

CCR Committee Reports 2017-2018

Curriculum Committee

A Look Back Over Our Year

Despite a delayed start thanks to Hurricane Irma in September, CCR has enjoyed a wide-ranging exploration of 53 topics during our academic year.

We've considered the ocean that is our backyard from many angles: its changing coastline; the dolphins who live in it; fossils that come from it; young people who teach the building of boats to even younger people; chaplains who address the needs of sailors in our port; and a determined female entrepreneur who has figured out both a way to extract salt from the sea and a business model to sell that salt.

We have delved deeply into the arts this year. In addition to sharing their art, many speakers have shared with us personal stories that have informed their art. Such were the presentations of the Charleston Symphony's Concertmaster, the Poet Laureate of Charleston, the Artistic Director of *Ballet Evolution*, the Producer of the Charleston Black Theatre Company, the innovative photographer who prefers not to show in galleries, the artist in textiles who engages the community in art, and the ceramic artist who educates at Middleton.

We've been introduced to the mission and achievements of Charleston Stage at the Dock Street, the Redux Contemporary Art Center and the Black Fedora Comedy Club. We've learned of Hemingway's time in Cuba and been introduced to Cuban artist and "social commentarian" Roberto Diago. And Michael Haga has returned to gift us with an in-depth exploration of art in ancient Rome

With an astronomer we've explored possibilities in space; with a Ukrainian political scientist we've considered Russia's Putin; with a noted scholar we've looked at the Supreme Court; and with a Wadmalaw tea grower we've learned about tea. A psychiatrist has helped us look at end-of-life challenges, and caregivers have informed us about resources that can be accessed if they're needed. We've looked at history near and far and heard from authors and entrepreneurs with bright ideas to share. We've laughed with humorists and enjoyed the travels of our fellow members.

We are grateful to the many speakers who have enriched us this year and to the members of the curriculum committee below who have brought them to us:

Waltraud Bastia	Jocelyn Chabot
Dave Clark	Gwen Fish
Sally Flynn	Sylvia Gamboa
Catherine Langlois	Bob Reilly
Del Sisson	Gail Trummel
Sandra Oberman	Shirley & Richard Ulstad

Del Sisson
Curriculum Committee Chair

Scholarship Committee

This year's scholarship has been awarded to two recipients: Anthony Dein and Kerstin Fridh. They will each receive \$2,000. The scholarship this year will be dedicated to Fred Feldman, who was a member of the Scholarship Committee and who always encouraged the Board to increase the amount given.

At its meeting in February, the Board increased the scholarship to \$5,000.
Jean Marterre
Chair

Membership Committee

As of April 22, we have 241 active members in CCR. This includes 28 new members this semester.

Karen & I have been the co-chairpersons of this committee for the past 9 years, & will be turning over the chairmanship to Dale Fish beginning this September. He will also need volunteers to assist him at times, just as Karen & I have.

Keep in mind that all checks must be made out to the College of Charleston. Also, keep in mind that all current members will need to renew their membership fees this coming Fall Semester; one member has already done so. Remember, the preferred renewal membership method is on-line at any time between now & September, & thereafter as well.

Karen & I would like to thank every CCR member for their cooperation during our years as chairpersons.

Karen & Stan Whitman

Communications and Outreach Committee

With thanks to all CCR members who helped get the second edition of rack cards out in places in the community and alert our community about CCR. In addition, two newsletters were completed with articles by our great reporters Catherine Langlois and Deidre Goldbogen. Please tell them how much you love their articles. Thanks also to Sylvia Gamboa who proof read the first newsletter and to Deane Kemper who proof read the second newsletter. I fill in with trip articles, do the layout for the newsletter, and work with the copy center for the printing of the newsletters and rack cards. So the second edition of the rack cards was completed. As well two newsletters were done by this committee. We hope you enjoyed reading them.

CALL Committee Report

The Charleston Academy for Lifelong Learning ended its first 6-week spring term successfully, and with some fun. Several members of the Wine class met at Accent on Wine in Summerville and tried out some of the wines that caught their fancy. A week after the last class, several members of the Ghost group took a Ghost Tour in Charleston.

We have a good line-up of six classes for the Mondays and Tuesdays in June: our Summer Term runs June 4 to 29. The courses are: Satellites; Experiencing Hubble: Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe; The Middle East; World War I-From Box Kites to Fighter Planes; 'Come As You Are' Beginners' Acrylics; and Museum Masterpieces: The Louvre.

Thank you to our committee: Diana Barth, Fred Rosenberg, Del Sisson, Wendy Fish, Eric Strauss, Maritza Strauss, Gary Awkerman, Dan Bachle, Catherine Langlois, Judy Larocque, Irma and Norm Resnic, Patricia Wolman, Nancy Hild, Carmen Malamug, Holly Blanchard, Pamela Dugan, and more. Special thanks to Gary, Holly, Judy, and Diana, who were our first term facilitators. Thanks also to Bronwyn Barron for her support on behalf of the College of Charleston.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Barth,
CALL Committee Chairman

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is comprised of the following CCR members, Dayle Fish (Chair), Waltraud Bastia and Karen Whitman; the Nomination Committee is actively querying membership for candidates per the CCR by-laws. The Nominating committee will present the final Ballot at the 7 May CCR session. The annual election is scheduled to be held during the annual CCR business meeting and luncheon scheduled May 14, 2018.

We will be holding a floor nomination session on 30 April to canvass the membership one last time. Write in selections will be capable on the official Ballot on the day of election. We will again offer the opportunity for members to vote absentee where necessary. The procedure here, is that during the week leading up to the annual election, those desiring to vote absentee, may send the Nomination Committee an email requesting and absentee ballot. One is sent; it is then marked and returned prior to Election Day. We had two last year.

This year we will be electing a new slate of 5 two-year Executive board members and 1 one-year member to unfortunately replace Fred Feldman due to his most unfortunate passing away. I believe all current members will be running and several volunteers have requested to challenge also. For the Governing board we have to fill announced vacancies for the 2nd Vice President position and the Secretary position as Stan and Karen Whitman and Anne Fortson have decided to give over the fine execution of their positions to new selectees. We are aggressively searching within membership for candidates willing to stand for these two positions.

As of now, the Ballot is:

For the Governing Board

President: Fred Rosenberg
Vice President for Curriculum: Anita (Del) Sisson
2nd Vice President for Membership: Dayle Fish
Treasurer: Wendy Fuhrmanek
Secretary: Lina Calub, Raymond Stewart
Social Chair (ex-officio, no vote required): Carol Mc Laughlin
The current Executive board members have one year left: no vote needed

Judy Murdoch Bob Stancik
Charles Strauss Vacancy

At this time the Ballot under consideration has the following members running for 2-year Executive Board of which the 5 with the highest number of votes will be selected, the one placing 6th will be put in Fred Feldman's vacant one-year position.

Jimmy Gapusan Diana Barth
Wendy Fish Joan Feldman
Marizita Strauss Lita Monroy
Norman Resnic Irma Resnic
Barbara Biller Betty Ebinger
John Ebinger

Respectfully submitted,

Dayle I. Fish

Chairman Nomination Committee

Trips Committee

CCR trips for 2017-2018:

Santee Lock Tour: This was a boat excursion through the Santee Lock. The boat held 30 passengers and it was sold out with 30 in attendance. The cost of this trip was \$30, and all the money was paid directly to Nature Adventures

Nucor Steel Mill tour: A guided walking tour of the mill followed by a very nice lunch provided by Nucor. 47 members attended this tour and lunch was free.

Seewee Visitor Center: A presentation about the red wolves was made by the caretaker of the wolves. The group then observed the feeding of the wolves. After the presentation visitors were allowed to walk through the park. This was followed by lunch at Seewee Restaurant. 39 people attended. Visitor

Center was free, and everyone paid for their own lunch.

Citadel: This included a guided tour of the Citadel campus. The tour was given by cadets. Following the tours, the group watched the weekly dress parade from reserved seats alongside the parade ground. 36 people were in attendance and the event was free.

For all of these trips people provided their own transportation.

All of these trips ran smoothly and in the eyes of the trip committee these trips were successful.

A bus trip to Columbia Zoo and Edisto Gardens was cancelled because 30 people were needed to make the trip work financially. Only 21 signed up so the trip was cancelled.

**CENTER FOR CREATIVE RETIREMENT TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 (1 July 2017 thru 30 June 2018)
PREPARED FOR FY2018 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

**Revenue Balance Forward from Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 2017
\$14,487.00**

Revenue Deposited in Fiscal Year 2018 to Date per College of Charleston

Dues		\$ 11,060.00	
Field Trips		0,000.00	
Study Group			100.00
December 2017 Luncheon (checks and credit card)			270.00
May 2018 Luncheon		<u>000.00</u>	
Total Revenue Deposited in FY 2018 to Date			\$ 11,430.00

Note: Cash collected for the December and May Luncheon is transferred to Petty Cash

Expenses Paid in Fiscal Year 2017 to Date by College of Charleston

Honoraria		\$ 400.00	
Newsletters and inserts			
Fall Printing	466.00		
Spring Printing	<u>000.00</u>		466.00
Rack cards		000.00	
Treasurer's Supplies			00.00
Membership Directory		288.00	
Scholarships			
School of Prof. Studies General	1,000		
Gerontology	<u>4,000</u>		5,000.00
Field Trip Transportation		0,000.00	
Social - Hospitality		000.00	
Aramark - Catering for December 2017 Luncheon			2,504.00
Catering for May 2018 Luncheon		0,000.00	
2017 Assessment (5% Based on Membership Fee)		482.00	

**Total Expenses Paid in FY 2018 to Date (\$
9,140.00)**

FY 2018 Revenue (Income Less Paid Expenses) \$ 2,290.00

**Total Revenue Balance with College as of Apr 30, 2018
\$16,777.00**

**Petty Cash Balance as of 30 Apr 2018
\$ 817.80**

**Total Available Balance from all Sources as of 30 Apr 2018
\$17,594.80**

Note: Financial data provided on 4/30/18 by the College of Charleston LowCountry Graduate Center School of Professional Studies.