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President's Message

I love fall! The days are starting to get crisp and it is back to the busy schedule of activities – back to school, a new season for the performing arts and the gearing up for new projects at work or at home. Your Smith class officers, reunion team and fundraising team are also abuzz with work and gearing up for this year of activities. Isabella, our treasurer, has worked diligently on preparing new bylaws for our class so that we can obtain our non-profit status. In this newsletter, you can read these new bylaws and we are asking you to vote your approval of them. Paula, our vice-president and reunion chair, and her team are busy working on reunion which is only 8 months away and a preview of some of the items planned for the 30th reunion is provided on page 3. The Fundraising team has set its goal for our reunion and will be sending out

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New Bylaws Ready for Class Approval

Times have changed since last we met as a class in 2002 and the IRS has tightened its belt, so to speak. They no longer hand out charitable tax-exempt status to every organization that asks. That has been the experience of many of our fellow class treasurers as they slog their way through the paperwork (and expense) of trying to get 501(c)(3) status. In fact, the IRS has, on more than a few occasions, considered the various Smith classes to be social organizations, not charitable organizations. When you consider that the Alumnae Fund does all the real fundraising for Smith, this all makes perfect sense. So, if you can't beat 'em, join 'em. We are, therefore, going to the IRS for tax exemption under the 501(c)(7) umbrella, that of a social club. While we won't be able to have tax deductible dues, we will actually be operating within the confines of

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its first fundraising appeal letters – so be on the lookout. And a series of mini-reunions are in the works – already we have volunteers to host mini-reunions in Los Angeles, Boston, Washington, DC and New York City.

As the fall progresses, you can continue to learn about our activities by visiting our class website. I know that many of you are also very busy – the fall is always crazy. But please put the following on your to do list:

- visit our class website to learn more about our activities
- vote for the new Class of '77 Bylaws on our class website
- update your contact information, in particular your E-mail address
- pay your class dues of \$77,
- and send in some news about yourself to Susan Eschenroeder, our class secretary.

Have a great fall! And try to have a Mountain Day, I know I will.

Helen Chaikovsky, Class President

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the law and our class income (such as it is) will not be taxable. Once we approve the new bylaws and submit a reasonable application form, we should be an officially recognized organization for all time. And it's only taken us 30 years! So to make the lives of all future Treasurers of the Class of 1977 a lot easier, please vote for the bylaws by going to the class website, www.smith77.org, and finding the "Vote on our new bylaws" button. The password to vote is ****. Thank you for your extreme patience.

Isabella Zagare, Treasurer



**on the Proposed Bylaws at
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News from the Class of '77 Fund Team

Just as our class officers are preparing to make our thirtieth reunion a great and memorable time, your class Fund Team has been busy setting our fundraising objectives and evaluating our class giving history. Our classmates have been a very generous group and we are proud to have an ambitious goal of \$500K in contributions with a new high participation level from the class of '77. We are off to a great start with our team in place, the class letter on the way and tremendous enthusiasm in coming up with new ways to give back to the college.

In reunion years, and in anticipation of that magical weekend in May, we reflect back on the influence Smith has had on our lives. From incredible teachers, friends and experiences we have been changed. This year, in recognition of 30 years since graduation, our team will send tribute cards acknowledging

this special anniversary. Donations can be sent in honor of a special professor, a roommate, a mentor or a friend. You can make a gift to thank your parent or in honor of your children. There is no minimum to the number of honorees named, and acknowledgement cards will be sent to notify them of your generosity. All gifts will count towards the class goal.

As costs continue to escalate and as financial need increases, the college depends more than ever on Alumnae donations. We ask for you to consider supporting the college, knowing that this gesture is necessary and greatly appreciated. We look forward to contacting you over the next months, and especially to seeing you in Northampton!

*Nancy Nadel Walsh
Fund Team Co-chair*

30th Reunion News!

We've put together a Saturday afternoon that has something for everyone ...

SAVE THE DATES! Our 30th Reunion will take place at Smith College on May 24 – 27th, 2007.

Dear Classmates,

I think we've put together a Saturday afternoon that has something for everyone. And, if it doesn't, you can always go shopping! We have something physical for the athletically inclined (or for those who want to jump start their fitness plan), a seminar on how to keep our planet safe, and a sing-along for anybody who loves to sing whether they were in Glee Club or not.

Hope to see all of you in May,
Paula Herold
Reunion Chair



Saturday Fitness Class!

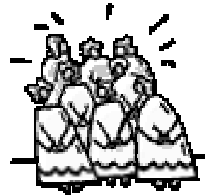
Ibbits Warriner Newhall, pride of the Smith tennis team and Jordon (Jock) House field hockey team, continued her obsession with sports after graduating from college. When Jane Fonda came along in 1982, Ibbits was Jane's first convert. Ibbits exercised every day with Jane even when she was starring in Neil Simon's *I OUGHTA BE IN PICTURES* on Broadway. Even though Jane gave up her business long ago, Ibbits has carried on in her footsteps. Ibbits, now a world renowned aerobics instructor (okay, famous in some homes in Bronxville, NY), will teach us Jane's moves in her very own Jane Fonda workout gear (well, she would if she hadn't thrown it away when it lost its elasticity). Be prepared with big hair and a tight leotard- or just with enthusiasm! Beginners, big stomachs, sagging bottoms are more than welcome!

Learn How You Can Help Our Planet!



We are inundated these days with news about global warming, overfished seas and pesticides and mercury in our foods. It all sounds so overwhelming. What can be done? What can you do? Are we past the point of no return? Come engage in a lively discussion with classmate Jacquie Ottman, the author of *Green Marketing: Opportunity for Innovation* and an internationally recognized consultant to Energy Star, Nike, GE and other leading companies.

Smithies' Saturday Seventies Sing-along!



Saturday afternoon of reunion will include a sing-along of our favorite songs from the Seventies (at least those we can remember). The Last Competent Chorus will lead the singing. Classmate Dianne Terp, currently a professional singer with the San Francisco Symphony and Opera, is asking you to tell her your favorite Seventies oldies. A list of all the top songs from 1973 to 1977 is on pages 4 and 5 of this newsletter. Special recognition will be given for a parody to the Paul Anka tune, "(You're) Having My Baby". Send your preferences to Dianne at dmterp@yahoo.com. Dressing up in Seventies' fashions is okay. We can't really stop you anyway, can we?

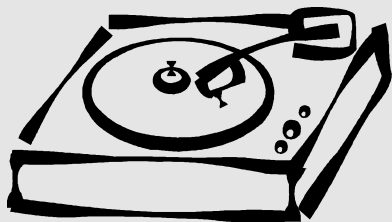
Keep checking our class website for more Reunion information, and navigate to the "Who's Coming" link to indicate you'll be part of the fun next May in Northampton!

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Remember these songs? Let Dianne Terp know your favorites for our Reunion Sing-along! (see article on p. 3)

Top Hits of 1973

1. Angie - The Rolling Stones
2. Bad, Bad Leroy Brown - Jim Croce
3. Brother Louie - Stories
4. Crocodile Rock - Elton John
5. Delta Dawn - Helen Reddy
6. Frankenstein - The Edgar Winter Group (*instrumental*)
7. Give Me Love - Give Me Peace on Earth - George Harrison
8. Half-Breed - Cher
9. Keep on Truckin' (Part 1) - Eddie Kendricks
10. Killing Me Softly With His Song - Roberta Flack
11. Let's Get It On - Marvin Gaye
12. Love Train - The O'Jays
13. Midnight Train to Georgia - Gladys Knight & The Pips
14. The Morning After - Maureen McGovern
15. The Most Beautiful Girl - Charlie Rich
16. My Love - Paul McCartney & Wings
17. The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia - Vicki Lawrence
18. Photograph - Ringo Starr
19. Superstition - Stevie Wonder
20. Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Ole Oak Tree - Dawn featuring Tony Orlando
21. Time in a Bottle - Jim Croce
22. Top of the World - The Carpenters
23. Touch Me in the Morning - Diana Ross
24. We're an American Band - Grand Funk Railroad
25. Will It Go 'Round in Circles - Billy Preston
26. You Are the Sunshine of My Life - Stevie Wonder
27. You're So Vain - Carly Simon



Source: <http://www.ntl.matrix.com.br/pfilho/html/top1/index.html>

Top Hits of 1974

1. Angie Baby - Helen Reddy
2. Annie's Song - John Denver
3. Band on the Run - Paul McCartney & Wings
4. Bennie and the Jets - Elton John
5. Billy, Don't Be a Hero - Bo Donaldson & The Heywoods
6. Can't Get Enough of Your Love, Babe - Barry White
7. Cat's in the Hat - Harry Chapin
8. Country Bumpkin - Cal Smith
9. Dark Lady - Cher
10. Feel Like Makin' Love - Roberta Flack
11. Free Wheelin' - Bachman-Turner Overdrive (*instrumental*)
12. Hooked on a Feeling - Blue Swede
13. I Can Help - Billy Swan
14. I Honestly Love You - Olivia Newton-John
15. I Shot the Sheriff - Eric Clapton
16. The Joker - The Steve Miller Band
17. Kung Fu Fighting - Carl Douglas
18. The Loco - Motion - Grand Funk
19. Love's Theme - The Love Unlimited Orchestra (*instrumental*)
20. The Night Chicago Died - Paper Lace
21. Nothing from Nothing - Billy Preston
22. Rock Me Gently - Andy Kim
23. Rock the Boat - The Hues Corporation
24. Rock Your Baby - George McCrae
25. Seasons in the Sun - Terry Jacks
26. Show and Tell - Al Wilson
27. The Streak - Ray Stevens
28. Sundown - Gordon Lightfoot
29. Sunshine on My Shoulders - John Denver
30. Then Came You - Dionne Warwick & The Spinners
31. TSOP (The Sound of Philadelphia) - MFSB featuring The Three Degrees (*instrumental*)
32. The Way We Were - Barbra Streisand
33. Whatever Gets You Thru the Night - John Lennon with The Plastic Ono Nuclear Band
34. You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet - Bachman-Turner Overdrive
35. You Haven't Done Nothin' - Stevie Wonder
36. (You're) Having My Baby - Paul Anka with Odia Coates
37. You're Sixteen - Ringo Starr

Top Hits of 1975

1. Bad Blood - Neil Sedaka
2. Before the Next Teardrop Falls - Freddie Fender
3. Best of My Love - The Eagles
4. Black Water - The Doobie Brothers
5. Fallin' in Love - Hamilton, Joe Frank & Reynolds
6. Fame - David Bowie
7. Fire - The Ohio Players
8. Fly, Robin, Fly - The Silver Convention (*instrumental*)
9. Get Down Tonight - KC & The Sunshine Band
10. Have You Never Been Mellow - Olivia Newton-John
11. He Don't Love You (Like I Love You) - Tony Orlando & Dawn
12. He Will Break Your Heart - Tony Orlando & Dawn
13. (Hey Won't You Play) Another Somebody Done Somebody Wrong Song - B.J. Thomas
14. The Hustle - Van McCoy & The Soul City Symphony (*instrumental*)
15. I'm Sorry - John Denver
16. Island Girl - Elton John
17. Jive Talkin' - The Bee Gees
18. Lady Marmalade - Labelle
19. Laughter in the Rain - Neil Sedaka
20. Let's Do It Again - The Staple Singers
21. Listen to What the Man Said - Paul McCartney & Wings
22. Love Will Keep Us Together - The Captain & Tennille
23. Lovin' You - Minnie Riperton
24. Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds - Elton John
25. Mandy - Barry Manilow
26. My Eyes Adored You - Frankie Valli
27. One of These Nights - The Eagles
28. Philadelphia Freedom - Elton John
29. Pick Up the Pieces - The Average White Band (*instrumental*)
30. Please Mr. Postman - The Carpenters
31. Rhinestone Cowboy - Glen Campbell
32. Shining Star - Earth, Wind & Fire
33. Sister Golden Hair - America
34. Thank God I'm a Country Boy - John Denver
35. That's the Way (I Like It) - KC & The Sunshine Band
36. You're No Good - Linda Ronstadt

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Top Hits of 1976

1. Afternoon Delight - The Starland Vocal Band
2. Boogie Fever - The Sylvers
3. Convoy - C.W. McCall
4. December, 1963 (Oh, What a Night) - The 4 Seasons
5. Disco Duck (Part 1) - Rick Dees & His Cast of Idiots
6. Disco Lady - Johnnie Taylor
7. Don't Go Breaking My Heart - Elton John & Kiki Dee
8. A Fifth of Beethoven - Walter Murphy & The Big Apple Band (*instrumental*)
9. 50 Ways to Leave Your Lover - Paul Simon
10. If You Leave Me Now - Chicago
11. I Write the Songs - Barry Manilow
12. Kiss and Say Goodbye - The Manhattan
13. Let Your Love Flow - Bellamy Brothers
14. Love Hangover - Diana Ross
15. Love Machine (Part 1) - The Miracles
16. Love Rollercoaster - The Ohio Players
17. Play That Funky Music - Wild Cherry
18. Rock'n Me - The Steve Miller Band
19. Saturday Night - The Bay City Rollers
20. (Shake, Shake, Shake) Shake Your Booty - KC & The Sunshine Band
21. Silly Love Songs - Paul McCartney & Wings
22. The Theme from "Mahogany" (Do You Know Where You're Going To) - Diana Ross
23. Theme from "S.W.A.T." - Rhythm Heritage (*instrumental*)
24. Tonight's the Night (Gonna Be Alright) - Rod Stewart
25. Welcome Back - John Sebastian
26. You Should Be Dancing - The Bee Gees

Top Hits of 1977

1. Best of My Love - The Emotions
2. Blinded by the Light - Manfred Mann's Earth Band
3. Car Wash - Rose Royce
4. Da Doo Ron Ron - Shaun Cassidy
5. Dancing Queen - Abba
6. Don't Give Up On Us - David Soul
7. Don't Leave Me This Way - Thelma Houston
8. Dreams - Fleetwood Mac
9. Gonna Fly Now (Theme from "Rocky") - Bill Conti & His Orchestra (*instrumental*)
10. Got to Give It Up (Part 1) - Marvin Gaye
11. Hotel California - The Eagles
12. How Deep Is Your Love - The Bee Gees
13. I Just Want to Be Your Everything - Andy Gibb
14. I'm Your Boogie Man - KC & The Sunshine Band
15. I Wish - Stevie Wonder
16. Looks Like We Made It - Barry Manilow
17. Love Theme from "A Star Is Born" (Evergreen) - Barbra Streisand
18. New Kid in Town - The Eagles
19. Rich Girl - Daryl Hall & John Oates
20. Sir Duke - Stevie Wonder
21. Southern Nights - Glen Campbell
22. Star Wars Theme / Cantina Band - Meco (*instrumental*)
23. Torn Between Two Lovers - Mary MacGregor
24. Undercover Angel - Alan O'Day
25. When I Need You - Leo Sayer
26. You Don't Have to Be a Star (to Be in My Show) - Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis Jr.
27. You Light Up My Life - Debby Boone
28. You Make Me Feel Like Dancing - Leo Sayer



Join the Sing-along on Reunion Saturday next May! Read about the event on page 3, look over the songs at left, and warm up your vocal cords! Not a singer? Find your old platform shoes and sparkly tube top and you can do "the Bump."

Shaping the Future of Smith

During the spring of 2006, President Carol T. Christ held small-group conversations with Alumnae throughout the country, about positioning Smith most successfully for the future. Additional meetings will be held over the next few months and class members are encouraged to attend these informative sessions. At this time, meetings are scheduled in Philadelphia on Nov. 1, Minneapolis on November 2 and New York City (tentatively) on November 11th.

In a recent update to this planning process, President Christ said "The most important work we will undertake this year is the completion of the strategic plan that will guide the college over the next decade". Participation in these events is informative and input from them is crucial. Please check our class site for updates and the Alumnae Association site for additional information. New of this process can be found at <http://www.smith.edu/planning/index.php>.

Nancy Nadel Walsh

Have you paid your class dues yet?

Please consider paying your Smith College class dues now! We are again asking for only \$77 for a five year period, this period being from 2002 (our last reunion) to 2007. There is no cost increase in the dues since the last reunion, and no harassing letters over the years. Rather we are appealing that you pay this amount as soon as possible before our upcoming 2007 reunion.



Why pay dues? The dues will be used to pay for the printing and mailing of the newsletters, costs incurred by the class officers for meetings, telephone calls and for reunion planning costs.

How do I pay the dues? You have two options: 1) complete the form on the facing page and mail it with a check in the amount of \$77 made out to the **Smith College Class of 1977** to: Smith College Class of 1977, P.O. Box 2232, Westerly, RI 02891; 2) pay online with a major credit card, e-check, or your own PayPal account using the link on our News Page.

Are these dues tax deductible? No. All charitable gifts for the College must funnel through the Alumnae Fund.

Thank you for sending in your dues as soon as possible.

Isabella Zagare, Class Treasurer

Breaking News! Mini-reunions Planned for Coming Months

What is a mini-reunion? A great way to see old classmates and to get acquainted with new Smith classmates living in your geographic area. It may be a cocktail party or a dinner gathering at a local restaurant; it can be meeting at the movies or at an art gallery — just a fun opportunity to reconnect. The mini-reunions will be held from mid-October to early next year. There will be no fundraising or official business — only some sharing of Class of '77 news and good times.

Already five mini-reunions are being planned. The following ladies have volun-

teered to host and organize the gatherings:

- In Los Angeles, Nancy Nadel Walsh
- In Boston, Jean Sandman Manthorpe
- In Washington, D.C., Helen Chaikovsky
- In New York City, Charlotte, Nad, Jackie Ottman and Marge Bloch

We are still hoping to organize some mini-reunions in Chicago, Philadelphia and in the West. If you are interested in hosting one, please contact Helen Chaikovsky at hchaik@aol.com.

Helen Chaikovsky

Smith '77 Class Dues Form

Yes! I want to pay my quinquennial class dues right now! I understand that this money supports the operations of the Class of '77 for the five years between our 25th and 30th reunions.

This is NOT a gift to the Alumnae Fund.

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Remember to vote on our proposed by-laws! Go to our website (www.smith77.org), click on the "Vote on the Bylaws" button, enter the password, ****, and cast your ballot online. Thanks!



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LAST COMPETENT CLASS

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WANTED:

Your news for the *Smith Alumnae Quarterly*. Send it to Susan Eschenroeder, 8400 Spring Meadow Rd., Richmond, VA 23235, or email saesch232@msn.com. **Her next deadline is November 15th!**

SMITH IN THE NEWS:

Did you know? The new 2007 edition of *The Princeton Review's Best 361 Colleges* lists Smith College #1 in dorm comfort nationwide, based on student rankings. The publication's editors noted that "the (house) system not only allows students to manage their stressful academics in comfort, but also provides them with a steady support network of peers." No mention of the fire ropes, however...

