Family Weekend 2014
Schedule
Friday, October 24

7:30 a.m.–  Campus Center Café
11:30 p.m. Smith College Campus Center
The Campus Center Café offers a variety of food and beverages including breakfast options, gourmet pizzas prepared in a stone-hearth oven, salads made to order, homemade soups, panini and deli sandwiches, and grilled foods including vegan and vegetarian selections. The elliptical coffee bar, in the center of the serving area, features Sun Coffee Roasters coffee and specialty drinks such as espresso, cappuccino, latte, chai and fruit smoothies, as well as ice cream and our traditional Smith “Mudslide” milkshakes. The coffee bar also has fresh-baked cookies and pastries.

8:30 a.m.–  Botanic Garden
4 p.m. Lyman Plant House & Conservatory
Admission is free; a $2 donation is recommended. Exhibits on view include Orchid Paintings by Florence Woolward, whose botanical artistry brings to life the orchids’ natural beauty and range; Exploring the Botanic Garden presents all aspects of the garden, from beautiful and interesting plants to history, academics and collections management; and Woods of the World—an array of 178 different kinds of wood, decoratively displayed in a celebration of biodiversity. The conservatory has 10 greenhouses open to the public. It houses more than 2,500 species of plants selected from a wide variety of families and habitats; it is one of the best collections of tropical, subtropical and desert plants in the country.

9 a.m.–  Family Weekend Hospitality Suite
5 p.m. Campus Center 103/104
Welcome to Family Weekend! Join us for morning refreshments; check in and receive information about the schedule; ask questions about the weekend, Smith or the local area; purchase tickets to events from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; or order your Smith student a care package for the end of the semester.

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Classes open to visitors.
Attend one of your student’s favorite classes or any other class open during this time. A complete listing of open classes is available on-line and will be printed at registration. Check the listing; some professors choose not to open their classes because of limited seating, a guest speaker, a quiz or the like.

9 a.m.–  Neilson Library Exhibitions
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“Robert Seydel: The Eye in Matter.” The exhibition features Seydel’s collages, drawings, photographs, and narrative and lyric writing. On display in the Book Arts Gallery (Neilson Library, third floor). Sponsored by the Mortimer Rare Book Room. Hours are the same as Neilson open hours: www.smith.edu/libraries/hours/Oct-20-14

“Michael Kuch: Selected Works from the Double Elephant Press.” An exhibition on the occasion of the 2014 McGrath Lecture in Contemporary Book Arts. On display in the Mortimer Rare Book Room entrance (Neilson Library, third floor). Hours are the same as Neilson open hours: www.smith.edu/libraries/hours/Oct-20-14

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Nolen Art Lounge, Campus Center

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11 a.m.–  Fall Fest
3 p.m. Chapin Lawn
Fresh local produce and colorful foliage make fall the best time to celebrate sustainable living at Smith. This annual event is put on by the sustainability representatives and Smith’s green organizations. Paint your own pumpkin, take a hay ride with the Pedal People and check out the campuswide free box. Pick up information from different organizations highlighting
the ways to be involved in promoting sustainable living. This event, and all others put on by the sustainability representatives, will be waste-free. Admission is free and all are welcome.

1–3 p.m. Field Station Friday at the MacLeish Field Station
Chapin loading dock
Join us on one of our regular trips to Smith’s Ada and Archibald MacLeish Field Station on 240 acres of field and forest in Whately. Go on a guided hike, relax outside or explore the college’s greenest building—the Bechtel Environmental Classroom. Space in the vans is limited. Vans leave at 1 p.m. from the annex road between Chapin House and the Campus Center and will return by 3 p.m. Send email to macleish@smith.edu or call 413-585-3352 to reserve your spot.

2 p.m. Interfaith Reflections: Social Justice in a Changing World
Campus Center 102
This panel of faith leaders and students will reflect on ways that religious traditions offer messages of hope and possibility in a world that is both increasingly pluralistic and fraught with religious conflict. Can there be an interfaith prophetic voice? Are there resources for social justice within the faiths that college students can access? Can authentic interfaith activism exist alongside religious commitment? Family weekend guests and the Smith community are welcome.

2–3 p.m. Smith Family College
Join us for a Smith class designed for students’ families by college faculty and staff.

Smith College Museum of Art: Faculty Insights
Meet in Museum Lobby
Join Barbara Kellum, professor of art, for a tour highlighting the newly reinstalled gallery of ancient art.

Wellness for Smart People
Campus Center 003
Director of Wellness Education Emily Nagoski attends at least 20 Friday afternoon Wellness Tea sessions in the Smith houses every year. This event introduces families to a Wellness Tea; generally students show up, ask questions about wellness and discuss them. The most common concerns are about sleep and stress, but, other topics that often come up include physical activity, nutrition, body image, relationships, sex, mental health, procrastination... basically anything involved in what it’s like to live in a body in the 21st century. (BYOT.)

From Classroom to Career: Growing a Bright Future With a Smith Degree
Campus Center 205
Staff from the Lazarus Center for Career Development will give an overview of the many ways we support students and recent graduates, and we’ll share tips for how families can help their Smith students prepare for the next steps beyond campus.

What on Earth Is Going on With My First-Year Student?
Campus Center 204
Sara Sandstrom, area coordinator of center campus for the Office of Residence Life, will explain some common developmental experiences for first-year students. This session will allow parents to ask questions and develop a common understanding of what their student might be experiencing. The information provided is based on the canon of college student development theory research.

2–3 p.m. Office of Multicultural Affairs Open House
Clark Hall 207
Students and families are welcome to stop by to meet and chat with the director.

2–3:30 p.m. Class Deans’ Open House
College Hall 101
Class deans, who are responsible for students’ academic welfare, are available for brief, individual family meetings. Deans for the first-year class, sophomore and junior classes and the senior class will be available. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the office.

4 p.m. Afternoon Tea and Open Houses
All College Houses
Various members of the residence life staff and house leadership representatives will be available to welcome family and friends, answer questions about living and learning in our house communities and discuss the resources offered to the Smith community.

4 p.m. Afternoon Tea for Ada Comstock Scholars and Families
Ada Comstock Scholars Lounge, rear of Hopkins House
Join fellow Adas, family and friends for a Smith tradition.

4:30– 5:30 p.m. SIKOS Comedy Show
TV Studio, Mendenhall Center for the Performing Arts
Celebrate Family Weekend with the SIKOS (Smith Improv Comedy Organization of Smith), the college’s only improv comedy troupe.
5 p.m.  Volleyball Hall of Fame Invitational
Ainsworth and Scott Gyms
The Smith Pioneers participate in this prestigious 16-team Hall of Fame Invitational. Visit Ainsworth/Scott Gym for all the action!

5:30 p.m.  Family Shabbat Services and Dinner
Kosher Kitchen, Dawes House
A student-led pluralistic service begins at 5:30 p.m., and a homemade, vegetarian dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Stop by for either or both at the Kosher Kitchen, or visit later in the evening for cookies and tea.

5:30 p.m.  Mehndi Night Dinner
Mwangi Center
$5 in advance, $7 at the door
Mehndi Night is Ekta’s (Smith College’s South Asian Student Organization) annual cultural event for the fall semester. After a delicious Indian meal, guests enjoy a number of lively performances—anything from poetry readings, singing performances and skits as well as mind-blowing Bollywood and other South Asian dances. Guests can experience the South Asian tradition of Mehndi (henna tattoo) application, a ceremonial art form that originated in ancient India.

7 p.m.  Mehndi Night Show
Davis Ballroom
Admission is free, no ticket required
See 5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.  Campfire and S’mores
Fire Pit by the Athletic Fields, overlooking Paradise Pond
Come by and stay as long you like (and bring your friends and family) to enjoy a tasty treat, meet new people and enjoy each other’s company around the fire. S’more ingredients will be provided. Event will be canceled in the event of foul weather. Hosted by the Outing Club.

7:30 p.m.  Shakespeare’s Taming of the Shrew
Theatre 14, Mendenhall Center for the Performing Arts
Directed by Portia Krieger ’03. Presented by the Smith College Theatre Department
One of Shakespeare’s sauciest, most controversial comedies opens the 2014–15 theatre department season. Adorable Bianca has her pick of suitors, but no man wants to go near her fierce and acid-tongued older sister Kate. Their wealthy father Baptista won’t give his blessing for Bianca’s marriage until “shrewish” Kate has a fiancé too—and he’s beginning to doubt she’ll ever find someone! Enter swaggering Petruchio, with a unique plan to win Kate’s guarded heart. Don’t miss this bold and bawdy production, directed by guest director Portia Krieger ’03. Tickets may be purchased at: www.vendini.com/ticket-software.html?ti=tix&we=5fffa9e73d3a057b27da4537dd8eba5 Free for Smith students, $10 adults, $5 students and seniors.

7:30 p.m.  Captain America: The Winter Soldier
Presented by the Student Event Committee
Weinstein Auditorium
Steve Rogers struggles to embrace his role in the modern world and battles a new threat from old history: the Soviet agent known as the Winter Soldier. This film is rated PG-13.

8 p.m.  Family Weekend Faculty Chamber Music Concert
Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage Hall
Admission is free, no ticket required
This annual festive concert highlights the Smith College music performance faculty. J.S. Bach’s beautiful E major Sonata for violin and keyboard, the brilliant “Mephisto Waltz” by Liszt, Duo for Violin and Cello by Martinů, and songs by Rachmaninoff make up this program of extraordinary music. Performed by Karen Smith-Emerson, soprano; Liza Stepanova, piano; Joel Pitchon, violin; and Volcy Pelletier, cello.

9 p.m.  Live Band Karaoke
Campus Center Carroll Room
Admission is free, no ticket required

Saturday, October 25

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Campus Center Main Level
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9 a.m.–  Equestrian
4 p.m. Mount Holyoke College
All-day equestrian event at Mount Holyoke College.

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10 a.m.– Third Annual Apple Cider Pressing
2 p.m. Chapin Annex Road
Join students and staff from the Center for the Environment, Ecological Design and Sustainability and Dining Services to experience a family friendly and tasty New England tradition and a sustainable food. Help us press fresh, Ashfield-grown apples into cider and then have a cup together with a Hadley-made cider donut or some cheese and crackers from local farms.

10 a.m.– The Identity Project Photo Exhibition
2 p.m. Unity House, Hearth Room
MISC (Multi-ethnic Interracial Smith College) will be hosting their fourth annual Identity Project. The Identity Project is an annual photo project in which students, faculty and staff of the Smith community are photographed and given the opportunity to define WHO they are in their own words. The Identity Project aims to act as a forum for students, faculty and staff to self-identify and critically think about what IDENTITY means.

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Noon Field Hockey v. Springfield
At Springfield College
Travel to Springfield College to watch Smith field hockey take on the Pride on Stagg Field. Driving directions to the college can be found at www.spfldcol.edu/welcome/driving-directions/

Noon–2 p.m. Resource Center for Sexuality and Gender Open House
Wesley Basement, entrance at back of Wesley House
Join the students and organizations associated with the Resource Center for Sexuality and Gender for a reception.

1 p.m. Soccer v. Wellesley
Smith College athletic fields across the footbridge.

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Smith College Museum of Art: Faculty Insights Meet in the lobby of the Museum Join John Davis, Alice Brown Pratt Professor of Art, for a tour of highlights of the newly reinstalled gallery of 19th–20th century American art.

1–3 p.m. Visit the MacLeish Field Station Chapin loading dock Join us for a trip to Smith’s Ada and Archibald MacLeish Field Station on 240 acres of field and forest in Whately. Go on a guided hike, relax outside or explore the college’s greenest building—the Bechtel Environmental Classroom. Space in the vans is limited. Vans leave at 1 p.m. from the annex road between Chapin House and the Campus Center and will return by 3 p.m. Send email to macleish@smith.edu or call 413-585-3352 to sign up.

2–4 p.m. Black Students’ Alliance Soul Food Lunchboxes Mwangi Cultural Center All students and families are welcomed and encouraged to enjoy a delicious soul food meal with the Black Students’ Alliance. Come out and show support, mix and mingle, and learn about the oldest organization on campus. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

3 p.m. Kosher Kitchen Open House Kosher Kitchen, Dawes House Stop by to grab a snack and get to know the folks at Smith Hillel. Come say hi, ask questions and see what we’re all about.

4–5 p.m. Live Action Chess Match Davis Lawn The Science Fiction and Fantasy Society presents their annual costumed chess match. One of Shakespeare’s sauciest, most controversial comedies opens the 2014–15 theatre department season. Adorable Bianca has her pick of suitors, but no man wants to go near her fierce and acid-tongued older sister Kate. Baptist’s won’t give his blessing for Bianca’s marriage until “shrewish” Kate has a fiancé too—and he’s beginning to doubt she’ll ever find someone! Enter swaggering Petruchio, with a unique plan to win Kate’s guarded heart. Don’t miss this bold and bawdy production, directed by guest director Portia Krieger ’03. Tickets may be purchased at www.vendini.com/ticket-software.html?i=tix&w=5ff7a49e73d63a07db7daa537dd8b5 Free for Smith students, $10 adults, $5 students and seniors.

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5:30 p.m. Al Iman’s 25th-Year Eid Celebration Sanctuary, Helen Hills Hills Chapel Join Al Iman as they host the annual community dinner in celebration of Eid Al Adha, a Muslim holiday. This year Al Iman invites the community to join them in celebrating both the holiday and their 25th year on campus. In addition to a delicious halal meal of Middle Eastern cuisine, there will be live performances of naat/nasheeds, henna art, Arabic calligraphy and many other exciting programs. The event, open to both Muslims and non-Muslims, also features guest speaker Tahera Ahmed, associate chaplain of Northwestern University and a recent White House honoree. Tickets are $3 and are available at the door or in advance by contacting aliman@smith.edu.

Asian Tea House Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage Hall Admission is free, no ticket required An annual event co-hosted by the Asian Students Association and the Korean American Students of Smith. Attend with your friends and family members and get ready to be dazzled by both traditional and more modern dances, songs and various other acts.

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8 p.m. Montage: Takin’ It to the Streets John M. Greene Hall The annual Family Weekend extravaganza
with performances by the Smith College Glee Club and Chorus, Groove, the Wind and Jazz Ensembles, the Handbell Choir, the Orchestra and student a cappella groups. Features the title track by the Doobie Brothers and other “street” related songs. Conducted by Grant Moss, Joseph Baldwin, Ellen Redman, Genevieve Rose and Jonathan Hirsh.

9 p.m. Smith To Do presents Mug Decorating
Davis Ballroom
Come on over to Davis Ballroom to make crafts and connections. Free.

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10 a.m. Family Fun Run/Walk
Outside the Campus Center
Sponsored by Smith Athletics
Have fun and get some exercise too! Join our Color Run/Walk in honor of Family Weekend. All are welcome; please sign up at 9:30 a.m. outside the Campus Center.

10–11 a.m. Family Weekend Bipartisan Tea
Campus Center Carroll Room and Wilson Atrium
Join the Smith College Republicans and Smith Democrats for the annual Family Weekend Bipartisan Tea. Learn how these two political clubs are active on campus and initiate lively political conversations with students. All viewpoints welcome!

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1–3 p.m. Bike Kitchen Open Hours
Talbot House
Students can get help in fixing their bikes, can pump up their tires or just explore the space.

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9 a.m.– 1 p.m. Brunch
College Dining Rooms
Each Smith student can invite two family members as guests of the college. Additional family members will be charged at the door ($10 adults, $5 children 5–12 years old). Off-campus students will be assigned a dining room and given tickets at registration. Brunch will be served in the following locations:

Continental Breakfast:
7:30–9 a.m. Chase/Duckett King/Scales Tyler
Brunch:
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Chase-Duckett,* King/Scales
10 a.m. –1 p.m. Lamont, Cushing-Emerson, Cutter-Ziskind, Gillett,** Hubbard, Morrow/Wilson, Tyler

*Gluten-free options will be available. If you have food allergies, please let our dining staff know.
**Vegan/vegetarian options available.

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Notice of Nondiscrimination
Smith College is committed to maintaining a diverse community in an atmosphere of mutual respect and appreciation of differences. Smith College does not discriminate in its educational and employment policies on the bases of race, color, creed, religion, national/ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, or with regard to the bases outlined in the Veterans Readjustment Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Smith’s admission policies and practices are guided by the same principle, concerning women applying to the undergraduate program and all applicants to the graduate programs. For more information, please contact the adviser for equity complaints, College Hall 103, 413-585-2141, or visit www.smith.edu/diversity.