PRINCETON AREA
SMITH COLLEGE CLUB (PASCC)

Letter from the PASCC President:

Now that the long hot summer is coming to an end, we look forward to cooler weather and a busy fall season. Your new PASCC Board is expanding our menu of events, to attract a wider range of alums. Take a look at what we are putting together. We hope you’ll join us at one or more activities!

For the many alums who are tech savvy, we are increasing our presence on the internet, so you’ll be able to see what’s happening on the Club webpage at the Smith College website, LinkedIn and Facebook. We’ll let you know when these are ready to view.

To save trees and our budget, we propose to send this newsletter and updates via email. Paper copies will go only to those who don’t have email or who request paper. Let us know if you prefer the paper version sent by regular mail.

We look forward to seeing you at one of the events!

Elisa Maselli ’74, President of PASCC

Upcoming Events!

Dates and Plans

Cooking Club
Sunday, October 3
3 p.m.

Mountain Day Bike Ride
Sunday, October 17
1-3 p.m.
Lambertville – D&R Canal
(Rain Date, Oct 24)

Dates to be announced:
McCarter Theatre – January or February
Smith Speakers – February or March
Smith Author – March or April
Annual Meeting – Monday, May 2, 2011

See more about these events and future plans on page 2.

Announcing Your New Princeton Area Smith Club Board

At our last Annual Meeting, we elected a new slate of officers for the Club. We’re excited to have some experienced members and some new ones as well! Your new President is Elisa Maselli ’74. The VP Programs is Carol Morrison ’65 (contact info next page) and the new Secretary is Suzanne Kenny ’89 -- (856) 235-3970, or suzanne.w.kenny@gmail.com. Our acting Treasurer is Tica Simpson ’79. If you would like to serve as our “real” Treasurer, please contact Elisa Maselli at (908) 391-0535, or elisa_maselli@mac.com. The duties are not too arduous – a monthly Board meeting, and managing the checking account. We promise to make it fun, and we’ll make sure you succeed by giving you lots of help (if you need it)! Please consider joining us!

We’re really looking forward to working together - and with you - to create a fun-filled year!
Upcoming Events
All RSVPs to: Carol Morrison, (609) 423-4118 or carol.morrison76@gmail.com

Cooking Club
Date: Sunday, October 3, 2010
Time: 3 to 5 pm
Where: Hosted by Carol Morrison
6 Riverside Drive
Princeton, NJ 08540
Theme: Italian food

We thought it would be fun to start a cooking club. Hosting will rotate among the cooking club members.

We’ll start with a theme for each meeting, e.g., this first one will be Italian Cooking. Next we might explore Appetizers, or Great Salads.

Each person will bring a dish that matches the theme. We’ll provide copies of our recipes for each other. Good food, good conversation – what could be better?

At our first meeting, we’ll also discuss how we want the club to go forward. If you like good food, like to cook, or want to learn how, I hope you’ll join us! RSVP.

PASCC “Mountain Day” Bike Ride
Date: Sunday, October 17
Time: 1-3 pm
Where: D&R Canal, Bridge St, Lambertville, NJ
(Rain Date, Sunday, October 24)

We are offering our own version of Mountain Day. A bike ride!

We’ll meet in Lambertville at Bridge St. on the D&R canal – it’s next to the Lambertville Station restaurant. We’ll bike for an hour or so along the canal.

The canal is flat, easy biking. Bring your bike – and your family and friends. A great outing for photographers, too.

For those who want to stop afterward, we’ll gather at a local eatery for refreshments. Parking is available on the street, or at the Lambertville Station parking lot.

RSVP.

McCarter Theater Evening
Date: in Jan or Feb, 2011
Time: a week night
Where: McCarter Theater
What: The How and the Why, by Sarah Treem

“Evolution and emotion collide in Sarah Treem’s thought-provoking and sharp new play about science, family, and survival of the fittest.”
(Quoted from www.mccarter.org)

After a lecturette on the play, we will enjoy the performance! Date to be determined.

Smith Author
Date: TBA, probably Mar / April

We’ll gather to hear a Smith Author talk about her work. We’ll send more details later.

Possible Activities for Winter / Spring

Thank you for your answers to our email inquiry about programs. Our goal is to put together activities that will provide enjoyment for at least 4-8 Smithies (and guests) per event. Most of these activities will be just for fun, not fund-raising.

Based on your answers, we are considering some additional activities for the Winter/Spring 2011 time frame. These include: a discussion by area Smith Grad(s) on education; a gathering for young Smith mothers – perhaps with other women’s college grads; a discussion of Career Planning issues and techniques; an overview of self-assessment using Personality Theory and Emotional Intelligence; a Smith Garden Tour (volunteer your garden!); a professional chef’s demonstration of cooking technique, and a Progressive Dinner.

We’re still deciding on which of these to do. Contact Carol Morrison if you want to get involved.
**Book Club**

The Book Club met in July and August – two great discussions and pot-luck dinners! The books were *Half the Sky* (July) and *A Reliable Wife* (August). Thanks to the two hostesses, Elisa Maselli and Brooke Schumann for providing a welcoming venue for our meeting. We have more lively conversation (about books, life and other things!) and pot-luck dinners planned for the fall: **All meetings run from 6:30 to 9 pm.**

**Wed., September 22**  
House of Mirth  
by Edith Wharton  
at Nancy Deffeyes’ home  
**Please RSVP to Nancy at ndeffeyes@aol.com with your food offering (enough for 5 people)**

**Upcoming book choices:**  
October: **Cutting for Stone** by Abraham Verghese  
November: **Stuff** by Randy Frost and Gail Stedeche

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**Pecans**

It’s time to start thinking about PECANS! This is the traditional way we have raised money for our Smith Scholarship fund. Here’s the plan for this year’s orders:

- The order form is on page 4 of this newsletter.
- Please complete the form, and mail in your order and money by **Monday, October 4**. This will give us enough time to place our order and get the nuts by early November.
- Prices have gone up since last year!
- Pick up your order on **Tuesday, November 2**, at Carol Morrison’s home at 6 Riverside Drive, Princeton, NJ between 7 and 9 pm. The driveway is on Nassau St just after the Jewish Center driveway - near the stoplight at Nassau St. and Riverside Drive.
- Times are tight, and we will not be ordering extra bags as we did in previous years. So if you want pecans for your holiday baking and gift giving, please be sure you send in your order and money by 10/4! Our supplier says the price may go up after that.
- We are looking for alternative ways to raise money for scholarships, since pecans aren’t raising enough. We know the tradition of pecans is important to many of you, but we want to increase our scholarship contribution by doing something different.
- If you want to help us review other options, please let us know by dropping us an e-mail or calling. Our contact information is on the first page of this newsletter.

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**Annual Meeting**

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 2 2011 in the Princeton area, as usual. We will let you know details as they are arranged.

If you would like to host the meeting let us know. Contact Carol Morrison at (609) 423-4118 or carol.morrison76@gmail.com

Our usual format is:  
- Social hour, 5:30 to 6:30  
- Buffet Supper, 6:30 to 7:30  
- Speaker, 7:30 to 9
Mail In Response Form

Please mail in this whole page with your check. Be sure to include your address with your order form.

2010-2011 ANNUAL DUES: $20.00 $______
Reduced dues for younger alums (2004-2010) $ 5.00 $______
Contribution to PASCC Scholarship Fund $______
PASCC Directory (2010) is available and is included in your dues.
Would you like it e-mailed to you or sent to your home address? e-mail mail
(Please provide your e-mail address or home address here!)

PECANS:
I would like _____ one-pound bags of pecan halves $9.00 each $______
I would like _____12 oz gift-bags of chocolate-covered pecan halves $8.00 each $______
TOTAL (Payable to PASCC) $______
All proceeds go to the PASCC Scholarship Fund.

Please mail this entire page to reach me by October 4, along with your check made out to “PASCC” to:

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Princeton, NJ 08540

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The morns are meeker than they were, the nuts are getting brown; the berry's cheek is plumper, the rose is out of town. The maple wears a gayer scarf, the field a scarlet gown. Lest I should be old-fashioned, I'll put a trinket on.  - Emily Dickinson