

THE CIRCLE - NEWSLETTER

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It took a long time, but the summer '93 edition of the Newsletter finally is there. There are lots of reasons to explain the delay; but let's not get bothered by details.

It happened again.

On the first weekend of may.

We've had before the medieval spirits of Antwerp, the bull fight in Madrid, the Vikings of Oslo.

Now we were submerged in the Habsburg way of life in Wien.

The official report has this year voluntarily been written by Nina Danielsen, who took over from our traditional historian Wilfried Kainz. He was relieved from this task because he was deemed to be biased.

CONGRATULATIONS

for yet another wedding :

High up in the Austrian Mountains. Wedding Bells on May 20, for the Hochzeit of **Harald Bukovics** and **Maria Magdalena Egger**.

an a newly born :

Bernard Gander and his wife Marlyse greeted Edouard as their first baby on may 5.

--- Gossip ---

A rather short Gossip chapter this time. What happened ?

Jan Melsen has moved again; or better he now claims to have a (more or less) fixed address in Brussels, with phone & fax number. You can place your bets now as to how long he is going to stay there.

Alejandro Rocha, long time a lost Circle Members, has surfaced again after a personal visit of T.J. (traveling Jan). Alejandro is currently working at Banamex, the national bank of Mexico.

Even **Ignacio Gonzales Santiago**, El Rey de Santa Cruz, came back to his senses, paid his outstanding fees. Welcome back, Nacho !

Danelle McDermott, after trying to beat Jan Melsen as a professional vacationer, now finished a vacation in Greece and returned back to the States to start her new job at Andrew VSAT in Fremont.

Nina Danielsen has been sent in a hurry to a meeting in Brussels last june. During her 2 day stay she was also showed around by Jan Melsen who happened to be home.

Luis Martinez not only came to Belgium to attend the European Alumni Reunion, he also took on the part time job of sensual secretary at Melsen Consulting.

The last Newsletter was proud to have traced **Mariano Colmenar** to be working in London. At the Vienna meeting we even managed to get an address. Now we have been informed through sometimes reliable sources that Mariano has moved back to Spain. So, we're back to square one. He is thought to be working for Barclays Bank in Madrid.

European Alumni Reunion

On saturday, July 24 1993 at the Sofitel Hotel in Brussels, about 60 USF Alumni gathered for a real stylish Reunion Dinner. Father Schlegel, president of USF, and Dean Williams were the guests of honor. On sunday several of them went on a trip to the most beautiful city of Europe : Brugge.

Some nasty people stayed even until monday and went to visit a poultry processing plant; can you imagine ?

A rather large delegation of Circle Members: Luis Martinez, Nacho & Anna Gonzales Santiago, Minka Van Sloun, Michel Daneels, Wilhelm Lerner, Frederik & Katrien Pirard, Alexander Fick, John & Marianne De Klerk, Jan Melsen and Jos Piron.

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Right after the Annual Meeting in Vienna we exceptionally continued with a board meeting to start working on the actual organization of the S.F. Meeting. Indeed, against all rules there was a 5 minutes serious discussion going on.

Please forgive us.

There will be a USF-organized International Alumni Weekend from friday 30 sept - sunday 2 oct 1994 at U.S.F.

The following provisional schedule is proposed to have the Fifth Circle Reunion and the official USF-stuff in harmony:

arrivals : thru tuesday 27 sept

2-day Circle program : wednesday 28 & thursday 29 sept
Annual Meeting on thursday evening

sobering up day : friday 30 sept
& join in with the USF happenings

Please note these dates in your agendas and adapt your holiday plans accordingly.

Special note for our Asian Circle Members:

It is clear that we expect several of you to attend the Fifth Circle Meeting in San Francisco. This time, we Europeans are coming halfway. If none of you show up, you might want to inquire with the Norwegians about what might happen if no one of a certain country/area shows up at a meeting.

Apart from the meeting, 3 major projects have been launched, to be ready in time for the S.F.M.

* a **Circle T-Shirt** will be made. Action to be co-ordinated by Wilfried Kainz; design by Christophe Lemaire, production by Bo Chansiri.

* 'real' **Circle Shares** to be printed and distributed (after collection of '94 fees) at the S.F.M. Person in charge: finance whiz Nina Danielsen

* a **Circle Photo-Book** will be published and distributed at the S.F.M. To be organized by Jos Piron

Circle Membership Fee

A lengthy discussion at the Vienna Meeting resulted in maintaining the membership fee at 10 ECU per year.

On the request of several people you can also transfer your fee to my account n° 230-0102195-74 at the Generale Bank, Grote Baan, 2380 Ravels, Belgium. However, a Eurocheque avoids bank charges. I still refuse to publish the fee in any other currency but ECU. As an MBA-graduate you must be able to figure that out yourself; payments in ECU are perfectly possible.

The 1992 financial year has been closed at the Vienna Meeting.

I regret to report that five (5) members still have not paid their contribution. Therefore, the following people are blacklisted as of now: Beatriz Glez-Coviella, Lars Johnson, Michael Horn, Ramon Ortiguella, Wilkin Tai.

These people should realize that this is the last newsletter they will receive.

As of today the fee-paid field in the Circle Data Base refers to payment of the 1993 membership fee.

A special thank to the 4 long term thinking members who have already paid their 1994 membership fee. They are already certain to be eligible for receiving Circle Shares.

Data-Base

As usual a copy of the data-base comes along with the newsletter. Several updates have been processed since the last edition.

As you can see we are back at the maximum strength of 40 members; due to the return/payment of some previously black listed people.

As a preparation for the **Circle Photo Book**, I ask everybody to thoroughly check and complete your data in the data-base and to mail me a good quality black & white photo of yourself.

For the sake of having a good quality photo book I must insist on having black & white pictures.

Epilogue

Learned in Vienna:

"As long as you can lie on the floor
whithout having to hold onto it
you're not drunk"

... AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT