

The Smith College Club of Washington

Newsletter

March 2011

Smith College Club of Washington Upcoming Events

Thursday April 7th, 7pm

The Future of the British Monarchy - Smith College Faculty Speaker Event with Professor Nenner

Cost: \$5

Offices of Sughrue Mion, PLLC, 2100 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W., Washington, DC 20037

Please join us on April 7 for a discussion with Smith Professor Howard Nenner about the future of the British Monarchy. With a royal wedding approaching and a new generation of royalty, this should be an especially interesting discussion.

Howard Nenner is Roe Straut Professor Emeritus in the Humanities. His research and writing have focused on the constitutional history of England, principally in the 17th century, with an outreach to legal history and the history of political thought. He has written on legal culture, monarchical succession, and is currently working on regicide in the English politics and political thought of the late 17th and early 18th centuries.

RSVP by April 5th by PayPal or send a check to Daisy McClellan, 724 F St NE, Washington DC 20002. Send questions to mmbandera@gmail.com.

Monday, April 11, 2011

Film Screening of "Coal Country" and Q&A with Writer/Director/Producer Phylis Geller ('68)

6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Edmund Burke School, 4101 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D.C. (near Van Ness metro)

6:30 p.m. light refreshments, 7pm film, 8:30pm Q&A with Phylis Geller

Suggested donation: \$5 - \$10/person

"Coal Country" is a film about the practice of mountaintop removal mining in Appalachia. The film explores all the environmental and social issues surrounding coal, which provides nearly half the electricity in this country.

The film presents the issue from the perspective of both coal miners and environmental activists. For more information, visit www.coalcountrythemovie.com.

RSVP by PayPal or send a check to Holly Lincoln, 1314 Fairmont Street NW, Washington DC 20009. Send questions to holly.lincoln@gmail.com.

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Private tour of "Capital Portraits: Treasures from Washington Private Collections," co-curated by Deputy Director and Chief Curator Carolyn Carr ('61).

6:30pm - 7:30pm tour. Reception afterward.

National Portrait Gallery, 750 9th Street, NW Washington, DC (near Gallery Place metro)

Details for registration to follow.

Connect with Current Smithies – Provide Housing or Internships for Smith Students!

Do you have an extra room, a basement apartment or an internship you would like to offer to a Smith student this summer or the coming fall semester? Each year, 12 Smith students come to Washington for the Picker internship program (spend six months in Washington and see how policy is developed/made/implemented). They are faced with the daunting, and expensive task of finding full-time political/public policy internships for the months of June-December and their own housing. From September until December another group of Smith students comes to Washington to intern at the Smithsonian Institution. They are in need of housing as well.

Housing the most formidable hurdle – interns want to find safe, affordable and convenient housing that will make their Washington semester a success. In the past, area Alumnae have offered extra rooms, basement apartments or other rental properties for reasonable rents, or discounted rents in return for babysitting/house sitting, and some generous alumnae offer free housing. Interns are especially interested in locations that allow them to walk to the Metro or other easy public transportation, as well as other amenities like grocery stores.

This is a tremendous opportunity to connect with the energy of current Smith students, and to provide a great service to the college. You can't imagine how much it would mean to a student with limited resources who is faced with finding a short-term, furnished apartment. You can even make a little money yourself!

If you have housing or an internship to offer, please call the Washington Alumna Coordinator, Annie Bellavia at 703-294-9982 (h) or email annierusso@hotmail.com.

Volunteer for the Annual Rose Drop!

We are seeking volunteers to help distribute roses to recently accepted Smithies! With a record-setting year for applicants, it's even more important to give the girls this unique, personal touch. This long-standing SCCW tradition is a great way to help out the club and connect with future Smithies.

We need drivers with cars, and a couple of well-organized women to distribute roses and directions in MD and VA (1-2 in each spot). Saturday, April 2, 2011 from about 10am-noon (at most). Contact Elizabeth Zacharias Owens '01 at elizabeth.z.owens@gmail.com to sign up and for more details.

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A percentage of fees will be donated to the Smith College Alumnae Fund.

Calling all Scientists

Recent Smith graduates with majors in the sciences are invited to participate as presenters at the "Science Careers for Women" event for middle school girls in Arlington, Virginia. The event will be hosted by the Arlington, Virginia branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) on Saturday, March 19th, 2011 9 AM- 2 PM. Motivated by a recent AAUW study, "Why So Few," a research project on why there are so few women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics careers (STEM), the objective is to encourage young women to select a course of study in junior and senior high school to prepare for post-secondary education in the above fields. It's a wonderful opportunity to promote women's careers in science and, of course, Smith with its Picker Engineering Program at Ford Hall.

If you are interested, please contact Mims Placke '58 mimspacke@verizon.net 703-527-7554

Young Alums Happy Hour
April 4th 6-8pm
Capitol City Brewing Company
2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
Right outside Union Station

Come meet us for a drink and catch up with old friends at Capitol City Brewing Company in the historic Postal Square Building. Hope to see you there!



Your Smith College Real Estate Advisor. From the Quad to your new home (and everywhere in between) call Cheryl Kurss '76, for your next move!

Direct dial: 202-895-7261 or cheryl.kurss@longandfoster.com. A portion of all sales will be donated to Smith College Alumnae Association.

Are you a Stay At Home Mom?

Please join our newly formed SCCW SAHMs group. Leana Katz (formerly Leana Dagan, 01J) is heading our new group. You can contact Leana at leana.k.dagan@gmail.com to find out details.

Overwhelmed by too much stuff? Drowning in kids' toys? Always paying late fees because you can't find your bills? Let a professional organizer from the Palisades, DC-based Spacious Professional Organizing, LLC hit the restart button on your cluttered home and get you on the road to "a place for everything and everything in its place." Contact Elisabeth Hickey Carter '87 for a complimentary consultation. SpaciousProfessionalOrganizing@gmail.com

SCCW is on Facebook! Please become a fan and hear all the latest news and upcoming events.
<http://www.facebook.com/SmithCollegeClubofWashington>

The Smith College Club of Washington's Monthly Book Club meets the first Sunday of the month at 2pm. If you are interested in joining the book club please send an email to: kristen@global.t-bird.edu to be added to the Yahoo user group. The SCCWBookClub usergroup on Yahoo is the primary means of communication regarding book club updates.

The following is a list of books and meeting dates for 2010-2011:

April 3rd-72 Hour Hold by Bebe Moore Campbell

May 1st-Little Bee by Chris Cleave

June 5th-Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

July 10th-Outcasts United: A Refugee Team by Warren St John

August 7th-Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson

September 18th-My Name is Mary Sutter by Robin Oliviera, (Book Selection Meeting)

MLK School Update

The school year is progressing nicely. It will soon be time for spring testing. Tutors are working with grades 1-5 on reading and math. Readers are regularly visiting classes in Head Start through 5th grade to read and discuss books. In January we held a get-together for tutors to share strategies and materials to assist our efforts. It was most successful.

Thank you to Lorraine Robidoux , '01 and her husband for donating several hundred new boxes of crayons to the school. They were distributed to all of the classrooms and are greatly appreciated.

We can always use more volunteers. If interested, contact Nancy Simon (ngsimon@verizon.net or 301-530-1202) for tutoring or other questions and Andrea Kane (akane@thenc.org or 202-544-1516) for the Read-Aloud program.

Want to save paper and receive the SCCW newsletter hot off the press?

Join the email distribution list. Please contact the SCCW office - dcsmithclub@yahoo.com - and request that you be added to the email distribution for the newsletter. If you make this request, please stipulate that you no longer wish to receive the newsletter in the mail.

Remember the House Lottery at Smith? Don't leave your next Metro DC house purchase to chance. Contact Kathleen Ryan '81, GRI, e-PRO, SRES, TRC, 240-418-3127 (c), kathleen.ryan@longandfoster.com.

A portion of all sales/referrals will be donated to the Smith College Alumnae Fund.

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Is this new contact information? Yes No

May we share your contact information with other alumnae? Yes No

Can you provide an internship? Yes No

Can you provide affordable housing for an intern? Yes No

July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 SCCW Dues Schedule:

Sustaining -- \$100 Contributing -- \$60 Regular -- \$40 Associate -- \$20
(Associate is available to parents of current students, classes '58 and lower, and classes '06 to '10)

Dues: \$ _____

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