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# Mount Holyoke Alumnae Club of Hartford Newsletter

Autumn 2002

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## Admissions Events

### Summertime Send-off

On August 22nd, our club will host the annual "Summertime Send-off" for new first year and transfer students going to MHC in the fall. The purpose of this event is to introduce first year and transfer students to each other, and to give them an opportunity to speak with some current students and alumnae about life on campus.

### November Tea

Our annual tea will be held on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Julie Drake '84. This afternoon tea is an informational session for prospective students and their parents.

## Communications

For those of you who have an email address, you will be seeing occasional communications via email, as well as the hardcopy newsletter. While we will try to send out newsletters as appropriate to apprise you of activities or to convey Club news, an email address is very helpful for timely communication. An additional advantage to email is that it helps to reduce the costs of printing and mailing. If you have an e-mail address and are not receiving updates, please send a quick note to Maura at [mpolci@snet.net](mailto:mpolci@snet.net).

## The Club Board

Noreen Kuziak '88	President	<a href="mailto:nkuziak@att.net">nkuziak@att.net</a>
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Beverly Lucas '88	Admissions	<a href="mailto:Bjlucas7@aol.com">Bjlucas7@aol.com</a>

## Upcoming Events

We have been working to plan events of interest to club members. As always, we encourage you to bring guests to club events. For any event that requires payment, please mail a check, payable to MHC Alumnae Club of Hartford, to Amy Coyle, Treasurer. If no payment is required, please RSVP to Noreen Kuziak, either via phone or email as listed above. If you have ideas or suggestions, we would be pleased to hear from you.

### MHC Alumnae Book Club

If you are an avid reader, then the Book Club is for you! The Book Club meets on three Fridays a year at 10 a.m. in the Hartford area. The next meeting will be on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at Seabury in Bloomfield. The book to be discussed is "The Palestine-Israeli Conflict" by Dan Cohn-Sherbok and Dawoud Alami.

Additional selections for the year have not been made. The group would like to read Muslim and Israeli fiction. Suggestions are welcome. If you would like more information, please call Mary Goodwin. The club always encourages new participants.

### *M(aking) H(istorical) C(haracters): And You Thought Shattuck and Clapp Were Only Buildings?*

Carole Shmurak '65 will talk about how her serious research on the 19<sup>th</sup> century women scientists of Mount Holyoke has turned into a series of novels for young adolescents, and the challenges of turning real people into fictional characters. Coffee, tea and dessert will be served.

Date September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Location The home of Julie Drake in Avon, CT.

Cost \$5.00 to be mailed in advance to the address above.

### *Saving for College and Retirement*

Are you interested in saving for college tuition for your children or grandchildren? What is a 529 plan? Do you have to buy the Connecticut plan if you are a Connecticut resident? What investment strategies are available, e.g. asset allocation and college planning? What is the difference between a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA? Learn how to protect yourself against unexpected events and how to save for retirement, college tuition through managed investment products. Lunch will be served.

Date October 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Location The home of Amy Coyle in Middletown, CT.

Cost \$5.00 to be mailed in advance to the address above.

### *Vespers at Mount Holyoke*

Come and listen to the Glee Club and other choral groups in Mount Holyoke's Chapel. This musical start to the holiday season is for all ages. Vespers will be on December 7<sup>th</sup>...more details to be announced.

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## Annual Club Membership

### Dues

Membership Dues are paid each year and are applied for the period of July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Dues are collected to support many activities of the club. Dues help pay for three annual newsletters and other mailings. We also hold three Admissions events a year and dues help pay for refreshments. Some event fees are also subsidized by dues dollars.

### Alumnae Scholar Program

The Alumnae Scholar Program is a scholarship fund for current MHC students. Clubs that raise \$5,000 or more have a "named" scholar. Funds raised by clubs that total less than \$5,000 go into a general pool. The Director of Financial Aid awards the scholarships on an annual basis. The average scholarship amount is \$5,000 but each is granted according to individual need.

### 2002-2003 Membership Form

Please submit your check, payable to the Mount Holyoke Club of Hartford, to: Amy Coyle, Treasurer

Class of 2002	no dues
Classes of 1999-2001	\$10.00
Classes of 1953-1998	\$20.00
Classes of 1952 and earlier	honorary member
Associate member (parent, non-alumna)	\$10.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

<i>I have enclosed...</i>	\$	in dues for the 2002-2003 year.
	\$	for the Alumnae Scholar Fund.
	\$	to the Hartford Club treasury.
Total	\$	<i>(any monies not allocated will be given to the Hartford Club treasury)</i>