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Dear colleagues and friends:

Hampshire is 40 and we are celebrating! *Forty nights on the road to the 40th* offers events ranging from informal alum-organized gatherings in pubs to lectures, formal dinners, panel discussions, and festivals across the country and overseas.

All this culminates in the weekend of **June 11 – 13, 2010**, when on campus there will be talks and book signings, art exhibitions, affinity group parties, faculty and student workshops, film and music festivals, a market place for crafts and food vendors, an interactive timeline, presidential panels, presentations and performances, a contra dance, ultimate Frisbee, a bonfire and, most importantly, a time to re-live the best of Hampshire and catch up with old friends and favorite faculty. Many people have already told us they plan to be here, *Registration will open in the new year*. Check out our Facebook page to see who has responded so far and add your names to the list. Tell your friends *now* that you're coming so that they will come too.

If you would like to organize something special, give a talk, submit your latest best-seller for the book signing or a film for the film festival, go to <u>http://anniversary.hampshire.edu</u> and click "get involved". If you would like to help with the programming, there are groups working on music, film, art, books, the market place, and networking and your input would be most welcome! **Email <u>alumni@hampshire.edu</u>**

We have booked hotels nearby; it will also be possible to stay on campus. Check out <u>http://www.campushomeexchange.com</u> if you're coming from far away and you'd like to exchange homes with a Pioneer Valley resident. Please visit our **accommodations page** for more information about where to stay. Bring your partner; bring your children too: there will be a children's program on Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and we can provide a list of sitters in the area if you would like.



Jeff Sharlet 90F spoke about his best-selling book, *The Family*, to a gathering of alums, parents and friends in the Manhattan home of Gina Goldman 83F and Walter Schupfer on 27 October. *Pictured: Rebecca Holland 77F, alum trustee*, *Jeff Sharlet 90F, Gloria and trustee Joe Hanson P02, GP08.* November 9: Washington, DC Inaugural public policy affinity group event co-hosted by Erin Dozier 88F, Alex Kreit 97F, and Ellen Sturgis 77F, Topaz Hotel.

November 13: Amherst, MA Scholarship Dinner at the Red Barn.

November 14: New York, NY Professor Karen Koehler at MOMA: 2nd Visual Arts Affinity Group event.

December 1: New York, NY Alums in Writing and Publishing.

December 1: Springfield, MA Cocktail hour at Pazzo's before the Ken Burns 71F talk, *America's Best Idea*, at SymphonyHall.

December 3: Miami, FL Reception co-hosted by Julia Stutts 88F and Luis Hernandez 70F.

December 4: Miami, FL Art Miami tour, led by Professor Sura Levine.

Upcoming 2010

Look for events in San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Washington DC, Boston, and North Carolina.

http://alumni.hampshire.edu/ alumni/events

May, 2010: Amherst, MA Div-Free Party for graduates

June 11–13 2010: 40th Anniversary Celebration *That's Hampshire!*



40th Anniversary Campus Renewal Initiative Hampshire College embarks on a fresh commitment to campus infrastructure

What will Hampshire College look like 40 years from now?

Hampshire has much to celebrate as it turns 40, but four decades after the first buildings were constructed, the College's physical plant needs renewal. Addressing deferred maintenance and facilities needs is critical for the recruitment of new students as well as in providing academic and research support to current students and faculty.

The 40th Anniversary Campus Renewal Initiative recognizes that academic excellence and the quality of the student experience are linked to the quality of campus facilities. This initiative will address some of the projects that remain beyond the scope of the annual budget.

Among Campus Renewal Initiative projects are: renovation of Franklin Patterson Hall, expansion of computer training facilities, restoration of the solar panel structure in the Longsworth Art Village, and improvements to the Dakin/Merill residential quad.



Photo: Michael Medeiros

These and many more projects will enhance the student experience, add needed capacity to key facilities, increase building accessibility, and help make the campus a leader in sustainability.

Donations to the 40th Anniversary Campus Renewal Initiative can be either set aside for specific projects or added to the general fund, which will address Hampshire's most pressing infrastructure needs.

More information about the Campus Renewal Initiative is online at http://campusrenewal.hampshire.edu.

Gift Planning and the 40th Anniversary Bequest Campaign By director of major gifts, Cheri Butler

Hampshire College welcomed five new donors to the Harold Johnson Society last month who included the college in their estate plans. We are well on our way to our goal of adding forty Harold Johnson Society Members by the 40th Anniversary Celebration. We are also improving our interactive gift planning website that will make it easier to learn about including Hampshire in estate plans. The website will be live early in the new year, and several mailings are planned to raise awareness about making this important gift to Hampshire. For further details, please contact Cheri Butler at 413.559.5588 or cbutler@hampshire.edu.

New Gifts and Grants

National Science Foundation - Salman Hameed has been awarded \$381,502 for his work, Evolution and Islam: Acceptance of biological evolution and perspectives on science & religion among Muslim physicians and medical students. This work will take Salman to a dozen countries to interview doctors and medical students, and is a partnership with John Hopkins University.

National Science Foundation - *Charlene D'Avanzo* has been awarded \$164,748 for her work, *Collaborative Research: Improving Biology with Diagnostic Question Clusters and Active General Teaching.*

James Underwood Crockett Agricultural Technology Growth Fund - *Christopher Jarvis* has been awarded \$1,500 to supplement a Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (SARE) grant proposal project using Hampshire cows for yogurt and cheese production and working with local dairy farmers. **David Gruber 72F** pledged \$100,000 to be used over five years to recognize excellence in teaching and advising at Hampshire. The gift will provide an annual \$10,000 award for excellence in teaching and a \$10,000 award for excellence in advising. Details on the application and awards process will be announced in the coming weeks.

An endowed fund in honor of former faculty Elaine Mayes was established and already \$25,000 towards the goal of \$50,000 has been contributed. **The Elaine Mayes Endowment Fund** will support an annual award(s) in support of Division II and Division III student projects in film, photography, and video.

Artemis Joukowsky 81F and his family made a gift of \$10,000 to the Martha Sharp Joukowsky Endowment Fund for Faculty Development in honor of the birth of Jainaba Martha Manneh, daughter of friend Abdoulie Manneh 87F. The endowment supports grants for faculty to pursue their academic and artistic endeavors.

The mission of the Office of Institutional Advancement is to build and sustain positive relationships across multiple constituencies and to engage robust philanthropic support from many different sources in order to fully realize the academic mission and potential of Hampshire College.