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## Wendy Wasserstein, Pulitzer-Winning Playwright, Dies

Jan. 30 (Bloomberg) -- Wendy Wasserstein, the prize-winning playwright who chronicled the struggles of educated women after the feminist movement, has died. She was 55.

She died this morning at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York after a battle with lymphoma, said Andre Bishop, artistic director of Lincoln Center.

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## Fiscal Year Ends on High Note!

Happy New Year! We trust that each of you had a restful holiday and have begun 2006 with a renewed spirit and enthusiasm for the year ahead.

Congratulations are in order for 1992! As of December 31, 2005, our class had very impressive participation to the Alumnae Annual Fund: 16.7%. We are ahead of every other class in the 1990s except for 1996, which is in a reunion year. As of that same date, we had raised \$16,815 in cash and pledges. So, THANK YOU to those of you who have made a gift or pledge. We are well on our way to achieving our dollar and participation goals.

Overall, the Fund is doing well this year. We started 2006 with contributions of approximately \$4.4M from 26% of our alumnae. This indicates very strong progress toward our \$8M goal.

Alicechandra and Amy

[Read More on the class Website...](#)

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The tentative dates for our 15th reunion have been posted. We'll be part of Reunion II, which is currently scheduled for June 1-3, 2007. The Class Board is already making plans for the weekend, so you should, too! You have approximately 16 months to:

- Find something white for the Laurel Parade
- Brief your family on the hot spots in the Village Commons
- Secure a nanny for your pets and plants
- Submit suggestions to the class reunion planners for activities, laurel parade costumes, must haves and must avoids for the weekend
- Hound your favorite 92ers to join you in South Hadley.

We hope to see you all there!

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## Class Spotlights & Family Photos:



Plus news from [Winifred Connerton](#) and [Linda Sharkey](#)

Read more on the class Website and [send us your stories and pix!](#)

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## "Mark the Music!" A CONCERT to celebrate a career!

Saturday, April 29, 4:00 pm  
Abbey Memorial Chapel  
Glee Club, Chorale, MHC Orchestra; Alumnae singers

Featuring Eliot Carter's Harmony of Morning, conducted by Catharine Melhorn (retiring Spring '06) Attention MHC Choral Alumnae 1971-2004 (Cathy Melhorn's years!) Share in "Mark the Music!" --- A spring concert celebration of Cathy Melhorn's MHC career on the weekend of April 28-29, 2006. Combined choirs and Orchestra featuring Eliot Carter's HARMONY OF MORNING. Details announced on our choral website: [www.mtholyoke.edu/go/sing](http://www.mtholyoke.edu/go/sing).

SAVE THE DATE!! Register to sing March 1. (Participation may be limited by space available.) Promises to be a very festive occasion

For Catharine Melhorn, Choral Director, retiring in Spring '06

Free

[Read More on the MHC CHoral Website...](#)

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## WAM! Festival (Women and Music) Mount Holyoke College: April 29, 2006

Back by Popular Demand!

### Background:

The **WAM! Festival** is the Pioneer Valley's only women's music festival. The event is presented by Mad Mission Music with the support of local business sponsors and

individuals.

The **WAM! Festival** is an all-day event, hosting local and national talent. The Festival strives to represent a wide variety of musical styles including folk, rock, jazz and blues. This celebration combines music on two stages, food vendors, and female craftswomen and artisans. The Festival consists of a main stage located in Mount Holyoke's beautiful Chapin Hall, which accommodates approximately 1,600 and an outdoor coffeehouse stage featuring local performers.

Past performers have included Patty Griffin, Catie Curtis, Antigone Rising, Melissa Ferrick, Toshi Reagon, Erin McKeown, Jill Sobule, Erica Wheeler, Rani Arbo and Daisy Mayhem, Alix Olson and host of other talent. **WAM! is planning another stellar line-up for 2006!**

[Read More on the Class Website...](#)

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## LifeNet

LifeNet is a greatly expanded networking program that allows alumnae and students to locate one another, get in touch, and stay connected - through all the transitions of life. With LifeNet, members of the MHC community can offer and seek career advice; stay in one another's homes while traveling; arrange social visits and cultural events; and share information about places to live, club activities in an area, and much more. LifeNet includes two pre-existing programs: the Alumnae Stay program and the E-Mentorship program. In addition, we now offer pre-law and pre-health mentoring options and encourage alumnae in related career paths to sign up as mentors.

How to participate? [Simply create your LifeNet profile](#) and add as much or as little detail as you choose. In less than three minutes, you will be connected to a dynamic worldwide community of exceptional Mount Holyoke alumnae and students. Please contact [Stacey Coleman-Litterer FP'06](#) with any questions.

[Read More on the College's Website...](#)

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## New and Expanded Services on the Alumnae Association Web Site

Enhanced services include:

- Find An Alum
- Share Your News
- Online Career Resources
- E-mail Preferences
- Lifetime E-mail Address
- Yellow Pages

[For more information, please see the College's Website...](#)

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## Alumnae to Alumnae Message Boards

The Alumnae Association is pleased to announce a new online service: Alumnae to Alumnae Message Boards. In addition to special message boards on the Association Web site related to current events (such as relief efforts after Hurricane Katrina), our new message boards allow members of the MHC community around the world to read and post comments about a variety of topics. Discussions currently include careers, life/work balance, adoption, education, and many other topics of interest to alumnae

The registration process for Alumnae to Alumnae Message Boards is separate from Log In Services registration on our Web site, and is very quick and easy. Because the

message boards do not require a password to read the boards, they are available to those outside as well as within the MHC community—so please keep this in mind when posting personal information. Alumnae to Alumnae Message Boards provide a great opportunity for alumnae to share resources and ideas with one another—and to continue the MHC tradition of intellectual discussion beyond the campus.

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## Be Part of a Quarterly Article on "Late Bloomers"

The Alumnae Quarterly magazine staff is gathering information for a future article on "Late Bloomers" (alumnae whose life journeys have brought them to their career or calling not late, but later than expected).

If you have something to say about this topic - or want to volunteer to be interviewed by the article's author - please e-mail [Emily Weir](#) (please type "Late Bloomers" in your e-mail's subject line) or send a letter to her c/o Alumnae Quarterly, 50 College St., South Hadley, MA 01075-1486). We look forward to your input.

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## Deadline for the Next Alumnae Association Quarterly is Here! Don't Miss Out!



The deadline for notes and news for the next issue of the Alumnae Quarterly is here! Don't miss out. Submit your stories [online!](#) Deadline: Feb 1

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## Class Dues

We've teamed up with JustGive.org to collect class dues on line. Click the button to the right to make a payment using any major credit card. JustGive forwards the payments it's collected (minus a small transaction fee) to the class treasurer each month, and it sends you an immediate acknowledgement of your charitable contribution to the class.

Dues are \$25 for the current period (just \$5 for each year between our 10th & 15th reunions), but we're happy to accept contributions of any amount at any time.

What do your dues pay for? Our largest expense is always reunion, which dues help to cover. But in between reunion years, your dues pay for things like class newsletters and seed money for fundraisers. All funds raised by the class -- both through dues and fundraisers - help to lower the cost of reunion for everyone in our class.

### Rather Send A Check?

You can always pay your dues by personal check. Please make your check payable to "MHC Class of 1992" and mail it to:

Erin Ennis  
Class President  
109 C St SE Apt 1  
Washington, DC 20003.

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