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President's Message

Spring — glorious spring. As the Vernal Equinox makes its way to this hemisphere, your president faces one of those famous "0" birthdays. Not 50, not 60, yes, the big 70. This event usually occurs on the first day of spring, March 20th. This year it may goof up and fall on the 21st. I usually check with the University's Planetarium but I am told I can use my newly found computer skills to check the exact time on my Dell. I was a real runt, coming into this world under 5 pounds. Boy, how times have changed. I would like to welcome Sherl Landers-Thorman, Curriculum chairman, Jane Sunday, Chairman Historical Committee (Betty Jensen will be her assistant) and Beverly Harvey, Membership Chairman. Please give these people your utmost cooperation. ElderCollege is the sum total of its volunteers and we are proud of all of them. I also want to say thank you to Richard Boke for the great brown bag lunch, featured speakers.
Lots of important things coming up. Watch for the Summer schedule. Betty Marquardt is putting her heart and soul into "ElderCollege goes International". Watch for information on the ElderCollege picnic. It will be held June 1st. Happy Spring everyone!!! *LaMerne*

EXCITING NEWS

The ElderCollege Board of Directors applied for and recently learned they are the recipient of a $100,000 grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation to become an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. Receipt of this grant will enable us to increase our membership, update our classrooms, increase our marketing and provide additional scholarships. A requirement of this grant is a name change. ElderCollege will become the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Nevada, Reno. We will provide more information about the grant at the May business meeting. If you have questions prior to the meeting please call LaMerne or Shera.

The **May Business Meeting** is scheduled for May 18th. Please plan on attending. As members you will be voting for the board officers for 2007-2008 as well as a revised set of bylaws. The revised bylaws will be sent later in April for you to read prior to the meeting**.**
The proposed slate of officers is:
President: LaMerne Kozlowski
Vice President: Pat Zimmerman
Secretary: Joyce Starling
Treasurer: Clint Smith
Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Curriculum
Addition and changes

Dr. Eric Rasmussen of the University English Department will present four Shakespeare Comedies for us. The course will focus on the evolution of the comedy in Shakespeare's writing from the early comedy, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, to the darker "problem" comedies, *The Merchant of Venice* and *Measure for Measure*. We will divide our time between studying the texts and viewing taped performances by the Royal Shakespeare Company, the New York Shakespeare Festival, the BBC Shakespeare TV series and feature films. (Recommended reading, Shakespeare, William, edited by David Bevington, Bantam Books. ISBN-O-533-21281-8.)
The dates of the class will be Tuesdays, April 10, 17, 24, May 8, 15. Time: noon-1:30 p.m.

We are proud of our member **Beth Larson** who rubber-stamps and creates beautiful original cards. She has been honored by having one of her cards featured on the cover of a nationwide magazine called Rubber Stamper Magazine. Inside the magazine is a two-page spread showing two more of her cards with directions for making all three cards.