



August 1, 2007
ICL PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear ICLers,

Hope you are enjoying the Summer Study Groups as much as I am. Again, thanks to our coordinators for making the groups happen. I understand that Sue Harty and David Sullivan are in the last stages of preparing the "Fall 2007 Study Groups Brochure" and it will be mailed to you by the middle of August.

We have several big events planned for this coming month – ICL's August Celebration of Summer is led by Dorothy Murphy, Don Dierson and Peter Kay – it will be held on August 6 (hope to see you all there); and the Life Long Learning Regional Conference will be held on August 19-21.

The conference promises to be really special and I urge you to attend. John Wiese has assembled an impressive list of speakers and the topics hit right at the center of our goal of making "Learning a Lifelong Experience". Some of the sessions are "Planning and Implementing Field Trips"; "Picking Topics for Study Groups"; and "Courses That Work In Any Community".

During August and September, Lois Nissen will be leading a committee in developing a 2007-2011 Strategic Plan for ICL. We will be reflecting on where we have come in our first ten years and where we will be going in the next five. Focus will be on our academic initiatives including Study Groups, Lectures, Symposiums and Field Trips. We will also look at our By-Laws, social activities, administrative support systems, finances, partnerships and future new initiatives. Anyone who would like to participate in this most important effort, please contact me at Robert.GAllen@comcast.net.

Enjoy Yourselves and Each Other –

Bob Allen
ICL President