



Madison
**Civics
club**

***100th
Anniversary***

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF ENGAGING MINDS

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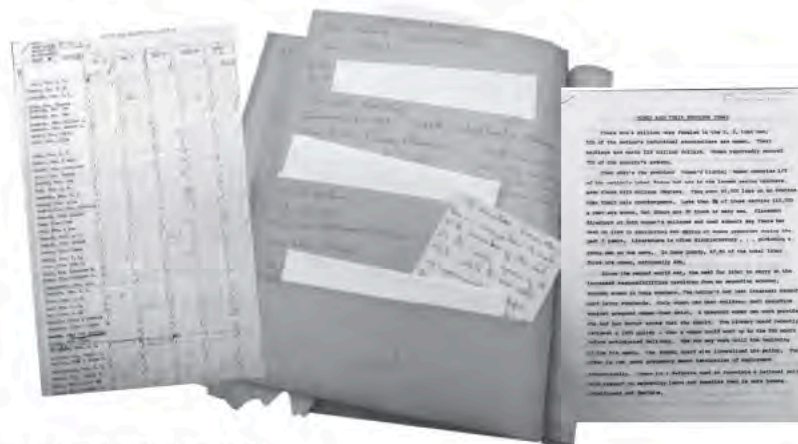
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RECORDS FROM OUR PAST

HISTORY OF THE MADISON CIVICS CLUB

(Excerpted from the 50th Anniversary booklet)

During the fifty years of its existence, the Madison Civics Club has had an active and varied “career.”

Although the word is usually associated with the accomplishments and personality of an individual, it is not out of place to refer to an unusual organization as having a career, as is the case of the Madison Civics Club. Much of its “personality” and certainly all its impetus the Civics Club received from a mere handful—literally—of Madison women.

In 1912 the female right to vote was considered almost a revolutionary idea by national and state politicians. Likewise, much proposed legislation of a social welfare nature met with resistance in the Wisconsin statehouse. There were however, five able and enterprising women in the city who were determined to further a number of causes: Georgia H. Lloyd Jones, Alice H. Bleyer, Edna Chynoweth, Lucille McCarthy and Mary B. Orvis.

What they did is best told by Mrs. Jones, writing her memoirs upon request for this history, as follows:

“Many of the early beginnings of organizations in which I have belonged were colorless and lie shrouded in the mists of memory. But the origin of the Civics Club stays clear. It was so casual, so funny, so small, so humble. The Club rose from the bottom depths of unpopularity. The five of us had gravitated toward one another because of like-mindedness and defeats. With the daring of inexperience we had made feeble attempts to oppose some of the wrongs of society that we considered most pressing. Woman’s suffrage was our most prominent subject. On this we had come to grips with the legislature—which left us bruised, battered and dazed.

Mrs. Jones relates how Mrs. Chynoweth invited the four other women to her home for lunch to review their mistakes and wasted efforts, to seek strength and “lick their wounds generally.” This was in early winter of 1912. “Idea after idea budded from



Georgia Lloyd Jones, one of the founders of the Madison Civics Club, supports her son, Jenkin, on a rocking horse in this family photograph from 1912. Photo Credit - Wisconsin Historical Society.



Civics Club cast in Golden Jubilee performance: “Time Weaves a Tapestry.” Photo credit - Wisconsin Historical Society.

this group. Let's start small. Let's not be belligerent. Let's listen open-minded and politely and hear all sides of a problem. Above all study, study, study," Mrs. Jones writes.

"We decided each of us would choose three women to join us and each of them two others. Each candidate must be brainy and outstanding in her own right and must honestly have developed a civic conscience."

Membership was closed the following spring, with this original fifty. Thus, the Madison Civics Club was started.

In the fall of 1913, with Mrs. Bleyer as first chairman, the Club began luncheon meetings at the Woman's Building. "But the list of applicants had grown so long that we decided to loosen up," Mrs. Jones says. "Soon the membership was one hundred. Rival politicians clamored to be heard by the Club. We grew strong and influential and nobody was more amazed than we humble originators."

Mary Orvis, known by her friends as "Bonnie," was a graduate student of Prof. Edward A. Ross. She was particularly interested in social welfare and spent considerable time at the Capitol. Later as a Civics Club member, she took quite a following of its members to the statehouse.

She recalls especially the "heated atmosphere of those revolutionary times when women were just getting used to the idea of voting" and how she personally was "afire with the ideas of governmental innovations and such controversial matters as Workmen's Compensation, University Extension, tax reform and conservation." When the Wisconsin Supreme Court confirmed the Compensation Act, Miss Orvis wrote an editorial for the Review of Reviews. She also mentions, in a recent exchange of letters with the Civics Club historian, the excitement about the placing of the bronze plaque in Main Hall (now Bascom Hall), affirming freedom of teaching at the University, opposed by some as a dangerous doctrine.



Georgia H. Lloyd Jones is the wife of Richard Lloyd Jones, publisher of the Tulsa Tribune, Tulsa, Oklahoma, where they now reside. When the Civics Club was founded in 1912, Mr. Jones was editor and president of the Wisconsin State Journal. Their son is Jenkin Lloyd Jones, nationally famous syndicated newspaper columnist.

Alice H. Bleyer was a graduate of Barnard, taught at Wellesley, and came to Wisconsin to teach. Here she met and married W. G. Bleyer who was for many years director of the U.W. School of Journalism. Both Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Bleyer were ardent and active members of the Wisconsin Women's Suffrage Association.

Of interest also are Miss Orvis's comments about the other founders of the Civics Club: "Mrs. Chynoweth, I remember as a veritable pillar, Mrs. Bleyer as a famous brain and highly intelligent woman. I did not belong in the class either of Mrs. Jones of the famous crusading newspaper family or of Mrs. McCarthy whose husband was so much of a force in the movements which made Wisconsin a leader."

Miss Anna ("Nan") Birge and "Bonnie" Orvis have been friends since childhood. Still a Club member, Miss Birge in an interview recently spoke of going to early meetings with her mother Mrs. E. A. Birge. Dr. E. A. Birge was for many years president of the University of Wisconsin.

"I remember (quoting Miss Birge) a meeting when Mrs. Joseph Jastrow was presiding (second chairman, 1914-15). We were talking about the kind of programs we wanted. Did we want to keep the programs among ourselves or did we want to bring in speakers? Finally, Mrs. Jastrow announced that the only way to find out was to ask each of us to stand and give her opinion. She turned to me and said, we will begin with Nan Birge. I was scared but did manage to stand up and say I would like to hear outside speakers." Other members shared her opinion and thus began the tradition of invitation to speakers outside as well as inside the Madison community.

The Club was by intent informally organized. Topics, mainly of local interest, were presented in forum fashion and followed by general discussion.



Edna Chynoweth was the wife of H. W. Chynoweth, Assistant Attorney General, 1878-1887, and University of Wisconsin Regent, 1892-1898. One of her outstanding achievements was to promote the agricultural extension program for farmwomen and special women's programs for Farm and Home Week in Madison.

Mary B. Orvis is the daughter of William H. Orvis, Assistant State Law Librarian, 1896 - 1940. She was connected in the twenties with the Milwaukee Extension Division of the University of Wisconsin. Later she was director for the Extension Center at Indianapolis for the University of Indiana, serving the center for 38 years.

Lucille McCarthy was the wife of Dr. Charles McCarthy who founded the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Library, first of its kind in the country. She was associated with him in the library and was also active in the Consumer's League and Women's Legislative Council.

One early result of especial note was the securing of a woman for the Madison Board of Education. The Civics Club (co-operating with other women's organizations) made a successful effort by petitions and referendum to have membership on the Board changed from an appointive to an elective basis. Before this could come about, however, to "appease" the women, Mrs. E. Ray Stevens was appointed by the Common Council to the Board. Then in 1919 the first city-wide School Board election was held. And who was elected? None other than Alice H. Bleyer!

Dues in 1915 were five dollars a year (a newspaper subscription was four dollars). Guest tickets were seventy-five cents. Normally seven programs a year were held. It was the secretary's job to rubber-stamp the hundred cards by hand announcing the next meeting. These were done by Mrs. Schorger and left to dry overnight on her living room floor. The next day she addressed them by hand.

The 1915-16 Club year had a legislative program, a housewives' questionnaire, a program entitled "Our Civic Menace" referring to the smoke nuisance, a discussion on social insurance led by Prof. John R. Commons, and one "cultural" program when Mrs. Paul E. Woolley of Cincinnati appeared.

Summing up the first decade is a newspaper story of 1923 emphasizing that the Club had been an active and crusading organization of many accomplishments. The Club had a committee working for a "court of domestic relations." Miss Janet Van Hise headed a committee, which worked with the Association of Commerce on the "Smoke Nuisance." Mrs. Carl Tenney was chairman of a public health committee cooperating with the city health department. There were other committees on domestic service, sanitary milk distribution, higher standards for civil service in Madison, on sanitation betterment in public restrooms, municipal street-cleaning and on attention to slum conditions in downtown.

In the next decade, 1923-33, many name speakers from throughout Wisconsin and beyond appeared before the Club. In 1924 the Club had grown so large that meetings were held in the Loraine Hotel. There was also a long waiting list.

On November 6, 1937, a public meeting was held in the University Field House in observance of the Club's twenty-fifth anniversary. Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was the speaker. Her subject: "Youth in a World of Turmoil." Attendance was estimated at 5,000.

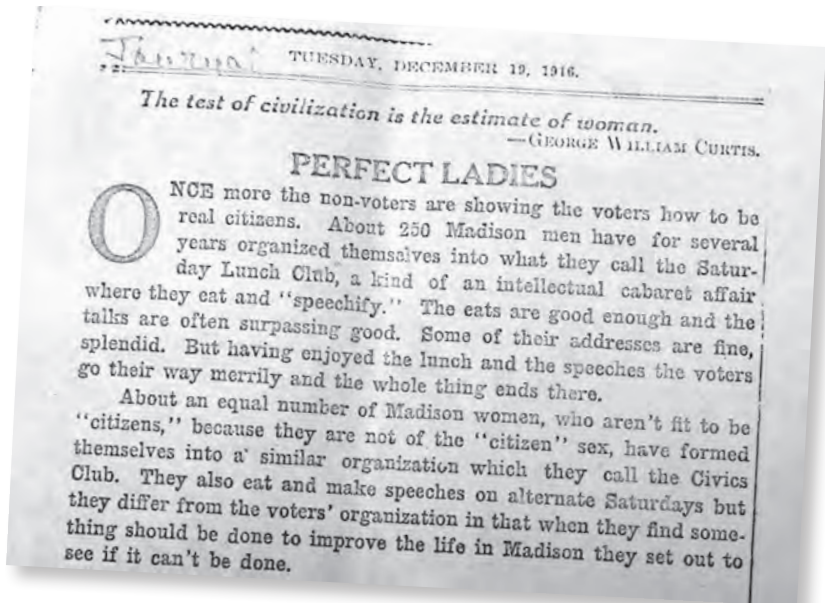
Six years later Civics Club was disbanded in 1943 during the second World War.

With the end of the war, members began talking about the reestablishment of the Club. A poll by mail of the 1943 membership showed an avid interest. Thus in 1950 the Club was reactivated through Herculean effort and the first meeting was held that fall with Miss Charlotte Wood as chairman.

The Civics Club is no longer the crusading organization it was during its early days when woman's suffrage was still to be gained and other causes to be furthered. Times changed with the growth of Madison and with government at all levels increasing and affecting civic betterment.

Recognizing this, in 1939 officers of the Club set up a Local Affairs Committee, the purpose of which was to present matters of public interest at regular Club meetings. Today this committee is the Public Affairs Committee.

Public Affairs reports cover a wide range of topics, generally related to the speakers' topics. These reports are compiled annually and are available at the Wisconsin State Historical Society Archives. They are an interesting source of information about the growth and development of Madison over the years.



—Wisconsin State Journal



Civics Club at 100 is a vital organization! Currently we are enjoying our 15th year in Madison's civic center – 'Monona Terrace,' our fourth home. Membership is open – by invitation or self-nomination – to men as well as women. A fee of \$100 covers the yearly cost of the speakers and luncheons. Our website <http://www.madisoncivicsclub.org> offers registration opportunities and up-to-date Club news and information.

The Club functions as it always has with a self-perpetuating board. Each officer has a year's training as an assistant. Club by-laws were amended in 2006; that year we were awarded our 501(c)(3) status. With this non-profit classification, our Club is able to solicit funds for grants for student groups. During the year, selected school and youth organizations are presented and honored at luncheon meetings.

Our founder Georgia Lloyd Jones would recognize and celebrate the Club of 2012. She would recognize the spirit of civic consciousness and community outreach. She would note that our interests have extended far beyond the boundaries of the state – to the far corners of the world. She would notice the rapt attention paid to speakers and anticipate the "brainy" questions which follow. She would know that each member would depart taking away *something new* – a new thought a new friend.

IDEAS / ISSUES / INFORMATION

– These are our concerns. –
We've carried them well for 100 years!



THE CIVICS CLUB
 MADISON, WISCONSIN

Please Mail Your Reply by October 8

I. Shall we postpone our program for this season _____ and until _____ we can manage it in the conventional way? Yes

II. Shall we try to have lectures only _____

A. From one to two o'clock on Saturday? | I fear slow death!

B. In the evening? _____

Dues could be somewhat reduced.

Signed Charlotte R. Wood

Address 425 Sterling Court

MADISON CIVICS CLUB CHAIRS

1913-14.....	Mrs. W. G. Bleyer
1914-15.....	Mrs. Joseph Jastrow
1915-16.....	Mrs. C. F. Burgess
1916-17.....	Mrs. Walter Ayer
1917-18.....	Mrs. Dudley Montgomery
1918-19.....	Mrs. M. B. Rosenberry
1919-20.....	Mrs. H. S. Johnson
1920-21.....	Mrs. Andrew Proudfit
1921-22.....	Miss Abby Marlatt
1922-23.....	Mrs. Burr W. Jones
1923-24.....	Mrs. Carl Tenney
1924-25.....	Mrs. Sophie Briggs
1925-26.....	Mrs. C. E. Buell
1926-27.....	Mrs. W. A. Scott
1927-28.....	Mrs. J. A. Aylward
1928-29.....	Mrs. A. W. Schorger
1929-30.....	Miss Lelia Bascom
1930-31.....	Mrs. J. H. Walton
1931-32.....	Mrs. E. Ray Stevens
1932-33.....	Mrs. H. L. Miller
1933-34.....	Mrs. Walter A. Frautschi
1934-35.....	Mrs. C. E. Mendenhall
1935-36.....	Mrs. E. Eugene Neff
1936-37.....	Miss Blanche Trilling
1937-38.....	Mrs. Harry Moseley

1938-39.....	Mrs. Andrew T. Weaver
1939-40.....	Mrs. Erwin Schmidt
1940-41.....	Mrs. Norris Hall
1941-42.....	Mrs. Don Anderson
1942-43.....	Mrs. J. S. Supernaw
1950-51.....	Miss Charlotte Wood
1951-52.....	Mrs. Frances Lamb
1952-53.....	Mrs. Conrad Elvehjem
1953-54.....	Mrs. George H. Johnson
1954-55.....	Mrs. Willard Lowe
1955-56.....	Mrs. Harrison L. Garner
1956-57.....	Mrs. Ray A. Brown
1957-58.....	Mrs. Thomas R. Hefty
1958-59.....	Mrs. Walter P. Ela
1959-60.....	Mrs. John E. Wise
1960-61.....	Mrs. Ira Baldwin
1961-62.....	Miss Caryl Regan
1962-63.....	Mrs. James G. Woodburn
1963-64.....	Freda Winterble (Mrs. Keys)
1964-65.....	Lorraine Orchard (Mrs. Kenneth)
1965-66.....	Hazel Alberson
1966-67.....	Faye Little (Mrs. Kenneth)
1967-68.....	Marian Wilke (Mrs. Horace)
1968-69.....	Martha Reynolds (Mrs. John)
1969-70.....	Fannie Taylor
1970-71.....	Rosalie Mayer (Mrs. Oscar, Jr.)

1971-72.....	Betty Vaughn (Mrs. Charles)
1972-73.....	Helen Matheson Rupp (Mrs. Earl)
1973-74.....	Joyce Bartell (Mrs. Gerald)
1974-75	Carla Smith (Mrs. Weber)
1975-76.....	Marcy Gill (Mrs. Charles)
1976-77.....	Marjorie Davenport (Mrs. Gordon)
1977-78.....	Annetta Rosser (Mrs. J. Barkley)
1978-79.....	Betty Kurtenacker (Mrs. Robert)
1979-80.....	Velma Hamilton (Mrs. Harry)
1980-81	Jane Coleman (Mrs. Reed)
1981-82.....	Charlotte Spohn (Mrs. James)
1982-83.....	Ann Peckham (Mrs. Ben)
1983-84.....	Lois Dick (Mrs. Robert)
1984-85.....	Peggy Sherry (Mrs. Toby)
1985-86.....	Alma Baron (Mrs. Lee)
1986-87.....	Dorothy Smith (Mrs. Robert)
1987-88.....	Louise Scott (Mrs. John K.)
1988-89.....	Shirley Inhorn (Mrs. Stanley)
1989-90.....	Carol Toussaint (Mrs. John)
1990-91	Mary Evert (Mrs. Ray)
1991-92.....	Fannie Frazier Hicklin
1992-93.....	Barbara Arnold (Mrs. Fred)
1993-94.....	Mary Brennan (Mrs. Robert)
1994-95.....	Lisa Smith (Mrs. Wrede)
1995-96.....	Alice Benn (Mrs. Donald)
1996-97.....	Virginia Henderson (Mrs. Perry)

1997-98.....	Carolyn White (Mrs. Ron)
1998-99.....	Sharon Baker (Mrs. Robert)
1999-2000.....	Isabel J. Hubbard (Mrs. Allan)
2000-2001.....	Linda Shriberg
2001-2002.....	Mary Moen
2002-2003.....	Lynn Stathas
2003-2004.....	Nancy Schultz
2004-2005.....	Debra Glenn
2005-2006.....	Marcia MacKenzie
2006-2007.....	Connie Burmeister / Ruth Martin
2007-2008.....	Cheryl Furstace Daniels
2008-2009.....	Marcia Anderson / Patsy Evans
2009-2010.....	Eve Galanter / Nancy Young
2010-2011.....	Kathy Johnson / Clare McArdle
2011-2012.....	Laura McFadden / Kristi Williams

THE CIVICS CLUB
MADISON, WISCONSIN

The next meeting of the Civics Club will be held Saturday, March 13 at 12:15 p. m. at the Woman's Building.

Speakers: Mr. E. A. Fitzpatrick: "What Our City Government Is."
Mr. E. F. Bunn: "Our City Budget."
Discussion will follow.

The Civics Club has increased its membership to 200 and the number of guests will necessarily be limited. Members wishing guest tickets will please telephone the secretary on Thursday, March 11. The secretary will make all reservations possible in the order in which they are received. Guest tickets \$1.00.

Kindly return postals as soon as possible. No membership reservations made after Wednesday morning, March 10.

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SPEAKERS
MADISON CIVICS CLUB PROGRAMS



Meetings held at Woman's Club

1915-16

Prof. John R. Commons – Social insurance

Mrs. Paul E. Woolley of Cincinnati – A cultural program

Others: A Legislative Program, A Housewives' Questionnaire,
A program titled: "Our Civic Menace – Smoke"

1916-17

Lawrence Veiller – NYC author of model Tenement and Housing Law



"You've got as bad a slum as any city in the country – worse than the slums of New York and Chicago."

Six other meetings were held. Multiple issues were discussed.

1917-18

Mrs. George Chamberlain – Women Adopt Pledge to Save Food



"Men, money and food are the three things called for in this present war."

Miss Maude Van Buren – Launching Madison's Clean-Up Campaign

Miss Helen Frazier – Women In War - Sacrifices of Britons Never Cease

Dr. Charles McCarthy – The Federal Food Administration

Prof. B.H. Hibbard/Mr. C.A. Lyman – The Marketing & Distribution of Milk

Mrs. Kellogg Fairbanks – Women's Work in the National Liberty Loan

Miss Kathleen Burke – The Scottish Women's Hospital

Major E.A. Fitzpatrick – The Draft in Wisconsin

W.N. Fitzgerald – The Fuel Situation

Miss Helen Fraser – French and English Women in the War

1918-19

Com. General Stuart Fuller – The Far East Consular Service

Mr. Volney Barnes – Experiences on the Western Front

Mr. Carl Tenney – City Schools

Dr. C. McCarthy/Dr. J.S. Evans – Reconstruction in Education

Speakers – For/Against Universal Military Training

Speakers – Socialized Court Work in Madison

Prof. W.A. Scott – The Victory Loan

Miss Helen McDowell – European People Desire Lasting Peace

1919-20

Milwaukee Judge A.C. Backus – Our Duty to our Unfortunates
Mrs. Edmond Brown – Co-operation of Charitable and Philanthropic Agencies



“For a city we expect to be on the forward look, I find a remarkable amount of work to be done among philanthropic lines in Madison.”

Jens Jensen – Civic Conscience

E. A. Fitzpatrick – What Our City Government Is

Edward F. Devine – The 3R’s: Reaction, Revolution, Reconstruction

Mayor Issac M. Kittleson/Coal Industry Rep. – The Smoke Nuisance

Alvin M. Higgins – American Constitution vs. Radicalism

1920-21

Mrs. James A. Odell – The Evanston Community Kitchen Idea

Prof. Dallas Lore Sharp – Education for Authority

Miss Florence Marshall – Significant Tendencies in Education

Former Governor Emanuel L. Philipp – State Taxation

Whiting Williams – What is on the Working Man’s Mind in US/Great Britain

Dr. Frederick B. Morehead – Public Health

1921-22

Miss Julia Lathrop – What Women Can Do for Themselves

Prof. Edna White – The Pre-School Child

Dr. Caroline Hedger – Problems in Adolescence

Prof. W. H. Kiekhofer – What’s Wrong with the World

Prof. Charles Cestre – France After the War

Prof. Frederic A. Ogg – European Political Situation

1922-23

Señora Carmen de Pinillos – Women in Peru

Madame Pierre Ponafidine – Life in Russia Under the Soviet Regime

Dr. William Lorenz – New (Psychological) Problems of the Ex-Soldier

Signora Olivia Rossetti Agresti – Recent Developments in Italy

W. S. Reynolds – Juvenile Protection

Capt. Westbrook – Modern Police Methods

1923-24

James Schermerhorn, Founder of the Detroit Times – Soul of the City



“People from the friendly atmosphere of small towns go to cities and there are submerged in the maelstrom. Considering the aesthetic qualities of a city and the human condition, give the city its soul.”

Aubrey Williams – Adequate Program and Status of State Institutions
Dr. William F. Lorenz – Modern Treatment and Prevention of Mental Diseases

S. K. Ratcliffe/Ramsey MacDonald - The Policy of the Labor Government

Beatrice Forbes/Robertson Hale – Girls of Today and Women of Tomorrow

Dr. Alice Salomon – Social Conditions in the German Republic

Jessie F. Brisford – Protective Social Measures



Meetings held at Loraine Hotel

1924-25

Brice Bliven, Editor, *The New Republic* – *De-bunking our Politics*



“It’s almost impossible for a man with a first rate working mind to be elected president ... Nearly all political talks at the present time are on the plane of bunk. There is much unreality in American political life because the people want it.”

Lora Wambaugh – Six Years After

Norman Angell

Dean H. S. Richards – Law Enforcement

Alexander Wolcott – Behind the Scenes

George Emerson Francis

1925-26

Demetra Vaka – Turkish Women of Today

Oswald Ryan – *Who Shall Inherit the U.S.?*



Dorothy Enderes – The Wider Use of the School Plan
Dhan Gopal Mukerji – The Present Crisis in India
Norman Angell – Great Illusions in Current Political Thought
W. W. Ellsworth – Good Books and Best Sellers
Alexander Meiklejohn

1926-27

U.W. President Glenn Frank – Diseases of Institutionalism
Cecil Roberts – What Europe Is Thinking
Mme. Pierre Ponifidine – Under the Walls of the Soviet Stronghold
Will Durant – Is Progress Real?
Arthur Guiterman – Song and Laughter
Ralph Barton Perry – The Puritan, a Moral Athlete

1927-28

Prof. Max Otto – What Is Man?
Harry A. Franck – What's Happening in Palestine?
Cornelia Stratton Parker – Travel vs. a College Education
Princess Chinquilla
Syud Hossain – Eastern and Western Ideals
Lewis Browne – This Believing World
C. W. Areson – New Values in Child Welfare
Siegfried Prager – National Temperaments Expressed in Civic Music

1928-29

Chester Lloyd Jones – The Caribbean Policy of the United States
Julia Lathrop – Looking at Child Welfare Work
Boris Brasol – Lawlessness as a Challenge to the U.S.
Henry Brailsford – Cruisers and Co-operation
Padraic Colum – The Impressions of Temporary Lyricism
Dr. H. H. Bartlett - Java
“A Civic Meeting” with Mayor Albert G. Schmedeman, Professor Ernest
B. Skinner, and Lewis Mumford

1929-30

Eleanor Wembridge – The Young Girl's Problem
James Welson Johnson – The Negro's Contribution to American Culture
August Vollmer – Crime and Its Prevention
S. K. Ratcliffe – Great Navies and World Peace
Sumner Slichter – Unemployment
Thornton Wilder – Some Thoughts on Reading



“Characters of biographers are safe but not so fiction.”

1930-31

Dr. Harry Elmer Barnes – Decline of Civil Liberty in America
Karl Borders – What is Going On in Present Day Russia
Prof. and Mrs. Ferdinand Schevill – Lecture Recital of Folk Songs
Salvador de Madariago – Free Trades
Dame Rachel Crowdy – The International Aspects of Social Reform

1931

Margaret Mead - Savage Women and Civilized Women

Civics Club to Hear Man's Theory of a Woman's Place

THE Civics club will meet at the Lorraine hotel Saturday at 12:15. Margaret Mead, assistant curator of ethnology, American museum, will be the speaker.

Margaret Mead has had a most interesting life. She is the daughter of Edward Sherwood Mead, professor of finance, Wharton school, university of Pennsylvania, and was graduated from Barnard college, a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She received her M. A. degree in psychology at Columbia university and then did graduate work in anthropology. She was a fellow in the biological sciences of the National Research Council, subject of her research being a study of the adolescent girl in Samoa.

As a fellow of the Social Science Research Council she made a study of the psychology of the pre-school age among a primitive people in the Manus tribe, the Admiralty islands, mandated territory of New Guinea.

Some of her publications are: *Living with the Natives of Melanesia; An Inquiry Into Cultural Stability in Polynesia; Coming of Age in Samoa; Growing Up in New Guinea; The Ethnology of Manua.*

Miss Mead is leaving within the next two months for a two years' expedition to New Guinea. Members of the Civics club may hear about man's theory of woman's place in America and the South Seas.

1931-32

Stuart Chase – American Civilization vs. Mexican Civilization
Percy H. Boynton – American Culture and Speech
Mary Agnes Hamilton – Can England Come Back?
Frank R. Kent – Politics and Personalities
Maurice Hindus – Russia and the World
Sir William A. Craigie – Icelandic Scenes and Sagas

1932-33

Merwin K. Hart – What Price Government?
William P. Hapgood – An Experiment in Industrial Democracy
George Sokolsky – America's Stake in the Far East
Oswald G. Villard – How Can We Reform Our Cities?
Vita Sackville-West – The Modern Spirit in Literature
Frances Homer – Ladies of Destiny

1933-34

Mary Breckinridge – National Aspects of the Frontier Nursing Service
Hon. Richard von Kuhlmann – Internal and International Positions
of Germany
P. F. M. Fellowes – The Conquest of Mt. Everest
Bruce Lockhart – My Personal Relations with the Bolsheviks
Clemence Dane – Drama, in Life and on the Stage
Colonel Raymond Robbins – What’s Ahead in America

1934-35

Margaret Wintringham – The English Program for the Unemployed
Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen – This Business of Diplomacy
Gloria Hollister – With Beebe in Bermuda
Thomas Craven – Modern Art
John Mason Brown – Broadway in Review
Everett Dean Martin – Farewell to Revolution

1935-36

Mme. Romola Nijinsky – The Modern Dance Movement
Dorothy Thompson – How Europe Looks Today
Dr. Harley Farnsworth McNair – China and Japan
Gordon MacCreagh – Ethiopia
Irving Fisher – The Value of the Dollar
William Hard – The Capitalistic System
Amelia Earhart – Modern Aviation

1936-37

Phyllis Bentley – Characters from a Novelist’s Viewpoint
J. Frederick Essary – Lifting the Lid in Washington
Rockwell Kent – Art is for Everyone
S. K. Ratcliffe – Present Situation in Europe
Burns Mantle – The Best Plays of the Year
Baroness Ishimoto – The Mission of Women in Japanese Civilization
Sir George Paish – Important Factors in the Struggle for Peace

1937-38 25th Anniversary Program

TALK BY MRS. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT IS HIGHLIGHT
OF PROGRAM FOR CIVICS CLUB IN ITS 25TH YEAR

—Wisconsin State Journal 11/6/37

*“American society has failed to meet its
obligations to its youth.”*

To an audience of 5000 – U. W. Fieldhouse

Vera Britton – Women in Transition

Dr. Victor Heiser – More of an American Doctor's Odyssey

James M. Hepborn – Crime, Its Cause and Prevention

Issac F. Marcossou – Adventures in Interviewing

Señor Salvador de Madariago – The Future of Liberty

1938-39

Raymond Moley – Minding America's Own Business

Marjorie Hillis – The Art of Gracious Living

Mary Ellen Chase – The Larger Life in Books

Barclay Acheson – As the Clock Ticks

George Raignel – The International Situation

Gordon Enders – Nowhere Else in the World

1939-40

Dr. Stephen S. Wise – The World Conflict and the Jew

Charlotte Carr – The Changing Settlement Function

Erika Mann – What Price Fascism?

Clark G. Kuebler – Liberalism in the Shadows

Clifton Utley – The War in 1940

Carl Sandburg



"The Progressive Movement...I've always been for it...Old Bob was a fine man...Young Bob's done great things, too."



M E N U



Seafood Cocktail, slice lemon & cracker

Mixed Relish

Creamed Chicken and Mushrooms in Pie Shell

Cranberry Compote

Frozen Beans au beure (cut, not French style)

Pineapple and Apricot on lettuce

French dressing

Frozen Strawberry Sundae

Wafer

(Lorraine Hotel, repeated for Nelson Rockefeller, 12/41)

1940-41

Judge J. M. Braude – Guilty or Not Guilty

Sonya Tamara – Europe Today and Tomorrow

Josephine Roche – Our Stake in Industrial Democracy

Rene Dussaq – A South American's View of South America

Jan Struther – The Truth About Mrs. Miniver

Clarence Streit – America's Answer to *Mein Kampf*

1941-42

Jay Allen – My Trouble with Hitler

Nelson Rockefeller – *The American Republics*



“We cannot permit Nazi demoralization or domination of any of the other American Republics—keep the Americas free.”

—New York Times 12/7/41 (Pearl Harbor attack)

James Young – Can Japan Win?

Norman Cousins – A Review of Current Literature

Margaret Bourke-White – Lenses Behind the News

Fulton Lewis Jr. – What Is Happening in Washington

1942-43

Anne O’Hare McCormick – Ourselves and Europe

Charlotte Gower – Six Months in a Japanese Prison Camp

William Upson – How to Be Lazy

T. A. Raman – India

Henry C. Wolfe – Searchlight on the Pacific

1943-1950

Madison Civics Club Cancels Meetings for Season at Least...

transportation and acute labor shortage cited....WSJ 10/28/43

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An overwhelming vote on the part of the 400 members of the Madison Civics club has resulted in the cancellation of all meetings for this season at least.

Transportation difficulties and acute labor shortages made the traditional Saturday luncheon meetings impossible, and the vote was taken to see if the members preferred to meet at another time.

The club is composed almost equally of housewives and business women, and the voters indicated that any other time than Saturday noon would not be convenient.

The Civics club is one of the largest women's organizations in the city. It has brought many distinguished speakers here for its meetings. Prof. Charlotte R. Wood of the University of Wisconsin English department, was chosen chairman for this year's programs.

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Civics Club to Begin October 7

Kermit Roosevelt will be the first speaker to be presented to members of the Madison Civics club when the reorganized group meets for luncheon on Oct. 7. Mr. Roosevelt, who will speak on "The Struggle for Southeast Asia," will be presented by Miss Charlotte R. Wood, chairman of the 1950-51 series of meetings.

When the Madison Civics club was forced to suspend its luncheon meetings in the spring of 1943, due to the war, the regular membership totaled 430, with a waiting list of more than 500. The years that have intervened have made many changes in these two lists, and names that have been on the waiting list, some of them for 14 years, are now being called.

The response to the regular membership cards, mailed recently, as well as calls to prospective members, has been as enthusiastic as in former years. However, due to late returns from vacations and possible errors in mailing addresses, the Civics club board urges a prompt return of the announcement cards so that the membership list may be accurate and complete before the new catalogue of names goes to press.

Membership cards are not transferable. There will be a separate mailing for membership dues as soon as the lists are completed.

1950-51

Kermit Roosevelt – The Struggle for Southeast Asia
Joan Smith – A Britisher Looks at America
Colonel Vasili Kotov – An Ex-Communist Looks at Russia
John K. McCaffrey – Writers of Today
Joseph Callaway – Broadway Play by Play

1951-52

Dr. Nicholas Nyaradi – Is Russia Ready for the Final Showdown?
Carlos Fallon – A Policy for the Hemisphere
Mary Booth Johnson – Around the World in the Brigantine Yankee
Rear Admiral Ellis M. Zacharias – Today's World, Tomorrow's World
Countess Waldeck – Europe Between the Acts
David Ffolkes – Curtain Going Up

1952-53

Nora Waln – How America Stands in Europe
Dr. Bernard Iddings Bell - Crowd Culture in America
Bennett Cerf – Changing Styles in American Humor



*Every “decent journalist and college professor”
should fight the “dangerous trend” represented in
this country today by U.S. Senator Joseph McCarthy.
—Front page, Capital Times 1/24/53*

Major George Racey Jordan – Blundering Away Our Arsenal
of Democracy

Mrs. Alan Kirk – Life in Russia Today

1953-54

Dorothy Thompson – Our World Today
Ernestine Gilbreth Carey – Opportunity on Our Toes
John Mason Brown – Seeing Things
Cecil Beaton – Quest for Beauty
Princess Ileana – What Freedom Means to Me

1954-55

Henry Shapiro – The Struggle for Western Europe
Robert Kazmayer – The Challenge That Is America
Perle Mesta – My Life in Four Capitals



*“Perle, your parties are marvelous but you don't know
how to make potato salad.”—General Dwight D. Eisenhower*

Marguerite Higgins – The World Is My Beat
David Atlee Phillips – Which Way Latin America?

1955-56

Harold C. Hunt – Looking Ahead: Some Crucial Issues in American
Education

General Carlos Romulo – America's Stake in Asia

Frank Flynn – Juvenile Delinquency: Whose Responsibility?

Eddy Gilmore – Report on Europe

Jessica Dragonette – A Singer Speaks

1956-57

Chester V. Easum – Germany at the Crossroads

Edward Weeks – In the Editor's Chair

Cornelis Willem de Kiewiet – Recipe for Disaster (South African
Problem)

Richard Gump – Jade, Jewels and Junk

Dr. Gerald Wendt – The Atom and You

1957-58

Deems Taylor – Today in the World of Music

Louis Fischer – Troubled Communism

Arthur C. Clarke – The Making of a Moon

Ashley Montagu – The Natural Superiority of Women

Prince Constantine of Bavaria – United Europe and World Security

1958-59

Felix Greene – Inside Red China Today

Harry S. Ashmore – Report from Little Rock

David Schoenbrun – As France Goes

Henry Lee Smith Jr. – Language Is More than Words

General Sir John Glubb – A Soldier with the Arabs

1959-60

Vincent Price – Enjoyment of Great Art

Vera Micheles Dean – Anti-Westernism: Cause and Cure

Sydney Harris – How to Read a Newspaper

Edmund W. Tabell – Investing in Today's Stockmarket

Walter Weisman – The Informed Citizen

1960-61

Sir Leslie Munro – The U.N.: Hope for a Divided World

Harrison Salisbury – The Coming Conflict between Russia and China

The Honorable Anthony Wedgwood Benn – Britain Without Empire

Virgilia Peterson – Reflections on a Changing World

Thomas C. Mendenhall – Quality and Equality in American Education

1961-62

Thomas Mitchell – The Liveliest Art

Prof. Coleman Woodbury – The Changing American Cities:
Problems and Possibilities

Santha Rama Rau – New Voices in The Far East

Stewart Alsop – Looking Forward

Marie Torre – Who’s Responsible for the TV We See?

1962-63 50th Anniversary Program

November 13, 1962

Civics Club Golden Jubilee

(Club’s first social event)

Honored guests; founding member Mary Orvis
and original member Mrs. J.S. Donald



“Time Weaves a Tapestry”

written by

Robert Gard and Katherine Axley

Dinner for 500 followed – Memorial Union

Eleanor Foster Dulles – The U.S. and The Challenge of The Common
Market

Malcolm Muggeridge – A Fool’s Eye View of The World

David M. Gates – Space, Science, and Society

Francis Robinson – Opera in America

William H. Stringer – Washington Report



Luncheon Meetings held at Park Motor Inn

1963-64

Dr. Richard C. Armour – Laughing at Ourselves

Grace Holmes Barbey – Women in a World of Social Change

Judge Phillip Gulliam – The Surge to Decency

Admiral David Tyree – Why Are We in Antarctica?

Howard Sochurek – A Reappraisal of Latin American Policies

1964-65

Dr. Luna B. Leopold – Conservation, 1964

Arnold Michaelis – Behind the Scenes in World Diplomacy

Cleveland Amory – TV, the Medium Medium

Dr. Han Suyin – The Many Faces of Asia

Dr. Richard McLanathan – The American Tradition in The Arts

1965-66

Winston S. Churchill – The Changing Face of European Politics
Alvin Toffler – America’s Cultural Coming of Age
Dr. Anup Singh – New Social Forces in India
Dr. Thomas Melady – Africa and the Revolution of Color
U.S. Representative Patsy T. Mink – Women in Politics

1966-67

Hon. Halvard Lange – NATO in a Changing World
Harold Taylor – The Transformation of Education
Dr. Richard Gardner – World Peace Through World Law
Dr. Ralph Lapp – Can Democracy Survive Science?
Mme. Anna Chennault – Today in Asia



“America must stand tall and firm in Vietnam if she is to command respect as a world leader.”

1967-68

Mrs. Orville L. Freeman – War on Hunger
Sherman Maisel – The New Economics
Julius Bloom – A New Look at America’s Cultural Ferment
Mme. Ratan K. Nehru – The New Women of India
C. David Locks – Crisis in the Cities: Choice vs. Change

1968-69

C. Northcote Parkinson – Crisis in Education
Robert St. John – What Next in South America
Admiral James Calvert – On the Threshold of a New World
Betty Bruce and Jack Leslie Melville – Africa Today: What Price Progress?
Robert E. Lee – Plays, Players, Playwrights

1969-70

The Hon. Stewart L. Udall – Conservation in Transition
Brendan Gill – The Theater of the Seventies
Albert Bush-Brown – The Urban Deformity: A Failure in Social Invention and Inverted Priorities
Edwin Newman – A Television Reporter Looks at The News
Nancy Hanks – Private and Public Partnership for The Arts



Chairman Hanks of the National Foundation of the Arts praised the President:

“DOUBLE HUMANITIES FUNDS, NIXON ASKS”

—WSJ 12/11/69

1970-71

Dr. John R. Searle – Social Unrest as Reflected in The College
Community

John Hlavacek – Turmoil in The Middle East

Dr. Merrill Eisenbud – Power, Its Future Source and Effect on
Environment

Caroline Bird – The Role of The Modern Women

Alex Haley – Saga of Black Heritage



*“It has taken eight absorbing years of my life and \$32,000 in
airplane tickets but I know who I am.”*

1971-72

Reid Buckley – Does Liberalism Doom Society?

Lord Caradon – New Hope in The United Nations

Robert LaFollette Bennett – Our Most Neglected Minority: The
American Indian

James Dugdale – Art at Auction

Edward P. Morgan – Where Do We Go From Here?

1972-73

The Rev. Hosea Williams – An American Looks at China

Fred Warshofsky – The Control of Life

Jon Lindbergh – Man Dives Deep

Nila Magidoff – My Discovery of America

Henry Morgan – You Call This Living?

1973-74

Bob Woodward – Watergate: An Investigative Reporter Reports



*During the meeting on 10/21/73, unknown to Club
members, Bob Woodward received several messages
called in by Carl Bernstein concerning the possible
impeachment of President Nixon. The “Saturday
Night Massacre” took place late that very day.*

Frank Gillard – New Frontiers in Broadcasting

Dr. William C. Dement – The Incredible World of Sleep

David Schoenbrun – The Middle East Power Struggle

Brian O’Doherty – ‘70s Art: Problems and Issues

1974-75

Louis Rukeyser – What’s Ahead for The Economy?

Sarah McLendon – Washington Is My Beat

Lenore Romney – The Biology of The Twentieth Century

Henry Butley – The City Within The City: The Metropolitan Opera

Laura Nader – Women and Jurisprudence

1975-76

Robert Novak – Energy: The Political and Economic Crisis
Wendell Garrett – Living with Beauty: Collecting American Antiques
Sander Vanocur – Who Really Nominates Our President?
Susan B. Anthony – What Do Women Really Want?
Dr. I. M. Levitt – A Scientist Looks at UFOs

1976-77

David Atlee Phillips – Secret Intelligence: An American Dilemma
Clare Hollingworth – Women in Peking
Ralph Salerno – Organized Crime: How It Works – How it Affects You
Jim Thorne – Mysteries of Inner Space
Richard Valeriani – Future Shape of America’s Foreign Policy

1977-78

Robert Evans – Oil Is Power
John Peer Nugent – Africa: The Darkening Continent
Carol Mathews – What You Can Learn from the Stock Market



“We, as Americans, are most comfortable with the booms and the busts...little patience with the calm.”

Roger Caras – Man, Animal, and The Planet We Share
Antonia Brico – Antonia: The Woman and The Artist



“My passion for music was the only thing that kept me sane when no one would hire a woman conductor.”

1978-79

Joan Fontaine – America
Christopher Lehmann-Haupt – How to Read 30,000 Books a Year
Leon Martel – A Think Tank Predicts the Next 200 Years
Emily Genauer – The Walls Are Falling
John D. Callaway – TV News: You Don’t Have To Take It Sitting Down

1979-80

Jenkin Lloyd Jones – Growing Up in Madison
Louis Bohmrich – The Strange Triangle: China, America, and Russia



“China has taken its first solid steps toward becoming a modern industrialized nation.”

Julian Bond – What’s Next for America



“...we have come from the back of the bus to the front of the unemployment line.”

Susan Massie – Making Commitments for Yourself
Mel Lavine – America the Undiscovered

1980-81

Brendan Gill – Saving The Word in The World of Hype

Writer mourns loss of words

THE CAPITAL TIMES, Monday, Oct. 20, 1980

Countess of Romanones – An American in Spain
Charles Osgood – End of The World...Details at Eleven
David Broder – The Political World of The 80's
Dr. Domeena Renshaw – Coping with Loneliness

1981-82

Joseph John Jova – A Perspective on U.S.-Mexican Relations
Grace Halsell – A Journey to Jerusalem
Dena Kaye – The Traveling Woman
Walter Sullivan – The Search for Extra-terrestrial Intelligence
Marc Pachter – As Others Saw Us: Travelers to 19th Century America

1982-83

Susan Willens – Through The Passages of Poetry
Hedrick Smith – The Washington Scene
Ambassador José Sorzans – U.S. Mission to The U.N.
Prof. Don Walsh – Seafaring America: Sinking or Swimming
Dr. George Gerbner – Television: Message Behind the Message

1983-84

Dr. William Schneider – Politics: The Outlook for 1984
Les Brown – TV on Fast Forward
Georgie Ann Geyer – A Foreign Correspondent Looks at The World
Hope Milahop – From Opera to Uproar
Edie Adams – My Life in Music

1984-85

Peter Krough – Creativity in Foreign Policy
Arianna Stassinopoulos – Character as Destiny
Prof. Carl Cohen – Assumptions About Race: What Discriminations
Are Just?
Nina Hyde – Silk: From Marco Polo to Modern Marvels
Dorothy De Bolt – Taking a Risk on Love, Laughter and 20 Kids

1985-86

Philip Rubin – The View of The Communications Revolution
Frederick Newman – A View from The Ledge
Ann Blackman/Max Pitzell – A View from The Nation's Capitol

King Richard of Tunisia – A View of The Oil Situation in The Mid-East
Bella Abzug – A View of Women’s Progress



“Women are the world’s most underrepresented population group.”

1986-87

Countess Bianca Lovatelli – Manners and Mannerisms

James C. Humes – Confessions of a White House Ghost

Myron Jones – American Education: The Road to Excellence

John Burns – South Africa and American National Security

Talat S. Holman – Middle East Crucible: Hostages, Holy War and Hope?

1987-88 75th Anniversary Program

Civics Club recalls humble beginning 75 years later

By Helen Rupp

Written for The State Journal

She would never forget that snowy afternoon, not even 50 years later.

“Bruised and battered and dazed” by their failed battle to win Wisconsin women the right to vote, the five had met for lunch at Edna Chynoweth’s.

After the “grim party,” the women started down the front walk in the snow. But — Georgia Lloyd Jones remembered a half century later:

“All of a sudden Alice Bleyer stopped short. So did we. She stamped her foot. . . She said, ‘Girls, let’s not stop here. We have learned a lot. We have a glimmering of what we are up against. We know more about our foe, his strength and his weakness.’ ”

A star-studded speaker list

Eleanor Roosevelt headlines the long list of distinguished speakers brought to Madison by the Civics Club during its 75 years, a roll of notables probably unequaled by any local organization except UW-Madison.

She came from the White House to discuss “Youth in a World of Turmoil” before a Field House audience of 5,000 on the club’s 25th anniversary Nov. 6, 1937.

A sampling of other celebrated speakers:

Carl Sandberg, Amelia Earhart, Nelson Rockefeller, Edward P. Morgan, Edwin Newman, Alexander Woolcott, Carlos Romulo, Malcolm Muggeridge, Mary Ellen Chase, Rockwell Kent; Dorothy Thompson, Vincent Price, Stewart Alsop, Margaret Mead, Thornton Wilder, Erika Mann, John Mason Brown, Perle Mesta, Santha Rama Rau, Alex Haley, Norman Cousins; Cleveland Amory, Henry Morgan, Anna Chennault, Cecil Beaton, Fulton Lewis, Countess Waldeck, Joan Fontaine, Prince Constantine, Sydney Harris; Louis Rukeysyer, Sander Vanocur.

Louise Scott, Presiding

Fannie Taylor, Anniversary Chairman

Inn On The Park - October 17, 1987

11:15 Reception for Former Chairs & Special Guests

12:00 Welcome - Chairman Louise Scott

Toast

Reminiscences - Prof. Fannie Taylor

12:30 Lunch

1:30 “The American Mission and Women’s Role”

The Honorable Lee Sherman Dreyfus

Michael Frome – An Environmentalist Prescribes for A World of Peace
and Love

Dennis O’Leary – The Changing Health Care Environment

Anne-Imelda Radice – The Development of the National Museum of
Women in The Arts

Rhoda Karpatkin – Women as Consumers

Annual themes introduced by Chairs

1988-89 THE POWER OF IDEAS

Eleanor Clift – The Washington Landscape

Lorna Kelly – Rags to Riches and Beyond

Arthur Frommer – *New Ideas in Travel*



“The less you spend, the more you enjoy.”

Sue Estoff – Pills, Politics and Purposeful Lives

1989-90 A SENSE OF PLACE

Ernest L. Boyer – The Undergraduate Experience

Jeff Greenfield – Media Masters or Slaves?

Susan Stitt – Money, Monument or Memory

William Cronon – Landscape and Home Traditions in Wisconsin

Jerrold and Leona Schecter – *Glasnost and Perestroika*



*“Tumultuous events are taking place in Moscow, and it will try
Mikhail Gorbachev’s soul if he is to survive as head of the Soviet
Union.”*

1990-91 THE GLOBAL ‘90’s

John Dancy – International Issues

Angela Stent – Europe After German Unification

Norman Glickman – Foreign Investors

Robin Wright – The Middle East

Nien Cheng – Life and Death in Shanghai

1991-92 LOOKING BEYOND THE ‘90’s

C. Kermit Phelps – Aging Gracefully

Roland S. Homet, Jr. – Mobilizing American Democracy

Roy A. Koenigs knecht – Tell Me Your Zip Code

Susan Eisenhower – The Soviet Union

Filomina Chioma Steady – Women in Africa

1992-93 CLOSING THE GENERATION GAP

Terry Rohe – Generations Together

Lawrence Kutner – Parent-Child Communication

Julianne Malveaux – Intergenerational Economics

Kitty Carlisle Hart – The Arts Belong to Everyone
David Liederman – Children and Seniors

1993-94 WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE WE?

Joel Kotkin – Race, Religion and Family Determine Success
Blandina Cardenas-Ramirez – Developing Community Education
Neil C. Livingstone – Fundamentalist and Global Resurgence
Taffy McCallum – South Africa: Land of Hope
Gary Sheperd – Covering the World's Hot Spots

1994-95 COMMUNITY: EXPLORING COMMITMENTS AND CONNECTIONS

Reverend Sandra Wilson – Communitarianism: Rights and Responsibilities
Sue Bender – Plain and Simple: A Journey to the Amish
Dr. Paul P. Carbone – Current Developments in the Prevention and Treatment of Cancer
Chief Wilma Mankiller – Chief: A Cherokee Woman's Story
Mike Farrell – An Exchange of Views: Human Rights

1995-96 CELEBRATING WOMEN

Jane Albright-Dieterle – Women in Athletics: Over the Hurdles, on the Right Track
Lynn Sherr – Failure is Impossible: Susan B. Anthony In Her Own Words
Barbara Reynolds – The Promise, The Peril of Strong Women
Judith Viorst – Loves, Longings and Wicked Thoughts : Writing for Adults and Children
Doris Kearns Goodwin – No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II



“There is still enormous anxiety among women and men about the progress women have made, but that will subside as more first ladies resemble Clinton than Barbara Bush.”

1996-97 ARE WE NOT ALL CHILDREN? TRAJECTORY TOWARD THE FUTURE

Jonathan Kozol – Amazing Grace: The Lives of Children in the Conscience of a Nation
Beverly Coleman Miller – Children and Your Community: New Day Thinking
Virginia Hinshaw – An Incredible Journey into the World of Viruses: From Polio to AIDS in One Generation
Gloria Ladson-Billings – Public Education for the Public Good
Randall Robinson – The Future of the World's Children



Meetings held at Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center

1997-98 ETHICAL DILEMMAS IN THE NEW CENTURY

Edward Asner – The Entertainment Industry and its Responsibility to Society

Sylvia Earle – *Sea Change: The Future of Our Oceans*



“If the sea is sick, we will feel it.

If it dies, we die.

Our future and the state of the oceans are one.”

Dr. Norman Fost – Genetic Engineering

Georgie Anne Geyer – Americans No More: The Death of Citizenship

Richard Thornburgh – Judicial Ethics in America

1998-99 OUR LEGACY, HOPE AND VISION FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Ralph Nader – *Government, Corporations, and the Environment*



“We’re the first generation that has to protect its children from the dominant culture, the corporate culture.”

Tad Pinkerton – Communication and Computer Technology

Geoffrey Canada – Our Children’s Future: Building a Safer, Saner Community

Patricia Ann Palmieri – All Our Kin: The American Family – Its History and Future

Michael Dukakis – The Future of Health Care

1999-2000 MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Juan Williams – Media in America: Part of the Problem or the Solution?

Rudy Maxa – The Savvy Traveler in the 21st Century

Shiela Kast – A View from Capitol Hill

Dr. William Perloff – Shaken Baby Syndrome: Untrue Defenses and the Medical Expert

Frank Cappiello – The New American Economy View from Wall Street

2000-01 HOLDING ON TO OUR HUMANITY

Ray Suarez – *The Old Neighborhood: A Search from 21st Century Community and How Local Heroes Are Changing America*



“All the things that go into quality of life can be altered by changing one single variable: education.”

B. Gentry Lee – Science and Humanity: A Look Back and Forward

James Paul Gee – How Literacy Makes Us New Kinds of People: Implications for Education

James Alan Fox – A Few Bad Apples: Youth Violence in Schools and Communities

Dr. Sherwin Nuland – Life, Death and the Human Spirit

2001-02 COMMUNICATING THROUGH THE ARTS

Peter Bogdanovich – Who the Devil Made It?

David Considine – Literacy in the Media Era

Dave Master – Developing Young Artists: A Personal, Principled, Professional Pathway

John Roach – From Concept to Showtime: Random Thoughts on the Creative Process

Karlos Moser – Don't Survive Opera – Enjoy It!

2002-03 THE AMERICAN DREAM

Harry Wu – Freedom of Speech

Judith Miller – Freedom from Fear

Wisconsin Supreme Court Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson – Judicial Independence

Diana Eck – Freedom to Worship

Dr. David Satcher – Freedom from Want

2003-04 RIGHTS AND JUSTICE

Margaret Warner – Terrorism and Individual Rights

Howard Zehr – Restorative Justice

Ruben Navarrette – Hispanic Issues

Linda Greene – Racial Justice

Juliet Schor – Children and Justice

2004-05 THE POTENTIAL AND POWER OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT

Dr. Mary Ellen Weber – The Pioneering Spirit

John Crowley – The Entrepreneurial Spirit

Herman Boone – The Competitive Spirit

Rick Bragg – The Spirit of Survival

Erin Gruwell – The Spirit of Giving



Using The Diary of Anne Frank as a teaching tool - Gruwell converted 150 "unteachable" students into the Freedom Writers.

2005-06 THE COURAGE OF THEIR CONVICTIONS: ONE WHO RISKS MAKES A DIFFERENCE

David Maraniss – Moral Convictions – Roberto Clemente, the Hero Dane Co. Exec. Kathleen Falk – Environmental Activism:

Then and Now

Daniel Ellsberg – Whistle-blowing as a Moral Imperative

Paul Rusesabagina – Hotel Rwanda: Lessons Yet to be Learned

Randy Cohen – The Good, the Bad and the Difference: How to Tell
Right from Wrong in Everyday Situations

2006-07 OPENING MINDS, ENGAGING COMMUNITY

Robert W. McChesney – Rich Media, Poor Democracy: Communication
Politics in Dubious Times
Senator Russell Feingold – Thoughts about Post 9/11 Policy Issues Abroad
Naomi Oreskes – Science and Controversy: Big News Once Again
Lois Jenson – Making History and Leading the Way
Jehane Noujaim – Different Channels, Different Truths

2007-08 OVER THE BACK FENCE: PERSPECTIVES FROM OUR
NEIGHBORS

Sonia Nazario, Author of *Enrique's Journey*
Rami George Khouri – A Fair and Balanced View from the Arab World
Kathy Hughes – Beyond Gaming: Wisconsin Tribes in the 21st Century
State Sen. Lena Taylor – Milwaukee - Its Perils and Promises
Michael F. Kergin - Weathering the Canada-US Relationship: Sunshine
and Squalls

2008-09 GENERATION NEXT – WE CAN LEARN FROM THEM

Jonah Edelman – We're in this Together or You're on your Own: The
Answer Will Determine Our Future
Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin – Federal Efforts to Improve the
Quality of Life for Future Generations
Azadeh Moaveni – Global Culture and American Youth: What Does it
Mean for our Future?
Dennis Dresang – Grandparents and Homies: The Surprising
Relationships Between Younger Adults and Young
Gang Members
Anastasia Goodstein – Forces Shaping Generation Next: How
Tweens/Teens are Wired

2009-10 DEFYING THE ODDS: WHEN THEY SAID IT COULDN'T BE DONE

*Helen Thomas - The View from the Front Row of the White House
Press Room*



*"I'm covering history every day. On the quietest days I fasten my
seat belt, because something is going to happen." (White House
reporter since 1960)*

Brad Cohen - Overcoming Obstacles and Winning the Game of
Life

Julia Bolz - Bringing Education, Hope and Opportunity to Afghanistan

Jacki Lyden - Writing a New Narrative: Translations from Mental
Illness

Dr. Timothy Cordes - How I See Possibilities

2010-2011 LIVING IN COMMUNITY: THE CONNECTIONS WE SHARE

Ruth Reichl - Why We Cook

John McKnight - Neighborhood Connections: The Heart of Powerful
Communities and Effective Democracies

Jenny Greer - International Relations: How to Expand Your Sphere of
Influence

Dr. Zorba Paster - The Longevity Code: How to Live a Long Sweet Life

2011-12 CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF ENGAGING MINDS

Secretary of the Dept. of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano -

The Role We All Play: Homeland Security in the 10 Years since 9/11

Gwen Ifill - Politics, Policy and Reality – What’s Really Going on in
Washington

U.W. Chief of Police Susan Riseling - Between Protestors and Politicians



*“Who has more experience than the university police in managing
masses of people?”*

Prof. Joel Rogers - Rebuilding the Middle Class

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