

# LISLE *Interaction*

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## *Lisle Annual Meeting Builds Community*

by Shirley Lake

High on a secluded hill bordered by woods and overlooking Madison and Lake Mendota, 39 Lislers gathered October 3-5 for a productive Indian-summer weekend of learning, sharing, socializing and business. Our program was undergirded by the beauty, hospitality, serenity and good food at St. Benedict's Retreat and Conference Center, an inter-faith center established in 1966 by the sisters of St. Benedict, whose monastic life emphasizes hospitality, community building and education.

Speakers also presented different perspectives on the weekend theme of community building. While Board committees met on Friday, 19 reunion Lislers reminisced and made new friends. They met with Dr. Alem Asres, Assistant Dean of the College of Engineering at UW-Madison, who is responsible for recruiting minority students and faculty, kicked off



*Walt and Betty Ligon, devoted Lisle community builders, this October in Wisconsin*

discussions on the need for diversity and increased sensitivity to ethnic differences in order to build community. Then Lisle Alum and Professor of Sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Ann Frisch (Hawaii-95) talked about community building via the Internet.

Later, Board members and alumni toured the grounds with the inspiring and reverent keeper, Paul Boutwell, who conveyed the St. Benedict philosophy and purpose, and extolled the monastic peace and contemplation provided by the surrounding natural beauty. He showed us the areas they are restoring to an oak savannah and prairie, the organic apple orchard and garden, and the pond they are going to dredge and reclaim. After being inspired by Paul and the setting, we formed a circle on a hilltop and sang 'Dona Nobis Pacem'. (Ken Engelman, NY-47, recalls that his unit, including Uncle Si Baldwin, ended the day by climbing to a hilltop, where they sang and shared together.)

After an evening of socializing and enthusiastic reports about the successful Bali and Turkey programs and the Saturday morning annual meeting, we pursued our theme of community building by

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learning about Community Supported Agriculture (see page 7). We concluded with a presentation by Chuck Pfeifer, Director of Madison Urban Ministry, an organization which provides an opportunity for people, institutions, and congregations to respond to the challenges in our community in ways that energize us and give us hope. His thoughtful definition of community with its different levels and structure types, his observation that our visions of potential futures affect community, and his outline of how his organization deals with building community all stimulated much thought and discussion.

After our Saturday banquet dinner (which featured fresh vegetables from the CSA farm we had visited earlier in the day) and the evening speaker, we turned our attention to honoring three outstanding Lislors: Miriom Zusman, Walt and Betty Ligon.

Miriom Zusman, who served as a Lisle Board Member for many years, was granted Emeritus status, complete with the right to attend Lisle Board meetings at any time, with full voting privileges. Walt Ligon skillfully interviewed her about her childhood in Poland, the family's escape from there, their subsequent life in the United States, and her work with young people in Brooklyn.

A number of Lislors then paid beautiful tributes to Walt and Betty Ligon for their long-term extraordinary service as officers on the Lisle Board. They were thanked for their support of Uncle Si Baldwin in tough times and good, and for their leadership regarding the development of Lisle's methods and philosophy in today's changing settings. (We are very grateful that they will be finishing out the last year of their current terms before leaving the Board.)

For the success of the weekend, special thanks are due area Lislors Norm and Ann Frisch, Heather Houston and Jane Spear, and especially for the efforts of Mirabel and Roy Deming, Ken Engelman, Jim Lake and Yosh and Chuck Varney. 🌐

*Quotes from the Costa Rica 1997 evaluations:*

*"Although I had not expectations and just wanted to travel... I learned many many things from cultural issues to international relations. I learned how simple life can be. I made a spiritual connection with god." (G.M., Grad Student, OH)*

*"Leadership was solid, competent, flexible. The separate leadership {elected from the combined group of Costa Ricans, Danes and Lislors} at Cooperunioro was healthy and fun." (B.W., Grad Student, CA)*

*"I am learning... that no matter the culture, we are all the same—with different needs, different desires, and moralities. Although we always make an impact, I think we made a good effort to be respectful of the local people and culture." (M.S., retired lab tech, animal rights activist, AZ)*

## Miriom Zusman Honored

by Betty Ligon

**T**oward the end of the 1997 Lisle annual meeting in Madison, Wisconsin, long time board member Miriom Zusman was presented with a certificate honoring her work for Lisle and naming her Lisle Board Member *Emerita*. She was interviewed on her experiences before and after Lisle by Walt Ligon who had known her since 1948.

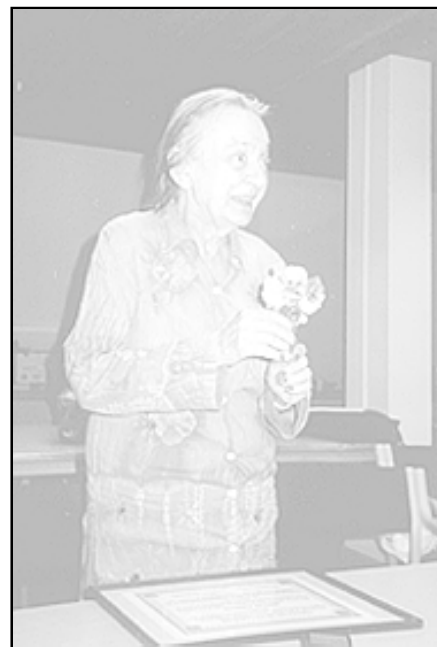
Born in the Warsaw ghetto, Miriom had to leave home with her family in 1939 to escape Nazi persecution. Making their way across the Soviet Union under harsh weather conditions and always in danger of imminent capture, they reached Japan and finally the United States. Both parents had been highly respected members of their community in Warsaw and they achieved a similar status where they lived in the Bronx.

Miriom first heard of Lisle from Uncle Si as a student at Mt. Holyoke College and attended the Colorado '45 unit of Lisle. Miriom said she went mainly hoping to see something of Colorado but ended up experiencing what has often been described in Lisle as world community. She along with three other Lislors was given the responsibility of starting *Interaction*. They did so and it is now over fifty years old.

Besides her service to Lisle and the Lisle board, Miriom has been active at community building through the Brooklyn YMCA and through her own creative efforts. She founded the History, Art and Nature Den (HAND) in memory of her parents for inner city youth, and has conceived and developed many neighborhood programs through the "Y." For several years she found hospitality for newly-minted Lislors hoping to see New York City and served as their tour guide.

Miriom is only the second member of the Lisle board to achieve *Emerita* status. The first was Uncle Si.

At the conclusion of her interview, Miriom asked that anyone wishing to contribute to her neighborhood reading program do so by sending books suitable for grades one through five to her c/o YMCA, 125 Humboldt St., Brooklyn, NY 11206. 🌐



# Thoughts on Lisle

Serving as Board President has not always been a easy. It has been, by turns, exciting, demanding and even fun. But it has always been a privilege to take part in continuing this extraordinary thing called Lisle. And it has always been challenging as well. How could it not be with such talented, thoughtful, caring, and occasionally cantankerous, Board members who bring a wide range of experience to deliberations. One of the great things about Lisle is the opportunity to meet wonderful people who enrich one's life. I am indebted to each and every Board member who has served with me during my six year term of office. Together, we have been moving along.

With help from the Baldwins themselves, who believed on cooperative leadership, Lisle weathered the shift from the their leadership to continuing without them. Some nonprofit organizations have not survived their founders. Lisle has continued to function through financial and leadership crises, not without pain, and in spite of greatly increased competition with other organizations offering somewhat similar experiences. This competition has intensified as colleges and universities offer more and more overseas programs.

We are moving into another kind of transition as Lisles from the early units become fewer. Leadership must of necessity move into the hands of younger people (anyone under 65?), some of whom have never been on a unit. However, they are attracted to the mission of Lisle and to the kinds of people they meet in Lisle: dedicated, caring, and aware. These newer Board members are taking leadership and bringing creative thinking to ways of continuing Lisle's impact. The Lisle that some of us knew has already changed and will continue to change. That is all right. As circumstances change we must change. I find it exciting, especially as I relinquish the role of Board President at what I believe to be the right time. It is a time for new leadership and I look forward to it.

I am delighted with the way our new President, Barbara Bratton, is taking hold. New secretary, Tim Gahagan, has written minutes that are not only well done but prompt. New Board members at the meeting in Madison were immediately involved.

In the excitement of new leadership, we must take care to maintain our center, however we see it: intercultural education through interpersonal growth is one view. Different ones of us will have different definitions for the center of this complex yet simple experience we call Lisle.

This summer I crawled—I don't leap anymore—into our 10-foot sailboat to see if I could still sail. Fairly launched, I found the centerboard would not go down. Oh well, I thought, I'll keep going but of course I only went sideways. I tried to head for home

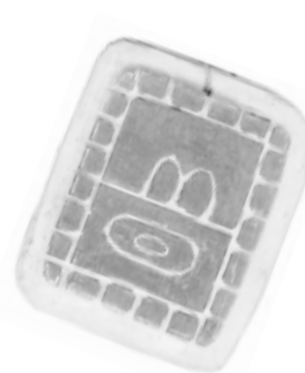


**Dr. Betty Ligon**  
**Departing President**  
**Lisle Board**

but couldn't come about. I had visions of landing at the end of the lake and wading back, boat in tow. I wore about and made a little headway toward our side of the lake. A few more maneuvers enabled me to reach shallow enough water to step out, let down the sail, and contemplate wading a few tenths of a mile. A friend rescued me and towed us back with her motor boat. Never had I realized so clearly the necessity of a center board.

It is up to each one of us who is devoted to Lisle to give our heartfelt support to new Board members and leaders. It is up to each of us to speak out when we see possible weaknesses in Lisle's center. Moving on through this transition to younger leadership will take patience, trust, and careful listening. We'll do it.

Betty Ligon



## *Message From the President-Elect*

**I**F YOU ARE WITHIN REACH OF MY VOICE—SEND HELP!! To say that I am intimidated by the new responsibilities of President-Elect for Lisle is an understatement. Although I have been in charge of many situations, both professionally and through volunteer work, I have never felt so strongly that I am accepting a position where the crossroads are so clearly marked and so clearly imminent. I feel that Lisle can move on into the 21st century as a dynamic and influential instrument for world-mindedness or we can celebrate our history and its influence, close our doors and merge with an existing organization which is able to reach more people.

I believe both pathways are open before us and both are viable alternatives. I will need your continued input and support (as individuals with more tradition in Lisle than I have) to guide my thinking. Please write me at 900 CR 269, Leander, TX 78641 or email to [dragnfly@mail.io.com](mailto:dragnfly@mail.io.com).

I have been a member of the Lisle's Board of Directors since January, 1996. My first Lisle program will be this January, 1998 to Costa Rica. I see Lisle's great strengths as being the concept of world-mindedness as conceived by Uncle Si and Aunt Edna Baldwin and the more than 3,000 Lislers who have experienced and grown through our programs. Lisle's great weakness is that the concept, which was so revolutionary in 1936, has now been adopted and advocated in various forms by more professional and better funded non-profits. We remain an all-volunteer agency with a funny name.

Join us as we attempt a quantum leap into the future with a reorganized office structure, a new funding drive and a sharper focus on our mission—creating programs, recruiting participants and publicizing our influence.

Barb Bratton

### *And now...a bit about our new President*

**T**he serendipity of the coincidence is delightful. In 1966 through 1970, Barbara attended Iowa Wesleyan College in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa—a small, liberal arts college of 1,200 students—only one of over 4,000 colleges and universities in the United States that this Colorado native could have chosen. In 1967, Si and Edna Baldwin accepted a semi-retirement position as professors in charge of the international students at Iowa Wesleyan College—a connection made from their many thou-



**Barbara Bratton  
President**

sands of connections when ex-Lisler, Franklin Littel was hired as the new President of Iowa Wesleyan. Although Barbara and the Baldwin's contacts were few and seemed insignificant at the time, the image of the passing of the torch is inevitable.

Barbara is a certified public accountant with a small, home based office in Leander, Texas—on the outskirts of Austin. Her main business is tax and her initial involvement with Lisle was the updating of the Lisle financial records. Having been a lifetime activist volunteer and in search of new directions as her children emptied the nest, the international aspects of Lisle and its mission toward world-mindedness, coupled with a close friendship with Betty and Walt Ligon, were irresistible.

Barbara thoughts on becoming President: "I have a great interest in family history and, as I gather stories and pictures, I am continually awed by the enormous changes my 95 year old grandparents experienced in their lifetime. Then I look at my children, Christopher (21) and Lori (18) and imagine their lives to their 95th birthdays in the decade of 2070! It is not an original image but it is an overwhelming one. My life from 1948 to 2048 is a transitional time of great importance. I believe we will become one world or we will destroy ourselves. I want to make an impact. I want to make a statement: that each individual, each culture, each piece of geography should become cherished by all. I can best make my statement through my own life as an example and I'm pleased that Lisle has offered me a format to fulfill this life's dream." 🌐



## *Executive Director's Report*

**M**any things have happened for Lisle during this past year. We continue to be strong organizationally. Our financial picture, aided by our recently completed capital fund drive and the robust American economy has meant that we now have a second income stream to complement our annual giving campaign money. This has resulted in our ability to cover the costs of the Graduate Assistant position as well as the costs of the organizational secretary and office. As you remember, we risked offering a GA position about five years ago, saying that even though we did not have the money in income to cover the position, we could sustain it for a couple of years, and hoped that the work done as a result of the position would provide the money to keep it going. Our faith has worked.

The office has been busy this past year. There is an increasing amount of effort which is put into our membership, investment, and program management. There has been more correspondence than ever before, with a greater reliance being placed on electronic communication through E-mail and homepage processes.

Last year we were able to offer all of our programs, NO CANCELLATIONS because of lack of enrollment. We did cancel India due to the illness of the leader. We have held successful programs in Costa Rica because of the quality work of Dianne Brause and her team, Turkey because of the able leadership of Jack and Judy Brown, and Bali because of the efforts of Craig and Zann Jacobrown. I recently participated in a reunion meeting of the 1997 Costa Rica Unit in Toledo, which had lots of good energy and supportive communication.

We are now preparing to print the new program brochures for Turkey, Bali, Costa Rica, and British Columbia, which are being developed by Zann and Craig Jacobrown. We hope to have them ready to mail out before the end of October.

We started making plans for shifting responsibilities for office work and have devised a plan for moving the clerical and financial processes to the office of Barbara Bratton, of President-elect. Beginning immediately, we will be processing all program and financial paperwork through the Texas office. It is hoped that this will free up the Kinneys to concentrate more on program development and recruitment and organizational visioning. It will also allow the GA, Angela McCartney (Kuni's fiancée) to work more on program-related activities, like telephone follow-up and recruitment.

The office continues to devise methods for effective recruitment, with some limited effect. Since I have been on sabbatical this fall, and continue in that status until May 1998, I have been



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***Executive Director***  
***The Lisle Fellowship***

more active in working out details for making recruitment trips. I have also been working on updating the homepage at [www.lisle.utoledo.edu](http://www.lisle.utoledo.edu). The homepage is becoming THE process for finding out about Lisle, both for people who know nothing of us, and for those on the Board who want to find out about our recruitment tools, etc. This is to say that a section of the homepage is available only with the use of a user-ID and a password (bduser; remember). I continue to work out details for making it even more possible for documents and ideas to be shared electronically.

I have researched a new conference calling firm, and have been using their services for the past three calls. This will give us more flexibility during the week for making our calls as well as lower the cost of the calls.

The international conference idea has been moving very slowly due to lack of information from Honduras as well as lack of time on my part. Dianne Brause has been making contacts and has some ideas. The best possibility at this time is to have Lost Valley Educational Center in Dexter, Oregon host the conference in 1998 or beyond. I have collected some ideas for funding sources and the group at UT has put together a one page and a three page description of the program which could be sent to prospective funding sources. What is missing is that spark of energy and focus to see the project through.

I see many hopeful signs on the horizon which will give us more tools for making the organization successful—technology, Board Member skills and enthusiasm, linkages with program provider organizations, available resources, etc.

Mark Kinney



# Walt and Betty Honored

by Shirley Lake

# Living Memorial Book

by Barbara Bratton

This annual meeting seemed to feature a number of hallmarks and celebrations. One of them was to give a special tribute to Walt and Betty Ligon who have both served well and long as true “Saints” within the Lisle board universe. On Saturday night, Roy Deming presided over a delightful period of time where fellow members of the board and other attendees stood to share remembrances and thanks for the many years and thousands of acts of contribution and kindness that Walt and Betty have made over the years. Others had sent their thoughts through the mail and these were read or passed around as well.

As many of you know, Walt has been on the board for decades now and on many occasions has held strong and positive when others seemed willing to give up in anger or despair. Walt has served as Secretary providing both timely reporting (and comic relief for having finished reading the notes) for many years in addition to other essential services such as taking an energetic lead in the endowment fund raising campaign.

Betty, who came in as a “Lisle widow”, began to take more interest and responsibility as the years went by. In the last six years she has played the role of Lisle President in a manner that has definitely aided in our current movement towards success, especially as a stronger and more professional board. She and Walt chose this time to step down from their posts as President and Secretary on the board, but will continue to serve out their current board terms to support a smooth transition with the new officers. (Actually they have been wanting to step down from some time, but up until this year, no one has had guts enough to step into their enormous shoes! Let us all thank and support Barbara Bratton and Tim Gahagan in their courage and dedication to take this leap!)🌐



*Chris Coons offers Walt a birthday cake;*

*Walt always manages to have his birthday during the annual meeting!*

Lislers have always been wonderful about sending memorial donations in memory of loved ones and we have attempted to acknowledge this information in Interaction. Now, in order to more faithfully keep the memories alive, we have begun a bound Living Memorial Book through the generosity and work of Earl Downing. The Living Memorial Book will be available for review and reflection at all of the Board and Annual meetings.

We will record three types of contributions in the Living Memorial Book. Lisle can be listed for receipt of memorial gifts in lieu of flowers upon a death. An acknowledgment of receipt will be sent to the contributor and a letter stating that gifts were received in memory of the deceased with be sent to the Executor of the estate.

As Lislers make their many contributions in all walks of life, there will be moments of exceptional recognition when friends and family might want to celebrate this person’s life by contributing to Lisle “In Honor of.” Again, the names of those honored and the contributors will be recorded in the Living Memorial Book, the gifts will be acknowledged and the individual honored will receive a card advising them that funds have been donated in their honor to Lisle.

Finally, we have a special Lisle donation called “All the Saints” to recognize Lisle’s own particular Saints, that is, persons who have made significant contributions to Lisle. We are celebrating three “Lisle Saints” during this annual meeting as Miriom Zusman has been named a Board member Emerita, and as Betty and Walt Ligon step down as President and Secretary of the Board.

Each issue of Interaction will include this gift form. We hope to continue receiving your generous memorials and honorariums.🌐



# Community supported Agriculture

by Barbara Bratton

A new movement in food production and distribution has begun in the Northeast of the US and is rapidly spreading west and south. Called Community Supported Agriculture or Community Sustained Agriculture, the movement is in response to the increasing destruction of land from single-crop agriculture, the increased use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides in order to facilitate mass production of food and the average 1500 miles our fruits and vegetables now travel from farm to market.



*Lislers at the Vermont Valley Community Farm, Madison, WI*

The Board and Lisle alumni visited a CSA farm near Madison during the Annual Meeting. Run by David & Barbara Perkins, the farm is six acres of variety vegetables and two acres of flowers for cuttings, grown organically. Members of the Madison community buy shares in the farm produce. Vermont Valley Community Farm currently has 200 full share members and 100 half share members. A half share provides fresh vegetables during the producing months for a 2 member family—a full share for a 4-member family.

The farm benefits by this program because they are selling their produce prior to planting. They collect \$400 from each full shareholder and then share the risks of

weather and production among the 300 investors. This gives them the funds needed to purchase seeds and hire workers for planting and maintenance of the crops rather than waiting for sale at harvest to have funds. As crops are harvested, the farmers deliver them weekly to a cooperative drop-off point. All the harvest for that week is boxed into share boxes. The

shareholders then pick up their fresh produce at the drop-off location. The shareholders benefit because their produce is the freshest possible, short of having their own gardens. They know where the produce comes from and how it is grown. Many of them even participate as occasional volunteer workers at the farm so they can experience the full production cycle, from seed-planting to food on the table.

Our instructor on community supported agriculture was Marcy Ostrom, daughter-in-law of Lisle's Hans and

Ellie Spiegel. She completed her Master's thesis on CSA farming and was able to provide detailed facts and specifics about the concept and its adoption in the U.S. during our bus ride to Vermont Valley Farm. Barbara Perkins spent an hour showing us around the farm, answering questions. Upon our return, we heard from Margaret Krome, Agriculture Policy Coordinator of Michael Fields Agricultural Institute, who was able to fit CSA farming into the national picture of food production and distribution and the politics of farming. We greatly appreciate the time these women donated to teach us about this new concept.



Community Sustained Agriculture is an exciting new development in the world of agriculture. If you would like more information on CSA farms all over the country, you can contact the Biodynamic Gardens and Farming Association of Pennsylvania at 1-800-516-7797. Explore the possibility of connecting with a CSA farm in your area and enjoy receiving your local fruits and vegetables fresh from the farm.

The address for the Bio-dynamic Web Page is [www.biodynamics.com](http://www.biodynamics.com). For contacting Allan by email, the address is [biodynamics@biodynamics.com](mailto:biodynamics@biodynamics.com). Allan is great to "talk" to if you want to email him. 🌐



*Barbara Perkins explains about their CSA.*



## Program Updates

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### **COSTA RICA**

DEC. 31, 1997—JAN. 15, 1998

As we are about to go to press, Costa Rica currently has 12 participants for the program beginning December 31, 1997 and going until January 15, 1998. We will visit four unique settings with groups of people who are attempting to live in environmentally sound ways while also developing small ecotourism projects. We will learn and work with these cooperative communities as they go about their daily work as well as enjoying the rich diversity of flora, fauna and varied ecosystems that Costa Rica is known for.

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### **COSTA RICA**

LEADERS-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM  
DEC. 31, 1997—JAN. 30, 1998

For the 7 people who will be staying on for a full month, we will be studying, experiencing and experimenting with appropriate ways to set up similar trips and travel sustainably as we explore various other locations within Costa Rica who see themselves as "ecotourism" sites. We will go out in small "deputation" groupings and then return back to report on our experiences—much in the way that the early Lisle units were set up under Uncle Si and Aunt Edna.

This Leaders-in-Training Program is a next step towards a more systematic plan within Lisle to begin to train and upgrade the skills of people wanting to actually lead Lisle programs. We will use the current Leaders' Handbook as guidebook with added portions relevant to Latin America, Costa Rica and the combined past experiences of Dianne Brause, Jono Neiger and Scott Worland. In addition, a number of the board members are discussing how best to set up some training here

in the USA, with thoughts of possibly doing a training in the Seattle area or tacked onto the beginning or end of the upcoming October Annual Meeting to be held at Lost Valley Educational Center in Dexter, Oregon.

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### **TURKEY 1998**

JUNE 15—JULY 4, 1998

We will be exploring the rich history and present-day culture of Turkey on this trip. Through visiting a variety of ancient sites and being guests in the homes of modern day Turks, we will explore the many ways that people have related to the spirit of their land.

There will be opportunities to join in service projects, tour sacred sites, explore the art and culture of Turkey, while gaining an intimate glimpse into modern Turkish life. We will travel to the cities of Izmir, Alanya, Catalhoyuk, Gazlinatep and Cappadocia.

Leaders Leyla and Ray Welkin are seasoned travel leaders. Leyla was born in Turkey and lived there as a girl. She speaks fluent Turkish. Ray has worked in cooperative group settings for 15 years.

See page 10 for the report on the recent program in Turkey.

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### **INDIA**

JULY 6, 1998—JULY 30, 1998

On arrival in Delhi, the group will spend two days in orientation before proceeding by train and bus to the village of Anjanisain, set amidst terraced field in the foothills of the Himalayas. Here the volunteer agency Bhuvaneshwari Mahila Ashram, is engaged in agricultural projects and schooling for the village children in remote mountain villages. After a week's

stay we will return to Delhi for a brief halt, which will allow time for group interaction and discussion with resource persons in developmental concerns.

The second phase of the program will take us to Warora in Central India by train. We will stay at an Ashram community established by Baba Amte, the noted social activist and Gandhian who named his center "Forest of Bliss". We will be involved in medical and rehabilitation programs and efforts to protect the environment, improve literacy and enhance vocational skills.

Although the two Ashram communities work with different social groups, they are engaged in the common goal of encouraging self-help, environmental awareness, and economic self-sufficiency. We will be staying in rural locations in simple accommodations. The food will be basic vegetarian fare from the Ashram's community kitchens.

Mrs. Sharada Nayak, an international educator and longtime advocate for equal opportunity for women and economic minorities in her native India, was also director of the prestigious Fulbright Program in India for over ten years. Mrs. Nayak will be providing the group with insight into Indian culture and will be assisting the groups adjustment to its new community. Mrs. Nayak is a Lisle alumna who has been actively involved since the early 1950s.

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### **BALI**

JULY 30—AUG. 20, 1998

Join us on the tropical island of Bali, Indonesia, where the traditional arts and culture are inseparable from the spirit and soul of the community. Learn about Balinese arts, culture, society and language

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through trips to the markets, participation in traditional ceremonies, excursions to natural settings, and joining in community service projects.

Trip leaders are Craig and Zann Jacobbrown. Craig speaks fluent Indonesian and has studied the arts in Indonesia. Zann brings her expertise in architecture and cultural art study to her leadership.

See this page for the report on the recent Bali trip.

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## BRITISH COLUMBIA

The British Columbia Unit will be unlike any other past Lisle program, capitalizing on the Lisle educational expertise while utilizing the grassroots leadership of the Ancient Arts for Conflict Resolution organization. The program is designed to address some very specific challenges of area youth: gang related violence, unemployment, racial tension and institutional discrimination.

This program will include a two week cultural immersion/study program in Alert Bay, British Columbia for a group of 12 Washington native and non-native high school students. Alert Bay will provide an inspiring, rich artistic environment for students. They will participate in traditional canoe carving, basket weaving, mask carving and pot-latch dancing activities.

The Alert Bay Program will allow them to experience a very different cultural context that can challenge their assumptions and prejudices. This program is designed to demonstrate that Northwest Native peoples have profound cultural lessons to teach us, and the wisdom passed down through the ages is valuable within institutions we respect. The message of respect for diversity is one that can benefit all people.

*This 1998 Unit has been postponed. As we go to print, we have been informed that funding for this Unit is unavailable. If you know of other funding sources, please contact the Lisle office.*

## Bali 1997—A Successful Unit

by Craig Jacobbrown



*The group from Bali*

The whole Jacobbrown family really enjoyed playing host to a group of Americans, Australians and a South African in Bali this August. There were 14 participants and two co-leaders that finally gathered as the actual arrival dates and times were finally understood by Zann and Craig Jacobbrown, the program leaders (Craig still can't figure out how he called the South African participant at 2 AM one morning to confirm the rendezvous). We had two people 50 and over, 3 people 30-50 (not including leaders) 4 students in their 20s, one high school graduate and four school boys. We all gathered at Tirtagangga, the sight of four large spring fed pools where the king would swim in Karangasem, Eastern Bali on the lower slopes of Mount Agung the largest of the Balinese volcanoes.

We had a series of field trips to nearby attractions and points of interest to begin our immersion into the daily experience of Balinese life. We then moved to the nearby village of Budakeling where we began to really feel the rhythm of Balinese village life as one of the participants said. Each participant lived with a family and studied with one or more of the many artist and crafts people who live in the village. Participants made their own silver ankle bracelets and earrings, wood carvings and weavings. Also to balance the more meditative hands on visual arts most participants studied a performance art such as classical Balinese dance, Gamelan (cast bronze xylophone) or Granteng (bamboo xylophone).

The group was thoroughly impressed with the skills and generosity of the artisans of Budakeling. The villagers of Budakeling remain very excited about the Lisle program and certain organizers have already begun to make plans for next years' group. 🌐



## Turkey 1997 Highlights

by Judy Brown

How can I highlight a journey that had so many highs? Our choice of the environmental theme for the trip proved to be fortuitous. We found many of the younger Turks so environmentally aware and eager to have a group of persons from all over the world join them in their efforts to raise Turks' environmental awareness. We were on local television three times, and pictured in local papers twice. Most of the hardest working persons on environmental issues we met were young women—women dressed in mini skirts and sleeveless tops, something we seldom saw in the early 70's when we last lived in Turkey.

In Alanya, on the Mediterranean Coast, we gathered to explore each other's lives and cultures. The countries represented were New Zealand, India, Kenya, Germany, France, Azerbaijan, Holland and the U.S. Everyone in the group had lived at length in some other culture. Our hostess, Nili Bilkur, a devout Sufi Muslim, shared her two houses, background, and present life with us openly.

In Gaziantep, where we were hosted by a Rotary Club, we stayed in six Turkish homes; we became better absorbed into Turkish culture itself. We helped the Rotary Club launch a pilot recycling project in collaboration with Gaziantep University. The first woman President of the Rotary arranged a week-long program so that we could tour local factories, visit a village that is developing to keep its people from migrating to the city, shop in Gaziantep's old bazaar, and explore the solid waste dumping facilities. Gaziantep has reforested many of the outlying hills, and zoned for a green belt of parks right down the middle of the city. It is a pleasant, clean place for such a large inland city. We became fond of our Turkish hosts, who also accompanied us on the excursion to the Turkish Southeast. We saw Nemrut Dagi with its huge stone heads on a mountain top, and GAP, which is an huge dam and irrigation project on the Euphrates river.

Lastly, our Lisle Unit spent five days in Cappadocia, where nature and humans worked together to make many cave dwelling and sheltering places. We stayed in a small funky hotel on four or five levels, where the rooms are carved in part out of the hillside. We saw the amazing sights and integrated it all into our sense of the group. We connected with a young Turkish woman in Kapadokya whose job it is to promote and protect the nature and culture of the area. She sensed what a unique group we were, and went everywhere. The last day she cooked us a Turkish dinner of manti and other specialties. She has offered to guide the group next year.

We come home feeling we could not have anticipated or planned for all the serendipitous growth that happened for all of us. 🌐



*Ferida Kristianson participated in the Turkey Program in June 1997. Below are some excerpts from her written documentation of her experience.*

“This wasn't just a Lisle experimental group: it was an avalanche, a launching of brain powers as they surfaced in Alanya, Turkey, a romantic-sounding Mediterranean beach house that brought us all together.”

“We got in touch with the Green Group of Alanya and helped with their project; working right along with them on the mountains, by the sea and the rivers, and in the parks to be rezoned, dammed, etc. They were lots of fun to work with, as we danced with them in their yacht, swam in the river with them, and had serious meetings as well.”

“We found the Turkish people good sports and very warm and hospitable. It seemed that they liked us genuinely as well.”

“Whether going through bus breakdowns on the way to mountains or working with them, Jack and Judy Brown, with their leadership and their warmth and love for human beings in general, and their intuitive foresight in particular, always attentive and aware, topped it all.”

“The major trip was to visit the caves where the early Christians of the second and third centuries had hidden from their enemies. Their frescoes were still fresh with the story of the Bible, as fresh as in our books today... We were invited to dinner in one of the caves to watch the whirling dervishes... We saw a miniature exhibition of their dance to the tune of a special flute, identifying with the earth and the planets in their motions.”

“Let us praise all who contributed to the success of this adventure. The Browns get most of the credit for enjoying all this with us.” 🌐



## Several Board Members End Service

by Shirley Lake

Many thanks for their service to Lisle are due the six Class of 1997 members who have retired from the board as of the Annual Meeting. In addition, Class of 1999 member Carol Van Buren has had to resign because her work schedule interfered with regular attendance. The following descriptions draw on the observations of four active Board members.

**Holley Ellis**, an extraordinary person, inspired the Board with her total confidence that positive thinking can make things happen, and she has a lifetime of successes to prove it. Although she was not able to attend many meetings, she energized the publicity committee. Her spirit of "going for it", enthusiasm and sense of humor will be missed.

**Joyce Hardin**, a Lisle to the core, has been a behind-the-scenes type Board member who has been consistently supportive of various people's efforts to move the Board along, even when that sometimes was an uphill battle. With a sparkling smile and upbeat attitude, she always gave such perception to any discussion and kept the true feeling of family, sharing and working with each other alive.

**Kuni Ichikawa**, with his cheerful, youthful exuberance, always pushed us to look at Lisle's goals and publicity from the point of view of the youth we are trying to attract. He introduced many new ideas and always had the right words, from ancient Japanese philosophy, to bring thoughtfulness to our discussion. He was invaluable as graduate assistant to Mark Kinney, setting up the Lisle home page, spreading the word about Lisle with students, and helping with office tasks, sometimes organizing Japanese students into work parties.

**Farida Kristianson** brought to Lisle a unique perspective as our only Canadian Board person. As a Board member, she showed herself to be a loyal, caring and interested person. (See page 10 for her reflections about the 1997 Turkey Program.)

**Shirley Lake's** thoroughness, dedicated work and skill was invaluable to the Board as Nominating Committee chair. She worked diligently to establish criteria and procedures for Board and Officer recruitment and election. Her efforts helped increase Board cohesiveness and move Lisle along.

**Miriam Zusman** is Lisle's life and history personified. She has been a stable and dedicated Lisle, from the moment Uncle Si encouraged her to go to a unit, living what she learned, in her life and her jobs all these years. She has probably served on the Board longer than anyone else. She started *Interaction* and set up a videotape with Uncle Si and Aunt Edna Baldwin.

**Carol Van Buren** was active and helpful at the meeting she was able to attend, and with her background and outstanding skills, she would have served us very well. We regret that her work schedule did not permit her to do so. 🌐

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## January Board Meeting Update

We are gearing up for the January Board meeting in Texarkana, Texas. All interested Lislers are invited to attend. We hope that those of you who plan to attend have notified the Lisle office of your intent. If you haven't yet done so, contact the Lisle office for details regarding registration, accommodations, travel and gate entry. Be forewarned that anyone without previous clearance will not gain quick entrance to the Red River Army Depot. Please, no surprise last-minute attendees. Also, specialized food requests should be made in advance. 🌐

## Make a Gift That Grows!

by Earl Downing

A special scholarship fund has now been established that will enable local individuals to participate in the Lisle Units in their countries. Third World economics make it almost impossible for natives to participate: this limits the rich cultural exchange Lisle strives to offer. Your scholarship donations will help the local residents share their own cultural expertise and unique view of their worlds, as well as to become ambassadors of World-mindedness.

A gift of \$100, or whatever you can afford, would help extend the Lisle experience. Be sure to indicate on your check that the funds are for the Unit Scholarships before you mail your gift to the lisle office.

Following is a list of the upcoming units that could benefit from your gift: Costa Rica, Bali, Vancouver Island, British Columbia and India.

While we may not be able to go ourselves, we can help others benefit from the Lisle experience. Your gift will grow in the life of each person touched by your generosity. 🌐

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## New Office Numbers

We have opened a separate financial office in Texas to help our Executive Director to have more time for program development and recruiting. We have hired a part-time bookkeeper/secretary, Lane Winnet, who will answer the (800)-477-1538 telephone all day during business hours.

Program Office/ Mark Kinney: 433 West Stearns, Temperance, MI 48182-9568; Voice: (313) 847-7126; FAX: (313) 847-7126

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Please make the necessary changes to your address books and databases. 🌐



# LISLE NETWORK

Brothers/Board members **Don** (Bali-92, leader Bali-93) and **Kendall** (Bali-91, leader Bali-92) **Cowing**, of Dresden, ME, and Davidson, NC, respectively, were sorry to miss the Annual Meeting because of medical problems, but are happy to report that they are now on the mend. Late summer the bone in Don's replaced hip had popped out, causing considerable pain, even after the emergency repair was done. He is well enough now to make his annual trip to meetings of the Society of Military Surgeons, this time in Nashville. After a brief stay at the Mayo Clinic helped get Kendall back on track with new meds, adjustment of some equipment, and better management of his diet, he now feels better than he has for five years.

Sadly, **Frank Ohnemus, father of Barbara Holder** (Board Member) took a sudden turn for the worse during the annual meeting and has since passed on after a bout with cancer. The Holders send their thanks for all the prayers and support extended to Barbara and her father. If you would like to make a memorial donation to lisle in his name, see page 15 for the form to fill out.

Board Member **Chris Coons** (CO-48, Bali-91, Costa Rica-96) writes that, joined by Ray Miller (Den-69, CA-57), she represented Lisle at the Bay Area Partners in Responsible Tourism (PIRT) Symposium at San Francisco State Univ. Oct. 6. Although there was a lot of interest in Lisle programs, long term study commitment and need to work during breaks have kept them from participating. There will be a Lisle booth at the PIRT Travel Expo in San Francisco Feb. 6, 1998

**Orion Six** (CA-50, MI-50, former Board member), Norman, OK, has retired from his volunteer work of many years collecting news about Lislors and compil-

ing it into Lisle Network for each Interaction. Although he is cutting back on a number of activities, he is still keeping busy with activities at church and the OK Museum of Natural History. His plan to come to the Annual Meeting was derailed by a bout of shingles, but fortunately now he is now mostly recovered. We extend best wishes to Orion and appreciate his excellent work at keeping us up-to-date about other Lislors. Thank-you, Orion!

**Shirley Lake** (CT-52, Germany-54) has answered the call for a new Lisle Network editor. Having just stepped down from serving a term on the Lisle Board, she welcomes this opportunity to stay in touch. If you have news of interest to other Lislors, please forward it to her at 738 Western Ave., Madison, WI 53711, or slake@execpc.com, or send it to the Lisle office. Shirley retired last April from being Legislative Assistant to her State Assembly Representative for the past 12 years. (See special Thank You!)

**Karen Swan Mangle** (Board member) has left Connecticut, where she was a consultant to education and human service organizations for nearly 14 years, to put down roots in Madison, WI, where she continues her consulting and is organizing intergenerational and intercultural service learning for a corporation-funded project. Her ultimate goal is to be in a higher education setting, working with community service, international or multi-cultural programs. She can be reached at 1212 Sweeney Dr. #8, Middleton, WI 53562, 608/836-6587, MANGLE@delphi.com.

**Rev. Raymond and Dorothy Valenzuela** (NY-37, NY-41), who live in Chile nine months of the year, write that they are now 81 and 80, respectively. Their life together began at Lisle in 1937 and "has been the foundation of our life of

service ever since." In addition to both of them writing their memoirs, Raymond is writing the history of the Methodist Church in Chile, where his grandparents were pioneer missionaries and his father was one of the first pastors.

**Sonja Brodt** (India-90), Honolulu, HI, will soon be finishing her Ph.D. on local knowledge systems of tree management in central India, a topic which was "partly inspired by my experience in India with Lisle."

**Suzanne Brooks**, CR 96, recently served as the coordinator of the "California Sol" delegation to the Million Woman March held in Philadelphia on October 25, 1997. In this she called for African-American women of the Golden State to "join forces and stand tall for this historic event". She also sent a copy of the "Education & Employment Diversity/Equity Quarterly" which she publishes and edits. In it was a copy of the article she wrote for Interaction (The World As A Classroom) about her a time in Costa Rica with Lisle! Thank you Suzanne for your continued support.

**Juanita Burris**, past Bd. member, is profiled in her Alumni magazine in an article entitled "Committed to Community" which shares about her process of moving from thinking globally as an international consultant to acting locally through becoming a founding member of the Covenantal Community in the Woodlawn area of Chicago in 1978. Juanita currently serves as the Executive Director and sole employee of the Woodlawn Development Associates who work in and through the community to create new projects such as the Woodlawn Community School and a new cultural arts and business development center in an abandoned library. (Note: Don & Jean Ervin

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also live, work and are founding members in this same community housing project).

**Hans Spiegel**, NY 47, CO 47, has an article in the IPA Report, Spring 1997 (newsletter of the Institute of Public Administration) speaking about his experience in the Philippines as the Senior Social Development Planner for an enormous project which will become the country's second largest port. Hans' job was to deal with the issues of resettling the settlers, squatters and land-owners who were dwelling on the land planned to be bulldozed for port facilities. Hans has worked towards social impact assessments being included from the beginning of a project like this one. Hans & Ellie have now returned to the US and are living in New Jersey.

In early October, there was a small reunion of the **Costa Rica 97** group in Toledo, Ohio where participants, Galen McCullum, Julie Isabel, Susan Sievert, and Dianne Brause came together along with Mark Kinney and Barbara Bratton to share stories, memories and photos of that unit.

**Mary Newman**, CR 97, ran for the City Counsel in Loveland, Ohio. She was supported in her campaign by husband John who produced a lovely web page illustrating the points of her platform. "I won! There were four positions and six candidates...I hope to restore an honest, candid, and accessible city council." She also mentioned that she and John are now available to become Board Members.

**Earl Downing** (Lisle board member) is pictured in the Oct. 20 Michigan Christian Advocate with his team of fourteen who went to teach English in Poland this past summer. In the article he requests ten volunteers to accompany him in a similar mission in 1998. This Volunteers in Mission program is a project of the United Methodist Church and as such is tax deductible.

Many Thanks to **Orion Six** who has been in charge of compiling all the newsbits from Lislers for Network. He's passed the wand on to **Shirley Lake**, who is responsible for this issue's news. 🌐

## Searching for Lost Lislers

by Shirley Lake

**B**ecause Edith Ballard (CO-44, CA-52, DC-54) spent a lot of time and energy trying to find Lost Lislers by writing to a computer telephone list of addresses for people with matching names, with few positive results, we are launching a new search effort through Interaction, starting with the oldest programs. Please send location information about these Lislers to the Lisle office, or contact Shirley Lake, 738 Western Ave., Madison, WI, 608/238-1647, slake@execpc.com.

NY-36: Charles M. Monnier, Dorothy Gibby Cox, Yui, Louise A. Lee, Homer G. Bao, Myrtle Knight Grays, Theodore & M.A. Gregg, William H. & Mrs. Merwin, and Anne Faw Lewis. NY- 37: Dorothy Reece Glore, Lloyd W. Hansen, Janice Davis DeSaussure, Fan Hou, Yukiko Kimura, Jen Ho Liang, Henry Gleason, Billy Gammon, Leroy Crayton, Martha Stafford Craigton, Wesley Chin, Wei Liang Chia, Robert Stevens, Roberta Tucker Stoerker, Mary Richards Beecher, Bessie Baker Whitehead, Emma Widger, John M. & Jeann Balcom, and Grace Yuan. 🌐

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### Shirley Lake— We Appreciate You!

**D**ianne Brause, on behalf of the board, would like to express a special heartfelt "Thank You & Best Wishes" to Shirley Lake who has done so much in the past few years on the board as a Co-Vice President with Dianne, as the person pushing hard for us to take our board nominations and selection process seriously and most recently to organize and pull off an extraordinarily successful annual meeting in Madison, WI.

Shirley has always worked with sincerity and integrity in whatever assignment she took on, regardless of the stress level in her life. We thank her for her valued service to Lisle, to the board, and to each individual she encountered. Shirley, we will miss you greatly—although judging from the amount of work done to make this issue of Interaction a success, it doesn't appear that you have actually cut back on your level of commitment yet! Please enjoy your retirement! 🌐

### Sainthood Nominees

**R**uth Lofgren (Lisle friend and former Board secretary) has nominated Walt and Betty Ligon for Lisle Sainthood. They join Dianne Brause and Carl Kline in this honor. We appreciate Ruth's \$100 contribution in their names.

The purpose of this "Lisle Saints" roster is two-fold: to bring attention and honor to those living Lislers who have made an ongoing contribution in support of the Fellowship's goals and objectives; and to provide a meaningful—and fun—way to financially assist Lisle. (Just imagine your nominee sporting a halo!)

To nominate, simply submit a statement about the person(s) you are nominating. Share a little about how you know them and what their efforts have been. Enclose a check for \$50 per person and mail your suggestion in to the main office. We'll be happy to put your donation where you specify, and will announce the new "Saint" in the next issue of *Interaction*. 🌐

*Uganda '94 participants may be interested to know that 18 houses were built in Uganda by Habitat for Humanity in 1996, bringing the all time total to 1,451. Uganda '94 builders worked on seven of those houses in and near Kasese.*



# Reunion at Annual Meeting

by Shirley Lake

Many thanks are due Mirabel Deming (NY-46, Leader NY & CO, Fam Camp-56, Elder-91), Janesville, WI, for organizing the successful and meaningful reunion of 20 Lislors held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting.

Attending were Edith Ballard (CO-44, CA-52, DC-54), Baltimore, MD; Roy and Mirabel Deming (CO-43,-45,-52; NY-46,-47,-48,-49; Fam Camp-56; Elder-91, Leaders CO & NY), Janesville, WI; Barbara and Bill Deutsch (CO-47), Harmon, IL; Andy Draxler (USSR-66), Locust, NJ; Don and Jean Ervin (NY-48, CO-49), Chicago, IL; Kay Eynon (CO-52, DEN-54), Oconomoc, WI; Norm and Ann Frisch (CO-47, Hawaii-95), Oshkosh, WI; Heather Houston (CA-58), Milwaukee, WI; Maude Johns (CO-45, Elder-89), Rockford, IL; Rosalind Meyer (CO-48), Grosse Ile, MI; Rev. Everitt Sheldon; (NY-37, NY-41), Huntington, NY; Hans and Ellie Spiegel (NY-47, CO-47, CO-46, Germany-58, Bali-88), Leonia, NJ; and Yosh and Chuck Varney (NY-47, NY-48, CT-50), Whitewater, WI. Friend and past Lisle Board Member Juanita Salvador-Burris, Chicago, IL, also attended.

And Mirabel reported the following news and greetings to all from those who could not attend: Rosemary Smith (CO-43), Lancaster, NH, and Curtis are fine and had a trip in June to NY, MI, and DE. This fall they enjoyed short excursions around colorful New England.

Janet Reinertson Germane (NY-46), Los Altos Hills, CA, recalled waking up to "Awake, awake to love and work..." in her unit. Her career began in journalism, and moved into a study of Jung, lecturing and writing on the function of belief systems and unconscious assumptions in determining people's choices. She has prepared a workbook on the Myers Briggs Type Indicator, and would be glad to hear from people who are interested. Unfortunately,

her husband, Professor Gayton Germane of Stanford's Graduate School of Business, is in poor health.

Dorothy Jean Furnish (CO-44), Boulder, CO, djfurnish@aol.com, is happily retired, enjoying gardening and being a computer addict, including doing genealogy study, keeping databases for several groups, and writing. Her family threw a great birthday party for her in '96 for her 75th.

Don Wise (CO-45), Decatur, IL & Stone Lake, WI, was attending the 50th anniversary of his graduation from U of IL, so missed the reunion. Wife Jennie had both hip replacements last winter and is doing well.

Corky (Cora) Walburn Crane (CO-45), Palmdale, CA, wrote that they made a trip to MN and OH for reunions and family visiting this summer, so could not attend. She does Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy at two senior centers, and is president of Retired Teachers and active in Church Women. It sounded like she is also a busy vegetable and fruit grower and preserver.

Larry and Ginny Moffat Judd, (CO-41, CO-42), Jacksonville, IL, lcjudd@hilltop.ic.edu, were having guests from Thailand, so they came to have lunch with Roy and Mirabel Deming and Chuck and Yosh Varney (NY-47, CT-50) before the reunion. Larry taught sociology and was Director of the Asian Studies Program at Illinois College and led study tours. Ginny taught, was church organist and served on several social service agencies. Since retirement, he has done research and writing, and helped to found the local Food Center and the Jacksonville Peace Coalition. He edits their newsletter, JAX PAX.

George Levinger (NY-49), Amherst, MA, levinger@psych.umass.edu, sent regrets due to having knee replacement sur-

gery. He describes his Lisle experience as a 'turning point, making him a...more open and caring person'. He met his wife, Ann, when he was setting up the 1950 California unit near Muir Woods. We hope they can visit area Lislors when they come to WI in '98.

When Carter Pate (NY-47 CO-54), Chattanooga, TN, cpate@cecasun.utc.edu, wrote about wanting to locate old friends from Uruguay who lived in WI, the Demings discovered the sought old friends were mutual! Carter spent his early years in Argentina (Peron's government asked him to leave) and Uruguay where he was a counselor to youth and did other things at Friendship House in Montevideo. His path led to teaching at University of Tennessee, Chattanooga. Family weddings prevented his coming to the reunion. 🌐

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## UN Caucus Update

As a result of Dianne Brause's involvement at the UN Caucus on Sustainable Tourism in Washington this past September, the Lisle Board has enthusiastically agreed to support applying for NGO Status.

Uncle Si was quite involved in the UN process in the early days. Several Board Members thought we had NGO status at one time, but that this has probably lapsed. Since Lisle's purposes have always, and remain, very aligned with the social and humanitarian aspects of the United Nations' mission, the Board feels this is a solid step towards an effective future. Upcoming issues of *Interaction* will keep you informed about this process.

Hans and Ellie Spiegel and Patty Hill-Aranaga, all of whom live in the general area and are connected with the U.N., are enthusiastic about being representatives for Lisle at the UN. 🌐



# New Lisle Board Members

by Shirley Lake

It is a pleasure to welcome three new Board members to join Don Cowing, Ana Maria DeJesus and Mark Kinney in the Class of 2000, which began its three year term at the Annual Meeting. These three people bring to the Board a wide variety of experience, world-minded outlooks, values supportive of the Lisle mission, and a younger perspective.

**Gail Bier**, Director of the Office of International Programs at the University of Akron in Ohio, holds a MA, EdM and PhD in administration planning and social policy, and sociology. She spent 11 years as Director of the Academic Advising Office at the Institute of North American Studies in Barcelona, Spain, and has a solid background of research and teaching. In addition, she offers a sense of humor, innovative ideas and vision.

**Tim Gahagan**, who recently completed his MA degree at the University of Toledo, is a self-employed musician and teacher in Toledo, OH. His special interests are in ethnic cultural roots and youth, with whom he has done some work. He

offers the Board his education in geography and planning, with some computer experience, plus his knowledge of cultures and their music. Having participated in the 1997 Costa Rica program, he not only agreed to be a Board member, but also graciously accepted the request to start off by being Board secretary. Thank-you Tim!

**Marty Tillman**, who earned an MA from Colgate University in Student Personnel Administration in Higher Education and an M.A. at World Learning, Inc., in International Administration, returns to an active role with Lisle, having served as the Assistant Director and then the Director of Lisle, from 1976 to 1983. We are glad to welcome him back. With a strong background in international education, since 1992 Marty has been Director of Education and Policy Outreach, and Manager of Civic Initiative Programs, in NIS, Washington, D.C.

We look forward to benefiting from the good services of these three new Board members. 🌐

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The "Birthline" to submit articles for the Winter issue of *Interaction* is March 15, 1998. We hope to learn more about you and your world!



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Board Meeting	May 1-3, 1998	Toledo, OH
Annual & Bd. Meeting	October 2-4, 1998	Dexter, OR

## 1997-98 Programs

LOCATION	DATES	CONTACT
TURKEY	June 15-July 4, 1998	Craig Jacobrown (360) 297-4160
INDIA	July 6-July 30, 1998	Lisle Fellowship (800) 477-1538
BALI	July 30-Aug. 20, 1998	Lisle Fellowship (800) 477-1538
LEADERSHIP TRAINING	NW USA, Fall 1998	Craig Jacobrown (360) 297-4160





