Annual Meeting and Luncheon Highlights . . . May 22, 2013 at the Prince Center

- Professor Karin Maag delighted the audience with stories of how she came to Calvin College, and how she has enjoyed her teaching in the CALL program.
- Read annual reports of the numerous activities and accomplishments by the many CALL committees.
- Heard the CALL brass band play many of our favorites.
- Presented the Distinguished Service Award to Mary Rienstra, Jan Ebels and Lois Knorr who have served at least a decade each on the Hospitality Committee. You have likely seen them serving coffee and cookies in Hiemenga Hall between classes on a Tuesday or Thursday. Note the special article about these volunteers. Thank you from all of us!
- Encouraged attendees to complete a brief survey asking for their participation in CALL volunteer needs.
- There were over 220 members who attended the meeting.
- Affirmed the election of two new board members, Agnes Kroese and Dan Bos; we also thanked Jeanette Sprik and Ken Huisman for their dedicated years of service to CALL and its Board.

Actions and Notes from the Board meeting . . . May 1, 2013
Your Board . . .

- reviewed the excellent summer course listings. Have you signed up for any courses? Why not take a friend! They don’t have to be a CALL member to take summer courses.
- noted that we have over 1600 members in CALL. In July, you will have opportunity to renew membership through the mail or online.
- encouraged each CALL member to complete the volunteer questionnaire on-line if you did not do this at the annual meeting. Watch for an email from us.
- sent a congratulatory letter to HASP (Hope Academy for Senior Professions) for its 25th anniversary.
- thanked the membership for its support and encouragement of so many CALL programs.
- approved a request from Member Events to allow anyone 12 years of age or older to attend events for which both members and their guests are invited.

A simple online survey will be sent to you soon. In order to serve you better, the CALL leadership continues to gather information and ideas from you, our members. We appreciate your time and input. For those who would like a paper copy of the survey, let our office staff know.

Ray Vander Weele
President
Paul Bremer, Chair

Join us this summer for some great classes and entertaining concerts.
There is still room in some of our classes. Contact our office (526-8777) or check it out online. You do not need to be a current member to take these classes and anyone can attend the concerts. Invite your friends and family to join you!
http://www.calvin.edu/academic/callsummer programs.

CALL Summer Programs
CONCERT SERIES
Each concert is $5 per person or a special savings of all 4 concerts for $15 per person. Tickets may also be purchased at the door at 11:30 the day of each concert.
Concerts will be held from 12-1 PM in the Covenant Fine Arts Center Recital Hall on Calvin’s campus the week of June 17-20

Monday, June 17:
Trumpet concert given by Jonathan Karnes
Accompanied by Kenneth Bos, piano
Jonathan will present a musical history of the trumpet. From the use of hollow ram’s horns to bring down the walls of Jericho to the music of Aaron Copland, the trumpet has developed from a signaling instrument to one capable of conveying delicate emotions in soft lyrical passages. Come explore the many iterations and forms the trumpet has taken over time, learn about the physics involved in eliciting a sound from the instrument, and hear a concert of music composed for different kinds of trumpets over the years.

Tuesday, June 18:
Saxophone concert given by Nancy Van Noord
Accompanied by Kenneth Bos, piano
Every Time I Feel the Spirit - Sacred Music for Saxophone
Concert pieces will include:
The Lord’s Prayer - Malotte
If With All Your Hearts - from the Elijah - Mendelssohn
Emmanuel - Columbier
The Holy City - Weatherly/Maybrick
Alleluia - Mozart
When Peace Like A River - arr. Olstad
Every Time I Feel The Spirit - arr. Olstad
Blessed Assurance - arr. Olstad

Wednesday, June 19:
Flute concert given by Amy Netz
Vocal performance by Maria Bouwkamp, mezzo soprano.
Accompanied by Kenneth Bos, piano
This concert will present French music for flute and piano.
Romance and Scherzo from Suite, Op. 34 - Charles Marie Widor (1898)
Sonate pour Flute et Piano - Francis Poulenc (1957)
Cantabile et Presto - Georges Enesco (1904)
Fantaisie - Philippe Gaubert (1912)

Thursday, June 20:
Clarinet concert given by Joan VanDessel
Accompanied by Peter VanDessel, piano
This concert will feature four 20th-century composers who utilized folk materials in their work. Their compositional output was remarkable because they produced music that was both tonal and original during a century marked by artistic value increasingly placed on departures from tonal and formal traditions. Representative composers will include Copland, Gershwin, and Vaughan Williams, all commonly associated with their use of vernacular materials such as American Jazz idioms and British folk melodies. Music will include:
Five Bagatelles, Op. 23; Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)
Three Preludes; George Gershwin (1898-1937)
Six Studies in English Folk-Song; Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Clarinet Concerto; Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

Summer Classes with room available for you!

Political Tensions in the Middle East-Religious Groups
June 3- 6, 3:00-4:15 p.m. in Spoelhof Center 203
From Cairo to Tehran and Hamas to Hezbollah: This course will offer an overview of religious groups in the Middle East and their role in the region’s politics. Religion, politics and ethnicity “mix” in the Middle East unlike anywhere else. We’ll sort it out, and make some sense of the daily news.
Instructor: Rev. Doug Van Bronkhorst, now Executive Pastor for Cascade Fellowship CRC, has a long history of pastoral interest in the religion and politics of the Middle East; including nine years as Executive Director for Interserve, USA, a mission sending agency with personnel in the Arab World and Asia.

Sojourners in the Land: America and Immigration, Then and Now.
June 10 - 13, 10:30 – 11:45 a.m. in Hiemenga Hall 316
People have been on the move since the beginning of recorded history. That means immigration is an old, old story and one that touches each of us. This historical theme can promote a better understanding of who we are and where we came from. By looking at both the Bible and history we can come to a better appreciation for the process of immigration, its causes and its results. We will examine the role immigration has played in molding the United States and the current issues that surround immigration.
The Israel tour group of 35 persons had a wonderful and inspirational time in the Holy Land. You can read about their pilgrimage at calvinalumniassociation.blogspot.com. Note that there will be a repeat of this tour in 2014--space will fill up quickly! The other 2013 tour--to the Canadian Rockies this fall--is also sold-out.

Here are the 2014 travel offerings:

• **A Pilgrimage to Israel -- In the Light of Jesus** (March 17–29, 2014)
  “In the Light of Jesus” is planned as a “disciple’s pilgrimage.” Visit sites from Jesus’ life and ministry in Galilee, in the Jordan Valley and in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, and along the way grow in faith and in following Him.

Since a number of sites in Israel are only fully accessible on foot, participants must be prepared to walk an average of five miles per day. We will visit the following places/see the following sites: Caesarea, Nazareth, Philippi, Dan, Mount of Beatitudes, Jordan River, Sea of Galilee, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Judean Desert and Qumran.

Led by Pastor Bill Vanden Bosch & Lyn Vanden Bosch

Information: This tour sold out swiftly last year! Make sure the alumni office has your name, address and e-mail contact if interested.

• **Northern European Art Tour** (June 16-27, 2014)
  During this twelve-day journey, explore the great cities of London, Paris, Bruges and Amsterdam. In addition to visiting the British Museum in London, the Musee de Lourve in Paris and the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, there will be opportunities to visit Gothic cathedrals and other architectural gems. Most days will include free time for independent activities.

Leader: Calvin professor of art history

Information: Contact the alumni office for a tour brochure or e-mail Professor Smidt at smid@calvin.edu with questions.

Note: We may add another 2014 tour: an author-related tour of New England with Calvin English professor Gary Schmidt. Stay tuned for more details on that soon.
**Fall 2013**

**Noontime Series**

We are again planning an engaging and thought provoking lineup of Noontime lectures.

**Mark your calendars now and share these dates and topics with others.**

The Noontime Series are held from 12-1 PM in the Chapel on Calvin’s campus and are free and open to all.

**Thursday, September 5: Learning from the Oppressed** presented by Nicholas Wolterstorff

Most of us are not aware of coming across seriously oppressed people in our daily lives. When we do come across them, and don’t just ignore them, we ask what we can do for them. Professor Wolterstorff will consider, instead, what we who are Christians can learn from the oppressed, and how what we learn should shape our lives.

**Thursday, September 19: Cracks in the Wall**

presented by Marlin & Sally Vis

“We keep knocking our heads against this wall of hatred until we put little cracks in it.” This from Rami Elhanan, a Jewish Israeli who lost his 14-year-old daughter to two suicide bombers on the eve of Yom Kippur. Rev. Vis, former RCA representative in Jerusalem and current tour leader to the Holy Land, will give us flesh and blood reasons to hope for a day when Israelis and Palestinians live in peace.

**Thursday, October 3: A Ram in the Thicket** - presented by Catherine Frerichs

Catherine grew up as a missionary kid and went to boarding schools in Papua, New Guinea and Australia. Her parents believed they were honoring God with their service while still meeting their children’s needs. For many years Catherine saw only how she and her siblings were sacrificed. But teaching at a university there during 2011-12 enabled her to experience the country and its people on her own terms, bringing the grace of a “ram in the thicket.”


Rabbi and Dr. Shirley K. Lewis lived with and studied under Father Henri Nouwen during their sabbatical semesters. Nouwen was the most influential and significant adult male in Rabbi Lewis’s middle age. Nouwen’s sense of “brokenness” and God’s unconditional acceptance spoke directly to the souls and hearts of Albert and Shirley Lewis.

**Thursday, October 31: Michigan’s Shameful Treatment of Prisoners** presented by Doug Tjapkes

The president of HfP (Humanity for Prisoners) has stories to tell of his long fight for appropriate medical care, proper treatment of the mentally ill, compassionate care for dying inmates, and authoritative advice for those claiming wrongful conviction.

**Thursday, November 14: Hymns that Time Forgot** presented by Greg Scheer

We are often led to believe that new congregational songs are all chaff and old hymns were all wheat. This hymn sing will cure our selective memory!

Dipping into hymnals of days gone by, we find anthems of temperance, tunes to learn to tell time, ballads of death, songs of new technology (the phone), and hymns that are lost in translation. Greg Scheer will lead us through hymns that time forgot.

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**Public Events Committee**

**Henry Baron, Chair**

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**Member Events Committee**

**Don and Shirley Lautenbach, Co-Chairs**

If you have questions regarding events call Shirley at 698-9244, or for Tigers game call Don at 698-9244

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**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 11, 12 and 13 Lincoln Legacy trip. - Springfield, IL**

Due to many requests, your Member Events team has scheduled another trip to Lincoln land. Those who have gone previously have been very enthusiastic about the trip and its value. The comments include statements like “this is a trip every American citizen should take.” The places we visit are: Lincoln Museum, Lincoln tomb, New Salem Village, “Old” Capitol Building, Lincoln’s Law Office and the church the Lincoln family attended.

This trip is open to CALL members and their friends.

Cost - $340 (double occupancy) Send in your reservation with payment.
Questions - call Don - 698-9244 or cell 901-2170

**Thursday, July 11, Detroit Tigers and the Chicago White Sox ball game. FULL.**

**Call 526-8777 to be added to Wait List**

These two teams battle each year as rivals in the Central Division of the American League. This event is open to CALL members and their friends and grandchildren. Coffee and rolls on the way to the stadium, pop and hot dog at the stadium, admission to the game and dinner on the way home.

Cost - $82.00

**Wednesday, August 14, Elkhart Highlights**

Join CALL members and friends for a relaxing and fun filled day in Elkhart, IN. Our trip includes a visit to “Ruthmere” Historic House. This elaborate mansion of Albert Beardsley is a time capsule of lifestyle in 1910 and is filled with a collection of fine art, including sculptures and Tiffany leaded glass.

Enjoy a leisurely afternoon aboard the Elkhart River Queen, a 65-foot...
riverboat, cruising the Saint Joseph River. Hear a bit of area history while gliding past some of the area’s most beautiful riverside homes. After our cruise we will visit the Elkhart Museum of American Art. Norman Rockwell, Grant Wood and Moses and Thomas Sully are but a few of the noteworthy artists. We will enjoy a talk on the works of Norman Rockwell. Before we head for dinner and home, we will visit the Wellfield Botanical Gardens.

Cost - $105 Includes motor coach, coffee and rolls, river cruise, lunch and dinner and all admission fees.

**Friday, September 6, A Day Near Home**

Learn about life on a large, modern, family farm right in our own back yard. Swisslane is milking 1300 cows with a herd total of 2,700 cattle. Enjoy the farm, the new state-of-the-art facility where cows are milked by “Robots” and the “Goin Green” hayride. We will enjoy lunch in the fully restored barn.

In the afternoon we experience the Boulder Creek Wild Animal Park, which has 80 acres of exotic animals. Boulder Creek has many rare and endangered animals hard to find anywhere else in the United States. Boulder Creek is a unique, hands on experience. The park boasts a distinct collection of exotic animals and reptiles. The variety and dynamic atmosphere makes Boulder Creek anything but your average zoo.

Cost - $49 includes motor coach, lunch and admission fees.

**Wednesday, September 25, The Dutch in West Michigan**

On this very informative trip led by Dick Harms, our narrator for the day, we will travel around our area looking at the Dutch influence in our community. A few of the places Dick will highlight are: Pillar Church in Holland, VanRaalte cemetery, highlight tours of Holland, early villages, the Settler’s monument (Zeeland) Graafschap CR church and museum and the Grand Rapids Dutch neighborhoods.

This trip will complement the class Dick Harms will be teaching this fall on “The Dutch in West Michigan.” It will cover points of interest he will discuss in his class.

Cost - $69 Includes motor coach, lunch and all admission costs.

**Wednesday and Thursday, October 16 and 17, Retreat at “The Shack”**

“The Shack” a country bed and breakfast nestled in 100 acres of woods on the banks of the lovely Robinson Lake will be the location of our CALL mini-retreat. Our special speaker will be Rev. Ren Broekhuizen, a noted seminar speaker. Opportunity will be given for great fellowship, good food, games, hiking, sitting on a covered porch or relaxing by the lake. At night we will enjoy the famous “Banana Splits” served at “The Shack.”

Cost - $85 Includes speaker, lodging, dinner, breakfast, lunch and all activities.

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**Member Events / Interest Group Registration**

Two ways to register:
1. Online - www.calvin.edu/CALL >Member Events
2. Complete this form, make check payable to CALL and send to:  
CALL Youngsma Center, 3201 Burton St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Event fees are per person:
- June 11-13 (Tues-Thur) Lincoln $340 (dbl occ)
- July 11 (Thu) Detroit Tigers - waiting list
- August 14 (Wed) Elkhart Highlights $105
- September 6 (Fri) A Day Near Home $49
- September 25 (Wed) The Dutch in West Mich. $69
- Oct 16-17 (Wed-Thur) Retreat at “The Shack” $85

Name(s)  
________________________________________  
Phone  
________________________________________  
email  
________________________________________  
May we confirm this registration by email?  
Yes  No, I don’t use email.

If an event has filled, we will notify you.

I would like to join an interest group (no charge):
- [ ] Senior Odyssey
- [ ] Knitting
- [ ] Birding
- [ ] Brass Ensemble
Mary Reinstra

When Mary Reinstra first served as a CALL board member in 2001, she also took on the responsibility of chairing the Hospitality Committee. With the exception of a brief time off to care for a grandson, Mary has stayed with her commitment over all these years. She shopped for cookies, coffee and supplies at the best prices, trained volunteer servers and staffed the coffee break time in Hiemenga Hall between classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Prior to the CALL office move to the Youngsma Center, she would also cart coffee through all kinds of weather to the board meetings at various locations on Calvin’s campus.

Thank you, Mary!

Jan Ebels

In 2002, Jan Ebels started setting up coffee and cookies in Hiemenga Hall. Ten years later, she was still in that hallway on Tuesdays and Thursdays. As Jan aged into her 90s, she decided to ask a passing Calvin student for assistance in lifting the heavy coffee urns on to the tables. A cookie was his reward. She had no trouble finding help. Students still slow a bit in that hallway looking for Jan and the opportunity to assist (and snack).

Thank you, Jan!

Lois Knorr

A collection of at least 12 name badges reminds Lois how long she has been active in CALL. She joined the Hospitality Committee in 2003 and has been serving coffee and cookies during the break in Hiemenga Hall ever since. Members describe Lois as dedicated, meticulus, and very dependable.

Thank you, Lois!

Distinguished Service Awards

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS

Many CALL members choose to register online at the CALL web site, www.calvin.edu/CALL. Since last summer, 439 registered for membership, 264 for spring classes, and 94 for member events. Often these transactions include a spouse or a friend, so the totals are even higher. We’re glad this feature works well for some of you.

Tip: Favor the mouse or the tab key when filling out the form, as the enter key sometimes submits a form prematurely. Anticipate receiving an immediate confirmation for your credit card transaction.

Receiving registrations and your check through the mail also works well. When possible, we confirm receipt of your check by email. For those who do not use email, we confirm receipt of your check with a postcard.

CALL summer office hours

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