

# Mount Holyoke Alumnae Club of Philadelphia

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## Highlights of 2005 – 06 Program of Events

### Mountain Day

October 30, 2005

3:00 pm

Japanese House and  
Garden, at Fairmount  
Park

### Fall Art Event

First Friday

November 4, 2005

Gallery Hopping  
and Dinner

### Mary Lyon Luncheon

February 18, 2006

I hope that you are all having a fine autumn, thus far. In preparation for the autumn's arrival, the club's board members met in late August to develop some great programming. I hope that you will be able to work some of our events into your busy schedules! You'll see a listing of those events, for this year and into next year, in the enclosed 2005 – 06 program.

Just after our August Board Meeting, we had a well attended gathering of the new freshman class and their parents and guardians. There were nine freshmen from our geographic region, this semester.

The Alumnae Association has re-engineered itself to be more responsive to the needs to the alumnae. Part of that is a major effort to maximize its effectiveness by becoming more of a presence on-line. This is especially evident in the enhanced website capabilities that the Association is now making available to the clubs and alumnae. Recently, several alumnae who are new to the area have contacted me, via the website, to let me know that they have arrived here and want to get information on our club's events. So, it's working!!!

Additionally, the Association has developed a career advisory mechanism that will provide a variety professional enrichment tools.

Our former Club Vice-President, Sharla Franco, is now our Club President. We welcome her in her leadership role and look forward to her input and energetic leadership.

For those of you who might like to become more active in our club, we've got a proposition for you – sign up! There are several board positions that currently need to be filled now, or in the near future. They are Vice-President, Treasurer, Historian and also someone to oversee the Annual Spring Bulb Fundraiser. If you are interested, please contact me or another member of the board by phone or e-mail. And please note, we welcome co-chair arrangements. If you and a fellow alum would like to pair up to help out with a board position, please just let us know,

As always, it's a pleasure to chat with you, and if you have any suggestions for events, or would like to help the club out in any way, please feel free to contact any of the board members.

Very truly yours,

*Nina E. Dowlen*