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SAVE THIS DATE
TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2008
ILEAD'S
ANNUAL MEETING
Lake Morey Inn, Fairlee, VT

11:15-12:00
Registration and Cash Bar
12:15 – Luncheon

Keynote Speaker:
BOB HAGER
NBC News Correspondent



President's Corner

The Annual Meeting of ILEAD is set for May 27th at Lake Morey Inn. We are fortunate to have Bob Hager as our speaker. Bob's award-winning television reporting career spans more than four decades. The subject of his talk is "Courting Disaster – Television Reporting from the Front Lines."

ILEAD is completing its 17th year with a record attendance for our spring term. This is the second year in which spring participation has exceeded that of the winter term. Fall continues to be the most popular. Looking ahead to our 20th year, we'll now begin chronicling our history as the first step of a yet-to-be-determined celebration.

Plans are set for an outstanding Summer Lecture Series, an eight-week agenda that offers "Positive Solutions" to the critical issues facing America.

Satisfying our long-term housing needs is the focus of the Planning Committee, which meets twice a month to evaluate our options. A recent intensive study of some near-term opportunities determined that they were not affordable.

Every year we have a turnover of one-third of our Committee members per our By-laws. This permits opportunities for members to participate in the workings of ILEAD. It is the support and volunteer efforts of all of our members that make ILEAD a success. So if you have time, and interest, and want to help, why not let us know?

Carl Larson, *President*

Paris

The ILEAD Paris Tour was full of non-tourist events and side trips. We traveled underground in a barge through the St. Martin's Canal in the center of Paris; we visited the famous Poilane Bakery on the Left Bank; returning from Chartres, we watched a musical equestrian display at the Grand Royal Stables at the Palace of Versailles. One of the out-of-town jewels was the Chateau d'Auvers with its outstanding exhibit, recreating the Impressionists' lifestyle.

We did our share of museum-hopping with our special guide, Pierre Legue. We visited the Louvre, the d'Orsay Museum, the Pompidou Museum, the Picasso Museum and the Jacquemart-Andre Museum. Of course, the tour included delicious meals at La Bamboche, Alcazar and the Restaurant Jacques Cagna.

For evening entertainment, there were several options: Leif Andsnes, pianist, Jessye Norman, a Moliere play "The School for Wives" and *Zampa*, an opera.

Thanks to the London Arts Discovery Tour and Richard Barran, the trip included new sights for all of us.



Front row, l-r: Paul Bidwell, Ginger Milord, Margot Johnson, Joan Burchenal and John Stone; middle row: Patricia Attridge and Marcia Stone; back row: Lyn Mead and Richard Barran.

(from London Arts Discovery Tours)

Lyn Mead, *Trip Coordinator*

IT'S TIME FOR SOME NEW SOLUTIONS!

ILEAD SUMMER LECTURE SERIES-2008



Most people know what the problems are, and the candidates give us their weekly 'spin' on what they believe are the right solutions. But will they really solve the tough issues? Will the program de jour have any real chance of correcting problems which have been with us for dozens of years already?

This year's lecture series looks at the eight toughest crises facing America today, and delivers some thought-provoking solutions that are already 'out there,' but infrequently supported enough to gain traction. And yet, these are solutions that work; they can change our world dramatically, if only we could break the logjam of predictable thinking, and alter the structures and alliances that bar the road to true progress. So to produce real change, we need to understand the corrosive power of money; the downside dangers of special interest lobbying, and the deadening effect of conventional wisdom.

Each of our speakers will cover a different subject, on which he/she has worked for years, helping us understand the real issues, and then elevating us by covering the possibilities of pattern-breaking success.

Come join the experts who see a different tomorrow. It's an eight-week series of Wednesday morning lectures and discussion. Book for the entire series or come when you can. You might find you're looking at the candidates in a whole new way, and asking them entirely different questions. Bruce Macdonald

THEME

"Positive Solutions: 2008"
Changing America's Crises into Opportunities

WHEN

Wednesdays from 9 am to noon
Spaulding Auditorium
July 9 through August 27

REGISTRATION

Available May, 2008. Watch your mail!

SPEAKERS FROM

Woods Hole Research Institute
Tuck Business School
CIA
Rocky Mountain Institute

PLUS

Water experts from Nova Scotia and the Southwest;
Medical Care leaders from DHMC,
A Leading Campaign
Finance Reform Director,
The CEO of General Electric
and more!

Current Program Content

(all titles subject to alteration)

JULY 9

Solving the Energy Crisis – at a Profit –
in an Age of Climate Change

JULY 16

Money and Politics: Real Reform

JULY 23

Health Care Solutions:
Quality, Cost and Access

JULY 30

Water: Managing our Most Precious,
yet Precarious, Resource

AUGUST 6

Increasing U.S. Income
and Allocating its Rewards

AUGUST 13

Increasing Economic Growth
while Enhancing the Environment

AUGUST 20

A Stable and Progressive Middle East.
More than a Dream?

AUGUST 27

Awkward Facts about Climate Disruption



Planning Committee

The winter newsletter reported that the Planning Committee had identified locations in White River Junction and West Lebanon that might be suitable for ILEAD's long-term facility needs.

We determined that membership and course fees, set at reasonable levels, would not be sufficient to cover the costs of operations including rental payments for a leased facility. If we were to own the facility, eliminating the need for rental payments, the picture is much brighter. Owning a facility would, however, require a capital fund drive.

The College has encouraged ILEAD to consider becoming an independent not-for-profit organization with some continued ties to the College. This would permit ILEAD to ~~accept capital contributions and~~ issue receipts for tax deductible charitable contributions.

The Planning Committee is exploring whether a capital campaign could raise enough money to build or purchase a building suitable for ILEAD's long-term needs.

Ann Hargraves, Chair



From the Editor

The last time Bob Christie wrote a poem was back in third grade. His father was concerned, maybe even incensed, that the teacher was having his son write, for goodness sake, *poetry*. Bob's father went in a huff to the teacher and said my son must not, will not, become a poet. He is to write no more poetry. So Bob complied. He was a good boy and did what he was told. Until now.

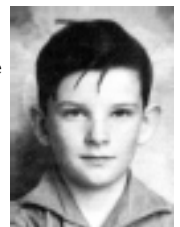
Bob is writing terza rimas, sonnets and villanelles. He is rekindling his interest in poetry in Dianalee Velie's class "Discipline as Freedom" (fixed form poetry).

ILEAD's first core value is the **belief in, and commitment to**, lifelong education as essential for quality of life. Through ILEAD's core value of **providing voluntary, peer-led programs**, ILEAD fosters love of learning, the opportunity to revisit long-dormant interests. ILEAD provides the opportunity to grow in ways that one might have thought impossible ten or twenty years ago, and an opportunity to dig deeper into ongoing interests. ILEAD welcomes members to share their knowledge, curiosity and enthusiasm by becoming study leaders.

Dr. Robert Christie is a retired pathologist. One of the reasons he and his wife, Connie, moved to Kendal was to be closer to ILEAD. There'll be no more 5 A.M.s and "One hundred miles up the river and two hours travel" to get to the D.O.C. house!

Bob Christie's poem is at the right. To quote Lisa King: "This is what makes me love my job."
Pam Ahlen, Newsletter Editor

Bob Christie
3rd Grade
1931



Price of Peace

*Peace comes not free of price
But bought by those who fight for it
Who chance by the roll of the dice;*

*Yet peace criers campaign to dispirit
All those hearing freedom's call
With exhortations of the hypocrite;*

*We must honor those who too young fall
Victim of the battler's executioner
They who roll the snake eyes, and given all.*

*Freedom has a flavor
The protected never savor*



Special Events

Plans are under way for our Special Events day trips for the spring and summer and one has been a huge success!

A sold-out visit to the Boston Ballet and their production of *Swan Lake* took place on May 10th. Forty ILEAD participants went by bus to Boston and enjoyed lunch on their own at favorite restaurants.

For those unable to go, or for ballet aficionados, we have another ballet planned on Thursday, July 17th. This will be our annual trip to Saratoga (the NYC Ballet's July summer home) at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. We will be seeing "Four Voices" and expect another sell-out trip. Lunch will be at either the Hall of Springs with your own reservations or bring your picnic to enjoy on the lovely grounds there.

On Sunday, August 3rd, we will be leaving from Hanover for a bus trip to Tanglewood to see the world-famous cellist YoYo Ma with the Boston Symphony. Lunch will be on the grounds and the performance is greatly enhanced by our weatherproof

seats in the shed. This, too, is always a sell-out.

We have tried to provide a diverse schedule, and Thursday, September 11th will see us going to South Townshend, Vermont, to visit the Friesians of Majesty Horse Farm set on 650 acres. Friesians are a Dutch-bred black horse with, I'm told, no bad habits. They've been referred to as "golden retrievers with hooves!" There will be a tour of the barns, a carriage ride and a performance by some of their 45 or so horses. This is a rare day to learn about these friendly, beautiful animals! It will be a fun fall day, with a bus from Hanover, lunch at the Hartness House in Springfield, Vermont, and a short ride to the farm. Possibly we'll be going to Concord, Massachusetts, for a literary and historical tour in October ~ stay tuned for that mailing.

Meanwhile, tickets have been purchased and the bus reserved for Sunday, December 14th's matinee of the Boston Pops Christmas Concert in Manchester, New Hampshire. Many of us really loved last year's concert with Keith Lockhart. Stay tuned for a fall mailing on this event.

Our committee has been busy planning and Lisa King has made all of the necessary travel arrangements. We look forward to your participation in as many of these as suits your schedule!

Barbara Holmes, *Special Events Chair*

Curriculum



To whet your appetite for our fall 2008 program, we will have nearly 60 delicious tidbits for you to enjoy, with courses in literature, writing, history, government, art, religion, and many that fit into no special category. But, as with all tidbits, we are never quite satisfied. If you know of someone who could lead a course - including yourself - please contact Lisa at the ILEAD office. We welcome suggestions.

The winter term ended and the Evaluation sub-committee met and read 568 student responses. Overwhelmingly, students reported that the leaders did an excellent job keeping the classes focused while stimulating lots of interesting discussions. They particularly enjoyed the expertise of the leaders and their sense of humor.

Thirteen study leaders attended the winter term debriefing, and made a few new suggestions: an ILEAD lifetime membership, email for student evaluations and study leader response forms, and mentors for repeat, and new, study leaders.

To fill up your plate even more, we have had several special lectures this past winter and we have a few more coming up this spring.

Susan Cohen, *Chair*

BECOME A VOLUNTEER FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION!

ILEAD is an all volunteer-based organization and needs your help. Have a voice and take part in what courses are presented, what day trips are offered, what foreign adventures ILEAD will take, and finally, to make sure ILEAD's finances are in "check and balance."

SPECIAL EVENTS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Current Chair: Barbara Holmes

Special Events is now recruiting new members. The term is three years, with a willingness to help plan day trips and lead one or two a year. Meeting requirements are usually twice a year for planning purposes. Please reply to Lisa King as soon as possible at the ILEAD office and provide your telephone as well as your e-mail address.

Would you like to be on ILEAD's CURRICULUM COMMITTEE?

Current Chair: Susan Cohen

Be a part of the ILEAD Curriculum Committee and recruit people to be study leaders. Members have varied interests and backgrounds and live in areas around the Upper Valley. They welcome the chance to reach out and invite people to lead a course for ILEAD. In addition, a sub-committee reads and reports on student evaluations and study leader response. Curriculum is the heart of ILEAD and seeks dedicated, outgoing members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Current Treasurer: Marty Blumberg

The Finance Committee sets financial policy for ILEAD, reviews financial statements, approves the annual budget and generally exercises fiduciary responsibility over the finances of ILEAD. ILEAD is an operating unit of Dartmouth College and, as such, is subject to the accounting policies and procedures developed by the College. Members of the Finance Committee should possess an appreciation for financial issues. Business experience is desirable, but not required.

STUDY/TRAVEL

Current Chair: Chica Maynard

The Study/Travel Committee is composed of members who love to explore the world as well as to study it. On this committee, members plan and implement two trips a year open to all ILEAD members who are willing to participate in courses specifically designed for each trip. We work on each project for approximately two years from the spark of inspiration until the completion of travel. It is a rewarding journey for all involved!

PLANNING ON-CAMPUS EVENTS

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Current Chair: Charlotte Broughton

Membership

The Membership Committee finds volunteers within the membership (when needed) to assist in the office. The Membership Committee disseminates information to the membership, keeps count of the membership and its demographics. It finds speakers and organizes in-house lectures. It welcomes Montgomery Fellows, coordinates events with the Hood Museum or other Dartmouth departments. It plans ILEAD's Annual Meeting and organizes all ILEAD activities that occur at the D.O.C. house or on campus.

Hospitality

Do you like to plan and organize events? Hospitality is currently looking for energetic, fun-loving people to organize the welcome-gathering for new members and study leaders in the fall, to organize social (wine & cheese, even breakfast) events throughout the year. If hospitality interests you, then please respond so we may try and get you on board to help! Social activities are enjoyed by a large portion of the membership and social-event implementation needs a good-sized group of committee members.

Photo by member Dan Richardson



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WANTED: ART HISTORY BUFF

ILEAD needs you!

We are looking for an energetic person who is an art history buff or an art historian who has the time to organize art slides that have been donated to ILEAD. We have over 1,000 slides that need to be put into categories and have an index created so that instructors may use these slides for their courses.

If you would be willing to take on this job, please contact ILEAD.

Lisa's Corner



Why I love my job? People! It's as simple as that! To wake up every morning, and know I am going to a place I enjoy (almost) every day. To be blessed with a job with an organization where people actually appreciate what you do. (*Now that's a concept!*) To know that I had a role in making someone smile because of ILEAD. To reflect on the thirteen years I've been with ILEAD, and recognize that there have been people that have met through ILEAD and have married or made a lifelong commitment to one another. To know that I have been a part of bringing happiness into people's lives makes me smile. ILEAD creates opportunities for people to embark in new and lifelong friendships. ILEAD has made people's lives richer, happier, and more fulfilled. ILEAD has brought, and continues to bring, companionship to many. To know that I have had a slight role in bringing learning and happiness and sometimes new experiences into people's lives just warms my heart! This job sometimes brings a lot of sweat and tears (not really), but all the hard work is worth the end result.

Maybe some of you know, and maybe some of you don't know, that all ILEAD offers is put together by many, many hours of work by several dedicated volunteers, the members of ILEAD, just like you. I hope you, the members, take pleasure in what ILEAD as an organization provides for your intellectual and social delight! Please, if you have time to give to ILEAD as a volunteer, please do. Without all of you (our members) and volunteerism, there would be no ILEAD. Also, please remember to thank your study leaders. Without our dedicated instructors, you would not have ILEAD.

Have a wonderful spring, and an even better summer!

Lisa King, Program Coordinator



Photo by member Emily Jones