Dear Sarasota Smithies:

Greetings and best wishes for a happy and healthy new year!

Our club kicked off the 2019-20 season with our first luncheon program, once again at Plymouth Harbor on November 14th. Four of its Smith alumnae residents were in attendance. Reunion attendees Helen Abromowitz, Judy Melly, Susie Stringer, Joan Bernhard, Anne Arsenault, and Pricilla Fort shared their experiences. Also, Christine Carr Hill from the college provided updates on what is happening on the Smith campus. All in all, it was a great opening for our season.

As you can see, we have an exciting lineup of events scheduled, and I encourage you to join us. Also, if you have not already done so, please support the club by becoming a member: just complete and send the attached form.

Emily Blackwell ‘22, Elena Bodor ‘23, Melissa Krieger ‘23, and McKensie Murray ‘21 are our current local Smith students. Our Student Outreach program continued its tradition of sending gift cards of $25 to each of them to use at the Smith Campus Café during study period in mid-December.

We are always appreciative of alumnae who volunteer within the club. We have a variety of activities in which to participate: interviewing local students who have applied to Smith, presenting book awards at various local high schools in May, and getting involved as a committee member or as an officer of the board. If you are interested in becoming involved, please feel free to contact me at laurel_sweeney@yahoo.com.

I look forward to the upcoming gatherings with old and new friends, and encouraging the continued support of our club.

Best Regards,

Laurel Sweeney ‘67
President, Smith College Club of Sarasota

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 19, 2020 - Mt. Holyoke and Wellesley Clubs Invited
Luncheon 11:30 AM
Regency Room, Meadows Country Club
3101 Longmeadow, Sarasota (34235)
Theater of the Mind 1-hour presentation

Saturday, February 8, 2020 - high school students invited
Luncheon 11:30 AM
Bird Key Yacht Club
301 Bird Key Drive, Sarasota (34236)
Speaker: Liv Coleman, Ph. D.
Associate Professor, Political Science & International Studies
University of Tampa
"Taking the Plunge: Women Running for Office"

Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Tour of Sarasota Ballet, followed by catered lunch
5555 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota (34243)
Lunch and Annual Membership Meeting after tour

Sunday, April 5, 2020--Farewell Cocktail Party
5:00 – 7:00 PM
The Players Club Clubhouse
1425 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key (34228)

SARASOTA AREA STUDENTS AT SMITH
Emily Blackwell ’22
Elena Bodor ‘23
Melissa Krieger ‘23
McKensie Murray ‘21
SCCS MEMBERSHIP FORM – FALL 2019 / SPRING 2020

Alumnae - Support your Smith Club by becoming a new member or renewing today.
Complete only if you have not already sent this form in since October.
Dues support biannual directory, communications and program expenses.

Name (as you wish it in the Directory) ________________________________________
Class __________________
Addresses to be included in Directory _________________________________________
Mailing Address (for October Newsletter) _______________________________________
Telephone: Home: __________________Cell_______________________Work____________
*EMAIL ________________________________________________________________
Annual Dues - $20 Special Donation: $____ for____________________________
(Dues are waived for alumnae classes 2015-2019 and for classes prior to 1949)
TOTAL ENCLOSED ……………………………………………………………………. $_____

Please send this form and check payable to Smith College Club of Sarasota to:
Susie Stringer, P.O. Box 996, Boca Grande, FL 33921

In Memoriam
Margery Barancik ‘58
Alice Rau ‘47
Isabel Pedersen ‘50