President’s Corner

For those of you who have lived in the Upper Valley for at least six years, you may remember the annual Book & Author breakfasts and lunches sponsored by the Friends of the Hopkins Center and the Hood Museum. That very popular event started in 1979, but had its last session in 2006, when the Friends of the Hop and Hood dissolved because of new marketing directions from both organizations.

I am thrilled to announce that this November, ILEAD is bringing back the Book & Author lunch as a pilot program. On Friday, November 30, local author W. D. Wetherell, A Century of November, and Ross McIntyre, Paddle Beads, will be our guests and discuss their books. This very special event will be held at the Marriott Courtyard at Centerra Park. The format will be similar to how the event was run by the Friends. Each author will speak about their book, answer questions, and afterwards, autograph their books that will be for sale.

To put an ILEAD “twist” on the event, we have also scheduled a mini-course to be held in October and early November, in which the participants will read and discuss each book. And to make this course unique, the authors will actually participate in the class. Study leaders for this course are Joe Medlicott, Dennis Damon Moore, and Jon Stableford. A third local writer, Archer Mayor, author of Paradise City, will be included in the course. However, he is unable to attend the luncheon.

Congress is Polarized, and So, Sadly, Is The Nation

The just-completed Summer Lecture Series on Polarization was a huge success, averaging 600 attendees over each of the seven sessions. The Polarization subject captured a major audience concern and created a real ‘buzz’ within the wider community.

It also generated more publicity than any prior series. This was the first time the Summer Lecture Series (SLS) had attracted thirteen different speakers representing a wide range of professional interests to give us their own take on the posturing that has been more concerned with speech-making and politics, while far less concentrating on America’s very real problems.

We were fortunate enough to be joined by three members of Congress, the head of Gallup Polling, heavyweight professors from two Ivy League business schools, two lawyers examining the inordinate rise and influence of Corporations, along with the unseemly politicization of today’s Supreme Court, journalists from Bloomberg and Rolling Stone, one of America’s top Presidential

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Dates to Look Out For:

Friesians of Majesty
Sunday, October 21, 2012

Boston Pops Concert
Saturday, December 15, 2012

An Evening with Joe Medlicott
Monday, October 29, 2012

Winter Term
January 7 - March 1, 2013
**ILEAD WELCOMES LOCAL AUTHORS**

ILEAD is proud to announce an exciting opportunity to meet two local authors! O. Ross McIntyre and Walter Wetherell are two of the three authors currently featured in our Fall 2012 course, “Books and Authors: Near At Hand.” Both will be present at our inaugural Books & Authors luncheon, where attendees will have a chance to mingle, share a delicious luncheon, and enjoy fascinating presentations by each author.

O. Ross McIntyre is the author of *Paddle Beads*, and a graduate of Dartmouth College. His family lives in New Hampshire.

Walter Wetherell is the author of *A Century of November*, and a local resident.

Watch for registration information to come via e-mail!

**BOOKS & AUTHORS LUNCHEON**

**DATE:** November 30, 2012  
**PLACE:** Courtyard by Marriott, Lebanon, NH  
**COST:** $30 per person  
**SCHEDULE:**  
11:15am Registration and Social Hour  
12:15pm Lunch  
12:45pm Presentation by Authors  

Seating is limited to the first 150.

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**ILEAD Takes a Role in Dartmouth’s Year of the Arts**

ILEAD will be an active participant in Dartmouth’s Year of the Arts. This is what we have been working on thanks to our creative and generous members.

Tom Blinkhorn has arranged for Catherine Musinsky to give a dance performance and lecture from 4 to 6 pm on Friday, September 28th at the Wilder Center. She is an artist, dancer, and a recent cancer survivor. In her performance she will address her illness and recovery. He hopes this event will come in conjunction with the cancer center at DHMC including *Art As Therapy* and with the Dartmouth Theater Department.

The Hood Museum of Art will offer two exclusive tours of their Crossing Cultures Exhibit of the Owen-Wagner Collection of Contemporary Aboriginal Art to members of ILEAD. Our tours will be on Tuesday, November 20, 10:00-11:30 am and Thursday, November 29, 1:30 to 3:00 pm. We can have as many as 50 people in the galleries at each of these lectures with enough docents to guide us.

ILEAD will have two back-to-back Art exhibitions next spring at Kendal in their exhibition space. There are 21 or more ILEAD members working as artists and photographers.

We can also look forward to an evening with Frank Logan, who will be playing the piano with a vocalist singing Irving Berlin Songs. Colorful anecdotes about Berlin’s life will be woven into Frank’s performance. This special evening will occur in March or April in the Gathering Room at Kendal.

-Stephanie Reininger
Study Leader Profile
Josette and Ray Malley: Two for the Price of One

What a treat it was to meet Josette and Ray Malley as I prepared to write this story. If you need any more reasons to truly understand what a special organization you belong to, read on.

Josette and Ray moved to the Upper Valley in 1998 when Hanover beat out all other rural New England “college towns” for their second home - to the one they have in McLean, Virginia. And they now spend more time here than there. They found out about ILEAD soon after relocating and immediately began taking classes. That led to receiving information - as we all have - about the need for additional study leaders. A dozen years and a dozen or so courses later, Josette and Ray have become a special and highly sought-after study leader couple. Yes, couple.

Ray and Josette teach their courses in tandem, each taking the lead in covering parts of their course material. Beginning with France and the French Way of Life in 2000, their course titles have included Globalization; Development and Foreign Aid; Francophone Canada; Survey of Africa; and India and the Subcontinent. And a fun one kind of off the beaten path for Josette and Ray, Vaudeville: What it was, why it died, why we still love it. This winter, they are combining talents once again on a new course entitled Your Government Abroad: Embassies, AID Missions, Agents.

Josette, who was born and raised in France, is a graduate of the University of Paris and the Monterey Institute of International Studies, and has a PhD in Cultural Anthropology from The University of California. Most of her career was with the World Bank. Ray, who was born in Cambridge, was educated at schools in the U.S. and Switzerland, including the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. He is a retired Department of State senior diplomat and business executive, and also served in the U.S. Air Force. If you’re looking for what should be an interesting read, Ray’s memoir - My Global Life - will be available this fall through Amazon.

-Jeff Bendis

The Management of ILEAD
Part II: The Curriculum Committee

A couple of newsletters ago, we began a series entitled The Management of ILEAD to introduce you to the committees and committee members that run this amazing organization. The first article dealt with ILEAD from 30,000 feet - The Leadership Council, a list of the Standing Committees, and the Task Groups that sprung up to work on the Strategic Plan. Now we’ll drop down to ground level, if you will, to look at the individual standing committees - one committee at a time - starting with the all-important Curriculum Committee.

The Curriculum Committee consists of fifteen members whose primary job is to do everything necessary to provide quality courses and study leaders for ILEAD classes. One subcommittee vets the courses as they are submitted to be certain they are appropriate. The Study Leader Support subcommittee provides assistance, training, and mentors for our volunteer study leaders, teaches the “How to Create an ILEAD Course” each spring, and leads the orientation meetings for study leaders each term. A third subcommittee reads every follow up form ILEAD members complete at the end of a course, evaluates and shares them with study leaders and addresses the few issues that appear. Special Lectures secures all the speakers for the special lectures offered during the year except the Summer Lecture Series. And lastly, we coordinate with Study Travel to provide courses when needed for a trip.

-Sylvia Sands Paxton,
Curriculum Committee Chair

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Congress is Polarized (cont.)
historians and one of the most articulat
persons in Education, before concluding with a Provost/Professor from The American
Dream Institute. Once again, the num
and quality of audience questions was another highlight, and several speakers commented upon the quality of the program and its attendees.

The only major problem? Every time we add another stunningly effective program like this, it sets the bar and expectation that much higher for the ensuing year.

-Bruce Macdonald

Lisa’s Corner

Dear ILEAD Members and Friends,

Please Welcome our New Team Member:

Sarah Chamberlin

Sarah will be working in the office as administrative support, mainly focusing on design of all ILEAD event promotional pieces and working closely with ILEAD's Marketing and Communications committee.

Please stop by and say hello!