

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

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ARF CALENDAR—2011–2012

Please note that the Executive Committee has rescheduled the Business/Program

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

PM

September

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

Thursday, September 22, Noon–1.45
Program Meeting.

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

Marshal

University Host

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ARF Annual Banquet details to be announced.

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Thomas

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

Travers

http://www.bc.edu/schools/lsoe/about/news/2011/travers_obit.html

Van Tassel

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