



August 2017

Dear Lifelong Learners

I hope that you have all had a most enjoyable summer. It certainly seems to have gone by quickly and it is nearly time for the first A.L.L. meeting of the fall season. Roger Hollands, retiring Program Chair, and the program committees of both this and last year have created an impressive set of programs for the Fall. History aficionado Richard Harris will lead off on Sept 6, 2016, asking whether the actions, inactions, bad luck and incompetence of the seven presidents immediately preceding Abraham Lincoln contributed to the coming of the Civil War. The fall schedule also includes our Holiday Social. The History Group will meet at 1:30 PM on September 12th for presentations by Leo Robinson and Jon Readmond. The Discussion Group focuses on current events and meets Thursday mornings at the E.B. Ball Center.

With this letter you are also receiving links to your [membership renewal form](#) and the [complete A.L.L. Fall 2017 schedule](#). You will note that there is no A.L.L. mini-course scheduled for the fall. However, those of you with a strong historical bent may find the E.B. Ball fall program **London: A Short History of the Greatest City in the Western World – Part I** facilitated by Richard Kennison of interest. It meets six successive Wednesdays from 10:00 to 11:30 beginning on September 6th. There will also be a three week course on **The Mathematics of Games and Puzzles** in November.

Please send your dues to the address on the renewal form.

I would like to thank all of last year's officers for a most interesting and stimulating set of programs, field trips and mini-courses. Thanks also go to those who prepared mini-courses and led the Discussion and History groups.

A.L.L. thrives on the participation of its membership. You are always encouraged to bring a visitor, volunteer time to serve on a committee, suggest topics for future programs, or run for an office. You will note that three offices are currently vacant. Please consider volunteering to fill one of them. Together we make a wonderfully enlightening and enjoyable organization.

I am looking forward to seeing you this fall

Sincerely,

Stanley Keil, Past President

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