Dear BCARF members,

Another year has passed and the Association of Retired Faculty is still here, including John Donovan, one of our founding fathers, who celebrated his hundredth birthday in February. The 2017-18 academic year was a successful one for the Association. Judith Wilt organized eight monthly program meetings featuring fascinating presentations by active members of the faculty and administration. Judith also arranged for docent-guided tours of the McMullen Museum’s fall and spring exhibitions. David Northrup orchestrated eight monthly research seminars with stimulating presentations by members of BCARF. Jean Mooney arranged nine monthly meetings of the Book Club. Anyone seeking reminders about these events can find detailed information inside this issue. Sixty-eight members attended our annual banquet in May, and they brought 38 guests, all of whom enjoyed a delicious meal as well as an informative update on university activities from Vice Provost for Faculties Billy Soo; some of them were fortunate enough to win one of the half-dozen door prizes. We all owe hearty thanks to Loretta Higgins, who bravely took on the task of replacing Jean Mooney as chair of our Banquet Committee, and also to Jean herself, who helped enormously from behind the scenes.

Billy Soo came up with some additional funding to help us circulate widely on campus the Association’s Guide for Faculty Retirement, updated by Joe Duffy, S.J., and the 2017 Newsletter edited by Jean O’Neil. The resulting reassurance that there is life beyond retirement may have contributed to the influx of twenty-six new members to our ranks by the end of the year. The BCARF website, managed by Peter Olivieri, was an invaluable source of information on our activities, and like our newsletters, it was enlivened by the photos taken by Marjorie Sardella. Peter recently added to the website a new history section which includes material on the founding of the Association, oral history interviews with more than a dozen faculty about life on the Heights in the 1950s and 60s, and a lengthy video presentation by Father Monan on the development of the university during the following decades.

Retired faculty grants for the 2017-18 academic year were awarded to six members. Unused funds, plus money saved by David Northrup in managing the lunches for the research seminars, enabled the Association to fund five smaller grants this past spring. Six members were recently awarded grants to cover expenditures during the 2018-19 academic year.

The Executive Committee experienced fairly minimal turnover this year. Charles Landraitis completed his second two-year term as Treasurer and retired from the Committee. David Northrup completed his four years as Member-at-Large but volunteered to serve a term as Treasurer. Dennis Sardella, who served as Interim Vice President this year, was elected to fill David’s seat as Member-at-Large, and Alec Peck was elected to a two-year term as Vice President.

As you may already know, the Association has agreed to relocate its office and its meeting spaces from the Brighton Campus to the new University property at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway, the former Temple Mishkan Tefila. The new location is no closer to our former haunts on middle campus (or the Law School), but it has the enormous advantage of ample parking. This should make it much easier to participate in our monthly program meetings and research seminars and to take advantage of our office facilities (including two Macintosh and two Dell computers and an up-to-date printer/copier/scanner). The precise date of this move is not yet clear, but we will keep you informed. We hope to reconvene in September in our new quarters.

I would be remiss not to thank Kelli Armstrong, University Vice
President for Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment, who secured our office and meeting room in St. Clement’s for the last year and a half after we had to leave 3 Lake Street. Kelli’s administrative assistant, Elaine Testa, intervened repeatedly to avert parking crises for our activities over the past year. I also want to thank the staff of the Center for Centers whose administrative assistance enabled the Association to function, especially Peter Marinos, Stephanie Querzoli, Ana Berroondo, and Michelle Muccini, as well as Jackie Delgado and Gaurie Pandey who replaced Ana and Michelle when they moved on to new positions during the last year. Last but by no means least, I want to thank our Immediate Past President, Dennis Taylor, for editing this 2018 edition of our newsletter.

In the end, of course, you are the Association. Some of you have relocated a long way from Chestnut Hill in retirement, and others have health issues which limit participation in our activities. I hope that email and our website help keep you connected to our community nonetheless, and that those able to attend our functions will join us regularly. I can promise that seminar and program meeting presentations will be stimulating, and it is always a pleasure to get together with old friends and former colleagues.

Sincerely,

Paul Spagnoli
BCARF President, 2017-2019

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RETIREE NEWS

Norman Berkowitz, PSYCHOLOGY

I currently live in a retirement community. There I serve on the medical, mental health committees and also serve on committee that reviews all other committees and serves as a bridge between the residents and management of the facility. I also serve as a voting town meeting member in Dedham. My wife and I are also somewhat involved in political issues facing us all but less so.

Richard Blake, S.J., ART, ART HISTORY, AND FILM

Technically (May 22, 2018), I just retired a few days ago. This has been a substantial year, a psychological buffer zone that enabled me to begin the entirely new, post-academic phase on my life. It has not been a substantial in the normal sense of the word. Last summer, I became “minister,” or in plain English “administrator,” of the Jesuit community at Boston College. This involves maintenance of St. Mary’s Hall and seven other houses that serve as residences for the 70 Jesuits assigned here. We have the main chapel and two auxiliary chapels, so I’ve become something of a minor-league pastor. We have a custodial staff and food service, and of course some personnel management, budgeting and purchasing go with the territory. Our many visitors have put us into the hotel business, and a fleet of cars demands constant attention. It’s been a steep learning curve, to say the least, but the staff has been most supportive and helpful. Maybe this second year—my first “retirement”—will be less hectic, but I don’t envision writing books, articles, or conference papers in the future. My academic career was rewarding, but now it’s time to try something else.

Rosemarie Bodenheimer, ENGLISH

Mandelbash & Co.: A Fictive Memoir has just been published by Apafluora Literary Press. “My thanks to the BCARF seminar for everyone’s encouragement at our September 2017 meeting.” Rosamond’s spouse, Andy Von Henty, passed away in June. He is much missed.—ed.

Matilda Bruckner, ROMANCE LANGUAGES

My news this year is dominated by family, including my daughter-in-law’s encounter with cancer and my older son Raphael and his wife expecting baby #1 in November. In San Francisco, my younger son’s wife Laura was diagnosed at age 32 with osteosarcoma in her right femur; the aggressive treatment required (6 rounds of chemo in the hospital and surgery after the second round) started last December and just ended in mid-May with excellent prospects for her future. Healing of course is not just a physical event; she and the whole family will continue to share in the healing of spirit that can now begin as well. Daniel and their son Bowie (9 mos) have been indefatigable supporters through the whole process, welcoming family and friends into their apartment to lend extra hands and hearts. Our regular trips to SF will continue “Since last March, Raphael and his family have moved in with us in Newton. Mon-Fri so that we can help them with Helena (a terrible, talkative and charming two year old) during the fatigue of pregnancy and the loss of parking at the Sharon train station (from which they normally commuted into Boston for their jobs in the Longwood area). This gives us a chance to ‘pay forward’ the help my mother gave us so generously during the last fifteen years of her life when she went in with us. Dan was a year old when she arrived and my mother helped us keep the daily life of a working family running as smoothly as possible all these years. On the scholarly front, three areas of concentration:


(2) My former dissertation advisor, Peter Hudd, who died February 2009, asked me in his will to find a publisher for his last book project on Christien de Troyes. Having decided to concentrate on what I consider the strongest, most original part of the manuscript, I edited the long chapter on Philomera, Christien’s translation/rewriting of Ovid’s tale from the Metamorphoses, as a stand-alone book (with materials from other chapters to be developed along with an intro I’ll write if all goes well). I have now sent it off to a potential publisher for consideration.

(3) While I wait for the results, I have finally been able to resume work on my own book project (“Biblical Encounters: Instructing Jewish and Christian Dialogue in Medieval French Literature”), researching and getting ready to write up the chapter on the Bible moralist. Many thanks to BCARF for their support of this work which I plan to “preview” in a lecture at King’s College London next May.

Richard Clifford, S.J., STM

Though “retired,” I am making full use of my ‘emeritus’ status, continuing to teach and co-teach. With STM Dean Tom Stegman, I taught Great Themes of the Bible, a capstone course, in fall 2017 (48 students), and taught a year-long 3-credit course in Intermediate Hebrew. I wrote two articles, one to appear soon in America, and the other in Theological Studies in the September or December issue. I also presided at Sunday mass at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Westwood. In addition, I have the privilege of living with 65 Jesuit STM students in Faber Jesuit Community on Foster St., about half of them international.

John Dacey, EDUCATION

John Dacey teaches “Creativity and Human Development” in BC’s Capstone program. He has just published two books for teachers entitled Integrating SELL into Your Curriculum, Grades 3 to 5 and Grades 6 to 8. His agent is taking his new book, Why Don’t You Just Relax, on dealing with anxiety disorders by adults, around to publishers.

Robert Daly, S.J., THEOLOGY

My most recent book, Sacrifice, Pagan and Christian, is now on the way to publication with Bloomsbury/T&T Clark. It will, in all probability, be my last scholarly book. In a less scholarly vein, I am also preparing for hopeful publication of the last 25 years of my poetic Christmas homilies.

Elizabeth Kwaski and James Wallace, Bob Daly, S.J.

Vice President Billy So

John Donovan, Frank McLaughlin

Cynthia Simmons, Duwayne Carpenter, Kathy McGuiness

Carla Green, Michael Malic, Karen Miller

Thomas McGuiness, Ben Birkhouser

Joe Orlando, Rossana Kruep, Rita Olivier
Harvey Egan, S.J., THEOLOGY

So-called ‘Retirement’. I did the wedding for my grandson’s marriage in Rhode Island. Great family affair: everyone came—from CA, CT, FL, MA, RI, and TX. ACA DEMIC ACTIVITIES: I’m working on a book with a Hong Kong (Harvard on Rahner’s Christianity and mystical theology. I’ve also done book-length evaluations for Oxford U Press, Cambridge U Press, and Routledge, as well as a few article evaluations for a few periodicals. Let’s not forget the books reviews for Theological Studies and The Catholic Church. I’ve also produced 5 of my media: series: one on Christian Mysticism, another on Karl Rahner, and one on Exploring Catholic Theology. My homily series will be out in June and one on Ignatius of the Mystics in August. Interested? VOLUNTEER WORK: I spend some of my time correcting the written English of a few of our French-speaking Africans and one Chinese SJ’s. A dissertation over well 600 pages was to an editor for publication. These young SJ’s are extremely talented. I am sometimes asked to fix computer, TV, and printer issues, when our techs are not there. I continue to teach theology to the 45 year-incarcerated prisoner of Swedish descent and send him inter- liner English-Swedish books. HOBBIES AND FUN: I do collages for the SJ’s who preside at our Friday community Masses. The one of the African SJ’s being hooded at graduation is terrific. There are many other things to enjoy besides what they’ve taken. I miss the cooking I used to do when we lived at 200mm Coms. Ave. However, I cooked elk for the Christmas dinner at a small farm, the best meat I ever have eaten. With help from the trusty St. Mary’s hall kitchen staff, I’ve done elk medallions, yak medallions, wild boar, bear sausages (so tasty!), and both elk and yak burgers. It is too short just to eat chicken. I still walk out at Gym at least 45/ weekly about three miles away, close to the UPS. Also, I walk every morning, regardless of the weather.

Robert Faulkner, POLITICAL SCIENCE

In the fall of 2017, I led a class on Native American and one on the role of female leaders in politics. I have written several articles on students and two short Platonian dialogues: Hippias Major and Minor. Topic: beauty and nobility. Throughout the year I benefitted from the various lec- tures at Harvard & BC, not least those sponsored by BC’s excel- lence. In the fall, I attended a small conference on the liberalism of Lincoln, U Richmond, in a small conference on the liberal traditions of our liberal democracy. I recommended a powerful middle class might help us under- stand the predicaments of our liberal democracy.

Peter Gray, PSYCHOLOGY

My book, Free to Learn: How Unleashing the Instinct to Play Will Make Our Children Smarter, More Resilient, and Better Students for Life, first published in 2013, continues to attract a great deal of at- tention. The paperback edition was published in February of this year, and two new translations (Chinese simplified and Italian) appeared this year, on top of the Chinese complex and Romanian translations that appeared the previous year. My publications over the past year include a chapter entitled, “Studying Play Without Calligraphy: Understanding Hidden Knowledge,” in: The Hand- book for the Study of Play (May 2015). My blog, Freedom-to-Learn, has received a total of well over 4 million views. Most of my articles have been republished on various other sites or in print media and many have been translated and republished. Primarily because of my book and blog, I’m frequently invited to talk at education confer- ences and to other groups concerned with preserving childhood play in this era of NCLB and Common Core. Over the past 12 months I have given 37 such talks, many of which were keynote addresses. I have also appeared on more talk shows and been a party to more media interviews and quoted in more publications than I can keep track of. This has kept me busier than I sometimes think I would like to be, but I feel quite passionate about the ideas I speak about and have a hard time turning down invitations. I continue, however, to find time to enjoy bicycling, cross-country skiing, and vegetable gardening. I get outdoors for one or another of these almost every day that I’m not away from home.

Lois Haggerty, NURSING

Lois made life master in duplicate bridge a few years ago. She is now at a little higher life master level - she made bronze LM over 200 points and requisite gold and silver points.

Walt Haney, EDUCATION

In April 2018 Walt was elected to his fifth three-year term as trust- ee of the Board of Directors of W.E. Upjohn & Associates, Inc in Chestnut Hill. In June, Walt and Kris took a trip to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary (February). Most of the trip they stayed at Spring Creek Ranch on the East Grand Vente Butte just west of Jackson WY. From there they went horseback riding two days and other days took tours of Jackson Hole valley (along the eastern side of the gorgeous Grand Teton range) and Yellowstone park. Fortunately by last June, Walt’s leg (broken in a concrete accident) was enough mended that he could ride horses and bike without crutches. Also in 2017-18, their daughter, Elizabeth, started an MA program in urban planning at MIT (she won a full tuition scholarship intended for MIT students with Excellent Baccalaureate Academic Skills). We retired from BC. Walt is greatly looking forward to attending a 50 year re- union of International Voluntary Services in fall 2018. Walt served with IVS in the Royal Kingdom of Laos 1968-71, he was ‘kicked out’ of IVS in 1971, but elected to the IVS Board of Directors in 1974, in connection with which he returned to Laos in 1975, just in time for the communist Pathet Lao takeover of the country in May 75. Anyone interested in Walt’s work see US Government of Laos and Socialization and the two graduates: daugther of tennis and retired son of hockey. We will go to the legacieswater.org home page and in the Resources sec-

Lynda Lytle Holstrom, SOCIOLOGY

I enjoyed the American Sociological Association annual meeting in Montreal last August. I participated in a session devoted to the work of my former student, George Young, who taught in our very own sociology department here at Boston College. Event is regarded as a pioneer in both American and Canadian sociology and did early ground-breaking research, along with his wife Helen Macpherson Hughes, in French Canada as communities there trans- formed from rural to industrial. We also drove up to Quebec City, and among other things, walked over to the Chateau Frontenac, the site of WPA meetings between Roosevelt and Churchill. We talked our way into one particular corridor where the famous pho- tos of these two leaders still are displayed.

Rev. Robert Imbelli, THEOLOGY

Bob taught a seminar on the Theology of Pope Benedict XVI at the New York Archdiocesan Seminary during the Spring Semes- ter. He also recorded a lecture series, “Transfigured Christ/Trans- figured Christians” for “Now You Know Media.” He traveled to Rome in January for a meeting of the Pontifical Academy of Theol- ogy which included an audience with Pope Francis. Several of his articles have appeared in America and on “The Catholic Thing” website.

Edward Kane, Finance


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I also chaired a panel on the slave trade at a symposium in Law- ell sponsored by NERWA (the New England World History Association) and coordinated the BCARF research seminar series. Christmas was warmed by visits from children and grandchildren; the little ones from California were especially busy, especially chairing a committee for the World History of Peace Corps service in Nigeria and the other on identity trans- lation. My new monograph, Institutions—will target the school’s particular needs.”

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18th C. church of Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe was a moving event with a memorable week in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Re-reading Poet’s Pioneering Advocacy in Middle Class Instruction sana in corpore sano. I have been actively investigating and write about two particular areas of interest— Christian spirituality and practice, particularly the Eastern Chris- tian tradition, and the historical evolution of church architecture: English Anglican and Russian Icons” (Council on Aging, Norfolk MA; Concord Park Se- nior Living, Concord, MA; St. Mary’s Women’s Group, Franklin MA) and “From Catacombs To Cathedrals” (Council on Aging, Newton, MA). My most recent article, “The British Poet’s Life: Chatterton, Marlowe, Marston,” continues both her fine art photography and as “official” pho- tographer for BCARF events, which can be seen in the BCARF online photo gallery (http://www.bc.edu/sites/retiredfaculty/RF- Photos.html) and in the slide show she created for the BCARF year-end banquet. She also gave a presentation of her photographs of Paris at the Norfolk MA Council On Aging entitled “A Virtual Tour of Paris.” Marie also recently returned from a trip to Rivera, Italy, where they studied and photographed the magnificent Byzantine mosaics at five of the UNESCO World Heritage sites. Finally, they had the joy of celebrating the college graduation of two grandchildren (University of Vermont and their second Eagle in College).

Cynthia Simmons, Slave & Eastern Languages and Literatures I am coming up on my first full year of retirement. I spent most of it traveling the country to see children and their children, and the elderly of an even older generation. Sort of like a gap year! I also wrote a book review and an ‘Assigned Reading’ piece for the BC Magazine (Fall 2017), and wrote (and received –thank you BCARF) a grant for travel to Bos- ton in the coming academic year. My plan, in as much as I have one yet, is to become more involved with an NGO in Boston, which works in various ways to counter enthnonationalism (a world ethics program for public schools, a critical thin- sing institution…). Mainly, I’m still figuring this phase out.

Paul Spagnoli, History During the past year my wife and I spent a great deal of time in Phoenix. We have been house-sitting for the top floor of our daughter’s house so as to spend more of time with her, her husband, and our now two-year-old granddaughter. Philadelphia is a less a footloose location than Naples (Italy) or Florida, but have- ing retired, my wife plans to be back in her office at the University of Pennsylvania for 3 years, he traveled abroad to report on foreign educa- tion. Though Arnold is recognized as an early proponent of com- parative education, there has been little study of his work in the field. The author examines Arnold’s writings and presents three related arguments—that England was well behind countries like France and Germany in ‘the civilization of her middle class’; that advocacy for ‘peace’ and the other utopian radicalist and revolu- tionary traditions; and that it was essential for England to establish a system of post-elementary education modeled on foreign systems.

Dennis and Marjorie Sandila. Chemistry and Presidential Scholars Dennis is completing his sixth year as a director at the Museum of Russian Icons, where last November he had the privilege of lead- ing a gallery tour for the docents from BC’s McMullen Museum. In addition to his work at the Museum, Dennis continues to ac- tively investigate and write about two particular areas of interest— Christian spirituality and practice, particularly the Eastern Chris- tian tradition, and the historical evolution of church architecture: English Anglican and Russian Icons” (Council on Aging, Norfolk MA; Concord Park Se- nior Living, Concord, MA; St. Mary’s Women’s Group, Franklin MA) and “From Catacombs To Cathedrals” (Council on Aging, Newton, MA). My most recent article, “The British Poet’s Life: Chatterton, Marlowe, Marston,” continues both her fine art photography and as “official” pho- tographer for BCARF events, which can be seen in the BCARF online photo gallery (http://www.bc.edu/sites/retiredfaculty/RF- Photos.html) and in the slide show she created for the BCARF year-end banquet. She also gave a presentation of her photographs of Paris at the Norfolk MA Council On Aging entitled “A Virtual Tour of Paris.” Marie also recently returned from a trip to Rivera, Italy, where they studied and photographed the magnificent Byzantine mosaics at five of the UNESCO World Heritage sites. Finally, they had the joy of celebrating the college graduation of two grandchildren (University of Vermont and their second Eagle in College).

Dennis Taylor, English I have more or less finished a book, Shakespeare and the Elizabe- thian Reformation: Literary Negotiations of Religious-Secular Differ- ences, and have begun the process of peddling the rewrite process. But it has been a wonderful experience to work on the topic.

Will Torbert, Graduate School of Management I had good trips to England, Brazil, Vancouver, and San Francisco, sometimes including workshops on coaching leader development. I also wrote (and received –thank you BCARF) a grant for travel to Bos- tom in the coming academic year. My plan, in as much as I have one yet, is to become more involved with an NGO in Boston, which works in various ways to counter enthnonationalism (a world ethics program for public schools, a critical thin- thinking institution…). Mainly, I’m still figuring this phase out.

David Northrup, History The past year was a full one. In autumn I enjoyed weekly meet- ings with an Indonesian graduate student at BC whom I was mentoring. My new monograph, Seven Myths of Africa in World History, appeared in September (and was the subject of a presenta- tion to the BCARF seminar in March). I published two articles in the Friends of Niger Newsletter, one on the lasting legacies of slavery in northern Nigeria, the other on the continuing activity trans- formations in southern Nigeria. Professional activities also kept me busy, especially chairing a committee for the World History Association to select the world’s best dissertation in world history.

Jean Mooney, Education I am still chair of the Book Club of the Association of Retired Faculty, one of the several initiatives of the association. She com- pleted her fourth year as a volunteer at St. Columbkille’s Partner- ship School in Brightons. “It was a very busy year for the school, with the introduction of a totally new library program at the school, the middle school curriculum was completely redesigned. Through a generous donation from a benefactor the school was able to hire a special education teacher to identify and support as many young people who struggle. In March the Lynch School of Education designated St. Columbkille as Boston College’s first “laboratory school.” This collaboration will enhance opportunities for teacher training, educational research, and professional development at the pre-K-8 school. The laboratory school designation—the only such arrangement between a university and an elementary school in the City of Boston—will increase collaboration in teaching and learning among the Associate of Arts in Education students, the school’s teachers and BC faculty and students. The research—jointly designed by faculty from both insti- tutions—will target the school’s particular needs.”

Rachel Specter, Nursing Rachel and her husband, Manny, continue to “nest” in Honolulu to December of 2018. Kiluaea has been spewing lava on the Big Island for years and, depending on the direction of the wind, the noxious gasses have not been a problem in Oahu. They have plans to return in December 2018. Travel is their favorite sport, and their visited their granddaughter in France, spent some time in Barcelona, and went to New York, Texas and California. Work continues as before. Classes taught included teaching in Living in Light, which works in various ways to counter enthnonationalism (a world ethics program for public schools, a critical thinking insti- tion…).}

H. John McDargh, THEOLOGY In my own count down to full retirement after 39 years at the end of June 2018, this has been a year of proto- transitions. I taught my final two courses as a full time faculty member in the Fall (``Living in Light: St. Francis & His Story: St. Francis of Assisi: Staying Close/ Living Our Lives”) and an upper level (seniors and graduate stu- dents) Theology elective: ‘Spirituality and Sexuality’...
partly on some of the less noble aspects of Dickens himself, so
Jack Maggs with Gwyneth Paltrow, Ethan Hawke, and Robert DeNiro. Carey's fascinatingly updated and Americanized film adaptation of 1998 novel-adaptation by the Australian writer Peter Carey, and the Expectations, which featured the Dickens novel, a Neo-Victorian the last 100 years or so, but in spring 2018 I went back to my majors, I've usually taught pop culture genre novels and films from ing. Since those courses are designed to attract non-English ma
little new in the one-credit spring course I've been regularly teach to build McMansions in that expensive area. I tried something a many of these properties had actually been sold to people eager to observe a gradual but steady improvement in my musical per-

Judith Will, English Life continues pretty much along the same lines last year and in
the near future except that I'm doing a little more family visiting, and to a degree considering downsizing some of my responsibili-
ties. Still hanging on to the privilege of teaching a spring course though, and trusting to the kindness of English Department staff to find me some shared office space, since we (I still think of them as ‘we’) were fortunate enough to be able to hire another tenure track position this in 2018. That person will have the ‘faculty emeriti’ office I’ve shared over the years with John Mahoney, Paul Doherty, and others. In the early fall I spent time in California vis-
itng my brother and his family near Los Angeles (the Getty Mu-
seum! The delight of seeing the clever parody ‘Spanihum’ after my summer with Ron Chernow’s Hamilton and the soundtrack of Lin-Manuel’s adaptation of it), as well as a Boston friend who recently moved to Palm Desert (traffic on the 101! grotesque but magical wind turbines on Interstate 5!). Also visited two more brothers and their families in November in Houston. One lives in ‘The Heights,’ a whole 10 feet above sea level, so wasn’t bothered by Hurricane Harvey, but Jerry and Mary Jo, busy helping found a new Catholic parish in far west Houston, were only a mile from serious flooding: they took me on a grim tour of streets in the Memorial Drive area where ruined furniture and rotting insula-

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REMEMBRANCES
Condolences to the families and colleagues of the following:
Leonard Casper, English
Sarah Cinino, Nursing
Richard Cobb-Stevens, Philosophy
Roberta Manning, History
David Manwaring, Political Science
Horace Seldon, Philosophy
Nancy Veeer, Social Work
Andrew Von Hundy, English

Happy Birthday Joseph Duffy, S.J.

Alan Wolfe, Bosi Center
I spent most of the past year writing The Politics of Petulance: America in an Age of Immaturity, which will be out in early Octo-
er (University of Chicago Press). On a more personal note, my partner (Emid Beal) and I went to Patagonia and Tierra Del Fuego, around Cape Horn.

NEW RETIRES
Welcome to the following faculty who now join us in retirement as of Spring 2018:
Ronald Ancrum, Social Work
Sheila Blair, Art, Art History, and Film
Richard A. Blake, S.J., Art, Art History, and Film
Jonathan M. Bloom, Art, Art History, and Film
Stephen F. Brown, Theology
Joseph P. Duffy, S.J., Education
Paul S. Gray, Sociology
Andrew Hargreaves, Education
Jeffrey W. Howe, Art, Art History, and Film
Cáceres, Kalman, Physics
James E. Ludden, Social Work
Michael A. Malec, Sociology
H. John McDargh, Theology
Kathleen McNis-Dittrich, Sociology
Larry McLaughlin, Chemistry
Matthew Mullane, Theology
David C. Murphy, Management
Clare O’Connor, Biology
Philip O’Leary, English
Frank J. Parker, S.J., Management
Diana C. Pullin, Education and Law
Callista Roy, CSJ, Nursing
Richard W. Tresch, Economics
Rein A. Urtain, Physics
Peter Wilson, Management
Ted I. Youn, Education

This booklet prepared by the Boston College Association of Retired Faculty (BCARF) is in-
tended to offer assistance and information to faculty members who have retired or are nearing retirement. Joseph Duffy, S.J. completed the booklet and Paul Spagnoli directed its distribution to BCARF members and each entity of Boston College involved in preparing faculty for retire-
ment. The responses of pre- and post-retirement readers have highlighted its useful information and value. It is available in paper copy and on the website of the BCARF (www.bc.edu/retiredfaculty) where it will be updated an-
ually.
HIGHLIGHTS OF 2017–2018

PAST PROGRAMS

The monthly lunch, social, business and program meetings are coordinated by Judith Wilt. Check the calendar in this Newsletter for dates and times. An email invitation designating speaker and topic precedes each monthly meeting.

SEPTEMBER
Libraries as Agents of Change
Tom Wall, University Librarian

OCTOBER
The Lady and George Washington: The Constitutional Politics of Gender
Mary Sarah Bilder, Law School

NOVEMBER
Retiree Medical Coverage — an Update from the Benefits Office and Tufts Health Plan
Jack Burke, Benefits Director

FEBRUARY
Secrets in the Age of Data
Sam Ransbotham, CSOM

MARCH
Faculty Cohorts on Teaching: Towards More Just and Inclusive Classrooms
Dr. Stacy Grooters, Center for Teaching Excellence

APRIL
Fire, Fuel, and the Fate of $3 Billion: State of the Energy Impoverished

MAY
Vatican II Comes to Boston College
James O’Toole, History

BCARF RESEARCH SEMINAR

The research seminars, under the direction of David Northrup, are open to retired BC faculty interested in sharing professional research or intellectual interests with invited speakers. The meetings include lunch. Invitations are posted via email prior to each meeting. Check the calendar in this Newsletter for upcoming dates. In 2017-2018 the list of seminars included:

SEPTEMBER
“Paul Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1812-1886), the younger brother of the German composers Felix and Fanny Mendelssohn.” Based on the manuscript in process of her historical novel Rosemarie Bodenheimer, English

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER
Navajo Weavings with Ceremonial Themes
Rebecca Valette, Romance Languages, with her husband Jean-Paul Valette.

DECEMBER
Greater Than We Knew: George Washington and the Founding of Constitutional Democracy
Robert Faulkner, Political Science

MARCH
Seven Myths of Africa in World History (Hackett Publications, 2017)
David Northrup, History

APRIL
The Phenomenology of Redemption
Robert Daly, S. J., Theology

MAY
Social/Emotional Skills and Anxiety Disorders among Adults
John Dacey, Education

BCARF BOOK CLUB SELECTION

The Book Club, chaired by Jean Mooney, meets monthly in the Donovan Suite for a general discussion focused on a collectively chosen book. BCARF members and spouses participate. The following books were discussed in 2017-2018.

- September: Hamilton by Ron Chernow
- October: A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles
- November: The Lioness in Morocco by Julia Drosten
- December: Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance
- February: Slow Medicine by Victoria Sweet
- March: A Kind of Freedom by Margaret Wilkes Sexton
- April: Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

FALL 2018 BOOK SELECTIONS

- September: Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng
- October: Eunice by Eileen McNamara
- November: Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann
- December: Every Note Played by Lisa Genova

Meetings take place on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. See calendar on page 12 for dates.
*Note Monthly emailed invitation for location.

2017-2018 Executive Committee

President: Paul Spagnoli, History
Vice-President: Dennis Sardella, Chemistry & Presidential Scholars
Secretary: Judith Wilt, English
Treasurer: Charles Landraitis, Mathematics
Members-at-Large: David Northrup, History

Additional Contributors: 2017-2018
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Book Club: Jean Mooney
Banquet: Loretta Higgins
Program: Judith Wilt
Research Seminars: David Northrup
Nominating Committee: Dennis Sardella
Boston College Guide for Faculty Retirement: Joseph Duffy, S.J.
Photography: Marjorie Sardella and Media Technology Services
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BCARF especially thanks Jean Mooney who is ending her term as Member-at-Large. Fortunately Jean continued to lead the Book Club and coached Loretta Higgins who became Banquet Chair. Jean has contributed to BCARF in many roles since joining the Planning Committee in 2002. Jean O’Neil ended her advisory role on the Executive Committee as Past President in 2017 and coached Dennis Taylor, who succeeded her as editor for this year’s Newsletter.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Dennis Taylor
Creative Services Manager: Gaurie Pandey
Photography: Marjorie Sardella and Media Technology Services

The BCARF Bulletin is published annually and is available on the BCARF website. Notification of its publication will be sent to the listserve. An issue will generally include a review of recent BCARF activities, announcements of upcoming events and calendar for the coming year, and news capsules relating to the lives, activities, and health of retirees.

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A limited amount of funds has been made available by the Provost’s Office for the purpose of providing grants for projects undertaken by members of the Boston College Association of Retired Faculty. Grants will support travel and expenses for research, lectures, conferences, education, publishing, volunteer work, and/or other significant activities carried out directly by the applicant. Normally a grant will be from $100 to $1,000 per person. A committee appointed by the Executive Committee of the Boston College Association of Retired Faculty will review all applications and make the awards. Each April an announcement will be made calling for proposals for research projects for the following academic budget year (June 1-May 31).

Projects should be designed to be completed at least by the end of the academic budgetary year following the year of the award. A brief report on the outcome of the funded effort should be prepared and submitted to the President of the Boston College Association of Retired Faculty.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- **Cover sheet**
- **Description of proposed project (two pages maximum)**
  - **Objectives for the proposed work and its significance**
  - **Relationship of proposed project objectives to your longer term goals**
  - **Relationship to other work by you or others**
  - **Proposed budget (one page maximum)**
  - **Summary CV**

CRITERIA OF SELECTION:

The merit of the proposal as judged by the reviewers will be the primary criterion. In addition, priority will be given to proposals that will:

- **Assist retired faculty members to sustain or redirect their careers in the areas of research, education or service or to make significant progress on important projects**
- **Likely produce significant results**
- **Assist in bringing existing projects to a successful conclusion**
- **Reflect favorably on the University and its community of retirees**

TIMING OF PROPOSAL AND AWARD:

Proposals should be submitted to the President of the Boston College Association of Retired Faculty no later than the last working day of April. Awards will be announced the first week of May. Address proposals to: President of BCARF, Paul Spagnoli.

**EXPENSE REPORT**

Receipts should be retained and submitted, up to the amount of the grant, to Center for Centers, Fiscal and Events Specialist, 10 Stone Ave, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467. Receipts should be submitted within 1 month of when the expense occurred, and in any event by April 15.

**BCARF GRANT RECIPIENTS FOR 2018-2019:**

- **Laurel Eisenhauer** for “Then and Now: Essex, Massachussetts,” to facilitate the publication of historical research related to the Town of Essex
- **Deborah Levenson** for travel to Guatemala to continue research on the work and world of Andrea Curruichich, the Mayan artist
- **Jean Mooney** to enhance the capacity of St. Columbkille’s Partnership School to address the academic and social skills of students who struggle
- **Alec Peck** for development of a behavior management Program for orphans with disabilities at Jamaica Mustard Seed
- **Matilda Tomayn Bruckner** for travel expenses for a lecture at King’s College, London, April 2019
- **Cynthia Simmons** for travel to Bosnia and Herzegovina to help create an institute for critical thinking for teachers

ADDITIONAL SPRING GRANTS, 2018:

- **Jean Mooney** for development of supplemental and remedial instructional strategies for below grade level students in grades K to 5 at St. Columbkille School
- **Alec Peck** for the purchase of two communication devices to be used by non-verbal residents at the Mustard Seed Community in Jamaica
- **Marian Brown St. Onge** for travel to Paris and Geneva for archeological research on a biography of Louis Adrien Favre: priest, poet and French resistance hero.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are many ways in which retired faculty can volunteer both at Boston College and in the surrounding community. Listed below are a few of these opportunities.

If you have suggestions for other ways in which retired faculty might contribute their knowledge, expertise, and service, please contact BCARF. To get involved with any of the activities listed below, contact the person listed.

**COMMENCEMENT**

Contact the Commencement Office at commencement@bc.edu indicating your interest in volunteering and the preferred assignment. There are orientation meetings shortly before commencement.

**TEACHING IN RETIREMENT:**

Several retired faculty have mentioned Capstone courses in their “news.”

“Do what you loved: teach. The Capstone Program flourishes thanks to some ‘INSPIRED RETIRED’ faculty like John Davy, Bob Capalbo, Richard Clifford S.J., Deborah Levenson-Estrada, John McDargh, and Rachel Specter. Or ask Harold Petersen or Dennis Taylor about it. Heck – John Donovan (who turns 100 this summer!) taught well into his 80s! The salary for teaching a Capstone course is similar to that for teaching a part-time course. Teach material you love to help students soar 55 and older who would like to share their professional and experience-based skills with local public and nonprofit organizations that need help in Newton and Metro West. Assignments range from tutoring children, mentoring inmates, to organizational leadership roles. (KAlbert@soars55.org)

**CONTACT CAPSTONE DIRECTOR**

Contact Capstone Director Jim Weiss: james.weiss@bc.edu

**CONVERSATIONAL PARTNERS WITH INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENTS**

Many opportunities exist to host or mentor an international student. For more information, contact Rosemary Krakowcz (rmk1005@yahoo.com). Anyone willing to be a holiday host should contact Adrienne Nussbaum at 617-552-8005.

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**NEED COMPUTER HELP?**

The Faculty Micro Resource Center (FMRC), 617-552-4349, located in the new Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) on the second level of O’Neill Library, is at your service moderated by M.J. Connolly, 8601/8602, cmcnj@bc.edu, 617-552-3912. Kit Baum, Economics, baum@bc.edu, 617-552-3673.

Contact the Moderators by email at any time for assistance. The facility in O’Neill 2401 is available on a walk-in basis anytime when the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) is open, and the Moderators can arrange for you 24/7 access to the Projects Lab in Carney (3D printing, legacy equipment, etc).

You may also contact the BC Computer Help Center at 617-552-4337 (HELP) or www.bc.edu/help.

**SOAR 55 (SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AFTER REACHING 55)**

SOAR 55 is a volunteer-connector organization for adults aged 55 and older who would like to share their professional skills and experience to make a difference in their local community. For information, contact Capstone Director Jim Weiss: james.weiss@bc.edu

**IGNITION AND CAPSTONE COURSES**

New England Ignition volunteers are mature men and women, open to participating in year-long spiritual development programs, which include service to the community. Volunteers commit to the equivalent of two days per week of service, over a ten month period; meet monthly with a spiritual director; participate in two days of reflection, one overnight retreat, and monthly meetings of the volunteers. At these meetings, volunteers share their reflections and service experiences.

For information, contact Dave Hinchen, IVC Regional Director, 31 Fairview Street, Roxbury MA 02111, 617-272-2934, dhinchen@ivcusa.org, www.ivcusa.org.
BCARF EVENT CALENDAR 2018-19
All meetings, except for the annual banquet, are on Thursdays. Program Meetings are scheduled 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM with lecture beginning at Noon. A light buffet of sandwiches and beverages is served. The Book Club meets from 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM. Research Seminars meet at Noon to 1:30 PM, with a light luncheon served beginning at 11:45 AM. The Executive Committee meets from 1:30 PM to 3 PM (except noon to 2:30 PM on January 17 and May 30 only).

SEPTEMBER
- Thursday, September 13, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, September 13, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, September 13, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, September 20, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

OCTOBER
- Thursday, October 11, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, October 11, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, October 11, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, October 18, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

NOVEMBER
- Thursday, November 8, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, November 8, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, November 8, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, November 15, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

DECEMBER
- Thursday, December 6, 10:30 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, December 6, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, December 6, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee

FEBRUARY
- Thursday, February 14, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, February 14, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, February 14, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, February 21, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

MARCH
- Thursday, March 14, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, March 14, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, March 14, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, March 21, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

APRIL
- Thursday, April 11, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, April 11, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, April 11, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, April 25, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting

MAY
- Thursday, May 9, 10:00 a.m. Book Club
- Thursday, May 9, Noon Research Seminar
- Thursday, May 9, 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee
- Thursday, May 16, 11:30 a.m. Program Meeting
- Wednesday, May 22, 5:30 p.m. Annual Banquet in the Murney Room of the Yawkey Center
- Thursday, May 30, Noon, Executive Committee Transition Meeting

Rita Olivieri, Drs. Ray and Peg Murphy
Dennis Sardella, Paul Spagnoli, Bob Daly, S.J.
David Northrup
John McDargh
Guest Enjoying Banquet
Rosemary Kwaarcyk
LOCATIONS

TAs of early November BCARF’s relocation from the Brighton Campus to 300 Hammond Pond Parkway is still in progress. Check the BCARF website for updated information about location.

Program Meetings continue to take place on the Brighton Campus at the School of Theology and Ministry Library, 117 Lake St., Room 113. Entrance to the library auditorium is on the ground level. We will begin holding our program meetings in our new location, 300 Hammond Pond Parkway, room 100, in January 2019. Consult our web page as well as emailed invitations for more information.

The Research Seminars now take place in room 100 at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway.

The Book Club and Executive Committee meetings now take place in room 120 at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway.

Art tours are scheduled according to the opening of exhibits assemble at the McMullen Museum on the Brighton Campus with parking in front by entering and obtaining a pass or in the lots near Cadigan Hall at the foot of the hill.

PARKING

There should be ample parking at 300 Hammond Pond. Updated information will be available on the web page. It is perhaps advisable to leave a note on your windshield indicating that you are retired BC faculty, attending a BCARF function or using the BC Association of Retired Faculty office.