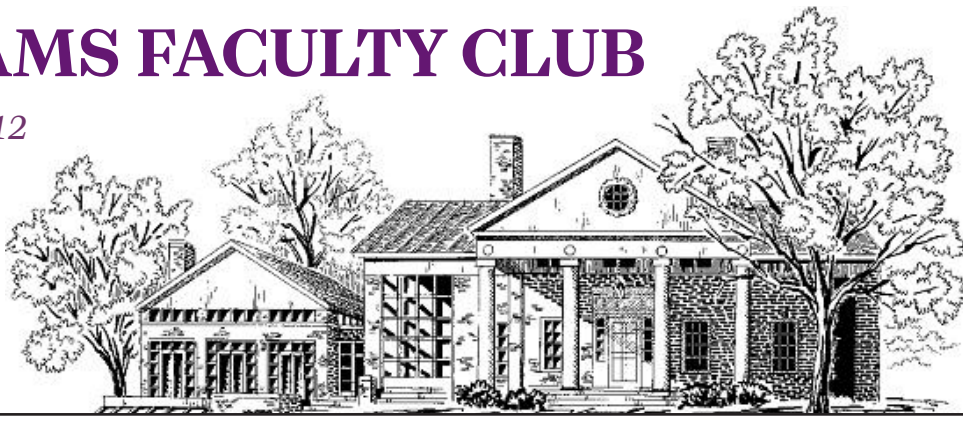


WILLIAMS FACULTY CLUB

MAY 2021

Founded in 1912



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

The Board Corner

Dear Friends-

I apologize for the length of this message but there is so much good news to report, finally! Our baby animal Zoom tour with staff from Hancock Shaker Village went very well and was attended by 25 families, so maybe 80 to 100 people with their children and grandchildren. This is a guess mind you, but probably not a bad one. The babies were all adorable. My favorites were the baby pigs who really do lay together in a pig pile! Bill's favorite was a baby lamb he bonded with since he needed to feed her while her mommy nursed her twin. So sweet! Even my granddaughter Vivian watched with me. The board would like to shout out our thanks to Shaker Village staff Bill Mangiardi and Cindy Dickinson from the village who shared their cuties with attendees for a half an hour. We would also like to thank Steve Amman from OIT for helping host this event. Their willingness to give their time to us is much appreciated!

I'm glad to report that the village's in-person opening drew large crowds when my daughter and her husband took granddaughter Vivian in person for her 3rd birthday. It was apparently a very exciting experience for our little girl. Hopefully this collaboration helped Shaker Village with attendance and fingers crossed others to become members of the Faculty Club.

Customarily in May we have the Faculty Club Annual Meeting and Dinner, but not this year once again. The Annual Meeting is usually the time we have reports on activities, financials and vote on officers. The board decided that we will conduct a private meeting and then report to our membership. While we bail out of our COVID existence we will be keeping the officers; me as President, Mary Pfister as VP, Kelly Kervan as Treasurer, and Diana Brooks as Secretary for this year. Thanks so much for their service! The board also decided that community membership billing will go

out once again this summer with the hope we can have more in-person activities in the fall.

I guess this is a good time to remind our members that most of the funding for Faculty Club activities are paid for by membership dues. Benefits of membership include discounted lunch, special dinners, free Friendly Fridays, bowling, and Williams' Club access. Please remember, Williams' faculty, staff and retirees and their spouses, are all Faculty Club members by default. If we are to survive as an entity we need your support!

Since closing our doors in March, the Faculty Club has sponsored 4 virtual events: a lecture about the Presidential election with Professor James McAllister in October; Professor Lois Banta presented a talk about vaccines in February; Professor Emeritus James Carlton presented on the environment in March; and of course our baby animals event with Shaker Village in April. The success of these events shows that we were able to push ourselves forward during this awful year, and demonstrate the Faculty Club's value to the college and the community. I am extremely proud of this and hope you all are too. Thanks for sticking with us! This New Year will no doubt be better than the last one. There is a program pending for June so keep in touch. I look forward to seeing many of you soon!

Sadly, Veronica Bosley is stepping down as a board member. We want to thank Veronica for her active participation on the board. She shared her ideas freely and was extremely creative in making wonderful



My Girls!

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posters for our events. We expect Veronica to continue to be a terrific bowler when we start bowling up again this fall. Thank you Veronica! You will be missed and we appreciate your generous offer to continue to create awesome posters for future events.

We need a couple of board members, so please consider if you would like to be one and let me know at aogrady@williams.edu. It is a great opportunity to engage with some interesting people, do some important work that benefits our community, and maybe get a free lunch. Thanks for considering.

Props to President Mandel and her staff for doing an excellent job in dealing with the Pandemic! As a college employee and a longtime Williamstown resident, I appreciate their efforts to keep our community safe. Thank you!

Here's hoping that things continue to get better and that we can all be together in person again!

Alison

Alison Roe O'Grady
President, Faculty Club Board of Governors



Faculty Club Mystery Book Club

WHEN: Meet by Zoom Friday, May 28, 1:30 pm

WHERE: Same Zoom link we have been using. If you have not saved it, or are new to club, you may e-mail jvankin@williams.edu and she will send it.

WHAT: Louise Penny's *A Rule Against Murder*. "An intricate and intriguing plot... lovely, powerful, and uniquely imaginative, with prose that approaches the poetic." Read to find out if you agree with the review.

Please note, this information reflects traditional club hours. The Faculty House will remain closed throughout the Spring 2021 semester.

Club Hours:	8:30 am – 3:30 pm, M-F
Lunch Hours:	11:30 am – 1:30 pm, M-F
Club Phone:	(413) 597-2451
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Website:	http://faculty-club.williams.edu

Virtual Events for May

Visit the Williams College events calendar at events.williams.edu for more information.

The Green Room with Robert O'Hara
Saturday, May 1st, 3:00pm-4:00pm

John Murphy '21, screening "Keepers of Miskatonic"
Saturday, May 1st, 5:00pm-6:00pm
Sunday, May 2nd, 7:00pm-8:00pm

"Spitfire: A Space Femme Fantasia", by Lyndsey Bourne
Saturday, May 1st, 7:00pm-8:30pm
Sunday, May 2nd, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Annual Student Fiction and Poetry Reading
Monday, May 3rd, 4:30pm-6:00pm

Violin Studio Recital-livestream
Monday, May 3rd, 7:30pm

Vivian Shaw: "Covid-19 and AAPI Communities"
Tuesday, May 4th, 1:30pm-2:45pm

Art-Inspired Yoga with Emily Kamen
Tuesday, May 4th, 5:30pm-6:30pm

Landfall: Puerto Rico as a Handbook for Our Times
Thursday, May 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th, 5:00pm-6:30pm

Min Jin Lee: Reading and Conversation
Thursday, May 6th, 7:00pm-8:15pm

INK: A lecture in celebration of the WCMA collection.
Thursday, May 6th, 7:00pm-8:30pm

Independent Study Screening: Samori Etienne '21, "What I Is?"
Saturday, May 8th, 7:00pm-8:30pm
Sunday, May 9th, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Lecture: Lanka Tattersall
Thursday, May 13th, 5:00pm-6:30pm

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