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President's Corner - February 2012

It is snowing as I write this. It gives a beautiful and crisp feel to the outdoors. However, I am very grateful for the unusual warmth we had for our two winter day trips – to “The Christmas Carol” and to “The Blue Man Group.” The latter was coupled with lunch in the Green Room of the Performing Arts Center. We had feared driving the streets of Milwaukee in the snow. As it turned out, we had a great meal, a great program (we laughed and laughed), and no weather issues.

Aren't we glad we have ALL for education, entertainment and fellowship during the winter months? I appreciate your attendance and enthusiasm.

I want to welcome Dr. Jane Schaefer who is the new Executive Director of the Center for Community Partnerships. ALL is housed in the CCP. Dr. Schaefer will be the ALL liaison with the University until she settles in and appoints someone to that position. We will miss our former liaison, Shannon McGuire, Education Outreach, whose office was moved to be more closely associated with Teacher Education. Shannon truly became one of us. We thank her and wish her well.

We are a growing group and concerned about growing pains. So far we are able to hold most classes in Tallent Hall. If enrollments continue to climb, we may have to move classes to the Student Center. Our lectures in the Cinema do have room for audience growth. Our day trips are limited by bus size. We don't like to disappoint anyone and we like

to include guests, but we are finding more trips filling and closing sooner. Register early so that you won't be disappointed.

Enjoy ALL, enjoy winter, enjoy friends. Spring will come.

Doris Nice, ALL President

❖ ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

We will continue to publish new members' phone numbers and e-mails as they are received. Please add them to your 2012 Directory.

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❖ COMMITTEES

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CLASS COMMITTEE

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This committee is so happy that the classes we put together are well received. The attendance has been overwhelming. The Contemporary Art class coming up has 85 registered. Several classes during the past year have also been that large especially the opera and “3 B’s” classes. We are working on several new subjects that we hope you will be interested in attending. Watch for flyers!

DAY TRIP COMMITTEE

Martha Krimmer, 554-8122 or mkrimmer2@wi.rr.com
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We had a smashing time at *The Christmas Carol* at the Pabst and dinner at the elegant Pfister Hotel. The play was timeless, beautifully done, the theatre is an architectural gem, and the Pfister’s 23rd floor dining room and adjacent bar “Blu” were complete with lovely views of the city. Food was delicious and nicely served.

Our kind bus driver found a nearby park with gorgeous trees all decorated with lights and made a slight detour so we could see. One of our members so enjoyed the play he took his family of 12 including grandchildren to see the show. Magical day!

Blue Man Group trip was a success - very different from the last one, but exciting, loud, funny and the buffet lunch was excellent. The Performing Arts Center is also a beautiful building – many of us go there with ALL’s Friday matinees at the Milwaukee Symphony. (This is a commercial, come join us next season. If you would like to check it out, sometimes we have a ticket that you can purchase. If interested, contact Bev. Friedrich)

Show Boat Symposium at Northwestern University, Wednesday, February 8, consisting of panels on “*Show Boat* and American Music Theater;” and “*Show Boat* and Race Relations”. We will have dinner in Evanston before the discussion. To refresh your memory of this musical, ALL will be showing two free films of *Show Boat* in the Student Center Cinema on Thursday, Feb 2: at 10 a.m. the 1936 version and at 1 p.m. the 1951 remake. Lunch is on your own at the Brickstone Cafe near the Cinema.

Coming Up: We’re going to the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry and to the Adler Planetarium on April 10th to follow up on classes on “Weather” and “Astronomy” being planned by the class committee. We will see the IMAX film “Tornado Alley” at the MSI, and see the ‘Deep Space Adventure’ show at the new Grainger Sky Theater at the Adler. Lunch at the Adler’s restaurant overlooking the city. Details later, save the date.

Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design, Tentative date: Tuesday, April 24. This day trip will include a look at the senior student exhibit and tour of MIAD. After lunch we will hear a discussion on the history of the Historic Third Ward RiverWalk which has won several design awards since it opened in 2004 and then you can take a stroll on this \$11 million project.

We are working on a trip to the Ukrainian Church and Ukrainian Museum in Chicago with lunch at Russian Tea Time restaurant. Probably mid-May.

June 11-15 is our Week of Learning. See the accompanying article which follows:

ALL'S WEEK OF LEARNING

Martha Krimmer, 554-8122

Julie Friedman 942-7113

Each year we present a whole week of stimulating lectures on campus and field trips on one particular subject. Last year we studied "Where do we ALL Come From to Call This Place Home?" a look at various immigrant groups, cultures, and the gifts they brought to southeastern Wisconsin. We had a grand time with many fine speakers and a trip to Chinatown.

This year, the subject will be THEATRE, in honor of UW-Parkside's new Rita Tallent Picken Regional Center for Arts and Humanities and because we've wanted to do a week on that subject for several years. AWOL is much like an Elderhostel (now known as Road Scholar) but you stay in your own home! We provide 5 days of fun and learning, five lunches, snacks, and a field trip or two. We are just starting to work on the program and will send you more information as we set up and finalize the week's event. If anyone has any suggestions or contacts we would welcome them.

Martha Krimmer and Julie Friedman will chair this year and we have a bang up committee to make it all happen. Save the week of June 11 for AWOL and join us.

FLASH!!!! ALL'S WEEK OF LEARNING IS STARTING ONE DAY EARLY

with a Play at the Skylight!

Save the Date!! June 10th

Instead of starting on Monday, June 11th, we are starting the week off with a really big bang! We are going to see "Sunday in the Park with George" at the Skylight Theatre in Milwaukee on Sunday, June 10th for the 2 p.m. show. We will probably leave about 11:30 since they have a pre-show talk back at 1 pm.

"Inspired by Georges Seurat's famous painting, A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte (original at the Art Institute of Chicago) Stephen Sondheim's musical Sunday in the Park with George is one of the most critically acclaimed musicals of our time. Brimming with beauty and light, Sunday is a deeply moving love story that connects the past to the future through passionate and intensely personal

struggles that are not unlike ones we all face at different times in our lives.

Skylight is pleased to be the first professional music theatre company in Wisconsin to fully stage this challenging visual and musical masterpiece. Artistic Director Bill Theisen is delighted to bring a Sondheim musical to Skylight's 2011-2012 season. "I have wanted to bring Sunday to the Cabot Stage since my first year as Artistic Director and I'm thrilled we are finally able to make that happen!" said Theisen.

Come join us for a wonderful WEEK of LEARNING on Theatre. Questions? Call Martha Krimmer or Julie Friedman

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

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As of January, 2012, Barbara Emick replaced Joan Burns as the new chairperson for the Hospitality group.

INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

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On January 12th, we welcomed a group of new international students from China, Germany, Korea, etc. Thanks to all of you who assisted students in getting settled at Parkside by picking up students, hosting them in your homes for a night if needed, and helping them to shop for necessities.

In December, the committee donated holiday gifts for international students. Thanks to all the committee members who donated gifts. The students appreciated them.

There are many students, and the committee can always use more people, so please contact us if you are interested in joining the group. Please know that members are involved only as much as they want to be—there are no set duties or time requirements. A friendly and open spirit and the desire to promote international goodwill are the only requirements. However, your best connection with students is when you actually do things with them, have them over for dinner, take them shopping, etc.

International Friendship Committee continued.....

If you are planning to drive students, be sure to give Consuelo Clemens your proof of insurance and a copy of a driver's license.

Spring Semester - Friendship Hours will be meetings at 10:30 in Greenquist 201, followed by the PIC Friendship Hour at noon in Molinaro. These are the dates: Feb. 15, March 21, and April 18. We have our meeting and discuss plans; then at Friendship Hour we meet with the members of the Parkside International Club and have a light lunch.

ALL Members - mark your calendars for March 30, which is the Worldfest dinner. You will enjoy great food and entertainment from around the world. Also plan to attend the free, interesting presentations that are part of Worldfest week, the week before. For details and tickets as the date gets closer, check the UW-P website and search "Worldfest."

Please contact Linda Burch, Chair, for more information at: lburch@wi.rr.com
If you do not have email (preferred) please contact Jim Burch at 654-6714 between 7 and 9 p.m.

LECTURE COMMITTEE

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Lectures in Student Center Cinema at 2

February 20: Globalization: Preparing Students for the 21st Century by Fred Ebeid, Dean, School of Business and Technology, UWP

March 5: A View inside the Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design by Melissa Dorn Richards, Director of Cultural and Alumni Relations, MIAD

March 19: HALO – by Kevin Cookman, Exec. Dir. Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization

April 2: The First Problem by Mick McCabe, Exec. Dir. Wisconsin Democracy Campaign

April 16: Diversity and Inclusion at Parkside by Dr. Edward Twyman, UWP Sr. Diversity Officer and Sarah L. Park, Manger of Diversity Programs-UWP

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES COMMITTEE

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ALL has 400 members! We continue to grow each month with many more participating in activities.

At our New Member Brown Bag Luncheon in November, 28 members and one interested party attended. Of the 28, seven were board members who enthusiastically answered questions and described activities. One guest commented on the high energy, positive attitudes, and the wide span of intellectual interests and activities available. We reassured him that he did not have to do it all while encouraging him to choose several learning experiences and/or even a committee!

The next luncheon will be in May, 2012

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

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Find the many ways to follow the amazing activities offered you through Adventures in Lifelong Learning:
Journal Times - Lifestyle
Kenosha News - The Chronicle
Have you checked the website, uwp.edu key word - All, or found a flyer posted in a library? Lastly, do you have an idea for additional spots to advertise and reach out even further with our message? Let us know.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

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❖ **FOCUS GROUPS**



ALL-ABLOOM.

ALL-Abloom is taking a hiatus and plans to meet in the spring to reorganize. Contact Judy Knutson hjbytsilb6906@sbcglobal.net 262-657-5658.



"If you can laugh at it, you can live with it."
.....Erma Bombeck



ALL-4-FUN SINGERS

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The voices of ALL-FOR-FUN SINGERS and, sometimes, a few residents of St. Catherine Commons join together each 3rd Thursday from 1:00-2:00 p.m. to sing whatever fancies us. Because this is a "community outreach" group, EVERYONE (ALL member or not) is welcome to join in each month.

Contact above to get on email list so that you get attachments of words to songs as we add them to our songbook, now numbering a hundred old favorites of pop tunes, folk tunes, holiday tunes and you name it. And if you can name it, and Marialyce can find the piano music, we can sing it (or we can try)!



BRIDGE

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The ALL Bridge Focus Group is an enthusiastic group of bridge players who meet weekly striving to improve bridge skills while practicing strategies in a friendly, non-competitive atmosphere. Because we are a large group, anyone interested should contact the Chair, Doris Klemencic, by e-mail or phone....see contact information listed above.



CURRENT AFFAIRS DISCUSSIONS

Co-chairs **Sy Adler** seymouradler@gmail.com
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Current Affairs Focus Group meets on the third Monday of the month at noon in the Orchard Room at Tallent Hall.. Members bring lunch so that they can attend the afternoon lecture. Group decides discussion topics for the next month's meeting before adjourning. Meeting dates: February 20, March 19.



GREAT BOOKS

Contact **Pat Kummings** at plkummings516@sbcglobal.net or 553.9944 for further information.

Helen Raymond, first president of ALL, was instrumental in establishing the Great Books Club. Several of us remember when she brought in a representative of Great Books to explain the way Great Books discussions should be handled. We are still trying to keep up these standards.

Great Books Group meets the fourth Monday of the month at 9 am in Tallent Hall. Dates and topics are:
February 27 – An Interest in Life by Grace Paley
March 26 – Selected Poems by Wislawa Szymborska



GREAT DECISIONS

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Thirty-seven participants have signed on for Foreign Policy study and discussion. The participants are the most important element of any discussion program. The goal is not to master the eight topics included in the 2012 briefing book, but rather to deepen your awareness and understanding of these important issues as they relate to and shape U.S. foreign policy objectives. Those who have signed up will receive, by e-mail or post, a handout titled "The Role of the Great Decisions Discussion Group Participant". The rest of the 2012 briefing books will be distributed at the February 29th meeting.

Included, annually, in each briefing book are Topic Opinion Ballots. In 2011, over 20,000 ballots were returned to the U.S. Foreign Policy Association by Great Decisions participants from discussion groups throughout the United States. These opinions are tabulated and a report is returned to the group.

In 2011, the participant ballots demonstrated these results:

Support For:

- * an emphasis on counterinsurgency capability (COIN) in addition to traditional military strategy.
- * channeling aid to Haiti through non-governmental organizations (NGOS).
- * promoting the leadership of a strong Germany in Europe.
- * prioritization of U.S. relations with Russia and Turkey over relations with other states in the Caucasus.
- * U.S. participation in international financial regulatory regimes.
- * enlisting China's influence to halt North Korean nuclear proliferation.

Great Decisions continued.....

Opposition to:

- * U.S. military involvement in an international mission in Somalia.
- * supplying arms to Georgia in light of Russia's objections.

Each year the Foreign Policy Association sends the National Ballot report to the White House, departments of State and Defense, members of Congress and the media.

The 2012 organizational meeting for the 37 participants will be held on Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 9:30 A.M., in Room 182 at Tallent Hall. The eight topic discussions will be held on the four Wednesdays of March and April from 9:30 to 11:30 am. The group will meet to watch the topic presentation on DVD, then organize into two discussions groups.



MAH JONG

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Mah Jong meets at Greenridge Rec. Center which is off of Spring Street in Mt Pleasant, Tuesdays at 12:30. Any questions call Peggy 262-886-4057.



OVER-THE-HILL HIKERS

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POETRY GROUP

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No, the Poetry Group does not write poetry, we choose poems and discuss them. Many interesting and varied points of view are expressed during these discussions.

Meetings will take place 2nd Mondays – February 13 and March 12 at 10:00 in the Orchard Room in Tallent Hall.



TECHNOLOGY FOCUS GROUP

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The Technology Focus Group would like to invite you to explore the world of technology with us. We want to learn about gadgets and gizmos that are being used in our world today to make our lives easier and fast-paced. We usually meet the 4th Monday of the month at 1:30pm. You may join our email list for topic updates and room assignments by contacting Jarlene. Would you be willing to share the knowledge you've gained while delving into this fascinating world? Contact one of the co-leaders to volunteer.

We have meetings scheduled for February 27 – a Parkside librarian will give us web searching tips and tricks, for March 26 – we learn how to create a web page and for April 23 – we look into electric cars.

We would like to freshen our list of meeting topics. Please think of technology terms or gadgets that you would like to learn more about or offer to become part of the committee. You may bring your ideas to a meeting or share them with one of the co-leaders.



SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERS

Florence Hammelev reports:

“On December 5th, I joined 150 other Wisconsinites for a 16 hour bus ride to Washington D.C. There we joined 3,000 of our fellow countrymen for a “Take Back the Capitol” protest. We were housed at the National 4 H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Each day at 7 a.m. we went to the People’s Camp at the National Mall. The first day (raining) we all split up and went to visit our individual Representatives and Senators. Rep. Ryan was in town but too busy to meet with us Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Even with a sign on his wall that states, “Welcome, please come in,” the door was locked with a note that no one would be seen that day without an

Florence Hammelev report continued.....

appointment. His staff told us they were warned that we were coming!

On the second day many present shared stories of being unemployed, underemployed, uninsured, in foreclosure, overwhelmed with student loans and medical bills and/or impoverished. We made a video of the story tellers and hope to give copies of it to our legislators.

That afternoon we marched in pouring rain to get to "K" street, the home of many corporate lobbyists. One of our chants was "Banks got bailed out. We got sold out." We shut down "K" street for about an hour. Along our route we also stopped at some of the banks to protest their unscrupulous investment practices. It was a very cathartic experience for me!

On the third day (very cold), we organized 99 unemployed members with the goal of having them visit Rep. Boehner to tell him their personal stories. Disappointingly, Boehner refused to meet with us.

At 6 p.m. Thursday the 8th, we boarded our Wisconsin Coach bus for the 16 hour ride back to Wisconsin. All in all it was an amazing experience. Time Magazine has named the Protestor Person of the Year. Hope some of you will join this "protestor" at a future action. I can be contacted at fhammelev@wi.rr.com for more information"

Florence Hammelev

OBITUARIES



RACINE - Helen Raymond (nee: Heile), age 96, died January 8, 2012. Born and lived in Oak Park, Illinois from 1915-1952; Hinsdale, Illinois from 1952-1987; Racine, Wisconsin from 1987-2012. Member of First

Presbyterian Church, Racine; formerly member of UCC Union Church, of Hinsdale, an Elder and Secretary to Executive Council; Secretary at Holistic Health Clinic; Secretary to Hinsdale Caucus; Leader of Junior Books Discussion Groups, Manager of Bookstore at Hinsdale Central High School. First

President of Adventures in Lifelong Learning at UW-Parkside. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to Adventures in Lifelong Learning

THOUGHTS FROM MEMBERS ON HELEN RAYMOND, ALL'S FIRST PREIDENT

From Mark Marlaire: I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Helen Raymond, ALL's first President. Helen was a dynamic leader who powered the early development of our organization and successfully insisted on a reluctant campus taking the organization seriously. She was tenacious and amazingly persuasive in her promotion and support of ALL. I was in awe of her abilities, warmth, determination and charm. I don't know that ALL would have survived those formative years without her leadership and enthusiasm. On a personal level, Helen was a very dear friend whom I will always love. Early in our relationship, we discovered through a series of strange questions and answers (Where did you go to high school? When?) that she was a friend and classmate of my wife's parents in Oak Park in the 1930s - that deepened our relationship and our sense of purpose. My association with ALL is my favorite memory at UW-Parkside and without the leadership of Helen and a fantastic group of people it would never have happened. I know she rests in well-deserved peace now and is still watching over ALL. Thanks

From Julie Friedman: What a sad day! Helen died at 96 years of age, but, boy, did she leave a wonderful legacy in Adventures in Lifelong Learning. She was one of the founders of this organization in 1997-98, its first president, and a very active member up until quite recently. She helped those of us who wanted to learn bridge and we all tried hard not to make too many really dumb mistakes! Smart mistakes were okay, dumb ones weren't. She worked on revising our by-laws, a thankless job! She was a good mentor, a good friend, a good role model for all of us. I looked forward to our lunches over the past few years. She was smart, principled, a very hard worker, and dynamic, always thinking of new things we should try. Adventures in

Lifelong Learning went from non existence to a very active group of 390 members. Who ever said that one person can't make a difference? Helen did make a real difference in the lives of many and I, for one,

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From Mac MacCaughey: Helen was the first president of Adventures in Lifelong Learning, affectionately know as ALL. When no one else was stepping forward, Helen decided to make it her "cause" to see ALL develop into something special for seniors in this corner of the state.

Helen set the standard for ALL, with an insistence that we follow our bylaws and focus on educational elements; after all, "Learning" *is* part of our name.

Not that some good fun might not sneak in, but ALL was not to be just another social club. Serious questions had been raised back then about whether people from Racine and Kenosha could actually come together into an organization like ALL. Her success is shown in the fact that we have grown to 390 members, mostly from these two counties, with a few coming up from northern Illinois.

Helen maintained her interest in ALL even when she was no longer able to be present physically. She did make one exception last year, when Lissy participated in a discussion of alternative forms of education. Having her favorite daughter being part of a discussion of her favorite topic was just too good to pass up.

We will never have another "First President", but we will always have her standards to follow and her enthusiasm for life to inspire us. We have been blessed by having Helen in our lives.

From Pat Makarewicz: To Our New ALL Members: Most of you didn't have an opportunity to meet and know Helen Raymond. Helen was the force on which this organization was so solidly

built. She was very dedicated to ALL and gave us direction in many areas. It was a pleasure to know and work with her through the years. I remember how she recently called me on a Friday night to tell me she had just finished reading the APB Bulletin and how thrilled she was at all the different activities that we all enjoy. Thank you, Helen.

From Bev Friedrich: I met Helen in 1998 when she was about to be elected the first president of ALL. I had just started working in the ALL office and offered any help she needed. We have been very good friends since. She was such fun to work with and full of inspiration. She had so many ideas on how to make Adventures in Lifelong Learning an experience to enjoy as well as to learn.

We needed a newsletter – the APB (All Points Bulletin) was born. We needed to spend a whole week on one subject – AWOL (All's Week of Learning) was created. We needed small groups for people who had something special they loved to do or learn about – Focus Groups began. We needed to explore some of the places we were learning about. We traveled to Milwaukee and visited four churches, and Day Trips began. When the state budget forecast for the University of Wisconsin became a great concern, Helen rose to challenge us to study the situation through public forums – and the Education Study Group was formed (she was working on a fancier name for that one). She thought we should celebrate the artistic hobbies of our members, so our annual meetings were preceded Meetings were preceded by the "Bizarre Bazaar".

We needed an information bulletin to attract new members – remember the Lilac Tri-fold leaflet?

I will miss our "Out to Lunch Bunch" lunches with Helen during her "retirement from ALL" years, and our phone calls when I needed a listening ear or just to talk to a friend. But I will always have such happy memories of knowing this special lady.

Joan Rohan, a long time ALL member was 95 when she died January 13th. She was a member of the Olympia Brown Unitarian Universalist Church and was the only one of the members who actually remembered Olympia Brown. She was instrumental in preserving Chiwaukee Prairie and will be remembered for her community efforts, passion for birds, and kindness and love she gave to those around her.

Obituaries continued.....

Pat Johnson, a former ALL member, died January 8, 2012. She was director of Armitage Academy 22 years and was active in AAUW and the Kenosha community. She was given the Susan B. Anthony Award in 2010.



❖ **ODDS AND ENDS**

ALL members have been actively submitting letters to *Kenosha News*’ Voice of the People.

De Smith’s photograph taken at the Lunden Sculpture Garden was featured in the Kenosha News.

“Your Brain also needs Exercise” was the title of an article the November/December 2011 *Prime Magazine*. It extolled the virtues of ALL, quoting **Doris Nice**, **Marialyce Kornkven**, **Maryann Gruber** and a photo of **Tom Coe** at a Technology Focus Group meeting. As Doris said, “You can get pretty dull if you don’t pursue things. Learning makes you feel better. But mostly we just have a really good time.”



When sending in registrations, be sure to mark “**ALL**” on the envelopes. If this is not done, the mail room has no idea where to send it.



ALL SNOW POLICY: ALL events are cancelled if schools are closed in Kenosha **OR** Racine **OR** if UW-Parkside is closed.



If paying by credit card for classes, day trips or membership, the expiration date of your card must be included so the transaction can be completed.



From the Editor:

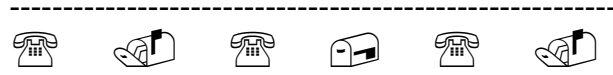
The days are short,
The sun a spark
Hung thin between
On a clear winter’s evening
The dark and dark
.....John Updike

WINTER TWILIGHT
On a clear winter’s evening
The crescent moon
And the round squirrels’ nest
In the bare oak
Are equal planets
.....Anne Porter

Remembering our 2011 Groundhog Day blizzard, this popped into my brain. At the sign of a significant snowfall, my mother would call me and start quoting from Snowbound. By John Greenleaf Whittier. She knew the whole poem by memory, but I stopped after the first stanza. This is for you, Mom.

The sun that brief December day
Rose cheerless over hills of gray.
And, darkly circled, gave at noon
A sadder light than waning moon,
Slow tracing down the thickening sky
Its mute and ominous prophecy,
A portent seeming less than threat
It sank from sight before it set.
A chill no coat, however stout,
Of homespun stuff could quite shut out,
A hard, dull bitterness of cold,
That checked, mid-vein the circling race
Of life-blood in the sharpened face,
The coming of the snow-storm told.

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**Change of Address? New Phone Number?
New e-mail Address?**

To keep the membership directory up to date, indicate any changes, clip and return to the ALL Office, Tallent 289, or mail to ALL, UW-Parkside 900 Wood Road, Box 2000, Kenosha, WI 53141

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