

OLD BUSINESS

February Social – Bowling

(Mike) The social went well. It was held at Gahanna Lanes.

Birthday Cards – Given to Faith Mission

(Emmy) Even though this was a last minute, fairly unannounced event, we collected 74 birthday cards and \$20, which provided a minimum of 10 meals. Nanette provided at least 50 cards! Judy, Mike, Bela, Starlene and Emmy provided cards and/or money. We had a handful of cards dropped of anonymously in the mailbox. THANK YOU EVERYONE!!!

Leftovers from Valentine's Sale

(Mike) Because of the weather issues during the Valentine's Sale, there were quite a few flowers left over. The roses that were salvageable were given to Deb Knapke. She will be making potpourri for a possible future event. The carnations were donated to a retirement center just a few miles from campus. They received over 100 carnations from the CSLA and were very thankful.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Career Days

(Bob)

- Have you paid? There are still a few people that owe money for the hotel. Please contact Bob or Dean if you have any questions or concerns.
- Do you know what event(s) you are in? Please double check the most recent information Bob sent out via email. Some people were given an additional event or had event rearranged. Please make sure you know what event(s) you are in!
- Do you know your hotel roommates? Check Bob's email for this info.
- Have you signed up for a workshop? We adjusted our trip a little and are now stopping at the Ford plant on the way. This allows more students to attend workshops. Dick took additional names to fill in some empty slots.
- Are you coming to help on Saturday? This Saturday (17th) at 10:00 we will be meeting in Davidson Hall to stuff goody bags & organize tools/materials for the trip.
- When is the next competition meeting? March 26th at 5:00. Please be there!

- Additional info? We took a vote and the return-home dinner will be at Mancy's Italian in Toledo. (www.mancys.com) Participants are also encouraged to visit www.hrt.msu.edu/SCD2007/ for more info about the competition.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections for new officers – Takes place in May

(Mike and Emmy) It's time to start thinking about new officers. We attempted to create an elections committee.....thank you Crystal for offering to help. A sign-up sheet was provided for anyone interested in running for a position. An additional sign-up sheet was provided for members to suggest people to run. The suggestion sign-up was not taken very seriously (based on some of the things written). If you are interested in running, or would like to know more information about the positions, please talk with one of the officers or with Crystal.

New elected position – Advisory Board Student Position

(Emmy, Mike, Crystal) In the past, this position has been appointed, but this year we are making it an elected position. Crystal explained what the position entails: Once a quarter, the student meets with a small committee (9members total) to discuss the future of the landscape program at CSCC. This student will represent the student body and the members of CSLA. The committee has lunch and spends a few hours discussing what is working in the program and what is not. The Spanish for Landscaping class was added because of the discussions made by this group. The elected person will work closely with the officers and will need to participate in the CSLA. We are asking that anyone interested in running for this position have at least 3 quarter remaining.

“Listening to the Land” – Community service project proposed by Deb Knapke

(Dean) A link has been added to our CSLA website with more information about these events. There is a yearlong celebration of Leopold and his writings. The CSLA will be hosting a reading session on CSCC campus on October 12. This may seem like a long time away, but we would like to start getting the word out now. CSLA members will read small passages from his book and we are hoping to have apple cider. We are looking into selling native seeds / plants during the event as well. More information will be provided as the date approaches.

Video Distribution

(Mike) PLANET, formerly known as ALCA, has given the CSLA a large number of training videos. They were going to destroy them because of the name change, but we scooped them up and are now distributing them to schools, libraries, etc. The videos contain information about pruning, mowing, trimming, etc. We have

kept a few copies for the CSLA, but the majority of them will be distributed throughout the state. We are asking that people take a copy or 2 and deliver them to your local library. The bags will be handed out at Saturday's meeting.

Digital Library

(Matt) One more step has been taken towards our goal. Matt received a computer and 19" monitor as a donation to the department. This system will be used to house students drawings, study guides, plant photos, etc. It will not have CAD, Dynascapes, or any other design programs. Although the process has taken some time....it's finally taking shape!

Parker Park

(Kathy P.) A few quarters ago, the Site Planning class created some designs for Parker Park (located in Alexandria). These designs will be displayed in the Alexandria Public Library for the public to view. On Mach 21st from 6:30 to 8:30, a ceremony will be held at the library explaining the designs. All students are welcome to attend. The community is taking ideas from the designs and actually implementing them at the park! Great job site planning class!!

Next Competition Meeting is March 26th at 5:00.

Next Officer Meeting is April 5th at 5:00.

Next CSLA Meeting is April 11th at 5:00.

Dates and times are subject to change.

If you were not able to attend this meeting, please log into the CSLA forum and make some comments about what you have just read. You will receive participation credit by doing so. Thank you.