CALLAHAN LECTURE

University of Delaware Professor Emeritus Raymond Callahan will present the Fourth Annual Callahan Lecture on Friday, October 19 at 1 p.m. in Room 105, Arsht Hall. The stimulating title is, "Do Guerrillas Always Win? Insurgency and Counterinsurgency Through History."

As Dr. Callahan describes, “They have been called many things: savages, irregulars, guerrillas, partisans, jayhawkers, maquis, insurgents—and, most recently, terrorists. These unconventional fighters have posed a problem—sometimes an insuperable problem—to conventional armies since classical antiquity. The solutions these armies have found range from genocide to withdrawal. In recent years, very often it seems that today's irregulars become tomorrow’s founding fathers of a new state. Why are they so difficult to combat? Do they usually win in the end? This talk will be an historical perspective on a problem very much with us.”

Professor Callahan’s presentations at the Academy have been highly praised. Don’t miss this opportunity on October 19. This lecture is free and open to the public, so invite your friends.

CALLING ALL WITCHES AND GHOSTS

Put on your scariest costume (or prettiest) and join your fellow Academy members for breakfast on Halloween, Wednesday, Oct. 31. No need to make a reservation, just come; it will be cafeteria-style. It will start at 8 a.m. and run to 10:15 a.m. However, come early for the best choices of food! Of course, costumes are optional, but there will be prizes for best male and best female costume. Come and laugh with your friends.

Linda Miller
Social Chair

WANTED: NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

Each spring, five new members join the Academy Council as five other members retire. According to the Academy By-Laws, the Nominating Committee must recommend five or more names for consideration for these openings. In recent practice, the Committee has submitted only five names. If no other nominations are made, these five will be the new Council members. If additional nominations come from the membership at large, we will have an election in March. These nominations require a petition signed by at least 25 Academy members and must be received in the Office on or before Feb. 29, 2008. Nominees must agree to serve as Chair or Vice-Chair of an Academy committee.

This fall, the Nominating Committee will consider possible candidates. We would like to hear from you! If you are interested, or have suggestions for candidates, please contact a Committee member by Thursday, Oct. 18. Committee members include Nan Norling, Chair, Steve Dombchik, Mary Ann Dowd, Irene Farrance, Don Grimes, Jerry Hapka, Bobbette Mason, Nancy Smith, and Basil Maas.

INFORMATION SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE INSTRUCTORS

The Academy is always seeking new instructors. Have you ever considered teaching?

On Wed., Oct. 24, at 2 p.m. in Room 213, a seminar will be offered for anyone interested in learning more about teaching at the Academy in the future. Current instructors will discuss their teaching experiences and answer your questions. Members of the Curriculum Committee will also answer questions about submitting course proposals.

The seminar will last about one hour. Please come and learn how you can become an Academy instructor.
BOOK SALE NOVEMBER 5-9

It's time to gather up all those old books you read this summer. Thin out your bookshelves to make room for more.

Volunteers are needed to sort (contact Nancy Wolfe, nwolfe@verizon.net) and for sales (contact Howard Smith). Sales benefit the Art Department, the Academy Band, and the Academy.

Bring books, videos, puzzles, and software programs, between Oct. 22 and Nov. 5 to the small white building across the entrance road from Arsht Hall. Collection will be from Oct. 22 to Nov. 5, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. only.

Please don't leave books outside the door.

SOCIAL

We invite all Academy members (and guests) to attend and partake of delicious homemade cookies, as well as coffee and tea, and much conversation. This is a good way to meet others!

Our next social will be Wednesday, October 17, from 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m..

ACADEMY OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Academy has a very vibrant and exciting outreach program. We currently have twelve musical groups and six speakers who go out into the community to nursing homes and community organizations representing our Academy by sharing their musical talents or topics of interest. During the past year these people have voluntarily given approximately 50 concerts and 23 speaking engagements to eager audiences throughout Delaware and nearby Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Each October, I mail the current list of Academy Outreach offerings to interested activities directors in the community. If you have a musical talent or topic of interest that you would like to share with others to help enrich and brighten their lives, please contact me so that you can be added to our Academy Outreach list. My phone number is (302) 478-7284 and my e-mail address is: elliedavemunson@comcast.net. Thank you.

Ellie Munson, Academy Outreach Chair

VOLUNTEERS - STILL CELEBRATING

Thanks to everyone who made Volunteer Week a success. From the moment people entered the lobby and their attention focused on Don Whiteley’s DVD with its upbeat music and images of volunteers engaged in Academy service, to conversations with members of the Council and the Volunteer Development Committee at the recruiting table, to the autographs from a couple of hundred volunteers on the big Volunteer Week poster, great energy and good will abounded.

It is never too late to become part of the celebration. Volunteer forms are at the Reception desk every day, just waiting for you to find a way to add your unique imprint to the Academy. Each volunteer makes a difference.

What a year this has been! Over 280 members signed up in person at registration or by mail! Not only did new members engage, but an enthusiastic following of past volunteers confirmed their commitments. No wonder we’re still celebrating!

Bobbette Mason
Volunteer Development Chair
CHORUS WELCOMES NEW ACCOMPANIST

Marian Chau joins the Academy Chorus as its new accompanist this semester. Marian became an accomplished pianist and was performing in public when she was still in high school. She was a soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, Delaware Symphony and Newark Symphony.

The piano remained in the wings while Marian pursued a career in medicine. She has since retired and has returned to accompanying performances of theater groups and choruses. She is currently the accompanist for the Brandywiners Chorale and has accompanied rehearsals for summer shows performed by The Brandywiners, Ltd.

The Academy Chorus performs under the capable direction of Marilyn Haas and currently has an enrollment of about 70 mixed voices. Lu Soukup is assisting her this semester. The chorus had its origin under the direction of Sarah Goldstein. Sarah retired in 2003 and Marilyn took over.

Marilyn received public recognition this year for having over 30 years of musical involvement as both a piano accompanist and chorus director with the Candlelight Music Dinner Theatre and The Brandywiners, Ltd.. She retired in May after directing over 200 concerts with the Brandywiners Chorale.

Enter into the holiday spirit and come hear the Academy Chorus perform on Wednesday, December 12th. There will be a special guest appearance by “Mr. Grinch.”

Gene Stecca

METROPOLITAN OPERA AND THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

The University of Delaware offers bus trips to the Metropolitan Opera in New York City and the Philadelphia Orchestra at the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia. The bus departs from Clayton Hall in Newark or from Arsht Hall, first parking lot on the right. Prices for the Metropolitan opera are $155 for balcony seating and $225 for orchestra balance seating. Prices for the Philadelphia Orchestra are $75 for third tier seating and $90 for second tier seating. The price includes the ticket, transportation, professional leadership and bus driver gratuity. To sign up, please call 302-831-1171 or visit our website www.continuingstudies.udel.edu/culture/

Upcoming Operas:
The Marriage of Figaro-November 17, 2007
Un Ballo in Maschera-January 5, 2008
Carmen-February 23, 2008
Lucia di Lammermoor-March 8, 2008
Satyagraha-April 19, 2008

Upcoming Orchestra Dates:
All Beethoven-October 16, 2007
Chang Plays Mendelssohn-November 6, 2007
Bernstein Festival: West Side Story-January 15, 2008
Dutoit Returns-February 19, 2008
Escaich Organ Concerto-May 13, 2008

A REASON TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG

Because I learned all 8 stages of memory: 50 years, 5 years, 5 months, 5 weeks, 5 days, 5 hours, 5 minutes, 5 seconds and what did you say your name is??

Why do you take such careful notes in classes here?

ALL in Fun by Bolt
SPECIAL EVENTS WEDNESDAYS
12:45-1:45 P.M. IN ROOM 105

Special Events Wednesdays are programs for all Academy members. You can attend every week or when the topic interests you. Announcements begin at 12:40, programs follow at 12:45. Here are some upcoming programs:

Lyn Newsom
Special Events Wednesdays Chair

October 17: Gerry Bricks “An Inconvenient Truth - Global Warming Update”
Gerry Bricks will update us as to the latest info on climate change. This program will be followed by an Academy Social.

10/24 Carol Prodan Classical Pianist
Classical pianist Carol Prodan will play music from J.S. Bach’s English Suite in D minor, BMW 811. In addition, international soprano Catherine Short de Aree will perform with Carol an aria from J.S. Bach’s Coffee Cantata.

10/31 Reba R. Hollingsworth Growing Up in Segregated Delaware
Reba R. Hollingsworth is an African-American woman who grew up and attended the segregated schools and colleges in Delaware during the 1930’s, 1940’s, and 1950’s. We will learn of her experiences as a teacher/counselor during the early years of school desegregation/integration.

11/7 Andrew Hoffman Adult Stem Cells: Update and the Future
Adult stem cells are found in all tissues of the growing human being and have the potential to develop into almost all of the different types of cells. Adult stem cells might be able to repair damaged or defective tissues (such as destroyed insulin-producing cells in the pancreas). Andy will update us on adult stem cell research and on the possibilities for future research.

11/14 Danielle Rice, Executive Director, Delaware Art Museum
Danielle, who joined the Art Museum on June 1, 2005, will inform us about the exhibits at the Delaware Art Museum including the return of the Pre-Raphaelites.

ACADEMY TRAVEL

2007

2008
Wed., Jan. 16 to Sat., Jan. 26 – Caribbean Cruise
Tues., June 24 to Thurs., June 26 - Connecticut River Valley

For more information, visit the Travel Desk in the Lobby, Monday through Thursday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

ACADEMY FLYERS
Academy information such as the Special Events Wednesday schedule, the Newsletter and This Week at the Academy are now available on the second shelf of the bookcase outside the Office.

ACADEMY CALENDAR

2007
Thurs., Fri., Nov. 22-23..........Thanksgiving
..................................ACADEMY CLOSED
Fri., Dec. 14......................Fall Semester ends

2008
Mon., Feb 4.............Spring Semester begins
Mon, March 31 to Fri., April 4.....Spring Break
..................................NO CLASSES
Fri., May 16.............Spring Semester ends

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