ALL ELECTS PRESIDENT PATTI GROSS

At the June 15th annual meeting, ALL members elected Patti Gross as President of ALL for the next year – shown in this photo with outgoing President Ted Anderson, as he turned the ALL gavel over to Patti.

Members also elected Wren Ide as President-Elect, and Karen Kempinen as Recording Secretary. Wendi Schneider was re-elected as Treasurer. Also elected as Members-At-Large were Terrence Constant, Ruth Frear, and Larry Gregg; they join the current Members-At-Large Pam Drummond, Tricia Frost, and Jeff Timm. Other board members include Past President Ted Anderson &UWP Liaison, Kay Moormann.

In addition to board officer elections, members also voted to accept some updates and revisions to ALL’s by-laws.

Following the business meeting we were entertained by Jeremy, the Magician from Britain. Great fun!

WHAT THE PREZ SAYS...

A special “Thank You” to Sy Adler for his many years of service on the ALL Board and the best stand-up comedian within ALL. Sy joined the Board in 2010 and over the years has been our example of the Energizer Bunny: he just keeps volunteering, volunteering and volunteering.

In 2014, ALL members participated in the first-ever survey of Lifelong Learning Institute members nationwide. Here are some of ALL’s specific results:

165 members responded – approximately 30%.

38% of those members have participated in some role as a volunteer of the organization.

81% said that the organization is well managed.

24% of us exercise every day. 44% exercise more than twice a week, but not every day.

83% of us are retired. 8% of us work part time.

To review the entire survey, go to: https://goo.gl/e1DUme

The password is: Parkside
We now have the opportunity to use Constant Contact to register for events online when using a credit card. From the comfort of your home you can read the emails Vanessa sends to us with the registration links. No need to search for an envelope or stamp, or chase to the mailbox. We think this will be a good experience for ALL.

As your President, and with the input from Board members, committee and focus group chairs and volunteers, ALL will experience another year of many outstanding learning experiences. Thank you all for the journey we’ll share in 2015-2016.

Patti Gross, ALL President

WHAT DID HE SAY?

If you’re having a bit of trouble hearing the speaker at our lectures, there’s help! Just ask for one of the hearing assistance devices available at the concierge desk, right outside the cinema. After the lecture, just return the device.

PARKING PERMITS $30

Your annual Parkside parking permit (valid from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016) costs $30. If you haven’t yet paid for and received your new parking permit, send your check to Vanessa to get a shiny new permit for your car window.

IMPORTANT CREDIT CARD PAYMENT CHANGE!

To comply with University financial and audit procedures, we’ve made a change to how we handle credit card payments for ALL events.

When an ALL class, day trip, or other event (such as the annual meeting in June or the September picnic) is announced, in addition to the paper flyers in your ALL mail, Vanessa will send an email with key information for each event. The email includes a link you can click on to register online via credit card. Note: this feature is open to members only; guests need to send in their paper registration forms and checks to Vanessa at the ALL office. Of course, members still have the regular options of paying by cash (there’s a drop box outside of Vanessa’s office if she’s not there when you drop off your payment) or by writing and mailing your check(s).

COMMITTEES

ALL’S WEEK OF LEARNING COMMITTEE
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The annual ALL Week of Learning was held on June 8-12 and was attended by about 60 avid ALL members. This year’s topic, "The History and Culture of the Middle East," was extremely popular. The week was given top ratings for its organization and value, as well as the convenience of UWP's facilities (although controlling the air conditioning proved futile.)

While all topics were highly rated and appreciated, the presentations on Mid-Eastern Dance, the Evolution of the Kibbutz, and Islamic Beliefs and Practices were especially interesting. A true highlight was the Skype "Go to Meeting" presentation by Kelly Bokhari who spoke to us from Dubai. Kelly, a former UWP employee and ALL liaison, told of her experiences as a woman in the Muslim culture and how Dubai is turning itself into an ultra-modern city. Fascinating!
Many thanks to the AWOL committee for all their hard work. We look forward to putting together next year’s Week of Learning.

AUDIO-VISUAL COMMITTEE
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Jarlene is looking for help with equipment setups for classes in Tallent Hall. If you like to attend the classes and have a curiosity about the technology, contact her about on-the-job training opportunities. It would be appreciated!

Lecture Video Recording
Q&A with Larry Gregg

Thanks for video recording our ALL lectures.
How many have you recorded? I’ve recorded most all lectures for the past six or seven years. They are on DVDs, playable on a TV player or on most computers. Recordings from the last year or so are usually available in a plastic box at the back of the cinema on lecture days. Just flip through the envelopes, select a DVD and sign it out. Older lecture DVDs are available in the ALL office. Some lectures are also available on Community Access Television (CATV).

What is CATV? Community Access TV channels are a bit like very local PBS, but on cable TV. They were set up (originally by the FCC) to allow for local government, non-profit, or even individual expression on cable TV. They are usually “owned” by cities that have contracts with cable TV companies. Sometimes public school districts, such as in Racine and Kenosha, also have community access TV channels.


Kenosha has a weekly program guide on Facebook; look for “Kenosha Community Media” and then search through the posts to find when the ALL lectures air. Racine CATV posts their schedule on a daily basis on channel 25, usually at the end of an hour.

How often are ALL lectures shown on CATV? Our plan is to feature one lecture per month. This timing lets us pick those that might be the most interesting or valuable for the general public. We’re working with the local CATV channels to get some specific and dedicated air dates and times for the ALL lectures.

Why just one lecture aired per month? Our ALL lectures typically run about 1.5 hours, but the TV channels ask for programs under an hour to fit their scheduling slots. Editing takes a good deal of time, things such as deleting dead air space, adding titles and credits at the beginning and end of the video, adding captions and fades where needed, and “writing” the video to a DVD.

The “techies” in our group might want to know what software you use to edit the lecture videos. I use a PC program called Pinnacle Studio. It’s similar to Apple’s iMovie and is quite user friendly.

This sounds like a lot of work. Why do you do it? Video is one of my hobbies, and I think it is a good way to support ALL. I got into video about 20 years ago when I was on the Racine City Cable Television Commission, and then became involved in starting the Racine CATV channel. As a retired teacher, and a supporter of MUSIC, I’ve also videotaped over 100 school concerts, etc. for the RUSD access channel. If an ALL member has some similar experience or would like to be involved, their help would be most welcomed!
WHO DO I CALL WITH A QUESTION?

Have a question about an ALL event? Contact:

• Vanessa, if you want to know if there are still spaces available for an ALL event, if you need to cancel your registration, or anything else related to registration-specific questions.

• The Committee chairs or the event sponsor (the person who’s name and contact info is shown in the “question” line of each flyer) if you have a question such as “can I order a vegetarian lunch?” or “will there be a lot of walking; will there be an elevator?”

COMMITTEES, continued

CLASS COMMITTEE
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August 31: “Remembering the Ladies – Women in Early America” with Dr. Sandra Moats.

September: Labor History in two sessions - one featuring labor as depicted in art, and the other given by a labor activist.

October: China’s Changing Middle Class, three sessions with Professor George Wang.

October: We’ll resume the ever-popular Metropolitan Opera Simulcasts with Gregory Berg.

November: Superheroes: Two exciting sessions with Anna Antaramian all about Superman and Captain America. P-O-W!

Watch for details for these classes in upcoming flyers. Suggestions for both prospective classes and instructors are always appreciated; contact co-chairs Merrilee Unrath or Darleen Chiappetta (address at top of the class listings). We always look forward to new committee members!!!

When registering for any ALL event, please refrain from phoning in your registration.

DAY TRIP COMMITTEE
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Since the last APB we went on four excellent trips. We visited the elegant and magnificent summer estate museum and gardens of the Black Point Estate in Lake Geneva, cheered for the Kenosha Kingfish team, listened to the Chicago Symphony at Ravinia, and we went to Green Bay to tour Lambeau Field, two Native American reservations, the Maritime Museum with Submarine tour, the Kohler Art Center in Sheboygan, and the Kohler Design Center.

Coming Up:

Tuesday, September 8: Morton Arboretum
Explore Morton Arboretum’s 1,700 acres of internationally renowned plant collections and gardens via two professionally guided tours: a one-hour tour aboard an open-air tram, and the other a narrated walk. Then enjoy a buffet luncheon in the Ginkgo Restaurant dining room.

Wednesday, September 23, we go to Chicago to visit the Historic Pullman District, which was one of the very first planned communities in the U.S. built by George Pullman for his workers at the Pullman Palace Car Company. Today the town stands as a city, state, and national historic landmark district, and a famous neighborhood on Chicago’s Southside. First though, we will visit
the DuSable Museum of African American History where we’ll have a step-on guide for our trip around Pullman town, with lunch at the Harborside International Golf Center. We’ll finish our day at the A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum, which honors contributions by African-Americans to America’s labor movement.

**Wednesday, October 7: Tour of Ten Chimneys.** This is the famous estate of Broadway stars Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne, a national historic landmark. The tour of their home, studio, cottage and grounds will be led by docents. Lunch at the historic Union House in “downtown” Genesee Depot.

**Saturday, December 12, The Nutcracker with the Milwaukee Ballet.** Join us for a lovely holiday tradition of the Nutcracker with music by Tchaikovsky. This ballet premiered in St. Petersburg, Russia in 1892, and it has enchanted for over 123 years! No matter how many times you’ve seen this, it is always spectacular and very beautiful. Remember, this is the event that you took your little girls to – all dressed up in a party dress and shiny black patent shoes – a very nice way to start the holiday season. Lunch will be at the Performing Arts Center. We hope to have two classes on this prior to the event: one on the music, one on the production.

**Milwaukee Symphony:** Don’t forget the 6-Concert Friday Prelude Series at the Milwaukee Symphony on September 25, November 20, March 11, April 22, May 6, and June 10. We leave Tallent at 8:30 AM and Racine Roma Lodge about 8:45 AM, return about 2:30.

For information on the coming season, or for information on single tickets if there is a cancellation, contact Bev Friedrich at 633.2304 or bevfried@aol.com. Or you can phone Darleen Chiappetta, 654-0177. The orchestra is always excellent. This is the year to treat yourself!

We are always looking for new committee members to help us plan and implement day trips. Please call Martha or Julie if interested.

As always, day trips are subject to change, so see our flyers for up-to-date information. For more information on each trip, call the trip leader (contact info shown on each flyer).

**Registering for Day Trips.** If you are interested in a trip, please get your registration in right away.

If you find you cannot attend an event, call Vanessa at the ALL office at 595-2793.

If we know about it before the deadline, we can refund your money (but we do have to pay for tickets and confirm restaurants in advance, and we need to pay what we’ve contracted for).

If you are unable to attend after the deadline, and we usually have a waiting list and will try to sell your spot to the next person on the waitlist.

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**LECTURE COMMITTEE**  
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Lectures at 2 PM in the Parkside Student Cinema

Check ALL’s page on UWP’s website for more details on the lectures listed below. Type in this URL to get to lecture details on ALL’s page of the UWP website: [http://goo.gl/Zlt600](http://goo.gl/Zlt600)

**August 3:** “Cherishing Wisconsin’s Woods, Wildlife and Waters” with Ruth Oppedahl, Executive Director, Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin.

**August 17:** “A Thoughtful Discussion About Memory and Brain Health” with Nia Norris, Wisconsin Alzheimer’s Institute.
September 7: Enjoy Labor Day. No lecture.

September 14: “Sustainability is Our Future” with John Skalbeck, UW-Parkside Professor of Geosciences.

September 21: “Climate Change Solutions in Wisconsin” with Elizabeth Ward, Executive Director, Sierra Club, Wisconsin.

October 5: “Cuba: So Close and So Far Away” with Dr. Penny Seymoure (Biological Psychology) and Dr. Jeffrey Robert (Political Science), both professors at Carthage College.

October 19: “Road Scholar Adventures” with Gail Petersdorf, Road Scholar Ambassador.

November 2: “A Pictorial Tour of Major Cities in Poland: Gdansk, Warsaw, Krakow” with Dr. Helen Rosenberg and Kevin Rydzik.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES COMMITTEE
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We continue to grow; as of midyear we had 575 members. We’ll have a Meet & Greet for new members in November. But don’t wait until then to enjoy our lectures, classes and trips!

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
Check back in the next edition.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE
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Save the date! ALL’s annual picnic will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2015. Come prepared for good food and drinks, camaraderie and friendship, games, and even a hike if you’d like. This is a great time to relax, socialize and enjoy the day. Hot, cold, rain, sun, or perfect weather may greet us; regardless, we always have a good time. Look for information flyers and registration forms in ALL’s August mailing. We appreciate your prompt registration, as we cannot adjust ordering quantities after the deadline. Walk-ins on September 15th are not possible.

ALL’s annual meeting was held on June 15th. Various committee and focus groups displayed activity boards for members to view and/or join. President Patti Gross welcomed the guests and members. After the brief meeting, we were entertained by Jeremy, the Magician from Britain. He was amazing, and left members with the big question, “How did he do that?”

A big thanks to those whose bright smiles are so welcome and much appreciated by members arriving for our events. July greeters were Bob Jensen, Nancy Burda, Jim and Arlene Gardiner. August greeters are Karen Kaleck, Doreen DeCesaro, Nancy Westman and Vera Schalk. September greeters will be Norma Rukavina, Lynn Felle, & Dawn Feldman-Brown.

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VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Thanks to the many volunteers who returned our recent letter outlining potential volunteer activities. You’re on our master list and will be hearing from “recruiters” as upcoming volunteer projects require.

CONFIRMATIONS AND CHANGES
Confirmations from the ALL office on classes and trips or room changes are sent via e-mail. This only works if we have your correct and current
FOCUS GROUPS

ALL-A-BLOOM
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On August 26 we will be visiting Elawa Farm in Lake Forest, Illinois. The guided tour will cost $5. Afterward Dawn has planned a visit to a florist and then lunch. More information soon.

In September we have a date change due to an ALL day trip to Chicago. The NEW DATE IS SEPTEMBER 16. Dawn is still planning to have our guest speaker on garden tools. October 28 will feature a flower arranging demonstration.

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Current Affairs meets every 3rd Monday at 12 PM in Tallent Hall, where we continue to solve the problems of the day. We search for solutions that seem to elude leading politicians, economists, and leaders in business, labor and education. We attack local, state, national, and international issues, all with equal gusto. And we generate a better understanding of the issues due to the diversity of our participants. Simply put: we learn from each other. Join us for our spirited discussions.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE
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The Duplicate Bridge group has a lot of fun while learning to play and score a round for 2 and 3 tables, or learning how to use the Stayman Convention. You do not need a bridge partner to join the group. If you want to be dealt in, call Patti or email to be included in our schedule.

GREAT BOOKS
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Marilyn MacCaughey, a longtime participant in the Great Books, recently wrote:

“In our Great Books focus group, we have lively conversations about intellectual life, writing styles, original ideas, scientific and political arguments, philosophy, and imaginative imagery used by authors over the centuries. We are challenged to explore an essay, play, short story, poem or book to understand an author’s intent in the composition, and to discover how and why an author reached a specific statement of philosophical belief or life story, or political or social science conclusions through their writings. Our conversations turn to reflective questions and current applications of expressed ideas toward the end of each meeting.

For me, being a member of a Great Books Focus Group is an important source for enjoyment, enrichment and mental exercise. My world view continues to change because I have been exposed in the past 14 years to this great literature and our fascinating conversations. I look forward to reading the monthly assignment and talking with members who are also fascinated with the challenge of reading...
Sartre, Hawthorne, Niebuhr, Akutagawa, Euripides and Wright, to name a few.”

The Great Books group meets at 9 AM on the 4th Monday of every month in Tallent Hall. We take turns leading the discussions, guided by included questions. Everyone is welcome.

Note: this fall we will likely start a second Great Books group so watch for more information.

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GREAT DECISIONS
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In October of 2015, we will organize for the February/March 2016 season of Great Decisions. Watch your email for details and sign up info.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FRIENDSHIP
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If you want to make the world a better place and meet bright, interesting young people from other countries, this is the group for you. There are many students, and we can always use more ALL volunteers! Be involved only as much as you want—there are no set duties or time requirements. A friendly, open spirit and the desire to promote international goodwill are the only requirements. Members sometimes offer transportation, home-cooked meals, shopping, or showing off nearby cultural adventures.

Our wonderful international student liaison, Consuelo Clemens, retires the end of August. Parkside’s search for her replacement ended in mid-July; Dean McGuckin indicated that we would be part of the community interview process for candidates. Watch for an email if/when this opportunity is offered.

New students will arrive at the end of August, including students from Finland - a new addition this year. Summer is an exciting time to join and help us plan our annual International Friendship picnic to welcome everyone. ALL generously sponsors the picnic, which will be held on Saturday, September 19th, at Petrifying Springs Park, Shelter #3. The picnic will be from 1 to 4 PM, but we ask our committee members to arrive no later than 12 to set up. We bring fruit salads or desserts to supplement the catered food from Main Moon II of Racine. Special thanks to Kam Buhler for finding them and for introducing us to a great Chinese restaurant.

We will participate in new student orientation on August 27th. Contact Linda or Jim for details. If you plan to drive students anywhere, we need copy of your driver’s license and proof of insurance.

The International Friendship Committee meetings for the fall semester are on Wednesdays at 10:30 AM in Greenquist 210. These are followed by Friendship Hours with students from Parkside’s International Club at noon in Molinaro D127. We will have a meeting on Tuesday, August 25th at 11 AM.

Meeting dates are subject to change based on other student activities, so be sure to contact us to get on our list of instructions and reminders. Contact Linda at lindaburch11@gmail.com. No email? Just phone Jim Burch at (262) 948-9249.

http://goo.gl/ifkzgk

Read the ALL POINTS BULLETIN online to read current and previous editions.
Hiking is well underway with a number of hikes already taken since April. Turnout for most hikes has been well above average and I’m happy to see so many new hikers join us. Our final three months of hiking for 2015 are now being planned. Among those are hikes in Grant Park and around Lake Geneva to take advantage of Wisconsin’s beautiful fall colors. Other potential hikes include many parts in Racine and Kenosha Counties, a possible return to Milwaukee to further explore the trails and neighborhoods, and maybe an excursion or two across our southern border into Lake County, Illinois.

Hikes wind up at the end of October. Winter hikes are difficult to plan but there has been some interest to plan a snowshoeing outing or two. With weather, planning can be tricky, but I have learned that our hikers can do many new and exciting venues. Hiking in the winter in shoes made for snow is just another challenge. Get on our email list to learn about possible snowshoeing adventures.

Recently the ALL Over the Hill Hikers visited the River Bend Nature Center along the Root River in Racine. Dave & Nancy Westman led the group along two miles of lovely scenery – through the woods, by the river, and near a swamp.

So it was great to learn that Dave Westman was honored this spring as Volunteer of the Year for his work at River Bend. Dave leads volunteers in grooming trails, organizing cooks for the annual pancake breakfast (including tapping maple trees to make pancake syrup) and giving wood carving lessons.

Oh, yes, less we forget, Dave and Nancy are also members of ALL. Dave is an active participant of the Current Affairs focus group.

Poetry
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We are plodding our way through a 600-page poetry anthology, having finished a mere third. Members do not write poetry, but read and struggle to understand it. Further explication usually occurs on the morning of the 2nd Monday of each month and will continue until morale improves. Not yet deterred? New folks are very welcome.

If you want to read from our poetry anthology, you can check out the book from the Kenosha or Racine Public Libraries, or order on Amazon (about $13). The title is The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Poetry, J.D. McClatchy.

The book cover is pictured above.

“Being ignorant is not so much a shame, as being unwilling to learn.”

Benjamin Franklin
SOCIAL BRIDGE
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The ALL Social Bridge focus group is a friendly group of players trying to improve their skills while practicing strategies in the Tallent Hall break room on Thursdays from 1:30-3:30 PM.

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Our August meeting is scheduled for the 4th Monday, August 24; the September meeting will also be held on the 4th Monday, which falls on September 28. (The ALL lecture for September are scheduled for the 2nd and 3rd Mondays because of Labor Day and the start of classes.) In October our 4th Monday meeting falls on October 26. Mark your calendars! All meetings are held at 1:30 PM in Tallent Hall, Room 183.

This summer we were fortunate to be able to use UW-Parkside computer labs for some hands-on training. In June we focused on Mac/Apple computers, and in July we offered the same information/training for Windows PC’s.

TECH TIP: Searching the Internet can be a mind-boggling experience, but with a few clues from our members we’ve learned how to tap a wealth of information. Aside from funny videos, it’s amazing what you can learn on YouTube (www.youtube.com). Type in a few search words or phrase that describes a demo you’d like to see or problem you want to solve. Often companies produce videos that demonstrate the use of their products. This can come in very handy!

ODDS AND ENDS
When sending in registrations, mark “ALL” on the envelope, otherwise the Mailroom has no idea where to send it.

Vanessa Greco staffs the ALL office in Tallent #115 from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM, Monday through Thursday (hours subject to change). To pay for memberships, parking permits, or register for classes or day trips in person, please visit during these times.

To keep our membership directory up to date, mail all address changes to Vanessa Greco, ALL, Tallent Hall #115, UW-Parkside, 900 Wood Rd. PO Box 2000, Kenosha, WI, 53141-2000.

LUNCH BEFORE LECTURES
Receive a 10% discount on food items purchased at the Parkside Brickstone Grill with your ALL Membership Card. Join other ALL members prior to the lectures around 12:45PM for “Lunch at the U” to chat and dine.

PARKSIDE SHUTTLE BUS SCHEDULE
There’s a free shuttle to take you from Tallent Hall to the Student Center, although the bus driver takes a lunch break from 1-1:30 PM, so plan your ride needs accordingly.
When ALL was formed in 1998, there was a Curriculum Committee, which eventually split into two: lectures (Mac is the 4th chair of that group) and class committees.

Mac is assisted by ten very active volunteers: Tom Coe, Sue Goelz, Larry Gregg, Joyce Gyrina, Lil Hauschild, John Hinze, Doris Nice, JoAnn Shea, Mike Thompson, and Mary Wilkes-Dyette.

In an interview Mac explained that typically lectures are attended by 80 to 100 people on the 1st and 3rd Mondays. For each lecture we pay the cinema $75 for the space. The charge includes use of their electronic equipment and a student assistant to adjust lighting, monitor the sound quality and level, and make sure everything works correctly – sometimes that’s a challenge!

Basically they schedule 10 lectures in each 6-month block. At their first meeting Mac reports that, “We sort out the general topics we want to cover. About a third of the ideas come from members at large, and the rest from committee ideas. The committee’s time is mostly spent exploring assigned topics, tracking down the best person(s) to speak, and actually having a conversation to see if it’s something they’d like to do and on a subject that we both want.”

While Mac reports enjoying most every lecture, he did mention some favorites. One recent lecture was “Becoming a Man” when Sy Adler’s daughter, Michelle Adler Morrison, and A.J. Watson spoke about their very effective work with at-risk high school males in Chicago.

Another favorite was 87-year-old Ken Groenke and his daughter, Jennifer, who spoke about a trunk full of memories: letters found that Ken had sent to his parents when he was a Marine in Japan during WW II. People just loved him!

Mac also reminisced about Harlan Draeger, a former Chicago news reporter and ALL member who served on the lecture committee years ago. “We’d be talking about something or somebody, and it often turned out that Harlan and that person were practically buddies, when the rest of us wouldn’t have that kind of access if we lived to be 800 years old. So finally we decided to have Harlan share some memories of his reporter years. At his first lecture he ran out of time, so the next year we had him back again.”

Also popular are lectures relating to science, which tend to bring out more men, such as the recent lecture about robotics with John Nelson from Gateway; and plastic recycling with Jeff Timm, a lecture that came about because Jeff, an ALL member, volunteered to speak. Thanks!

They really haven’t consciously repeated topics, although Rep. Cory Mason has spoken several times on key issues of the day.

Lecture topics are intentionally more educational rather than just purely entertaining. “You find out about these things in all kinds of different ways – recommendations from members who have seen or heard or read or know somebody or something, or have a question about a topic. I wonder if we could find out about…”

“Being on the lecture committee is just a neat experience. One of the things that has impressed me over the years is how willing people are to talk to us for free, as they need to put a lot of time and effort into developing their talks, organizing their props and visuals, etc. The presenters like having our bright adult audiences as we pay attention, ask pertinent questions, and stay awake. And we use our gray cells!”
ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

We will continue to publish new members’ phone numbers and emails as they are received. Contact Vanessa Greco in the ALL office with full details of any needed changes.

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