





Newsletter and Schedule

November/December, 2018

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*The Learning Club
invites all members to
share ideas for programs
and attend
programming meetings.
The next meeting is 10/29/18
10:00 am - History Center*

Go green - The Learning Club Newsletter is available online the 15th of even months
<https://www.winona.edu/retiree/learningclub.asp>
(click The Learning Club on the left navigation bar)
You may print a copy or read online

Save trees - receive an email copy

Sign up- 457-5565

We are no longer asking Learning Club members to call or email the WSU Retiree Center to register for Learning Club events. We will continue to send a weekly email reminding you of upcoming events. If you are interested in attending, you just need to show up. Easy and convenient!

LEARNING CLUB 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Come and celebrate as the Learning Club turns 25! This is sure to be a lovely event and a chance to spend a wonderful evening celebrating with friends. You should have received your invitation to this event in the mail, and you must RSVP with payment by October 17th to reserve your spot. Hope to see you there!



Date: Thursday, November 1, 2018

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Whalen's at Westfield, Winona

INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND LEADERSHIP IN MINNESOTA, FROM THE 1960s TO THE PRESENT

This presentation draws on the interviews that Audrey Thayer and Colette Hyman have been conducting with women who have played leading roles in establishing the key institutions at the heart of the Native communities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, since the 1960s. With increasing numbers of Native women in office and running for office, in Minnesota as elsewhere, it is important to understand the historical underpinnings of such developments. While this project did not originally seek to address this issue, all-female "Native Caucus" of the Minnesota House of Representatives in the last session, begs the question of how this happened, and how this might be linked to the community-building work that women have been doing in the Twin Cities and on their reservations starting in the 1960s. This presentation will suggest some answers to these questions.

Colette A. Hyman has been teaching U.S. History at WSU since 1990. She has always written and taught about the history of women, but since the turn of the millennium, she has focused particularly on the history of Indigenous women in this region. In 2012, she published *Dakota Women's Work: Creativity, Culture & Exile* (Minnesota Historical Society Press), and she is currently working with Audrey Thayer (White Earth Nation), an instructor at Leech Lake Tribal College, on the role of women in building the Indigenous communities in Minneapolis and St. Paul. She is also an irregular Community Columnist for the Winona Daily News and Minnpost.



Colette Hyman

Date: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Winona County History Center

MN STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST: WHAT'S NEW?

Back by popular demand, Dr. Travis Thul, Dean of Trade and Technology, will present an update on the many amazing programs for Minnesota State College Southeast students and our area high school students. Travis's talents and energy have helped create new and exciting opportunities not only for students, but the community at large. Dr. Thul will expand on:

- Building partnerships with local high school students to enroll students in the Post Secondary Enrollment Options program; these are the students who will benefit from the vocational-technical programs enabling them to leave high school with job skills that command excellent salaries.
- Continuing to build bridges with the local universities to enable to enter directly university programs, such as engineering.
- Continuing to forge partnerships with local industries.
- Engaging students in one of the most advanced Industrial Control labs in the State.

Dean Thul believes in experiential learning for the college's students. He contends that hands-on, direct experiences provided in the school and community settings provide multiple opportunities for the students to excel.

Join us to learn more about what is happening at Southeast Technical & Community College!



Date: Thursday, November 8, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m..

Location: Winona County History Center

HEADING TO MOROCCO



Casablanca, Fez, Erfoud, Merzouga, Marrakesh, Quarzazate, and Rabat are just some of the cities that Ann and John Rethlefsen will talk about during their travel presentation on Morocco. From seeing amazing architecture, to driving

through the Atlas Mountains, riding camels out to their desert Bedouin-style tent in the Sahara, to other sites and cities, they will share these experiences with you through their talk and photographs. Join us as we "Head to Morocco."

Date: Thursday, November 15, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m..

Location: Winona County History Center

DAY TRIP TO THE BELL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY FEBRUARY 14, 2019!

We're very excited to announce that the WSU Retiree Center has planned another fantastic day trip opportunity for you. Save the Date – Valentine's Day 2019!



On Thursday, February 14th we will be heading to the all-new Bell Museum of Natural History in St. Paul, MN. This is Minnesota's official natural history museum! Their brand new home features a digital planetarium, high-tech exhibits, their famous wildlife dioramas, outdoor learning experiences and more. This trip will include a 70-minute guided tour of the museum along with a 50-minute planetarium show. We will also have a reserved room and boxed lunches to enjoy before our tour. Here's a link to their website: <https://www.bellmuseum.umn.edu/new/>

Here's our itinerary:

9:45 a.m. – Leave Phillips Bus Parking Lot (located at 12th and Main, Winona)

12:00 p.m. – Arrive at the Bell Museum of Natural History

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. – Enjoy boxed lunches in a reserved space at the museum

1:30 – 2:40 p.m. – 70-minute guided tour of the museum

2:45 – 3:35 p.m. – 50-minute planetarium show

3:40– 4:15 p.m. – Time to explore the museum/gift shop on your own

4:15 p.m. – Board the bus to return to Winona

6:30 p.m. – Arrive at the Phillips Bus Parking Lot

The cost for this trip is \$60.00 and includes the motorcoach ride (light snacks and water included), a tip for the bus driver, your entrance fee to the museum and planetarium, and your boxed lunch. This is a great deal and it should be a great time. Please register online soon if you're interested (you will indicate your boxed lunch preference at the time of registration)! Remember you don't need to be a WSU retiree to enjoy this trip...it is open to all who are interested. Bring your Valentine or just bring yourself...this is going to be fun!

Here is the link for registration:

https://mnscu.rschooltoday.com/public/costoption/class_id/80091/public/1/

PHOTO SLIDESHOW OF ALASKA, THE PIPELINE, AND THE “HAUL ROAD”

Elmer & Louise Mattila will share their photos and stories of a month-long (May-June) road trip to Alaska to see the state, pipeline, and “Haul Road.” They saw the beginning and end of the 800-mile pipeline from Prudho Bay to Valdez along with wildlife and lots of mountains.



Date: Monday, December 3, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Winona County History Center

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES – UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUES OF CRIME AND THE CHALLENGE OF JUSTICE IN OUR COMMUNITY



Criminal justice reform is a hot topic these days. Winona County Attorney Karin Sonneman will present information to inform and improve the understanding of the issues of crime and the challenge of justice to hopefully help advance the important public debate on the topic of criminal justice reform in our community, our state, and the nation.

Karin Sonneman was elected to the office of Winona County Attorney in November 2010 and re-elected in 2014. Karin is the first woman elected to the office of Winona County Attorney.

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Winona County History Center

MYSTERY READERS BOOK CLUB

The Mystery Readers Book Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month, except December, 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 27, 2018 - Author: Ngaio Marsh

No Meeting in December

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: Callista Court - 1455 West Broadway



STORYTELLING GROUP

September to May

Meeting Date: 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Location: WSU Retiree Center, WSU Alumni House, 227 West Wabasha.



Dates: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 19, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.

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.

Learning Club Calendar of Events – November/December, 2018

Date	Event	Location	Time
<i>November</i>			
1 – Thursday	Learning Club 25 th Anniversary Dinner	Whalen's at Wesfield – Must RSVP	5:00 PM
6 – Tuesday	Indigenous Women in MN Leadership	Winona County History Center	1:00 PM
8 – Thursday	MN State College Southeast Update	Winona County History Center	1:00 PM
15 – Thursday	Trip to Morocco	Winona County History Center	1:00 PM
21 – Wednesday	Storytellers Group	WSU Retiree Center – 227 W. 7 th St.	1:00 PM
26 – Monday	Learning Club Council Meeting	Winona County History Center	10:00 AM
27 – Tuesday	Mystery Readers Book Club	Callista Court – 1455 W. Broadway	10:30 AM
<i>December</i>			
3 – Monday	Trip to Alaska	Winona County History Center-Wanek	10:00 AM
13 – Thursday	Criminal Justice Issues	Winona County History Center-Wanek	1:00 PM
19 – Wednesday	Storytellers Group	WSU Retiree Center – 227 W. 7 th St.	1:00 PM
31 – Monday	Learning Club Council Meeting	Winona County History Center	10:00 AM

Stay Curious – Keep Learning!!

