President’s Message
The 2009 CALL membership meeting is scheduled as a luncheon on Friday, May 29 at the Prince Conference Center. Besides a short business meeting, former Calvin Chaplain Dale Cooper will lead devotions, Calvin English professor and author Gary Schmidt will speak, and the CALL Distinguished Service Award(s) will be presented. All CALL members are welcome to sign up by giving your name(s) and contact information for “May 29 luncheon meeting” to CALL’s administrative assistant Lisa Bauman - call@calvin.edu or 526-8777. (Do not call our membership secretary Irene Bolthouse to register for the luncheon this year.) A modest fee of $5.00 per person will be collected “at the door” on May 29 to help off-set the cost of the luncheon.

At its March 4th meeting, your CALL board discussed some amendments to the constitution and bylaws. The constitutional amendments that were discussed were referred to a study group for further clarification, and if approved by the board and by the Calvin College president, will be announced to the membership in the May CALLNews and voted on at the annual meeting. A few bylaws related to committee and board composition were approved by the board and if you want to know more, contact any board member. The board also reviewed two new nominees for the board that were presented by Sue Griffioen, chair of the nominating committee. Two current board members will be nominated for an additional term. Names and short biographies of these two new nominees, plus one other yet to be named, will be announced in the May CALLNews in advance of the vote at the annual meeting to approve their service to CALL as board members.

Interest Groups have drawn a great deal of response. As soon as there is a sufficient support in terms of coordinators and space to meet, all those who signed up for a group will be informed of the next steps.

Your suggestions and evaluations of CALL programming are always welcome. Please let us know if there is something that you find unsatisfactory, or especially wonderful. We hope that there are many happy, healthy lifelong learners because of the work that staff and volunteers put into the CALL program.

Chuck Jansen, CALL President

SPOTLIGHT ON …
The Hospitality Committee

This committee is responsible for maintaining appropriate services to members and hospitality at all sessions and meetings.

-CALL Constitution

CALL Members: Welcome back to the CALL classes. The Hospitality Volunteers have been busy to make certain that the cookies and coffee are ready to be served between the classes. The committee has provided refreshments since the beginning of CALL thirteen years ago. Donna Muyskens has been appointed as the new chair of the Hospitality Committee to replace Marge Bantjes. The committee is looking for help in setting up, hosting, and cleaning up coffee and cookies during coffee time. The commitment of time is minimal, Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 2:00-3:15 pm. and the rewards of smiles and friendly conversation are great. Please contact Donna Muyskens at 452-2234 or ddmuyskens@sbcglobal.net if you are interested in helping.

Health, Fitness and Recreation Committee
Marvin Zuidema, chair

We are pleased to announce that the new chairman of the Health, Fitness, and Recreation Committee is Marvin
Zuidema, retired professor of physical education at Calvin College. We look forward to his leadership with respect to our programs and interest groups. The Biking interest group currently has 34 people.

The number of CALL members that have joined MVP Sportsplex has reached an impressive 198 memberships. Membership fees for CALL members are $33 per month with no entry fee. Now an additional option is a spouse membership for $28 with no entry fee if the spouse is also a CALL member. If a couple both have MVP memberships at the present time, make arrangements at MVP to lower the monthly fee to $28 for the second spouse. After April 1, the entry fee of $75 will apply if the spouse applying for membership is not a CALL member, but the monthly fee will still be $28. In addition, there are no longer any restrictions on time for use of the facility. All members may now use the facility during any hours the facility is open.

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

**2008-2009 Passport To Adventure: A Travel Film Series**

Single Ticket $5 each; Student Ticket $2.50 each  
Calvin Box Office is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Monday–Friday Phone 616-526-6282

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

**Apr. 30**  
Beneath the Jungle... and Beyond (Mesoamerica)  
with Dale Johnson

**Noontime Series**

These free one-hour programs every other Thursday in February, March and April are held in the Chapel or Chapel Undercroft on the campus of Calvin College

**Apr. 2**  
Delightful Sounds for the Easter Season  
Members of the Calvin Alumni Orchestra, possibly aided by other musicians and poets, present a program of sounds from many eras and genres that will inspire greater appreciation for God’s gift of new and everlasting life. (Chapel)

**Apr. 16**  
Reflections on Sea to Sea Bike Tours  
Claire Elgersma, who cycled across Canada in 2005 and from Washington State to New Jersey in 2008, shares behind-the-scenes information about the impact these tours had on the participants and their churches. (Chapel)

**Summer Programs Committee**  
*Peter DeBoer, Chair*

Summer is coming and so is the CALL Summer Program. Please make note of the times and dates of the many different classes and programs we will be offering this summer. More details, including descriptions of the classes and a registration form will appear in the May CALLNews.

**Golf**  
June 8-12 at the Christian Reformed Recreation Center from 10:00-11:15a.m. Led by Ralph Honderd.

**Music Composition**  
June 12 and 15-18 from 1:30-2:45p.m.  
Led by Dale Grotenhuis.

**Birding**  
June 15-18 at the Bunker Interpretive Center from 8:00-10:00a.m. Led by Bette Frieswyk.

**Computers for Advanced Beginners**  
June 15-18 from 10:30-11:45a.m. Led by Jeni Hoekstra.

**Frugal Fundamentals**  
June 15 and 16 from 10:00a.m.-12:30p.m. Led by Rosemary Stevenson.

**Line Dancing**  
June 15-18 from 1:30-2:45p.m.  
Led by Robert Settergren.

**American Revolutionary War**  
June 15-18 from 1:30-2:45p.m. Led by William Huizing.

**Book of Colossians**  
May 9-10 from 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m.  
Led by Andy Bandstra.

**Member Events Committee**

May 6 [Wed]  
Holland "Tulip Time" Join us for a day of Dutch Heritage which will include "A Taste of Holland" (breakfast buffet and video), Klompen Dancers, Tour Tulip Lanes, Curtain Going Up (sit down lunch and show), Street Scrubbing and Volksparade, Dutch Marktplaats (shopping), Church Dinner Buffet and Three Men and a Tenor (a hilarious, high energy a capella group). Cost for the day is $90. Registrations must be in by April 3.  
Questions call Jerry or Bea DeWeerd, 878-3293

Jun. 9-10 [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 boxed lunch), 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) due by April 1, 2009.  
Questions call Jerry or Bea DeWeerd, 878-3293

Advance Notice: Our annual Stratford trip will be on Wednesday and Thursday, September 16 - 17. Tickets are reserved for Shakespeare's "Macbeth" and the musical "West Side Story." Cost for the trip will be $325 per person based on double occupancy. A $50 deposit will hold your reservation. A U.S. Passport is required this year for travel into Canada. Additional details will be provided in May CALLNews.

**Questions:** Call Carl & Glenda Welmers 243-6431

**Curriculum Committee**  
*Wally Bratt, chair*

There are about 850 seats filled so far in the CALL classrooms for the spring semesters. This already exceeds last spring’s final number by more than 100. These figures are encouraging to the Curriculum Committee as well as to the CALL board. Please continue to give us your responses to courses and also your suggestions for next year.

The Curriculum Committee is very grateful for the excellent support given by our membership secretary, Irene Bolthouse, and our administrative assistant, Lisa Bauman. Their help in getting all of you registered and accounted for deserves high accolades. Thank them when you see them.
Enrollment in Interest Groups is also encouraging. The figures so far are as follows: Knitting (23), Birding (18), Gardening (25), Biking (34), Choir (16), and Brass Ensemble (6). The Knitting group and the Brass Ensemble have already begun their meetings. Those who signed up for Birding, Gardening, and/or Biking will be notified about first meetings and other arrangements.

The Choir group will begin only if there are at least four or five people for each of the four parts. At present, that number seems unlikely, so if you want this group to get started, please get your friends to call Irene or Lisa right away. The decision about the choir will be made by March 27.

The CALL brass ensemble rehearsed for the first time on Wednesday, February 25. There were six of us there, and we had a great time reading through a wide variety of brass music. It is a very fine group, but we are interested in a few more members. We especially would like to have a horn player join us. If you are interested in the ensemble, please contact Rog Griffioen: rdgriffioen@comcast.net or 452-3328.

Membership Secretary

There is still time in the second section of the spring term in these classes:

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There is still time to sign up for CALL Interest Groups: Knitting, Birding, Gardening, Biking, Choir, Brass Ensemble. For CALL members there is no charge for these groups.

College Support Committee

April is Dutch Heritage Month at Calvin College – Special Guest: Dr. Sybe Schaap, Dike Reeve, Water Board, Groot Salland, The Netherlands, Chairman of the Federation of Dutch Water Boards, Member of Dutch Parliament, will speak on Water Management in the Netherlands: History, Prospects and Challenges. Thursday, April 16, a public lecture on Managing Water in the Netherlands takes place at 7:30 p.m. in the Commons Lecture Hall.

On Monday, April 27, the internationally praised Frisian/Dutch film (with English subtitles) about Nynke Van Hichtum’s failed marriage to Pieter Jelles Troelstra, the renowned leader of the Dutch social-democratic workers’ party, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the Bytwerk Theater, DeVos Communication Center. On Thursday, April 30, Koninginnedag (The Queen’s Birthday) will be celebrated with Dutch refreshments and games at 3:00 p.m. on the Spoelhof Center Outdoor Patio (by the flagpole) and Manor House Lawn. For more information, go to: www.calvin.edu/academic/dutch/heritage.html or call Henk Aay at 526-7033.

Invitation to Church Retirees Groups CALL members are invited to connect their church retirees’ groups to a visit to Calvin. Come early to one of the April Noontime Series programs, enjoy some refreshments and conversation with College leaders, and take a campus tour before attending the program from 12-1 p.m. To make arrangements, contact Carol Rienstra, crienstr@calvin.edu or 526-6175.

The Partners for a Racism-Free Community (PRFC) annual forum - “Calling All to a New Era of Responsibility” - will be held on Friday, March 27, 2009, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. at New Hope Baptist Church (130 Delaware St SW, Grand Rapids, MI.) Register online at http://prfc-gr.org (Cost: $20) or e-mail crienstr@calvin.edu to request one of a limited number of free passes for CALL members.

Calvin College Artist Series presents Japanese organist, harpsichordist and conductor, Masaaki Suzuki, on April 20th at 8 p.m. This concert is presented (in cooperation) with the Grand Rapids Bach Festival 2009. More info at www.calvin.edu/artistseries.

The Bach Festival is coming to Grand Rapids in April, starting with a program for young people on Tuesday, March 31st at 10 a.m. in the Calvin College Fine Arts Center Auditorium. Retirees are welcome to attend as well. For more information, e-mail crienstr@calvin.edu or call 526-6175.

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

Member Events Registration

☐ May 6 [Wed] “Tulip Time” total $90 per person. Registrations must be in by April 3.
☐ Jun. 9-10 [Tue-Wed] Traverse TALL Ships total $225 per person
☐ Sep. 16-17 [Wed-Thur] Stratford trip Deposit $50 per person; total $325 per person

Name(s) _______________________________________________________________

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Your check must accompany your reservation. 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.
Each year one or two **Distinguished Service Awards** are presented at the annual CALL membership meeting to recognize individuals who have given extra-ordinary service to our Academy. Any CALL member is welcome to submit the name of someone who has been a member of CALL for more than 5 years and who has given noteworthy service for at least 3 years. Please use the space below or email your nomination to call@calvin.edu

**Distinguished Service Award Nomination**

Send form to: CALL  3201 Burton St SE  Grand Rapids MI 49546

Name of nominee_________________________________. Please use space below to 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.