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President's Letter



Greetings and welcome to ILEAD's 20th Anniversary Year. While the Gala Celebration Party will be over by the time you read this, the Anniversary continues through June 2011. In the tradition of our founders we must continue to insist on excellence in all our programs.

Our Summer Lecture Series, returned to Spaulding Auditorium, enjoyed the largest attendance ever, averaging 700, as we examined aspects of the Perilous Triangle: Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iran. Attendees listened enthusiastically and participated with probing questions.

In this newsletter on Page Two, you'll read about the 20th Anniversary Celebration held at Alumni Hall on September 10. The 20th Anniversary Committee began work on this project in summer 2009. Thanks to the committee, which consisted of Mary Ann Holbrook, chair, Sandra Hoeh, Stephanie Reininger, Lisa King and Jill Newcity.

As part of our continuing celebration, all ILEAD member households will receive a copy of ILEAD's history, exhaustively researched and written by member and study leader Hank Buermeyer. Thank you, Hank.

The Leadership Council, elected last spring, had its first meeting in June 2010. To provide greater service to ILEAD members who are interested in the sciences, and to improve awareness of ILEAD in the larger community, (a recommendation of last year's Feasibility Study), the council adopted a reciprocal agreement with **Montshire Museum** under which each organization's members may participate in the other's science courses at the member rate. ILEAD also has access to Montshire's Community Room for science classes at no charge. The agreement will be reevaluated at the end of the year.

Ann Hargraves, President

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From Dartmouth President Jim Yong Kim



To the officers and members of the Institute for Lifelong Education at Dartmouth,

Congratulations on your first "score" - twenty years of promoting learning in the Upper Valley through the study of topics suggested and led by members.

You have much to celebrate. From 38 founding members in November 1990 and a pilot program of five courses in the spring of 1991, you have grown to more than 1,450 members. Altogether over the years, 25,724 members have taken more than 1,500 courses. This remarkable growth is a great testament to the vision and hard work of the founders and the officers who have succeeded in guiding ILEAD.

The success of ILEAD is also a testament to its members. Whether Upper Valley natives or transplants from four corners of the globe, they are bound by the desire to learn, and understand that there are no bounds to learning. From infancy, they have been taught and have taught others. The give-and-take of ILEAD courses broadens their perspective and keeps their intellects sharp.

The message of ILEAD is that we live and we learn, and the two are indivisible. May that message be heard well into the future.

Warmly,
Jim Yong Kim

The History of ILEAD will be available online at www.dartmouth.edu/~ilead/

THOMAS B. CAMPION AWARD

ILEAD prospers thanks to the generous efforts of every Study Leader and committee member and to the enthusiastic participation of the members. Sometimes individuals exceed this high standard by giving "Outstanding Good Service." The Thomas B. Campion Award for Exceptional Service is awarded to honor their contribution to ILEAD.

Both Townsend Swayze and Mary Ann Holbrook received the award this year.

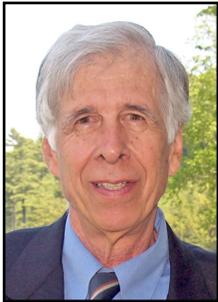


Photo by Emily Jones

Townsend Swayze, known as "T," has been a member of ILEAD since 2003. He has taught courses, "Thinking Like a Mountain" in 2003 and 2004, and "Fighting Global Poverty: The Inside Story" in 2005, and has served on ILEAD's Curriculum, Planning and Governance Committees.

The Curriculum Committee's work to recruit study leaders for a wide selection of study groups each term, as well as providing support to study leaders, has prospered under "T's" leadership. As committee chair, he created an atmosphere where everyone's ideas and contributions were welcomed and encouraged. He made the committee an enthusiastic, broad-based working group where everyone shares committee work and enjoys the opportunity to contribute to a vibrant program. He has been especially aware of using everybody's talents, creating sub-committee assignments.

To improve student and study leader satisfaction, he encouraged the evaluation subcommittee to improve the evaluation process. As a result, study leaders evaluations are more precise, pertinent and useful. There are now procedures for study leader feedback and support when evaluations reflect problems with classes.

He created a new course-vetting subcommittee to review all course descriptions.

"T" adds balance, fairness and clear thought to all his endeavors.

Thank you, Townsend Swayze, for your outstanding good service to ILEAD.

Mary Ann Holbrook has been a member of ILEAD since 2001. She served on the Study Travel, Membership Services and 20th Anniversary Committees.

As a member of the Study Travel Committee, she organized and led an enormously successful trip to Spain in 2006.

She has been a member of the Member Services Committee since 2008 and became chair in 2008. This committee is responsible for hosting official receptions and planning the Annual Meeting. Committee members generously fill in at the ILEAD office and Summer Lecture Series when additional hands are needed.

Mary Ann knows how to give a party! This year in addition to hosting the new members' receptions and the holiday



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party for study leaders and committee members, Mary Ann and her committee enthusiastically agreed to provide refreshments for the newly launched Literary Salon. When the Executive Council discussed how to celebrate ILEAD's 20th Anniversary in 2010-2011, Mary Ann volunteered to chair the 20th Anniversary Committee.

One might expect Mary Ann to pat herself on the back once in a while to acknowledge her accomplishments, but when informed she was awarded the 2010 Campion Award, she characteristically responded, "but I don't do anything."

Mary Ann Holbrook, thank you for your outstanding good service to ILEAD.

20th Anniversary Celebration



Photo by Hank Buermeyer

On September 10, more than 280 ILEAD members attended a 20th anniversary celebration they won't soon forget. After Joe Medicott's warm welcome, we were honored to have the very entertaining Big Apple Circus founder and ringmaster Paul Binder, D'63, serve as master of ceremonies.

Steve Calvert, described as ILEAD's "sparkplug," recounted the history of ILEAD's formation, citing in particular, Mid Davison and Ginia and Huntly Allison who worked tirelessly to make ILEAD a reality.

One of the highlights of the evening was the "ILEAD Troubadours" performing their tribute to 20 years of outstanding courses, "I am a Happy Student of the Upper Valley ILEAD," set to a Gilbert and Sullivan tune. With lyrics by Ginia Allison and Diane Crowley, the audience joined in on the choruses.



Paul Binder
Photo by Hank Buermeyer



We were treated to a video, "Thanks for the Memories," created by Stephanie Reininger, featuring 20 years of photos of members enjoying ILEAD courses, trips and parties.

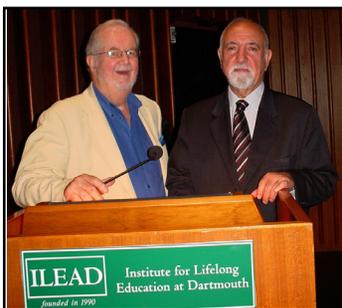
ILEAD Troubadours
Photo by Emily Jones

Moving from the Moore Theatre to Alumni Hall, the party continued with food, drinks, and conversation, all to the sounds of Frank Logan on the piano. And finally, cutting the cake while singing, "Happy Birthday" to ILEAD.

The 20th Anniversary Committee members Stephanie Reininger and Sandra Hoeh said, "A great deal of credit goes to committee Chair, Mary Ann Holbrook."

Sandra Hoeh
Member, 20th Anniversary Committee

Summer Lecture Series Makes its own History



Bruce Macdonald and
Hedayat Amin-Arsala
at Summer Lecture Series

(Photo by Hank Buermeyer)

The Summer Lecture Series, **Perilous Triangle: Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iran**, addressed many aspects underlying what has happened in that increasingly dangerous and largely misunderstood area.

The series evoked considerable response from ILEAD members and non-members. Attendance in Spaulding Auditorium over the seven-week period averaged close to 700, with countless plaudits from both audience and press.

We were fortunate to have attracted an impressive group of presenters, including our geography friend Harm de Blij; Hedayat Amin-Arsala, number two to Afghan President Harmid Karzai; Ambassador Peter Galbraith, the whistle blower on the Afghan election corruption; and "MIK" Miklaszewski, chief NBC correspondent at the Pentagon.

Subjects included a fascinating insight into both sides of Kashmir passions; an entrapped prisoner's first-hand view of torture and incarceration in an Iranian jail; failures within educational systems; and a CIA's perception of the area's many enemies.

The Summer Lecture Series has become a true highlight on ILEAD's calendar, and a challenge for next year's series. The Curriculum Committee's work to recruit study leaders for a wide selection of study groups each term

Bruce Macdonald
Chair, Summer Lecture Series

Also from ILEAD Past Lectures

Up Close and Personal: Meet the Active Musical Instruments in the Hopkins Center Collection - by speaker Stephen Langley, ensemble assistant at Hopkins Center for the Arts, Dartmouth College.

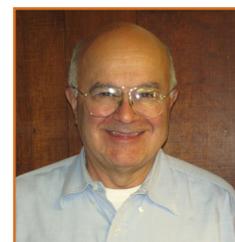


Mapping the Melting Arctic: Science, Law and Policy of Arctic Governance - by speaker Dr. Betsy Baker, associate professor at Vermont Law School and Dickey Fellow at Dartmouth College's Institute of Arctic Studies.

The October 2010 issue of *Money Magazine* ranks Hanover, NH., the # 2 place in the United States to retire. ILEAD is featured in the article!

ILEAD Course Leader Profile Gene Lariviere

Gene Lariviere is back this fall to teach two exciting ILEAD courses that reveal the breadth, as well as the depth of his interests and scholarship. These are **Traitor to his Class: the History and Career of Franklin Delano Roosevelt**, as well as Gene's latest wine appreciation course **Wines under \$15**.



His path to becoming an ILEAD course leader began in 2005. After 40 years as a pediatrician, Gene retired from Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Manchester, and moved to this area, retiring into a renaissance period. He began taking ILEAD classes to explore the world outside of medicine. This led to leading courses related to his passionate interests - history, art and wine.

One of his most enjoyable endeavors at ILEAD was co-teaching a course entitled **Wine and Health** with Roger Smith, Gene's professor of pharmacology at Dartmouth Medical School, more than 40 years earlier. (Roger insists that he was a young professor and Gene was an old student.)

For the past few years, Gene and his wife, Eleanor, have divided their time between their home in New Hampshire and a second home in Sun Lakes, Arizona. (Can you guess which season they spend in the southwest?) While in Arizona, Gene continues to teach in a college-affiliated continuing education program. Gene says he does this because it's the best way to get to know like-minded people - life-long learners with common interests.

We at ILEAD welcome Gene home, toast him with a glass of good wine, and look forward to another class in which history comes alive.

Banisa Saint Damian
Chair, Study Leader Support
Member, Curriculum Committee

ILEAD's field trip to New England Air Museum

What a fun and educational trip to the New England Air Museum. This was part of the spring 2010 ILEAD Course, "Aviation History Lives Today."



Tour guide Jack Connors was the first boss Joel Godston had when he joined Pratt & Whitney in 1955. We received a history lesson about aircraft engines, starting with an engine used by the Wright Brothers in an airplane they built, and ending with modern jet engines used in today's aircraft.

If you haven't been to the New England Air Museum in Windsor, Connecticut, near Bradley Airport, plan a trip! You will have a GREAT time, like we did!

Joel Godston, Study Leader

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From the Editor



ILEAD has so many assets. Courses, trips, special events, the summer series and more.

Here are a few to reconsider :

1. Become a study leader
2. Enjoy the new privileges at Monshire Museum (see President's Letter)
3. View ILEAD's 20th anniversary history online (thanks to Hank Buermeyer) www.dartmouth.edu/~ilead
4. Purchase your ILEAD 20th Anniversary tote book bag, at ILEAD's office
5. Become an ILEAD asset - volunteer



Janet Schoeler, Editor

ILEAD HAPPENINGS

SAVE THE DATE

October 22, 2010
New Member Reception

November 13, 2010
La Bayadere ballet, Trip
Boston Opera House

November 2010
Washington, D.C. Trip

December 18, 2010
Boston Pops, Manchester, Trip

January 10, 2011
Winter Term Begins

May 2011
Norwegian Coastal Voyage

May 18, 2011
Annual Meeting

Fall 2011
GHANA Global Volunteers

Lisa's Corner

ILEAD is growing by leaps and bounds and the office continues to be extremely busy. ILEAD's largest enrollment for the fall term has almost 1,100 participants enrolled.

Please consider being a study group leader for ILEAD and give back to this amazing program. We need you! Because of our study leaders, ILEAD, now 20 years young, is still going strong, continues to gain momentum, and continues to gain national recognition.

Finally, a personal THANK YOU to all the volunteers that have helped Jill and I in the office. We couldn't have kept our heads above water without you.

Consider volunteering! It is a wonderful way to give back to your community.

Enjoy your fall study groups!

Lisa King, Program Coordinator

