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REVIEW OF THE 2007-2008 ACTIVITIES OF THE EMERITI COUNCIL:

The Council's Wednesdays II programs were again a success. Presenters included (in chronological order) Bill Appel, Erika Loeffler, Mitch Hanley, Garrard Macleod, Nancy Falk, James Bosco, Ernst Breisach, Sarah Hurd (the Emeriti Endowed Medallion Scholar) and Diether Haenicke with attendance averaging about 40 people. In addition, Bob Beam presented at the August 6, 2007 Break-Fest and the Council co-sponsored a forum on November 8, 2007 entitled Sharpening the Edge; WMU's Strategy for the Future. Peter Kobrak led the efforts on arranging the forum. The Council thanks the presenters for their efforts.

WEDNESDAYS II FOR FALL 2008 AND WINTER/SPRING 2009: Wednesdays II programs are held in the Emeriti Lounge on the second floor of Walwood Hall at 2:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month during the Fall and Spring semesters. The public is welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be available. Enter Walwood Hall from the parking lot east of the building by the door closest to Oakland drive.

September 10: **Mary Brown (Health, Physical Education and Recreation). "The Department of Natural Resources: The impact of financial cuts on our critical natural resources and on the environment."** Mary Brown is a member of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). She will discuss the purposes of the DNR, their work, and the impact of financial cuts throughout the state. **(Note: The location for this Wednesday II Presentation will be the ground floor lobby in Walwood because the Emeriti Lounge has been previously reserved.**

October 8: **John Geisler (Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology). "From Moccasins to Main Street: A Droll, Quixotic, Quaint, Erratic, and Whimsical History of the Sauk (native American) Trail in Michigan through its various iterations --- now known as US 12."** This program will be

made by a droll, quixotic, quaint, and whimsical dilettante who has not outgrown his boyhood fixation on roads and highways -- a tour-de-force by a "roadaholic" (currently in remission). Slides will be presented at the whim of the presenter.

November 12: **Dave (Environmental Studies) and Lyn Hargreave. "People to People: Ways to experience cultures and exchange friendships around the world."**

Dave and Lyn Hargreave will speak about their experiences traveling and living in other cultures, and provide information as to how others may be involved in international exchange programs.

December 3: **"Holiday Stories Presented by Students from the Department of Theatre."**

There will be holiday goodies and coffee in the Walwood Lobby provided by the Emeriti Council Board. Come and enjoy conversation and refreshments. Students from the Department of Theatre will present Holiday Stories. **Please note the change in date for this program.** The second Wednesday of December falls during final exam week for the students.

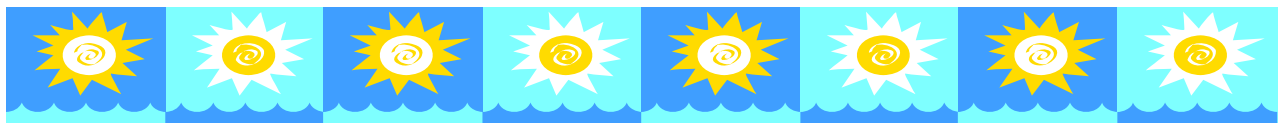
January 14: **Richard McAnaw (Political Science). "The Fun and the Uncertainty of the November Election and Implications for the New President."**

Other Events

OFF-CAMPUS OUTING AT THE KALAMAZOO INSTITUTE OF ARTS: The Council has arranged a docent-led tour of "Spared from the Storm: Masterworks from the New Orleans Museum of Art" at the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts on Tuesday, November 18. Registration and payment of \$9 per person is required by October 27. The reservation form is enclosed with this newsletter.

BREAK-FEST 2008: The annual Break-Fest will be held on Wednesday, August 6 with President Dunn speaking. The reservation form is enclosed with this newsletter.

EMERITI COUNCIL FORUM FOR FALL 2008: The Council is arranging a fall forum "The State Perspective on Higher Education" to be held Friday, October 24 featuring Lieutenant Governor John Cherry. This effort is being led by a committee composed of Peter Kobrak, Ronald Crowell and Rollin Douma.



THE COUNCIL'S NEW E-MAIL LIST: The Council has assembled an email list to send out reminders and changes in schedule. Nancy Falk has assembled an email list of about half of the emeriti and is now sending reminders and updates out electronically to those of you for whom we have an email address. If you have not received any of these reminders and would like to get them, please send your preferred e-mail address to Phillip Caruso (phillip.caruso@wmich.edu).

THE EMERITI COUNCIL WEBSITE: Molly Williams is now responsible for updating the Council's website. She will send digital files of our minutes, newsletters and other information. That website is www.wmich.edu/emeriti/.

THE 2008-2009 MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL: The returning members of the council for 2008-2009 are: Phillip Caruso, Mary Cordier, Rollin Douma, Ed Edwards, Peter Kobrak and Molly Williams. Joining the Council in May for the 2008-2009 year are: Harold Bate, Robert Boughner, Ronald Crowell, Sandra Edwards, Robert Eisenberg, Donna Oas, D. Terry Williams. Those whose terms ended in May 2008 are: Woody Ehrle, Nancy Falk, C.J. (Gus) Gianakaris, Ruth Heinig, John Houdek, Phil Kramer, Ruth Ann Meyer and John Petro. We extend our thanks for the efforts of the departing members in helping the Council undertake its activities.

SINDECUSE HEALTH CENTER PHARMACY WANTED: Additional volunteer drivers to deliver prescriptions to WMU retirees. Deliveries are done on Tuesday and Thursday. Sign up for any Tuesday or Thursday by contacting Julie Ritter at (269) 387-3355 or julie.ritter@wmich. The retirees appreciate this service.

EMERITI FLU CLINIC: As this newsletter is published, the date of the fall clinic is not known. Emeriti are urged to look for announcements in September and call Sindecuse to get the day of the Flu Clinic.

EMERITI TEXTBOOK SCHOLARSHIP: Emeriti contributions to our textbook scholarship effort raised about \$11,000 for textbook scholarships to WMU students representing several colleges. A total of 34 students received textbook scholarships during the Spring 2008 Semester (previously Winter Semester). These scholarships are much appreciated as parents and students are sometimes shocked as to how much textbooks cost! The request for donations for 2008-2009 academic year will be sent out sometime this summer.

EMERITI MEDALLION SCHOLARSHIPS: The Council has been informed that WMU has received an anonymous donation by an emeriti to the Emeriti Medallion Scholar Fund. The fund originally had enough money for one medallion scholarship but not enough for two. As a result of this new donation the University will be able to award a total of three medallion scholarships in the name of the emeriti. As many of you know,

the student who has held the Emeriti Medallion Scholarship for the last four years, Sarah Hurd, graduated at the end of the 2007-08 academic year so there will be a new Emeriti Medallion Scholar in 2008-09. Due to the fact that the new money was not received until after the Medallion Scholarship competition was complete, we will have one scholar in the 2008-09 school year with the potential for more in the coming years. The new Emeriti Endowed Medallion Scholarship recipient is Emily Wacyk. Emily comes from Grand Ledge High School where she was a member of the National Honors Society, the German Club and the marching band. She has participated in Girls State and was involved in dance, theatre, and chorus. Emily had already studied abroad in Jamaica, Germany and Austria. Within her community, she is a member of the South Church Youth Group and has worked as a summer camp counselor and a weekend volunteer.

INVEST IN YOUR HEALTH AT THE STUDENT RECREATION CENTER: Emeriti are entitled to use the Student Recreation Center at no cost. To activate your membership, stop into the Student Recreation Center (SRC) between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Another option is to go to the website (www.src.wmich.edu) and click on "home" and scroll down to "membership" to download the form. Print and completely fill out the membership contract and membership form. The form can be faxed to (269) 387-3766, attn: Cindy or mailed to the address below.

Mail to:

Coordinator of Member Services
1903 West Michigan Avenue
Student Recreation Center
WMU
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5447

SRC Hours of Operation	
Fall and Spring	Summer
Monday - Friday (6 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Saturday (10 a.m. to 7 p.m.) Sunday (10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)	Monday - Friday (6 a.m. to 8 p.m.) Saturday/Sunday (noon to 7 p.m.)

Invest in your health at no cost. Come and play tennis, racquetball, badminton, exercise on cardio equipment or use the pool. Visit the website and see what we have to offer. Contact Cindy VanderWoude at 387-3115 if you have any questions about your SRC membership.

Cindy VanderWoude
Member Services
University Recreation
Division of Student Affairs
<http://www.src.wmich.edu>

WMU EMERITI NOVEMBER AFTERNOON OUTING

WHAT: Docent-led tour of "Spared from the Storm: Masterworks from the New Orleans Museum of Art"

WHERE: Kalamazoo Institute of Arts (free parking in KIA lots on South and Lovell Streets)

WHEN: Tuesday, November 18 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

COST:

--\$5 for KIA members. (Note KIA members must register on this form but will pay for tickets at the door. An additional \$1 will be collected at the door for the docent-led tour.)

--\$9 per person (ticket and tour) for non-members of KIA. (Please include payment with this form.)

LIMIT: Registration is limited to the first 60 people (including KIA members).

The stunning collection of 18th-20th century masterpieces includes works by Degas, Cassatt, Miro, Monet, Picasso, Renoir, Rodin and Matisse. It is one of the finest exhibits the KIA has ever hosted. A must see!

(Optional) Come early for the free "Artbreak" lecture from 12:15 to 1:00 (bring sack lunch if you wish; coffee and cookies provided). You may also stay after the tour and visit the other exhibits (free) on your own and shop in the gallery store.

Send reservations, names of participants and money (for non-members of KIA) NO LATER THAN Monday, October 27 to:

Shannon Landis

3051 Seibert Administration Building

Western Michigan University

Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5202

Name (please print)_____ KIA Member(please circle): Yes No

Name (please print)_____ KIA Member(please circle): Yes No

Total Amount included (\$9 each for non KIA members)_____

Make Check payable to Western Michigan University

The Annual Emeriti BREAK-FEST
Wednesday, August 6th, 2008
Fetzer Center, WMU



Bring your spouse or guest to meet friends and former colleagues at the
BREAK-FEST
sponsored by your Emeriti Council.

8:30 am ~ Coffee and Juice

9:00 am ~ Breakfast

10:00 am ~ President John M. Dunn will be speaking

The buffet includes:

cheddar cheese eggs, sausage, freshly cut fruit,
breakfast potatoes, scones, bagels, yogurt, and beverages.

Join old friends and enjoy good food and conversation!

See you there!

Fill out the form below and mail it with a check for \$15.00 per person.

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Please return this form with your check made out to WMU by July 31, 2007 to:

Shannon Landis  
Office of the President  
Western Michigan University  
1903 W. Michigan Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5202

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

Number of Reservations \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please call (269) 387-2361 with any dietary restrictions or needs