



# ALLways

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

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## March, 2016

Welcome to winter, and then spring will come. The Academy follows the closing policies of Cape Cod Community College. It is important to note the possibility of class cancellations due to inclement weather. Please post the number listed below near your phone. We've had reports that the Hotline is not always up to the minute, so please keep checking.

**College Hotline Number**  
**508-375-4070**



**Elevator Access:** For directions on how and where to use the elevator, please call the ALL Office at 508-362-2131 x4400.

## Watch It - Pi Day Is Coming



A few weeks ago an ALL member said that our articles needed to have more gripping titles to pique your interest - so here goes. In two weeks we'll be celebrating Pi Day (at least we will in our house which is populated by two dogs and two geeks.) No, I'm not talking about St. Patrick's Day or the Ides or Easter or any other March Holiday. This is a once-in-a-century day - the next one after this one will occur in the year 2116. When is it - think 3.1416 or March 14, '16 - the approximate value of Pi. That's the value of the circumference of a circle divided by the diameter. So enjoy this once-in-a-hundred year phenomenon and remember-Mole Day, will be coming up on October 23 at 6:02. You can figure that one out by yourself.

In the meantime, while our snowbird friends have been reveling in the south's warm weather, we who spent the winter on the Cape have been busy. Spring Semester welcomed the matriculation of 93 new members - a huge number for this time of year. Additionally, on February 12 the College, represented by Dr. John Cox, and ALL, represented by incoming President Jim Lathrop and me, signed a new Memorandum of

Agreement and License. This agreement extends our license with the College for two more years with an option to renew it for an additional two years. A copy of this document is available at Kerry Arnett's desk (our ALL desk) for members to read. We owe a vote of thanks to Joe Gill, longtime ALL member, for helping to facilitate the negotiation process.

Dr. Cox and I also talked about ways in which we and the College can become more connected. One of his suggestions was a special open house for ALL members at the College's new Aeronautical Facilities in Plymouth. You can learn more about our efforts from Dr. Cox who will speak at our Annual Banquet on April 28. We are indeed fortunate to occupy a suite within the College and to have access to its many amenities, such as the Food Service and Cafeteria, on-campus parking, library access, technical help, and the use of other College facilities. We look forward to being an even more integral part of the college and to finding new ways in which to enhance our partnership. Happy Pi Day.

*Chris Johnston*

## See Them - The Tulips are Coming

But not just yet. Won't be long though. The daffs have come in some places, just not in others. It's March, time to get out there and pick up winter's debris. Time to let the winds blow through our hair and time to begin our 2<sup>nd</sup> round of six week classes.

I'm taking Joe McWilliams' new course called "American Exceptionalism." As I write this it hasn't yet begun, but I'm reading books suggested by Joe. Written by Andrew J. Bacevich, ret. Army, and currently prof. at B.U., *The Limits of Power*, pub. 2008 (so it's dated) writes (I'm paraphrasing) continuous wars do not and will not stop terrorism. Some of us have been saying that for decades. I look forward to Joe's class and lots of discussion of this important subject.

There's so much to still learn. I have a list of 1000 books to read before you die. I've read hundreds but still need to read hundreds more - and these books are novels. One of them is *Ulysses* which I've tried and tried and tried to get through. I shall try again.

Happy springtime, may our grasses grow without a lot of harsh chemicals.

*Barbara Leedom*

P.S. We get a miniscule amount of comments on our newsletter, and those are not in writing. We also don't get prose, poetry or comics. Send your photos, prose, poetry. Even if it's tired, but not if it's poor. **Send to:bleedom@gmail.com.** ☺



## Upcoming Events

### The Harvard Art Museums Trip Tuesday April 12, 2016



The Harvard Museums renovation of the Fogg, Busch-Reisinger and Arthur M. Sackler museums unite in a single state of the art facility designed by architect Renzo Pisano under the stunning glass pyramidal roof covering the grand courtyard atrium. The renovation adds six levels of galleries, lecture halls and study areas providing access to the 250,000 piece collection.

**Cost: \$36 per person** - Reservations including payment are on a first come first serve basis starting March 1<sup>st</sup> at the ALL Office. We can only accommodate **29** reservations with payment this year. Last year's waitlist was accommodated first as promised.

**Depart from** parking lot #12 (by facilities management) – 9:00 a.m. promptly

**Depart from Museum:** 3:00 p.m. promptly (lower level, Broadway entrance)

**Coat/Personal items** can be checked at the museum upon arrival (coats/bags will be made available at 11:30 and 2:30 only) or; use a secured locker that you can access at any time. **NO FOOD** may be brought into the museum.

**Lunch** - The Museum suggests **Grafton Street Pub and Grill** on Mass Ave (south on Quincy and left to 1230 Mass Ave) a 3-5 minute walk <http://graftonstreetcambridge.com>.

**Café** – There is a small café off the atrium with limited menu and seating. (Not large enough to accommodate our group)

<http://www.harvardartmuseums.org> - We suggest visiting the museum website information about floorplans, galleries, current exhibits, special exhibits etc. A very useful resource in planning your time effectively.



# ALL Annual Spring Banquet

**Cape Codder Resort & Spa**

1225 Iyannough Road, Hyannis

**Thursday, April 28: 5:00 Reception ~ Cash Bar**

**6:00 Dinner ~ \$35 per person**

### Menu Choices:

- A. Chicken Oscar with Jumbo Shrimp, Asparagus and Bernaise Sauce
- B. Roast Loin of Pork with Seasonal Chutney
- C. Mediterranean Tasting Plate: Tomato Stuffed with Vegetable Risotto, Eggplant Parmigiana, and Vegetable Stuffed Zucchini with Three Cheeses

Seating is limited – Payment must be made by Tuesday, April 19

Make checks payable to ALL— drop off at ALL office or mail to:

ALL, 2240 Iyannough Road, West Barnstable, MA 02668

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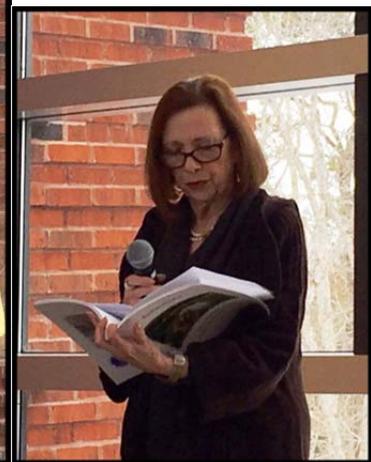
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## Spotlight: *Reflections* 2016 Launch

On February 10, June Calender welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the launching of another wonderful edition of *Reflections*. The committee was introduced: Editorial; Barbara Berelowitz, Mary Joyce, John Kennedy, Jan Norris, Rita Richardson and Production; Mary Ellen Raab and Marjorie wright. June thanked each with a gift. Both the summer front cover by Wayne Miller and winter back cover by Rita Richardson were recognized for the beautiful colors.



June read “Words” by Page Kidder”; Miriam read “I Want to Write like Dostoevsky” by Patti Hughes.

With each issue of *Reflections* come many submissions that include both flash fiction and flash nonfiction, poetry, photography and artwork that include memories, insights, humor and philosophy reflecting the lifelong experiences of the contributors.

A good example of a non-fiction essay is “I’ve Fallen and I Can’t Get Up” by Marion Turo.

Mert Ingham was scheduled to read “Disappearing Cape Cod” by instead chose to read “What Can Cats Teach US?”

Other writings involved travel, combat and aging. Barbara Berelowitz read “The New South Africa”; Wade Sayer read his poem “Banners Unfurled”; June Calender read “Two Minutes Ago” by Joan Hennessey.

In closing, June acknowledged In Memoriam six contributors who have died since the last *Reflections*: Dan Asher (January 2015), Priscilla Jean Gleason (April 2015), Harry Kanavos (June 2015), Edmund Sullivan (July 2015), Donald Bell (January 2016) and Robert Gardiner (February 2016). Peter Saunders read Don Bell's "Gray Whale", "The Date", "Dying Flare" and John Kennedy read Robert Gardiner's "Pesky Neighbors on the Beach"  
A quote from June "We'll do it again with even more submissions – after April!"

*Carol Call*

## You May Have Earned a Medallion

ALL is grateful to all our coordinators for their hard work and enthusiasm. It is an ALL tradition, however, to honor those who have led at least 10 classes with special recognition at our annual spring banquet.

If you have reached that milestone, or beyond, during this academic year but have not yet received your distinguished service medallion, please contact the ALL office. Thank you.

For those who already have medallions, the Hospitality Committee asks that you wear them. See you at our Banquet.

*Kate Lathrop*

## Welcome to New Members

We are delighted that we have more than 90 new members registered for the Winter/Spring session. This is a remarkable number considering the lure of warmer climes. Our New Member Orientation, which we hold at the beginning of every term, took place at 10:00 AM on January 29 in the Atrium of the Lorusso Technology Building. Some 35 new members attended.



These events serve primarily to discuss what ALL is all about, introduce many of the board members and their committee responsibilities, address "house-keeping" matters such as parking, storm closure notification, etc. and, of course, promote volunteer opportunities. They also provide



an opportunity to meet other new members. Please join me in welcoming our new members and encouraging them to take advantage of all that ALL has to offer.

*Jim Lathrop*

## ALL Nominating Committee 2016: For Your Information

The Nominating Committee is developing a slate of candidates for election to the 2017 ALL Board of Directors. We will present the list to the Board of Directors for their March 2016 meeting. We have established the following tentative dates for the ALL Membership:

Week of March 7-11, 2016: Candidate Papers for Nominating Committee Review

April 7, 2016: Meet the Candidates: ALL Membership

April 11-15, 2016 Election Week: ALL Membership

### Nominating Committee:

Herb Kronish, Chair

Paul Arnold, David Darling, Kate Lathrop, Lili Seely, Aimee Silberman, Grace Sweeney

## Reflections 2016 Books

A note in the lobby of the ALL suite on a container near copies of the new *Reflections* (Vol. XVI) says "suggested donation \$2.00." Please understand that this beautiful publication costs nearly \$10 each to publish. If you bought a similar book in a bookstore it would cost at least \$15. That is simply the cost of printing such a large book with full color covers and three color photos inside. It does not take into account the time, expertise and skill this publication represents. ALL members are urged to read the book and enjoy the poetry, prose and artistic work of your colleagues. Perhaps you will be inspired to submit your own work for next year's book.

*June Calender*

## Committee on Long-Range Planning for Information Technology

The long-range planning committee has set up a special committee to work on a long-range plan for development and management of ALL information technology. Its members are: Bob Gimby (professional experience in turning around the IT operations of large corporations), Tim Maguire (professional experience at IBM), Tom Richardson (professional experience at Digital Equipment Corp), Judy Roettig (managed a large non-profit organization in Chicago, including its IT activities), Sam Yee (has long been involved with IT planning for ALL), and Syd Lamb (managed computational linguistics projects at two universities, chaired the computer committee at Rice U). If you have any concerns or questions about information technology at ALL, please get in touch with one of these people. Over the next few weeks, the committee will be interviewing all of the valiant ALL volunteers who have been working on aspects of IT for ALL and getting their input on where we are and where we ought to be heading.

*Syd Lamb*

## A Call for Coordinators

This is the time for all of us to think about becoming a coordinator or a co-coordinator for a course in the fall. We all have areas of expertise, passions, talents that could be shared – that should be shared. Your Curriculum Committee looks forward to receiving your proposals on our website ([www.capecodall.org](http://www.capecodall.org)). Please consult Page 5 in our spring 2016 Catalog for further information. We look forward to hearing from you.

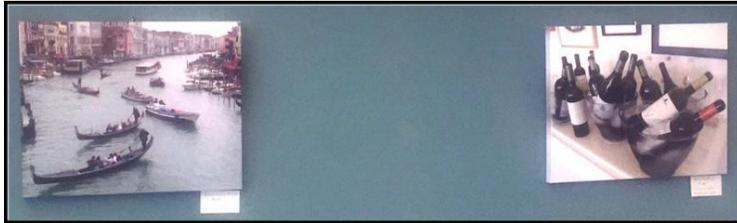
ALL is such a special place – please help us to make it even more special!

*Miriam Kronish*, Curriculum Committee Chair

## ALL Art Gallery

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 three artists or photographers in each show for six week periods during the school year. Thirty percent of the sales are donated to ALL.

Now showing in the ALL Office is artwork by Dottie Coombes and Molly Johnston (shown below). Come take a look.



Please contact Ann Corbett at [anncape@comcast.net](mailto:anncape@comcast.net)  
or call **508-428-4171**

[www.anncorbettart.smugmug.com](http://www.anncorbettart.smugmug.com)

# Annual Calendar of Events 2015-2016

Check out our website at [www.capecodall.org](http://www.capecodall.org) for changes, updates and a monthly calendar.

## MARCH

- 12 Daylight Savings begins
- 15-18 Spring Recess (Tues. - Fri.)
- 20 First day of spring
- 21 Second 6-week classes begin
- 21 Board of Directors Meeting - 12:00 p.m.

## APRIL

- 7 Meet the Candidates: ALL Membership
- 11-15 Election Week: ALL Membership
- 18 Patriot's Day NO ALL CLASSES
- 25 Board of Directors Meeting - 12:00 p.m.
- 28 Annual Banquet - Cape Codder Resort – 5:00 p.m.

## MAY

- 2 Last day of ALL classes

## Board of Directors List

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MEMBER-AT-LARGE



The north wind doth blow,  
And we shall have snow,  
And what will the bee do then,  
poor thing?

In his hive he will stay,  
Till the cold's passed away,  
And then he'll come out in the spring,  
poor thing!

The north wind doth blow,  
And we shall have snow,  
And what will the dormouse do then,  
poor thing?

Rolled up in a ball,  
In his nest snug and small,  
He'll sleep til warm weather comes in,  
poor thing!

Mother Goose/Traditional

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**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](mailto: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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