



# The Key Connection

## News and Events

Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa



### Spring Luncheon: Nancy Pearl on “The Pleasures and Perils of a Life of Reading”

For our spring luncheon, famed book lover and librarian extraordinaire Nancy Pearl will speak on “The Pleasures and Perils of a Life of Reading.”

Thursday, May 15, 11:45 a.m.  
Seattle Yacht Club  
1807 E. Hamlin Street, Seattle

Nancy Pearl is known to many of us for her radio broadcasts and as former director of Seattle Public Library’s Washington Center for the Book. Her program “If All Seattle Read the Same Book” became a national model for community engagement. She has worked in libraries in Detroit and Tulsa in addition to Seattle, and warns that libraries are focusing so much on delivering information that they forget how to recommend a book to someone who wants something to read.

Pearl will share what she’s discovered: what some of the perils of a life of reading can be, as well as the pleasures — and along the way, of course, she’ll suggest some good books to read. She has been called “a rock star among readers and the tastemaker people turn to when deciding what to read next,” so we can be sure of a stimulating event.

We will meet for lunch on Thursday, May 15, at the Seattle Yacht Club, 1807 E. Hamlin Street, Seattle. Free parking is available in the adjacent parking lot. The luncheon starts at 11:45; doors open at 11:30. The cost is \$32 per person; guests are welcome. Please make your reservation by May 8 using the attached coupon or at <http://psa-pbk.org/online-payments-donations.html>.

Orchestra students from Eckstein Middle School will share their love of music by playing for us.

### Thank you to Dorsey and Whitney LLP

The PSA-PBK board of trustees would like to thank the Seattle office of Dorsey and Whitney LLP for hosting our monthly board meetings in their conference room. From all of us to all of you, we say “thank you.”

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## **Tour of Suzzallo & Allen and Odegaard Libraries**



Wednesday, March 26, 10 a.m. to noon  
University of Washington, Seattle

PSA-PBK members and their guests are invited to tour some of the beautiful and innovative libraries on the University of Washington campus. The tour will feature the Suzzallo & Allen Libraries, the Special Collections Division, and, across Red Square, the recently renovated Odegaard Undergraduate Library.

Join us on Wednesday, March 26, from 10 a.m. until noon. Library staff members Adam Hall, Lisa Oberg, and Louise Richards will be our tour guides. We will coordinate a no-host lunch afterwards. To learn more about the libraries we will visit, see <http://www.lib.washington.edu/suzzallo/visit/tour> and <http://www.lib.washington.edu/ougl>.

We will meet for the tour at 10 a.m. inside the main entrance to Suzzallo Library on the UW campus. Paid parking is available at the Central Plaza Garage, located on the west side of campus. The garage entrance is on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.E. at N.E. 41<sup>st</sup> Street.

Please RSVP by March 24 to let us know if you plan to attend the tour, and if you want to join the group for the no-host lunch at the UW Club. You can e-mail [president@psa-pbk.org](mailto:president@psa-pbk.org) or call Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606.

There is no charge to attend the library tour. Please bring cash for purchasing your lunch afterwards.

## **Guided tour of Seattle Art Museum exhibition**

### ***Miró: The Experience of Seeing***

Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m.  
Seattle Art Museum  
1300 First Avenue, Seattle

PSA-PBK members and their guests can experience a collection of 50 paintings, drawings, and sculptures made by Joan Miró between 1963 and 1983. The exhibition is from the collection of the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía in Madrid. Please join us for our private docent tour of the exhibition. Advance reservations and payment are required and must be received by April 24.

The cost, which includes the docent fee, is \$22 for adults, \$20 for seniors (62 and over), \$15 for full-time students (including full-time college students), and \$5 for SAM members and children under 12.

Please mail your check to PSA-PBK, P.O. Box 15258, Seattle, WA 98115, or pay online at <http://psa-pbk.org/online-payments-donations.html>. We will purchase the tickets for all tour participants. If you are a SAM member, please give us your full name and membership number so that we can obtain a member ticket for you.

Please meet on Saturday, May 3, at 10 a.m. at the main ticketing area at the downtown Seattle Art Museum. The tour will begin at 10:15. For additional information about the exhibition, directions, and a map, please see <http://seattleartmuseum.org/miro>. Your admission ticket will be valid for the entire day. After the tour, you may stay and visit the rest of the museum, or join other PSA-PBK members for a no-host lunch at a local restaurant.

Please call Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606 or send her an e-mail at [president@psa-pbk.org](mailto:president@psa-pbk.org) if you have any questions.

### **Alpha Chapter, University of Washington, is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

The University of Washington chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this spring. Alpha of Washington, founded on April 29, 1914, has inducted thousands of high-achieving UW students since its inception, many of whom remain and reside in the Puget Sound area. The first group of inductees 100 years ago included some names still familiar today: Hiram M. Chittenden, Edward S. Curtis, Herbert H. Gowen, Edward S. Meany, Trevor Kincaid, and Charles V. Piper.

The centennial will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 30, at a gala at the UW Club on the University of Washington campus. The evening dinner event will feature Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar Jeannette Wing, corporate vice president at Microsoft Research and professor of computer science at Carnegie Mellon University. All UW and PSA-PBK members are invited to attend. Invitations will be sent electronically in late March. For further information, contact the chapter at [uwpbk@uw.edu](mailto:uwpbk@uw.edu).

### **Delta Chapter, University of Puget Sound**

The Delta Chapter Committee on Members in Course (COMIC) will meet in mid-March to nominate Puget Sound students to PBK membership. Seniors from the top 10% (as measured by GPA) and juniors from the top 2% are considered for membership. COMIC members review each transcript and look for depth of study as well as breadth, as demonstrated by taking mathematics, a foreign language, and upper-division courses outside their major. Invited students will be initiated on April 17 at the President's House and will join University of Puget Sound trustees for a luncheon during Commencement Weekend in May.

For additional information about the Delta of Washington chapter, see <http://www.pugetsound.edu/academics/academic-honors/academic-honor-societies/phi-beta-kappa/>.

### **Undergraduate scholarships**

Thanks to your generosity, the Association was able to increase the amount of the five scholarships for the academic year 2014/15 to \$2000 each. Students at the University of Washington and the University of Puget Sound who have a financial need and who have maintained a GPA of at least 3.8 are eligible. Requirements and application forms are posted on our website at [http://psa-pbk.org/scholarships\\_awards.html](http://psa-pbk.org/scholarships_awards.html).

### **Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award**

The Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award is given annually to students who are Phi Beta Kappa members elected at the University of Washington or the University of Puget Sound and who are beginning graduate or professional study at the same institutions. The deadline to apply this year is June 30. Please visit [http://psa-pbk.org/scholarships\\_awards.html](http://psa-pbk.org/scholarships_awards.html) later this spring for the award announcement and application form.

### **Volunteers needed to present high school book awards**

Each spring PSA-PBK awards personally inscribed books to outstanding graduating seniors in participating high schools in the 13 Puget Sound-area counties. Our book award program is one way we encourage and reward outstanding scholastic achievement in the liberal arts and sciences. The program also introduces students to Phi Beta Kappa and its values.

We need Phi Beta Kappa members like you to present the books at the schools' award ceremonies. If you would like to volunteer, or would like additional information about the program, please call Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606 or e-mail her at [president@psa-pbk.org](mailto:president@psa-pbk.org).

## **The National Arts and Sciences Initiative: Charting a New Path Forward**

The Phi Beta Kappa Society is committed to the proactive support of a broad-based arts and sciences education through its National Arts and Sciences Initiative. To reach policymakers with a compelling story about the benefits of the arts and sciences, the national society formally launched the new multi-year campaign at a reception in Washington, D.C., on December 5, 2013.

Hosted by NPR science reporter Shankar Vedantam, the kickoff reception recognized  $\Phi$ BK members Senator Lamar Alexander of Tennessee and Representative Rush Holt of New Jersey with the 1776 Award for their instrumental leadership in advancing the arts and sciences. At the event, Secretary John Churchill announced that Phi Beta Kappa's efforts will focus on advancing three core messages:

- Access to the arts and sciences expands opportunity.
- An arts and sciences education drives ingenuity and innovation.
- An arts and sciences education is an investment in America.

To help members share these messages with their state legislators, Phi Beta Kappa created a new infographic. "*chArts & Sciences*" demonstrates the lifelong value of an arts and sciences education and is available for download or sharing at <http://pbk.org/charts&sciences>.

Phi Beta Kappa also unveiled the Key of Excellence Awards, a \$5,000 cash prize and regional event series designed to recognize exemplary programs that provide visibility for the real-world value of the arts and sciences. The society recognized Arizona State University's Project Humanities as the inaugural recipient at a reception in Tempe on February 15, 2014.  $\Phi$ BK is currently accepting nominations for organizations such as nonprofits, state agencies, colleges, and universities. To nominate a program, review the guidelines for the award and complete a brief form at <http://pbk.org/keyofexcellence>.

Interested in helping Phi Beta Kappa chart a new path forward for the arts and sciences? Please sign up for their monthly e-alert, *State of the Arts & Sciences*, at <http://pbk.org>.

## **Message from your president**

Spring is an exciting time for PSA-PBK, as we look forward to recognizing and supporting the liberal arts and academic excellence in our community. At our spring luncheon we will present three Pathfinders Awards to recipients who "encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach." We will award books to selected high school seniors in the 13 Puget Sound-area counties, and announce our undergraduate and graduate scholarships for 2014–2015. We will offer opportunities for you to meet other Phi Betes and attend intellectually stimulating events.

Thank you for your membership in PSA-PBK and your support of our programs. Your generous contributions support all of our scholarship and award programs.

Linda Willenberg

**Thank you to our donors**

The Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa gratefully acknowledges the following individuals for their generosity. Their contributions support our undergraduate and graduate scholarships, our High School Book Awards, our Pathfinder Awards, and speakers and events throughout the year.

The following donations were made from July 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014.

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(\$250 or more)**

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Jane Stiefel

## **Pathfinder Awards**

Each year at our spring luncheon we honor individuals, business, and institutions with our Pathfinder Award. The award reflects the imagery on the Phi Beta Kappa key: a hand pointing to the stars. It honors those who encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach.

These awards will be presented at our spring luncheon on May 15.

**Holly Arsenault and Teen Tix** for introducing thousands of teenagers to the performing arts. Teen Tix has facilitated the sale of over 40,000 arts tickets to teens. The day-of-show tickets to 45 arts organizations throughout the Puget Sound region cost only \$5 each.

**Pacific Science Center** has provided exceptional science, history, environmental, and cultural exhibits; summer camps; and educational programs for over 50 years. Programs are provided at the Pacific Science Center in Seattle and the Mercer Slough Environmental Center in Bellevue. Their Science on Wheels program travels throughout Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

**Bradley Smith** has led the orchestra program at Eckstein Middle School in Seattle for over a decade. Under his leadership, the program has won competitions nationwide. He has worked with colleagues and volunteers to organize musical summer camps, retreats, and trips to ensure that students at all levels have the opportunity to reach new heights of excellence.

## **Meet our new administrative assistant, Amy Davis**

Amy Davis joined PSA-PBK in November 2013 as our new administrative assistant. She is thrilled to be working for the organization and strongly resonates with its mission. Amy has spent the last 20 years working in higher education in various roles, including student advising, administrative management, and research. She is also a freelance copyeditor and a member of the Northwest Independent Editors Guild. She is a co-author of two recently published journal articles on the environment and health. Outside of work, Davis enjoys creative writing, exploring the natural world, folk music, and bird-watching. She volunteers for Seattle Audubon.

## **Your board of trustees and committee members**

Linda Willenberg, president; Benjamin Lukoff, vice president and electronic communications coordinator; Gerald Oppenheimer, secretary; Howard Johnson, treasurer; Tiffany Tran, assistant treasurer.

Other board members include Redmond Barnett, Aspasia Bartell, Vivian Chun, Judith Crutcher, Kate Gunsul, Joe Janes, Karrin Klotz, Christopher Lim, Myra Lupton, William Mari, Margaret Palmquest, Louise Richards, Amy Ryken, and Dennis Yamashita.

Other individuals who are not on the board of trustees but serve on committees are Greta Austin and Carol Lee Goodall.

**Burke Museum lecture by David Carballo, Ph.D.**

***In the Shadow of the Pyramids: Daily Life in the Tlajinga District, Teotihuacan, Mexico***

Friday, April 11, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.  
Burke Museum, University of Washington  
17<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.E. and N.E. 45<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle

Teotihuacan was the largest city in the Americas during its apogee in the first half of the first millennium A.D., and is remarkable for its monumental urban core, highly planned residential sectors, diverse economic activities, and multiethnic composition. This talk examines urbanism at the city and the social fabric of daily life, viewed particularly through recent investigations at a southern ward known as the Tlajinga District. Dr. Carballo’s presentation will touch on domestic economy, social status, and the processes of urban planning along the Street of the Dead.

Museum admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and free for University of Washington staff, faculty, and students with UW ID. Please arrive early and get your museum ticket at the admissions desk. Your ticket is valid for museum admission all day, in addition to attendance at the lecture. After the lecture, you may want to join other PSA-PBK members at a local restaurant. RSVP to Linda Willenberg at [president@psa-pbk.org](mailto:president@psa-pbk.org) or (425) 641-1606 if you plan to attend.



**COUPON**

**Fall Luncheon, May 15 (RSVP by May 8)**

Grilled lemon-herb chicken \_\_\_\_\_  
Portobello mushroom napoleon (vegetarian) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of attendees @ \$32 \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
I would like to pay for a Pathfinder Award winner at \$32 \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Spring luncheon**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **SAM Miró exhibit**  
**(\$22 adults, \$20 seniors, \$15 full-time students, \$5 SAM members and children under 12)**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Scholarship fund**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Stiefel graduate award**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Dues**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL**

**SAM Miró Exhibit, May 3 (RSVP by April 24)**

Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
SAM membership number(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**DUES (Please check mailing label to see if your dues have expired)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$30 Regular**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **\$60 Sustaining**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **\$100 Patron**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **\$250 Key**

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### **PSA-PBK membership survey**

PSA-PBK just concluded its second membership survey, following a successful survey conducted two years ago. In an effort to reach members who might not have easy Internet access, this year's survey was included in a separate mailing in addition to being available online. While the survey has just closed and the data are being analyzed, here are some preliminary results:

- 101 responses (78 in 2012)
- 19 paper responses, 82 online
- 67% are female, 33% male
- 47% are younger than 65
- 64% have been members for more than five years
- 39% prefer weekday daytime for programs, followed by 34% preferring weekend daytime
- 70% ranked "champions liberal education" as "important" or "most important" as a membership benefit

Thanks to all those who participated in the survey. The membership committee values the responses and comments. They will be used in designing and planning future programs and events.

### **Please keep in touch**

Please let us know if you have recently moved or changed your e-mail address, or have a new phone number. You can contact us at [membership@psa-pbk.org](mailto:membership@psa-pbk.org) or call PSA-PBK president Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606. Information about upcoming events and our scholarship and award programs is available on our website, <http://psa-pbk.org>, and you can also follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

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