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Financial seminar: continuum of care retirement communities

by Faisal Kaud, Member, Committee on Financial Matters in Retirement

Continuum of Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) are designed specifically to support the health and welfare of their residents. CCRCs include all of the following major components: independent living accommodations, assisted living and skilled nursing facilities, rehabilitation and wellness programs, and memory care. Madison has four CCRCs: Attic Angel, Capitol Lakes, Oakwood Village (East and West), and Oak Park Place. A financial seminar presenting comparative data on all four of the Madison CCRCs is being offered by a specially formed subcommittee of the Committee on Financial Matters in Retirement (CFMR). The seminar will be presented by two members of CFMR, **Sandi Haase** and **Millard Susman**.

Please join us for an overview of these organizations, their entrance policies and costs, the number of units available at each level of care, the cost of care at each level, the services provided, and optional services available at additional cost.

Comparing CCRCs

Tuesday, March 21, 10:00 a.m. to noon or later

Lussier Family Heritage Center
3101 Lake Farm Road
Madison, WI

At the end of the program, residents from each facility will be available to talk about their experience. In addition, administrative representatives from each of the facilities will be available to answer more specific questions that you might have. If you have questions about this seminar, please email fakaud@wisc.edu or msusman@wisc.edu.

Food pantry contribution

The food pantry recipient for this event will be the new Open Seat food pantry serving UW-Madison students. Both cash and checks payable to the UW Foundation with "Open Seat food pantry" on the memo line will be accepted.

Registration

Since we expect this seminar to be very popular with our members, we ask you to register as soon as possible. Please contact the Association office (see masthead) no later than Friday, March 10, to register. If you or your companion registered for the seminar but cannot attend, please call 262-0641 by 8:30 a.m. on the day of the program to allow someone on the waiting list to attend. Financial seminars are offered free to UWRA members, and members may bring guests who are not members of the Retirement Association. If you plan to bring a guest, please indicate the name when you register.

Directions

Take the Beltline, Hwy. 12-18, to the West Broadway/South Towne Drive exit (exit 264). At the top of the ramp, turn south onto South Towne Drive. Drive through the roundabout, taking the second exit so that you continue straight on South Towne Drive (about 0.8 mile). Turn left onto Moorland Road (just past the sewage plant). There is a sign that points to Lussier Center. Continue about 0.4 mile. Note that Moorland Road becomes Lake Farm Road. Continue on Lake Farm Road for about 0.25 mile. The driveway to Lussier Heritage Center will be on your left. There is a large Lussier sign on the right across from the entrance to their parking lot.

We believe this will be a well-attended seminar, and there is somewhat limited parking at the Lussier Family Heritage Center. If you can, please arrange to carpool with another member.

Get answers to your hardware questions— computers, that is

by John Helgeson and Paul Reichel, Members, Electronic Technology Committee

Many of us had what we believed were adequate computers, data storage devices, etc., when we retired. Also, while we were working at UW, we often had information specialists who would help us with our questions. But now, some years later, we wonder if we should upgrade programs. We may even find that we can no longer upgrade with our existing equipment! So what can we do? The Electronic Technology Committee is sponsoring a program on computer hardware, given by **Karl Weirauch** and **Mike Juszczyk** from DoIT, on what is available now and what may come in the near future.

Topics to be covered include laptop and desktop computers and possible alternatives such as a Chrome Book or Microsoft Surface Tablet. The idea is to give our members information on what is new out there and some idea of where we might go to upgrade our computer capabilities for the future. We will also talk about storage options. We started long ago with floppy disks and then moved to hard drives, but many of these devices are obsolete or can fail. What are the alternatives for stable, reliable data storage today, and what might be still effective in the future? We often need to print out the results of our computations or scan in data. What alternatives are available today and which might be useful in the long run? Finally, in this age of hackers, we need to think about the security of our data. What is available and how do we keep current in our protection? The program will last approximately one hour. There will then be about 30 minutes for questions.

Computers and related hardware
Wednesday, March 22, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Oakwood Village University Woods
Arts and Education Center
6205 Mineral Point Road

Registration

Advance registration is required in order to receive a copy of the handouts. Contact the Association office (see masthead) by Wednesday, March 15, to register. Seminars are offered free to UWRA members, and members may bring guests who are not members of the Retirement Association. If you plan to bring a guest, please indicate the name when you register.

Food pantry contribution

The food pantry recipient for this event will be the First United Methodist Church. Both cash and checks payable to the First United Methodist Church will be accepted.

Parking

Enter the grounds at the traffic light at Island Drive and Mineral Point Road. Underground parking is available by veering left when you enter Oakwood. Take a right at the green sign that says “Heritage Oaks Parking.” When you approach the parking garage door, push the red button and alert the receptionist that you are there for a UWRA program. You may park in any parking spot other than those marked “reserved.” Take the elevator to the first floor and follow the signs for the auditorium. You may also park in a visitor spot in surface parking (marked spaces along the drive and on up the hill to the large lot).

To photographers and photo lovers: WAKE UP!

by Millard Susman and Rose Barroilhet, Photo Contest Co-Chairs

The entry deadline for the UWRA Photo Contest is February 28, 2017. If you are reading this note in February, please take a few minutes to enter some pictures. The link to the contest page is at uwra.wisc.edu under “Announcements.”

All UWRA members are invited to vote on the photos entered in the contest. Click on “Review Form” on the Photo Contest page, and choose your favorite photo in each category. Then click on “Online Ballot Form” and vote. Voting begins on March 1 and ends on March 31. Note that each member of a couple belonging to UWRA under a shared membership may vote. That’s why you must enter your first name as well as your last name when signing in to vote.

Access to the ballot requires a password. Your password is the first four letters of your last name followed by your ZIP code followed by the last four digits of your phone number. (If your surname is shorter than four letters, just enter the whole name.)

Monthly reminders

Westside breakfast at Sofra, 7457 Elmwood Avenue, Middleton, 8:30, March 7, April 4, May 1.

Eastside breakfast at Elie’s, 4102 Monona Drive, Madison, 8:30, March 22, April 18, May 25.

Reservations are not needed for either location. You are welcome regardless of where you live.

For information on upcoming PLATO trips, go to platomadison.org/page-18561.

Now is the time to speak up about your health insurance

The Wisconsin Group Insurance Board voted February 8 to change the current State of Wisconsin fully insured health insurance structure to a self-insurance plan. The time for public comment is very narrow, especially as this requires only a passive review by the legislature's Joint Finance Committee.

If you want to comment, the co-chairs of the Joint Finance Committee are Senator Alberta Darling (266-5830 or Sen. Darling@legis.wisconsin.gov) and Representative John Nygren (266-2343 or Rep.Nygren@legis.wisconsin.gov).

You can find the names of the other members of the committee at docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2017/committees/joint/1680. You may also contact your state Senator and Representative with your concerns. Further information is available at etf.wi.gov/gov_relation/GIB_Letter_to_JCF_Self-Insurance.pdf.

A new kind of tech talk: the bug-extermination session

by Halliman Winsborough, Member, Electronic Technology Committee

Often, after the Electronic Technology Committee meetings are done, some of the members hang around and talk about tech problems that are bugging us. Usually another committee member can help with a suggestion or place to look for help. Once we recognized this habit, we thought it might be good to invite the membership to join us in these sessions. So, following the next ETC meeting on March 30, we invite you to join us for the first of our new bug-extermination sessions. To add some focus, we thought it would be good to announce a general topic, which will be the pesky password problem: how to keep track of passwords and how to retrieve the one you chose a year ago and have not used since. Sheila Spear, co-chair of the committee, who is moderately conversant with the app LastPass, will lead the discussion. Come if you are puzzled. Do come if you know something about the subject and are willing to share.

The pesky password problem

March 30, 2:30 p.m.

Westmorland Room

Oakwood Village University Woods
6205 Mineral Point Road

The ETC will meet at 1:00 p.m. beforehand. All are welcome to attend this committee meeting as well.

ETC Says: purchasing software and more from DoIT

by Kathy Christoph, Co-Chair, Electronic Technology Committee

Recently, a UWRA member expressed his "irritation of the week" about buying software from DoIT, which was that it took him a considerable amount of time to determine that he was not eligible for purchase of his particular software package of interest. In response to this concern, Brandon at DoIT reminds us that several software products are available for download through the "Campus Software Library." This software is licensed under separate agreements with each publisher. License usage details for each product are available at software.wisc.edu/cgi-bin/csl_licenses.cgi. He also notes that emeritus faculty/staff are eligible for nearly every other product sold via the Tech Store: all computers, hardware, parts, peripherals, and those software titles not part of the Campus Software Library. Questions may be directed to licensing@wisc.edu.

ETC Says: wireless but not batteryless

by Dorothy Klinefelter, Member, Board and ETC

Nothing I typed on my keyboard was appearing on the computer screen. A call to the Geek Squad taught me that there are batteries in the wireless keyboard (also the wireless mouse), and replacing them fixed the problem. Thus, I learned that changing batteries periodically may keep things humming along.

Hearing loss and its impact on life

by Esther Olson, Member, Retirement Challenges Committee

Interested in knowing the consequences of untreated hearing loss? If so, plan to attend the April 25th talk entitled "Huh, what did you say?" by UW Health Audiologists **Amanda Mravec** and **Lara Gingerich**. They will tell us how to recognize hearing loss and explain the impact hearing loss has on our lives. They will also review what can be done about hearing loss and the latest in hearing-loss research. Watch the April newsletter for details.

Welcome to these new members of the Association, 1-10-17 through 2-14-17

Dan & Lynn Catlin

Diane DeMonaco Dowd

Ann Haase Kehl & Michael Kehl

Gregory & Sharon Moses (correction from last month)

Jim Molenda

Deanna Moris

Susan & Edwin Pineda

Constance Scofield

Kim & Kris Todd

Meet a member: ten things about Margie Speier

by Debra Lauder, Column Coordinator

Name: Margaret (Margie) Speier

Spouse: David, to whom I have been married 46 years!

Before-retirement work: My before-retirement life included 18.5 years at Memorial Library in the Central Technical Services Division, where my last position was as a Library Services Supervisor; 3 years at the School of Music where I did payroll and benefits; 21 years at the Law School, with 12 as the Administrative Assistant to the Director of the Law Library, and 9 in the Dean's Office doing payroll, benefits, and human resources. I retired in 2011 as a University Business Specialist. My after-retirement work has included three years at the Department of Revenue doing taxes, and presently I am a team member at Target.

The first thing I did after I retired was get on a plane and go to the Big Island of Hawaii for a vacation. It was great!

Now I spend my time caretaking for my two in-laws in Milwaukee (ages 102 and 93), working on projects at home, working part time, caring for two dogs and two cats, and volunteering at the Dane County Humane Society as a Feline Friend, where I socialize with cats to prepare them for their new, forever home.

I joined UWRA because I wanted to remain connected to the UW, see former colleagues, and stay active in retirement. Plus, Ann Wallace presented the benefits of membership so well at a presentation, how could I resist?

My favorite UWRA activity is attending the financial programs; they have been so informative.

Something that would surprise you about me is I practice Kundalini Yoga and have done so for 12 years. I do a few poses each day and enjoy the benefits it has provided to me.

What I have been reading lately: *The Power of Habit* by Charles Duhigg, which explores why we do what we do in life and business; *Spark Joy* by Marie Kondo, which is an inspiration for organization in the home and life (I have to admit I am still trying to find the "joy" in organizing.); and *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman, a fun and engaging read about a man set in his ways but now dealing with new neighbors and changes.

My favorite restaurant in the Madison area is Culver's for their custard, especially the turtle sundaes.

The music I enjoy listening to is classic hits of the 50s, 60s, and 70s. So many songs remind me of past events in my life: where I was, who I was with, and world events. Also I enjoy the world concerts by "The Three Tenors." I close my eyes to enjoy their music, so beautifully sung.

Get ready to explore the East Troy Electric Railroad

by Gail Holmes, Member, Travel Committee

It is always interesting to read history and to see historic sites. It is especially interesting to experience history in full measure: to see it, hear it, feel it, smell it, and be immersed in an authentic and original piece of history without peer.

The East Troy Railroad Museum owns and operates the surviving track between Mukwonago and East Troy that was built by the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company in 1907 and abandoned in 1939. Because there were several businesses in East Troy that required the freight rail connection, the village bought the segment after abandonment and operated it as the East Troy Municipal Railroad to maintain freight service. In the 1970s, streetcars and inter-urbans owned by preservation groups began operating on weekends on the East Troy railroad. The museum grew and ridership increased over the years as freight traffic declined. Eventually in the early 1990s, the museum bought the railroad from the village. The present East Troy Railroad Museum owns and operates the railroad, maintains the track and infrastructure, and maintains and restores the operating equipment.

The museum's collection includes the only operating Milwaukee streetcar, the only surviving wooden inter-urban car that operated in Wisconsin, the largest collection of operating South Shore inter-urbans, and a unique dinner train using South Shore inter-urban cars built in the 1920s, rebuilt in the 1940s, and remodeled at the museum.

The museum has an all-volunteer staff with over 130 members. They have interesting backgrounds and fields of expertise. There are engineers, technicians, electricians, IT professionals, teachers, bus drivers, marketing professionals, musicians, and even a retired Catholic priest. Meeting and chatting with riders is interesting, and it is fun to share the unique history of the line and the equipment with the passengers. It is especially fun to have school groups on weekday charters because their excitement and enthusiasm is contagious. This past year, the railroad had 23,000 riders, up from 19,000 in 2015.

UW-Madison Retirement Association Travel Committee

**Yerkes Observatory and East Troy Electric Train with onboard lunch
Monday, May 15, 2017**

The Travel Committee invites you on this spring adventure to eastern Wisconsin. We'll begin the day with a private, one-hour tour of Yerkes Observatory in Williams Bay. Their expert, engaging, and entertaining guides will provide a fascinating program covering the Observatory's history, architectural detail, astronomical research, and a look inside the 90-foot dome of the 40-inch refractor, still the largest lens-type telescope in the world! Visit the gift shop for some unique items found only at Yerkes.

We'll then board the bus for a short ride to the East Troy Depot for our private chartered, two-hour ride on the East Troy Electric Railroad. Our own UWRA member Evan Richards will be our guide and conductor. We'll board the train and sit at tables for two or four people. The capacity of the dinner car is 50 people.

Imagine yourself dining in the luxury of a dinner car with white tablecloths, china, silverware, and glassware reminiscent of the elegance of yesteryear. Tables will be pre-set with hors d'oeuvres, salads with choice of ranch or blue cheese dressing, and ice water. Choices for lunch on the train are lightly breaded chicken breast topped with marinara and mozzarella cheese served over linguini or roasted beef tips with mushroom gravy accompanied by garlic smashers, seasonal vegetable, and rolls. Beer, wine, and soft drinks are available for purchase. Enjoy a leisurely ride down to Lower Phantom Lake while enjoying your entree. Stretch your legs and get some pictures at Indianhead Park in Mukwonago. On the return trip, dessert will be a dark chocolate brownie with dark roast regular coffee, decaf coffee, and hot tea.

The cars were designed and built long before the ADA, therefore they do not meet current standards for accessibility. Passengers must be able to walk up and down steps to get on and off cars. The car is heated and air conditioned and has a restroom.

\$75 per person includes admission, train ride with meal, tax and gratuity, motorcoach, and driver gratuity. No refunds. Registration is limited to the first 50 participants. The deadline is **Friday, May 5**. Members of the University League and PLATO will be permitted to register if space is available. Questions? Call the UWRA office at 262-0641 or Gail Holmes at 249-1846.

8:00 Depart from Sears at West Towne (park in Sears lot near Beltline)

8:30 Depart from Sears/Planet Fitness at East Towne

New East Towne pickup location. Drive on Eagan Road to East Towne Way, enter Sears/Planet Fitness parking lot, and park under first lamp pole with a red and white number 10 sign, across from Culver's.

10:00 Yerkes Observatory tour

11:45 Arrive at East Troy Electric Railroad Depot (train leaves the station at 12:30)

4:00 Return to Sears at East Towne

4:30 Return to Sears at West Towne

**UWRA Travel to Yerkes Observatory and East Troy Electric Train
Monday, May 15**

Name(s) (please print) _____

Phone/Cell _____

Email _____

Affiliation: ___ UWRA ___ University League ___ PLATO

Select an entree per person: Chicken breast _____ or Beef tips _____

Select either East Towne Sears pickup 8:00, return 4:00 _____ or West Towne Sears pickup 8:30, return 4:30 _____

Payment of \$75 per person is enclosed. Please make checks payable to UW-Madison Retirement Association.

Mail to UW-Madison Retirement Association, c/o Division of Continuing Studies, 21 North Park Street, Room 7205, Madison, WI 53715-1218 to arrive there no later than **May 5**.

A little more about Evan Richards, our guide for the May 15 train excursion

by Gail Holmes, Member, Travel Committee

Evan Richards retired in June 2006 from the UW Space Science and Engineering Center, where he worked since 1970 on a series of spacecraft instruments and several other ground-based instrumentation projects. Since retirement, Evan has created and maintained websites for several nonprofit organizations including the Madison Savoyards and the Peninsula Music Festival. He has also done some videography and DVD production for the Savoyards and has created some You Tube channels including the Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society.

In 2009, he began building a garden railroad in the backyard and created a website for the railroad to use as a web development and testing site (evanrichards.biz/MWRR/). In 2015 at the urging of his brother, who had connections going back to the early 1980s with the East Troy Railroad, Evan joined the East Troy Railroad Museum and began training as a conductor and motorman. He soon learned to run most of their cars and regularly was part of the operating crew. He also began to get involved in maintenance work and then began assuming the responsibilities of booking charter trips on the railroad. Evan is looking forward to the UW-Madison Retirement Association visit on May 15 for a ride and luncheon served aboard the electric train!

Summer travel = Lambeau, cars, Oneida history, train ride — all in one two-day trip!

How about two days in “Titledown, USA? Join us for an overnight trip to Green Bay July 18-19, where we will visit the new 15,000 square foot Packer Hall of Fame, tour Lambeau field, and have a tailgate lunch. We will also visit the new Automobile Gallery, which is the brainchild of Red Lewis, inventor of the touchless car wash, where we will see more than 50 cars dating from 1912 to present.

Then it will be on to the Radisson hotel and casino for dinner and entertainment plus some free gaming before retiring to our rooms. The next day’s itinerary includes breakfast at the hotel and a three-hour bus tour of the Oneida Nation, including the Cultural Heritage site, the Veteran’s Wall, log homes, a buffalo farm, and the first Episcopal Church in Wisconsin. After we spend some time at Cooks Corner, the largest kitchen store in the United States, we will end the day at the National Railroad Museum with a tour, a hobo lunch, and a train ride. Watch for details in the May *Sifter*.

Save the date - June 13 for the Wade house and Kohler Design Center tour

Ever wonder what traveling was like in the 1800’s? Join the travel committee’s June 13 trip to historic Wade House and get a glimpse of travel and lodging accommodations in “them thar days.” Tour the renovated hotel, the carriage museum, the blacksmith’s shop, a sawmill, and the new visitor center. We will then travel through time to the state-of-the-art Kohler Design Center where a self-guided tour will give us a glimpse of both old and new products. Watch for details in the May *Sifter*.

Ready for spring?

by Kay Jarvis-Sladky, Publicity Chair, University League, and Member, UWRA

Lisa Johnson, lifelong gardener and UW-Extension horticulture agent, will help us dream about floral and foliage creations at the University League Spring Luncheon, Wednesday, March 15 beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Blackhawk Country Club, when she offers tips on container gardens and raised beds. The cost is \$26, and registration is due by March 7. Please join us for this event by visiting the University League website for further details: univleague.wisc.edu/program.

A Dane County horticulture agent since 2004, Lisa currently runs the Dane County Master Gardener Training Program as well as advises the Madison Area Master Gardeners Association. She has B.S. and M.S. degrees in horticulture from UW-Madison and is a regular guest on Larry Meiller’s WHA Radio Garden Talk program.

Help children learn about the environment

by Rita Applebaum, Coordinator, Environmental Education Outreach, Madison Metropolitan School District, and UWRA member

The Madison Metropolitan School District is looking for assistance from volunteers to infuse environmental education learning within the elementary-level literacy instructional program during its six-week summer session, which runs from mid-June through July. The students will study animals and their habitats in grades kindergarten and three, plants in grades one and four, and water and weather in grades two and five. Please email rapplebaum@madison.k12.wi.us if you would enjoy working with us at a school near you.

Undergraduate Symposium

by Laurie Mayberry, Assistant Vice Provost

The 19th Annual Undergraduate Symposium will showcase over 400 projects featuring an array of undergraduate creativity, achievements, research, service-learning, and community-based research from all areas of study by more than 550 students at UW-Madison. Members of the university, the surrounding community, family, and friends are invited to attend this free event on Thursday, April 13, from noon to 4:45 p.m. in Union South.

In addition to presentations and posters, the program will also include lightning-style talks (three to five minutes long), artist talks, and film shorts. We invite you to join us following the Symposium for the reception and presentation of the fourth annual Awards for Mentoring Undergraduates in Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities. The reception will be from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m. in Varsity Hall. For more information, see learning.wisc.edu/ugsymposium/.

Attic Angel programs

by Julie Nelson, Administrative Assistant, Attic Angel Association

The Attic Angel Association holds programs each Monday morning at Attic Angel Place, 8301 Old Sauk Road, Middleton. Coffee is served at 10:00 a.m., and the program begins at 10:30. There is no charge, and no reservation is required.

March 6: "UW Urban Canid Project," David Drake, Professor and Extension Wildlife Specialist, UW-Madison Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology

March 13: "100 years of public broadcasting in the state that invented it," Jack Mitchell, Former Director of Wisconsin Public Radio and Professor Emeritus, UW-Madison School of Journalism and Mass Communications

March 20: "In the footsteps of Captain Cook—traveling on a tall ship in the South Pacific," Heidi Wilde and Kennedy Gilchrist, worldwide travelers

March 27: "The Disney experience: the lesson of a lifetime," Kelly DuBois, Director of Sales and Marketing, Attic Angel Community

RSVP opportunities

by Diana Jost, Assistant Director, RSVP

RSVP partners with school districts and organizations around Dane County to help meet the needs of the community. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Andrea Beaster, Intergenerational Program Coordinator/Foster Grandparent Supervisor at 608-441-7894 or email Abeaster@rsvpdane.org.

Foster Grandparent Program. Foster Grandparents are caring individuals who devote at least 15 hours a week to supporting children to improve school readiness and literacy, and helping them to be successful learners.

Special Projects, Guest Speakers in Area Schools. Each spring volunteers share with students their personal stories related to events in history or share their expertise on a variety of topics.

- De Forest Bio Link Project. Volunteers at De Forest Middle School share events in their lives when they had to overcome difficult obstacles.
- Madison Memorial High School History Project. Volunteers are invited each year to Memorial High School to participate in small-group interviews on what their life was like during the Great Depression and WWII.

Drivers are urgently needed in all Dane County communities, especially in Fitchburg, Mt. Horeb, Oregon, Madison/Monona, and Sun Prairie, to provide seniors and veterans with rides to medical and other important appointments, or to deliver meals to seniors in communities outside Madison. To help seniors or deliver meals, contact Gene Kundert, gkundert@rsvpdane.org or 441-7896; for veterans, contact Jamie Johnston, jjohnston@rsvpdane.org or 238-7901.

Afraid of falling?

by Ashley Hillman, Health Promotion Program Manager, Safe Communities

Identify and address your falls risk by registering for "Stepping On," a seven-week, two-hour class for older adults with balance concerns or fear of falling. The \$35 participation fee includes instruction, guest expert presentations, printed materials, and snacks. Please visit safercommunity.net for full class listing or call 235-1957.

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UW-Madison Retirement Association Calendar

March 7	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Sofra
March 13	10:00 a.m.	India's caste system: trying to level the playing field
March 15	10:30 a.m.	Morning program on Great Lakes shipwrecks of Wisconsin
March 15	11:45 a.m.	Luncheon program on the Wisconsin Historical Society
March 21	10:00 a.m.	Continuum of care facilities
March 22	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Elie's
March 22	1:30 p.m.	Program on computer hardware
March 30	2:30 p.m.	The pesky password problem
March 31	midnight	Deadline for voting in the photo contest
April 4	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Sofra
April 18	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Elie's
April 21	10:00 a.m.	Annual ETF/SWIB update*
April 25	10:00 a.m.	Program on hearing loss*
April 27	2:30 p.m.	ETC drop-in session
May 1	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at Sofra
May 11	10:00 a.m.	Annual meeting and luncheon*
May 15	8:00 or 8:30 a.m.	Trip to Yerkes Observatory and East Troy Electric Train
May 16	10:00 a.m.	Investment strategies, pre- and post-retirement*
June 13	TBD	Trip to Wade House and Kohler Design Center*
June 20	10:00 a.m.	The many challenges of Alzheimer's*

*Details will be provided in future issues of *The Sifter*. Registrations will be accepted after the full descriptive article has been published.