

# Adventures in Learning

## Fall 2016

### Course Offerings



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"Radiant Sugar Maples"  
by Maureen Rosen

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# Emerging Infectious Diseases: Why Are We Seeing an Epidemic of Epidemics?

Study Group Leader: Paul Etkind

Mondays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

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**Infectious disease which antedated the emergence of Mankind will last as long as humanity itself, and will surely remain, as it has been hitherto, one of the fundamental parameters and determinants of human history.**

—William H. McNeill

It has been said, somewhat in jest, that the only things people can count on are death and taxes. “Change” should be added to that list of “sure things.” This course will examine how the increasingly rapid pace of change in human life, human culture, population movements, technologies, climate and commerce is creating conditions that foster the emergence of newly recognized infectious diseases as well as a resurgence of infectious diseases that had been thought of as being “under control.” The course will discuss what might be done to prevent, prepare for and/or mitigate the impact of such diseases.

The course will be a mix of lecture and discussion. Readings will be provided as an introduction to the topic of each lecture.



Paul Etkind

Paul has been a public health epidemiologist (“disease detective”) who has worked as an epidemiologist and an administrator at the local, state and national levels. Within the Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Bureau of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, he led the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and Immunization Programs, as well as the Division of STD Prevention. He was also the local health coordinator for Emergency Preparedness. He served as the epidemiologist and deputy director of the Division of Public Health and Community Services for the City of Nashua, N.H. He was also the senior director for Infectious Disease in the National Association of County and City Health Officials, located in Washington, D.C., which is the professional organization for local health departments in the United States. Paul has a master's degree in public health and a doctor of public health degree. He is the author of 49 professional journal articles, with a few more manuscripts remaining to be submitted.



Tom Vannatta

Tom holds a bachelor's degree and two master's degrees from Montclair State University. During his 37-year career as an educator, he served as a teacher, coach, principal and superintendent of schools. He also served in a variety of educational leadership positions in both county and state level professional organizations. He currently serves as vice-chair of the Newbury Planning Board and as a member of the Budget and Capital Improvements Committees. Tom has been an amateur astronomer since he was a teenager and has led numerous astronomy and cosmology courses for ALL.

# Astromology II

Study Group Leader: Tom Vannatta

Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

7 weeks beginning September 13

Adventures in Learning Classroom,  
Lethbridge Lodge, Colby-Sawyer College

This course is designed to acquaint participants with the fundamental concepts and interrelationships of astronomy and cosmology and to provide insight into the very nature and mysteries of the universe. The course is an updated version of the Astromology course presented in fall 2011.

Participants will explore the evolution of observational and practical astronomy from the ancient civilizations to the latest explorations of the solar system and galactic star systems, to recent searches for exo-planets and the search for extraterrestrial life. The intertwined cosmology segments will include the origin, evolution, structure and ultimate fate of the universe. We will review the theories of general relativity, dark matter and energy, and alternative theories of higher-dimensional multiverses.

Through a balance of lectures, demonstrations and multimedia presentations, Tom will seek to engage participants and stimulate discussion. Participants will be encouraged to ask questions and to share their knowledge and pose their views on both the factual and theoretical elements of the course. In addition, participants will be provided opportunities to experience evening observational sessions at the study leader's home. Observation sessions will be determined on a weekly basis for those interested.



# Poetry: The Quill of the Soul

Study Group Leader: Dianalee Velie  
Tuesdays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
6 weeks beginning September 13  
Adventures in Learning Classroom,  
Lethbridge Lodge, Colby-Sawyer College

Come get in touch with the passion and the power of poetry. In this workshop we will bring our minds down into our souls. By turning back to our core, exploring our interiors through poems, we will articulate truths we may not have realized before. Come fall in love with poetry by writing from your heart. Through a series of in-class writing prompts and examples of powerful poems, students will compose first drafts of poems to capture and encapsulate emotions, experiences and imagery. This encapsulation gives poetry its power.



Dianalee Velie

Dianalee lives and writes in Newbury, N.H. She is a graduate of Sarah Lawrence College and has a M.A. in writing from Manhattanville College, where she served as faculty advisor of *Inkwell Magazine*. She has taught poetry, memoir and short story at universities and colleges in New York, Connecticut and New Hampshire and in private workshops throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Her award-winning poetry and short stories have been published in hundreds of literary journals and many have been translated into Italian. She enjoys traveling to rural school systems in Vermont and New Hampshire teaching poetry for the Children's Literacy Foundation. Her play, *Mama Says*, was directed by Daniel Quinn in a staged reading in New York City. She is a member of the Vermont branch of the National League of American Pen Women and the New England Poetry Club and founder of the John Hay Poetry Society.



### Sarah Drew Reeves

Sarah's background reflects her ongoing engagement with faith and reason, and her appreciation for the gifts of nature. She has graduate degrees in religion and ministry from Smith College and Harvard Divinity School and has done post-graduate work at the University of Tuebingen in Germany in the pre-modern, reformation period. A master's degree in sustainable planning and design from the Conway School was a mid-life addition. She has been a minister, landscape designer, conservationist, mother and teacher. She has taught many courses for OSHER@Dartmouth and Adventures in Learning. She lives on a spring pond hilltop in Norwich, Vt., with her husband, David, and their dog, Coco.

# Job and Modern Interpreters

Study Group Leader: Sarah Drew Reeves

Wednesdays, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

7 weeks beginning September 14

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*Job* has been called a masterpiece of literature. With poetry of profound insight and irony, its author wrestles with issues arising out of suffering beyond all rationality. The answer? Friends offer reasonable responses. Finally, a voice out of the whirlwind confronts its protagonist, not with reason, but with a counter question — an interrogation displaying power, care, even playfulness. What does it mean?

After reading *Job* and some introductory material, we'll search the understandings of suffering and creation — two dominant themes — with the help of Elie Wiesel, Bill McKibben and others. Wiesel, holocaust survivor and world-renowned author, writes, "Through the problems he embodied and the trials he endured, [Job] seems familiar — even contemporary." McKibben, an environmental activist and author of *Earth*, speaks of the book's "exquisite environmental relevance."

#### Reading Requirements:

- Stephen Mitchell, *The Book of Job* (New York: Harper Collins, 1992).
- Bill McKibben's *The Comforting Whirlwind; God, Job, and the Scale of Creation* (Cambridge: Cowley Publications, 2005).
- Eli Wiesel's "Job, our Contemporary" in *Messengers of God*, pp. 211–235, and brief interpretive articles.

# Finland: Beauty and Innovation

Study Group Leader: Larry Harper  
Wednesdays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
3 weeks beginning September 14  
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**F**inland plays a major part in our own history, economy, creativity, winter sports and even our online gaming. Finland has many similarities with New Hampshire: woods, lakes, mountains and weather, as well as in attitudes about family values. There are also significant differences: language, culture, history, technology, design and popular music. Finland is a leading innovator, now sharing its expertise with Stanford University and Silicon Valley.

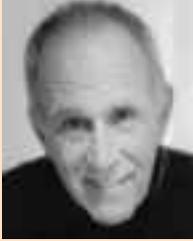
Over the past 15 years, Larry has worked in and travelled to Finland more than 40 times visiting every major city from the Baltic Sea to the Arctic Circle. On the many trips to this amazing country, he spent hours studying its culture, myths and products, as well as why the Finns are innovative and highly creative. While there, he also visited Finnish historical sites to learn about Finnish history, and discovered how the Finns were able to keep the spread of Communism from Scandinavia.

In this three-session course, we will discuss who the Finns are, what makes them unique, their strategic geographical location and how being on the edge of Western Europe and next to Russia has affected their history. We will focus on why Finland is considered a leader in technology and design innovation and discuss the lessons we can learn from a nation of just over three million people.



Larry Harper

Larry is a professional photographer and the owner of Robinswood Photography/Portrait Design Photography. He has taught photography classes for AIL, the Outing Club, The Fells, the PMA (Photo Marketing Association) in Orlando, Fla., and Las Vegas, Nev., and in a variety of other venues. His photography has appeared in juried art and photography shows. Larry has photographed wildlife in Central America, Africa, and Australia; scenery in Asia, Australia, Africa, Europe, Latin and North America. He graduated with a degree in education from the University of Miami (Coral Gables) and did graduate work at Dartmouth College.



**Gardner Yenawine**

Gardner has over 30 years of experience as a consultant, director, trainer and coach. He has maintained an independent career consulting practice since 1979 and has served as a career-development, leadership and outplacement consultant to numerous profit and non-profit organizations in both the public and private sectors. He is currently consulting at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and Colby-Sawyer College as a leadership development coach. Gardner is a principal of Yenawine Lifeworks, LLC, a firm that specializes in educational, career and life planning. He created and developed the publicly held Life Design Workshop, an ongoing, interactive, career- and life-management program for adults in transition. He also administers a program for young adults seeking guidance related to educational and initial career choices. Gardner earned his B.A. from Syracuse University in political science and his master's and doctorate degrees from Boston University in educational psychology.

# End of Life: A Discussion Among Friends

**Study Group Leader: Gardner Yenawine**

**Thursdays, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**

**5 weeks beginning September 22**

**Helm Conference Room, Medical Associates Building, New London Hospital**

**E**nd-of-life issues in this course are organized into four topics: legal, medical, spiritual/religious and community. Each topic will be introduced by experts during the first hour of the class session. The second hour will be spent in discussions facilitated by the moderator. The fifth session of the course will be a wrap-up discussion in small, facilitated groups of four to five course participants.

Legal issues will be presented by Michael Wood, lawyer and by Susan Schweizer, licensed family mediator. Medical concerns will be discussed by Dr. Kristy Saunders, medical director, Hospice, LSRVNA; Dr. Kenneth Dolkart, geriatrician/internal medicine, DHMC; and Dr. Jim Young, retired emergency room physician. Spiritual/religious issues will be highlighted by Cheryl Dean, chaplain at New London Hospital; The Rev. Jay McLeod, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, New London; and The Rev. Katrina Wagner, the United Church of Christ. Community concerns will be addressed by Mary Scott, MSN, APRN, AOCN and Jennifer Taylor, MSN, APRN, AGNP, professors at Colby-Sawyer College; Marion and Charles Hafner, Chadwick's Funeral Services; and Karen Lester, COA.

# Charles Darwin and his Great Idea

Study Group Leader: John Roberts  
Thursdays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
6 weeks beginning September 15  
Helm Conference Room, Medical Associates  
Building, New London Hospital

Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species* is at the top of the list of humankind's great ideas. It shocked the creationists of the Victorian Era but was simultaneously confirmed by naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace and ably defended by contemporary scientists Thomas Huxley and Joseph Hooker. In slow and starts, it has led directly to the science of genetics wherein increasingly sophisticated techniques are still uncovering biologic mechanisms that continue to astound.

This course will examine the fascinating life of Charles Darwin: a failing student who preferred collecting sea slugs and the company of freethinkers to medicine at Edinburg. He preferred classifying beetles and shooting parties to theology at Cambridge, and circumnavigating the world to the life of an ordinary clergyman. Subsequently, he added evidence upon evidence to his thesis of natural selection to the point that he was almost outflanked by specimen collector Wallace. Further discussion will center on Darwin's writings, including, but not limited to, *On the Origin of Species*, *Descent of Man*, and their ramifications in science (genetics) and culture (Social Darwinism).

The format is roundtable discussion based on a source notebook to be distributed free of charge to the registrants. A supplemental reading list will be offered, headed by *The Origin of Species and the Voyage of the Beagle* by Charles Darwin with an introduction by Richard Dawkins, published by Everyman's Library in 2003.



John Roberts

John earned a B.A. in English from Yale and an M.D. from Columbia. During his medical career, he held appointments as professor at Tulane, Louisiana State, Boston and Brown Universities and as chief of staff at Shriners' Hospital for Children in Springfield, Mass. As well as his role teaching medical students and residents, he enjoyed helping start Children's Hospital of New Orleans. In retirement, John found pleasure in reading history, which led to his becoming a co-founder and popular facilitator for Colloquy Downeast, an adult learning program in Blue Hill, Maine. He and his wife Rusty moved to New London to be closer to family. John immediately became involved in AIL, first as a study group leader and now as a member of the Curriculum Committee and the AIL Board.





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## Fran Wilson

A graduate of Columbia University School of Nursing, Fran has led a wide variety of art classes in the hospital setting. Currently she offers an art group class at Orion House in Newport, N.H. Fran has taught art courses for ALL. She studied art with William Holst while attending Colby Junior College, Sumi-é painting with Janet Reney at Back Room Art Supplies in New London, and advanced painting with Ellsworth Ausby at the School Of Visual Arts and the National Academy of Design, both in New York City. Fran encourages her students to “keep on painting throughout life,” a motto she has maintained throughout her own education and professional career.

# Fall Colors in New Hampshire

Study Group Leader: Fran Wilson

Thursdays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

4 weeks beginning September 15

St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, New London

**W**hen you think of fall in New Hampshire, what images come to mind? Bright blue skies and lakes? Leaves? Sunflowers? Pumpkins? Hills and mountains? This is an opportunity to create and express yourself on canvas, with acrylic paints or with pens, charcoal or colored pencils on paper. A discussion about preparation for exhibits and sale of artwork will take place. Leave judgments at home. All artwork is considered meaningful and beautiful.

# Winston Churchill: Man of the Century?

Study Group Leader: Gene Lariviere  
Fridays, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
6 weeks beginning September 16  
Adventures in Learning Classroom,  
Lethbridge Lodge, Colby-Sawyer College

**H**e was born into the upper class and had an unhappy childhood. His father deemed him a hopeless failure, but by age 30 Winston Churchill was an internationally known author and war correspondent and a rising star in the House of Commons. Lord of the Admiralty in World War I, he was ousted from the cabinet after the military disaster at Gallipoli. He rose again to become the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the 1920s but fell into disfavor by the end of the decade. Considered a “has been,” he was suddenly thrust into the post of Prime Minister when Britain was at the edge of defeat by Nazi Germany. His resolute defiance and electric rhetoric roused the nation to great feats and ultimate victory. All recognized the greatness of his accomplishments, but when *Time* magazine chose the “Man of the Century,” the editors rejected the recommendation of the panel which had chosen Churchill. What criteria define the “Man of the Century” and does Churchill meet those criteria? We will explore the long life and times of this remarkable leader.



Gene Lariviere

Gene holds degrees from College of the Holy Cross, Dartmouth College and the University of Rochester. He grew up in Manchester, N.H., and practiced pediatrics there for 35 years before retiring to Grantham. He has led several AIL courses on historical topics as well as popular courses on wine.



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## Lunch & Learn

**A**dventures In Learning introduced a new program to its curriculum last fall. It is called “Lunch & Learn”, and it was very popular. It will be continued this fall.

The program consists of six different lectures on a variety of subjects, wherein people register only for those lectures which they are interested in and which are convenient for them. All the lectures are held on Mondays in the Adventures in Learning classroom at Lethbridge Lodge, on the Colby-Sawyer College campus. Each lecture is open to the public. Admission is free to current AIL members, with a \$5 fee for non-members payable at the door.

**Advance registration is mandatory** by calling the AIL Office at 526-3690. The first 35 people to register for each lecture will be admitted.

The Lunch & Learn concept is simple. If you are registered for a lecture, you arrive at Lethbridge Lodge at 12 p.m. that day with your own brown bag lunch, or you may purchase lunch at the Lethbridge snack bar. Attendees eat and socialize from 12 p.m. to 12:20 p.m., when the guest speaker is introduced. The speaker then gives a lecture from 12:20 p.m. to 1:05 p.m., followed by a brief Q&A — ending at 1:15 p.m.

Call now to register for the lectures you want to attend. Below is the schedule of lectures for Fall '16:

- September 19** **The Opiate Addiction Crisis in New Hampshire / James Vara,**  
*New Hampshire drug czar*
- September 26** **The Vietnam War Remembered / Jim Wright,** *author and former president of Dartmouth College*
- October 3** **Inter-Faith Dialogue: Promise and Pitfalls / Rev. Jay MacLeod,** *pastor, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, New London*
- October 17** **The Hottest Debates Going on Now in the New Hampshire Legislature**  
**Bob Odell,** *former New Hampshire state senator*
- October 24** **Update on The Gardner Heist: Where's The Loot?! / Mike Moss,** *former director, West Point Museum at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York*
- October 31** **Ambition to Redemption: Artistic Adventures / Carol Dunne,** *artistic director, Northern Stage*



## AIL “Science Pub” Comes to Colby-Sawyer

Following a growing national “Science Cafes” movement, AIL will hold a series of “Science Pubs” this fall in our own Galligan’s Pub located in Lethbridge Lodge on the Colby-Sawyer College campus. Designed to explore one popular science topic each month, each evening will be more of a “good conversation” in a casual setting than a lecture. Scientists will offer a short presentation on an important science topic, followed by an informal Q&A session among presenters and participants alike.

Galligan’s Pub opens to us at 5:30 p.m., where folks can, if desired, order a libation or casual dinner. Presentations begin at 6:00 p.m. over dinner, followed by discussion until approximately 7:30 p.m. All are welcome and an AIL membership is not required. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the AIL Office at 526-3690. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. At right is the schedule.

**Sept. 8 Homo naledi: A New Human Ancestor from the Cradle of Humankind**

In 2013 over 1,600 fossils of a previously unknown human ancestor were excavated from a South African cave. The discovery, featured in *National Geographic* magazine (November '15), added a new branch to the bush of human evolution.

Guest speaker: Dr. Jeremy DeSilva, *associate professor of anthropology at Dartmouth College. Dr. DeSilva is a specialist in locomotion of early apes and human ancestors and worked with the lead investigator of this discovery. He has been working on these fossils and will discuss what we know about them and how we know it.*

**Oct. 13 “Helping Out” Evolution?**

For three billion years, DNA has continually improved its ability to reproduce itself. For the last few decades, humans have found ways to “help out” evolution, uncovering both enormous benefits and unimagined risks. Two aspects of genetic modification (GMO and CRISPR) will be presented, with discussion of their potential impact on society.

Guest speakers: Dr. Richard Cavallaro and Dr. David Wood. *Dr. Richard Cavallaro is the former medical director at the Naples (Florida) Community Hospital and a retired faculty member at Temple University School of Medicine. Our second speaker is Dr. David Wood, retired researcher/cell biologist at Rockefeller University.*

**Nov. 10 What’s in Your Water?**

Water is a necessity for all life on earth and, of late, has been making headlines. Do you know what’s in it, naturally and not so naturally? What’s the water cycle and what makes our freshwater unique? Grab some liquid refreshment with us and ponder its properties.

Guest speakers: Nicholas Baer, Ph.D., and June Fichter. *Dr. Nicholas Baer is professor and chair of Natural Sciences at Colby-Sawyer College. June Fichter is the executive director at the Lake Sunapee Protective Association and has a B.S. and M.S. in engineering and an M.B.A. from Northeastern University.*

**Dec. 8 Ocean Acidification: The Other Carbon Issue**

Carbon emissions affecting climate change and global warming are currently being hotly debated. Meanwhile, these emissions are also being absorbed by our oceans, which comprise 75 percent of the earth’s surface. Are we killing our seas? What could this mean to us?

Guest speaker: Charles Kellogg, Ph.D., Duke University. *Dr. Kellogg is a career educator, most recently at Colby-Sawyer and Kearsarge Regional High School, specializing in biological/geological oceanography.*



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## Course Registration / Fall 2016

*Most courses begin the week of Sept. 12, 2016.*

Please check this box if you are a first-time member.

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<b>Total:</b>		_____

**You must be a current AIL member to register for courses.**

**For mail-in or drop off registrations, each registrant must complete a separate registration form and mail it in or drop it off in the AIL drop box located in the entryway.**

**Please make checks payable to Colby-Sawyer College.**

**This form must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 19, 2016, to:**

**Adventures in Learning  
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If my first choice is not available, my second choice is:  
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I have registered for two or more courses this term. My free course selection is:  
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### Registration

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The earlier you register, the greater the chances are that you will get your first choice(s).

People who register online for fall '16 courses will be entered in a drawing for a free course. People who pay dues online will be entered in a drawing for a free 2017–2018 membership. If you are unable to sign up online, you may mail your registration form or drop it in the drop box outside the AIL Office.

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**For mail-in or drop off registrations, each registrant must complete a separate registration form and mail it in or drop it off in the AIL drop box located in the entryway.**

**Please make checks payable to Colby-Sawyer College.**

**This form must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 19, 2016, to:**

**Adventures in Learning**  
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**T**he Curriculum Committee of Adventures in Learning is delighted to bring you 9 courses for the fall 2016 term.

This term we welcome and look forward to the contributions of new study group leader Paul Etkind. We thank all of our volunteer study group leaders and lecturers for giving so generously of their time and expertise to make the fall courses possible. We also wish to thank Colby-Sawyer College, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and New London Hospital for providing space for our fall courses.

## Registration Process

- ▶ Pay from the convenience of your own home using the college's safe and secure online payment system, Storefront, at [www.colby-sawyer.edu/adventures/courses.html](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu/adventures/courses.html). When registering for courses and paying membership dues online, multiple transactions can be made with a single payment.
- ▶ In an effort toward better office efficiency and productivity, AIL has implemented a new payment policy: We will accept registrations online, or you may complete a paper form and mail it to the AIL Office, or drop it off in the AIL drop box located in the entryway to the office. **No payments will be processed over the phone or in person.**

## AIL Free Course Option

If you register for two or more courses, you may sign up for one additional course at no cost until the end of registration. To register for the free course, click on "AIL Free Course Option" that appears at the top of the course listing in Storefront under "AIL FALL COURSES." Placement in the additional course will be made as space permits and on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no guarantee you will be placed in the course when you use the "AIL Free Course Option."

## Textbooks and Other Reading Material

A course may have a required or recommended textbook. Bound photocopied materials are sometimes created by the study group leaders. These bound copies will be available at the AIL Office at no cost to the participant. The course confirmations sent to all registrants include ordering information for textbooks and whether or not bound copies apply.

## Guest Policy

Many of our courses are oversubscribed and have a waiting list. As a courtesy to our membership, please remember that attendance in AIL courses is reserved only for those members who have registered and have been enrolled in the course.

## Inclement Weather Policy

AIL follows Colby-Sawyer College's policy on weather-related closures and delays. If the college is closed, AIL classes are cancelled. If the college has a delay, morning AIL classes are cancelled and afternoon AIL classes will be held. Please check the Colby-Sawyer website at [www.colby-sawyer.edu](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu).

## Name Badges

Course participants who have not already received a permanent name badge, will receive an adjustable, lanyard-style badge to be used in all future AIL courses. Participants should be sure to store their badges in a safe place. The replacement fee is \$3.

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