ALL LECTURE SCHEDULE  
JANUARY – JUNE 2014  
ALL MONDAY LECTURES WILL BEGIN AT 2:00 PM  
IN THE CINEMA OF PARKSIDE’S STUDENT CENTER

Be sure to use your parking permit when you park in the Tallent Hall parking lot; then use the shuttle bus which takes you to the front door of the Student Center. The shuttle does not run when classes are not in session; park in the Student Center main lot and use your parking permit.

*Note the Jan. 13th date change, because of the Martin Luther King holiday.*

Jan. 6  
“CURRENT ILLEGAL DRUG TRENDS”  
MICHAEL PROCHNIAK, AGENT, RACINE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE  
Agent Prochniak has been with the Sheriff’s Office since 1990, was promoted to Criminal Investigations in 1996, and has been assigned to Narcotics Investigations since 2001. He has attended numerous training forums regarding drug investigations and has been involved in 500+ narcotics investigations.

Agent Prochniak will discuss illegal drug use trends seen in the Racine County area as well as in the rest of Southeastern Wisconsin. He will detail how illegal drugs from Afghanistan and Russia are being transported into the US and explain the practice of genetically manufacturing drugs in places like South America. We will hear how these drugs are also being developed, much the same as corn or tomatoes, for farm production in California.

* Jan. 13  
“ENRICHING MINDS, CHANGING LIVES”  
CHANCELLOR DEBORAH (DEBBIE) FORD  
Dr. Ford was inaugurated at UW Parkside in November 2009 and is the sixth Chancellor for this University, which is now 45 years old. A first-generation college graduate, Dr. Ford received her doctorate in education from the University of Louisville. Prior to coming to Parkside, Dr. Ford was the vice-president of student affairs at the University of West Florida and previously worked at Spaulding University in Louisville as dean of students. Dr. Ford recently completed a term on the American Council on Education’s Commission on Effective Leadership and is actively involved in boards and councils in SE Wisconsin, including those in both Kenosha and Racine Counties.

Chancellor Ford will honor the 45th year of the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, will celebrate the past and talk about the present, and will introduce future initiatives. She will also present an update on academic programs.

Feb. 3  
“DOWNTOWN KENOSHA”  
VIOLET J. RICKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DOWNTOWN KENOSHA.  
Prior to coming to Kenosha, Violet Ricker served in a similar capacity in Waukegan, as director of a “Main Street” program approach of economic development through historic preservation. She holds a degree in non-profit management from North Park University and is currently working toward Economic Developer certification through the International Economic Development Council. Violet holds a certificate in the Principles and Practices of New Urbanism. Her work in Waukegan earned her the 2012 Illinois Main Street Lt. Governor’s Award for Excellence in Economic Restructuring.
Feb. 17

“STORIES OF PLANT FUNGI AND FUNGICIDE DISCOVERY”

NICOLE HIGGS, ASSISTANT SCIENTIST WORKING ON FUNGICIDE DISCOVERY RESEARCH AT VALENT BIO SCIENCES IN LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS.

Ms. Higgs has a BA in Biology and Art from Webster University in St. Louis. She has done additional studies at the University of California, Davis. She has also worked at Monsanto, Washington University in St. Louis, the Garst Seed Company in Slater, Iowa, and at The Boyce Thompson Institute at Cornell University where she worked on putting human vaccine proteins into banana fruits, which could then be used to vaccinate children in developing countries.

Mrs. Higgs will discuss some famous plant pathogens, such as the fungi that caused the Irish Potato Famine, and how scientists attempt to find fungicides, biological and chemical, to combat them.

Mar. 3

“SCIENCE VS. RELIGION? AN OVERVIEW”

WAYNE G. JOHNSON, PhD, PROFESSOR EMERITUS, UW-PARKSIDE, AND BRIDGE DESIGN ENGINEER.

Wayne Johnson, who is now an ALL member, earned his BS in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa and indeed worked as a bridge design engineer for one year. After earning his B. Div. degree at the Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, MA. he served as pastor for a church in New York State for 3 years. Returning to Iowa, he earned his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa, after which he joined the faculty at Carthage College for 4 years, an experience that earned him an Outstanding Teacher Award in 1969. Wayne moved next to Parkside, to become a professor of philosophy for 26 years, and received a Teaching Excellence Award in 1982. Since retiring, he has chaired two peace and justice organizations in Racine and currently co-chairs Perspectives on Religious Issues, a UW-Parkside forum series. This background provides Wayne Johnson with a rich fund of knowledge and experience to explore the issue of “Science vs. Religion?” and whether a “vs.” really exists.

Mar. 17

“CRIME PREVENTION” and “UNDERSTANDING IDENTITY THEFT AND PREVENTING IT”

KRISTY WALLS, CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER, and WARREN JEPSON, INVESTIGATOR WITH THE WHITE COLLAR CRIMES UNIT; CITY OF RACINE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Officer Walls is a three-year veteran with the department and was recently assigned as the new crime prevention officer. She will provide information on current department equipment used in investigations and will offer crime prevention tips.

Investigator Jepson has been with the department for 18+ years, is a Parkside graduate with a degree in Political Science, and has an MS in Criminology from Indiana State University. He will describe the most common fraudulent schemes and methods to commit ID theft, and the means to avoid becoming a victim of it.
“EXTRA! EXTRA! A FLASHBACK TO THE DAYS OF HARDNOSED NEWSPAPER REPORTING IN CHICAGO -- AND THOUGHTS ON HOW THE NEWS WORLD HAS CHANGED.”

HARLAN DRAEGER, a retired Chicago reporter, revisits the lively era when four daily newspapers competed for Windy City readers. With newspapers in decline, how well is the public served these days?

Harlan, an ALL member, is a native of Beaver Dam. He served in the US Army, mostly in Japan, from 1945-47 and then attended UW-Madison, graduating with a degree in Journalism. He worked as a reporter for 41 years, beginning in Wisconsin Rapids and Kenosha, then spending 25 years in Chicago with the old Chicago Daily News and the Sun-Times. Harlan retired in 1992, but has “too little time for fishing and hunting.”

“PUTTING A PRODUCTION TOGETHER: FROM PAGE TO STAGE”

LISA KORNETSKY, CHAIR OF UW-PARKSIDE’S THEATRE ARTS DEPARTMENT AND FREQUENT DIRECTOR.
Lisa earned an MFA, in directing, from the University of Massachusetts. A nationally recognized artist/educator, she has worked in higher education for over 21 years, 16 of which have been here at UW-Parkside. From 1998-2008 she also served as the Director of the Office of Professional and Instructional Development for the UW System. A founding member of Upstart Theatre in Kenosha, Lisa has also directed at the Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston, So. Carolina, and at Edinburgh’s Fringe Festival. She has directed over 50 productions at UW-Parkside and recently directed *Bus Stop* in collaboration with the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre.

KEITH HARRIS, UW-PARKSIDE’S THEATRE MANAGER AND SCENIC DESIGNER.
Keith’s degrees are in theater, with an MFA in sceneography, from the University of Kansas. He has worked in education for thirty years. As the Theatre Manager, he has staged a minimum of 1,000 events in his tenure at Parkside, ranging from university and community events to national tours. His work has been seen on the Parkside stage in over 50 set designs His regional design work includes the 2012 set for *Bus Stop* at the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre as well as collaborative work with the Fireside Theatre in Ft. Atkinson. His organizational skills have made the UW-Parkside theatre, the jewel of the University.

Ms. Kornetsky and Mr. Harris will talk about how they put a play together – from the first reading to the first performance; about brainstorming, research, conceptualization, decision-making, design, casting, and rehearsal. They will focus on play analysis from the perspective of each of their chosen areas.

STUDENTS OF PARKSIDE PRESENTING THEIR (NOW-ANNUAL) REPORT ON THEIR RESEARCH PROJECTS.

PROFESSOR DAVID HIGGS AGAIN COORDINATES THIS PRESENTATION
These students already will have presented their research projects at the annual statewide symposium for college and university students, an event that moves among campuses in Wisconsin.

May 19
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“PLASTICITY OF THE BRAIN”

MICHELLE BRAUN, Ph.D., NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST, AT WHEATON FRANCISCAN-ALL SAINTS, RACINE

Dr. Braun rejoined WFAS in 2012 after serving as the Assistant Director of Inpatient Mental Health at the Boston VA and Instructor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. She is a board-certified neuropsychologist specializing in neuropsychological assessment, geropsychology, decisional capacity assessment, and behavioral medicine. She completed her internship at Yale University School of Medicine, and postdoctoral fellowship at the Boston VA/ Harvard Medical School after earning her doctoral degree in clinical Psychology and minor in Neuroscience from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

Dr. Braun will discuss the functions of the human brain, it's amazing capacity to change and what can be done to improve the way it functions.

June: 6th - Aging Well Conference;
9th - Week of Learning;
16th – ALL’s Annual Meeting