The Learning Club invites all members to share ideas for programs and attend programming meetings. The next meeting is 1/6/14 9:00 am – History Center

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WSU Learning Club

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Corner of Winona & Wabasha Streets
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Learning Club Memberships
$20/person annually
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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 programs/events requiring an additional fee must be paid in advance of the deadline indicated (by mail or in person as indicated above). Reservation for the program/event is not secured until payment is received.
Whitewater Gardens Farm

Sandy Dietz will tell us about the efforts of Whitewater Gardens to grow vegetables year round. The farm was purchased in 1991 and they currently grow 6 – 10 acres of vegetables. The greenhouse project was started in 2009 and since that time they have learned many things about growing in the ground through four seasons and the use of ground heat. This will be an informative look at geothermal heat and agriculture in cold climates.

Date: Monday, November 4, 2013
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Place: Winona County History Center

Systemic Child Neglect: A National Disgrace

Matt Vetter will trace (from a sociological perspective) the development of institutions in terms of child rearing responsibilities, and point out the gaps that exist in supervision of youth in our society today.

Vetter, Professor Emeritus of Sociology from Saint Mary’s University, was born and raised in Strasburg, ND. Most residents of Strasburg spoke German, though it was a Russian community. Most children learned English when they started school. Vetter started his teaching career in a one-room school with eight grades.

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2013
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Winona County History Center

History of Kwik Trip & Kwik Star Stores

Have you often wondered about the story behind the successful Kwik Trip and Kwik Star stores? Steve Wrobel, Public Relations for Kwik Trip Corporation, will describe the history of Kwik Trip stores–how they began, the history of their philosophy and expansion, and the community-based humanitarian efforts they support.

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2013
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Winona County History Center
Capturing Iceland: Digital Photography Under the Midsummer Sun

Elmer and Louise Mattila went on a two week Road Scholar program and took advantage of the 21 hours of daylight each day to capture images of mountains, glaciers, waterfalls, volcanic landscapes, harbors, farms and sheep. They will share what they learned about Iceland through the photographs that they took traveling around the island.

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2013
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Winona County History Center

Energy Development Costs

Barry Drazkowski is a former U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wildlife biologist and now executive director of St. Mary’s University’s GeoSpatial Services in Winona, Minn. Drazkowski sits on Congressman Ron Kind’s Mississippi River Advisory Committee and is currently an active member of the ASTM committee responsible for drafting Hydraulic Fracturing (fracking) Operations Reporting standards.

He has conducted reviews of development impacts on natural areas for state and federal agencies across the continent. He recently returned from a tour of the Bakken Oil Field and is concerned about climate change and our future energy costs.

Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2013
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Winona County History Center

English Midwifery

Nurse and midwife, Enda Fitzmaurice, will be talking about her experiences with the midwifery program in the United Kingdom. She was born in Ireland and was trained in midwifery in England. This will be a fascinating glimpse into the English midwifery profession – Enda is a wonderful storyteller.

Date: Wednesday, December 11
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Winona County History Center
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, November 26; Author: Donna Leon
Time: 10:30 am
Location: Callista Court - 1455 West Broadway

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

Dates: Wednesday, November 20
       Wednesday, December 18
Time: 1:00 pm
Location: WSU Retiree Center, WSU Alumni House, 227 West Wabasha.

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

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