### PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Colleagues, this is the final report of my presidency. By the time you read this I will have completed four years of service—a period which, much to my amazement, has been a thoroughly enjoyable time.

I am pleased to report that this past year has been especially productive: the ARF brochure has been revised to more closely reflect the changes at BC, our by-laws have been rewritten, the website is being upgraded and expanded so that those who are not yet members can learn about us and have questions answered. We have begun negotiations with the Provost so that the ARF will, for the first time, be formally recognized as an organizational unit within the university structure. Once that happens, our treasurer will be able to formalize a budget request permitting the association—through the Executive Committee—to plan program and activities for the entire year. Our annual banquet in May—managed by Jean Mooney with the very great assistance of Courtney Luongo—was well attended. Our provost, Bert Garza, spoke and described the strides made by the university and its faculty. The faculty has grown in size and its members have even surpassed us in productivity and national recognition.

Our programs this year included a presentation by Kay Schlozman (Sociology) who discussed national and state trends on party affiliations and elections just before our own senatorial election resulted in victory for Scott Brown. Zygmund Plater (Law School) discussed his work on the Exxon Valdez oil spill and the more recent BP disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. Elaine Pinderhughes discussed her ideas regarding the use of self in teaching. Patrick Rombalski, VP for Student Affairs discussed the evolution, size and eye opening scope of the responsibilities of his organization. Benefits officers Ann Crowley and Jack Burke met with us to clarify some of the changes in our health care plans and to assure those of us who have had plans terminated that the university would insure that similar coverage would be maintained. Fr Jeremy Clarke (History Dept) presented and discussed a documentary entitled "Following in the Footsteps of Matteo Ricci S.J." that traced his faith building journey throughout China. Finally we enjoyed and learned from our honorary member Peg Dwyer who led us through a tour of the Dura Europa exhibit in the McMullen Museum.

Our final accomplishment was election of new officers. We are extremely fortunate that Jean O'Neil f-5()-838.1(bies)e McMuhe 8(a)1()-11TJ 119((Soct)-33(of)62aniz39(18(C8LNu5()-18 ul129(pr)18(ess)2ry)-83)-194(()6cer)-16

#### ARF CALENDAR—2011–2012

Please note that the Executive Committee has rescheduled the Business/Program Meetings. BCARF Business/ Program Meetings were held from 10.30 AM to Noon with pastries, fruit and beverages.

IN 2011–2012 BCARF BUSINESS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD FROM NOON TO 1.45 PM AS LUNCHEON MEETINGS.

We will serve light luncheons (sandwiches, accompaniments and beverages.)

Hopefully, this change will make it easier for members to attend, give opportunity to schedule speakers who were not available in the morning, and make it more convenient for members who participate in the Weston Jesuit visitation at 2.30 PM.

All regular meetings are on Thursdays in the first floor conference room at 3 Lake Street. The Book Club meets in the ARF suite on the third floor.

## September

Thursday, September 08, 10:30 AM-11.45 Book Club

Thursday, September 22, Noon–1.45

Program Meeting. "Fukushima: Summer 2011"

Nahoko Harada, PhD student in CSON

### October

Thursday. October 06, 10:30 AM-11.45 Book Club

Thursday, October 20, Noon–1.45 Program Meeting.

### November

Thursday, November 03, 10:30 AM-11.45 Book Club

Thursday, November 17, Noon–1.45 Program Meeting

## **January**

Thursday, January 12, 10:30 AM-11.45 Book Club

Thursday, January 26, Noon–1.45 *Program Meeting.* 

## **February**

Thursday, February 09, 10:30 AM-11.45 Book Club

**Thursday, February 23, Noon–1.45** *Program Meeting.* 

### March

**Thursday, March 08, 10:30 AM–11.45**Book Club

**Thursday, March 22, Noon–1.45** Program Meeting.

## **April**

**Thursday, April 12, 10:30 AM–11.45**Book Club

Thursday, April 26, Noon–1.45 Program Meeting.

## May

**Thursday, May 03, 10:30 AM-11.45**Book Club

**Thursday, May 17, Noon–1.45**Annual Meeting, Elections and Program.

Monday, May 21

University Commencement.

For details about serving as a Marshal or University Host contact Louise Lonabocker (louise@bc.edu)

ARF Annual Banquet details to be announced.

### **DEATHS**

## Condolences to the families and colleagues of:

## André Jacques de Béthune (Chemistry)

http://www.bc.edu/publications/ chronicle/TopstoriesNewFeatures/ news/obit111810.html

## Frank Campanella (Management; former Executive Vice President)

http://at.bc.edu/ rememberingfrankcampanella/

### Carolyn B. Thomas (GSSW)

http://www.bc.edu/publications/chronicle/TopstoriesNewFeatures/news/obit110410.html

### John Travers (Education)

http://www.bc.edu/schools/lsoe/ about/news/2011/travers\_obit.html

### John Edward Van Tassel (Management)

http://www.bc.edu/publications/ chronicle/FeaturesNewsTopstories/ 2011/news/vantassel052611.html

# Elizabeth Stuyvesant White, RSCJ (English)

http://www.bc.edu/publications/ chronicle/FeaturesNewsTopstories/

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### **BCARF** website:

http://bc.edu/retiredfaculty

BCARF eMail: bcarf@yahoo.com

### Retired Faculty Handbook & Planning:

http://www.bc.edu/retireehdbk
http://www.bc.edu/content/dam/
 files/offices/hr/pdf/
 Retirement\_Planning\_.pdf

#### and see also

http://www.bc.edu/publications/
 fachbk/policies/
 retiredfac.html

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### NEED COMPUTER HELP?

The Faculty Micro Resource Center (FMRC), now in

might be opportunities to discuss the larger dimensions of one's scholarship, its development over the years, its importance for the academic and larger worlds, its challenges for an independent scholar. If you would like to participate, contact Dennis Taylor taylor@bc.edu.

### **AROHE MEETING**

Rev Joseph Duffy, SJ, BCARF Liaison to the Jesuit community and the University and Jean O'Neil, BCARF Secretary attended the Fifth International Conference of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) in October 14-17, 2010 at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut. The seeds of AROHE were sown in Southern California in 1984 and came to full fruition in 2002 when, at the inaugural conference at Indiana University, AROHE was officially

each institution encourage cross communication about issues of concern. Norm Berkowitz, President, and Robbie Tourse, Vice President of BCARF, were the official representatives at this meeting. Rev Joseph Duffy, SJ, BCARF University and Jesuit Community Liaison, and Jean O'Neil, BCARF Secretary, attended to report on the autumn meeting of AROHE (Association of Retiree Organizations in Higher Education) they attended at Wesleyan University, Connecticut. In addition to the AROHE presentation that is reported elsewhere in this new sletter, all shared three concerns: the need for First is electronic communication among retirees. The major

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