May – June, 2011

The Learning Club
Annual Potluck Picnic
Thursday, June 16, 2011
11:30am, La Canne Park

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How to Register for Classes and Events:

1. **Phone:** call 507/457-2331
2. **Email:** retiree@winona.edu
3. **By Mail:** The Learning Club, c/o WSU Retiree Center, PO Box 5838, Winona, MN 55987
4. **In Person:** WSU Retiree Center located on the 1st floor of the WSU Alumni House, 227 West 7th Street (Corner of Winona & Wabasha Streets). Parking is available in the back.

All classes/events that have a fee are required to be paid in advance of the deadline indicated (by mail or in person as indicated above). Reservation for the class/event is not secured until payment is received.
ALTERNATIVE GARDENING

No gardening space – just a patio or balcony? Consider container gardening. Learn creative strategies to grow vegetables and flowers in containers. You can grow fresh vegetables in a minimum of space.

Presenter, Marianne Duffy Hohenner, is a lifetime California Master Gardener and a Minnesota Master Gardener. A recent immigrant to the Midwest, she is enjoying the seasonal weather changes but misses year-round vegetable gardening in California. She grows peppers and herbs indoors in winter and is busy planning her spring plantings.

Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona County History Center
Presenter: Marianne Duffy Hohenner

WOULD YOU RECOGNIZE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS RELATED TO HAVING A STROKE?

Carol Meyer-Boldon has been a speech language pathologist for 27 years, with the past 2 years at Winona Health. She has served in hospital, long-term care and home care settings plus operating a private practice. She has a special interest in stroke patients and their recovery. Her personal mission this year is to educate as many as possible regarding warning signs and symptoms in stroke prevention. She is looking forward to providing this information to our group.

Carol will be accompanied by a physical therapist that has been with Winona Health for 16 years. Diane enjoys working with people of all ages. Some of her varied interests include geriatrics and neuro rehabilitation. She is happy to share information with this group to help people recognize warning signs related to strokes.

Date: Thursday May 12, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona County History Center

Use FAST to remember the warning signs

“F A S T“

FACE Ask the person to smile.
Does one side of the face droop?

ARMS Ask the person to raise both arms.
Does one arm drift downward?

SPEECH Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase.
Is there speech slurred or strange?

TIME If you observe any of these signs...
Call 9 1 1 Immediately.
TOUR: NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING CENTER

The National Child Protection Training Center provides prevention education and victim advocacy to families, community members, educators, law enforcement and others on issues of child safety.

The program will begin with a tour of the National Child Protection Training Center at Winona State University. Carole Madland, Professor Emeritus, Sociology, Winona State, will follow the tour with a presentation entitled: “Being a Good Neighbor: Recognizing the Sexual Abuse of Children”

Date: Monday May 16, 2011
Time: 10:00 am-Noon
Location: Winona State University
Maxwell Hall Maxwell Hall, 2nd Floor

TOUR: SET CONSTRUCTION, 2011 SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Backstage of Great River Shakespeare Festival!
Doug Scholz-Carlson, Associate Director and fight scene coach (as well as company actor with parts in all three play), will provide a sneak preview into some of the inner workings and preparations for GRSF Season Eight.

Date: Wednesday May 18, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona State University Performing Arts Center

TOUR: HISTORIC FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (UCC), WINONA

This tour of the present site of Winona’s first church and the oldest congregation in southeastern Minnesota includes Laird Chapel with its beautiful windows displaying six aspects of the Christian life.

Music from the Casavant Opus 1340 organ, installed in 1929, is scheduled.

Date: Monday, May 23, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: 161 West Broadway
THE CHINA WE SAW

Bert and Marge Mohs, Learning Club members, spent almost four weeks in China this winter. The trip was planned by their son and his Chinese girlfriend. They relied on them for translating as they stayed about half of the time with her relatives, all of whom spoke only Mandarin.

This presentation includes pictures taken in Beijing, where the journey began, to as far south as Sanya on the South China Sea, and as far north as Harbin. Among other unique experiences, they saw Forbidden City, Summer Palace, The Great Wall, Xian, the terra cotta soldiers, and the Harbin Ice Festival.

The Learning Club Annual Potluck Picnic

Gather with your Learning Club friends for good food and a good time. The Learning Club will furnish sloppy joes, buns, lemonade and tableware. Bring a salad, casserole or dessert to share (don’t forget to include a serving spoon).

Please RSVP by June 9, 2011

Date: Thursday, June 9, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona County Historical Center

Date: Thursday, June 16, 2011
Time: Picnic begins at 11:30 am
Location: La Canne Park, Goodview (off Hwy 61)
Bhutan: Inland Mountain Kingdom

Did you ever wonder where Shangri-la is? Some people say that Bhutan fits the description of a beautiful, peaceful, isolated country in the Himalayas.

Come and learn about Kay and Stewart Shaw's experience there October 2010, and see if you agree.

Date: Monday, June 20
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona County History Center

SUMMER IN THE MINNESOTA MARINE ART MUSEUM GARDENS

Celebrate Summer Solstice by meeting on the river walk patio of the Minnesota Marine Art Museum patio with Learning Club members for refreshments and an introduction to the museum including information about the fleeting area and the native fish and wildlife of the river.

After an introduction to specifics of the Marine Art Museum gardens, Harry Buck will guide us through the grounds sharing information about the native prairie plants, grasses and trees. Each participant receives a handout of specific useful plants noting the frequent Native American uses.

In case of rain meet in the Museum meeting room. Those willing to face the elements, bring an umbrella to tour the gardens.

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2011
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Minnesota Marine Art Museum, 800 Riverview Drive, Winona
The Heart of India

People have a lot of stereotypes about India—the TajMahal, beggars, dirty, holy men. With Stewart, Kay Shaw returned there fall 2010 for the first time since spending a summer doing a college research project.
Find out what has remained the same, what is different and what India is, beyond the stereotypes. Learn how the main Hindu festival, Diwali, is celebrated in cities and villages.

Date: Monday, June 27  
Time: 10:00 am  
Location: Winona County History Center

The Learning Club
...within the CLUB schedules

MYSTERY READERS BOOK CLUB

The Mystery Readers Book Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at Callista Court. Members read any work by the author chosen for the month. To begin discussion one member gives a biographic summary of the author and information about his/her work.

Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 – Author: William Tapply  
Tuesday, June 28, 2011 – Author: Peter Lovesey  
Time: 10:30 am  
Location: Callista Court - 1455 West Broadway

STORYTELLING GROUP

September to May  -  Meeting Date: 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Dates: Wednesday May 18, 2011  
Time: 1 pm  
Location: WSU Retiree Center, WSU Alumni House, 227 West Wabasha.

Topic: Experiences of Serving on a Jury

Visitors or participants are always welcome.

Parking is available in the driveway behind the Alumni House and the front door is handicap assessable. New members are welcome to come and listen or participate by telling a short story.

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