

COMPUTING AND INFORMATION SERVICES

TO: AJCU Conference Attendees

FROM: John Bujosa, Director, Computing & Information Services

President of 7th Annual AJCU Conference

**SUBJECT: WELCOME! BIENVENIDOS!** 

**DATE:** April 29, 1992

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to beautiful Spokane, Washington. I hope you had a pleasant trip into Spokane and that you enjoy your stay. At last count we had 26 individuals registered for the conference. I have attached a list of attendees with this letter.

This letter is mostly to inform you of some of the activities planned for the weekend and conference week, and to pass along some informational items prior to our conference.

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

#### Saturday:

Our weekend will begin with an informal walking tour of Riverfront Park and downtown Spokane. Riverfront Park is a 53 acre park in the center of Spokane and was the site of Expo '74, the 1974 World's Fair. The park is also the starting point for one of the area's newest attraction, a 39 mile Spokane River Centennial Trail. No plans have been made to stop anywhere along the walk although we can do so if someone desires. This is meant to acquaint you with the downtown and park area close to your hotel. The downtown area has an elaborate 13 block indoor Skywalk System which takes you to the majority of the downtown stores. There is a gondola ride which takes you over the Spokane River waterfall if anyone wishes to do so. We will meet at the Sheraton lobby at 5:30pm to begin our walk.

Dinner is scheduled for 7pm at the Patsy Clark Mansion. This is one of the areas historical sites. The mansion was built in 1898 for mining magnate Patrick "Patsy" Clark. It was designed and built by the renowned 19th Century architect Kirkland Cutter. Dinner consists of a Curried Cashew Chicken dinner with dessert and will cost approximately \$21. Only one dinner ticket will be written so we will have to collect up the funds to pay for the meals and gratuity under one check. Our vans will leave the Sheraton hotel around 6:30pm.

Sunday:

One of the nation largest runs, Bloomsday, will take place from 9am until 12 noon. This 12 kilometer (7.46 miles) run has attracted over 60,000 participants each year. This year the count is close to 70,000. It is fun to participate in the run or just watch. One of our vans will be available to take up to 14 people to the top of the infamous "Doomsday Hill" to watch the poor souls that make it up the torturous 1 1/2 mile climb. Unfortunately, we will need to leave the Sheraton hotel by 7:30 if we are to get a good viewing spot. I will have orange juice, donuts, and coffee for those that wish to attend. We will return to the Sheraton around 12:00.

At 1:30 we will conduct an informal driving tour of the Spokane area. Spokane has a designated Scenic driving tour which begins in downtown Spokane (corner of Stevens and Riverside) Many of Spokane's attractions can be viewed along this route.

The conference reception will begin at 5pm in room 1402 of the Sheraton. Dinner is scheduled for 7pm at the Shogun Restaurant. This is one of Spokane's authentic Japanese restaurants. Individual menus and orders will be taken at this restaurant. Average prices for the meals are \$15. The vans will leave the Sheraton hotel around 6:30pm.

Monday:

The vans will pick everyone up at 7:45am in the front of the Sheraton hotel. We are scheduled to be on campus for a 8am breakfast. The conference will end at 4:30am at which time we will return to the hotel. The hospitality room will open at 5pm.

My wife will meet your spouses in the lobby of the Sheraton at 8:00am to conduct an informal shopping/driving tour of the area. Gonzaga will provide both breakfast and lunch for them at the Sheraton.

Dinner will be at Beverly's restaurant in beautiful downtown Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Coeur d'Alene is located approximately 45 minutes from the Sheraton. Beverly's restaurant is located on the seventh floor of the Coeur d'Alene resort and is known for attracting many different Hollywood celebrities. The restaurant also overlooks Coeur d'Alene Lake. The main menu will consist of your choice of either Broiled Salmon or Prime Beef. Salads and cocktails will also be available. We will leave the Sheraton Hotel at 6:15pm.

# Tuesday:

The vans will again pick everyone up at 7:45am in the front of the Sheraton. We are again scheduled to be on campus for a 8am continental breakfast. The conference is currently scheduled to end at 1:30pm. Transportation will be provided back to the hotel at that time. Please let me know as soon as you can if you need to leave earlier than 1:30pm.

During the afternoon we will be visiting one of Spokane's famous wineries, Arbor Crest Estate. The Arbor Crest, which is a national historical site, is located in the Spokane Valley and offers a relaxing view of Spokane. The vans will leave the Sheraton hotel at 2pm.

We will then board the vans and head for the Cheney Cowles Museum. The Museum which is located in the Browne's Addition National Historical District houses a variety of fine arts and local history. We are also scheduled for a tour of the Campbell House and a magic show. The vans will leave the winery at approximately 3pm.

After the tour we will head back to the hotel to get ready for our final dinner scheduled for 5:30 at the River Room of C.I. Shenanigans. The River Room overlooks the Spokane River. Approximate cost of meals will be around \$18. We will meet in the lobby of the Sheraton hotel at approximately 5:15pm.

## MESSAGES:

Besides your usual hotel messaging center, we have assigned all registered conference attendees a BITNET account for your use. The format of the account is lastname@GONZAGA, with your lastname used as the password. You can change your password to better secure your account. If anyone needs to contact you while at the University you can have them call 509/328-4220, extension 2244 and have them leave a message with our Day Computer Operator.

## OTHER NUMBERS TO KNOW:

If you need anything during your stay, do not hesitate to call me at any of the numbers listed below. My home phone number is 244-4062. I have a room at the hotel but since I will be traveling back and forth a lot you can call my home to leave a message, call my cellular number, 994-9323, or leave a message at the office, 328-4220, extension 2244.

I hope you enjoy your stay in Spokane. Please call on me at any time if we can help you in any way.