TODAY’S EVENTS

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 A.m.
Breakfast, Bread Loaf Inn
After that
Travel safely.

GO HOME.

(And thanks for reading The Crumb)

—Gabrielle Bates

An Ending, a Beginning

Here at Bread Loaf, we’re inviting Jennifer Grotz to the helm and bidding goodbye to Michael Collier, who has been part of the conference for 26 years and director for 23. Michael’s legacy includes giving voice to writers of diverse backgrounds, ages, and experience, and to establishing Bread Loaf as a conference deeply committed to inclusivity.

To make this legacy permanent, we are now building an endowed scholarship in Michael’s name. Starting next summer, the endowment will provide Collier Scholarships to talented emerging writers from underserved communities, first-time Bread Loafers, and nontraditional students.

You can help by making a gift of any size. For extra momentum, an anonymous donor has pledged to match all gifts dollar for dollar, up to a total of $50,000. You can choose to support Collier Scholars at the August conference, or in June at the Bread Loaf Orion or Translators’ conferences. We’ll announce the total raised at the October 21 dinner and celebrate together the collective impact of our giving.

To make your gift, please go online at go.middebury.edu/giveblwcf18, call 888-367-6433, or send a donation to Gift Administration, Middlebury/BLWC, 700 Exchange Street, Middlebury, VT 05753. If you have questions, please contact Ann Jones-Weinstock at ajoneswe@middlebury.edu. Thank you for honoring Michael in this special way.
Michael Collier on the hay ride, photo by Gabrielle Bates

WEATHER DOG BEN

by Carl Phillips

Thank you-Note

by Simone Kraus:

At the Bread Loaf Translators’ Conference I learned that translators are writers
At the Bread Loaf Writers’ Conference I learned that translators are artists
Translating, writing, being an artist
That’s who I am
I had almost forgotten
I discover the beauty of words not yet born
They are inside my body
They are outside my body
They are the breath of life blown into my nostrils
Thank you, Bread Loaf