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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

One of the ALL members attending the recent Newcomers Luncheon asked a simple question of how our \$40 dues payment is spent. With over 300 members this amounts to more than \$12,000 annually. That might also be a question from many longer term members as well. The proposed budget is provided at the Annual Meeting, again missing those of you who don't attend that function.

So here's my attempt at simplifying our budget of \$20,000 this past year. Office support is our main expense; that includes the salary of our part-time administrative assistant, copy/printing expenses, stationery and postage costs, etc. Another expense is our shared cost of software used within the Center for Community Partnerships. Every time a membership is renewed, a registration for a class or day trip is recorded, a parking permit is purchased, the computer software is used to record the transaction. The software program used is the same throughout much of the UW system, with ongoing updates and improvements, resulting in continuing costs and, hopefully, improved services.

Other expenses include rental for our meeting space, this past year at Gateway, now in Parkside's Student Center. Thankfully, we are not charged for the office space or meeting/class areas we use in Tallent Hall. We subsidize some of our social events, such as the 10th Anniversary Gala in September 2008, portions of the Annual Meeting and Holiday Celebration. Annually we

have contributed \$500 to the Chancellor's Fund. Other expenses included publicity charges for appearing at Racine Expo, registration fees for officers attending State Conference, and hospitality for international students.

Classes and day trips are carefully planned and priced by committees who try to estimate the number of persons who might attend and spread the costs evenly among all participants. Instructors are paid a set fee which should make the pricing of classes quite simple, but the committee can never be certain about the popularity of a given topic or instructor.

Day trips are even more challenging, with entry fees, meals and bus charges involved. And again, this committee tries to predict the interest and divides the total charges among the expected responding membership. Of course, this means some events are very popular, others appealing to a more discriminating group. Overall, the overages in some events compensate for those less popular. Dues are NOT used for these activities.

Mark Marlaire Retires:

By the time this newsletter arrives we will have bid a sad farewell to Mark Marlaire, our great friend and advisor who, along with Virginia Burlingame, brought the idea of a Lifelong Learning Institute to UW- Parkside. Mark has advised us on the ways of university policies, encouraged us to pursue projects we might have only dreamed of, provided vital connections with other LLIs. ALL has never been the whole of Mark's job, yet his office door

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was always open to us, listening to our concerns and complaints, always with an ever-present smile. With a certain sense of denial we assumed Mark would always be here for us. But we demonstrated how enjoyable retirement can be, and he could no longer resist the lure of the leisure class. So now it's good-bye and God bless to you Mark. We will always hold you in our hearts, and hope we'll forever have a place in yours.

Shannon McGuire will now take Mark's position. Shannon serves as the Associate Director for the K-12 Education Outreach Department at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. K-12 Education Outreach provides high-quality professional development programs and services responsive to the diverse population of educators in Southeastern Wisconsin.

Shannon began her employment with UW-Parkside in 1998 as the Director for the 21st Century Community Learning Center at Washington Middle School in Kenosha. This partnership between the university and the school district led to her eventual position as the Coordinator for After School Professional Development and the Director of Youth Programs before taking the position with K12 Education.

Prior to joining the CCP, Shannon was the curator at the Swiss Historical Village Museum in New Glarus, Wisconsin, where she is originally from. She received her Bachelors Degree in History from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside and her Masters, also in History, from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Shannon lives in Racine with her husband, Brock, and three children, Grayce, Carter and Coen. She enjoys cooking, gardening, reading, the great outdoors, and is trying (rather unsuccessfully) to learn to crochet.

Darleen Chiappetta, President



President Darleen Chiappetta received the following letter from Jim Wells, Technical Specialist in Media at Gateway Technical College:

Darleen ...

For a couple of reasons; first, to say thank you for taking the time to write and send such kind and generous sentiments across Gateway channels. It's actually quite humbling, and at times I wonder who it is you're describing - but I'll stop right there and simply say thanks ... it's appreciated.

Additionally, your letter provided an address to which I could send a quick message that's been on my mind since the day of your last GTC meeting. Please extend my sincere thanks to the membership for their generosity - which quite honestly, was a bit stunning and when I caught my breath, extremely touching.

Please understand, that from my viewpoint I was only doing my job (and not always with the energy and spirit the customer deserved). Along that train of thought, I recalled that we're not allowed to accept gifts and I considered whether or not I should rightfully say "thank you, but ..."

However, I know the rule is based on the old practice of "gifts" from sales reps, in an unspoken quid pro quo. And I was also puzzled how to return a gift which was a collective donation. Most importantly, it felt wrong to do anything but graciously accept your gift with my sincere thanks ... which I wish to convey to one and all. And I might add that I love to read ... and love to browse the titles ... and was thrilled at the thought of logging into Amazon ... and logging out and waiting for the carton to arrive!....

But let me add, that without exception it was a pleasure working and interacting with members of ALL. I was truly amazed by the "incredible lightness of being" exuded by every member I spoke with ... whether in the context of "working", or a momentary exchange in the hall-way. I came to believe that all the smiles and kindness were an extension of the group's sincere enthusiasm for learning, which itself might be a natural journey for people with a genuine love of life.

Best wishes to you and the gang. I hope our paths cross again ... till then, "may the road rise with you".

Sincerely,
Jim Wells, Gateway Technical College

❖CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

We will continue to publish new members' phone numbers and e-mails as they are received. Please add them to your directory. New directory will be distributed this fall.

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❖**Registration Information:** When sending in registrations, be sure to mark "ALL" on the envelopes. If "ALL" is not on the envelope, the mail room has no idea where to send it. Thanks.

Marge Rowley, ALL Office Assistant  
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❖COMMITTEES❖

LECTURES

2:00pm –UW-Parkside Student Center Cinema
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❖**July 20:** Historic Transit Decision: Our chance to build prosperity by Kerry Thomas, Executive Director of Southeastern Wisconsin Coalition for Transit NOW

❖**August 3:** The Johnson Foundation and its Environmental Program by Sarah Wright

❖**August 17:** Kenosha Harbor Park and the Importance of Design by Ray Forgianni, City Planner for the City of Kenosha

❖**September 14:** Safety for Seniors by Police Officers Jeff Wamboldt and Ron Francis, members of the Kenosha Police Department Prevention Unit

CLASSES

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Plans are "percolating" on a variety of projects for the fall. Nothing is solidly in place but watch for flyers. We do plan to continue with the opera classes and more on Lincoln.

Please feel free to join us on this committee. We have a great time planning classes and ethnic dining experiences.

DAY TRIPS

Call Bev Friedrich 633-2304 bevfried@aol.com

Or Martha Krimmer 554-8122 mkrmmr@voyager.net

❖**July 12** is our next day trip when we go to Ravinia to hear the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Registrations are closed, but we will take names on a waiting list if someone needs to sell their ticket.

❖**August 20** we will be going to the John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Sheboygan. Flyer is in today's mail so be sure to read the descriptive material on the flyer for complete information on this art center. In September we will join with the Class Committee for another ethnic dining/day trip combination. This trip to Illinois will take us to two Jewish museums and dining at a Jewish restaurant. Later this year we are planning a trip to the Mitchell Domes in Milwaukee.

There are 22 people registered for our 12th season of attending Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra morning concerts. This has been a popular event, with many people attending every year. You can still sign up for the six concert series, or you can be put on a calling list when someone wants to sell a single ticket. Each day of the concert we arrive at the PAC early enough to enjoy a cup of coffee and chat with friends, then attend a pre-concert lecture OR a free style show. The concert begins at 11:15 and we are home by 2:30. Once a year we stay for a "Lunch with the Artist," enjoying a wonderful lunch and Q&A with the conductor and guest artist.

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INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

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Thanks to the many people who signed up for the International Committee at the Annual Meeting. We welcome new members anytime. Even if you just want to learn more about what we do, please come to a meeting. We're a warm group of people who laugh a lot and want to make the world a better place through international sharing and caring.

We are preparing to welcome new students in the fall. Members can choose to assist with airport pickups, taking students shopping or for coffee, participating in local sightseeing or events, sharing a holiday, etc. If you want to see a You Tube video prepared by one of the international students, Cristina Juan Carrion, about the Parkside experience and the Friendship Committee, see the following links:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uV1xj5Zo4zk>, Part I, and

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=haP6mGpLUBA&feature=related>, Part II.

Meetings are held one Wednesday a month at 10:30 in Tallent Hall. During the school year, these meetings are followed by luncheon and an opportunity to visit informally with Parkside international students, as well as other Parkside students who are involved in the Parkside International Committee.

The committee would like to thank Frank Klein for a great job during his many years of service as chair. Thanks as well to Marnie Klein for all of her help.

The next meetings are;

- ❖ Wednesday, July 15, and
- ❖ Wednesday, August 5, in the Prairie Room, Tallent Hall. We hope to see you!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

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“PRIME” Magazine’s first addition introduced at least two people to “ALL” who promptly joined. Our membership continues to grow. Current Publicity committee members will continue for 2009-10. E-meetings seem to be working for our group. We meet in person as necessary. Does this sound like the committee for you? Join us

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

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❖ FOCUS GROUPS ❖

ALL-ABLOOM.

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Group meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30 in the Orchard Room of Tallent Hall. Summer meetings are field trips. June 23rd featured a Garden tour of Bill Schroeder’s Rain Garden (Unique) at 1195 63rd Ave.

Upcoming meetings:

❖ July 28: Tour of Unco – home of Worms Castings Fertilizer (Organic) Meet at Tallent Hall 1:00 PM

❖ August 25: Johnson’s Kitchen Garden and Fairy Nook. Hwy E west of H

We are always open to new members. Just call Nancy Elsmo for details.

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Meg Andrietsch 886-5533 MegWi@aol.com
Meeting dates: ❖ September 18, ❖ October 23, and ❖ November 20 on Fridays at 12:15, Tallent Hall.

Future videos in the “Impressionist Series” are The Third Exhibition, Edgar Degas, Gustave Caillebotte, Mary Cassatt, Manet’s Later Works, Departures, Paul Gauguin, The Final Exhibition, The Studio of the South – Van Gogh and Gauguin, Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, The Nabgis, La Fin.

BRIDGE

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We are an ALL season bridge group: summer, fall, winter, spring. In the rain, the snow, or the sunshine you will find us every Thursday from 1:30 – 3:30 in the Tallent Hall lunchroom. We are lively, friendly, and non-competitive. Stop in and try us out!!

BOOK DISCUSSION I:

Contact Rachel Grisk 859-2444
This book club meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 1pm and continues to choose books for discussion from the list of the best novels of the 20th Century as chosen by the Board of Modern Library. Also a second list is used of best novels selected in a readers’ poll.

GREAT BOOKS

Pat Kummings 553-9944

The Great Books Group finished the year on June 20th with Melville's *Bartleby the Scrivener: A Story of Wall Street*-- a timely topic. We will also be discussing whether we should read *Frankenstein* over the summer. Discussions will begin again in September.

ALL-FOR-FUN SINGERS

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At our May get together, a St. Catherine's resident treated us to a Memorial Day medley of brisk military marches on a harmonica. Next year we'll be prepared to join along with the words to "Anchors Aweigh," "The Infantry Song," "Caissons Go Rolling Along," "The Marine Hymn," and the "Coast Guard Song." Bob Jensen promises a solo next year of "Off We Go" to represent the Air Force.

The ALL FOR FUN SINGERS meet the 3rd Thursday at St. Catherine Commons in Kenosha. Alyce Pinnola volunteered to fill in for pianist Marialyce Kornkven for our "June Is Bustin Out ALL Over" get-together, but Marialyce will return July 16. In August we all take a vacation. We now have a songbook of over 50 tunes to sing and welcome your suggestions for more. Even if you don't care to sing, you can ALL come for the wonderful music! There's plenty of fun to go around and lots of space in the beautiful dining room of St. Catherine Commons.

For more info, call Marialyce at 654-6840 or email Marge at margemiller1234@sbcglobal.net to get on the email list.

OVER-THE-HILL HIKERS

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The Over-the-Hill-Hikers is not quite halfway through our hiking season. We have enjoyed hikes in Lake Geneva, Wadsworth and Waukegan, Illinois and trails in both Kenosha and Racine including a hike and tour at Wingspread. Most hikes are of easy to moderate difficulty with the occasional "are we there yet?" hike thrown in.

Hikes planned for July are:

- ♦ July 7th the Chicago Botanical Gardens
- ♦ July 14th the Des Plaines River Trail in Wadsworth, Illinois

♦ July 21st the Anderson Park/bike trail in Kenosha and two other hikes as well.

August hikes:

♦ August 7th the Kishwaukee Nature Conservancy in Williams Bay.

Other August hikes include a hike in Burlington, Cliffside Park and the lakefront in Racine.

Future hikes are planned in Evanston, IL and another leg of the Lake Geneva lakefront trail.

If you enjoy being out in the fresh air in the company of others, then give us a try. There is a hike each week in different locations. Use the contact information above to get on the email list for the hikes or call to get more information

WRITING FOCUS GROUP

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Group meets on the third Wednesday of the month in Tallent Hall. Join us to read, write, converse and more. An example of one of the group's writing begins at the bottom of Page 5 of this APB. If you'd like more, please let us know.

GREAT DECISIONS

Sara Neubauer 770-3006 saraneub@earthlink.net

Great Decisions groups deal yearly with 8 worldwide topic selected by the Foreign Policy Association in New York.

The topics for 2009 were Rising Powers, Afghanistan/Pakistan, Energy, Arctic, Egypt, Food, Cuba and Human Rights.

Our group has grown from 21 in 2008 to 36 in 2009. The participants have been very enthusiastic and want to continue for 2010. Sign up for 2010 will be in the fall. Please join a most interesting way of staying current with world affairs.

EXCERPTS FROM WEEK OF LEARNING

Written for the Writing Focus Group by
Mac MacCaughy

Topic: India. *Speakers:* Several from India.
Language spoken: English. *Language understood:* Didn't always seem to be English.

Ladies' restroom: A challenge for our Chairlady. First, a door was off a stall. Fixed. In the meantime, they used the guys' room and we headed upstairs. Of course, the women were reminded that there were actually men, other than ALL members, who were present in the building, so they positioned a guard at

Excerpts from Week of Learning continued.....

the door. Then a toilet overflowed and the room was STILL not available. Chairlady practiced being hysterical on the phone, most unlike her, and she said it worked. Fast!

Saris: Yards of silk, each fancier than the last. All kinds of colors. They all look expensive! Especially from a guy's standpoint. Demonstration of putting a sari together leaves a guy being thankful for buttons and zippers. Seeing women walk down the street wearing these beautiful saris and carrying their shopping treasures reminds one how careful they must be not to step uncarefully on the hem and have the whole thing come apart.

A local pastor told us about the religions of India and did a brief ritual such as what we might see the next day at a Hindu Mandir in Bartlett, Illinois. There are two buildings that comprise the Mandir. The first of teak, intricately carved. It includes a large meeting room, where we were shown a video about Hinduism and this particular Mandir. The other building is the house of worship, built of marble and limestone which, again, are intricately carved. The carving was done in India during two years by hundreds of men. The pieces were then shipped in Illinois and put together like a huge jigsaw puzzle. The teak building has no nails or screws in it, and the marble one has no metal structure supporting it.

Then on to Devon Ave. in Chicago for an India buffet with a few of the choices being a bit spicy. Dining there was a group from our companion group at UWM. Seems they have adopted our concept of a Week of Learning, were studying religions, and had just visited the Bahai temple in Evanston. They greeted Mark with "What are *you* doing here? Small world...

Since our bus was a bit late, I used the time to check for hearing aid batteries at an appliance store just down the block. Not like our "appliance stores." I'm not sure what they sold there, but it was definitely not hearing aid batteries. After checking a few drawers in a little plastic case, and pulling out a few small baggies, they concluded that they didn't have what I needed. And I suspect they were more than a little surprised to have this white guy, wearing a name tag, walk into their store.

Then, back to the newly arrived bus that was blocking the way for a few rather irate drivers. But there were more of us than there were of them! So we headed home with heads swimming with thoughts of India.

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❖SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERS❖

❖Anne Dudycha, class of '56, received a Distinguished Alumni Service Award at a New Alumni Convocation at Carthage College on May 22, 2009.

❖Leroy and Myrtle Johnson of Somers celebrated their golden wedding anniversary June 28<sup>th</sup>. They have two children and have lived in Kenosha County for 50 years.

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❖ODDS AND ENDS❖

❖**Flyers for events** are now available on the ALL web site for viewing and printing. The web site is an excellent way to find ALL information, even before your mailing arrives, or when you can't locate that flyer that you just KNEW you put in a safe place.

❖**Access the web site** by going to the Internet, typing the address <http://www.uwp.edu/> Then type ALL in Keyword on left side of the page. From this page you can choose from categories listed on the right. You can access archived APB's and more.

❖**Lecture Location Change:** Monday lectures are now being held in the UW-Parkside Student Center Cinema at 2pm. For detailed information on the Student Center, refer to page 7 of the May 2009 ALL Points Bulletin.

❖**Parkside Shuttle Bus & Parking Information:** When school is in session, the Student Center parking lot will be very full. To get to the lecture location in the Student Center Cinema, you can ride the campus shuttle bus which begins its afternoon run from 1pm to 5pm. Catch the bus at the Tallent Hall bus shelter. In good weather, those of you who are hikers can walk up Inner Loop Road to the Student Center. Parkside parking permits are not valid at the meters but if you do use them, the cost is \$0.25 for each 15 minutes. There are several disabled parking stalls in the Student Center lot and drivers with those special permits can also use the meters at no cost.

“In life, as in dance, grace glides on blistered feet.”
-Arnold Glasow

Sandy Halmo, Editor



**Change of Address? New Phone Number?
New E-mail Address?**

To keep the membership directory up to date, indicate any changes, clip and return to the ALL Office, Tallent 127, or mail to ALL, UW-Parkside, 900 Wood Road, Box 2000, Kenosha, WI 53141

Name _____

Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

email _____

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Reminder – be sure to indicate “ALL” on the envelope of any correspondence sent to the ALL office to ensure that it is forwarded by the Parkside mailroom.

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**❖❖Signs You Are No Longer a Kid❖❖**

You're asleep but others worry that you're dead.

Your back goes out more than you do.

You quit trying to hold your stomach in, no matter who walks into the room.

You buy a compass for the dash of your car.

You sing along with the elevator music.

You would rather go to work than say home sick.

You answer a question with, “Because I said so!”

You send money to PBS.

You can't remember the last time you laid on the floor to watch television.

You talk about “good grass” and you're referring to someone's lawn.

You have a party and the neighbors don't even realize it.

-Joseph Blair