MONDAY UPDATE – Touching Base

June 17, 2019

Dear Group,

In two weeks, we will be at St. Anne’s College in Oxford. Hope that you are as excited about that as we are.

And just in case some aspects of world events have not captured your attention, while we are in England, the Conservative Party will select a new leader/Prime Minister; the World Cup women’s soccer tournament will be in its knock-out round, with both the English and U.S. teams currently part of the mix; the Wimbledon tennis tournament will start on Monday, July 1; and, as though it was written especially for us, in the travel section of yesterday’s The New York Times, there is an article about how to spend 36 hours in Oxford, England – here’s the link: [https://www.nytimes.com/2019/06/13/travel/what-to-do-in-oxford-england.html](https://www.nytimes.com/2019/06/13/travel/what-to-do-in-oxford-england.html) (fortunately, we have 35 days to take it in, so we can pace ourselves!)

I want to provide some final information items – and contact information – for you. Dean Fernandez, in a separate message, will be sending you some final program reminders.

I. Arrival at St. Anne’s College.


  b. Check-in place: Porter’s Lodge (entrance to St. Anne’s College). When you check in, you will be provided with all information that enables you to have access to your respective building, bedroom, internet, etc. I (Prof. Stulberg) hope/plan to be at the Porter’s Lodge to welcome you/assist you in getting in.

  c. Welcome reception: 18:00 (6:00 p.m.). Location (in St. Anne’s): Foyer B, Ruth Deech Building. Attire: informal (though not shorts/flip flops, etc.)
d. **Dinner:** 18:30 (6:30 p.m.) in dining hall (part of program fee).

II. **Contact information for June 17-28:** a) Professor Stulberg; b) St. Anne’s College.

a. **Professor Stulberg.**
   i. I will be participating in professional conferences from June 18-25, with limited email access. My wife and I depart for England on Friday evening, June 28, arriving on Saturday, June 29. **My mobile phone number is:** 614-370-4558, should you need to reach me directly.

b. **St. Anne’s College**
   i. For contact regarding arrival/direction/logistic inquiries, contact: **Porter’s Lodge – 56 Woodstock Rd – 011-44-1865-274800.** (I am listing the telephone number as though you were dialing an international call from the U.S.).

III. **Final “Test” – Hopefully, fun!**

a. While we will be residing in a country in which English is the native language, some words in “English” English differ from those of “American” English. Here are some examples from a book I recently obtained. Score yourself – no need to turn this exam in.

   i. **ENGLISH** | **AMERICAN**
      a. back garden | a. yard
      b. biscuit | b. cookie
      c. chemist | c. drug store
      d. block of flats | e. apartment building
      e. high street | f. main street
      f. jumper | g. sweater
      g. lorry | h. truck
      h. rubber | j. eraser
      i. weekend joint | k. cut of beef for Sunday

Safe travels to all. I very much look forward to meeting you in Oxford.

Professor Stulberg