



ALLways

Newsletter of the Academy for Lifelong Learning of Cape Cod, Inc.

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August, 2017

Dear Kerry,

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Ambling Into August



We amble into August and our first *ALLways* of the new fall semester even though it is only August. We want to alert members of our courses, our catalog and our new board members.

Our Back to School Social at the Cultural Center last year was appreciated by all. We're doing it again. See below.

Two groups met during the summer at 4Cs. The Sports Huddle is always a fun group full of sports fans. This summer, a new group met during June and July - and maybe into August. It's called WHATT - What's Happening at the Time. We had a full house. ALL members met for an hour and a half each Wednesday at noon to talk about What's Happening in our towns, state, nation and world. We kept each other informed on everything from quarks to healthcare, from current news to obscure news, from sports to the arts. We agreed and disagreed and had/have a fine time.

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Welcome members and new members to another stimulating academic year, to guest speakers and events we don't know about yet. Cheers.

Barbara Leedom, Editor

In Their Own Words - Meet our BOD



Leslie Mathis, Michael Pigo-Cronin, Lew Taylor, Ed Wirtanen, Lee Pledger, Diane Hoover, Dianne Tattersall, Marilyn Nouri, Kirk Young, Judith Roettig, Jim Lathrop



*Ray Partridge
(who missed the
photo session)*

Jim Lathrop:

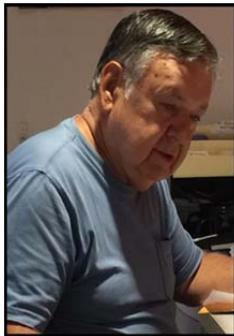
We are all looking forward to the start of the new academic year, and the fall semester looks to be a very good one, with a broad array of engaging classes led by enthusiastic and knowledgeable volunteer coordinators, plus some very interesting lectures as well as our seasonal social activities. Last year, this space was devoted to introducing just the new members of our Board of Directors. This year we will revert to prior years' form so that our membership can become acquainted, or re-acquainted, with all the board members. As some of you may know, I agreed to stay on as president for another year and I am delighted to be working with this talented group on the board. We have a new Treasurer, Kirk Young, and I look forward to working with the new chairs of our standing committees: Curriculum (Lew Taylor), Special Events (Diane Hoover), Hospitality (Dianne Tattersall), Finance (Judy Roettig, also our new Vice President), and Long-Range Planning (Marilyn Nouri). They will be introducing themselves elsewhere in this newsletter. Also, Dr. T. Berry Brazelton has resigned from the board for personal reasons and will be missed. He did a great job with Winterim last January and we thank him.





Diane Hoover: This year, as chairperson of Special Events, I look forward to working with dedicated committee members who are committed to provide interesting programs, activities, and short trips throughout the school year to members of ALL. Please save the afternoon of September 18 for a presentation of Japanese Prints given by Tom Silver in Lecture Hall C. We also look forward to a lecture later in September or sometime in October about the closing of the Pilgrim Power Plant in Plymouth. Stay tuned for more details to follow concerning this timely presentation.

Dianne Tattersall: This is my first year as a BOD member; my eighth as a member of ALL. I am looking forward to my role as Hospitality Chairman, and with the help of my great committee, we hope to plan some special socials. This summer the Hospitality committee is busy planning our first event which is a Back to School Social to be held on Tuesday, September 19th at the Cultural Center of Cape Cod in Yarmouth from 5 - 7 p.m. I hope you will come and enjoy a beverage, some food, and catching up with your ALL friends.



Kirk Young: I became a member of your Board of Directors on July 1, 2016, served as Chair of the Finance Committee for the past year, and was elected by my fellow Board members to succeed Lili Seely as Treasurer as of July 1, 2017. Why me? I am not an accountant by profession, but I do have a fairly extensive background in banking and finance. After the B-School professors at the University of California taught me that debits are on the left, I moved to New York City to become an international banker. I first met Jim Lathrop when we were both working for different banks together in Tokyo in the mid-1970s. After leaving the banking industry in the late 1990s, I was for 15 years the Financial Administrator for a non-profit organization in Greenwich, CT that operated with an annual budget of roughly two and a half million dollars. Taking full advantage of Intuit's QuickBooks software and the help and support of our good friends at the Lynch, Malloy and Marini, LLP accounting firm, I am reasonably confident that I will be able to shepherd the revenues and expenses of ALL through this fiscal year.

Leslie Mathis: I am returning for my second year on the Board as Chair of the Policies and Procedures Committee. I am actively soliciting volunteers to help with copying, collating, and other clerical tasks for the Policies and Procedures Committee. Typing skills would be especially helpful. If you are interesting in volunteering for this work, please let the Front Desk know and I will be in touch.

Judy Roettig: My role as Vice President is to perform the duties of the President in his absence. I also will be working with Chris Johnson, the new Volunteer Coordinator, and former President of ALL. Right now I'm involved with planning the New Member Orientation on Wednesday, September 6. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the workings of our ALL and to meet new and long-term members, including the Board, and to ask questions. I plan to stay on the Long Range Planning Committee, now being chaired by Marilyn Nouri. The committee is organizing the Fall Retreat to review the 2015 Strategic Plan open items and set priorities, timelines etc. I also will continue to work closely with the IT Working Group. I am also Chair of the Financial Committee and will work closely with Kirk Young, the Treasurer. The time I spend volunteering has been very rewarding. I have loved the classes and made many new friends with similar interests. My involvement has made my transition from Chicago to Cape living easier, and now I can even find the back roads to avoid summer traffic.

Lee Pledger: This will be my last year on the Board. I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with members in my capacity as Communications Chair, as well as attend classes and participate in various events and volunteer opportunities. The role of the Communications Committee is to promote the mission and values of ALL to members and the public using the media best suited to the message. Our objectives are: (1) promote awareness of ALL benefits to all members and (2) encourage participation in courses, events and volunteer activities that enrich and sustain our community. We are looking forward to another exciting and productive year, and we welcome suggestions from our members.

Ed Wirtanen: In 2016 I had been an ALL member for over four years. This provided me with the opportunity for intellectual development, cultural stimulation, and social interaction. However, I understood that without volunteers ALL would not exist and that it was time for me to be more than a customer. I joined the Board and also volunteered for the Nominating and Long Range Planning committees. I have been impressed with the friendliness and commitment of the volunteers. They are the heart of ALL. After serving on the Board for a year I have an appreciation for the commitment, hard work and vision of those volunteers that have made ALL the vibrant organization that it is today. I have also gained an understanding of the need to navigate change. External factors such as the loss of classroom space at the Community College and other places on Cape Cod can have a significant on current operations and growth. I have been impressed by how ALL is working to make proactive changes earlier on rather than having to take a reactive approach.



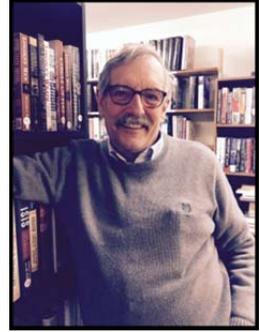
Marilyn Nouri: I was born and raised in Iowa and attended Iowa State University for my B.S. and M.S. degrees. My husband and I moved to Oneonta, New York where he had a position teaching statistics at the State University of New York. I earned my Ph.D. in Sociology with a minor in Aging from Syracuse University and then also joined the faculty at SUNY, Oneonta. I taught in the Sociology Department and directed a program in Life Course Studies. Prior to that move I had worked as a high school teacher, a case worker for AFDC, and a residence hall director. When my husband retired we were ready for a move to Cape Cod, where I started a new career doing

research and assessment for Barnstable Public Schools. Soon after retiring, I started taking courses at ALL and began coordinating classes at ALL three years ago. Volunteerism has been an important part of my life. I feel that my background in education and my focus on volunteerism have prepared me to be able to contribute to the board of ALL. Prior board experience has taught me how important active board participation is to the well-being of an organization. As a new board member, I have also taken over the responsibility of chairing the Long Range Planning committee. We are busy planning this fall's board retreat. There we plan to work on unfinished business from an earlier plan as well as look ahead to the next three years. We will also be surveying new members on how they heard about us and what courses they would like to see offered. If any of you have ideas about how we should plan for the future of ALL, share them with me.

Michael Pigo Cronin: I am beginning my second year on the Board. My key responsibility as Clerk is to transcribe minutes of the Board meetings for review and approval by the Board. The Board minutes are available in the ALL office for members who wish to read them. I also perform other duties as requested by the President, such as signing documents as a corporate officer of ALL.

Ray Partridge: At the beginning of the Fall and Spring semesters new members were invited to attend a welcome meeting with Board members who gave a short description of their role in the organization. As vice president, I invited members to volunteer to assist in ALL desk duties before or after classes each semester. This helps to answer questions new and other members may have and is a great help to Kerry Arnett, our Office Administrator. Volunteering at the desk is also an excellent way to meet other ALL members. In the coming year I am planning a short symposium relating to the Culture of our Time, including advances in Science, Medicine and the Arts. A committee of interested members will be formed to plan the event.

Lew Taylor: After serving on the Curriculum Committee for approximately eighteen months, I will now be the Chair of the committee. The Curriculum Committee has, over the years, been fortunate to have some pretty awesome members and Chairpersons, so my hope is to continue to expand what my predecessors established. With our new campus - the Bridgewater State University campus in South Yarmouth - we hope to continue to add new courses to our catalog. We will also be reaching out to our members, looking for those of you who are interested in becoming a coordinator. The past year has seen the addition of several "personal interest" courses such as Bridge, crafts, and beading, along with new "academic style" courses in history, literature, art, and religion. The Curriculum Committee for this year consists of Mike Baker (Scheduling); Henry Tamzarian (Data Entry & Catalog Production); Nancy Yee (Course Evaluation); Marilyn Nouri (Course Evaluation); Miriam Kronish (Catalog Production and Distribution).



Pat Stover and Nancy Weida: Collaborative Chemistry as Coordinators

Pat Stover and Nancy Weida are offering another collaborative course at ALL this fall: "Marlo, Mary, Murphy and More: Television Surfs a Feminist Wave" and will use clips from TV programs to spark discussion about how men and women's lives have changed through the decades.

Pat majored in English, is interested in theater, and has a professional background in adult education. Pat says she became involved in women's issues as a Cape Cod feminist activist in the 70s after her marriage fell apart. Back on the Cape after retirement, she began her coordination of ALL courses four years ago with a history of the women's movement.

Early on Nancy made choices not associated with girls before, including a desire to play sports before Title 9 created opportunities for girls. She continued to accumulate a list of "firsts" as the women's movement opened doors, with her diverse studies in math, music and history. She spent her undergraduate years at a recently-coed university, and after grad school began her academic career in a large all-male department. She was the first woman to earn tenure in that department, as well as chair it.

Nancy and Pat's collaboration is rooted in a course Pat coordinated: "Pat was using Gail Collins' *When Everything Changed: The Amazing Journey of American Women from 1960 to the Present*, a book I used in a college course I taught. She was also a master at making people feel comfortable in class. Their first ALL collaboration was last fall's "The Women of Mad Men through a Feminist Lens".

In our discussion, the three of us talked about feminism and women coming of age in the 60s and 70s, while living through amazing changes. Pat talked about her need to understand herself and why she made the decisions she did. She and Nancy encourage women to talk about their lives. Pat and Nancy want new and perhaps reluctant members to consider a two-coordinator collaboration. The respect they have for each other's talents is obvious and propels them on with new ideas and creativity. Equally clear is the fun they are having, not to mention the fun I had learning more about these two dynamic women.

Lee Pledger, Communications Chair



*Nancy Weida, Pat
Stover*

Fall Semester 2017 Catalogs

The ALL desk is fairly quiet during the summer months but as the season progresses, there are increasing numbers of calls asking when the Fall Semester catalog will be available. The catalog is being put in the mail this Friday, August 4, so members can expect to get their catalogs early next week. The full text of the catalog, including a down-loadable/printable registration form, is also accessible on ALL's website, <http://www.capecodall.org>. We will also begin placing copies in selected spots such as libraries and senior centers.

There are a lot of wonderful courses being offered this semester, and we certainly hope that you find several that appeal. Further, we urge ALL members to include alternate courses along with your first choices on your registration forms. General registration processing will begin Monday, August 21. To ensure a fair assignment of classes, all accurately completed registration forms, with payment, that are received by that date will have an equal chance of getting their course choices, and no preference will be given to early postmarks or delivery date. Forms received after August 21st will be processed when received, but not before all earlier registration course assignments are complete.

Jim Lathrop, President

Back to School Social

ALL BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

**Cultural Center of Cape Cod
307 Old Main Street
South Yarmouth
5 - 7 p.m.**

**Wine, soft drinks, and appetizers will be served.
Come & join us as we kick off the new ALL year!**



From the Curriculum Committee:

Another semester is fast approaching and the Curriculum Committee has been working to get the catalog "tweaked" and ready for the printer. It seems that every time we read through the proof we find another small thing that needs to be corrected. We hope we will have found them all by the time Sunderland begins printing the catalog.

There are 71 courses this fall, including several new courses - The War of 1812; History of the Supreme Court and ABeCeDarian Memory Writing, and others - along with old favorites like Great Books, Sports Talk, and Loving the Short Story. With classes in thirteen categories, we are hopeful that you will find several that are of interest to you.

ALL has added a new campus this session - the South Yarmouth campus of Bridgewater State University. This fall we will only be offering courses at that location on Tuesdays, but we hope to add more classes on other days.

Now that the fall semester is pretty much set, the Committee is ready to begin working on the spring semester. If you are interested in becoming a coordinator, please let us know. We are always on the lookout for more opportunities to "educate" our members.

For the Coordinators: Our Coordinator luncheon will be held on the Wednesday, September 6 at noon. We moved it up so that those who need to learn how to use the AV equipment will have several days available to practice prior to the first day of class. Many of our "older" coordinators will try to attend this luncheon, and take the time to chat with our new coordinators. You will also be able to pick up your class roster(s) so that you can (if you wish) send a welcoming e-mail to your students.

Lew Taylor, Curriculum Chair

We Are Looking for a Few Good Women and Men

As we get ready for a new academic year at ALL, we're looking for both new and experienced Desk Volunteers to man (or woman) the office desk during the school day. These Volunteers' duties will include answering the phone, responding to questions, dealing with the mail, helping with the printer, and attending to all the small details that make the Program run so smoothly. You experienced Volunteers know what the job entails, although this year we will be adding a computer access component for some Volunteers.

There will be a refresher/training session at the ALL suite on the 4Cs Campus on Friday, August 18, at 10:30 for all Volunteers to explain the position in more detail. The Desk Volunteer time slots will be from 8:30 to 10:30, 10:30 to 12:30 and from 1:00 to 3:00, but may be subject to change. You are asked to commit to your choice of position for the First Semester, from September through the last classes in early December, but substitutes are usually available if you can't keep your commitment for a week or two.

This is a great way for new members to meet other members and to get a better sense of our complete program. Many of us became Desk Volunteers early on in our histories with ALL and have made lifelong connections and friendships. If you are interested in being a Desk Volunteer, whether you are a veteran member, or if this is your first Semester, please email me at dleejohnston@yahoo.com. My name is Chris Johnston and I will be Volunteer Director for this coming school year.

If you have already notified me, it is not necessary to do so again. I look forward to seeing you on August 18th. Thank You!

Christine Johnston, Volunteer Coordinator

What I Learned at WHATT (What's Happening at this Time). Group Members Say:

Bill Nicholson: "I learned a lot in this stimulating environment. One can't spend all one's time on the beach. I loved this class and could easily do this all year round."



Arlene Newman: "With all that is going on in the world today and having this year's summer venue, many fall /winter seniors would not have the opportunity to discuss issues that are crucial to our well-being. The class explores ideas, opinions, researching topics and creates opportunities of awareness and choices of how our voices can be heard."



Karen Lewis: "I really enjoyed WHATT. Everyone is articulate and interested in world events and the politics in Washington. We all have different backgrounds but a desire to discuss what we know and what we're wanting to learn. I don't want this class to end."

Pete Stringer: "This class keeps me razor-sharp."

Vic Mankiewicz: "Good intellectual stimulation for the summertime."

Aimee Silberman: "This class keeps my mind sharp and alert to the latest news and opinions by these bright people."

Ruth Anne & Dick Catlett: "We needed the stimulus, especially this summer." (ed. Note: Dick darn near lost his hand because of a miss by his hand and a handsaw. We're seeing him through this, rah.)

Peter Borowski: "I'm forced to organize my thinking in this class and to topics and views I otherwise don't hear."



Pat O'Donnell : "Everyone is so informed and relaxed. I learn so much."

Maria Ianzito: "No homework; and with stimulating conversations. It's wonderful we explore topics I would not have expected."

Vivian Kellerman: "I like summer school because it's casual and informal, no snow to fight and more time to spend reading."



ALL Art Gallery Artists

We are always looking for ALL member artists and photographers who want to show their work and talent in our ALL Art Gallery in the lounge area. We feature two artists or photographers in each show for six week periods during the school year. Thirty percent of the sales proceeds are donated to ALL. We know there are many of you out there with artistic talent and we would love the opportunity to show your work so don't be shy.

Please stay tuned for new creative works to be shown in the fall 2017 semester.

Ann Corbett, ALL Art Gallery



Please contact Ann Corbett at
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call **508-428-4171**
www.anncorbettart.smugmug.com

Reflections 2018 Writer "Wannabees" Wanted

Unleash your hidden writer. *Reflections* 2018 is looking for writers and wannabes. Poems, stories, memoirs, photos....we want it all. Please send entries to junecalen@aol.com before the end of summer. You may also mail or hand deliver entries to the ALL office anytime. For ideas take a look at *Reflections* 2017 to see the variety of material we are looking for. So if you've longed to see yourself in print, here's your chance. Write now!

Rita Richardson, Reflections

Calendar of Events

Check out our website at www.capecodall.org for changes, updates and a monthly calendar.

August 2017

Board Meeting	Tuesday, August 15 10:00 - 12:00 pm
Registration Begins	Monday, August 21 9:00 am

September 2017

New Member Orientation	Wednesday, September 6 10:00 am
Coordinator Luncheon	Wednesday, September 6 12:00 pm
Back to School Social	Tuesday, September 19 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Fall Classes Begin	Monday, September 11

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Things to do on Our Cape in August



**Visit a
lighthouse**



Go boating



Visit a new beach



**Walk on a path
in a cranberry
bog**



**Learn about
shore birds**



Walk in the rain

***ALLways* welcomes Letters to the Editor with comments and suggestions on just about anything related to our organization. We also welcome articles, blurbs and snippets. We don't accept unsigned material. Email me at bleedom@gmail.com and see your name in print. Please note, all submissions for the following month **MUST** be received by the third Monday of the previous month to be included in the newsletter. Thank you.**

Barbara Leedom

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