



WORLD ROOTS

President's Message

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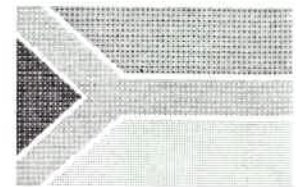
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Special points of Interest:

- Pay Your Dues!!
- Remember the monthly meetings are at the Memorial Union for July and August.
- National Conference is only weeks away!
- Wanted: Interesting articles, stories, experiences. . (see page 3)

I'm sure I'd make a terrible inspirational speaker: I much prefer rambling talk to composing a monthly Message. But I'll give you some nice tidbits, anyway.

South Africa has recently changed many of its holidays. For the first few years after Nelson Mandela's election, the old public holidays were retained. But now they've a new list. Founders' Day, Republic Day and Kruger Day are all gone; the Day of the Vow (the anniversary of the Battle of Blood River, 1837), is now the Day of Reconciliation; the anniversary of the first multi-racial elections, in 1994, is Freedom Day; and there is now a Youth Day, a Women's Day, and a Heritage Day. This is an amazing change when you think about it, symbolic of the changes taking place in South Africa.



The New Flag of South Africa

There are so many lovely countries in the world. I've been reading bunches of guidebooks and histories lately, particularly ones dealing with eastern and southeastern Europe, and with World War II in those parts. Jeepers, it makes me want to be travelling again --ideally with fluency in modern Greek! But I'll have to settle for the public library, and for Bayfield and the Apostle Islands, and for the National Conference in August.

And isn't summer grand in the upper latitudes! Days last forever. Although our clocks are very askew. Go outdoors with a compass some day at noon, and point your compass at the Sun. You'll find that the Sun is nowhere near South at noon. Jeepers!--the result of daylight saving time, and being on the eastern edge of a time zone. Surely, this makes us sorta disoriented (or "dissouthed"?).

Pay Your Dues!! Lots of us haven't, and you'll be getting a dunning post-card soon if you don't, with the dread threat of being left off the next Membership List.

-Buck

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All RPCV of Wisconsin-Madison receive a monthly Newsletter., *World Roots*, on payment of annual dues shown below. To avoid record-keeping hassles, we prefer members pay through December of the year joining, 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 Peace Corps Association (NPCA) through us by paying an additional \$25. **We strongly encourage you to join the NPCA, which provides us a way to affect national issues.**

(Please check all that apply)

- I want to Join RPCVof WI, Inc.
- Individual - \$15 for one year
- Joint - \$20 (*Two people receiving one newsletter*)
- Overseas Individual - \$24
- Overseas Joint - \$29
- I am also enclosing \$25 for NPCA membership
*(\$32.50 for joint membership -
two people with the same address)*
- I do not want to join, but would like to receive
World Roots and am enclosing \$7
(\$15 for overseas) to cover costs.
- I'm Moving!** Please change my mailing address.

\$ TOTAL ENCLOSED

Name:

Address

Telephone #'s (W) (H)

E-mail Address:

Country of Service:

Service Dates:

PC Job:

Birthdate : (*Optional - M/D/Y*)

The RPCV's of Wisconsin are an active bunch, and there's always a need for new blood. If you are willing to be called to help, please let us know:

I might be interested in doing something, but would like additional information first. Call me.

Send completed form & check to:

RPCV's of Wisconsin - Madison
P.O.Box 1012
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"A short tribute to all of the officers and members that make up our organization. . . Thank You! Dedication and your hard work make our chapter of RPCV a proud one"

Treasurer's Report - May 1999

Calendar Balance	60230.59	Global Education	2096.20	Large Projects	23,225.35
Sales Calendar	272.68				
Interest	308.04	Giftaway	11,700.00	Annual Projects	6068.07
USPS postage fee	-100.00	Step Up	-500.00	Camp Lucerne	-618.50
USPS postal box fee	-44.00	WCCN	-950.00	Annual Project Totals	5449.57
Phone	-42.03	Habitat for Humanity	-600.00		
Donation newsletter printing	-60.69	Madison Health Center	-975.00	Account Totals	96,372.56
Donation newsletter postage	-85.80	WORT	-600.00		
Ending Balance	60478.79	Malawi Community Playground	-600.00	Checking Account	3996.87
		Malawi Children's Village	-600.00	Market Yield Account	93,575.69
Group	1456.44	Tarahumara Project	-600.00	Bank Account Totals	97,572.56
Dues	92.00	Bang Kaew Well	-375.00	Uncashed Giftaway donations	-1200.00
NPCA rebate	45.00	Bahn Cow Mag Nag Gu Two	-950.00		
World Roots printing	-184.97	uncashed donation (Tibet)	-600.00	Actual Total	96,372.56
Flowers	-35.82	uncashed donation (WCCN)	-600.00		
Group Totals	1372.65	Giftaway Totals	3750.00		

Editor's Spot

Devil's Lake was a nice treat after many hours of driving back from the wilds of Northern Michigan. It was so very nice to see many familiar faces and relax under the hot WI sun. Everyone there seemed to be enjoying themselves. I personally will be heading up to the campgrounds again to enjoy the lush woods that are adjacent and partake in some hiking and the like.

Well, I hope that everyone likes the new format. I upgraded my Publisher software after fixing the problems that I unfortunately experienced during May. This version has some wonderful new 'bells and whistles' that I am coming across and I am very happy thus far. I will be eventually replacing the tree with 'ours' but I used what I had for now. This format can be easily transformed into web page -hypertext format. Looking forward to utilizing the capabilities to the fullest extent. Thank you to all of your 'straight forward' E-mails with no attachments; I will not open them so please just paste away!

I am also looking for any Interesting articles, stories, experiences etc. that members in the group may have. Maybe a 'best of' of the question at hand at the monthly meetings. . .

A note about deadlines: I was going to type the definition directly from Webster, but you all know what a dead line is and July's is the 12th. Remember, there is no problem sending reports, articles and the like early.

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Thank you for everything! Hope to see you all again soon!



"Remember. . .

The Newsletter

Deadline is

July 12th.

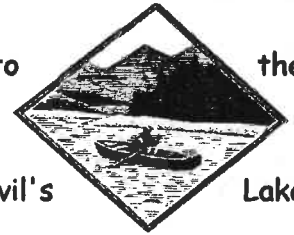
Thank you for your

Cooperation"

Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin/Madison Minutes of the General Meeting of Tuesday, June 1, 1999

We met in the Memorial Union (as we will in July and August). Attendance was light (perhaps some, operating on automatic pilot, had gone to Union South).

The Year 2000 Calendar is almost ready to go to printer, and should be printed by early July.



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Lake.

We discussed the upcoming Camping Trip at Devil's [It was very pleasant.]

Canoeing on the
Kickapoo

We discussed having a Canoe Trip on the Kickapoo River on July 24. Buck said he'd make arrangements. (See below.)

We discussed the Pig Roast: Aug. 21 was chosen as the ideal date, though it depends on Mike Read's schedule.**

And we discussed the Large Donations proposals:

We voted AYE for the Asoka Society proposal, and decided to sponsor the fellow in Hungary. We voted AYE for the literacy project in Nepal. We voted AYE regarding an annual donation to the National Peace Corps Association, in the amount of 10% of the annual donation monies. (Thus, out of this year's \$35,000, we'd donate \$3,500.) Regarding the proposal to assist the Congolese woman in need, we voted to TABLE the proposal, pending further information.

Many of those present had reservations and reluctances towards the Congolese Women Proposal. Buck offered to contact Rick Peterson and inform him; and to write up exactly what we'd need to know, and to warn Rick that this a donation is by no means certain, so he should explore other sources of help.

--Buck Trawicky



"To stay active on
the membership
list, thou shall pay
thy dues"

Calendar Committee Minutes May 24, 1999

We met at Prudence Barber's house. Present were Rochelle Goedken, Prudence Barber, Alan Weiner, Rose Ann Scott, Troy Rutter, Buck Trawicky.

The next meeting will also be at Prudence's, on June 28.**

We discussed tune-ups of the Cover. The Calendar will be a tiny bit smaller, to allow it to fit in Priority Mail packages. We selected the paper type for cover and pages. The cover paper layout will also have room to print a brochure, and one type of postcard.

We chose a print-run of 32,000 copies.

We discussed drumming up postcard sales at a discount, to in-country Peace Corps offices. Buck will draft an e-mail letter to send these people.

For the next Calendar, we'll advance slide selection by a bit, so the Calendar can be produced earlier, starting with the Cover design. This is important, for large-order sales to chain stores, etc--they do their purchasing in March and April.

We'll do our large WorldView ad in the Summer issue.

--Buck Trawicky

Canoe Trip

There'll be a canoe trip on the Kickapoo River, weekend of July 24-25. The Kickapoo is a lovely river--twisty, uncrowded and full of beautiful cliffs, rocks and dells. We'll camp overnight at some convenient field or beach--there are no big islands like the mighty Wisconsin has. We'll put in at Ontario, using canoes from "Mr. Duck" (608/337-4711). Cost is \$20/day per canoe.

Ontario is small, and Mr. Duck is easy to find. If you take the Interstate as far as Tomah, you'll turn off on Highway 131, going south to Ontario. As 131 enters Ontario, Mr. Duck will be right on the river, on your left. The canoe people will pick us up wherever we want on Sunday, and return us all to our cars in Ontario. Let's plan on boarding our canoes at 11:00 a.m. Saturday.

If you plan to attend, please tell Buck or Sharon (241-2392), so we can reserve enough canoes. And be warned: if no one at all phones, I'll assume the trip has been changed to an optional 1-family outing!



*For the next
Calendar, we'll
advance slide
selection..., so the
Calendar can be
produced
earlier...*

Dear Rose Ann Scott,

I, Jonathan Scott, want to thank you and the RPCV's of Wisconsin/Madison again for the donation of the (150) 1999 International Calendars you sent us for our VAC activities the beginning of the year, and I would like to see if the RPCV's of Wisconsin/Madison would donate if all possible (200) 2000 International Calendars for this fall to support more VAC activities here in Morocco.

Just to let you know over the last 12 months we have funded over 45 projects totaling over 2,500 dollars. This has been all possible by the selling of PC merchandise and donations from organization like the RPCV's of Wisconsin/Madison.

I am finishing my tour of duty at the end of the June and have been training a new VAC coordinator, who will be continuing the VAC activities until next June, but before I go I just wanted to thank you again for the support.

Here is the new VAC coordinator's email address:
monicasather@hotmail.com.

Could you please email her once you receive this email, and let her know if this donation request is possible. If our request goes through, is it possible to receive the calendars by the first week of November. All the volunteers get together during the Thanksgiving holiday, so it would be a perfect time to have the Calendars available for them.

- Jonathan Scott

The Board Members of Friends of Sierra Leone would like to thank the Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Madison, Wisconsin, USA for their generous financial donation in our recent relief efforts.

Many, many thanks for the support of our activities. Without your support, we will not accomplish much for Sierra Leone.


Thank you.

Our donation aided a refugee school.

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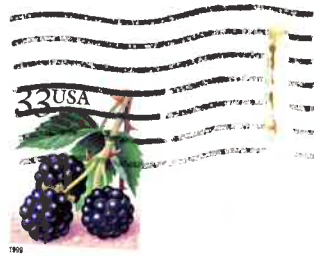


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Events Calendar

- ☞ June 28, Mon. Calendar Committee Meeting, 1050 Jenifer, 7:00 p.m.
- ☞ July 7, Wed. General Meeting, MEMORIAL UNION, 7:00 p.m.
- ☞ July 14, Wed. Cards at Deb's, 7:00 p.m. (244-8609, 2406 Somers Ave.)
- ☞ July 24-25 Canoe Trip, Kickapoo River (see below)
- ☞ Aug 5, Thurs. General Meeting, MEMORIAL UNION, 7:00 p.m.
- ☞ Aug. 12-15 National Conference of RPCVs, St. Paul, MN.
- ☞ Aug. 21-22? Pig Roast (see next month's Newsletter)