

Convivial Conversation and Cuisine for Williams Faculty, Staff and Community Members

## **The Board Corner**

**Dear Faculty Club Members:** 

March is with us and spring is around the corner. Yeah! With spring brings new hope not only better weather, but a brighter future for all of us.

In February the club hosted a Zoom lecture with Professor Lois Banta on the topic of vaccines. At least 90 people attended this webinar. Special thanks to Professor Banta for presenting this interesting talk and also to Patrick Gray from OIT for managing the event.

The board is pleased to co-sponsor our next event on March 5th at 4:30 pm, with Williams College Alumni Relations. Professor Emeritus James Carlton, former Director of Williams Mystic, will present a Zoom lecture on the topic: "The Age of Plastics Meets the Age of Invasions: How Ocean Rafting, Coastal Development, and Climate Change May All Be Related." Check out board member Veronica Bosley's awesome poster that is displayed below and on the Faculty Club website. Thanks Veronica!

You can access the event via this **Zoom link** (activated

5 minutes prior to the event). Full information is posted on the club's events page at: faculty-club.williams.edu/events/.

In case you didn't know, the college events calendar at events.
williams.edu/ is another great resource for things to do.

At this point Fridays are just another day of the week, and Friendly Fridays are missed a lot. Personally, I miss seeing Paula, Maureen, Dickie, Todd, and TJ, and those who I haven't mentioned by name. These fine people represent the faces of Williams. They all work for Dining Services and they are wonderful and friendly people who provide great food, drinks and conversation. Fingers crossed that most of our community will get a Covid-19 vaccine and we can be together in person again soon.

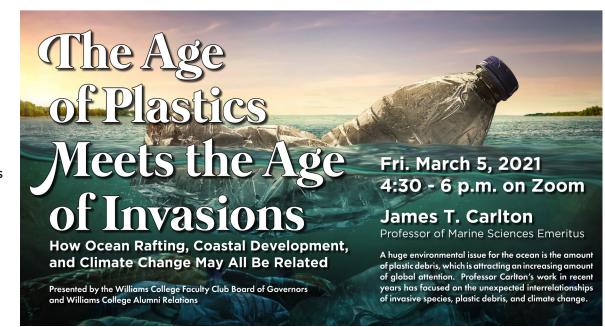
We would still love to hear from you if you would like to share your Covid experiences. Please send your stories to Heather at: <a href="mailto:hf3@williams.edu">hf3@williams.edu</a>. Thank you!!

After three pretty serious talks on the Presidential election, the vaccine, and the environment, it is about time that we have some fun. Stay tuned for a surprise spring event (date TBD) that will bring joy to the entire family. It's about time we learn how to smile and enjoy life again! Hint: The kids in all of us will love it, and it isn't ice cream.

Miss you all. Stay well!

Alison

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# Virtual Events for the month of March

The Williams College events calendar at <u>events.williams.edu</u> holds a wealth of opportunity for education and entertainment and most are open to the community at large.

**Art-Inspired Yoga with Emily Kamen** 

Tuesdays, March 2, 9, & 16 at 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

What the Pandemic Has Taught Us About Our New Public Sphere

Zeynep Tufekci, Assoc. Prof., UNC-Chapel Hill Tuesday, March 2 at 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Forum on the Status of Women in Politics

Maggie Haberman and Yamiche Alcindor Wednesday, March 3 at 7:30 pm - 8:45 pm

Mistrust: Why Losing Faith in Institutions Provides the Tools to Transform Them

**Ethan Zuckerman '93**, Assoc. Prof., UMass-Amherst Wednesday, March 3 at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Answer Music: Observation and Abstraction of the Living World

Mike Glier, Alexander Falck Class of 1899 Prof. of Art Thursday, March 4 at 4:15 pm - 5:30 pm

**Reading by Rowan Ricardo Phillips** 

The Margaret Bundy Scott Prof. of English for 2020-21 Thursday, March 4 at 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The Age of Plastics Meets the Age of Invasions

James T. Carlton, Prof. of Marine Sciences Emeritus

Friday, March 5 at 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

How Parks Can Undo Systemic Racism Lindi Von Mutius '03, The Trust for Public Land Tuesday, March 9 at 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

The Faraway Brought Close: Poetry and the Work of Feeling

Jessica Fisher, Associate Professor of English Thursday, March 11 at 4:15 pm - 5:30 pm

Please note, this information reflects traditional club hours. The Faculty House will remain closed for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters.

Club Hours: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, M-F Lunch Hours: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-F

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On 'Caste': A Virtual Conversation with Isabel Wilkerson, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist & author Tuesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Understanding the Interplay of Stress, Relationships, and Biology

Kate Stroud, Associate Professor of Psychology Thursday, March 18 at 4:15 pm - 5:30 pm

Improving Learning Outcomes in Sub-Saharan Africa Owen Ozier, Associate Professor of Economics Thursday, March 25 at 4:15 pm - 5:30 pm

## Faculty Club Mystery Book Club

The Mystery Book Club again plans to meet by Zoom in March.

WHEN: 1:30 pm on Friday, March 26, 2021

**WHAT:** Sara Paretsky's "Total Recall" vol 10 of the V.I. Warshawski mysteries. Several disparate plots are brought together in one story which confronts the machinations of a vast and corrupt industry that trades on the victims of Nazi terrorism.

All are welcome to join the discussion. Let Jean Vankin know if you hope to attend. E-mail her at <a href="mailto:jvankin@williams.edu">jvankin@williams.edu</a> with any questions and to receive the zoom link.

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