CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tram Tour of the National Arboretum

Date: May 6, 2005
Time: To be announced
Place: National Arboretum
3501 New York Ave., N.E.

The Society has again reserved a Tram for up to 48 people to admire the azaleas and other spring flowers on the Arboretum grounds. The tour takes about 40 minutes and will not make stops en route. Commentary will be by a docent or by tape. The Tram can accommodate 2 wheelchairs and 44 people.

One of Washington’s lesser known treasures, the National Arboretum’s 446 acres of park land have something to offer the visitor at all times of the year. When its 5000 azaleas are in bloom, it is a wonderland not to be missed.

In addition to the stunning variety of azaleas, there are nearly 40 other separate plant collections including the National Herb Garden and the National Bonsai and Penjing Museum, the oldest and most comprehensive museum of its kind in the Western world.

Also located here are the National Capitol Columns rescued from demolition when the West Front of the Capitol building was extended mid-century. They appear to belong here as if returned to a long-lost home. Some of you may have seen Ansel Adams’ famous photograph of the columns in winter, never guessing where the picture was taken.

Look out for the announcement and registration form in early April. Box lunches can be arranged on request.

Spring Luncheon

Plans are currently underway for the annual Spring Luncheon. Dates will depend on availability of a speaker. An announcement will appear on the Society’s web page as soon as the date is fixed and will be mailed together with a registration form to local members.

UK CHAPTER

Spring Reunion and 17th Annual Meeting

Dates: May 13 – 15, 2005
Place: Feathers Hotel
Ludlow, Shropshire

The Feathers is one of the best known hotels in the United Kingdom. The heart of the hotel is an early seventeenth century “black and white” timber-framed building. Plans are being made for a full programme of activities including a talk and walks in the old town of Ludlow with a visit to 900 year-old Ludlow Castle.

There are also tentative plans for a coach trip on Saturday afternoon to nearby Stokesay Castle – a 13th Century fortified manor and, possibly, a shared-car visit to Hay-on-Wye, a town on the Welsh border some 30 miles from Ludlow renowned for its wealth of antique shops and 30 bookshops.

2006 Spring Reunion

Dates: May 19 – 21, 2006
Place: Canterbury, Kent

All 1818 Society members are welcome. For further information about either of these events, please contact Andrew Spurling (Tel. 0118-942-7310; e-mail: DMSpurling@aol.com).
GERMAN CHAPTER
The 2005 Annual Reunion will be held in Aachen in September. For information, please contact Dieter von Samson (Tel. 49-2241-396766; e-mail: dietersamson@t-online.de).

DUTCH CHAPTER
Sixth Dutch Reunion
Dates: September 9 – 10, 2005
Place: Maastricht

For further information about this reunion, please contact Herman van Wersch (e-mail: hvanwersch@comcast.net; tel. +1-301-565-0082).

Seventh Dutch Reunion
Dates: September 8 – 9, 2006
Place: Rotterdam

For further information about the Dutch Chapter, please contact Robert-Jan van der Lugt (e-mail: rj@laovan.demon.nl; fax: 31-71-3612345).

Other Events of Interest
Staff Celebration Days
The 1818 Society will be manning a booth for this event which takes place on April 5 and 6 in the MC Atrium from 11:30 to 2:30. Patricia Moran is the coordinator for The Society.

Please contact her at the Society office or at her e-mail: pmoranworldbank@hotmail.com if you are willing to help at the table on either day or if you have suggestions for the 1818 Society's booth for Staff Celebration Days. Two people are needed for one hour each on both days. Volunteers provide information to staff about The 1818 Society and its activities.
Center for Global Development (CGD) and 1818 Society Luncheon Meeting

At a luncheon meeting on March 23 to be held at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C., Nicolas van de Walle (CGD Non-Resident Fellow) will present CGD’s new study Overcoming Stagnation in Aid-Dependent Countries followed by comments from Edward Jaycox, former World Bank Vice President for Sub-Saharan Africa and 1818 Society Member.

Information on this event has been on the Society’s website for several weeks. Retirees are urged to check the site regularly for timely information on events.

New Members

We extend a warm welcome to the following retirees who became members of the Society since the last Bulletin:

Azenegash H. Abraham
Richard Ackermann
Emily S. Andrews
Elfreda Baptist, Orhan Baykal
Carol Best-Aaron
Helen C. Claverie
Luis Descaire
James A. Duvall
Herminia L. Fernandez
Helene Forestier
K. Georg Gabriel
Carolyn F. Gochenour
James Hanna, Nagy K. Hanna
Teodula V. Hill
Dennis Koromzay
Vijaya Mackrandilal
Suresh Mahajan
Marie Moylan
Ethel Pacheco
Bernard C. Pasquier
Joseph E. Pegues Jr.
Martin F. Raine
Graeme W. Rothwell
Diep Truong, Horst Wagner
Heather S. Woolsey

Notices

Senior Moment for Bulletin Editor

A notice in the January Bulletin announced a change in e-mail for the Bulletin editor, Anne Vaughn. She hopes that not many of you have tried to send her e-mails at that address, which was wrong.

The correct address for the Bulletin’s editor is: annevaughn@verizon.net.

Special Hotel Rates for Retirees

We would like to remind retirees that they can take advantage of the special hotel rates that have been negotiated by the Bank for staff members. These rates are available to retirees as well as staff anywhere in the world where the Bank has negotiated rates.

At the moment, the list of these hotels is on-line and can only be accessed from computers within the Bank. However, retirees can contact travel counselors Cay Critz (tel. 202-458-1556; e-mail: cay.c.critz@aexp.com) or David Smith (tel. 202-458-8161; e-mail: david.o.smith@aexp.com) for information. To make reservations, a credit card number with the expiration date is required.

Improved Access to Retiree and Spouse Employment (RSEP) Information

Task team leaders and task managers in the Bank can now search the RSEP when looking for consultants. This should expand opportunities for retirees who are seeking paid or unpaid employment with the Bank.
Dollars for Doers

We wanted to remind retirees that the Bank has an active and multi-faceted community outreach program. Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations in which a staff member, retiree or WBVS volunteer has an active, ongoing volunteer involvement.

The budget for the program is limited and applications are considered on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline for submission is April 15, 2005.

An application and additional information can be found on the Society’s web page.

IN MEMORIAM

We regret to inform you of the deaths of the following, to whose families we extend our sincere sympathy:


Kumund Sheorey, 71, of Bethesda Maryland, spouse of retiree Kashinath Sheorey, on January 11, 2005.


