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MESSAGE FROM ANNE

Anne Sovish, President, 262-632-2063

Greetings to ALL! We've come a long way since that organizational meeting many years ago. We now have 225 members and offer informative lectures, classes, day trips, focus groups (e.g. over-the-hill hiking), special events, etc.-all types of adventures to keep you busy, involved, and having fun.

The ALL Committees, with their enthusiasm, dedication and energy, have planned activities to open the world to ALL members. For starters the fun will begin with the annual picnic, then dining in a French atmosphere in Lake Geneva, then learning about Shakespeare and seeing a production of *Macbeth* in Milwaukee.

Our major focus now is on our State Conference in mid-October. We are looking forward to meeting fellow retirees from other parts of Wisconsin and sharing ideas and goals with them. In order to make this conference a huge success, however, we need your time and energy. Please let Darleen Chiappetta know if you can help. Remember, no job is too small!

Since the Annual Meeting in June, we have formed an exciting new committee-the study of Wisconsin education. The purpose of this group, headed by Helen Raymond, is to learn the facts, pass them on to the membership, and then to the community so that we have a well-informed electorate when crucial decisions need to be made. Another committee-the Future's Committee-will address possible problems that arise in the next 5-10 years. And would you like to know more about Parkside? This will be answered in your APB under "Did You Know?"

Wishing that all of you will continue to learn, grow and to have fun, and that the autumn will be cooler and more pleasant than our past summer.

Anne

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BULLETINS

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Darleen Chiappetta reported that the Oct. State Conference brochures are out and more are being printed. They will be available on our web site so they can be downloaded by the public. Seventeen conference reservations have been made – ten from Green Bay, two from Door County and five from Kenosha.
- ❖ Rebecca Martin, UW-Parkside Provost announced that Dr. Thomas Schnaubelt is the new Dean for Community Engagement and will assume that position on Sept. 1, 2005. Discussion ensued as to when we should invite him to a Board meeting – possibly the Oct. 3rd meeting. Chiappetta suggested we also invite him to our State Conference in Oct.
- ❖ Julie Friedman has been working with the UW-Parkside purchasing agent to order a display board. The final price should be under the \$1000 limit. If the Parkside Graphic Department makes the headers and titles, it should be relatively inexpensive. She asks for guidance on colors and ideas for titles. Chiappetta asked if the display board would be ready before the State Conference. The consensus of the board was that Friedman should order the board, using her discretion on colors and titles.
- ❖ Friedman also reported that she, Sandy Halmo, Marge Rowley and Lorraine Haeffel of CCP will meet Aug. 10th to set up the ALL data base. In addition to name, address, phone number and e-mail, it will include previous profession, hobbies, talents and interests. Martha Krimmer noted that the membership should be informed that this information is crucial in planning our programs.

CURRICULUM CLASSES

Pat Kummings 553-9944 and Pat Makarewicz 694-4978

You should have received flyers with reservation forms for:

- ❖ AN AFTERNOON IN PARIS, Wed. Oct. 5, 2005, 12:30 at Kirsh's French Country Inn. \$25 due Sept. 26.
- ❖ SHAKESPEARE'S "LAST GREAT TRAGEDY" Sept. 14, 23, 28 and Oct. 19 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The instructor is Frances Kavenik, Professor of English at UW-Parkside. Cost is \$15, deadline Sept. 7, 2005.
- ❖ SHAKESPEARE'S *MACBETH* performed by the American Players at the Pabst Theater, Sun. Oct. 16, 2005. Trip is limited to 40 people, so reserve your seat quickly for this once in a lifetime event.

The committee is working to arrange the spring semester classes. Expect another history class and perhaps one about science – something for everyone's interest in ALL classes.

CURRICULUM/LECTURES

Ann Gehring 632-1906

Ravinia was great fun: perfect weather, good food (from Parkside), a first-class concert and a beautiful night. Some of the group suggested that we do this again next year, perhaps twice.

Our curriculum meetings for next year (!) are starting with – hopefully – good ideas. We need, however, more interested (and interesting) people who know someone who could offer a good lecture and help us brainstorm. Try us! We are a fun group and get along.

EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE

Helen Raymond at HHR812@hotmail.com. Or Call 639-9496

The second meeting, Aug. 10, was both productive and successful. For our identify, we selected the name ALL's Education Study Group, or ESG.

We decided we wanted to become better informed about the various elements that impact Wisconsin's Educational System, recognizing that it was the legislature's budget cuts that prompted us to meet. We hope to use the two years before the next budget is enacted to make a difference in that outcome.

We will want to share our information with the ALL membership and our community. In this, we will be careful to honor ALL's position as a non-partisan, tax exempt organization, and will collect and disseminate facts only. We will avoid bias and slant.

We reviewed and discussed the ideas that had been formulated at the July meeting. It was agreed to study in depth the many aspects of the general, all-inclusive topic of education, and we would, for starters, concentrate on Parkside and its relationship to Southeastern Wisconsin.

Three sub-groups focused on certain topics and reported to the whole study group.

Group 1 drafted a mission statement to present for approval to the ESG, and then to the ALL Board. This will eventually be used to describe our activities to the ALL membership, and possibly as PR to the public.

Group 2 laid out initial steps in fact-gathering and dissemination. Tentative plans were drawn for making contacts and reporting. Regular columns in the APB and information hand-outs at lectures were suggested as ways of keeping our membership up-to-date. ESG will make this an on-going process as other areas of study are generated.

Group 3 discussed ways and means for presenting this whole "educational awareness" concept at our fall conference with other ILRs. We envision other groups around the state creating a better informed electorate. We also will try to establish regular information exchanges with the ILRs.

A Futures Committee will be activated later this fall. **Our next meeting will be Mon. Sept. 19 at 11 a.m. in Tallent Hall.**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meg Andreitsch 886-5533

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Joan Burns 878-3297

Members of this committee greet ALL members for our twice a month lectures and direct members to the meeting room, attendance and registration table. For special events, Joan asks members to assist and contacts the head of catering at UW-Parkside.

Have you signed up yet for the Sept. 26th Picnic at Pets? The Hospitality Committee thinks they have planned a fun event and this year's picnic should be a great one.

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

Frank Klein 654-8719

The International Friendship Committee will host a picnic for UW-Parkside students from other countries. It will be held Sept. 17th and is open to ALL members.

This committee, in conjunction with The Center for International Studies, will host International Friendship Hours on Wed. Oct. 12, Nov. 16 and Dec. 14, 2005 at noon in Molinaro 164. ALL are invited to attend. Brochures are available for the UW-Parkside/Gateway trip to Ghana.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

JoAnn Franzke 632-2352 and Carol Zelt 886-9037

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

NO CHAIR!! Looking for a volunteer to chair this committee!!

Jim Kornkven submits notices of lectures and classes for local newspapers. This committee has made a PowerPoint presentation for interested groups. They also design brochures and find ways to publicize ALL in the area.

STATE CONFERENCE

Darleen Chiappetta 654-9177

The statewide conference of Lifelong Learning Institutes which we will host on Oct. 14-15 is the perfect opportunity for each of us to learn about other groups such as ourselves, to share the pleasure and excitement we enjoy in ALL, and to offer a welcome to guests throughout Wisconsin and neighboring states. An optional bus tour on Fri. afternoon will feature attractions from both Racine and Kenosha. Starting at 3:00, Esther Letven will speak of changes and facilitate round-table discussions. Each table will seat members from various cities – we need a good representation to discuss the opinions of ALL. A great dinner offered by Marriott will be followed by John Norquist's presentation of New Urbanism. Sat. morning starts early with 7:00 a.m. choices of a hike or Tai Chi. Continental breakfast precedes Margaret Gename's explanation of how Parkside connects to the community, local and global. You have a choice of 5 morning and afternoon breakout sessions. A panel of area representatives will comment on their approach to Norquist's comments. Please plan to attend, share our hospitality and continue to learn – lifelong.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Sandy Halmo 552-8370

Jean Goers, who scheduled our volunteer work for CCP, is no longer at UW-Parkside. She was a victim of the budget crunch the Education Study Group is studying. At the moment, we are in limbo. Her duties are parceled out and we still don't know what parcel we are. Never fear, committee members, we'll try to find work for you – you are not forgotten.

FOCUS GROUPS

ALL-ABLOOM

Nancy Elsmo 554-6509

Group meets Tuesdays Oct/May and Wednesdays June/Sept. Summer meetings are field trips. We are always looking for new members. Upcoming events are:

- ❖ Wed. Sept. 28, 2005 Hypertufa workshop at Kate Remington's Studio/Gallery, 613 6th St., Racine, 619-1647, 1-3 p.m. - \$20 per person
- ❖ Sat. Oct 1, 2005, Michael Field's Harvest Fest – all day. Details to be announced.

Call Nancy, 554-6509 if you are interested in either of these events.

ART4ALL

Meg Andrietsch 886-5533

We had a WONDERFUL session on Vermeer on June 17th. The movie Sandy brought was great and everybody enjoyed sharing pictures and what they had learned. We scheduled the next two sessions. On Sept. 9th we'll be talking about the Italian Gianlorenzo Bernini. On Oct. 21st three Dutch and Flemish Baroque artists are scheduled – Frans Hals, Anthony Van Dyke and Jan Steen. We may have to carry over to Nov. if there is a lot of material on the Three Dutch men. If you are interested in joining us, write Meg at megwi@aol.com

BRIDGE

Julie Friedman 942-7113

The ALL Bridge group meets on alternate Thursdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Regional Staff Development Center which is a little house on the north side of Route E just west of the intersection of E and Route JR. There is a sign out front (Regional Staff Development Center) and there is plenty of parking. We do take off a few Thursdays for holidays when everyone is busy. Please do come – some of us are just learning the game, others are experienced players. We will put you with people at your level. We are a friendly bunch, no "cut-throat" bridge!! If you have questions, call Julie Friedman at 942-7113 or email at jrf@wi.rr.com

BOOK DISCUSSION I

Alice Soule 652-3118

Group meets third Wednesdays from 1-3 at Regional Staff Development Center. Book selection is rotated among members from 100 Best Books of the 20th Century. Selector leads discussion. This group is open to new members – just call Alice Soule.

GREAT BOOKS

Pat Kummings 535-9944 & Sandy Halmo 552-8370

Discuss Great Books as established by the Great Books Foundation. Meet 4th Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Regional Staff Development Center. This year we will be using the selections from Order and Chaos including THE OVERCOAT, Nikolai Gogol; BHAGVOD TROTH, Gregor von Rezzori; THE BACHAE, Euripides; EVERYTHING THAT RISES MUST CONVERGE, Flanner O'Connor; LAPIS LAZULI, William Butler Yeats; SUNDAY MORNING, Wallace Stevens, DESIGN, Robert Frost, THE ARMADILLO, Elizabeth Bishop; and questions for THE MASTER AND MARGARITA, Mikhail Buglgakov and for THINGS THAT FALL APART, Chinua Achebe.

OVER THE HILL HIKERS

Marge Miller 554-1613 margemiller1234@sbcglobal.net and Barbara Hart 554-7317

Since April, 2005, the A.L.L. Over-the-Hill Hikers have planned a walk almost every week. In Racine we walked Sanders Park, Lake Michigan from North Beach to the Zoo, River Bend Nature Center and Tabor Woods and in Burlington the Franciscan Center, Sun Grotto Gardens and beyond. In Kenosha, we've enjoyed Petrifying Springs Park, Bong State Park, Bristol Woods/Pringle Nature Center, Southport dunes and Chiswaukee Prairie, Silver Lake Park and Parkside "Wilderness." Just to the south, we visited Volo Bog State Park, Illinois Beach State Park and Winthrop Harbor in Illinois. To the north we wandered through Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward and Seven Bridges Hiking Trail in Grant Park in South Milwaukee.

Our trailblazers so far have been Millie Carlson, Ellie & Ben Chemerow, Nancy Elsmo, Barb Hart, Martha Krimmer, Bob Jensen, Marnie & Frank Klein, Mary & Bob Larsen, Janie Nelson, Donna Peterson, Mary Rose Williams, Joanne and Richard Willer.

Most of us warm up before the hike with a half-hour of meditative stretching Tai Chi led by Master Teacher Bill Schroeder. Often following our walks we enjoy a meal or coffee together.

HIKES to COME:

Sept. 16 – hikers will hitch a ride with ALL's Milwaukee Symphony goers but Janie Nelson is taking us in a different direction from the PAC for a walk through the historic Brady Street District. Near the end of Sept. Mary Rose Williams is leading a guided walk in the City of Zion with its unique religious heritage. On Oct. 11, led by Frank and Marnie Klein, we explore a section of the path around Lake Geneva, this time from Williams Bay to Fontana. Other walks being planned in Sept. and Oct. include a game of disc golf (with or without Frisbees) on Parkside's course; a walk along Racine's Root Rive Pathway in Columbia & Lincoln Park, a walk led by Bob Jensen through the Trout Pond Prairie, a Caledonia Conservancy, and another trip on the Metra train to Chicago (destination to be decided).

We urge everyone to join us Sept. 26 at the ALL Picnic to learn more about our hikes. On that day, Frank and Marnie Klein will lead a brisk half-hour walk and another hike is offered at a rambling, ambling pace. Each hike is memorable for the scenery, the fun and time we share with new and old friends. We've had as few as ten hikers as many as 24. That's all you have to do – just show up! With the exception of bus trips, there's never a space limit.

Any ALL member is invited to get on the e-mail or snail-mail list by calling one of the hiking coordinators, Barb Hart (554-7317) or Marge Miller (554-1613) or emailing a note to: margemiller1234@sbcglobal.net

SPOTLIGHT ON...

We'd like to do a new section of special events or accomplishments of our members. If you know of any members who could be featured, please call the editor, Sandy Halmo at 552-8370 or e-mail at shalmo@execpc.com. Let me know if you want this feature continued.

❖ **Marge Rowley**, ALL's office assistant, was interviewed in the Catholic Herald and the article can be seen on their newspaper website: http://www.chnonline.org/maturelife/2005-07-21/mi_story2.html

❖ **Dr. Ralph and Rita Tomkiewicz** celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in July. Ralph established the psychiatric unit at St. Catherine's Hospital in 1964 and was on staff at the hospital for 30 years. He recently retired after 40 years of private practice in the Racine/Kenosha area.

Rita's undergraduate training was in medical technology at Marquette University. She was active in their children's schools and served on many community and state boards, some of which she maintains. In recent years she earned a degree in anthropology from UW-Parkside, and has since participated in archaeological projects in the U.S., Middle East, Central and South America. Kenosha County Archaeology Society members know Rita as the energetic program and field trip planner.

Ralph is an avid tennis player and gained local, state and regional rankings in his more active years. He maintains an interest in studying literature and history and attends classes at UW-Parkside.

Both Ralph and Rita are classical music enthusiasts and frequent concert and opera performances in the region. Congratulations to both of you.

❖ **Myrtle Johnson** exhibited her art at the Somers United Church of Christ's Art and Concert Series Aug. 7. Myrtle began her career teaching in a two-room school in Chasebury, Wisconsin, after two years at La Crosse State Teacher's College. She went back to La Crosse STC and attended classes in the morning and taught sixth graders at the Campus School in the afternoon. After marrying LeRoy, she came to Kenosha and taught sixth grade at Prairie Lane School where art teacher, Virginia Tatman, encouraged Myrtle to get certification in art. She earned her BS in Education with a concentration in art from Carthage. Her art teaching included summer sessions at Harvey and classes at the Kenosha Public Museum. She returned to classroom teaching in 1965 at Kenosha. From 1975 to 1984 she operated the Dawn of Four Seasons Craft Shop in her home in honor of their daughter.

She retired in 1993, and in 2003 decided to try her hand again at drawing and water color painting. This was the work exhibited August 7. Great work Myrtle. Not only is she an artist, but she has been asked to present her Troll lecture to the Sons of Norway in Racine in Sept. This was the presentation she gave at the 2005 ALL Week of Learning on Scanning Scandinavia.

NOTE: Another website to check is our ALL website at <http://www.uwp.edu/departments/community.partnerships/all/> We will try to keep it updated with current information. Please check it and give us your comments. Just another reason to become computer literate. We ALL members must keep up with modern technology as well as we can, don't we?