Nearly 100 enthusiastic Christopher Wren students gathered in the Wightman Cup room for the New Member Reception on September 7th. Board President Bill Riffer welcomed the group and gave a brief history of the Association, introduced the CWA Director and staff members, and answered a wide range of questions from the
newcomers. He also shared the new video narrated by several of our instructors, students, and other volunteers. Indeed, Bill stressed that volunteerism is key to the organization’s success, and encouraged all members to share their talents with CWA. A delightful morning was enjoyed by all.

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**Farewell From Longtime Instructor Paul Roush**

*When I first arrived in Williamsburg in 1998 Darline introduced me to Christopher Wren. I signed up for three courses that first semester and eventually took approximately seventy-five courses over the next thirty semesters. I anticipated that the instructors would be highly qualified — and they were. I did not anticipate the excellence of my fellow students. Student input to the learning process exceeded what I had experienced in my previous educational endeavors. Probably the absence of evaluation of students permitted focusing on learning-for-learning-itself. There was, in essence, minimal interference with the joy of learning. Active student interaction — which is the norm at Christopher Wren — enhances learning outcomes.*

*I was fortunate to have had nearly five years preparing for and living and working inside the former Soviet Union. CWA provided an ideal platform for sharing some of what I learned about that system. My experiences in Moscow with a number of Soviet religious dissidents (“The Siberian Seven”) provided a platform for introducing CWA students to aspects of both Soviet and American societies they would likely not have known before. My research while on the Naval Academy faculty concerning the excellent performance of military women provided the grist for classes on that topic at Christopher Wren.*

*In essence, I know of no lifelong learning program anywhere that is the equal of the CWA. I am grateful for the CWA instructors and fellow students who have made contributions to the (eighty-year-old) person I am becoming.*

*Paul Roush*

*CWA is sad to announce that Paul Roush will no longer be teaching with CWA as he is moving out-of-state with his wife, Darline who also taught for us. Thank you Paul and Darline for your contributions to CWA!*
of the semester took place September 15th at A Chef's Kitchen. Everyone enjoyed the evening and there have already been requests for another reservation! Be on the lookout for upcoming special event trips that may spark your interest.

Courses Still Open

There are still courses available for the Fall semester. You can log in to your account to add up to the 8-course maximum, plus unlimited activities and one-time lectures. If a class you want is full, you can place yourself on the wait list!

New Instructor Orientation

Pat Dugan, Program chair, welcomed our new instructors in August. We hope they are off to a wonderful start!

Pictured (L to R): Qiong Yang, George Greenia, Marsha Maurer, Peggy Bellows, Nancy Fishback, Richard Corwin, Jim Andrews, Patricia Weber, and Donna Kendall

Not pictured: William Cooke, John Curran, Jeanne Forrest, Robert Fryer, Peter Henderson, David Hopkinson, Kim Hosman, Thomas Kimmel, Judith Leasure, Charles Martino, Gregory Mays, Thomas Thompson, Zhen Liu
CWA was recently invited to attend the Brookdale Health Fair, where one lucky winner received a free associate membership for one semester!

Travel with Tribe!

The William & Mary Alumni Association offers an extensive travel program that is open to all
alumni and friends of the College, including members of the Christopher Wren Association. Trips include luxury cruises, land journeys and educational programs, both in the U.S. and abroad. From Antarctica to Zimbabwe and all points in between, there is something for everyone and we would love for you to join us. For more information, visit www.wmalumni.com/travel, or call Donna Coggins at 757.221.1176.

William & Mary vs. Delaware
Zable Stadium
3:30 p.m. | Saturday | Oct. 15th

For a complete of schedule of events click below.
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