President's Message

There are several items you should be aware of. I'll start with the Parent's Brunch. Once again the site will be the CUNA cafeteria on Madison's west side. For the first time, though, we have to pay for the CUNA personnel who will be on site to assist us. The charge is $265! Helene and I discussed the situation and decided that we should raise our ticket price to $8 to cover some of this cost. We will also ask the Minneapolis PC Recruiting Office to provide some money. However, this event will cost us $200-250. Do we want to continue it next year? If so, where? In any event, the loss will be covered by a disbursement from the Calendar proceeds.

And as long as we're on the subject of Calendar proceeds. With the Freeze for Food costing $300+, the Parent's Brunch setting us back at least $200, other disbursements from the Calendar proceeds having already occurred, and other unexpected emergencies sure to arise, I will request that at least $1,000 of the proceeds be set aside to pay for various non-newsletter related operating expenses of our organization. You'll be able to vote on this issue when the Proceeds Distribution Committee presents its recommendations to you. I'm hoping these will be printed in the late February newsletter so that they can be voted on at the March meeting.

Also note that later in this newsletter I present a motion to disburse $2,000 of the proceeds for another cause. If this motion passes, we will only have $5,000 or so to give away by our usual process. Since we had $6,000 in requests last year (but only $3,000 to distribute), we won't need to expand our horizons very far to distribute this year's proceeds. A couple of people have responded to my request for projects that might be useful outlets for Calendar proceeds. I want to emphasize to everyone that at this time I am simply gathering information. Sending information to me does NOT guarantee that the project will ever be funded and certainly does not guarantee that the project will receive any money this year.

We also received a letter two months ago from Andrew Stoll, a PCV in Honduras who is involved in a project to establish a new national park. Last year he requested the donation of a slide projector from us, and we agreed. He feels that his work is going very well but was wondering if we would be willing to provide additional support. I am sending him replacement bulbs for the projector (another distribution of Calendar proceeds). However, he has a long list of other needs (video camera, VCR, TV, computer, printer, FAX, telephones). I'll write to him requesting more specific info, but this might be a possibility for a fairly large future project. By the way, he also sent a videotape of his area. Contact me if you want to view it.

Walt
1. An additional date to note:

Friday through Sunday, January 29 to 31—Chicago group Winter Retreat at Camp Vista in the Kettle Moraine State Park Northern Unit, near Dundee, WI. $35 includes meals, beer and schnapps. Bring sleeping bags, kids, sleds, skis, skates and Packer memorabilia. Questions? Call Mike McQuiston at 238-5458.

2. Note that our group income tax return is reproduced towards the back of the Newsletter. Do not be alarmed by what appears to be a $4901 loss for fiscal year 91-92. That loss on paper is attributable in large part to global expenditures from the Biden-Pell grant and to Don’s computer loan remaining outstanding at the close of the fiscal year. If you have any questions about our financial status, as shown by the tax return, please raise them at our next meeting.

Other RPCV organizations have our permission to use any material of interest in this newsletter.

Newsletter Policy
Since we’re always trying to get new members, We’ll send three copies of our newsletter to anyone we think will be interested. After that, you have to pay to stay on our mailing list. Details can be found on the back page. ONE EXCEPTION: Contacts in other RPCV organizations can continue to receive our newsletter if they will send us theirs.
Dates to Note

Saturday, Jan. 29 - 11 AM to about 2 PM - RPCVW Board Meeting at Gordon Malaise's, 1447 Spaight St. Follow-up to our Oct. 24 meeting. Potluck lunch (sandwich makings, soup, appetizer). This is not a closed meeting; anyone interested in discussing future directions for our group is welcome to attend.

Tuesday, Feb. 2 - 7:00 PM - RPCVW General Meeting at Union South, 127 N. Randall St.

Friday, Feb. 5 - 7:30 PM - Calendar Slide Viewing at Barbara Chatterjee's, 5102 Coney Weston Place, off of Odana Rd. Will make the initial choice of slides for the 1994 calendar. Contact Henry Nehls-Lowe (835-5976) for further info.

Sunday, Feb. 14 - 10:00 AM - Calendar Committee Meeting at Barbara Chatterjee's, 5102 Coney Weston Place, off of Odana Rd.

Thursday, Feb. 18 - Newsletter Deadline. Submit materials to Gordon Malaise, 1447 Spaight St., Madison, WI 53703.

Saturday, Feb. 20 - Time not known. RPCVs of Milwaukee hold their Winter Carnival at the United Community Center. Tickets are $10 in advance; $12 at the door.

Saturday morning thru Sunday morning, Feb. 27-28 - Winter Retreat at Camp Lucerne. Map was published in last month's newsletter. The camp will provide Sat. lunch and Sun. breakfast, but you should bring food for a Sat. evening potluck. Return the registration form to Mike Meshak (133 Prentice St., Stevens Point, WI 54481 [715/344-3202]) by Feb. 18 if you want to go.

Wednesday, Mar. 3 - 7:00 PM - RPCVW General Meeting BUT NOT AT Union South. There's a home basketball game scheduled, so parking will be much worse than usual. So we're meeting at Dudgeon School, 3200 Monroe St., Madison, except for all you creatures of habit!

Sunday, Mar. 14 - 10:00 AM - Calendar Committee Meeting at Barbara Chatterjee's, 5102 Coney Weston Place, off of Odana Rd.

Thursday, Mar. 18 - Newsletter Deadline. Submit materials to Gordon Malaise, 1447 Spaight St., Madison, WI 53703.

Thursday, Apr. 1 - 7:00 PM - RPCVW General Meeting at Union South, 127 N. Randall St. No fooling!

Sunday, Apr. 4 - 10:00 AM - Calendar Committee Meeting at Barbara Chatterjee's, 5102 Coney Weston Place, off of Odana Rd.

Thursday, Apr. 15 - Newsletter Deadline. Submit materials to Gordon Malaise, 1447 Spaight St., Madison, WI 53703.

Also remember that the Parents Brunch will take place on either Sunday, Mar. 28 or Sunday, Apr. 18. More details will follow as we know more.
Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin-Madison
January Monthly Meeting
January 4, 1993

The monthly meeting of the Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin-Madison was held at Union South on the UW-Madison campus. Introductions were made in the usual fashion. The secretary was suspiciously missing and rumors were abounding as to his whereabouts. A poll taken indicated most believed he was in Little Rock being interrogated for the post of Peace Corps director. No independent confirmation of this was obtained, however. Five new faces were present among the 22 in attendance.

Prez Walt Zeltner acknowledged correspondence from Ashoka, Doctors without Borders, and Honduras.

Treasurer and acting secretary John Gaska accounted our wealth at:

$5,000 in Savings
$1225.92 in Global Education and
$1272.52 in General Account of which $826 is accounted for Freeze For Food-1992.

Don Sauer reported that our Global Education Video got rave reviews from a teacher in Middleton. They are using it along with the study guide and have formed a sister city relationship with a school in Guatemala. A big round of applause for those who produced the video.

Calendar: Send slides for 1994 calendar to Henry Nehls-Lowe ASAP. About 9800 calendars are sold. The account is flush with around $30 grand. Don is keeping a few (100) calendars for promotion throughout the year.

The agenda for the next Calendar Steering Comm. meeting exists elsewhere in this newsletter. Anyone is welcome to attend and participate. Barbara Chatterjee hosts the gala monthly event at her house.

Also, Don has rented a postage meter for group use. Any future mailings should use this snazzy technology.

Walt reported on the Membership Committee. In a few months, Sandy Moss will take over duties as membership director from Walt, allowing him more time to do those things that presidents do.

Gerry Ashmore reported on Frrrreze for Food. Goal this year is to raise $1000. We need many hands to make the work light on Jan. 23, so be there.

Other details elsewhere this newsletter.

Peace Corps board meeting at Gordons, Jan. 30, 1993. All are welcome.

Mike (Stevens Point) Meshak is heading-up the Winter Retreat. It seems most people opted for showing up on Saturday, but the brave are welcome on Friday night. The camp will provide a bed (for a fee), but no food on Friday night.

The group as a whole axed any idea of moving the Parents Brunch from CUNA, so organizer Helene Pesche will try to get a late March or early April (but not around Easter) date confirmed with CUNA. Speakers are needed for the event, preferably parents who have visited their children in-country or host country nationals living in and around Madison. Cost for the meal will be around $7 for adults and $3 to $4 for the little tikes.

Peggy Wireman needs volunteers for an Allied Drive Project. Take it from someone who lived on Allied Drive, they need lots of community support. This is a good opportunity to give time and not just money.

The Cardinal Bar Benefit has been indefinitely postponed due to our busy schedule the next couple months. Keep it in mind though.

Adjournment occurred at 8:35, and much to our despair, it was learned that the Red Oak Grill was closed. An alternate watering hole was quickly secured.

Respectfully submitted, John Gaska
An urgent issue concerning the disbursement of proceeds from the Calendar sales has arisen. It is contained in the following motion:

MOTION: $2,000 of the Calendar proceeds shall be given to the local RPCV group that is hosting the Annual Conference of RPCVs to help defray expenses of the conference. This money shall be provided as a grant (not repayable) in years when the total amount of money available for distribution from the Calendar is $10,000 or more. In return, we will request a favorable location for hawking our calendars. The first distribution shall be made as soon as possible after approval of this motion to the Berkeley group.

This motion has the approval of most of the members of the Calendar Steering Committee. Our reasoning:

1. Our profits from the Annual Conference that we hosted in the mid-80s went into starting up the Calendar. Without those profits, we would have no Calendar and no proceeds to distribute. It seems to us that, with sufficient profits for distribution available (some $10,000), some of those profits should be reinvested in other groups to help them host an Annual Conference and use the proceeds for their own good deeds.

2. The Annual Conference is our first major marketing effort. It is in our own best interests to do whatever we can to make the Conference as successful as possible. A substantial contribution seems appropriate. (The Calendar Steering Committee discussed this issue because of its effect on our marketing.)

3. Annual Conferences are a major means by which local RPCV groups can network with each other and the National Council of RPCVs. Thus, support of the Annual Conference helps in achieving the Peace Corps Third Goal.

The obvious drawback is that $2,000 spent for this purpose is $2,000 that cannot be spent in other ways.

This issue has some urgency because the Berkeley people need to know NOW how much money they will have for putting on the conference. If they know we will be contributing, they can include the money in their planning for the event. Thus, we need to vote on this issue at the February meeting. However, we will only do this if there is a strong consensus for the motion. If it passes 16-14, we will revise it to make it more acceptable. If you have strong feelings on either side of this issue and will not be able to attend February’s meeting, let me know beforehand. My phone numbers are listed on the back page of this newsletter.

Walt Zettner
RPCVs of WISCONSIN MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

NEW MEMBERS:
1/94 SHERMAN, Leslie
   Home: 255-4894
   Work: 1001 Rutledge St. #2, Madison, WI 53703.
   Cameron 1990-92

ADDRESS CHANGES
1/94 OLSEN, Julie
   Home: 242-1355
   Work: 1613 Lake View Ave., Madison, WI 53704.
   Western Samoa 1983-85

Phone Number Changes: Conrad Weiffenbach’s home number is 251-5140.
Kit Hansen’s work number is 251-6137.
Linda Kustka’s work number is 262-9605.

Member Renewals: Therese Ahlers & Gordon Malaise; Gerry (Butz) Ashmore; Jim Barthe; David Blado; Earl Bricker; Patrick Brundage; Barbara Chatterjee; John Click; Ken Coffeen; Joanne Cote; Brett & Jean Emmons; John & Mary Frantz; Kit Hansen; Dean Jefferson; Mike Jindra; Linda Kustka; Sharon Lewandowski; Mike McQuestion; Michael Meshak; Helene Pesche; Dan Roahen; Don Sauer; Joan R. Spink; Fern D. Yocum (Exp. Date: 1/94)

RPCV’S of Wisconsin—Madison
International Calendar Steering Committee
Minutes from the January 10, 1993 Meeting

Present: Barbara Chatterjee, Dave Wakely, Julie Olsen, Conrad Weiffenbach, Walt Zeltzer, Nancy Westbrook, Don Sauer
Absent: Kevin Nies, Earl Bricker, Henry Nehls-Lowe, Gordon Malaise, Buck Trawicky

Meeting called to order: 10:15 a.m.
1. No changes to 12/13/92 minutes published in January newsletter. Discussed whether publishing committee meeting minutes is wise use of newsletter space. Decided that to prevent loss committee updates at general meetings, because committee is new and is dealing with issues of basic importance, committee minutes need to be published in newsletter for at least several more months.
2. 9,850 calendars have been sold. There are approximately 130 left. Kevin is developing a collection strategy for those organizations and individuals who have not paid their bills.
3. The next meeting of the Calendar Proceeds Distribution Subcommittee will be Thursday, January 14, at John Click’s house. The subcommittee is developing a form to streamline the donation process.
4. 1994 Calendar:
   (a) Henry has developed a 1994 calendar production schedule. It has been moved up from the 1993 production schedule because we expect to print the largest number of calendars ever, and the National Conference is in early July. Everyone is invited to review potential calendar slides on February 5.
   (b) Don is preparing a 1994 budget and marketing strategy, and will have a rough draft by the committee’s February 14 meeting. The marketing strategy will focus on Earth Care, the National Council, PC recruiting offices, and PC/Washington. We will need to make a decision as to how many calendars to print by May 1.
   (c) National Conference:
      As part of our marketing strategy, Don would like to meet with representatives of National Council and local and country-of-service RPCV groups at the National Conference to find out how we can better serve them.
      We briefly discussed mechanisms for selling and advertising the calendar at the National Conference, but decided that these decisions do not need to be made until approximately June.
      We discussed donating a portion of the calendar proceeds to the RPCV group hosting the National Conference each year. Nancy will contact NORCAL to see what their needs are and how other RPCV groups are contributing.
      We have been bidding out the printing of the calendar on an annual basis. Now that we have established an amicable, long-term relationship with Litho, we discussed soliciting bids every 3–5 years, instead of every year.
5. Our tax report for the previous fiscal year has been prepared, and now that we know how to do it, the report should be much easier to compile in future years.
7. We are becoming more adept at accounting practices. Don will begin storing copies of his computer files at another location, in case he experiences a loss from theft, fire, etc. We will also look into insuring the calendars for the same reason. Walt will check with Gordon about registering a trademark.

Issues for the next committee meeting: 1994 Calendar Budget, 1994 Calendar Marketing, Donating money to the National Conference

Meeting Adjourned: 12:30 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Nancy Westbrook
9th ANNUAL WINTER RETREAT

When: We have the site reserved from Saturday morning, Feb. 27th until 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28th.

Where: Camp Lucerne, about 70 miles north of Madison (see map elsewhere in Newsletter)

Facilities: We will be staying in winterized cabins with semi-private rooms. There are some cribs and play pens in the cabins and high chairs in the dining hall. There are bathrooms in the cabins and hot showers in the retreat center nearby. The cabins are furnished with beds, chairs, desks, fireplaces and even kitchenettes.

Activities: The camp grounds are criss-crossed with cross-country ski trails and hiking paths. An exciting toboggan hill runs down to a beautiful little lake just outside of the retreat center. Some may also wish to try their hands at ice skating.

As for organized activities, there will be a rather informal meeting in the Retreat Center Saturday afternoon to brainstorm about future plans and dreams for the group. There will also be a slide show on Saturday night.

Bring: Bedding or a sleeping bag, towels and toiletries, warm clothes and a dish to pass on Saturday night. (There are facilities for cooking or reheating hot dishes at the camp.) Skis, snow shoes, sleds. Slides, musical instruments.

Registration: Registration forms must be turned in to Mike Meshak, 133 Prentice St., Stevens Point, WI 54481, by February 18th with payment (nonrefundable) so that Mike can call the camp to plan the meals.
Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c) (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation) of the Internal Revenue Code or section 4947(a)(1) trust

For the calendar year 1989, or fiscal year beginning 9/1/91 and ending 8/31/92.

Name of organization: RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS OF WI, INC.
Address (number and street or P.O. box number): P.O. BOX 1012
City or town, state, and ZIP code: MADISON, WI 53701

Employer Identification number (see instruction R2): 39:1669348

State registration number(s) (see instruction E10): Application Pending

Check type of organization - Exempt under section □ 501(c)(3) (insert number), OR □ section 4947(a)(1) trust (See instruction C7 and question 42.)

Gross receipts from normal operations are normally not more than $25,000. You need not file a completed return with IRS; but if you received a Form 990 Package in the mail, you should file a return without financial data (see instructions A4 and B10). Some states require a completed return.

Part I Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

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**Part V** Other Information — 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts must also complete and attach Schedule A (Form 990). (See instruction C1.)

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Date: 11/15/93

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Preparer's name (or yours if self-employed) and address ▶

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**Form 990E2 (1999)**
Newsletter Subscription Information

All RPCVW, Inc. members receive the newsletter on payment of annual dues shown below. To avoid record-keeping hassles, we would prefer that our members pay through December of the year of joining ($1 per month for each month through December), then pay for a full year membership at that time. Reduced rates are available for those in extreme financial circumstances.

You can also join the National Council of RPCV's through us by paying a further $20. We strongly encourage all members to join the National Council, which provides us a way to affect national issues.

☐ I want to join RPCVW, Inc. and am enclosing $_____.
   ____ Individual - $15 for one year (or $1.25 per month to next January)
   ____ Joint - $20 (Two people receiving one newsletter)
   ____ Overseas Individual - $24
   ____ Overseas Joint - $29

☐ I am also enclosing $20 for National Council membership ($27.50 for joint membership [two people with the same address] in the NC).

☐ I do not want to join, but would like to receive the newsletter and am enclosing $7 ($15 for overseas) to cover the costs.

☐ I'm Moving! Please change my mailing address on your records.

Name: __________________________________________ Country of Service: __________________________
Address: __________________________________________ Service Dates: __________________________
Present Job: __________________________________________ Telephone: __________________________

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marked Attention Membership!

QUESTIONS? PROBLEMS? Call Walt Zeiner at 608/873-5257 most evenings and weekends.
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