President’s CORNER  Wren Ide

Two years goes faster than I thought it would.

Somehow this is my final column writing as the president of ALL. I know, hard to believe, right!

When I agreed to take this position, admittedly with some reluctance, I feared that I would be committing to more than I cared to handle but, you know what, it has not been bad at all. Behind the scenes there are many dedicated members who work to put together our classes, trips, lectures, arrange for our publicity, organize volunteers for university events, oversee our budget needs, plan for our Week of Learning, find entertainment for our Annual Meeting and holiday gala, facilitate our many focus groups, see to our growing technology needs and many more activities that come up.

Vanessa manages our many office and university needs and is a friend to all (ALL) members.

So you see, the President gets to run the board meetings ten times a year and helps on a few committees but honestly the job is easier than it may look because of all the wonderful support from others.

Thank you for allowing me to be your president.

On the next page are the list of candidates to fill positions that are opening for the next two years.

I’m counting on you to attend the Annual Meeting on June 24 to make sure I don’t stay longer than I should and give these other members a chance. They are all wonderful candidates.
ELECTIONS FOR THE ALL BOARD

Elections for members of the 2019 – 2020 Adventures in Lifelong Learning Board will be held at the Annual Meeting on June 24. Four candidates are running for a possible first term and three new Members-at-Large to be elected for a two-year term.

President – Dan Neururer for a first term
President-Elect – Karen Kempinen for a first term
Recording Secretary – Sharon Acerbi for a first term
Treasurer – Colin Carter for a third year term
Immediate-Past President – Wren Ide for a first term

Members–at–Large to be elected for a two-year term: Therese Constant, Bob Samer, Shelly Underhill

Three Members-at-Large continuing on the Board for the second year of their two-year term: Mary Ann Cassani, Margaret Kraft, Vera Schalk

Dan Neururer – Graduated from UW-Oshkosh and worked in IT for 25 years. Dan is currently a volunteer with the AARP and VITA tax aide and Board member through the Kenosha County Aging and Disability Resource Center, and sings with and is Treasurer for the MGV Harmonia German Men’s Choir. His interests and activities include tennis, hiking, gardening and traveling. He and his wife Kathleen have been married for 43 years, with two adult sons and four grandchildren.

Karen Kempinen – was born in Milwaukee and graduated from New Berlin High School. She earned both her BA in Psychology and her MA in Behavioral Disabilities from UW-Madison. She worked for 39 years as a full-time special educator in private school, public school, and hospital settings in Texas and Wisconsin. Including her current part-time substitute teaching, she has taught for 47 consecutive years.

Volunteer work is also an important part of Karen’s life. She serves on the St. John’s Lutheran Church Council, the CUSH Homeless Task Force, and the Wisconsin Poor People’s Campaign. With Pastor Jonathan Barker, Karen co-directs the voter outreach program Empower Uptown, and she regularly volunteers at the Grace Welcome Center. Karen also participates with Women in Motion, a dance troupe that raises money for local charities.

An avid gardener, Karen grows much of her own food in her north side Kenosha backyard. She owns two rescue cairn terriers, and she sometimes fosters for Cairn Rescue USA.

Karen is grateful for the many experiences and relationships she has gained from Adventures in Lifelong Learning, and she looks forward to giving back through an officer position.

Sharon Acerbi – I am a lifelong Kenosha resident. After graduating from GTC, I was employed at a labor union for 28 years as an office manager. When my job was eliminated, I worked for Kenosha Area Family & Aging for several years and am currently working in the Admissions Office of UW-Parkside, part-time.

My volunteer activity has included, the PTA, six years as a member of the City of Kenosha Plan Commission, the CDBG Block Grant Commission, the Kenosha Public Library, and I am currently the President of the Kenosha County Library System Board of Trustees.

I enjoy being a member of ALL and have met so many interesting people. I am a member of the PM Book Club, where I truly enjoy reading a variety of books that I may never have tried.

Being active makes me happy and I like to golf, do aerobic dancing, bike ride, swim, cross country ski, snow shoeing, and gardening.


Therese Constant —Being the second oldest of the twelve children of Joe and Marie Sturycz, who were both always active in lifelong learning, gave me an ongoing curiosity about the beauty, the problems and the mysteries of life and the world. I was married to the late, great and interesting Terry Constant for 51 years until his passing in 2017. We have three daughters, 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. I was born in Kenosha, went to school in Milwaukee and lived in California, Georgia and Colorado while my husband was in the Army.

For forty years I worked as a Registered Nurse, retiring from St. Joseph’s Adult Day Care Center in 2009. My nursing background also includes Medical and Surgical Intensive Care, Staff Development and Nursing Home supervision and management.

I have been a member of ALL for the past 19 years, first joining to take advantage of the trips whenever I could arrange to be off work. For the past eight years I have served as coordinator of the Great Decisions Focus Group, the first six years with my husband, and am also a member of the ALL-A-BLOOM, gardening Focus Group.

Shelly Underhill – After graduating from Lawrence University, I graduated from the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. I also did my residency in pathology and fellowship in cytopathology there, essentially specializing in very tiny biopsies of tumors – doing a lot with a little to reach a diagnosis while sparing patients surgery. Then I joined small private practice in West Allis. In addition to practicing pathology, I was a managing partner in the practice and director of the cytopathology laboratory for many years. My son Edward lives with his wife in LA and writes music for television. My son Wyatt is Assistant Concertmaster (third chair of the first violin section) with the San Francisco Symphony.

One of my greatest joys in retirement is that I finally have had time to take up my flute again, having last been a serious player in college. I am also an elementary school reading tutor and mentor.
Bob Samer – I graduated from UW-Oshkosh in 1968. My career with SUPERVALU encompassed over 50 years of service with ever expanding responsibilities at the following locations: Oshkosh, Port Washington, Milwaukee, Grafton, Green Bay, New Orleans, Denver, Albuquerque, and for the past 30 years, Kenosha. Attended numerous Executive Education programs throughout my career with SUPERVALU, including two premier executive sessions at Levinson Institute in Boston, MA. My experience included: store clerk, store manager, HR specialist, manager, director and regional vice-president. Retiring in 2012. Independent HR consultant for a number of companies in the US since retiring. Served in the Wisconsin National Guard from 1966 to 1972. In Kenosha have served as a director for the CYC as well as the Boys and Girls Club.

My leisure time is spent golfing, reading, exercising and traveling to our grandchildren’s events. I have played, refereed and coached soccer for over 40 years. I have been married to my wife Susan for 53 years. We have 3 adult children and 5 grandchildren. Sue and I very much enjoy our children’s and grandchildren’s activities. I joined ALL in 2015 and completed the ALL Lecture notices for local newspapers and radio stations for 3 years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Volunteers are occasionally needed to help with equipment setups for classes in Talent Hall.

Larry Gregg video records most of the lectures, and past lectures are available to you on DVD. The DVD box is usually in the back of the lecture hall.

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Our membership at the end of April was at 526. The spring Meet & Greet for new members will be held in the Orchard Room on May 13th at 10 AM. Anyone interested in helping with attendance at lectures let me know.

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SAVE THE DATE:
Annual Meeting Luncheon!!
June 24, 2019

Greetings:
These volunteers welcome members and guests for the lectures and special events. They greet with a big smile and friendly “hello”.

GREETERS for April:
Carolyn Seeger, Norma Rukavina, Tui Wylie, Tricia Frost, Judy Braun, Joyce Gyurina.

GREETERS for May:
Nancy Dyke, Doreen DeCesaro, Dawn Feldman-Brown, Bennie Oass.

I am very proud of my greeters and grateful for their volunteer time. They willingly arrive 30 minutes early in good and bad weather, bringing their inviting smiles and warm welcomes!!

A BIG shout out “Thank You” to each and every one!!!

FINANCE COMMITTEE
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A special Board Meeting to review next year’s recommended budget is scheduled for Friday, May 3 - 1:00pm in the Orchard Room.

CONGRATULATIONS!!
Teddie Gottstein, an ALL member, was the winner in the Kenosha News “Finish the Story” contest. The March 10th edition of the Kenosha News featured her picture and her story which she entitled “Full Circle”.

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DAY TRIP COMMITTEE

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What you should know for Day Trips:
It is important to GET YOUR REGISTRATION IN RIGHT AWAY—on line if possible. If you have registered and are unable to attend an event, call Vanessa at the ALL office at 262-595-2793. If we know about it before the deadline, we will refund your money, less $5. If you are unable to attend after the deadline and we have a waitlist, we will try to sell your spot to those on the waitlist. Call the trip leader on the flyer for trip info. Call Vanessa for the waitlist. A fee of $5 will be charged for registration changes. Remember: Gratuity is built into meal costs, but the bus driver tip is separate. A $2 tip is customary, more if you feel the driver deserves it.

Trips We’ve Enjoyed:

We experienced 1861 at Kenosha’s Kemper Center and Civil War Museum, with a catered lunch. For the first time we used the snow date! Tricia Frost and Carole Scotese led.

Rachmaninoff’s Paganini Rhapsody was enjoyed in February as the third concert in the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Prelude series.

Over 72 members experienced Urinetown: The Musical at the UW-Parkside Main Stage theatre in March. Frances M. Kavenik led.

Milwaukee Chamber Theater’s Ben Butler. Don Cress donated tickets for us to enjoy this Civil War play, a battle of wits! Early dinner at Trattoria di Carlo in Oak Creek was very Italian. Frances M. Kavenik led.

West Side Story at Chicago’s Lyric Opera House. Over 80 members enjoyed this American classic. Music by Leonard Bernstein and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. Lunch at Lloyd’s Chicago was convenient and quite satisfying. Frances M. Kavenik led.

‘Art in Bloom’ at Milwaukee Art Museum was a welcome celebration of spring with art-inspired floral arrangements! Lunch at Lotus in Oak Creek inspired our taste buds too. Nancy Barda led.

Upcoming Trips:

May 22 – Cheese Making/Dairy Tour in Monroe, WI. Learn how cheese was once made at the Historic Cheese Making Center. Lunch at Ratskeller in Turner Hall and then ‘milk a cow’ at DeVoe Dairy as we learn about today’s dairy industry on this family-owned farm. Baby animals to pet and feed. Peggy Walker to lead.


July 24 – Witch/Fish. For a unique sailing experience on Lake Michigan, hop aboard the Tall Ship Red Witch, an authentic wooden sailing schooner! Afterwards enjoy baseball and picnic food at Kenosha’s Kingfish ballpark. Flyer in May mailing. Frances M. Kavenik and Doreen DeCesaro to lead.

Important DATE!

ALL’S WEEK OF LEARNING JUNE 10-14

“Technology - Transforming Our World”
August 18 – Ravinia Pavilion Concert: Tchaikovsky Spectacular *1812 Overture* with cannons. See the Chicago Symphony Orchestra with Izak Perlman conducting. Preceded by dinner under a tent. Look for flyer in June's mailing. Tricia Frost to lead.

August 27 – Ethnic Milwaukee Churches. Tour Sikh Temple (with lunch) and St. Josaphat Basilica with a Culver's ice cream stop to end the day. Look for flyer in July mailing. Deb Wiersum to lead.

*Overnight Trip to Door County: Sept. 23, 24, 25.* Visit Maritime museum, enjoy a fish boil, watch the Peninsula Players, ferry to Washington Island, learn about lavender, tour Cana Harbor lighthouse, eat breakfast at Al Johnson’s (grass roof/goats) and so much more. Look for flyer in June mailing. Nancy Barda and Doreen DeCesaro to lead.

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**PUBLICITY COMMITTEE**

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Always happy to say that as a Fellow Senior, we made it another year and Warmer Weather is on the Way. For ALL members, it provides easier, safer, and more active participation. Our many focus groups give you lots of opportunities.

Media communication continues very favorably with the MANY Kenosha and Racine outlets. This includes newspaper and radio lecture coverage; as well as several additional full and part time publication coverage outlets.

Our last APB issuance stated that the ADRC (Kenosha) “My Life” magazine insert was discontinued 12/31/18. The Kenosha County Aging and Disability Resource Center has supported our ALL organization at an A+ level, and once again has excelled by announcing a NEW ISSUANCE called “Your Life” and will be inserted into the Happening’s Magazine’s Smart Reader that is distributed to over 98 Kenosha locations.

And as always, word of mouth is still the most effective method, and “That’s up to Each of You”. We welcome your thoughts and ideas, and want to be the best organization possible.

EMAIL ME. And always remember, you can bring a friend (even a stranger).

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**LECTURE COMMITTEE**

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The Monday Afternoon Lectures for May are as listed in the Jan-May 2019 syllabus. On May 6, selected UW-P Student Researchers will report on their findings. We have had these reports before; they are always lively and interesting. Thanks to Moreau MacCaughy for arranging this lecture. On May 20, Jessica Michna will dramatically portray “Mary Todd Lincoln, a Widow Forgotten”. Ms. Michna has developed a portfolio of such historical dramatizations. Thanks to Linda Flashinski for bringing her to us.

The April 8 Lecture, “Hamilton and Burr - Two Revolutionary Characters,” given by Carthage History Professor Dr. Eric Pullen, drew a near-record attendance of 126 members and guests. Thanks to Meredith Clubb for arranging this talk. The planned February date was snowed out, but Dr. Pullen was able to come on this “makeup” date and the attendance showed that our interest had not waned. And the attendees were rewarded with a detailed, accurate and lively presentation. We may re-invite Dr. Pullen, whose specialty is actually the cold war.

**Upcoming talks will include:**

**July 1** - Physical Therapy, particularly relating to Parkinson’s disease.

**July 15** - Industrial History of Kenosha

**August 5** - Political Cartoons and Cartooning.

**August 29** - “How do they Do it?” The Psychology of Magic.

**Sept. 16** - A Tour of South American and Patagonia.

**Sept. 23** - UW-Parkside Athletics. How does a low-budget program work?

**October 7** - Homeless in Racine/Kenosha

**October 21** - (TBA)

For questions, contact Meredith Clubb or Larry Gregg, or a committee member you know.

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CLASS COMMITTEE

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We meet from 10 AM to 12 noon - dates and locations change so check your calendars. In our ongoing attempt to offer something for everyone, the following classes are:

Friday, May 3, in the Student Cinema. Dr. Ross Astoria will present a review of the Electoral College.

Thursday, May 30, in Tallent Room 182. Dr. Dana Oswald from Parkside's English Department will lead us in exploring Women in Greek Mythology.

Monday, June 3, in Tallent 182. Dr. Stephanie Mitchell from Carthage College's History Department will discuss “Latin American immigration to the United States”.

Wednesdays, July 10 & 17 - Professor Jay McCroy will expand our knowledge of filming techniques as used by movie directors in various genres.

As always, members of the Class Committee welcome your suggestions.

HISTORY COMMITTEE

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One definition of History is “the recording of past and significant events”. ALL's History archives attempts to do this and is only as successful as the content entering the files. So, it’s your chance to contribute and be included in our ALL archives. Maybe an interesting picture or story from your H.S. yearbook? I can add a humor segment. And past Lectures are another form of History. Whether you wish to see one you missed or to see it a second time; DVD's are available for ALL members.

Remember, HISTORY is like a picture. It lasts forever (or almost). Be a part of it.

WANTED - Pictures and stories of the past. Especially from ON-GOING events such as trips, classes and just plain fun. That's how archives are remembered.

We always have our HISTORY DOOR OPEN!

FOCUS GROUPS

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At noon on the third Monday of each month, 20 to 30 ALL members with a keen interest in what’s going on in the world gather in the Orchard Room in Tallent Hall to discuss local, statewide, national, and international subjects.

Topics addressed in the past few months included school vouchers; Foxconn; sex abuse crisis in the Catholic Church; the two-state solution, its death, and why it matters; local elections; costs of immigration; how much pollution We Energies can put into Lake Michigan; federal government shutdown; Green New Deal; voter fraud; BDS.

We are a diverse and curious group, with widely varied backgrounds and views; what brings us together is a keen interest current events. The coming months will provide plenty of issues to keep the conversations going. Join us!

GREAT DECISIONS

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Great Decisions participants have been having bi-monthly discussion sessions the past three months with two foreign policy topics still to discuss in May. “Cyber conflict and geopolitics” is scheduled for Wednesday, May 1st and “United States and Mexico” is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15th.

After these sessions, Great Decisions will be on hiatus until we regroup in October 2019 to set up for the Foreign Policy Association discussions to take place in the Winter/Spring of 2020.

Any ALL member wanting information about this group is welcome to contact me.
THE P.M. BOOK CLUB
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The P.M. Book Club members alternate between selections of fiction and non-fiction, including general fiction, mysteries, science and/or historical fiction, plus a variety of non-fiction books. The only criteria are to read the book and be ready to enter into the conversation!

The reading list for the PM Book Club is as follows:

May 13 - “The Lowlands” by Jhumpa Lahiri
No meeting in June due to Week of Learning
July 8 - “West with the Night” by Beryl Markham

We meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00PM in the Orchard Room of Tallent Hall.

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A.M. NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB
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Members meet monthly to discuss selected non-fiction books. As of May 20, our group will meet at 9:30am in the Orchard Room at Tallent Hall.

Our list of books is as follows:

5-20 - “History of America in Ten Strikes” by Loomis
6-17 - “Winners Take All” by Giridharadas
7-15 - “Liar's Poker” by Lewis
8-19 - “American Prison” by Bauer
9-16 - “Rising Out of Hatred” by Saslow
10-21 - “How Democracies Die” by Levitsky & Ziblatt

Call or e-mail me if you would like to join us.

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GREAT BOOKS
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The Great Books Group meets the fourth Monday of each month (except December) from 10 to 11:30.

We are reading from the Great Books Foundation reader “imperfect ideals.” The next three months we will be discussing selections by Jennifer Egan, George Saunders and Rachel Carson. If you are interested in joining us email Doris Nice at dorisnice101@gmail.com.

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ALL-A-Bloom is a group devoted to members’ interests in horticulture, nature and exploration of area public and private gardens. Meetings are on Wednesdays in Tallent Hall’s Orchard Room.

The first meeting of the season on Wednesday, April 17 featured Liz Alvey, the new naturalist at Pringle Nature Center, who talked about what the center has to offer.

Here is our schedule: for the next 4 months:

May 29 - All About Spring Tulips - with Dawn, Judith and a surprise guest!
June 19 - Home of Julie Schilf - working pottery studio (with an acre of lawns & gardens). Will include a garden craft and plant give-away.
July 17 - Picnic Garden Party at Dawn’s - with dessert at a surprise house and garden.
August 21 - Visit Dick Lesko at Suburban Garden Center. He’ll answer garden questions in his back room and show us his store and heirloom veggies.

If you have questions:
Contact Dawn Feldman Brown or Judith Knutson

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The meetings of the Technology Focus Group are scheduled for the fourth Mondays of the month.

From May – July our group is only meeting on July 22.

The meeting in May falls on Memorial Day and the ALL luncheon and annual meeting falls on the fourth Monday this year. We are exploring some fieldtrips, opportunities for group members to share their experiences, availability of speakers, and updates to past topics. Meeting agendas are sent out about one week ahead of meetings. Contact Jarlene to join the email group list for the meeting reminders and topics chosen for that meeting. If you have suggestions for topics, please submit them to one of the members on the planning committee. The topics are chosen based on the availability of presenters or access to resources.

Members of all ability levels and interests are welcomed at the meetings. Bring your questions.

POETRY
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The Poetry Focus Group continues to meet at ten a.m. on the second Monday of each month in the Prairie Room of Tallent Hall. We are currently reading and discussing the last few poets in our anthology of contemporary American poetry.

Any interested poetry aficionados should contact Ron Story (ron.story@att.net).

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

The Duplicate Bridge group has a lot of fun while learning to play and score a round for 2 or 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 her to be included in our schedule.

SOCIAL BRIDGE

Social Bridge is a friendly group of players who try to improve their skills and practice strategies. We play on Thursdays from 1:30-3:30 PM in the Tallent Hall break room. Call or email Patti to be included in our schedule.

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Over the Hill Hikers have weekly hikes from April through October.

All morning hikes start at 10:00 am and are located in or close to the Racine, Kenosha, Milwaukee or northern Illinois vicinity. Most hikes are on paved pathway and are generally 1-2 miles in length.

We began our season with an April 16 hike at Sander’s Park (about a mile in length). The following week’s hike was at the Pike River Pathway south. The last April hike was at the RexPlex.

May hikes are also planned to include the Root River and the Kenosha Lakefront.

June and July hikes are not yet planned as of this publication date.

To be added to the Over-the-Hill-Hikers group contact: parksidehikers@gmail.com.

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Additions & Corrections to the Membership Directory: We will continue to publish our new members’ phone numbers and emails as they are received. Contact Vanessa Greco in the ALL office with any changes to your status.

IN MEMORY OF...

Joyce Pajala Hershberger, age 72, died peacefully on March 14.
Joyce was born in Ashland, WI, on July 25, 1946, daughter of the late Edward and Beatrice Pajala.

Joyce was a 1964 graduate of Ondossagon High School. She received her bachelor's degree in Behavioral Disabilities from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1968, her Master's degree from the College of Racine in 1974. Joyce was employed by the Racine Unified School District from 1969-2001. She was the district’s first teacher of students with behavioral disabilities (Horlick HS) and devoted her entire career to mentoring teachers and advocating for students with exceptional education needs. In the 1990’s Joyce studied for her license in Educational Supervision and Leadership (UW-Milwaukee) and ended her career in RUSD as an administrator in exceptional education. In retirement Joyce was employed by National Teacher Education Center (NTEC) and supervised student teachers pursuing a degree in exceptional education.

Joyce was an avid reader and lifelong learner: Chinese language, Mahjong, cooking across cultures, weaving, flower arranging, etc. These interests were reflected in her 30+ year connection in her Book Club and as a member of Adventures in Lifelong Learning (ALL-UW Parkside).

Joyce worked to make the world a better place: treasurer of Racine’s NOW (National Organization for Women), HOPES Center volunteer, reviver of the Gilmore Middle School PTA, Racine Democratic Party, and Racine Education Association. With her husband Jerry, Joyce loved sports: the Milwaukee Bucks and the Green Bay Packers. She enjoyed the Packers’ preseason games the most where players were “trying” to make the team. Joyce was a longtime member of Olympia Brown Unitarian Universalist Church serving as president of the board of trustees, on most every committee, and welcoming visitors and new members on a weekly basis. As a citizen of the world, Joyce traveled every state in the USA and many corners of the globe. She enjoyed sharing these adventures with her entire family. Open-minded and caring, Joyce and Jerry opened their home to foreign exchange students and international employees of Johnson Wax. Joyce believed in the inherent worth and dignity of every person and worked in all corners of her life for justice for all. She will be remembered for her compassion, tenacity and spunky spirit.
IN MEMORY OF…

Below is a fine piece of writing about Harlan Draeger who died recently. He was not only an original member of ALL but a strong proponent of getting UW-Parkside created.

Harlan B. Draeger
Jul 20, 1928 – Feb 28, 2019

Harlan Draeger, a versatile, prolific news reporter who once said “I was interested in the dark underbelly of Chicago,” died on February 28th at the age of 90.

Mr. Draeger’s influence went beyond the thousands of stories he did for the Chicago Sun-Times and, before that, the Chicago Daily News, Kenosha News and Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune. Admiring colleagues sought out his advice. And he’d lobby editors to give reporters the time to work on investigations he felt would benefit the public. “This is a rich story,” he’d say.

Commuting by train for decades from Kenosha to work in Chicago, Mr. Draeger reported on corrupt contracts at McCormick Place and crooked city courts during the Operation Greylord probe. He worked on environmental stories about toxic dumps and a giveaway of coal reserves on public and Native American lands. He investigated deteriorating Chicago parks. And he wrote about mobsters and madams.

He even covered the apprehension of Ed Gein, a Wisconsin grave-robber and serial killer whose story is said to have inspired “Psycho,” “The Texas Chainsaw Massacre” and “Silence of the Lambs.”

Mr. Draeger had a keen ability to call up details about long-past misconduct. Even in recent years, Chicago reporters would pick his brain while investigating contemporary corruption with roots in previous decades.

His desk was piled with stacks of documents that obscured him from view. But in those piles was investigative gold.

“If you asked Harlan about somebody you needed information on, he would reach into his files and pull out one of these memos with more good tips and leads than I could compile in a month,” Sun-Times columnist Mark Brown said.

“He was a mentor to many young reporters. “One day, he pulled me aside and said, ‘Why do you dress so terribly?’” said Andrew Herrmann, a former Sun-Times reporter who’s now communications director for Friends of the Chicago River. “He explained that a reporter needs to reflect a certain respect…or himself, for the source and for the institution. Dressing decently also put you closer to the same level as the source.”

Mr. Draeger’s writing flair showed in a 1976 Daily News story on the death of Mayor Richard J. Daley, in which he wrote: “He was the symbol of the city, its undisputed leader, father figure, protector and provider, the indispensable man, the irreplaceable part. Now he is gone. Nearly all Chicagoans — even those who disliked his brand of politics — feel a sense of loss.”

He started one Sun-Times story this way: “Who says Chicago ain’t ready for reform? Not one city alderman was indicted or convicted on corruption charges during 1991. In most communities, such a year-end statistic wouldn’t rate a mention. But extended aldermanic visits to federal prisons have become a regular, if embarrassing, feature of Chicago’s civic life.”

Born and raised in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, Mr. Draeger served in the Army in the United States and occupied Japan. He went to college on the GI Bill, earning a bachelor’s degree in journalism from the University of Wisconsin.

During the Blizzard of 1967, he displayed his versatility by doing an emergency weather report for WFLD-TV from the Daily News.

He joined the Sun-Times in 1978, after the Daily News folded. In the 1970s, he was a president of the Chicago Newspaper Guild. He retired in 1992.

He enjoyed a cold gin martini and loved to fish. For more than 60 years, he’d join friends each May on a trout-fishing expedition to Waushara County, Wisconsin, sending out the invitations with news of milestones in the anglers’ lives and quirky fishing news.

As a private citizen, he worked to bring a four-year University of Wisconsin branch to the Kenosha-Racine area. And in the mid-1950s, he helped organize an 800-person statewide committee to preserve public radio in Wisconsin.

He and his wife, the former Rita Meier, had been married since 1957. He is also survived by his son Paul, daughter Ann-Marie and three grandchildren.
May 2019

Board Meeting 10am
Lecture 2pm
Poetry 10am
New Member Meet & Greet 10am
PM
Book Club 1-3pm
Non-Fiction

Day Trip:
Cyber conflict and geopolitics
Duplicate Bridge

Great Books 10am

Great Decisions 1-3pm
Cyber conflict and
Duplicate Bridge

MSO Prelude
Non-Fiction

Kahane plays Mozart

Great Decisions 1-3pm
U.S. & Mexico

Day Trip:
West Side Story
Chicago Lyric Opera

Class:
Women in Greek Mythology 10am-12pm

Electoral College 10am-12pm

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