EVENTS

**Sunday, June 10** – Save this date for a festive early summer tea, and a collaborative program with a Smith faculty member and a local expert on the current hot-topic issues of sustainable food. We will gather at the seaside home of a Smith alumna in Freeport. Invitations will be emailed (and sent by mail to those for whom we lack email addresses) in late April.

**Tuesday, April 3** – Young Alumnae Happy Hour, 4:00-7:00, Sea Dog in Bangor, 26 Front Street

**Wednesday, April 11** – Young Alumnae Happy Hour, 5:00-7:30, Sebago Brewing in Portland, corner of Fore and Franklin Streets

   Meet, greet and network with women from the classes of 2000 to 2011. Please email Sarah Wintle at sarah.wintle@gmail.com to let her know you’ll be there.

**Sunday, April 15** – Tea for Admitted Students, 1:00-3:00, Maine Audubon’s Gilsland Farm, Falmouth

   See details below. RSVP required.

BOOK AWARDS PROGRAM

From mid-April through mid-May, Smith Book Awards are prepared and sent on to participating Maine high schools for presentation at end-of-the-year academic assemblies. One third of the schools has already sent us information about the students selected for these awards. We anticipate giving at least 32 awards. Casco Bay High School in Portland and Gould Academy in Bethel have been added to this year’s participant list. The 50th anniversary edition of Anne Morrow Lindbergh’s *Gift from the Sea* will be awarded this year.
As stated in our January-February newsletter, we have relied on the College’s donation of 25 books to support the program for the past few years. In order to continue offering over 25 awards, **we do need your contributions**. Eliza would gladly accept donations to the Book Award project.

Did you love *Gift from the Sea*? Wouldn’t you love knowing that you were introducing a Maine girl to this beautiful book by a Smith alumna? If only a dozen of you sent $10 to Eliza, the club could fund the books not provided by the college. We have a large state and many worthy schools to cover with this valuable program. If you can, please send a check made out to ‘Smith College Club of Maine/Book Awards’ and mail it to Eliza Miller, 60 Mill Road, Cumberland, ME, 04021.

Also, Eliza thanks the alums who have contacted her this year offering to attend high school award assemblies to present the awards. Only a portion of the schools request alumnae presenters, but as these requests and dates come in, Eliza will be back in touch. If you would like to be on the presenter list, please contact Eliza at enm@maine.rr.com and she’ll tell you if there is a school near you in the program. Or, if there is a school you would like to add to the list of participants, please let Eliza know.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO 35 YOUNG WOMEN ADMITTED TO THE CLASS OF 2016!**

Matthea Daughtry ’09 sends the following news of her team’s wonderful work with Admissions:

This year we had three young women admitted under early decision, from Bethel, Brunswick and Portland. We had 32 young women admitted under regular decision, with 12 of them being offered early acceptance due to their competitive applications. These girls are from the following towns: Portland, Topsham, Standish, Princeton, Falmouth, Madawaska, Limestone (Maine School of Science and Mathematics), Ellsworth, Fairfield, Dover-Foxcroft, Freeman Township, York, Windham, Scarborough, Bethel, Cape Elizabeth, Lewiston, Winterport, Waite, Auburn

We would like to invite everyone to come meet these prospective students at our Tea for Admitted Students:

**Tea for Admitted Students**

*April 15th*

*1:00 - 3:00 pm*

at Maine Audubon's Gilsland Farm, 20 Gilsland Farm Road, Falmouth, Maine  ( On Route 1, near the intersection with Route 88 )

Do you remember how you felt the day you received your letter of admission? Help us welcome these young women, including Adas and transfers who were recently accepted to Smith! All local alumnae are encouraged to attend.

Please RSVP to Matthea Daughtry, the Alumnae Admissions Coordinator, at either matthea@mattheadaughtry.com or 207-522-0913
We are also looking for people to donate food and beverages for the event. We are in need of tea-like snacks, such as cookies, pastries, tea sandwiches, scones, (can anyone make Smith's lemon squares?), etc. For beverages we are looking for tea, coffee, and some other non-alcoholic beverages. We are also look for a few large-sized coffee makers or large carafes in the 10-30 cup range. If you can bring any of these items, please mention it in your RSVP. I look forward to seeing many of you at the event.

Best,

Matthea Daughtry '09

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We welcome two new Board members who are taking over our Treasury and Young Alum Events. Rebecca Rundquist ’89 is our new Treasurer. Rebecca gave us the idea to bring “Miss Representation” to Portland and was responsible for making that a successful event. Marieke Van Der Steenhoven ’07 will be organizing Young Alumnae events. Their enthusiasm for helping this club to flourish is much appreciated!

CAREER WEBINARS

Learn from career experts and fellow alumnae about transforming your career, updating your job search tools, building your professional brand, and staying focused in your professional transition. There is no charge for these webinars (seminars on the computer) but you must register. Space is limited. All times listed are Eastern time.

Introduction to LinkedIn

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

2 to 3 p.m.

Click here to register

Learn the basics of using LinkedIn effectively as a career-enhancing strategy for the employed, unemployed, or underemployed.

LinkedIn 2: Building and Utilizing Your Network

Thursday, April 26, 2012
2 to 3 p.m.

Click here to register

This is a more advanced look into LinkedIn for your professional use. You will learn how to increase your connections and leverage your second- and third-level connections. Attendees should already have a profile and a basic understanding of the LinkedIn website.

Smith Moms Negotiating a Return to the Workforce: Gaps in Your Resume

Wednesday, April 4, 2012

12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Click here to register

This webinar is part of an on-going series geared at Moms who are looking to reenter the workforce. Learn how to update your resume so the gaps are not the first things that an employer notices. Whether you are thinking about returning to the workforce in one month or ten years, join us for this interactive series!

Transform Your Career!

The current session is full. A new series will be announced in June.

If you are stuck in your career, concerned about being laid-off, or doing the work of many people, then it's time for a change! Whether you do your current work in a different sector or change to a completely new line of work, this 4 part webinar series will put you on the right path to transforming your career.

Update Your Resume

Monday, May 7, 2012

12 to 1 p.m.

Click here to register

When is the last time you updated your resume? Don't know where to start? This webinar will help you build a solid resume with the latest techniques for an effective job search. Take charge of your career, define your own success, and create a resume that will work for you.

SCHOLARS IN STUDIO
Missing the intellectual stimulation of Smith? Don’t forget that you can find a variety of mini-lectures by some of the most popular professors on campus by going to www.smith.edu/scholars-in-studio

**SMITH IN THE NEWS** (Links under each heading will take you to the article.)

**WOMEN IN ACADEMIA REPORT, Feb. 14, 2012**
*High-ranking women’s colleges report a surge in applicants*

The appeal of the nation’s top-ranked women’s colleges remains high. Smith, Mount Holyoke, and Bryn Mawr colleges all report that they received a record number of applications this year.

**THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, Feb. 15, 2012**
*Money raised by colleges, 2010-11*

Smith College is listed as having raised $39,697,879 in 2010-11.

See also "[Colleges, universities raise $30.3 billion](http://www.smith.edu/scholars-in-studio)"

**ASSOCIATED PRESS, Feb. 15, 2012**

Donations to U.S. colleges and universities rose 8.2 percent in fiscal 2011, crossing back over the $30 billion mark for just the second time ever, according to the latest annual fundraising figures out Wednesday. But the very richest universities accounted for nearly half the growth.

**U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, Feb. 16, 2012**
*Colleges that claim to meet full financial need*

Smith College is among the schools that report they met, on average, 100 percent of their full-time undergraduates' financial need in fall 2010.