Call for Nominations!

Each year Staff Council elects approximately one-half of its 25 members for a two-year term. Elections will be held in April. The term of office is from June 1, 2010, to May 31, 2012. Communication, constructive change, and fun are what Staff Council is all about. In mid-February, you will receive a card to nominate a colleague (or yourself) for the Council. Please be sure to ask if the nominee is willing to serve if elected.

Announcements

STAFF DISCOUNT PROGRAM
Did you know that nearly 150 businesses are part of the Smith Discount Program? Your Smith ID Card allows you to take advantage of a wide variety of discounts that these businesses offer. A complete listing of the participants can be seen at www.smith.edu/staffcouncil/discounts.html. Be sure to bookmark the Web page and check back often, as we are constantly receiving additional listings. *Smith College and Staff Council in no way endorse or specifically support the vendors listed.*

CAMPUS CLIMATE OPEN FORUM
Join students, faculty, and staff to discuss ways to make Smith diverse and inclusive. This month’s meeting is on **Wednesday, February 10, at noon** in Campus Center 103/104. Bring a lunch!

The 2010 Creative Gallery

The 2010 Creative Gallery online gets off to a great start with two photos and a collage by Jan Morris (Student Affairs and The Wellness Office). Jan says, "the photo of the leaf was taken one morning just outside Clark Hall. There’s magic all around us.”

All staff are invited to submit images of art, photos, or other examples of creative activities. Did you take an interesting photo on vacation or a cool picture of your pet? Add it to the gallery! Guidelines are online.

For more information and to view all of the work in the Creative Gallery, visit: [www.smith.edu/staffcouncil/10](http://www.smith.edu/staffcouncil/10).
Upcoming Events

WINTER PARTY
February 6 (Saturday) 7:00-11:00 p.m.
All Smith employees are invited to a winter party with a tropical theme in Scott and Ainsworth gyms. Tickets are $10 for staff (subsidized by Staff Council), $15 for faculty and guests. Last minute tickets may still be available. Please contact Sharon Fagan (ext. 4950 or sfagan@smith.edu) for more information.

BOOK AND MEDIA EXCHANGE
March 23 (Tuesday)
Drop-off days are March 18, 19, and 22. You may bring books, videos or CDs to the Campus Center in exchange for points to redeem toward items from other staff. Volunteers are needed for accepting items on the drop-off days. Contact us at staffactivities@smith.edu.

Mystery Photo
February 15 and submit your guess in the comment box. One lucky winner will be selected at random from all the correct entries. Check out the March issue of the Chronicle for the answer to where this intriguing photo was taken. The lucky winner will receive a complimentary specialty beverage from the coffee bar at the Campus Center Café. Some of the specialty beverages available include lattes, mochas, cappuccinos, Seattle's Best Coffees, chai, teas, smoothies, and milkshakes. Meet you at the coffee bar!

BUS TRIP TO NYC
April 10 (Saturday)
Sign up now! First come, first served! There will only be one bus. See www.smith.edu/staffcouncil for sign-up details. Only $35.

FROM THE COUNCIL MINUTES
Representatives from Williams College will be attending a future Staff Council meeting. They are in the planning stages of forming a similar group at Williams.

STAY INFORMED about the activities of the Staff Council committees. Minutes, news, and other relevant information can be found on the Staff Council Web site at www.smith.edu/staffcouncil.

Meetings
All staff are welcome to attend meetings or serve as a non-voting member on a committee. Check the Staff Council Web site for information on meeting dates, times, and locations. The minutes from Council meetings can also be found online at www.smith.edu/staffcouncil.

Full Staff Council Meeting
February 4 (Thursday)
Time: 2-3 p.m.
Place: Campus Center Room 204
Chair: Sandy Bycenski
All staff invited to attend.

Communications Committee Meeting
February 11 (Thursday)
Time: 2 p.m.
Place: Campus Center Café
Co-chairs: Barbara Pliska & Kelly Richey
All staff invited to attend.

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