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From The President

I have just returned from the planning meeting for the annual fall conference

to be held in Edmonton, Alberta. **Lloyd Carswell**, our excellent host, has chosen an exciting site for our fall conference.

The planning committee stayed at the Fantasyland Hotel and Resort located

within the West Edmonton Mall. After touring the fantasy theme suites offered

by the hotel, the shopping mall (over 800 stores and services), and previewing the diverse recreational areas, which included watching the dolphins perform at Dolphin Center, we are convinced that we have put together a conference that will be productive as well as enjoyable.

I cannot imagine a location any better suited to stirring up the flow of our creative juices. Lloyd and his staff, **Karen** and **Kat**, made this working session remarkably pleasurable.

Harry Norman and I met the Customs folks. If you are travelling from the U.S., make sure you have proof of citizenship ready for the fall conference (i.e., birthcertificate, passport, voter registration, etc.). An issued photo driver's license is not sufficient. Also, remember to bring your plastic you can shop until you drop and never go outside.

Have a successful summer and mark your calendar for the WASSA Conference,

September 2326, 1992.

- **Karen Skinner**, *President*

Service Award Nominees Sought

It is time, once again, to make nominations for WASSA's Distinguished Service Award.

Initiated in 1988, the award recognizes individuals in WASSA who have made

outstanding contributions to the organization. Nominations are made in

writing to the President and considered by the Executive Committee.

The award is given to individuals active in WASSA who have:

1) provided leadership in Summer Session administration and organization and encouraged high academic standards;

2) demonstrated responsiveness to students in academic programming, to faculty in encouraging creativity and nurturing positive relationships, and to staff in promoting optimum working conditions and opportunities for professional development;

3) contributed meaningfully to WASSA's growth and development through active participation and leadership;

4) contributed measurably to their institution's recognition of Summer Session as an integral part of the university by offering high quality, financially successful summer programs.

Please send your nominations to **Karen Skinner** by June 30.

Annual Meeting Features the Future

The theme of the annual conference is program development. Program content is a key feature for Summer Sessions and all conference sessions are geared toward providing ideas to prepare us for the future.

Sessions, designed to be interactive, will consider the continuing student as well as address the issue of serving a more diverse community in the future.

Mark your calendar now. Plan to come early or stay late to take advantage of the wonderful city of Edmonton and the surrounding area.

And From our Host . . .

In the history of WASSA this is only the fourth time we have been able to meet in Canada. We look forward to the opportunity to show you our city.

The planning committee has arranged a great program. In addition to shopping in West Edmonton Mall, you can enjoy the Water Park, the Ice Arena, indoor golf, and the Fantasyland Fun Park (including a roller coaster).

Edmonton also has many other attractions such as the Muttart Conservatory, Provincial Museum and Archives, Space Science Center, Devonian Botanical Garden, Gallery Walk, Old Strathcona historical area, and the Edmonton Art Gallery.

Normally, September is one of our most beautiful times of the year. For those of you who can take some additional time or who might wish to combine the conference with your vacation, you can enjoy Jasper, Banff, the Columbia

Icefields, Lake Louise and the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology at Drumheller. All these attractions have an international reputation.

We look forward to welcoming you to Alberta this fall.

- *Lloyd Carswell, University of Alberta*

New Membership Brochures Available

The new WASSA membership application brochures for prospective institutions are now available. If you have a contact who might be considering membership in WASSA and who would like to receive the brochure to learn more about the history and activities of our organization, please call **Maggie Herrington** to have one sent.

Call for Catalogs

Rhonda Mitchell, chair of the WASSA Catalog Committee, has put out the first "call for catalogs".

Submitting your catalog provides members of the committee with material for the catalog workshop at the annual meeting and makes your publication eligible for the Charlie Award recognizing institutions whose bulletins are judged best by the committee.

Send four copies of your 1992 summer catalog to:

Rhonda Mitchell, Marketing Manager

Extended University and Summer Session

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1955 E. 6th

Tucson, AZ 85719

Please include the following additional material for this year and last year when you submit your catalog: 1) total number printed, 2) total cost (except mailing). The deadline is August 1 but Rhonda recommends that you send your catalogs to her as soon as they are available.

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