



**OSHER LIFELONG
LEARNING INSTITUTE
AT DARTMOUTH**

**ANNUAL MEETING
2018**

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**The Quechee Inn
at Marshland Farm
Quechee, VT**

Agenda

11:00 – 11:30 AM
Arrive and be seated

11:30 AM
Greetings
Campion Award Presentations
Welcome from John Sanders,
OSHER@Dartmouth President

12:00 PM
Luncheon

1:00 PM
Dean of the Thayer School of Engineering,
Dartmouth College,
Joseph Helble
“Engineering a Contemporary Engineering Education”

2:00 PM
Adjourn

OSHER@Dartmouth

STUDY LEADERS

During our 2017 – 2018 academic year, OSHER@Dartmouth members participated in one or more of 203 courses, made possible by the dedication, time, and talents of 166 Study Leaders whose names are listed below. The Leadership Council, all standing committees, and all 1,669 members appreciate and thank these Study Leaders for their contribution to our continuing success.

- *John Sanders, President*

Meredith Angwin	Jonathan Crewe	Peter Graves
Paul Barker	Larry Crocker	Lewis Greenstein
Marianne Barthel	Richard Crocker	Rosie Greenstein
James Bays	Harte Crow	Elinor Gregor
Brian Beaty	Ford Daley	Diane Guidone
Robert Belenky	Samantha Davidson	Stephen Hackman
Ellen Bettmann	Green	Evans Haile
Peter Blodgett	Rosalie desGroseil-	Landon Hall
Chuck Bohi	liers	David Halpert
Adam Boyce	Rai d'Honoré	Bob Hargraves
Hannah Brillling	Lois Donelson	Jacques Harlow
Dean Brown	Roger Dontonville	Cindy Heath
Inge Brown	Christine Dyke	David Henderson
James Brown	Judith Edwards	Victor Henningsen
Susan Brown	Toni Egger	Mary Ann Holbrook
Lauren Buchanan	Jo Evarts	Ralph Hough
Charles Buell	Jürgen Ewert	Rick Hutchins
Hank Buermeyer	John Ferries	Bob Jakoubek
Thomas Burke	Roy Finney	Victoria Jas
Anne Chandler	Bonnie Fladung	Charles Johnson
Bob Christie	Stephen Flanders	Gary Johnson
Priscilla Clark	Alan Fuchs	Robert Kalm
Gael Clauson	Gigi Gallaway	Sarwar Kashmeri
Guy Collins	Ann Garland	Mary Keeler
Dan Collison	Mary Gerakaris	Jim Kennedy
Peter Concilio	Barry Glennon	Werner Kleinhardt
Page Coulter	Maynard Goldman	Roland Kuchel

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(Study Leaders, continued)

Julia Labier	Janet Rae	Lindsay Smith
John Lamperti	Amanda Rafuse	Martin Smith
Gene Lariviere	John Randolph	Jon Stableford
Lana Leggett-Kealey	Joanna Rapf	Anne Steele
Mark Lewis	Scott Rappeport	Barbara Stern
Martha Lorden	Sarah Reeves	Dennis Stern
Don Lubin	Stephanie Reininger	Bill Sullivan
Jonna Mackin	Evan Roberts	Robert Taylor
DeWitt Mallary III	Marilyn Roberts	Steve Taylor
Josette Malley	Ellis Rolett	Philip Tierney
Raymond Malley	Joseph Ronan	Steven Tofel
Randolph Martin	Arthur Rosen	Dick Tracy
Vince Marzello	Annie Ross	Peter Travis
Susan McCaslin	Al Rossow	Betsy Vickers
Gail McPeek	Robert Rougvie	Daly Walker
Joe Medlicott	Steve Rounds	Patti Warren
Joanie Miller	Steve Rowe	Don Watson
Nora Miller	Scott Russell	Lee Webster
Norman Miller	Sallyann Sack	Caitlyn Weiger
Valerie Miller	John Sanders	Bonna Wieler
Evangeline Monroe	Margaret Schmidt	Mame Willey*
Gerald Monroe	Alice Schori	Cassandra Williams
Kevin Moquin	Cyndi Scott	Jed Williamson
Robert Nawojchik	Jaimie Seaton	Perry Williamson
Geraldine North	Ann Semprebbon	Jim Wilson
Bryant Patten	Gilbert Sewall	Tom Wilson
Moby Pearson	Jeanne Shafer	Jim Wooster
Beth Perera	Anne Shivas	Elizabeth Young
David Pruitt	Iain Sim	Percy Young

**deceased*

OSHER@Dartmouth VOLUNTEERS

This past year, a talented group of OSHER@Dartmouth members donated their time, effort, and patience to supply much-needed support for both their fellow OSHER@Dartmouth members and the office staff. Volunteers helped with a wide variety of tasks, including greeting visitors to the office, relaying phone calls, setting up for classes at the D.O.C. House, offering assistance at Tech Cafés, organizing the art gallery, and providing vital support during registration periods. The office staff is tremendously grateful for the help and generosity of the individuals listed here, and any we may have inadvertently omitted.

Art Curators

Mary Ann Holbrook

Mary Rohr

Office Support

Margot de l'Etoile

Sandy Fullington

Lynn Garfiled

Janette Hannah

Marilyn Hunter

Renate Jaacks

Karen Jackson

Marcie Ann Kennedy

Judy Landry

Carolyn Lutes

Ellis Rolett

Rosemarie Scibetta

Jeanne Shafer

Paul Tuhus

Kathy Wilkerson

Joan Wutzl

Tech Cafés

Steve Campbell

Bruce Findley

ILEAD/OSHER@Dartmouth

Past Presidents

Thomas Campion
September 1991 - May 1993

Mid Davison
June 1993 - May 1995

John Lincoln
June 1995 - May 1997

Warren P. Goldburgh
June 1997 - May 1999

Richard O. Steele
June 1999 - May 2001

Thomas Simon
June 2001 - May 2003

Diane Crowley
June 2003 - May 2005

Helen Bridge
June 2005 - May 2007

Carl O. Larson
June 2007 - May 2009

Ann D. Hargraves
June 2009 - May 2011

Pete Bleyler
June 2011 - May 2013

Stew Wood
June 2013 - May 2015

Sylvia Paxton
June 2015 - May 2017

The Founders

According to ILEAD archives, the thirty-eight ILEAD Founders, together with the committees on which they served, were:

Organization/Finance Committee

Mildred "Mid" Davison (co-chair), Bill Durant (co-chair), Bill Crocker, Midge Crooker, Joseph Quattrone, Bob MacMillen, Louise Wickware, and Robert Wickware.

Membership/Promotion Committee

Pauline Field (co-chair), Molly Scheu (co-chair), Huntly Allison, Marilyn Breed, Hjordis Ingersoll, Vernon Ingersoll, Clifford Jordan, Virginia Lane, Willmott "Bin" Lewis, Mike McGean, Joanna McMillan, Crosbie MacMillen, Mary Sandoe, Nick Sandoe, John Scotford, and Lester Smith.

Curriculum Committee

Ginia Allison (co-chair), Wayne Broehl (co-chair), Tom Almy, Jean Broehl, Colin Campbell, Tom Champion (ILEAD chair), Steve Crary, Bill Davison, Charles Dudley, Sancha and Dale Garvey, John Lincoln, Bill Meckley (Assistant to ILEAD chair), and Bob Peet.

OSHER@Dartmouth
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Friends of Osher
(November 2017 - May 2018)
Total Amount of Gifts Received: \$30,615

Our thanks to the following donors:

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Dan Brand	Terrance Darcey & Banisa St. Damian	Anonymous
Martina Breed	Katie Eaton	
Charles Buell	Toni Egger & Robert Taylor	
Tom & Helen Brody		

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Joan & John Hartwell	Anonymous	Hank & Polly Parker
Lynne Higbie	Susan McCaslin &	Bill & Sylvia Paxton
Sandra Hoeh - In	Victor Henningsen	Ruth W Payne
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Anonymous	Brody	Reynolds
Kathleen Kentner	Linda Meltzer	Torunn Rhodes
Roland Kuchel	Joanie Miller	Mary Ripley
Nancy Lagomarsino	Joyce Miller	Sam & Steve Rounds
in honor of Mame	Valerie Miller & Ralph	John & Karen Sanders
Willey	Fine	Betsy Sanderson
Gene & Eleanor	David & Joyce Milne	Ed & Judy Savarese
Lariviere	Gerald & Evangeline	Cathy Scanlan
Bob & Barbara	Monroe	Meg & Jim Schmidt
Levenson	Roland & Truett Moore	Lou & Rosemarie
Lois Lorimer & Bill	Katharine F. Nelson	Scibetta
Sullivan	Thomas Ney - In	Alan Schnur
Pete & Elspeth Lothes	Memory of Tom	Iain S. & Caroline Sim
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Terri Strug	Joe & Dorothy Tofel	Pat Vlamynck
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Sturman	In Memory of Tom	Richard Warren
Anonymous	Brody	Jeffrey Wheeler
George Sutherland -	Steven & Linda Tofel	Huntley and Lynne
In Memory of Tom	Steve and Linda Tofel	Whitacre
Brody	- In Memory of Tom	Stew & Kristin Wood
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Thomas B. Campion Award for Exceptional Service

Joseph & Steve Tofel 2018 Recipients



Joe Tofel and his wife, Dot, moved to Thetford from New York City 30 years ago. The year after ILEAD was founded, Joe joined. He began the Summer Lecture Series with David Bisno in 1997.

He continued to help organize the SLS for the next six years. He began teaching Great Decisions with Don Hazard in 1996. He was asked

about whether ILEAD could offer a course on astronomy. Considering it a great idea, he taught himself the requisite facts, and offered the class himself in Fall, 1996. He did a reprise as “Wonders of the Night Sky” in the Fall of 1998, and is considering doing it again. Joe continues to take a number of OSHER@Dartmouth courses, including Great Decisions. He has been a member of the Marketing and Communications Committee since 2014.

Steve Tofel visited the Upper Valley for over 30 years, moving here for good seven years ago.

He and his wife, Linda, live in Thetford. Steve almost immediately joined ILEAD in 1993. He rapidly became a member of the Marketing and Communications Committee, and then Chair. He currently serves on the Leadership Council, Marketing and Communications Committee, Planning Committee (co-chair), Membership Development Committee, and Summer Lecture Series Committee. He recently taught the popular course on the Black Bear, including Ben Kilham as guest speaker.

We are delighted to present the 2018 Campion Awards to Joe and Steve Tofel for their distinguished service to OSHER@Dartmouth.

2018 Annual Reports

President's Report

This has been an extremely satisfying and exciting year for OSHER@Dartmouth! Your Leadership Council and our committees have put much effort into finding ways to enhance the value of membership. I will list a few of them below.

More Social Activities

Annual Meeting, Holiday Party, Spring Fling, and the Nugget Movie programs have all been very successful, and we plan to continue them. The Membership Services Committee deserves lots of credit for making these grow.

The Summer Lecture Series

Last Summer's series focused upon "Global Challenges Facing the United States," and drew some of our biggest audiences ever. We piloted a new effort at "Telepresence," by sharing our lectures with the OLLI at UVM. We plan to extend this to ten or more other Osher programs along the East Coast this Summer. The topic this year will be: "Our Divided Country: How to Find Common Ground". We have six speakers for consecutive Thursday mornings, July 19 through August 23, at 9:00 AM in Spaulding Auditorium.

Osher Endowment Lecture and Special Programs

This year, our OSHER@Dartmouth Lecture was on "Happiness is a Choice You Make", by John Leland. Other special lectures included "Finding Fred: Meaning Making from the First World War" by Joshua Powers, "Impending 'Block Busters' from the Supreme Court: An Analysis of the Momentous 2017-18 Session" by David Bisno, "New London Barn Playhouse Summer Sneek Peak," "Borders Through The Eyes of Immigrants" by Gazmend Kapllani, "The Hovey Mural and The 'Greening' of Orozco's Epic of American Civilization" by Mary Coffey, "Immigration Perils: Report From the Last Line of Defense" by Nicholas Bradley, "The End of Empire: America's Fall from Grace?" by Lawrence Wilkerson, "Black Bears" by Benjamin Kilham, "Unite America: Bridging the Nation's Political Chasm?" by Charlie

Wheelan, and “Flight Path to the Black Sites: How Journalists Uncovered the CIA’s Torture Pipeline” by Margot Williams. We collaborated with DHMC’s Department of Palliative Care to offer a showing of Atul Gawande’s Frontline presentation of *Being Mortal*, followed by a panel discussion.

Progress Toward a New Home

The Venue Committee has made an exhaustive search for a possible interim home for our organization over the past two years. We narrowed the search to two possible properties in Lebanon, but have discovered that both would push us beyond our budget limitations. We have elected to continue in our current locations, and to work with the College as they envision new ways to improve the Hanover Country Club. This could involve OSHER@Dartmouth in several ways, and we will keep Membership apprised of progress.

New Bylaws

The new Bylaws passed overwhelmingly at the end of March. Led by Sylvia Paxton, the Committee went over our critical document from top to bottom, and incorporated some ideas used by New London’s Adventures in Learning. We will merge the Nominating Committee into the new Governance Committee. It will oversee nominations, as well as ensure we are following our own rules. In addition, any Bylaws changes will be approved by a 2/3 majority of Leadership Council, rather than require the lengthy paper ballot process used this year.

Art Gallery

Our wonderful Art Gallery at 7 Lebanon Street continues under the leadership of Mary Ann Holbrook and Mary Rohr. Please extend your thanks to them for making our office a place of beauty! We continue to receive 10% of any art sold from the Gallery.

Friends of Osher

Friends of Osher donated \$9,240 this year to extend our offerings to you and to help purchase items critical to our growth. This year, we hope to expand the use of technology for some classes and for the Summer Lecture Series. We have purchased a new video camera, which was used to extend Great Decisions to all who applied for the course. Our membership also donated \$8,900 to aid a family with young chil-

dren who lost everything they owned in an uninsured fire just before Thanksgiving. Thanks to you, they were able to have one of the best holidays ever.

Dartmouth Library Privileges

All who enroll for courses will continue to be eligible for a full year of privileges at the Dartmouth Libraries, including the Map Room and the Jones Media Center.

Partnerships

We work with Northern Stage, Opera North, and New London Barn Theater to exchange ads in our catalogs and their programs. We will expand this program this year to more local theaters. We also work with Hopkins Center, the Montshire Museum, and Vital Communities.

Membership

You may have noticed our OSHER@Dartmouth tables at the Co-op Food Stores, the Home Show, and many other local events. We are trying to keep our membership robust to enhance what we can offer, and to replenish the 200 who move from the area each year.

Relationship with Dartmouth

We feel a re-energized relationship with Dartmouth. We have partnered with Allen House, one of the Residential Housing Initiative groups, to offer mentoring to its students. Over 40 have made contact with a number of our members in fields as diverse as Journalism, World Bank, Medicine, Foreign Service, and Intelligence. If you would be interested in joining this activity, please contact Diane Doe in the office.

Thank you!

We would have nothing to report were it not for our Study Leaders, Office Volunteers, Committee Members, Activity Organizers, and of course, our superb office staff: Lisa King, Laura Belback, Sarah Chamberlin, and Diane Doe. Our sincere thanks to all who make our organization wonderful.

- John H. Sanders Jr., MD, President

Curriculum Committee Report

Mission Statement

The mission of the Curriculum Committee is to ensure that OSHER@Dartmouth's course offerings and special lectures are extensive, diverse, appealing, and successful.

It has been a pleasure to chair this committee for the past two years with so many committed members, always exploring ways to improve and enhance the experience for class participants and Study Leaders. I want to thank all members for their dedication and who made it possible for us to be successful. A great deal of the work has been accomplished by the subcommittees. One of our goals has been to have the three committees work more closely together. The chairs have been in communication and there was overlap on committees. This has proven to be very beneficial.

One major accomplishment was the increase in number of people recruiting Study Leaders. Kudos to Sylvia Paxton, past Osher President, who "stepped up" this winter and volunteered to chair this effort. In addition to having CC members recruit, Sylvia found others to assist and the results were excellent. We also worked to increase our "pool" of leaders.

As I have often told our Study Leaders, they are "the bread and butter" of Osher, without them we have no program. Their ongoing dedication and commitment to OSHER@Dartmouth makes it all work!

For the second time OSHER@Dartmouth offered courses in the summer. This "experiment" was a success and this summer, 2018, there are 23 courses available. Summer gives us the opportunity to emphasize outdoor activities, when appropriate. Sylvia Paxton proposed this two years ago and worked with Lisa getting the Study Leaders we needed.

This year OSHER@Dartmouth offered 203 courses. Summer 2017 - 29 courses, fall 2017 - 72 courses, winter 2018 - 48 courses, and spring 2018 - 54 courses. There were over 2,900 participants.

Again, Vetting Committee responsibilities were shared by a revolving group of chairs, Vic Henningsen, Toni Egger, and Jim Wilson. All proposals were carefully reviewed before being approved and vetters were available to assist instructors with their proposals. Vic, Toni, Sandra, President Sanders and staff Lisa and Sarah, evaluated the annual timeline for proposal submissions, tightening the schedule and setting absolute, no exceptions, deadlines. This allows adequate time for vetters to review and assist leaders when necessary and for staff to develop the catalogue.

The Evaluation Committee, chaired by Barbara Jones, has benefitted from encouraging class participants to use our website for their evaluations online rather than paper. This has made the work more efficient and easier to save for future reference. At end of the term wrap-up meetings with Study Leaders we found what leaders find most valuable is the opportunity for them to share ideas – what worked, what did not and new ideas. Unlike past years, Committee members did not participate other than the sub-committee chair and CC chair. Breaking into small groups worked well.

The Study Leader Support Subcommittee (SLSS), chaired by Ann Garland, continued to reinforce its mission to provide one-on-one and group support for OSHER@Dartmouth's valued Study Leaders. The SLSS committee offered its annual "How-To" course for future Study Leaders, enlisted more seasoned Study Leaders as buddies for new Study Leaders, and provided ever-expanding pre-term orientations. The committee continued its community partnerships with Upper Valley Educators Institute, River Valley Community College, and Best Buy, adding Systems Plus to the list of workshop partners. These partnership workshops focused on both pedagogy and technology training. Workshop topics were identified through a study-leader survey conducted in June 2017, and ran the gamut of building a Wordpress website, to storage of digital content in Dropbox, to using Inquiry Design in building a curriculum.

The June survey also identified the desire of Study Leaders to spend more time with their cohorts, and in response, the SLSS invited all Study Leaders to a study-leader-only lunch in their honor with Page Tompkins, Executive Director of Upper Valley Educators Institute, as guest speaker in April. The event attracted over 80 Study Leaders and

was an admirable “Thank You” to all our Study Leaders. I would be remiss if I did not thank our talented staff for all their assistance. We are indeed fortunate to have Lisa, Laura, Sarah and Diane. A great team!

Finally, the CC is so fortunate to have Vic and Toni taking over as co-chairs. We are indeed in good hands.

- Sandra Hoeh, Chair

Curriculum Committee: Sandra Hoeh (Chair), Ginia Allison, Tom Blinkhorn, Susan Brown, Toni Egger, Ann Garland, Vic Henningsen, Barbara Jones, Martha Lorden, Jeannie Mallery, John Peterman, John Sanders (ex officio), Jim Schmidt, Laura Schneider, Bill Secord, Melinda Stucker, Jed Williamson, Jim Wilson.



Finance Committee Report

Mission Statement

The mission of the Finance Committee is to enable OSHER@Dartmouth to fulfill its mission by managing its financial resources.

This report for Fiscal Year 2017-18 is based on the actual results for the first nine months of the year to March 31, 2018, plus an estimate for the remaining three months to our closing on June 30, 2018. Our fiscal year mirrors that of Dartmouth College; full year results will be available sometime after mid-July 2018 when Dartmouth closes its accounts for the year.

We began the year with a budget that projected a small surplus of revenue over expense. Our major sources of revenue are membership dues, fees from participants in our classes and at the summer lecture series, and the distribution from the Osher endowment. With 1669 members our membership has held constant compared to last year. However, a significant number of members enthusiastically renewed their mem-

berships for 2017-18 before the start of the fiscal year which will detract somewhat from current year revenue as we operate on a cash basis. Once again we were able to secure a notable roster of generous corporate underwriters and sponsors for the 2017 summer lecture series, and their participation was well rewarded with an impressive array of speakers who attracted large audiences every week. As a result, total revenue was up more than 12% over budget. By contrast, fees from fall, winter and spring courses were somewhat less than budget (92% of planned). Our Osher Endowment is held by Dartmouth and managed as part of the overall pool of Dartmouth endowments by the Investment Office. The capital held in our endowment has grown over the years and we now expect the total distribution for the fiscal year to modestly exceed budget. Overall we forecast revenue will be at 97% of budget at year end.

Administration remains by far our largest area of expense. Our wonderful staff are all Dartmouth employees but our institute pays their salary and the employer's contribution to their benefits. Second to employee expenses are the costs for DOC House, the 7 Lebanon Street offices and the classrooms that we rent each term at locations around the Upper Valley. These two areas of expense are tracking according to budget and will account for nearly 60% of all expense. Expenses for the 2017 summer lecture series exceeded budget as the organizing committee introduced two pilot programs that were well received - a series of movies available to lecture series ticket-holders at no additional charge, and the sharing by video link of the weekly lectures with fellow Osher Lifelong Learning Institute members at the University of Vermont in Burlington. By contrast, our course expenses have been held in check to below budget as a result of diligent work by staff and the organizing curriculum committee. Overall we forecast expenses will also come in under budget such that revenue and expense will be in balance at year-end.

We operate three "capital" funds. Our interest-bearing Operating Reserve fund serves as a financial buffer against unforeseen expenses or loss of revenue. The cash in this fund stands at 40% of future planned expense, slightly above our target range of 25-35%. Donations in the amount of \$29,240 have been made to the Friends of Osher Fund in FY18 through March 31. The generosity of members in contributing to

the fund, more than doubling the contributions in the previous fiscal year, is highly appreciated. We have used some money in this fund to purchase needed classroom and office equipment as well as to commission a broad brush architectural design of a building and parking as a future new home. As we progress toward our goal of securing better space for our entire operation, the Friends Fund will be a valuable resource for the acquisition of needed capital items. The Memorial Gifts fund has also received additional funds, contributed in memory of a member who passed away earlier this year. There have been no expenditures from this fund year-to-date but it too will be a resource for our future move to new space.

I am pleased to report that Margot de l'Etoile has been elected Vice Chair of the Finance Committee. Margot is a Dartmouth graduate with a MBA and a long history as a Dartmouth employee, culminating in eighteen years as Assistant Director of the Dickey Center for International Understanding with responsibility for all aspects of the Center's fiscal operations.

Finally I wish to extend my thanks to our office staff and the volunteer members of the Finance Committee who have helped in the management of our finances. This month Roy Finney and Bill Paxton step down from the Finance Committee, per committee policy, after each has served two three-year terms. We heartily thank them for all the support they has provided over the years. The Finance Committee also thanks Mary Ella Zietz and her team in the Dartmouth finance department for support in managing and reporting our financial transactions.

- Iain S. Sim, Treasurer and Chair

Finance Committee: Iain Sim (chair), Jacie Allen, Patrick Christie, Margot de l'etoile, Bill Dietrich, Roy Finney, Bill Paxton, Bob Pomeroy, John Sanders (ex officio), Pat Vlaminck.

Marketing & Communications Committee Report

Mission Statement

The mission of the M&CC is to build awareness of and promote participation and membership in OSHER@Dartmouth by highlighting its broad offerings as well as the positive social aspect of being a member.

Personnel

In April, Bruce Macdonald assumed the role of Committee Chair. Former Chair Steve Tofel retains a major role on the committee itself. During the year, the committee attracted two new impressive members – Jeff Roosevelt and Harvey Bazarian.

Initiatives

Five important initiatives were set in motion this year:

- Each member of the Committee represents separate initiatives
- Creativity in initiatives, pilot projects, and experiments are encouraged
- An ongoing regular small space Logo program to both support correct use of the logotype as well as encouraging new membership
- Budgets are developed for current and future year, a Finance Committee initiative and learning experience
- Actual solicitation of new members has been spun off to a new committee

Committee member responsibilities:

- Jim Lynch serves as Vice Chair and oversees miscellaneous projects
- Steve Tofel handles new initiatives, media, and others
- Richard Neugass serves as Secretary and is Editor of the regular newsletters and deeply involved in Distance Learning
- Joe Tofel and Joan Hartwell are in charge of promotional activities and their budgets
- Joan Hartwell is in charge of developing and extending media Swap ads
- Jeff Roosevelt connects with local area representatives

- Harvey Bazarian works on Daily UV as well as Distance Learning
- Laura Schneider heads up the new Solicitation Committee and ongoing Nugget program
- John Sanders (President), Amy Olson (Dartmouth), Sarah Chamberlin, and Laura Belback serve ex officio. Sarah and Laura provide assistance and support for all of the initiatives and projects listed above.

This year has seen the development of a variety of initiatives, all outreaches including Local Event oriented tables started by the Planning Committee; Retirement Vouchers for those nearing that transition; Daily UV articles generating new members; Facebook involvement; increasing number of Swap Ads and more.

Probably the most visible new activity has been the small space Logo campaign which runs every Monday in the Valley news, each featuring the Logo, with a very brief support message. This program is designed to continue for a full year.

- Bruce Macdonald, Chair

Marketing & Communications Committee: Bruce Macdonald (Chair), Harvey Bazarian, Joan Hartwell, Jim Lynch, Richard Neugass, Amy Olson (ex officio), Jeff Roosevelt, John Sanders (ex officio), Laura Schneider, Joe Tofel, Steve Tofel, Sarah Chamberlin (ex officio), Laura Belback (ex officio).

Membership Services Committee Report

Mission Statement

The mission of the Membership Services Committee is to enhance OS-HER@Dartmouth member benefits. We organize a variety of social events during the year to celebrate one another, a new term, study leaders, volunteers, and staff.

Committee members arrange for refreshments and hosting the events. This year we selected and introduced the monthly free movies at The Nugget Theater and provided a day of the show discount for several months at Skinny Pancake. Our Fall Kickoff, Holiday Open House, Spring Fling, Monthly Movies, and Literary Evening were well attended and enjoyed. We look forward to our activities for the Annual Meeting and Summer Lecture Series. We welcome and appreciate members who may occasionally prepare goodies and assist us at our events, which are posted in the weekly e-news and the website

- *Laura Schneider, Chair*

Membership Services Committee: Laura Schneider (Chair), Margot de l'Etoile, Diane Doe (ex officio), Lynn Garfield, Bobbi Gross, Janette Hannah, Linda Higbee, Rosemarie Scibetta.

Planning Committee Report

Mission Statement

The Planning Committee is responsible for examining the future needs of OSHER@Dartmouth, and reports its findings to the Council.

In the 2017/18 fiscal year the Planning Committee's Membership Development Task Force conducted a variety of membership recruitment activities at locations such as the Hanover Co-op and the Hanover Home Life Show. Free one-year memberships were offered as an enticement to join OSHER@Dartmouth. Approximately 215 free membership certificates were issued.

The committee also initiated the placement of articles in the Daily UV blog to inform blog readers (ca. 70,000 - 85,000 per month) of OSHER@Dartmouth course and special lecture offerings as well as reports of other OSHER@Dartmouth activities of possible interest to Upper Valley residents.

The committee established two new task groups to accomplish the following:

1. Design and implement a survey of the OSHER@Dartmouth membership to better understand the diverse intellectual and occupational backgrounds and expertise of its membership.

2. Design, develop, and implement a funding program to support the construction of a permanent home for OSHER@Dartmouth to jointly house classrooms and staff offices. The funds raised would be donated to Dartmouth College for the specific use of OSHER@Dartmouth.

Finally, the Planning Committee continued to develop ideas for the promotion of a mutually beneficial relationship with Dartmouth College.

- Bill Sullivan & Steve Tofel, Co-Chairs

Planning Committee: Bill Sullivan (co-chair), Steve Tofel (co-chair), Anne Baird, Carol Barr, Tom Blinkhorn, Sandra Johnson, Jim Lynch, Bruce Macdonald, Stuart Pompian, John Sanders, Iain Sim, Skip Sturman, Punch Taylor, and Sarah Chamberlin (ex officio).

Summer Lecture Series Committee Report

Series theme:
“OUR DIVIDED COUNTRY:
HOW TO FIND COMMON GROUND”

Last year, the Summer Lecture Series presented a series of global challenges confronting the United States. This year, our theme focuses on domestic or national issues, noting that they also have global implications. Many of the domestic challenges covered in this year’s series have been haunting us for many years and have resulted in polarization of the U.S. population. Besides discussing the challenges, our speakers will also cover the way forward to bring the country together.

Again this year, the series will run on consecutive Thursday mornings in Spaulding Auditorium from 9:00 AM until 11:30, starting on July 12. An impressive group of speakers has been recruited:

- July 12: Steven Levitsky, Harvard professor of Government and co-author of *How Democracies Die*. His topic is “Government Dysfunction and the Future of Our Democracy.”
- July 19: Dr. Damon Tweedy, a professor of psychiatry at Duke, a lawyer, and author of the book *Black Man in a White Coat: A Doctor’s Reflections on Race and Medicine*. His topic is “Black Man in a White Coat.”
- July 26: Kathryn Edin, a professor of Sociology and Public Affairs at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton and an expert on, and voice of, people living in poverty. Her topic is “Widening Inequality”
- Aug. 2: Stephen Yale-Loehr, professor of Immigration and Asylum law at Cornell Law School. His topic is “Our Broken Immigration System and How To Fix it.”
- Aug. 9: George Mitchell, former U.S. senator from Maine, and leading negotiator for peace in Northern Ireland and the Middle East. His topic is “The U.S. Role in the World: Can a Divided Country Still Lead?”

- Aug. 16: Susan Dentzer, former Chair of the Board of the Dartmouth College Trustees, and currently President and CEO of the Network for Excellence in Health Innovation. Her topic is “Unequal Opportunities. Unequal Outcomes? Averting the Worst for Health and Healthcare in America.”

A wonderful group of local civic-minded companies and organizations have agreed to be Underwriters of the entire series or Sponsors of individual sessions.

We are continuing the feature started last year of screening three documentary films in connection with three of the session topics. These films will be shown at Spaulding Auditorium on Tuesday evenings preceding the third, fourth, and fifth sessions.

After a successful pilot program with the Osher affiliate at the University of Vermont last year, we are currently soliciting a number of East Coast Osher affiliates to live stream the Summer Lecture Series for their members. A fee will be charged to help cover the expense of the series.

- Pete Bleyler and John Ferries, Co-Chairs

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