President’s Message
The CALL Board of Directors, Committee members and Committee chairs all met September 8 for an exciting planning session. There were over 50 persons who, in various capacities, serve CALL. Many of them have been active with CALL since Day 1—over 15 years ago. They were appropriately recognized!

The primary purpose of the planning meeting was to determine what CALL has been doing well in the past, where improvements could have been made, and what opportunities and strategies exist for the future to continue the great legacy of CALL. Participants were very active in suggesting items we could be doing to better meet CALL’s mandate—to enrich the lifelong spiritual, intellectual, cultural and social lives of its members; and to create an abiding partnership between Calvin and senior citizens in greater Grand Rapids who wish to share knowledge, talents and experience.

In the early years, membership was small. This year, CALL has over 1,000 members. The chart shows the growth in membership during the past 15 years.

What worked well for a small membership will have to change for a larger group. And that is what planning is all about. Your Board will work hard this year to update its thinking about where we, as an organization, want to be in the future. Each committee then met to determine its goals and strategies for the year. Exciting things are planned, so stay tuned.

Planning is a continuous process, and it takes all of us to contribute. Make suggestions, keep the discussion going, and continue to pray that the entire program of CALL is richly blessed as it certainly has been during the past 15 years.

The first session of CALL courses began September 14, and the curriculum committee has presented 39 courses, with record enrollments. Watch CALL News for member events, extended trips, Noon-Time Series, and the Passport to Adventure Series—which will be held in the new Covenant Fine Arts Center this year.

Ray Vander Weele, President
Public Events Committee

Henry Baron, Chair

We are looking forward to another exciting year of the Passport to Adventure Film Series and the engaging lectures of the Noontime Series. Both of these events are wonderful opportunities to share with friends and family.

Passport to Adventure: A Travel Film Series

The 2010-2011 Passport to Adventure Film Series is back on Calvin's campus in the beautifully renovated Covenant Fine Arts Center. Individual evening tickets or season tickets may be purchased by calling the Calvin Box Office at 526-6282.

Please join us as we travel to many beautiful, interesting, and historic locations.

The first show of the season:

October 28, 2010 [Thur], Sea to Sea in a Model T
Join Don and Fran Van Polen as they travel from the Puget Sound in Washington State to the eastern-most town and lighthouse in America in a Model T. Along the way they describe the landscapes and share the fascinating story of Henry Ford's Old Model T.

Upcoming shows:
November 18, 2010 [Thur] Portugal and Cruising the Douro River
January 17, 2011 [Mon] Italian Lakes Adventure
March 10, 2011 [Thur] St. Vincent and the Grenadines: Caribbean Jewels
April 27, 2011 [Wed] Discovering the Dutch

Fall 2010 Noontime Series schedule

These free lectures begin at 12:00 and are held in the Chapel of Calvin College.

September 23 [Thur] Air Traffic Control 101
Craig Buma, air traffic controller at Chicago Center in Aurora, Illinois, enlightens us about what happens in the sky over Grand Rapids and Chicago every day, and how a typical flight from GR to Atlanta is handled from the center. He will also address questions regarding the safety of air travel, recent changes in air traffic control, and upcoming changes.

October 7 [Thur] When the Earth Quakes
Clarence Menninga, emeritus professor of geology at Calvin College, tells us about the processes that cause earthquakes, about the distribution of earthquake activity on earth, and shows examples of damage from earthquakes and tsunamis.

October 21 [Thur] Of Windmills and Candlelight: Will we run out of power? Paulo Ribiero, professor of engineering at Calvin College, will take us inside the largest machine ever built, an electric power grid. Through computer animation he will show us the complexity of supply systems and discuss our need for new generation sources to meet future demands.

November 4 [Thur] Growing up in Postwar Germany, Part II with Barbara Carvill

November 18 [Thur] The American Thanksgiving with Karin Maag

Administrative Assistant Lisa Bauman

We have new hanging CALL namebadge holders available. If yours is getting old or worn and is in need of replacing you may pick up a new name badge at the CALL class coffee table located in Hiemenga Hall on a Tuesday or Thursday, or you may pick one up at the CALL office (2nd floor of the Youngsma building, located on the East side of the Beltline).

Member Events Committee
Don and Shirley Lautenbach, Co-Chairs

October 18 [Mon] Frankenmuth Trip Enjoy the beauty of God's creation as we delight in the wonders of the fall colors. We will travel to Frankenmuth and will visit the historic Lorenz Lutheran Church. Experience Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland (the store is the size of 1-1/2 football fields) and savor a world-famous chicken dinner at Zender's of Frankenmuth. Cost $69 per person.

Questions? Call Don or Shirley Lautenbach 698-9244

November 17 [Wed] Our Tour around Grand Rapids this year will start at the new Kent County Recycling & Education Center fulfilling the vision of retired Calvin Professor Jim Bosscher. From there we will focus on the "Medical Hill" by touring the Van Andel Institute. Our tour will include an update on the ground breaking research and science education that is taking place right here in West Michigan. We will have a presentation from one of Van Andel Institute's Scientific Investigators as well as get a "bird's-eye view" of the new Demonstration Lab where you will see researchers at work. We will also have our dinner here.

Our final stop will be the impressive MSU Medical complex where students will be trained in research and education. Cost for the day: $50 per person.

Questions? Call Carl & Glenda Welmers 243-6431

January 7, 2011 [Friday - 10:00 a.m.] January Series Brunch - We will have as our special speaker, Theary Seng, author of the book entitled "Daughter of the Killing Fields." Ms. Seng was born in Phnom Penh in January, 1971. Under the Khmer Rouge, she lived in Svay Rieng province bordering VietNam, where the killings were most intense and there she spent five months in prison. The Khmer Rouge
killed both of her parents. At the age of eight she and her surviving family trekked across the border to Thailand in November 1979 and emigrated to the United States one year later. Her family first settled in Grand Rapids with the support of a local CRC church. Theary graduated from Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service with a BS in International Politics and received a Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan Law School. She returned to Cambodia in 2004 and is the founder and board president of the Center for Justice and Reconciliation.

The cost of $16.00 includes our speaker, a delicious brunch, bus service to the Covenant Fine Arts Center and a reserved seat.

Questions? Call Don or Shirley Lautenbach 698-9244

Extended Trips Committee
Frank Roberts, Chair

There are three tours now approved by the Extended Trips Committee. These tours are a CALL partnership with the Calvin Alumni Association:

March 31-April 12, 2011 Paul’s Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor of New Testament at Calvin Theological Seminary (and leading biblical scholar) and Aaron Winkle, associate chaplain at Calvin College, for a study tour of key biblical and archaeological sites in Turkey. Walk in the footsteps of Paul and John during the day and study their New Testament writings at night. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 800-388-6034 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

May 15-22, 2011 River Cruise through France. Join Bill and Delores Stob as you sail through the heart of Burgundy and Florence on a seven-night cruise. There will be six shore excursions with an optional trip to Noyon, birthplace of John Calvin. World-class art, nature and history will fill your days. If interested, contact Trish Schroeder at Protravel International at 616-425-8720 or call the Calvin Alumni Office at 616-526-6142 or e-mail alumni@calvin.edu.

Fall 2011 China: Past and Present. Join Don DeGraaf, Calvin’s off-campus programs director and alumnus John Witte of Witte Travel for a tour that includes generous time in Beijing and Hong Kong, including the Great Wall and other key historic sites. Questions? Call Don De Graaf at 616-526-6225 or ddegraaf@calvin.edu.

For more information on all of these tours, go to www.calvin.edu/travel. Printable itineraries are available at that web site.

Interest Groups

The Knitting Interest Group will hold its first meeting on October 6 from 2-4 pm in DeVos 205B. New knitters, experienced or novice, are always welcome. The group will meet October 6 through December 12 on Wednesdays from 2-4 pm.

The Birding Interest Group will NOT be meeting this fall, but plans to begin again in early spring.

Membership Secretary Irene Bolthouse

There are a number of classroom changes from those listed in the Curriculum Booklet. Please make note of these if you are enrolled in any of the following:
#11 Poetry - from SB-101 to SB-102
#12 Michigan - from SB-102 to SB-101
#20 Reading - from H-428 to H-335
#23 Worldview - from H-314 to SB-110
#30 Faith & Fiction - from SB-302 to SB-103
#31 Monuments - from H-428 to H-335
#32 Revival - from SB-103 to SB-302

These courses are filled, with waiting list only:
#2 Scriptures
#5 Cooking for One or Two
#8 Elections
#12 Ancient Michigan
#14 Genesis
#33 Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
#36 Jewelry Making

All others have plenty of room, even #37 Films which has an enrollment of 129!
**College Support Committee**

*Michael VanDenend, Chair*

All CALL members are welcome to attend this interesting presentation on our national forests:

"Life with the National Forests: Work Worth Doing" Friday, October 22, at 8 p.m., Calvin Chapel

Joel Holtrop '74 and Jessica Holtrop '07 will share reflections on their Forest Service experience as father and daughter, and as individuals committed to land stewardship -- one at a career's beginning and the other at a career's culmination. They are two members of a family imbued with lessons and values learned at Calvin College to care for the earth, its people and its resources.

Joel is Deputy Chief for the United States Forest Service, responsible for oversight of the 193 million acre National Forest System of forests and grasslands located in 42 states and Puerto Rico. Jessica has been a wildland fire fighter in Montana and California.

All are welcome to join us for this special lecture during Homecoming weekend. (No tickets needed.) See www.calvin.edu/homecoming or call (616) 526-6142 for more information on any Homecoming events.

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**CALLNews and CALLWeb Editor**

*Laird Hamstra*

At the recent planning meeting of the CALL board and CALL committees, a poll showed that about 50% of those present have never visited CALLWeb. If this is representative of the CALL membership in general, it shows that many people are missing out on a great resource. CALLWeb has an amazing amount of useful information including current and past issues of CALLNews and CALL Curriculum. There are forms which can be printed to join CALL or to participate in many CALL activities. If you ever want to introduce someone to CALL, just point them to CALLWeb, it is all there. The address of the CALLWeb is www.calvin.edu/call.