

# The Academy Perspective

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## SENIOR HOUSING REPORT Vada Lee Barkley

More than forty people attended the February 24 meeting to hear Dr. Loren Gresham, President of SNU, talk about Senior Housing.

Dr. Gresham assured us of his interest in and commitment to a senior housing facility. He asked us to determine the type of facility prospective tenants want and how they (we) want to pay for it; for example, monthly, like rent; substantial entrance fee; trust.

Elbert Overholt has begun research to follow through on that request.

Dr. Gresham and members of our senior housing committee have toured a number of retirement centers in our area.

We are collecting information on others. Some of those we will visit later.

One facility, for example, described in The Daily Oklahoman, 2-27-92, p. 13, is similar in size and type to what many of us want.

Meadowood Retirement Community near Indiana University at Bloomington, Indiana, features 92 apartments and 92 garden homes on 30 acres.

It also has a health pavilion with assisted living and skilled care.

## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

March 23: Ted Goulden

April 27: Annual Meeting

May 11: Lecil Brown "Wills and Trusts"

June 22: --

These are luncheon meetings at 12 noon in the Heritage Room. Cost - \$5.00 per person.

R.S.V.P. no later than Friday noon before each meeting by calling Elbert Overholt 789-6400,xt 6578 or 789-7645 or Vada Lee Barkley 787-4351.

## DRIVERS ED FOR SENIORS

Anyone interested can still sign up for this seminar. See Milton Sonnevik.

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE Mabel Sonnevik, Chairman Membership Committee

April has been designated membership month for ASP. The membership committee met and decided to ask each member to recruit one member.

At our luncheon March 23, we will hand out packets containing a brochure, application blank, and cover letter, which members can put into the hands of prospects.

We suggest that you invite your prospect as your guest at the March luncheon to hear Ted Goulden, from the Audubon Society, speak.

If each member recruits one new member, we will double our size in one month. Let's go for it.

## ACTION AMONG MEMBERS Elbert Overholt

*Leon Jennings* has been working with Dr. Lyle Pointer in the SNU Religion Department. Leon has been placing students in practicums on the Educational Region and doing some counseling of prospective pastors.

*Elbert Overholt* is actively engaged in a research survey to determine the extent of interest in Senior Housing in Bethany. Prof. Jeff Seyfert's Management Research class is cooperating in developing an appropriate instrument for the Study.

*Leo Carden* is continuing his work in the chemistry lab with Dr. Gene Heasley.

*Esther Overholt* has been providing book repair service for the SNU library.

*Clifton Norell* has been reading and evaluating professional books in Religious Education for Dr. Lyle Pointer. He and *Ruth* are working in the Meals-on-Wheels program also.

*Art Barkley* continues to provide part time assistance for Gene Gore in the SNU printshop, as needed. (Art runs errands for the president, as well).

*Edith Payne* is doing nursing consultation as well as serving as President of the Audubon Society.

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Milton and Mabel Sonnevik have been working with Eunice Robinson and the SNU international students.

Jim Falkner and Shural Knippers continue to plan for a Senior Retirement Center in Bethany. Jim is also working part time with the SNU maintenance crew.

Don Beaver is printing the Academy Perspective on his computer system. Doesn't it look nice?

Marvin Peterson is involved in several community church projects repairing houses.

Paul Gray has placed the SNU Archives on the State Tourism Agenda. He can use additional hosts from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Harold Knippers, Lawrence Snell, and Loy Watson have served as hosts, along with other local citizens.

Martha Gresham worked last semester as a tutor in the English Department at SNU.

Paul Gresham assists the President in special reading projects as the need arises.

Lois Brasher is serving as our hospitality secretary.

Vada Lee Barkley, your busy president, has been tutoring and counseling an international student through divorce proceedings.

Betty Knutson has been helping her mother, Fay, and Chant Beck through eight months of Chant's illness. Betty is also involved with the Gideon ministry.

Carolyn Knippers, our newest member, rocks babies on day a week at Children's Center, delivers Meals-on-Wheels, as needed, and visits hospital patients.

NOT A LAUGHING MATTER

Women over 60 don't have babies because we'd lay them down somewhere and forget where we left them.

A WORD ABOUT MEMBERSHIP

As we begin our first annual membership drive, a few quotes from our Bylaws are in order.

Art. I, Section 1. Membership qualifications:

Members shall be individuals from various professional backgrounds who, having arrived at the state of life where they no longer need to meet the pressure of regular professional activities, would like to join with others in comparable circumstances in the realization of personal and shared goals entailing various forms of intellectual, cultural, spiritual and service activities. They shall show evidence of humane concern, intellectual purpose and the ability to share and synthesize experience and expertise. Such abilities are to be shared for a reasonable period of time each year in the results of personal investigation, in individual or group projects, and in ongoing programs of the Academy.

Art. I, Section 3. Admission of New Members.

Application for membership shall be made to the Director on forms provided by the Academy to the prospective Member.

Applications shall be approved by the Committee on Membership and by members of the Academy Administrative Council.

Art. I., Section 4. Good Standing and Requirements for Continued Membership.

A member is considered to be in good standing as long as he or she has paid all dues and has satisfied any other obligations to the Academy.

-----ACADEMY ACTIVITIES-----

For our annual report, we need to know what Academy activities you are involved in. Please give us a brief report by completing the following form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Expanding Horizons: \_\_\_\_\_

University Colleagues: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Give this information to Vada Lee or Elbert at the March luncheon.