SAIL

Summer classes begin June 1

Schedule will be mailed April 30

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WOULD YOU VOTE FOR THESE PEOPLE?
(For the SAIL Board of Directors)

Front row from left: Dave Godinez, Shellie Lewis, Sue Bailey.
Back row: Jean Bauer, Herb Weinstein, Linda Smittle

NOTICE OF SAIL ANNUAL MEETING AND INSTRUCTOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 5, 2015
Eldorado Country Club
2604 Country Club Drive
McKinney, Texas

Arrival time: 11:30 - 11:55
Lunch at 12:00 noon
Cost is $20 - RSVP by April 27

Instructors and their spouse (or a friend) are guests of SAIL and attend free

Everyone is invited to join us for a luncheon honoring our awesome instructors. Actress-playwright-theatre critic Elaine Liner will be our speaker. A very short business meeting will precede the luncheon for the purpose of electing SAIL Board members.

The Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of officers for 2015-2016:

President: Shellie Lewis
Vice-President: Dave Godinez
Treasurer: Linda Smittle
Secretary: Jean Bauer
At-Large Members: Sue Bailey and Dr. Herb Weinstein

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The Finance Committee has been quiet recently since our fees have remained stable. Over fifty people, which includes the Executive Board, have maintained the educational stimuli and social opportunities for our members. A big thank you to each of you. Be looking for some necessary changes this fall.

In order to remain in good standing as part of the Continuing Education arm of Collin College, we will have to adhere to the posted occupancy for each class room. The fire marshal is now counting heads on a regular basis and extra chairs will no longer be allowed to fill any empty spaces. Therefore, the number of students for each class room will be controlled by the cut-off numbers at registration.

PLEASE, think carefully which classes you know you will faithfully attend each week. If you have appointments that interfere, plan to take the course at a future date.

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as president of such a wonderful organization. I look forward to seeing you at the Luncheon on May 5th at the El Dorado Country Club.

--- Muriel Dean

**“Letters from Theo”**

Meditation. Art education. Poise. Talent. Thanks to Anne Royer, art historian and artist, and Steve Powell, a local actor who specializes in voice work, their visiting lecture entitled “Letters from Theo” was a cornucopia of these attributes. Steve gave dramatic, heartfelt readings of Vincent Van Gogh’s letters to his brother Theo while Anne simultaneously matched images of the master’s paintings to his epistolary documentation. Frequently, Vincent shared the intended effect of his paintings while detailing the hues, the models, and locations he was using. Even more illuminating were his ingenuous descriptions of his mood and self doubts. Steve made us feel Vincent’s guilt at being unable to make a living through his art and his embarrassment at having to “beg” for paint and living expenses. Surprisingly, Steve clearly conveyed Vincent’s sense of humor, something not commonly associated with him.

The “Letters from Theo” presentation is the creative brainchild of Anne and Steve. SAILers are grateful to them for taking the time to share it with us twice! First, in Anne’s art history class and then as a visiting lecture encore! (Photo on page 4)
SAIL Summer Session - June 1 - July 15

Schedules will be mailed April 30. Registration will be held May 11 - 14. Classes include:

- CURRENT EVENTS (Dave Godinez and Bob Wacker)
- THE SHADOW WORLD (Fred Smith)
- BOOK DISCUSSION (Judith Parks)
- SOMERSET MAUGHAM'S SHORT STORIES (Sonia Meltzer)
- GREAT DISCOVERIES (Don Wolman)
- YOUR MIRACULOUS MIND AND BODY (Dr. Paul Tobolowsky)
- SUMMER MUSIC - guitar & singalong (Nancy Christopher)
- BRIDGE: OPEN PLAY (Judy Tyler)
- SUPERVISED BRIDGE (Dr. Jerry Frankel)
- INTRODUCTION TO IPHONE, IPAD, FACEBOOK (Daphne Lee)
- AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES (Sue Bailey and Barbara Fix)
- WORLD ACCORDING TO BERNIE (Bernie Kaye)
- IMPROV! (Sue Birch)
- BROOKLYN BRIDGE and SERVICE ACADEMIES (Richard Cudlipp)

Below: Nominees for the Board of Directors:
Dave Godinez and Shellie Lewis
Sue Bailey and Dr. Herb Weinstein
Jean Bauer and Linda Smittle
THE FIRE MARSHALL HAS SPOKEN
AND WE MUST LISTEN

SAILers, we have a problem! And only you can fix it. Partly it has to do with those attendance sheets that get passed around the room and come back with lots of blank spaces, because people sign up for classes and then fail to attend.

From the beginning we have taken a casual approach to attendance in SAIL classes. We liked it that way and we still do, but with 600+ students it isn’t working so well any more. Until now, we have always “guessed” how many students enrolled in a class would actually show up and then we overbooked the classrooms. We also allowed unregistered students to wander in and sign their name on the bottom of the attendance sheet. But not anymore.

Here is where the Fire Department comes in. They have assigned a maximum occupancy to each classroom. The number is posted on the wall outside the room. The numbers have been there all along, but the college has instituted a new policy of surveillance and strict enforcement. In the future we cannot take a chance on registering any more students in a class than the classroom will hold, as denoted by the number on the wall. If the room capacity is over by even one student and the Fire Department makes a surprise inspection, the penalty is dire. We have been told (warned, threatened) that the building will be evacuated, everyone will have to leave and the college will be hit with a huge fine.

In an effort to comply with this new enforcement and at the same time alleviate the discrepancy between the number of students registered in a class and the actual attendance, here are the new rules.

- This summer the only change will be to cut off registration when a class meets its quota.
- For the fall semester, students will be allowed to sign up for NO MORE THAN EIGHT CLASSES.
- After the class rosters are published, at least a week before classes begin, you may come into the SAIL office, the rosters will be on the table, and, if there is still space available you can sign up for additional classes.

We understand there are perfectly good reasons for missing a class. However, we ask that you remember this. When you register for a class, we are reserving a chair for you in that classroom and space is limited.

----- THE SAIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS