President's Message

On Thursday, May 29, 2008 at 11:30 AM the annual CALL meeting will be held in the Prince Conference Center on the Calvin Campus. As usual, a light lunch will be provided while we converse with our fellow members. Any CALL member who is interested in participating in these functions is welcome to attend. Almost unavoidably we will meet and make new friends among our many new CALL members. CALL members now are from many backgrounds and are generally like-minded with members of longer standing. The annual meeting affords the delightful opportunity to make new friends. We can all open ourselves to conversation with people we do not know whether at the table or when entering or leaving the Prince Center. Enjoy your conversational partners whether new or old.

At last year’s meeting we played “Getting to know you.” We may try that again. We will hear from our committee members about plans for the 2008-2009 season. We will elect three new board members and re-elect one in our usual manner of voting. We will announce and honor worthy CALL Distinguished Service Award recipients.

Perhaps more importantly, we will receive from you, our members, new ideas for CALL and its programs. To do this we will scatter our board members and committee members among the tables. When we introduce these folks you can relay to them your thoughtful, inspired, deeply considered, well-reasoned, thought-provoking, best suggestions for CALL. Peter Van Vliet, President

### Extended Trips Committee

**Roger Griffioen, Chair**

Several people have reported hearing rumors that the England trip has been cancelled. THESE RUMORS ARE NOT TRUE. If you are interested in “England: The Theatre and Beyond”, which is scheduled for September 11-22, 2008, now is the time to contact Witte Travel and get your registration in. For additional information, call Mary Ann Walters, 451-2192 or Sherry Vander Plow at Witte Travel, 954-6803 or check www.calvin.edu/call.

### Public Events Committee

**Henry Baron, Chair**

2008-2009 Passport To Adventure: A Travel Film Series

Season Tickets $18, Single tickets $5 each
Student Ticket $2 each

Calvin Box Office is open 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday-Friday Phone 616-526-6282

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### Member Events Committee

**Don Lautenbach, Chair**

CANCELLATION: The Member Events trip to Cincinnati, April 28-29, has been canceled due to limited enrollment.

### Calls Board

The CALL annual meeting will take place from 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM, Thursday, May 29, 2008, at the Prince Conference Center. Any CALL member who is interested in participating in these functions is welcome to attend. First come, first served! -- The CALL annual meeting/luncheon is limited to about 370 persons. No charge for this meeting, but reservations are necessary. And with the membership of CALL now at 907, you should be sure to get your reservation in early. You could send it in by regular mail, but it's easier and faster to phone (977-1792) or send an e-mail to the Membership Secretary (Irene Bolthouse, hibolt@juno.com).

The Nominating Committee's presentations for replacements for retiring board members were accepted at the CALL Board meeting on April 2, and will be brought before the CALL membership for approval on May 29. Nominees are:

- Donna Muyssenks, CALL member since 2002, who served on the board last year to complete an unexpired term. She is a graduate of Central College in Pella, Iowa, with a major in music education. She holds a degree in English from Calvin College, which led to a job in the curriculum center at Calvin.
- Sue Griffioen, CALL member since 2000, is a graduate of the Blodgett School of Nursing and has worked in a variety of nursing positions in area hospitals. She also holds a degree in English from Calvin College, which led to a job in the curriculum center at Calvin.
- Sue Griffioen, CALL member since 2001, graduated from Calvin in 1959 and worked as a CPA before getting his doctorate degree from the University of Wisconsin where he worked for about 20 years, and later served as an adjunct professor of finance at Calvin. He currently serves as director of Ministers Pension and Insurance Fund for the Christian Reformed Church.
- Bruce Klanderman, CALL member since 2005, also graduated from Calvin in 1959, and then earned his PhD in Chemistry from the University of Illinois in 1963. Bruce worked for Eastern Kodak for over 30 years.
The CALL organization and Calvin College extend a hearty thanks to those who are willing to serve in the coming years, as well as to those who are retiring from the CALL Board: Harold & Jessica Kuizema, under whose leadership of the Membership Committee the CALL Distinguished Service Awards were developed, Peter and Audrey Van Vliet, CALL president (and assistant) for the last two years, and Ralph Dik, community liaison on the Service and Community Relations committee.

**Summer Programs Peter De Boer, Chair**
Check out the CALL Summer Program. A schedule and registration form is available on [www.calvin.edu/call](http://www.calvin.edu/call).

**Service and Community Relations Committee, Tom Weeda, Chair**
A Calvin student interning through the Comenius Scholars Program at the Dispute Resolution Center of West Michigan, a not-for-profit center that provides free mediation services for West Michigan communities, sent an invite to CALL members to consider becoming a mediator. All mediators are trained volunteers, and they are typically retired or semi-retired Michigan residents. On May 7-9 and 13-14 there will be Community Mediation Training approved by the State Court Administrative Office, hosted at Home Repair Services at 1100 S. Division. If interested contact the Mediation Center at 616-774-0121 for more information.

**Membership Secretary Irene Bolthouse**
This CALL Spring term is fast coming to a close, with many of the 32 courses already completed. 32 instructors saw us through the term, and our heads are now bulging with newfound knowledge and incentives to keep on learning. The Curriculum Committee is working on the Fall term. Your comments about the course(s) you attended are most welcome — pro or con — and would be of help as the committee determines what will be offered in future courses.

**Hospitality Committee Marge Bantjes, Chair**
The Hospitality committee, with the help of volunteers, made refreshments available between the afternoon classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We owe these faithful volunteers a big thank-you for the preparation of the refreshments and the clean-up afterward. When you see these volunteers, Jan Ebels, Jeanette Haire, Lois Knoor, Donna Muyskens, and Alina Walhout give them a personal word of appreciation. Direct any comments to Marge Bantjes. Volunteers are always welcome. Many hands make light work!

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**Send form to: CALL c/o Irene Bolthouse 3201 Burton St SE Grand Rapids MI 49546**

**Registration Form**
To register for the annual meeting it is easier to call 977-1792 or send email to hibolt@juno.com but if you prefer you may send this form

**May 29 [Thu] “CALL Annual Meeting & Luncheon” No charge but reservation required**

**Sep 11-12 [Thu-Fri] “Stratford Trip” $340 ($50 non-refundable deposit)**

Please enclose check for trip cost. $____________________

Name(s) ______________________________________________________________

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Your cancelled check is your receipt. Confirmation will be sent. If a annual meeting or trip is already filled, you will be notified.