Hello Smithies!

We had a great year with several fantastic events including: Care Packages at Virginia Halverson’s (‘06) house, Wine tasting with Professor Meinert at Susan Konier’s (‘68) house, Career and Networking at Bobbi Randall’s (‘77) house, Meet and Greet at Teryl Zarnow’s (‘73) house, Yield Party at Barbara Seibert’s (‘73) house, a strong presence at OC Ivy Plus events, and several fantastic Smithies’ Night Out events all around Orange County. It’s been great to see so many of you at these events and we look forward to meeting you all. We aim to provide you fun opportunities to meet fellow OC smithies, current students, and prospective students. If you have any suggestions or would like to help, please let us know. Or, if you’re interested in hosting any of our Smith events at your homes, we are always looking for volunteers!

Our vice-president has stepped down and we are looking to fill the position for the next season. If you are interested, please send me an email. You will be working with an amazing group of women and helping our club out.

I look forward to the next year of exciting events and seeing you all!

A grand round of applause to our volunteers and hosts, to the board, club members, and current students who make this club possible. It is a wonderful reminder of the amazing time I had at Smith. 😊

All the best!
Tu Nguyen ‘10
President

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UPDATE FROM SOCIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR

We all know the holidays can be draining. Take some time for yourself and spend it with the family you want to see - the Smithie family! We promise not to make you do dishes!

Our cocktail hours have been a hit, so we’re keeping them going in 2012. Give me a holler if you plan on attending, and remember, more information can always be found on Facebook if you need it!

Season’s Greetings and Eatings,
Emily Markussen Sorsher ’04
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CLUB INFORMATION

SCCOC Website: http://alumnae.smith.edu/smithcms/orangecounty/
Email: smithcluboc@gmail.com
Book Club contact: Virginia Halverson, vhalverson@gmail.com
RSVP to smithcluboc@gmail.com for all events, or join the Facebook group and RSVP on Facebook events!

**Student Care Package Assembly** – Help put together care packages to send to our current students at Smith before the final exams! Bring something small and light to put into a goodie bag. Examples from the past few years: candy, socks, mittens, postcards, pens, tea, post-its, highlighters, and warm thoughts. Please have enough to share between 21 students.

• 15238 Cambridge Street Tustin, CA 92782 (Virginia Halverson’s ’06 home)
• **Saturday, December 3, 2011 – 10:00 am**
• We will provide light morning refreshments!
• Contact: Tu Nguyen (714) 654-3502, tunguyen714@gmail.com

**Smithies’ Night Out @ Gabbie’s Mexican Kitchen**

• 227 North Broadway, Santa Ana, CA 92701
• **Thursday, November 17, 2011 – 6:30pm**
• Contact: Emily Markussen Sorsher, (949) 294-6612, emily_markussen@yahoo.com

**SCCOC Meet and Greet** – Come to this wonderful gathering for an opportunity to meet current students, prospective students, and our amazing group of alumnae! Join us for light refreshments and drinks as we share our Smith experiences.

• 264 Sherwood St. Costa Mesa CA, 92627 (Teryl Zarnow’s ’73 home)
• **Sunday, January 8, 2012 – 1:00pm**
• We will provide light snacks and refreshments!
• Contact: Tu Nguyen (714) 654-3502, tunguyen714@gmail.com

**Smithies’ Night Out @ Haven Gastropub**

• 141 South Glassell St. Old Towne Orange, CA 92866
• **Wednesday, January 11, 2012 – 6:30pm**
• Contact: Emily Markussen Sorsher, (949) 294-6612, emily_markussen@yahoo.com

**Smithies’ Night Out @ Chapter One**

• 227 North Broadway, Santa Ana, CA 92701
• **Wednesday, March 7, 2012 – 6:30pm**
• Contact: Emily Markussen Sorsher, (949) 294-6612, emily_markussen@yahoo.com

**Smithies’ Night at the Theater** – Join us for a group outing to see “Jitney” by August Wilson at the South Coast Repertory Theater in Costa Mesa. Our very own OC alumna Laurie Smits Staude ’58 is an honorary producer for this wonderful play. Special group discount rate is $26 per person. We’ll meet first for a light dinner and cocktails at Z’tejas Restaurant on the Bristol side of South Coast Plaza. The play begins at 8:00pm.

• 3333 Bristol Street, South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
• **Thursday May 17, 2012**: Happy hour at Z’tejas at SCP from 6:30pm-7:30pm, “Jitney” at SCR at 8:00pm
• Contact Virginia Halverson with questions or to reserve your tickets, (562) 544-2700, vhalverson@gmail.com
• Information about the play can be found here: [www.scr.org](http://www.scr.org)
Orange County has a strong presence on the Smith campus with **21 students** in Northampton this semester! **Eight** of those are first year students that we recruited, interviewed, wooed, and sent over the last season! Many thanks to all of you who were involved in helping these young students determine that Smith was the right place for them. Special thanks to Teryl Zarnow ’73 and Barbara Siebert ’73 who opened their beautiful homes to host the Meet & Greet and the Yield Party respectively. Please be in touch with me if you are interested in helping with interviews, hosting a gathering, or have ideas for reaching out to our local high school students. I hope to see you at one of our recruiting outreach events this year!

Best,

Virginia (Griffin) Halverson ’06
Alumnae Admissions Coordinator, Orange County

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**TREASURY NEWS AND CLUB DUES**

Prepare yourselves for a new SCCOC year, everyone!! Last fiscal year blessed us with 23 dues paying members for a total of about $700 in dues. So far this year (2011-2012) we have received $280 from 8 paying members. I think that's a good start for the first few months of campaigning, but in order to continue bringing you all the activities and outings that we did last year, you all need to support our club. Last year's wine tasting event was a huge success and it was practically free to attend because of your dues. We also provide services to our current enrollees at the college from the OC, and they are so appreciative!

So please send in dues to me by check at the address on reverse. Or if you pay by PayPal or Credit Card, just remember to add 3% to your dues to cover processing fees for these conveniences. We look forward to your support and participation this year, as we have more Smith enrollees form the OC than ever!

**Dues:** $35.00
**Graduates of 2007-11** $30.00
**Extra donations for Scholarships from our Club:** Your Choice

Robin Rainie-Lobacz, ’72
Treasurer

*Please mail dues to Robin Rainie-Lobacz, at the address on the next page or use the "Donate Button" above. If you choose to pay by credit card please add 3% for the handling fee that the card companies deduct. Paypal does not deduct a surcharge.*
Reunite with old classmates, stay in touch…

Yes! I want to support our club!

Please detach this form and send with a check made out to:
Robin Rainie-Lobacz
Smith College Club of Orange County
24450 Dana Point Harbor Dr.
Dana Point, CA 92629
949-306-5326

Membership Dues:
$35 for 2006 and before
$30 for 2007 - 2012
$35 for 2006 and before

Help us go green – update your email address on http://alumnae.smith.edu

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