

# CALL NEWS



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## For the President

CALL President Peter Van Vliet asked me to write this column for him, using it to promote to the membership the upcoming CALL overseas trip: *England: The Theatre and Beyond*.

In a survey conducted a couple of years ago, the membership of CALL indicated a strong support for introducing a new program, sponsoring both overseas and domestic extended trips of eight to sixteen days. These trips are intended for CALL members, and should be consistent with CALL's mission of "enriching the lifelong spiritual, intellectual, cultural, and social lives of its members". Another reason for CALL to sponsor such programs is the fact that a large percentage of CALL's members are single individuals; these members might be especially interested in trips with other CALL members, and CALL could help find travel partners for those who wish to participate.

This first overseas trip, *England: The Theatre and Beyond*, is scheduled for September 11-22, 2008, and will be led by Dr. Mary Ann Walters, retired Professor of English at Calvin College, and Dr. Charles Strikwerda, retired Professor of Political Science at Calvin College. They have both led Calvin student groups to England in the past and are very well acquainted with England and the area around London. Mary Ann has taken students on interim trips emphasizing British Theatre. There will be ample time for seeing many of the historic sights around London, and both of the leaders will have suggestions for what to take in. If CALL members have friends who are interested in this trip, but are not now CALL members, they can sign up for it if they join CALL for the 2008-2009 year.

If you desire more information about the trip, or have questions about it, contact Mary Ann, 451-2191, [walt@calvin.edu](mailto:walt@calvin.edu), or Chuck, 245-6929, [chucks@westminstergr.com](mailto:chucks@westminstergr.com). A detailed brochure is on the CALL website, [www.calvin.edu/call](http://www.calvin.edu/call), or can be obtained by contacting Sherry VanderPlow at Witte Travel, 954-6803, [sherryv@wittetravel.com](mailto:sherryv@wittetravel.com).

*Roger Griffioen, chair Extended Trips Committee*

## from Extended Trips Committee *Roger Griffioen, Chair*

**Sep 2008** A tour of the **Grand Teton, Yellowstone, and Glacier National Parks** is scheduled for September, 2008. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at Witte Travel, 3250 28th SE, Grand Rapids, at 2PM to review the exciting itinerary that has been proposed. Besides the three national parks, there are interesting stops planned during our travel between parks. Please plan to attend this meeting and get all of the information you need to make your decision to join the travel group. The meeting will be in Witte's conference room on the lower level of their building. Drive to the rear where you will find ample parking.

## from Service and Community Relations Committee *Tom Weeda, Chair*

World Affairs Council of Western Michigan **Great Decisions 2008 lecture series**. This lecture series is 6PM-7:15PM on Mondays at Aquinas College (lower level of the Performing Arts Center) Pricing: World Affairs Council Members \$5 per lecture; non-members \$10 per lecture. Check it out at [www.worldaffairsmichigan.org/upcomingevents.html](http://www.worldaffairsmichigan.org/upcomingevents.html)

As one of many Lifelong Learning Institutes associated with Elderhostel, CALL reminds its members of the many opportunities for learning that **Elderhostel** provides. This summer Elderhostel is providing fifteen programs in Michigan. For those of us that enjoy the Upper Peninsula, three programs are given:

- **Isle Royale, Lake Superior and the Keweenaw Peninsula** @Houghton and Isle Royale Aug 8-16 or Aug 17-23
- **Great Lakes Maritime History** @Marquette July 6 - 11
- **Mackinac Island: The Jewell of Michigan** @Mackinac Island. Choice of several dates

For a detailed description of these and all other programs tap into [www.elderhostel.org](http://www.elderhostel.org).

*from* **Public Events Committee**  
*Henry Baron, Chair*

### **CALL Passport To Adventure: A Travel Film Series**

Single tickets \$5 each. Student Ticket \$2 each. Calvin Box Office is open 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday-Friday Phone 616-526-6282 All programs are presented in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium of Calvin College at 7:30 PM. A free shuttle bus runs between the FAC and the west parking lot off Burton Street for 30 minutes before and after each program

**Mar 6 [Thu] "La Manche" - The English Channel**  
with Monty & Marcia Brown

**Apr 3 [Thu] Prague to Paris, and a Cruise**  
with Clint Denn

### **Noontime Series**

**Mar 6[Thu] The Hugely Prestigious Gilmore Festival**  
Sherman Van Solkema, Calvin alumnus who served over 30 years on the musicology faculty at Brooklyn College of the City University of New York and chaired the music department at Grand Valley State University for 5 years, assesses the development of the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival and previews this spring's highlights.

*(In the Chapel Undercroft)*

**Mar 20[Thu] Stories From The Life and Passion of Christ**  
Todd and Marilyn Farley, Calvin Mime Guild, and Mimeistry's Triflections bring new freshness through the art of mime to the infinite truths of the birth, life, ministry, death and resurrection of our Lord.

*(in the FAC auditorium)*

**Apr 3 [Thu] A Profile in Courage**

Senator Wayne Kuipers, a conservative Republican state senator from Holland, explains why he, in good conscience, voted to increase state taxes even though he knew that voting against the increase would have been safer for him.

*(In the Chapel Undercroft)*

**Apr 17 [Thu] On Moral Fiction**

Barnard College Professor of English Mary Gordon, author of more than ten books, her latest a memoir about mother-daughter relationships, and several novellas, essays, short stories and non-fiction pieces, will present the opening keynote address for Calvin College's 2008 Festival of Faith and Writing.

*(This Noontime Series program is a live video feed in the Calvin College Chapel.)*

*from* **Member Events Committee**  
*Don Lautenbach, Chair*

**Mar 5 [Wed] Visit the "New" Air Zoo and the Waco Classic Aircraft Facility.** This is a unique destination !! The Air Zoo lofts your spirits, expands your awareness and brings the flight experience to life. This is an out of the world feeling. You will share the history of flight by soaring with the montgolfiers, feeling the drama of a World II mission, and testing your skills at the controls of a F-18 Hornet. You may visit the Quadalcanal museum and also see the many rare and historic aircraft. After lunch, we will visit the Waco Classic Aircraft Facility in Battle Creek where they build and restore the older aircraft. They are an award winning restoration

service for vintage and antique aircraft. The trip will begin at 8AM with an expected return to GR by 4PM. Costs include the bus, coffee and donuts, lunch, and entrance fees to the Air Zoo and the Waco Classic Aircraft Facility. Cost is \$49.

*Questions - Call Shirley or Don Lautenbach 698-9244*

**Mar 26 [Wed] What's New and Historic in Grand Rapids.** During our tour, Dick Harms will tell us how Grand Rapids has grown as we drive by the Indian Mounds. We will learn about Butterworth, get only fairly close to Tanglefoot (the fly catcher), view John Ball Park in time for 10:30AM coffee and doughnuts. We will discover why Bridge Street is only on one end of the bridge. What can we learn about Mt. Mercy Academy, or Stone Hills? Grand Valley's downtown campus is also on the list. We include the older Christian Reformed Churches such as Broadway and Alpine Avenue, and also the stately St. Adalberts. We make a 12:30PM stop at Sully's for the "Bountiful Buffet." We then take a narrated tour of "Health-care Hill."

We will board from the Prince Center parking lot at 8:30AM, departing at 9AM and we hope to be back at the Calvin Campus at 3:00-3:30PM. This section is full but repeat is available (see below).

### **Repeat of Above Tour**

**Apr 9 [Wed]** Because of the overwhelming response to the **What's New and Historic in Grand Rapids** tour and a long waiting list, we are willing to schedule a REPEAT of the above tour. Again the bus will board at 8:30AM and roll at 9AM, Price \$56.00. To hold your reservation send payment by March 10.

*Questions- Call Jeanne or Clarence Vos 949-2888*

**Apr 28-29 [Mon-Tue] Cincinnati and More** Enjoy a city tour of beautiful and interesting Cincinnati. After the city tour we will board the "River Queen" riverboat and cruise down the Ohio River. On the cruise we will enjoy the "Captain's Dinner" and experience the spectacular and magnificent skyline of Cincinnati.

On Tuesday we will visit the newly-opened (May 2007) "Creation Museum" which promotes a 6000-year-old universe and literal six-day interpretation of creation. Designed by a former Universal Studios exhibit designer, this state-of-the-art 65,000 square foot museum brings the pages of the Bible to life while providing an engaging, sensory experience. We walk through a Garden of Eden with dinosaurs and see Noah's Ark. There are many murals, realistic scenery, a special-effects theater and over a dozen life-sized people in the exhibit. The "Stargazers Plantarium" presents a cosmology of the stars to fit with a 6000-year-old, six-day creation.

*Note: CALL's sponsorship of this trip does not indicate that CALL or Calvin College endorses the view of the museum on creation.* Cost of the trip is \$195.00. Send in your check with your reservation to confirm your place on this trip.

*Questions - Call Shirley or Don Lautenbach 698-9244*

**May 7-10, [Wed-Sat] Civil War Battlefield** This trip is full. To those who have confirmed registrations, the final cost is \$425 with balance payment due by March 1. Trip information will be sent to registrants after March 1. There will be two classes to prepare you for the trip (cost included in registration fee). A class on Antietam will be held on

Thursday, Apr 17 and a class on Gettysburg on Tuesday, Apr 24. Both classes are at 1:30PM.

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**from Curriculum Committee Wally Bratt, Chair**  
**Course #1: "All about the Crusades"** is filled. However, a second section of this class has been arranged with the same instructor, Karin Maag. The new section is called "**Course #1B Crusades II**" and will meet on Thursdays at 1:30PM from March 20 through April 17 in Room H-430. Registration is still open.

Because of the increasing membership in CALL and the need to close courses after a maximum enrollment has been reached, we will experiment with repeating more courses. Repetition of courses depends on instructors' willingness, but we will try to accommodate your interests and requests. Please tell committee members about courses you would like to have offered again. Also suggest new courses, and make suggestions or requests on any other matters that you think would enhance our curriculum.

Other courses that have been closed are:

#4 <b>Heaven</b>	#5 <b>Water Colors</b>
#17 <b>Hosseini novels</b>	#24 <b>Modern Medicines</b>
#28 <b>Knitting</b>	#29 <b>Word Processing</b>

Room changes are as follows:

#1 <b>Crusades</b> to H-337	#1B <b>Crusades</b> to H-430
#23 <b>Musical Theatre</b> to FAC-125	#24 <b>Modern Medicines</b> to H-337

**from Summer CALL program**  
*Peter DeBoer, Chair*

The program will be in early June and will include: "**Sierra Leone: Diamonds, Mayhem and Grace**" with Paul Kortenhoven (4 free lectures) ; "**Breeding Birds of West Michigan**" with Bill Sweetman; "**Computers: for Advanced Beginners**" with James Talen; "**Hymnody, our Reformed Musical Heritage**" with Dale Grotenhuis; "**Sculpture**" with Adam Wolpe; "**Line Dancing: Let Your Toes Do The Walking**" with Bob Settergren; "**The Book of Hebrews**" with Andrew Bandstra; "**Golf: for Any and All Talents**" with Ralph Honderd (5 sessions). More details in next CALLNews

**from CALL Board**

The CALL Annual Meeting will be held mid-day on Thursday, May 29, 2008 in the Prince Conference Center. More details next CALLNews.

**from Hospitality Committee**  
*Marge Bantjes, Chair*

Complimentary hot beverages and cookies will again be offered between the early and late afternoon class sessions (2:45-3:15PM) on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Mar 4 through Apr 22 in Hiemenga Hall. Please accommodate

college students who need to get through the crowded hallway or are in nearby classrooms trying to listen and learn. Members of the Hospitality Committee also gladly assist persons who board shuttle buses at the East entrance of the FAC after each travelogue. Any comments, pro or con, may be directed to Marge Bantjes. phone - 878-1426 or e-mail: [joop@i2k.com](mailto:joop@i2k.com).

**from College Support Carol Rienstra**

**Feb 22 [Fri] 8PM The Artist Series: Westminster Choir**

**Feb 27 [Wed] 7:30PM Ensemble Montage Concert**  
(FAC Auditorium; tickets not required)

**Feb 29 [Fri] 8PM Calvin Band and Knollcrest Band**  
Concert, Tiffany Engle, conductor  
(FAC Auditorium; tickets not required)

**Mar 3 [Mon] 12:30-1:20PM The Knollcrest Band and the Calvin band**, Tiffany Engle, director, will present a free midday concert in the FAC Auditorium. The program features video excerpts of living composers Chen Yi, Timothy Mahr, Guy Woolfenden, Michael Daugherty, Laszlo Dubrovay, Eric Whitacre, and Martin Ellerby, as well as their music. Special invitation is extended to CALL members. Reservations for groups of seats can be made by calling 526-6175 or e-mailing [partnerships@calvin.edu](mailto:partnerships@calvin.edu)

**From Every Nation (FEN) Symposium on Race**

**Mar 5 [Wed] 3:30PM Commons Lecture Hall "Challenging the Myth of the Model Minority" Dr. John Palmer**

**Mar 5 [Wed] 7PM Meeter Center Lecture Hall "Karate Choje, Geishas, Nerds, & the Asian Invasion: Reflections of a 'Corean' Adopted American" Dr. John Palmer**

**Mar 6 [Thu] 3:30PM Commons Lecture Hall "Black Enough?" Dr. Kristal Zook**

**Mar 6 [Thu] 7PM Commons Lecture Hall "Sunflower Kids: Multiracial Identities and the Coming Age of the Non-White Majority" Dr. Kristal Zook**

**Calvin College Ecosystem Preserve First Saturdays at the Bunker - March to June 2008**

This is another Calvin program open to CALL members. **First Saturdays at the Bunker** are free programs geared for the whole family to enjoy. For additional information please call 616-526-7601 or email [preserve@calvin.edu](mailto:preserve@calvin.edu).

**Mar 1 [Sat] 10-11AM "Amazing Avian Adaptations!"**

Curtis Dykstra, Naturalist. Come explore some of the amazing adaptations that allow birds to do extraordinary things. Start inside where we will learn about owls, hummingbirds, woodpeckers and more, and then head outside for a bird hike through the woods. Dress appropriately for the weather.

Sadly, on February 7, 2008, we noted the passing of fellow CALL member and good friend, Kees VanNuis. He was a child of God, an outstanding physician, a student of the arts, a loyal church member, a compassionate father, the first recipient of the CALL Distinguished Service Award and several teaching awards at Butterworth Hospital and M.S.U. College of Human Medicine. A widower too early, he persevered courageously, willingly, and unselfishly to the benefit and admiration of those around him even in spite of his lingering final illness.

*Peter Van Vliet*

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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- Course **1B Crusades** \$15
- Mar 5 [Wed] "Air Zoo/WACO classic aircraft" \$49
- Mar 26 [Wed] "Grand Rapids Tour" \$56 \*\*waiting list only\*\*
- Apr 9 [Wed] "Repeat Grand Rapids Tour" \$56
- May 7-10 [Wed-Sat] "Civil War Battlefield" \$425 (\$75 deposit)  
\*\*waiting list only\*\*
- May 7-10 [Wed-Sat] "Cincinnati and More" \$195

Please enclose check for trip/course cost.

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Your cancelled check is your receipt. Confirmation will be sent.  
If a trip/course is already filled, you will be notified

Each year one or two **Distinguished Service Awards** will be presented at CALL's Spring Association Meeting to recognize individuals who have given extra-ordinary service to our Academy. Your help is critical for identifying worthy candidates. Candidates should have been member of CALL for more than 5 years and have given service to the organization for more than 3 years.

**Name of Your Nominee:**

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Please give a brief statement regarding the quality of service that your nominee has done for CALL and why he/she should be considered for this award. Feel free to use more space than provided below:

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