smith!

Recent Alumnae Corner • Elizabeth Krause ’00
The Hartford Smith Club’s new Recent Alumnae Group, which socially unites Smithies who graduated between 1990 and 2008, got off to a modest start this year with three events.

• February 7, 2008: Happy Hour at Barcelona Wine Bar in West Hartford Center
• April 4, 2008: Art and Jazz at “First Friday” at the New Britain Museum of American Art
• April 9, 2008: Yield Party to welcome those accepted into the class of 2012 at Cosi

In order to keep this fun group going, we need to keep it growing. Mark your calendars for the following upcoming events:

• Sunday, May 11, 2008, 3-4 pm: “Community Yoga” class, West Hartford Yoga, 32 Jansen Court, West Hartford. $5 donation (supports local charities!). All levels welcome. www.westhartfordyoga.com
• Thursday June 19th, 6-10 pm: Creative Cocktail Hour, Real Artways, 56 Arbor St, Hartford. $10 cover, cash bar. www.realartways.org

To RSVP or to suggest activities, please e-mail elkra@smith.alumane.net.
HARTFORD SMITH COLLEGE CLUB
2008-2009 Annual Membership Form

Name: ___________________________________________ Class Year: ____________

Name as undergraduate (if different): ___________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

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Have you established your lifetime Smith e-mail address? Go to https://smith.alumnae.net/login.asp to register and provide us with your Smith e-mail address!

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Visit our website for news about upcoming events!
http://smith.alumnae.net/homepages/clubs/SmithCollegeClubofHartford

Please send this form along with your check(s) to:
Tara Brown ’95
290 Beechwood Road
West Hartford, CT 06107
Hartford Smith College Club SPRING MEETING
at the Town and County Club

Guest Speaker: Rene Heavlow
Assistant Director Women and Financial Independence:
The Smith College Program in Financial Education

Please join the Hartford Smith College Club for snacks and our guest speaker at its annual SPRING MEETING to be held this year at the Town and County Club.

Thursday, June 12, 2008
6:30-8:30 pm
Town and County Club
22 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT 06105
Directions available at http://www.towncounty.com

$10 for ’08-’09 members and $15 for non-members

To RSVP, please send checks by June 9, 2008 to:
Valerie Love ’02, 19C Mt. Vernon Drive, Vernon CT 06066
All checks should be made payable to the “Hartford Smith College Club.”
Please be sure to include your telephone number. Registration also available onsite.

NAME: ______________________________________________________________

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