It is my privilege to serve as your president this coming year. We are so grateful to our outgoing president, Ray Vander Weele, who served CALL for the past six years. Ray was dedicated and worked long and hard to ensure several successful years. While he was president, there was a tremendous growth in membership, a new marketing committee was formed, Marjo Jordan replaced Irene Bolthouse as Membership Assistant, Sonja DeJong replaced Lisa Bauman as Administrative Coordinator, and Uko Zylstra replaced Wally Bratt as Curriculum Coordinator.

Other CALL board members who finished their terms this year are Sue Griffioen, Bruce Klanderman, and Donna Muyskens. Sue served as a liaison to the board for the Nominating Committee, which presents a slate of candidates for board membership to replace those whose terms are expiring. Sue contacted many CALL members to get the number of candidates needed. Bruce served as a liaison to the board for the Finance Committee, which oversees the CALL budget. Bruce kept us fiscally responsible. Donna served as a liaison to the board for the Member Events Committee, which plans and executes several CALL excursions. Donna kept us well informed about these successful outings. Thanks very much to Sue, Bruce, and Donna.

Allow me to introduce myself to you. I am the first woman president of CALL. Being the first woman in various positions has been the story of my life. When I worked for the government in Washington, DC, I was the first person in charge of funding teacher training in learning disabilities and the only woman at my level of administration of special education funding. I was the first female academic dean at Calvin College. In addition, I am probably the oldest president of CALL. But we won’t talk about that! During my career, I taught at the University of Illinois, University of Arizona, and Calvin College. Since retiring from full-time teaching, I taught courses for Calvin and for Oakland University part-time and ran tutoring programs for neighborhood children at Sherman Street and Calvin Christian Reformed Churches. I have been on the CALL board for the past few years and served on the Extended Trips Committee and the Curriculum Committee.

Thanks to all of you who serve on CALL committees. By this time, I hope that many of you were able to enjoy the summer offerings and I look forward to your participation in the courses and events that will be available in the fall. Hope to see you there!

Corrine Kass
President

At the recent CALL Board meeting, the following were elected as your officers for the new year:

Corrine Kass, President
Gordon Van Harn, Vice President
Arie Leegwater, Secretary
Ed Westenbroek, Treasurer
Agnes Kroese, Vicar

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Congratulations to everyone in CALL for helping our program reach 2000+ members last month!

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I accompanied leader Bette Frieswyk on the field trip through Calvin’s nature preserve on the final day of CALL’s 2014 summer course, “What Bird Is That?” Besides birds, here’s what I noticed: Out of the 14 people registered, three were nonmembers, checking out CALL for the first time. Among the remaining 11 current members, two of them were experiencing their first CALL course.

Having joined CALL last September, the birding course was Patricia Vander Woude Posthumus’ first interaction with CALL. By Thursday evening, the last day of the course, Patricia had identified a Scarlet Tanager on her own near Reed’s Lake and ordered 8 x 32 Ranger binoculars just like mine from Eagle Optics.

Another registrant has been a member since 2010 and enjoys an extended membership through 2016, but has never registered for an event or course until now. She was very engaged in the course and spotted birds ahead of anyone else.

Linda Stewart, one of the three nonmembers, takes OLLI courses at Aquinas and recently went to Israel with a group from her church, St. Paul the Apostle. While on the CALL web site, Linda noticed the extended trip link, phoned and met with John Apol, and has already signed up for the Pacific Northwest tour!

Linda had such a good experience in her first CALL course and was looking forward to three more summer courses—“Russia,” “Middle East,” and “Women in the White House.”

“These CALL courses are great,” agrees Marcee Johnson who joined CALL last fall. “The birding class was awesome, and Bette definitely has made me a wiser birder.” She wished the birding course could have continued for a few more days.

Last I heard, Linda was heading to Birds Unlimited for an oriole feeder and then to Dollar Tree for grape jelly. Word was out that orioles didn’t like the Spartan brand jelly.

The things we learn about birds! The things we learn about a few of our newer members!

Marjo Jordan
CALL Membership Assistant
Wednesday, July 9, 8:00 am
The Tigers and the Dodgers
(Filled - Waiting List only)
This promises to be a great game - 1:00 pm at the ball park. The Detroit Tigers and the Los Angeles Dodgers are rated as two of the better teams in the American and National leagues. Our seats are in the lower level on the first base side. Enjoy your day at the park with a complimentary hot dog and pop. We will have coffee and rolls enroute to the game. Snacks provided on the way home.
This event is for CALL members and their friends. Invite your grandchildren and enjoy a day at the stadium.
Cost $85.00. Questions - call Don Lautenbach. 901-2170

Thursday, July 24, 7:00 am
The Best of Warsaw
Warsaw is the Orthopedic capital of the world. We will tour the Orthopedic company and be briefed on the history of the industry. We will see how a hip is replaced and learn about the products that can bring a new spring into your step. Next we will have a special tour of the Hudson Gallery of Art and meet Robert Hudson. He will entertain us with stories of his adventures and paintings. After a full buffet luncheon at Teel’s Family restaurant we will enjoy Fiddler on the Roof at the Wagon Wheel theater - a theater in the round. “Fiddler on the Roof” is set in a Jewish village in Russia in 1905. Considered a musical, it depicts the struggles of families who attempt to survive in a hostile world, still holding true to their tradition. The show includes the beautiful songs, “Tradition,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” “If I Were a RichMan,” and “Sunrise, Sunset.”
Cost - $85.00. Includes bus, musical play, coffee and rolls, all admission costs and snacks on the way home.

Thursday, August 7, 8:00 am
A Day at Shipshewana
Our day begins with a visit to the Menno - Hof museum. This museum’s beautiful environment offers a window into the faith and life of the Mennonites and Amish in north-central Indiana, one of the world’s largest Anabaptist communities. After the museum we will visit the popular E&B outlet store. A visit to the mall and their unique stores will give you time for lunch on your own. In the afternoon we will enjoy the new musical Josiah for President. This is the story of an Amish man’s run to become president of the United States. Josiah for President is a compelling tale of an unlikely friendship, and an even more unlikely agreement. Heartwarming and funny, this musical will leave you cheering for the underdog, while believing there is still hope for America’s future. After the play we will enjoy an Amish dinner including their home made pie.
Cost - $79.00. (Questions - call Shirley Lautenbach, 299-3584)

Saturday, September 27, 7:00 am
A Dutch Festival at Elim
Enjoy a day with the “Dutch” on the campus of Elim Christian Services. The day will begin with a parade and opening ceremonies. Special groups will be providing entertainment throughout the day. The Dutch Village will feature Bloemen (flowers), Geschenken (gifts), Delft (Dutch pottery and decor), Bakkerji (bakery), Farmer’s Market and many more Dutch specialties. Special foods for your enjoyment are Banket, Hutspot (beef and potatoes), Oliebollen, Rodekool (red cabbage), Saucijzbroodjes (pigs-in-the-blanket) and Erwtensoep (pea soup).

Enjoy the color, festivities, good food, entertainment and shopping in a Dutch atmosphere on the beautiful Elim campus. A special feature will be a guided tour of Elim for our group. Coffee and rolls on our way to Chicago
Cost - $49.00

Wednesday and Thursday, October 15 and 16
CALL Fall retreat at “The Shack”
“The Shack” a country bed and breakfast nestled on 100 acres of woods on the lovely Robinson Lake will be the location of our fall retreat. Rev. John DeVries will be our speaker.
Opportunity will be given for excellent presentations, challenging learning, 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.”

$89.00 includes speaker, lodging, dinner, breakfast, lunch and all activities.

Circle Friday, October 31
on your calendar for the live opera presentation of Carmen at the DeVos Hall. Watch the newsletter for further announcements.
Thursday, September 4: Fatal Crossing; NW Airlines #2501
Fatal presented by Valarie van Heest

Thursday, September 18, 2014
Volcanic Planet
Peter Rowe

Thursday, October 9, 2014
It’s Great Britain
Monty and Marsha Brown

Thursday, November 13, 2014
The Great Canadian Train Ride
Doug Jones

Noontime Series

A free one hour lecture this fall on Thursdays to stimulate the mind with a diversity of subject matter from a host of experts! Look for more information later this summer.

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Fatal presented by Valarie van Heest

Thursday, October 2: Biomedical Research and Science Education at Van Andel Institute
presented by Steve Triezenberg

Thursday, October 16: China: Media Revolution, Ministry Opportunities
presented by Kurt Selles

Thursday, October 30: Calvin Stories in the History of Holland, Michigan
presented by Bob Swierenga

Thursday, November 11: The Early Music Concert
Pacific Northwest Tour: this tour, led by John Apol, is scheduled for September 20 - 29, 2014. Some tour highlights: Beginning and ending in Seattle, we will experience downtown (have a cup of coffee in the very first Starbucks store) before heading south to Mt. Rainier where year around snow and glaciers await us. After visiting Mount St. Helens volcano, a night close to the Pacific Ocean, and a stop in the Hoh Rain Forest, we will take the ferry to Victoria on Vancouver Island to visit Butchart Gardens, a world class botanical garden. From Vancouver Island the next ferry will take us to Friday Harbor on San Juan Island for an overnight stay and a boat tour to look for Orcas (Killer Whales) and other marine life. Back on the mainland, we will tour the Boeing airplane production plant where we will be met by a Calvin alumnus who has engineering responsibility for the Boeing 777X project. The trip will end with one last night in Seattle. There is space available on this tour.

A Pilgrimage to Israel--In the Light of Jesus: This tour is scheduled for March 9 - 21, 2015. The brochure is available online and the registration process is open. 

Norway and Sweden: led by Professor Debra Freeberg, June 16 – 26, 2015. The trip brochure is available on both the CALL and the Calvin Alumni websites. 

South Africa: led by John Apol. Tentative dates are September 9 – 21, 2015. The trip brochure will be available in the near future. The tour will include visiting sites related to Nelson Mandela as well as visits to iconic geographical and historical places such as Table Mountain, Cape of Good Hope, Cape Town, Robben Island and many more. Also included will be a couple of nights in a large game reserve. 

The Collingsworth Family offers a gospel music experience unlike any other. The Ohio-based family of six is known for their constant, persistent attention to cutting-edge arranging, musical excellence and spiritual emphasis. Join the Collingsworths at Calvin College for an evening of celebration in this, their 29th year of music ministry.

Concert: $20 per ticket 
Combined Concert & Dinner: $35 per ticket 
Dinner begins at 5 p.m. in Calvin Commons.

Open ticket sales now in progress.

To order tickets, call 616-526-6282 or visit www.calvin.edu/boxoffice/tickets 
Questions: Call 616-526-8777 or visit www.calvin.edu/call
Advance Notice:
Board and Committee Members are requested to attend the CALL 2014 Fall Conference on September 3, from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel Undercroft.

Membership Drive: July

Many of you already enjoy CALL memberships that extend into 2015, even some as far out as 2018. We will be in contact with you this summer. For those of you whose membership expires 8-31-2014 (see expiration date in the lower right-hand corner of your CALL name badge), we will remind you to renew next month. Keep an eye on your email inbox for a link to the online renewal form when it is reactivated. For those members who are not comfortable with email, we will mail a reminder and renewal form in July.

Please hold on to your current name badge; we may ask you to apply a sticker with an updated expiration date.