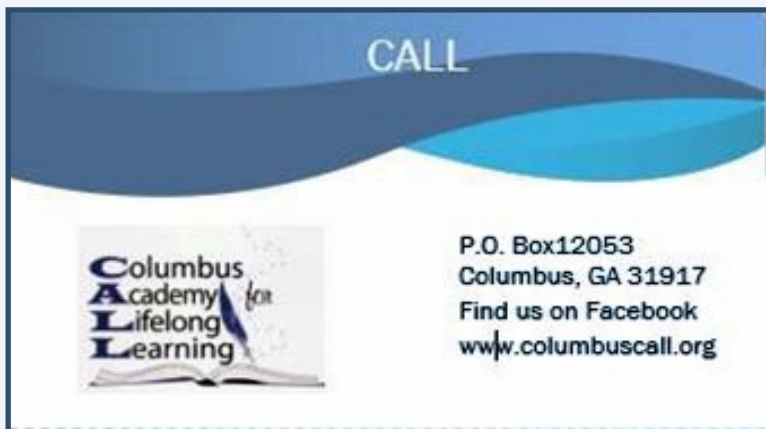


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Sue Watson, Facebook Administrator. I was born and raised in Columbus and am a proud graduate of Jordan High. I attended Mercer U. in Macon and worked with juvenile delinquents there. I got my Masters from Troy State in Criminal Justice, but then began substituting in high schools and found I enjoyed the classroom. I went on to take classes for certification in Social Sciences and began my teaching career.

After three years at Stewart Co. I moved my teaching to Muscogee Co. During my seventeen years at Spencer High, I taught almost every course the county offered in my field, but primarily taught AP World History, Humanities and Psychology. I facilitated a Research class for Gifted students and served on a committee to plan for a new high school and served as department chair for what became Northside High. I also worked with CSU in teacher training.

Since joining CALL in 2013 I've made some wonderful friends. I've facilitated some classes, edited the newsletter and worked with our Facebook page. I look forward to enjoying so much more in years to come!

I have volunteered for various groups, including The Springer, March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, Leadership Columbus, and animal rescue and poll watching. Through genealogy I know my family has a long history in Columbus and am very proud of that. I can't imagine living anywhere else!



Perry	Raley	1-Dec
Leslie	Tatarek	4-Dec
Nancy	DeCurtis	5-Dec
Connie	Ussery	6-Dec
Lacey	Smith	8-Dec
Mary Jo	Pugh	10-Dec
Linda	Wyssmann	11-Dec
Elaine	Claridy	11-Dec
Almeda	Medlin	12-Dec
Adele	Pudner	14-Dec
Bill	Abrahamson	14-Dec
Deborah	Pugh	17-Dec
Barbara	Majcher	20-Dec
Dianne	Wages	20-Dec
Nettie	Stoer	22-Dec
Farhad	Alifarhani	31-Dec



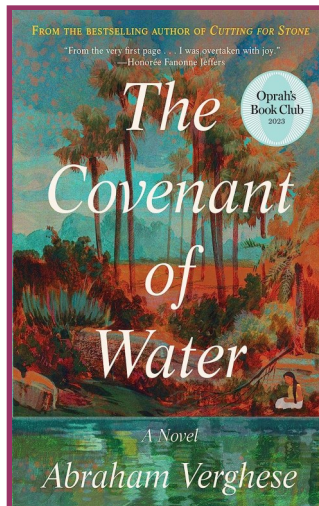
You're always welcome
to attend the Curriculum Committee and
Board Meetings.

November's meetings will
take place at CSU's EBTC.

The Curriculum Committee will meet on
Friday the 1st at 9:30 a.m.

The Board meeting will be on
Friday the 1st at 10:30 a.m.

Bring separate
checks or exact
change to pay for
registration fee
and field trip.



The Lunch Bunch
Book Club will **not**
meet in December.
The January book is

“The Covenant
of Water.”

By Abraham Verghese

Sue Portwood at
706-662-0270.

**We have many DVD's that are just
waiting for someone to facilitate them.**

**If you have expertise in some area, or
even an interest in a subject, chances are
we have material you can use.**

-And -

**If we don't have what you would like, we
probably can obtain it.**

**So consider becoming a facilitator for
Spring quarter!**

Our winter registration will be held December 6th in Founder's Hall at the Turner Center. You should have received “The Synopsis” and the registration form by email. If you are able, please print the form and bring it with you. If you did not receive this email, copies may be accessed at www.columbuscall.org.

Nancy asks that you write/print **legibly**. All of the blanks at the top of the registration form need to be filled out. This information does NOT automatically transfer to the new quarter. CSU takes these forms and produces our class rosters. Phone numbers allow facilitators to contact you if there is a change concerning a class. Invitations are sent for our end-of-year celebration from this list, so please include your city and zip code.

Annual and quarterly members must turn in a registration form by **December 6th** to be included on class rosters. Forms may be turned in at registration, or the Turner Center Front desk, or via snail-mail at PO Box 12053, Columbus GA 31917. New quarterly members (\$65 membership fee), must also complete the CSU waiver which can be found at our website.

If you are turning in your registration at the front desk, you **must** put forms and any payment due in a sealed envelope that you provide. Please do NOT ask the front desk for one.

Thanks to all who attended our in-town CALL trip in October. There were approximately 18 members who joined us on this magnificent autumn day.

We gathered at Banks Food Hall to enjoy a variety of food and drink options and fellowship together on the outside patio.

Afterwards, we walked to CSU's Corn Center to view exhibits at the Bo Bartlett Center. The vision conveyed that art can address the human condition in the present and can be a gateway to new worlds and possibilities.

We cannot wait to see what's in store for our next CALL outing.



Driver Safety

Did you know? When you take the AARP Smart Driver course, you could be eligible for a multi-year discount on your auto insurance. Plus safer driving can save you more than just money. The course teaches proven driving techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road.

You have an option to take the class online, where you can work at your own pace.

Visit: <https://www.aarp.org/membership/benefits/auto/driver-safety/>



Hanukkah December 7 -15

Christmas - December 25

Kwanzaa - December 26 - January 1

Registration Fees must be
paid at Registration.

If you are not able to attend registration,
refer to the information on page 2.

You can not sign up for classes
and pay later.

New information can be found at the website
at <http://columbuscall.org/index.html>

Be sure to join us on [Facebook](#)

Suggestions for New Classes

Please give some thought to what you would like to see offered as future classes. The Curriculum Committee meets once a month to develop the class schedule for upcoming quarters, and wants members' input.



Fernbank Museum of Natural History

On December 8th, we will leave Columbus State Parking lot at 8:30 a.m. We will spend 2 hours in the Museum exploring the Warrior exhibit and beautiful area of the Fernbank Museum. We will have lunch at their Cafe and spend about 2 hours checking the area out. The bus will be leaving at 2:30 p.m. to return to Columbus.

Cost for the trip is \$32.00

Vikings: Warriors of the Sea

Vikings: blood-thirsty plunderers or misunderstood explorers, farmers, traders and highly skilled craftsmen? Decide for yourself! Explore Viking culture, society and technology as you may never have known it. Discover Viking art, traditions, beliefs, political power and overall Viking lifestyle.

Featuring impressive archaeological discoveries, *Vikings: Warriors of the Sea* sheds new light on the Viking Age, dispelling long-held stereotypes about its people, traditions and influence. Vikings, while known for being raiders and warriors, were also a civilization of many talents, including brilliant innovations like sturdy, light-weight ships, beautiful jewelry, and even the invention of the modern comb. This exhibit features 140 authentic artifacts to give a well-rounded view of Viking culture, including jewelry, keys, weapons, silver hoards, and brooches.

Exhibit Highlights

- A full-size replica of a Viking ship
- Personal equipment and weapons of the Viking warrior
- Viking artifacts, including an amber eye mask, currency, a golden brooch, a Cammin Casket and more.
- A Norse board game for guests to play.
- Replicas of the Åby crucifix and Jelling Stone as a discussion of Viking religious beliefs.



CALL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON ACTIVITIES

WHEN: December 15, 2023. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Chattahoochee River Club, corner of 12th Street and Bay Avenue.

Park in the parking garage across the street (free). Floors 3 and 4 have plenty of non-reserved parking with elevators.

WHAT: Buffet Lunch (soup, salad, hot entrees, multiple delicious desserts) AND door prizes.

COST: \$30.00 Tax and gratuity is included in the price. Payment **deadline** is on December 6 and is due at CALL December Registration.

A check or cash in the exact amount is **required**.

If you are unable to attend registration, you may mail your check to:

CALL P.O. Box 12053 Columbus, GA 31917 and *received by December 6*.

NOTE: You can bring friends to join in our festive holiday event and it's a good way to advertise CALL as a group. (All who attend must pay in advance by deadline).



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY:

2023 Gingerbread Village Winter Wonderland

After the luncheon, for those who are interested, we will go to the lobby of the RiverCenter for the Performing Arts located at 900 Broadway to see the elaborate display of gingerbread houses. This event is free to the public.

Each year, RiverCenter presents its FREE holiday Gingerbread Village for the community. The confectionary structures are created by companies, community organizations, and families to bring holiday cheer.





Fall Social ~ CSU's Corn Center

Photographer ~ Lynn Hall

