

SMITH ALUMNAE QUARTERLY

Winter 1986



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Alumnae Association Slate for 1986

The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of Smith College will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 10:15 a.m. (following the Alumnae Parade and Ivy Day ceremonies) behind Neilson Library on the Burton Lawn (in John M. Greene Hall in case of rain). The annual budget of the Association, which will be included in the Spring issue of the Quarterly, will be voted on at the annual meeting. The membership will be electing, by voice vote at the annual meeting, the Association president, an alumnae trustee, three directors-at-large, one special director and two members of the nominating committee. In accordance with the bylaws of the Alumnae Association, the nominating committee offers the following slate of candidates:

Alumnae Trustee 1986-91

Carolyn Boyd Hatcher '58
Atlanta, GA



Carolyn Boyd Hatcher has been an active member of the Smith Club of Atlanta, serving as President (1963-66) and on the Candidates and Nominating Committees, and was a Director of the Alumnae Association (1968-70), where she served as Chairman of Clubs (1970).

She has most recently served as the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs for the City of Atlanta (1983-85), a position in the cabinet of Mayor Andrew Young. Prior to that appointment, she was the Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at The Lovett School, previously having been the Dean of Students and a teacher of biology there. Presently she is Lovett's Director of Public Information.

Her current community commitments include serving on the boards of the Atlanta Zoo, Inc., the Servant Leadership Association, Trees Atlanta, Inc. and Bridging the Gap (advisory committee and group leader for Parent-Teen local, regional and national conferences). She has been an active member of St. Anne's Episcopal Church (vestry and executive committee member 1979-81), a former board member of the Atlanta Junior League, and an environmental teacher and conference leader.

Carolyn is married to Robert Hatcher and they have three children in college. She enjoys tennis, camping and nature study.

President 1986-89

Christina Janson Eldridge '53
Bronxville, NY

Christina Janson Eldridge's involvement with alumnae activities began in 1964 with the Benefit Committee of the New York Smith Club. She continued participation in the Club, serving as co-Chair of the Benefit Committee and as Treasurer. A move to the suburbs involved her in the activities of the Westchester Club. She was Program Chair, Membership Chair and President. In 1972 Chris became Special Gifts Chairman for her 20th Reunion and in 1973 she was elected Class Fund Agent.



She served two three-year terms on the Alumnae Fund Committee, the second as Chairman. She is currently on the Search Committee for a new Dean for the Smith College School for Social Work.

Chris has had a long-standing interest in public education. She taught social studies to 8th and 9th graders in Great Neck, NY, for 9 years, was an active member of the Bronxville PTA for 11 years, was elected to the Board of Education in 1981 and is now serving as its president. A member of The Reformed Church of Bronxville, she has been elected a Deacon and is Chairman of the Christian Education Committee.

Chris has two children, George, Dartmouth '85, and Anne, Dartmouth '83. Her husband, Carl, who died in 1983, was Dartmouth '44 and was a litigating attorney specializing in copyright, libel and First Amendment cases.

Director-at-Large 1986-89

Phoebe Anniese Haddon '72
Philadelphia, PA

Phoebe Anniese Haddon has been a member of the Afro-American Studies Committee of the Board of Counselors of Smith College since 1973, serving as Committee Chairman since 1977. She has been a Counselor for eight years.

Having earned her J.D. from Duquesne Law School in 1977, she clerked for two years with the Honorable Joseph F. Weis, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, and worked as an associate in the law firm of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering for two years. In 1981 Phoebe joined the faculty of Temple Law School, where she is presently Associate Professor. She received an LL.M. at Yale Law School in 1985.

Phoebe is a Big Sister, a member of Pennsylvania Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., and a member of various national and local bar associations. Among other law-teaching related activities, she serves on the Board of Governors of the Society of American Law Teachers.

Phoebe married Frank M. McClellan on December 31, 1985, and will continue to live in Philadelphia.



Special Director 1986-89

With a view to her appointment as chair of the Education Committee

Mary Ellen Birkett '68
Easthampton, MA

After graduating from Smith, Mary Ellen Birkett attended Yale University, where she taught for two years before joining Smith's French Department in 1973. Since receiving her Ph.D. from Yale in 1974 she has held fellowships from the Bunting Institute of Radcliffe



College, the Camargo Foundation in Cassis, France, and the Mellon Foundation. Her publications — a book, *Lamartine and the Poetics of Landscape*, and several articles — focus on how French literature relates to other arts. She also contributes regularly to *The Romantic Movement: A Critical Bibliography* (1979-present).

At Smith, Mary Ellen has taught General Literature as well as courses in French language, literature, and cinema. She has served on the Academic Honor Board (1979-81), on the Board of Admission (1982-84), and as Director of the Junior Year in Paris program (1985-86). She has been a member of the Education Committee of the Alumnae Association since 1983.

A native of Buffalo, New York, she now lives in Easthampton, MA, where she is active in the Easthampton Congregational Church.

**Director-at-Large
1986-89**

Leota Sigrid Boesen '78

Bloomington, IN



Leota Sigrid Boesen has served as the Candidates Chair for Bloomington and Southern Indiana for the past five years. She attended Candidates Committee Workshops at Smith in 1983 and 1985. In 1982 she spoke to the Smith College Librarians' Organization as part of the Neilson Library Dedication festivities. She has been a member of the Indianapolis Smith Club since 1974.

Professionally, Leota is the University Reports and Survey Officer in the Central Budget Office of Indiana University. Prior to 1984, she was a member of the Indiana University Library Faculty for three years. Leota has also worked as an information specialist and computer consultant for various state agencies. She has authored several articles on library automation, reviewed software packages for major information technology publications, and is listed in the *Directory of Online Professionals*. She received the Master of Library Science from Indiana University in 1980.

Leota pursues her musical interests in the Community Chamber Music Association of Bloomington by serving on its Board of Directors, playing violin or singing in concerts, and by participating in fund-raising efforts to purchase a community harpsichord.

**Director-at-Large
1986-89**

Ellen Feinknopf Mack '60

Fort Worth, TX

Ellen Feinknopf Mack has been a member of the Smith Club of

Fort Worth since 1961. She was Vice-President and Candidates Committee Chairman.

Ellen was a social worker at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston and the Edna Gladney Home in Fort Worth. She applied her experience to the volunteer sector, serving as president of the Fort Worth section of the National Council of Jewish Women and of Family Services Association. She served as a trustee of the Fort Worth Public Library, and as vice chairman and chairman of its building committee. She is a volunteer trainer for the United Way of Tarrant County and a recipient of their Hercules Award for outstanding volunteer service.

Currently, Ellen is the Director of Education at Beth-El Congregation. She serves on the National Task Force on Youth Suicide as well as supervising a national experimental curriculum project. She is the facilitator of a Task Force to develop curriculum for blind children. She has published two articles and completed a portion of the study "Windows on Day Care" for the White House Conference on Children and Youth, 1970.



Ellen lives in Fort Worth with her husband of 25 years, Theodore Mack, and is the mother of three daughters.

**Nominating Committee
1986-89**

Winifred Hitz Rutter '55

Encino, CA

Winifred Hitz Rutter has been an active member of the Smith College Club of Los Angeles since 1959, serving as President and Candidates Committee Chair. She also served as President of the Seven College Conference of Southern California. Wini is currently Vice-President of the Committee of Professional Women of

the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra and has volunteered with Los Angeles Master Chorale, the Volunteer League of the San Fernando Valley, and the Girl Scouts.

Wini received her degree in Historical Musicology from UCLA in 1972, after her divorce. Subsequently she was Manager or Executive Director of Missions Accomplished, UCLA Medical Center Auxiliary, American Youth Symphony, and finally the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra. In



1977 she joined Dean Witter Reynolds as Account Executive, was appointed Regional Unit Trust Coordinator (1980-82), and in 1983 became Assistant Branch Manager of the Los Angeles office.

Wini lives in Encino and has two children, Deborah, Stanford '78, and Theodore, Amherst '80.

**Nominating Committee
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Rosemary Wilcox Dickerson '51

Birmingham, MI

Rosemary Wilcox Dickerson will finish her term as Class President in May. She was a member



of the San Francisco Smith Club in the mid-1950s and served as President. She has been a member of the Birmingham, MI, Smith Club since moving to Michigan in 1957, serving as President twice, as Treasurer, on projects and programs and on the Candidates Committee. She was also a participant in Smith's capital campaigns.

Rosemary earned her M.A. in reading from Oakland University in 1973 and has been professionally involved in tutoring and teaching since then. While living in Washington, DC, (1981-84) she worked for a private tutoring center and American University. She is presently working with the Oakland County Literacy Project evaluating illiterate adults and training volunteer tutors. Community activities have included: Junior League of Birmingham, MI; Kingswood Alumnae Association; Mothers' Councils — Kingswood, Cranbrook; tutor, Oakland County Reading Clinic.

She is married to James Dickerson; they have two sons and one daughter. Rosemary enjoys tennis and calligraphy.



**The Alumnae Association
Nominating Committee
1985-86**

Ida Mahoney Bucher '39, Chair
Los Angeles, CA

Jane Tower Gunnison '71
Cornwall, NY

Gardi Pedersen Hauck '65
S. Natick, MA

Ann Wellmeier Hilliard '59
New York, NY

Gina Laun Jannotta '58
Chicago, IL

Christian Schley '70
Houston, TX

Frances Eells Welles '46
Washington, DC

Suggestions may be made to any member of the Nominating Committee at any time.