Retirement Challenges Committee
Report for the 2009-2010 Season
Prepared by Linda Shriberg, 8 June 2010

Committee Members

Eleanor Albert
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The Retirement Challenges Committee has been offering programs to the UW-Madison Retirement Association membership since April 2002. The 2009-2010 season concludes the 8th year that the Committee has been operational. The Committee has 11 members (listed above), including one co-chair. The hope is to have a second co-chair on board in the future.

This past season, the Committee achieved its goal of providing a total of four programs two in Fall, two in Spring. All four were held on Tuesday afternoons, 2:00-3:30 pm, in the Grand Hall of Capitol Lakes.

Programs of the 2009-2010 Season

You, Your Doctor, and the Electronic Health Record
October 13, 2009; Presenter: Carl Getto, MD

H1N1: The Swine Flu in 2009-2010
November 17, 2009; Presenter: Dennis Maki, MD

Top Ten Myths About Health Care Rationing
May 4, 2010; Presenter: Norman Fost, MD, MPH

On the Supposed Decline of Reading (And Why You Should Not Believe Everything You Read About It
May 11, 2010; Presenter: Kenneth Frazier

The Fall programs were launched last season, on May 4, 2009, and arrangements were made via phone and email with the speakers and with Mary Hanson of Capitol Lakes. The Committee met three times during the 2009-2010 season: on November 2, 2009, April 19, 2010, and June 7, 2010.

At the November 2nd meeting, Linda Shriberg announced that she would be stepping down as committee co-chair at the end of the season, but that she would like to continue on the committee as a member. On June 7th, Linda presided over the first part of the meeting, and then passed the gavel to new co-chair, Maria Ritacca.

As the season drew to a close, member Manucher Javid announced that he would be leaving the committee because he had been serving for a very long time. New members, Patsy Evans and Mary Ellen Peters, joined the committee in Spring 2010.