Enjoy Your Winter!

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**The Party Line by Carol Beckley**

**Bill Buskirk** and his wife just got back from Europe. They really enjoyed their Viking cruise starting in Paris, traveling down the Moselle and up the Rhine. This was followed with five days in the Italian Alps, six days in the Austrian Alps, and one day in Germany.

On the phone looking for news the other day – Bill Blix says “Hi” to all. Also talked with Frank Marshall’s wife. They’ve just finished remodeling their home and now loving every minute in it! She and Frank finally got to Europe. This was a long-time dream come true for the two of them. Frank drove them around Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Frank is interested in WWII history, so these countries were really interesting for him. They came home with wonderful memories.

**Kitty Seymour** just returned from her trip to Tennessee where she met her daughter and drove around in the Smoky Mountain National Reserve. The leaves hadn’t turned yet, much to their disappointment.

**Jan Kleminsky** and I (Carol) ran into each other and started talking about friends and traveling. She’s been getting some traveling in and enjoying it. We’d just about caught up when we met up with Georgia Nissen. We had to start all over catching each other up. Both are enjoying retirement and finding lots to do.

**Debra Houts** spent some time in Tampa, Florida at a Moose Conference and in New Orleans for a VFW Conference, enjoying both and had a great time.

**Bill Buskirk’s recent Retiree walk** along the new path at the Mill Race was interesting and enjoyed by attendees—even in the rain.

In charge of education with the Eugene Opera, Ginny Reich was busy this past year working on their first opera camp for 18 teens. What a great way to get teens and opera together!

Our October travel presentation was great! After buying a small RV (2006 van), Julianne Sterner and her husband decided to try to visit all the U. S. National Parks. Their first trip was 15,748 miles, January to October 2011, traveling across the country to St. Augustine, Florida. She had great suggestions for such a trip: (1) Set a “theme” (theirs was national parks, her husband’s interest in buildings and hers on the railroad involvement with the parks); (2) buy the “Passport” for national parks (lists each park and get the stamps at parks; the Explorer Edition is book size and has lots of information); (3) When and where do you want to go (used AAA “trip itinerary” to help in timing and miles). Later trips in different years were January-February in Texas, July-August New Mexico, September-November South Dakota, Montana, Tetons, Yosemite, Washington and Idaho. After seeing some of her slides and listening to all the fun they had in planning and executing their trips, we were ALL ready to take off!

Looking ahead: Our President’s Luncheon will be April 24, 2018. Save the date! We had close to 50 people this last April. It’s always fun to see everybody. Carol is always looking for somebody to meet and talk (with or without slides) at the travel meeting (local, national, international, any subject) and Bill is always open for new suggestions on places to walk.

We are also short on “news”. Please contact us. We want to hear from you to share with other retirees what’s happening in your life. Just send us a couple of lines by email to lccretireescommittee@gmail.com or call Carol Beckley (541)343-7857.

**In Memorium by Kitty Seymour**

**Phoebe Anderson** passed away in October 2017. She was an administrative specialist in Cooperative Education and was a positive energy in that department. She will be missed by friends and family alike.

**Charlene Curry** was a Lane Community College Board member for many years and was influential in many of LCC’s policies. She passed away in May of 2017. Our condolences to her family.

**Dora Adeline Romoser** was an instructor of English along with her husband, Ted, who was also active in community services. She battled cancer and finally succumbed in August 2017. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

We were sorry to hear that **Rose Holeman’s husband John** passed away not too long ago. They have been living in Florida these past years. Our condolences to her and her family.