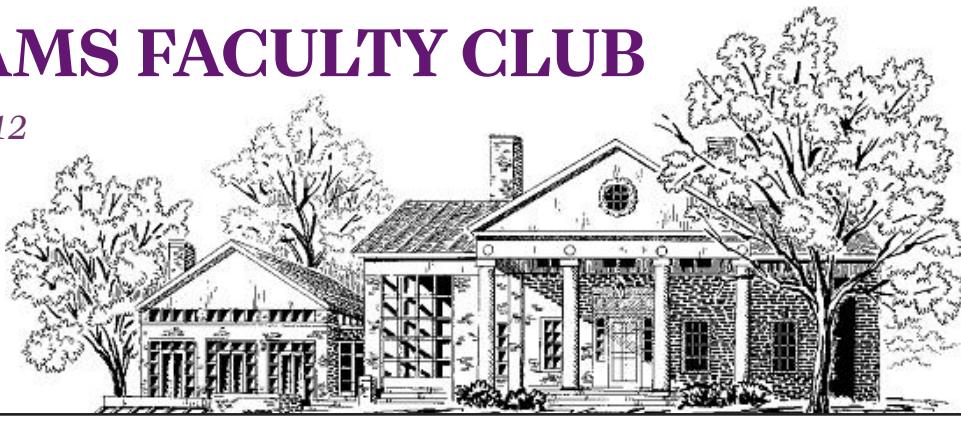


WILLIAMS FACULTY CLUB

OCTOBER 2021

Founded in 1912



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

Board Corner

Dear Faculty Club members,

Fall is here and the Faculty Club is up and running a bit. The once-a-week lunches are a great start to more events in the Club. Our first **Friendly Friday** of the year is October 1st from 4:30 pm-6:30 pm. We will have a cash bar for beer and wine only. If you bring a non-member guest, the cost to attend is \$5 at the door. Please join us if you feel comfortable and remember to bring a mask, as they are required unless you are eating or drinking. Sadly, that's the way of the world for now, but it is important that we all do our best to keep our community safe. There will be seating on the club patio if the weather is good. Let's hope that it is a beautiful fall day.

People are obviously anxious to step out as evidenced by signups for the October 3rd cocktail evening at the **Distillery at Greylock Works** (riley1803.wixsite.com/distillerygworks) which filled up within a few hours. Based on this enthusiasm we may try to have another session!

On October 26th the Club is hosting a virtual program with **ThinkerAnalytix**, (thinkeranalytix.org), which will be free and open to the public. See page 2 of this newsletter for more information. The Board is actively researching events and lectures to host in the coming months.

We will also have a **Friendly Friday on November 12th** so mark your calendars. The date is delayed a week due to Homecoming weekend. It looks like things are slowly getting back to "normal."

Due to staffing shortages, there are no plans for the usually awesome Thanksgiving buffet, since Dining Services cannot support such a large luncheon at this time. We will let you know if we hear some positive news. Fingers crossed that we can enjoy delicious turkey and trimmings that so many of us look forward to.

A sincere thank you to community members who have renewed their memberships this year. We appreciate your faith in the survival of this important entity. The board would also like to thank the President's office for their financial support for Club events. Without this help we would not be able to sponsor Friendly Fridays, talks, and entertainment.

Have a great fall!

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Faculty Club Mystery Book Club

WHEN: October 29, 2021 1:30 pm

WHERE: Via the Zoom link

WHAT: Jessica Ellicott's "Murder in an English Village" (First in the Beryl and Edwina Mystery series)

"As friends, the boisterous and brash American Beryl couldn't be less like the prim and proper British Edwina. But as sleuths in an England recovering from the Great War they're a perfect match." -Goodreads

Any questions? Need the Zoom link? Contact Jean Vankin (jvankin@williams.edu). If you prefer to call (413-458-5606), please leave a message and your phone number or e-mail address.



October Lecture: Teaching Critical Thinking with Argument Mapping

Join us **Tuesday, October 26th at 2:00 pm** for an online presentation about the work of Boston-based nonprofit **ThinkerAnalytix**.

Too often, teaching controversial topics or current events can lead to fraught conversations and breakdowns in communication. Especially given our current political climate, many teachers are, understandably, afraid to address these topics altogether.

In many cases, the problem is that students haven't had the opportunity to develop the requisite skills to discuss these topics with rigor and empathy. The antidote to this problem is formal training in precise, logical reasoning and careful listening.

ThinkerAnalytix is an educational nonprofit, 501(c)3, working to revolutionize how students learn critical thinking skills. In partnership with Harvard's Department of Philosophy, ThinkerAnalytix builds students' logic and reasoning skills using a research-backed approach called argument mapping.



Friendly Friday Menu

Friday, October 1st, 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm.

- Charcuterie Platter
- Hummus with Pita Wedges
- Vegetable Platter with 2 Dips
- Dessert: Pumpkin Whoopie Pies
- Coffee, tea, decaf
- Cash Bar with beer and wine

November's Friendly Friday will take place on Nov. 12th — menu to come!

Club Hours:	8:30 am – 3:30 pm, M-F
Lunch Hours:	11:30 am – 1:30 pm, Thursdays
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Website:	http://faculty-club.williams.edu

This presentation will include a live discussion of a current issue and expose participants to research-backed resources ThinkerAnalytix has developed for teachers looking to facilitate these sorts of discussions in their own classrooms in accordance with its mission.

ThinkerAnalytix is led by Williams alumna, **Anne L'Hommedieu Sanderson '84**, and supported by Content Manager and School Outreach Coordinator, **Emily Bleiberg '22**.

To join the lecture, [log on to Zoom using this link](#) after 1:45 pm on October 26th. You can also follow the link from the [Faculty Club Events Page](#).

Thursday Lunch Buffet Menus

The Faculty House Welcomes You Back to Thursday Lunch Buffets: \$11.00 for members; \$13.00 for non-members for the academic year*

- **October 7th** - Taco Bar
- **October 14th** - Homestyle Stuffed Chicken Breast
- **October 21st** - Brunch For Lunch
- **October 28th** - Fish and Chips

*this pricing does not apply to holiday menus.

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