



The BRYN MAWR CLUB of NEW YORK CITY



November 2003

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What's Happening at the Bryn Mawr Club

Thursday, November 6 — Young Alums Happy Hour

Monday, November 10 — Careers in Entertainment

Thursday, November 13 — BMC Challenging Women Campaign Event

Tuesday, November 25 — Non-Traditional Legal Careers Panel

Wednesday, December 3 — Book Reading by Wendy Westbrook Fairey '64

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November 4 — Guided Tour of the Exhibit "Aftershocks: Art and Memoir on Growing Up in the Aftermath" Elana Haviv '94 and Kate Chumley '94 invite you to a free guided tour exclusively for Bryn Mawr alumnae of the exhibit "Aftershocks: Art and Memoir on Growing up in the Aftermath" at the United Nations. The exhibit represents two years of healing work by children and teenagers in Children's Movement for Creative Education (founded by Haviv) programs in Sarajevo, the Serb Republic and New York City. It speaks about lasting effects of violence and war on young people and how we can secure peace for future generations. Three students from Sarajevo will be on hand to answer questions about their work. The

tour is scheduled for 2 p.m., but you are advised to arrive at the UN 15 minutes early and to bring proper ID. The group will meet near the information desk just past the security checks inside the UN building. Please use the visitors' entrance at First Ave. between 45th & 46th Streets. RSVP Kate Chumley at 347-743-0410 or katechumley@earthlink.net. For those of you who are interested, but can't make the tour, the exhibit will be on display through November 26. More information is available at www.childrensmovement.org. **To attend the gala opening and fundraiser** on November 6th (6-9 p.m.) at the UN, please contact the CMCE at 212-664-1014 and leave your name, phone number and the number of guests who will attend.

More events information and the plans Club President Lisa Tomeny '91 has. →

President's Column

As we enter the 2003-2004 year, many Club initiatives are underway for what promises to be a busy and exciting year!

Through the generosity of Nora Lavori '71 (who has offered the use of the Culture Center to the Club), we will be sponsoring a series of monthly events at this Upper West Side location. Events will range from book readings to guest professor lectures spanning a variety of topics. We hope you will take this opportunity to participate in one or more of these events that is reminiscent of the quintessential Bryn Mawr!

To keep up with the technology age, the Club is in the process of establishing a Web site to allow easy access to Club information as well as upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and much more! We anticipate that the site will be up and running by the end of 2003. In the meanwhile, we will continue to utilize the e-letter for timely distribution of Club events and information. If you are not already on this distribution list, please email bmc_club_of_nyc@hotmail.com.

The Club continues to explore our options to re-establish a bookshop presence in New York City. The Bookshop Relocation Committee, under the direction of Roberta Books '64, continues its hard work in developing a viable plan. Many thanks to

Roberta and the members of this committee for their endeavors.

On campus, Challenging Women: Investing in the Future of Bryn Mawr continues to make progress having passed the halfway mark as of October 1st towards the final \$225 million goal. The central objective of the campaign is to ensure that Bryn Mawr can continue to attract and retain the best faculty and students and to offer an intellectually rigorous, academically innovative program. Celebration events are scheduled this year in New York, Boston, San Francisco and Los Angeles. All NY-area alumnae are invited to the New York City event to be held on November 13 at the New York Public Library!

Finally, I would like to thank Laura Thomas '87, the former BMC Club of NY President, for her years of dedication and leadership. I also thank all of the out-going and in-coming Board members for their time and commitment to the Club.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible throughout the year – and remember to keep a lookout for the new website! As always, we welcome your feedback and suggestions on all Club matters! **Anassa Kata!!**

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November 6 — Young Alums Happy Hour

6:30 p.m. at Holland Bar (532 Ninth Ave between 39th and 40th) RSVP Meera Ratnesar at mratesar@hotmail.com

November 10 — Careers in Entertainment

Sponsored by the Seven Sisters Clubs at Morgan Stanley, 885 Third Avenue; Wine and cheese reception starting at 5:45 p.m., followed by a panel discussion at 6:15 and then networking.

November 13 — Challenging Women Campaign Kick-Off Event

November 25 — Non-Traditional Legal Careers Panel

Interested in a legal career that doesn't involve a large firm? Come to the non-traditional legal careers panel and hear how other Bryn Mawrers have created satisfying careers off the beaten legal path. At 6 p.m. at a location to be announced. RSVP

Jessica.Vasquez@alumnae.brynmawr.edu for location and/or more information.

December 3 — Book Reading by Wendy Westbrook Fairey '64

Wendy Westbrook Fairey '64 will read from her recently published book *Full House* (SMU Press, 2003).

In these eleven linked stories, her narrator Jenny tells of the vagaries of an ongoing women's poker game, the pleasures and poignancies of love, family and friendship, the effects of time during a midlife period. She will read the story "Grace" which centers on a twenty-fifth reunion at an unnamed women's college.

Wendy has also published *One of the Family* (Norton, 1992), her memoir of growing up in Hollywood as the daughter of columnist Sheilah Graham and discovering the identity of her father, British Philosopher A.J. Ayer.

Holding a doctorate from Columbia University, Wendy teaches English Literature and Creative Writing at Brooklyn College. This promises to be a lively evening.

7 p.m. for wine and cheese and conversation. Wendy's reading will start at 7:30. At The Culture Center (410 Columbus Avenue between 79th and 80th Streets). Cost is \$15, to cover refreshments, and is tax-deductible.

Please RSVP by November 25 to Ann Schack (aschack@bellatlantic.net). Send your check (payable to The Bryn Mawr Club of New York) to Ann Schack, 300 West 12th Street, New York, NY 10014.



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