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Subject: The Kirkland Endowment Funds

To: The Hamilton Community

From: Vivyan Adair, Professor of Women's and Gender Studies, Chair, Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee

Re: The Kirkland Endowment Funds

The Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee was established at the time of the merger of Hamilton and Kirkland Colleges. Kirkland was an innovative women's college, and the Committee disburses funds from the unrestricted portion of the Endowment of Kirkland College, in "the needs and interests of women at Hamilton College." The Endowment Advisory Committee is made up of alumnae and faculty members.

We have several categories of grants:

Programming / Events

Next deadline: **October 14, 2019**

If you or your department or student group has a project in mind (speaker, artistic performance, research, etc.) that supports the "needs and interests of women at Hamilton," you may apply to the Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee for financial support. We define this mission broadly, and support work by and about women and gender. We welcome proposals from student groups. We are especially interested in interdisciplinary and innovative programming.

Student Travel for Research and Creative Work

Next deadline: **October 14, 2019**

We assist women students with travel for research, service, and for presentations of creative work or research at professional meetings. *We cannot support senior project research or study abroad and we cannot support seniors after graduation.* Typical grants for travel within the U.S do not exceed \$400 and cover up to \$1000 for international travel. Kirkland travel funds can be used for travel only, and not for food, conference registration, or accommodations.

You may send an application to me at keac@hamilton.edu. The application form can be found on the Kirkland Endowment page of the Hamilton College website: <https://www.hamilton.edu/alumni/network/kirklandcollege/kirklandendowment/keac-funding>. Please do not send a pdf file.

Please include:

1. A brief description of the activity, including its intended audience.
2. A complete budget, including amount requested and other sources of funding;
3. A statement of how your proposed event meets the needs and interests of women at Hamilton.

We ask that events sponsored by the Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee credit the Endowment in any and all publicity.

Subsequent deadlines are as follows: **November 18th**

Thank you,

Vivyan Adair, Professor of Women's and Gender Studies,

Chair, Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee

Happy Fall 2019 Kirkland family,

SAM wants to see us! News from Kate Spencer - We are celebrating Kirkland in November with a very special opportunity to come together in NYC. Over the past few years, the idea developed to create a new scholarship, and now it has been successfully established in the names of Samuel and Natalie Babbitt. With the title we are honoring their joint commitment to supporting the growth and education of women as individuals and in the community created as Kirkland College.

Commemorating Kirkland as a unique undergraduate experience that has lived on in so many of us, this scholarship has the potential to grow beyond a wonderful tribute, to be an extension of that legacy. There have been some beautiful suggestions or ways that could happen.

Cathy Sommer Iselin has offered her home in Brooklyn on the evening of Wednesday, November 20th, and Carol Travis Friscia will host a gathering at her home in Manhattan on Thursday evening November 21.

Sam Babbitt is enthusiastically coming on both evenings so that we can extend the invitation to all those who are able to come the week before Thanksgiving. Please save the date, and spread the word. Then be ready to RSVP so that we can accommodate as many as possible. It could be suggested that Wednesday the 20th be an invitation to all Kirkland classes extending to 1981. Then Thursday be open to all in celebration of the established scholarship, and the building momentum of its continuous growth. Let us know if you are unable to attend at this time, but would like to be kept in the loop for this scholarship project.

Saturday, November 30, 10:30 a.m., location TBD, Boston friends are planning to have a Kirkland brunch gathering while Judy Silverstein Gray is town for a College health networking event. Judy also invites you to join her for a discussion on aging. Again, more details to follow.

And, if you aren't a NYC/Boston area person who would like to be kept in the loop on these events, please let me (or the College) know & I'll let the College know.

We put out word and word was heard. Some of you may be aware of Hamilton's Chapel Bell Society (a self-determined monthly sustaining gift to the College). The past perks have been cool including a pair of Hamilton socks. Nice, but we wear Kirkland. Our strong Kirkland contingency on the various Hamilton Alum committees expressed that if significant Kirkland participation is anticipated, the name may need consideration (Swinging Rock Society?!? (thank you, Carolyn York)) and Kirkland socks are a must! I am happy to report that Kirkland socks are happening! Other perks include discounts at the bookstore, a free drink at the pub, participation fee waiving for various College gatherings, and soon to be available KIRKLAND SOCKS! More to follow!

And preparation for the next All-Kirkland Reunion in 2021 and the Charter Class's 50th Reunion are well underway along with yearly Reunions. If you are interested in creating memorable weekends with those organizing the events, please let me/us know! Otherwise, as with much of the above, more info to follow.

On a sad note, on September 26, Liz Horwitz's beloved lifelong friend Nell Burlingham K74, lost her fight with brain cancer. In Liz's words, Nell and she defined what best friends forever means, during long joyful summers on Fire Island. Nell was and is an amazing person, loving and caring, fiercely principled, a brilliant and original mind, strong in spirit. She majored in creative writing at Kirkland, won the Watrous Prize, helped many many people as a psychiatrist. Losing her is losing a part of herself. So sad. And a reminder that we are a Limited Edition. Thank you for making every day Kirkland strong. We share something that's all ours. We made a difference. And, our friendship continues into the present moments of life's transitions.

I am attaching also a report from the KEAC (Kirkland Endowment Advisory Committee) regarding the upcoming grant application deadline. Please read and share with interested students. (Can this be added Sharon???)

On a personal note, Jimmy and I are looking forward to the arrival (in good health, please) of our 1st grandchild at the close of this calendar year. By soon-to-be parents' request, we have been asked to help out only as needed and during any hour of the day or night. Hence, we'll be in Brooklyn for the month of January 2020. Hope to have some meet-ups with you. Send me a note, call, thought if you'd like to!

Be well.

Peace and love,
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