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ADVENTURES IN LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEES

ALL POINTS BULLETIN

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The ALL Points Bulletin is a newsletter published and distributed in February, May, July, September and November. The purpose of the APB is to keep members informed about ALL's committee and focus group activities, board meeting highlights, calendar of biweekly lectures, member address changes and new member listing and the development of other activities. A calendar of ALL activities accompanies each bulletin issue.

AUDIOVISUAL COMMITTEE

Larry Gregg, Chair, lgregg@aol.com

The ALL AV Committee has two main functions: (1) to assist and support ALL's groups and activities in terms of their AV needs, and (2) to research and recommend possible new AV items or procedures that may enhance ALL's mission. Another on-going function is to videotape the Monday lectures. DVD's are given to the lecture presenters and kept as an archive library for members' checking out or possible future reference.

CLASS COMMITTEE

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This committee organizes and finds new topics and speakers for the twice-monthly lectures held in the UW-Parkside Student Center cinema. Emphasis is on striving for diversity and for quality presentations about stimulating topics. Ethnic Dining in the local and surrounding communities has been added to this committee and includes an ethnic-style meal and a talk by each restaurant's owner/chef.

DAY TRIP COMMITTEE

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Early learning experiences were limited to classroom lectures but it was recognized that learning could also be achieved by providing bus trips to nearby locations. These trips use an educational theme and are sometimes connected with the class committee on joint ventures of "learn and then see." Trips are planned on a monthly basis.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meg Andrietsch, Chair, megwi@aol.com

The ALL Finance Committee is composed of the Treasurer, the President, representatives from UW-P and interested members of ALL. The Chair of the group (not the Treasurer) also has a position on the All Board of Directors.

The group meets during the year to review the previous year's income and expenditures and to compare them to the budgeted amounts. They also meet to help the Treasurer prepare the budget which is approved by the Board of Directors in May and presented to members in June at the annual meeting. The Finance Committee also meets whenever circumstances require, resolving issues and setting new policies.

HISTORIAN

The Historian keeps a record of ALL's many activities including lectures, day trips, classes, special events and focus group activities. These records include photos, newspaper articles and notices of trips, classes, etc. History books are on display at the Annual Meeting for viewing by members.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Joan Burns, Chair, jmbug3@gmail.com

There are 25 members in the Hospitality committee. These volunteers greet ALL members & guests in the UW-Parkside Student Center for the twice-monthly lectures. They also provide greeters for the Week of Learning, Winter Luncheon and any other special events.

For the Week of Learning, the committee chair contacts the Catering Department of UW-Parkside for their menu listings to present to the WOL committee who makes the final food selections for the week. Hospitality members also help compile informational folders for all the registrants.

Hospitality also plans the yearly picnic held in September at Kenosha's Petrifying Springs, selecting a caterer and menu. A group of 10 (or more) committee members wash and set up the food tables, make cookies, buy soda and water and bring coolers and ice to the picnic site. Volunteers check in the people who attend, assist with any planned activities, clean up the area and return equipment to the caterer.

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

Linda Burch, Chair, lburch@wi.rr.com

If you want to make the world a better place and meet bright, interesting young people from other countries, this is the group for you. Members are involved only as much as they want to be – there are no duties or time requirements. A friendly, open spirit and the desire to promote international goodwill are the only requirements.

Members sometimes offer transportation, a home-cooked meal, shopping or cultural adventures, etc. Once a month during the school year, there is a free light lunch with students in the Parkside International Committee (PIC) which may include a short, interesting program about various countries. An ALL Friendship Committee meeting follows in Tallent Hall.

LECTURE COMMITTEE

Moreau MacCaughey, Chair, mmctwo@wi.rr.com

The committee plans and arranges for the six-month schedule of twice-a-month lectures. The focus is primarily intellectual, in keeping with the name “Adventures in Lifelong Learning,” with a mix of subject matter and speakers, covering history, science, the arts, travel, current issues, etc. The committee meets to assure that the schedule is complete and balanced. A “Speaker Information Form” obtains information about the speaker and topic, AV equipment needs and the speaker’s signature to confirm the date. When all speakers are confirmed the chair prepares the next six-month schedule and submits it to the All office for distribution.

The committee member arranging a given speaker gets information to, and from, the speaker, notifies the committee chair of confirmation, introduces the speaker at the lecture and sends an appropriate “thank you” letter. Speakers are not paid but may be given mileage costs if needed.

Suggestions and ideas from ALL members are always welcome as potential programs. Other ideas come from news articles, offers from speakers who would like to present to ALL, from members’ activities or involvements, from programs or faculty members at UW-Parkside, and/or from questions about a subject which we know little and would like to learn more. The opportunities are endless and there are usually more potential programs than can be accommodated in just one six-month schedule. So if your suggestion does not appear on one schedule, it may be “on hold” for the future.

As with all working committees, ALL members are welcome and encouraged to participate. Contact the appropriate committee chair to obtain more information.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES COMMITTEE

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The committee chairs along with volunteers, take attendance at each lecture and assist members by taking money for classes, day trips, handing out flyers and other mail and providing brochures and information to prospective members. An additional function is to coordinate update and arrange for the annual printing of the ALL Membership Directory.

A New member Luncheon is organized on a biannual basis which introduces new members to the Board and to the many opportunities ALL provides.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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This committee, chaired by the immediate past president, is responsible for nominating members to serve on the Board as officers and as members at large. While the committee tries to maintain a balance from each community, its focus is always on the capabilities of the nominee. The Board is informed of the slate and may offer its insights. Members then vote on these recommendations at the June Annual Meeting.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Jane Bekos, Chair, ejaneb@sbcglobal.net

The Publicity Committee provides general news releases of ALL lectures to the print media (newspapers and magazines) primarily in the cities of Kenosha and Racine. It supports the web site and the ALL Points Bulletin, APB, team.

Secondly, responds to informational requests in the community using display boards and graphics. It is responsible for developing the organizations brochure and its updates per the board of director; and assists in providing broad ranging publicity to ALL as needed.

Currently the publicity committee meets via on-line as called for.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Kathy Hoffmann, Chair, kathyhoffmann@mac.com

This committee, formed in 2004, enlists volunteers to assist the Center for Community Partnerships with labeling and stuffing envelopes for brochure and flyer mailings and aids in registration for conferences. Assistance has also been given to new incoming students for orientation.

WEEK OF LEARNING COMMITTEE

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Two members co-chair this committee and along with other volunteers, plan and coordinate an entire week concentrating on a single topic. Classes and activities are held during the week including snack breaks, lunches and a field trip to Chicago, Milwaukee or other nearby city.

Prior topics have included Where Do We ALL Come From, Transportation, India, Food for Thought, Crime and Consequences, Our Great Lake – Lake Michigan, Scanning Scandinavia, ALL Kinds of Ways to Tell a Story, Structures and Cities, ALL About Music and Humor Matters.