

CALL NEWS



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President's Message

One aspect of CALL's mission is to give its members opportunity to enrich their intellectual lives. The curriculum committee has done another outstanding job of giving us an interesting assortment of 35 courses for the fall. As of early this month we have had over 800 registrations for these courses. That is 150 more than we had last year at this time, even though the membership in CALL is about the same. Sounds like people are signing up earlier or for more courses!

Another significant element of our educational program developed by the public events committee is that of the Noontime Series which serves both our membership and the community-at-large. Be sure to put these and the stimulating Passport Travel Film Series programs on your calendars.

A final important aspect of our mission is carried out by our member events committee. They have created an excellent assortment of trips, both local and regional, for our education and enjoyment. Those committee volunteers do an incredible job each year. Take the opportunity to express your appreciation when you see them.

As I mentioned in the September CALLNews, we are planning a fall retreat for all committee chairs, committee members, the board and past president of the board. It has been decided to hold the retreat on October 3, 2008 at the Woodlawn Ministry Center.

The process of hiring an administrative assistant is progressing to the point of soliciting applications for this part-time position. Some of you might be interested in this job, which will initially require approximately 10-15 hours per week. We welcome applications from CALL members, but are advertising the position beyond the CALL membership as well. You will find more information in this CALLNews.

We have had some changes in committee chairs. Sue Griffioen will chair the nominating committee; Ed and Alma Walhout, the publicity committee; Roberta Rice, the service committee; and Frank Roberts, the extended domestic and overseas trips committee. A special thanks to them and to each of the retiring chairs of committees. We are still looking for a chair for the health, fitness and recreation committee. Please contact me if you are interested.

We are off to a fine start this academic year. We hope that those of you who have not signed up will take advantage of the many excellent offerings CALL is again providing. And we thank you for your membership and participation which makes CALL so successful.

Chuck Jansen, CALL President

from Hospitality Committee, Marge Bantjes, Chair

Check your calendars! The CALL classes began for the fall program on Tuesday, September 9. Between the afternoon classes there will be a break from 2:45 till 3:15. Coffee, tea, cocoa and cookies will be available in the 3rd floor hallway of Hiemenga Hall. Please make certain that there is space for the students who use that hallway on their way to and from their own classes. Thank you for your consideration and welcome back to the CALL classes.

from Membership Secretary, Irene Bolthouse


Registrations for classes are still coming in. The following classes are filled, waiting list only:
#5 Health; #11 Elections; #13 Women of Influence;
#28 Russia; #30 Draw; #10 Creation; #20 Navaho;
#25 Prophets; #26 Economic Issues

from Member Events Committee




Sep. 29 [Mon] Fair Oak Farms - The Dairy Adventure
Enjoy a highly acclaimed, interesting and informative day at Fair Oaks - one of the largest dairy farms in the United States. Experience the "Birthing Barn" and the 3D/4D movie. Sit back and get ready for sights, sounds, and sensations as you watch this Grass to Glass movie. We enjoy their bus tour of this interesting farm. This trip comes highly recommended and they say it is a "must." We also tour the "Albanese" Candy Factory. Sample "chocolates" and "gummies". Our dinner is in New Buffalo. Cost - \$75.

Questions call Don or Shirley Lautenbach, 698-9244



Oct. 7-8 [Tue-Wed] A Fall Foliage Tour Brown County, Indiana Sit back and relax as we enjoy fun, food, fellowship, Indiana. On the way we stop at Taylor University and visit "The Prayer Center" which was built to commemorate the lives of Laura VanRyn and others who were killed in a tragic accident with a case of "mistaken identity." This is a sober, heart-warming and spiritual experience. We see covered bridges and the Brown County State Park, enjoy a play, and visit a "sock" factory. We stay in historic downtown Nashville at the unique Artist Colony and Cornerstone Inn. Each room is different and special.




While touring the Brown County State Park we see beautiful color and enjoy the wonders of nature. A tour guide tells us lively unforgettable stories. We also enjoy a guided tour of Camp Atterbury – a military base – an unforgettable experience. Cost - \$219 (double occupancy).

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Nov. 12 [Wed] Tour Around Grand Rapids Our tour this year includes the new Lemmen-Holton cancer pavilion, the historic Inner City Christian Federation, and St. John's Home. Join us for an adventurous day outing. Cost - \$50.

Questions call Carl or Glenda Welmers 243-6431



Dec. 3 [Wed] Detroit "White Christmas" Trip Our trip includes a tour of the famed Cranbrook House, the oldest manor home in the Detroit area and the original home of the Booths. We also enjoy lunch at the estate. In the afternoon we motor downtown to the historic Fox Theatre for Irving Berlin's "White Christmas." Sign up soon to ensure a seat on this outing. Cost - \$90.

Questions call Carl or Glenda Welmers 243-6431

Jan. 10, 2009 [Sat] Lunch and a Ball Game At 12 noon enjoy lunch in the Calvin College Commons while Jim Timmer, Calvin's athletic director, talks about the goals and purposes of Calvin's athletic and physical education programs and how several new state-of-the-art facilities will impact those programs. At 3pm we watch the Calvin men's basketball team play Alma College in the Van Noord Arena of the new Spoelhof Fieldhouse Complex. Cost - \$15.


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Jan. 14, 2009 [Wed] January Series Brunch Join us for our January Series Brunch at the Prince Center at 10:00 A.M. Richard Norton Smith, renowned presidential scholar and a former director of the Gerald R. Ford Museum speaks to us and answers questions. You will not want to miss this special session. We have reserved seating at the Fine Arts Center and bus transportation is provided to and from the Fine Arts Center. Cost - \$15. Reservations are limited.

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Feb. 18, 2009 [Wed] "Lincoln" luncheon In 2009, we celebrate Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday. Join us for a special time with Abraham Lincoln (really an impersonator) as he discusses his life and his faith in a special interview. This is a fun and informative time for everyone. Cost - \$19.

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Apr. 28 - 30, 2009 [Tue-Thu] Lincoln Legacy Trip – Springfield, Illinois Join us in the celebration of the 200th birthday of Abraham Lincoln. We visit the Lincoln Museum, as well as New Salem, Lincoln's home, the Old State Capital and other historic sites. Bill Kamstra, a Lincoln historian, discusses the life of this great man. The cost is \$295 (double occupancy). This is a repeat trip. Many persons have expressed their interest in this special celebrative "**Lincoln Legacy Trip.**" A deposit of \$50 reserves a place on this trip. The balance is due by March 1, 2009.

Questions call Don or Shirley Lautenbach, 698-9244




Jun. 9-10, 2009 [Tue-Wed] Traverse TALL Ships and more Tour two Tall Ships - "Madeline" and "Welcome", enjoy a two hour sail on the Tall Ship "Manitou" (including a boxsupper), tour the Music House Museum, experience the Sleeping Bear Dunes including a slide presentation at the Philip A. Hart Visitor Center and a guided tour on the Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive, enjoy the excellent food at Cottage Cafe, Cherry Republic Cafe and the Boone's Long Lake Inn. Cost - \$225 (double occupancy). A \$50 check reserves a place on this trip. The balance due by April 1, 2009.

Questions call Jerry or Bea DeWeerd, 878-3293



Coming - Watch for Future announcements

Mar. 18, 2009 [Wed] - Elim Christian Services and Drury Lane Theater - Chicago, Illinois Plans are being made for a tour and work day at Elim Christian Services. We will also enjoy the play "Sweet Charity" at Drury Lane Theater. Watch for complete details in the November issue of the CALLNews.



May, 2009 Holland Tulip Time The first week in May is Tulip Time in Holland, Michigan. We are planning a one day trip during Tulip Time. Although the plans are not completed for this day, (we are waiting for scheduling announcements) we know the day will include good food, excellent entertainment and great "Dutch" fellowship. Watch for an announcement in November for date and trip itinerary.



from Public Events Committee,
Henry Baron, Chair

Noontime Series

Free one-hour programs every other Thursday in September, October and November on the campus of Calvin College, 3201 Burton St, SE

Sep. 25 Long Look Back: the Anti-slavery Movement, the Underground Railroad in the Midwest, and the Lincoln-Douglas Debates Owen Muelder, director of the new Underground Railroad Freedom Center at Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois, talks about the UGRR routes through the Midwest to Canada in the context of the abolitionist movement and the Lincoln-Douglas debates of 1858. (In the Chapel)

Oct. 9 *Discovering Racism Among Us* Janice McWhertor, minister of congregational life at Church of the Servant and a founding member of CORR (Congregations Organizing for Racial Reconciliation), interviews people from the faith community about the effects of living in a racist society. Learn how Christians are uncovering and healing racism in their lives, churches and communities. (In the Chapel)

Oct. 23 *Facing Our Future: The Challenge of Energy Supply* Kenneth Piers, emeritus professor of chemistry, describes some of the key signs that modern civilization is facing serious challenges to its continuation, none more serious or more central than access to a stable energy supply. How should we respond? (In the Chapel Undercroft)

Nov. 6 *A Kenya Rescue: the story of Fear, Faith, and Gratitude* Three West Michigan young women-Brittanie Vander Mey, sister Aubrey, and friend Jamie Cook- were working at an orphanage in Kenya when tribal riots and killings in towns nearby threatened their safety. They tell how they were caught in the deadly violence that erupted in December 2006, and about their rescue, and ongoing ministry. (In the Chapel Undercroft)

Nov. 20 *New Horizons Band* Founded in January of 1999, the New Horizons Band has grown from 17 musicians of varying playing abilities to a cohesive group of over 80 performers. This versatile concert band, directed by Nancy Summers-Meeusen, entertains its audiences with a repertoire of rousing patriotic music, big band melodies, jazz and the classics. (In the Chapel)

**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 9am to 5pm

Monday-Friday Phone 616-526-6282

All programs are presented in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium of Calvin College at 7:30pm



- Oct. 23, 2008 *Inside the Tuscan Hills*** with John Wilson
- Nov. 20, 2008 *Burma (Myanmar) & Cambodia: Lands of Conflict*** with Buddy Hatton
- Feb. 5, 2009 *Bhutan, the Cloud Kingdom*** with Tom Sterling
- Mar. 19, 2009 *Bavaria & the Black Forest*** with Fran Reidelberger
- Apr. 30, 2009 *Beneath the Jungle... and Beyond (Mesoamerica)*** with Dale Johnson

from **CALL Board**

A training retreat for all CALL board and committee members will be held on Friday morning, October 3, from 8-11 a.m. at the Woodlawn Ministry Center, 3190 Burton St.,SE (across from the Burton entrance to Calvin College.) Please confirm your attendance by e-mailing call@calvin.edu or phoning 977-1792 by Friday September 26.

The part-time position of administrative assistant to the CALL board and committees is now posted on the Calvin College Human Resources online "job board". Go to <https://jobs.calvin.edu> and follow the directions to search positions, read the job description and create an application. If you have trouble finding the job description or applying online, call 526-6495(Calvin Human Resources). A screening team from the CALL executive committee will narrow down the applications, and three or four people will be interviewed by the whole executive committee and a chairperson or two from CALL committees. The goal is to have someone on the job by the end of October.

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

Member Events Registration

- Sep 29 [Mon] Fairs Oaks Farm Cost\$75 per person
- Oct 7-8 [Tue-Wed] Fall Foliage Cost \$219 per person
- Nov 12 [Wed] Tour Around Grand Rapids Cost \$50 per person
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- Jun 9-10, 2009 [Tue-Wed] Traverse TALL Ships \$50 deposit per person; total \$225 per person due by April 1

Name(s) _____

Address_____

City_____State_____ Zip_____

Phone(____)_____ Email_____

Do not attempt to make a reservation without sending a check. Make check payable to CALL. Your cancelled check is your receipt. Confirmation will be sent. If an event is already filled, you will be notified.

**from Service and Community Relations
Committee, Roberta Rice, Chair**

The two Calvin students who received CALL scholarships for the 2008-09 academic year - Melanie Omondi and Nicole Vega - have written letters of appreciation which are posted near the CALL office if you wish to read them. Also, thank you notes were received from the recipients of CALL service grants (requested by members Dave and Natalie Bosscher for Zuni Christian School, and by Sally Boelema to provide Bibles for the Kent Co. Detention Center). For more information about the service grant opportunity, contact Roberta at robin1320@sbcglobal.net

**from College Support Committee
Sally VanderPloeg, Chair**

The Calvin College French Department is hosting a free French Film Festival entitled "Histoires de Familles" - the last two dates are Thursday and Friday, Sept. 25 & 26 7:30pm. All films are subtitled in English, and will be shown in The Bytwerk Theater on the campus of Calvin College in the DeVos Communication Center. Sponsored by the Calvin College French Department and the Calvin College Film Forum with the support of a FACE Tournées grant. For more information call (616) 526-6361 or visit www.calvin.edu/academic/french/events/frenchfilmfestivalfall2008.htm

The Calvin-connection e-newsletter informs and reminds the college's neighbors and friends of Calvin-sponsored and related events that are open to the public, and shares news and items of mutual interest. To subscribe, contact Carol Rienstra, Calvin College director of community relations, phone: (616) 526-6175 or email crienstr@calvin.edu

There will be a **War Awareness Lecture Series** on October 13-24, bringing noteworthy members of the community, such as Professor B. De Vries, Col. Herm Keizer, Dr. M. Flikkema, Professor Bytwerk and LTC Gillem to speak on various topics - Crises in Basra, World War IV, The Road into Iraq, How the Media Makes the War Look Necessary, and more. Check out www.warawareness.com or email nav5@calvin.edu for more information. Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee, Democracy Matters and the Paul B. Henry Institute.

From September 2-27, the **Center Art Gallery** at Calvin College presents some semblance of order - new work by Nichole Maury, one of a variety of exhibitions created and selected each year to educate and foster dialogue. In addition to exhibits, the gallery features work by Calvin College students, faculty and alumni. The gallery has been in operation since 1974, and is located on the lower level of the Spoelhof College Center on the campus of Calvin College, and is open Monday - Thursday 9am-9pm, Friday 9am-5pm and Saturday noon-4pm. Admission is free.



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