



# The Key Connection

## News and Events

### Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa



#### Fall Luncheon: Jim Wilke: “Jazz: Way Back and Right Now!”

Wednesday, October 28, 11:45 a.m.  
Seattle Yacht Club  
1807 E. Hamlin Street, Seattle

Jazz is not something that happened back in the middle of the last century. Jim Wilke will provide a glimpse of jazz history (including Seattle’s), and bring us forward to the current jazz scene, talking about where to hear jazz now. Audience questions and participation are welcome.

Wilke is a radio veteran who was the host of *Jazz After Hours* on Public Radio International every weekend for 30 years, 1984 to 2014. The program was on stations from Hawaii to New York and internationally via the Internet. In addition to playing the latest CDs and jazz classics, his guests included many of the jazz world’s best-known artists. Jim still produces *Jazz Northwest*, a radio program featuring regional jazz artists heard on Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. on KPLU-FM 88.5. He is also a recording engineer and writer. *Jazz Northwest* often includes his location recordings.

Prior to devoting himself to jazz radio, Wilke was program director of classical music station KING-FM 98.1. He also taught at Cornish College and Bellevue College (formerly Bellevue Community College) and produced jazz festivals and concerts and live music broadcasts. He was inducted into the Seattle Jazz Hall of Fame in 1993, the first non-musician to receive the honor, and has received the Willis Conover–Marian McPartland Award for Jazz Broadcasting from the Jazz Journalists Association. He has regularly been named one of the top national jazz radio personalities in the *JazzTimes* Readers Poll and Critics Poll. He is a member of the Recording Academy and the Jazz Journalists Association.

The luncheon will take place on Wednesday, October 28, 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 a.m.; doors open at 11:30. The cost is \$35 per person (guests are welcome). Lunch entrée choices are herb turkey breast or Portobello mushroom napoleon (vegetarian). Please let us know about any special dietary requests.

Please make your reservation by October 23, using the attached coupon or at <http://psa-pbk.org>.

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**“Say Cheese” cheese tasting**

Sunday, October 4, 2 p.m.  
Whole Foods Market Interbay  
2001 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue W., Seattle

Have you ever wondered what countries produce the best cheeses? Are they all aged? What is the difference between milk and goat cheeses? Come and hear an expert from the Whole Foods cheese department and sample a number of delicious varieties.

Please join Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa members for a cheese tasting on Sunday, October 4 at 2 p.m. at Whole Foods' Interbay location in Seattle. The cost is \$15 per person. There is ample free parking in front of the store. Space is limited, so please make your reservation by September 30 using the attached coupon or at <http://psa-pbk.org>.

**Guided tour of Seattle Art Museum exhibition *Intimate Impressionism from the National Gallery of Art***

Sunday, November 8, 1:30 p.m.  
Seattle Art Museum  
1300 First Avenue, Seattle

You are invited to a private docent tour of this beloved collection from the National Gallery of Art. The exhibition will feature 68 intimately scaled paintings by Impressionist and Post-Impressionist masters. This is the first time this collection has gone on tour, and it is only because the East Wing will be closed for renovation. Advance reservations and payment are required and must be received by October 28.

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 RSVP using the attached coupon or online at <http://psa-pbk.org>. 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 Sunday, November 8, at 1:30 p.m. at the main ticketing area at the downtown Seattle Art Museum. The tour will begin at 1:45 p.m. For additional information, please see <http://seattleartmuseum.org>. Your admission ticket will be valid for the entire day. Please call Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606 or send her an e-mail at [lwillenberg@comcast.net](mailto:lwillenberg@comcast.net) if you have any questions.

**Phi Beta Kappa Triennial Council**

The Triennial Council is the legislative body of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, which convenes every three years to transact business for the Society as a whole. The council has the sole authority to charter new chapters and elect new members to the Phi Beta Kappa Senate. Delegates to the Triennial Council represent the society's 283 chapters and more than 50 chartered alumni associations.

The location of the Triennial Council rotates throughout the country in cities where there is both a chapter and association presence. The Phi Beta Kappa Society's 44<sup>th</sup> Triennial Council will be held in Denver, Colorado, from October 8–10, 2015. The council will be voting on whether to charter new chapters at three universities — Houston University, Mercer University (Macon, Georgia, and other locations), and Oregon State University.

PSA-PBK president Linda Willenberg and board member Phyllis Becker Williams will represent PSA-PBK.

### **UPS Phi Beta Kappa Magee Address**

Justin Tiehen, Associate Professor of Philosophy: “A Theory of Everything That Exists in the World”

Wednesday, October 28, 4 p.m.  
Trimble Forum  
University of Puget Sound Campus, Tacoma

Philosophers have long sought a unified theory of everything. Consider Thales, the first Western philosopher, who thought everything that exists is ultimately made of water. Today a more common view is physicalism, the thesis that everything that exists is ultimately physical — that is, made up of the sort of entities described by the science of physics. My talk will examine the prospects of physicalism, focusing especially on potential problems for the view that arise in connection with attempts to provide physicalistic explanations of consciousness, of normativity (including morality), and of absences (things that don’t happen).

### **Undergraduate scholarships awarded for the fiscal year 2015–2016**

Thanks to your donations and dues payments, the association was able to award scholarships of \$2,000 each to the following five University of Washington and University of Puget Sound undergraduate students with financial needs: Sierra Danielle Boyce (UW, psychology), Allison Kuo (UW, biochemistry; medical anthropology and global health), Michelle Leibbrand (UW, early childhood and family studies), Kyle Reinke (UPS, biochemistry; German), and Maggie Zach (UPS, Business Leadership Program).

Because her essay was judged by the committee the most outstanding, Sierra Danielle Boyce was named the Ellsworth C. Alvord, Jr. Scholar for the academic year 2016, which entitles her to receive an additional \$400. The late Dr. Alvord, a member of PSA-PBK, was an outstanding physician, scientist, philanthropist, and humanitarian who dedicated his life to medical research and support of the local arts and sciences.

We wish all of them great success in their future academic endeavors.

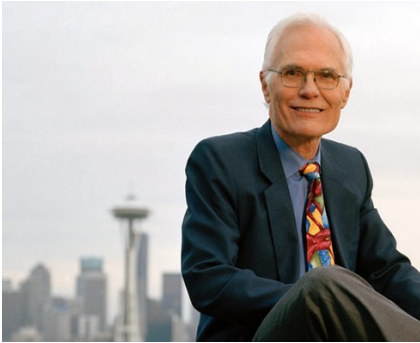
### **Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award**

Geneva R. Pritchett has been awarded the Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award for the 2015–2016 academic year. The award honors Ernest Stiefel, long-time PSA-PBK board member and treasurer. She will use the \$4,500 award to study occupational therapy at the University of Washington.

Pritchett majored in psychology and graduated from the UW in 2013. She was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa the same year. Despite an extremely long commute, she found time as an undergraduate to volunteer at the UW Behavior Research and Therapy Clinics, Seattle Children’s Hospital’s Rehabilitation Medicine Department, the Boyer Children’s Clinic, and Martha and Mary Rehab. These experiences helped her to articulate her career aspirations. After graduating from the UW, she has worked as an applied behavior analysis therapist with children on the autism spectrum, implementing personalized programs to help the children achieve social, academic, and motor goals. She chose occupational therapy in order to serve a broad population of patients. Our warmest congratulations to her for her many accomplishments!

### **Thank you, Dorsey & Whitney, LLP**

The board of trustees of the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa would like to thank Dorsey & Whitney, LLP, for graciously hosting our monthly board meetings. We appreciate your generosity and hospitality.



### **Humanities Achievement Award**

2015 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) and the National Endowment of the Humanities (NEH). In recognition of these anniversaries, the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa established its Humanities Achievement Award to honor individuals or organizations who have contributed substantially to the humanities. Speight Jenkins, who served as the general director of the Seattle Opera for 31 years, was presented the inaugural award in May 2015. He was dedicated to advancing the cultural life of the Pacific Northwest through education and opera performance.

Nominations for the Humanities Achievement Award are welcome. Nominees whose work has been done in one of these fields will be considered: arts (visual and performing), comparative religion, history, jurisprudence, languages (ancient and modern), literature, philosophy, and elements of humanistic work in the social sciences.

A nomination should include your name, phone number, and e-mail address, as well as the nominee's. Please include also a statement up to 500 words in length in support of your nomination. Your statement may include links to articles, websites, YouTube videos, etc., which provide evidence of the nominee's work on behalf of the humanities. Send by mail to Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa, P.O. Box 15258, Seattle, WA 98115, or to [humanities@psa-pbk.org](mailto:humanities@psa-pbk.org). For more information about the Humanities Achievement Award, see our website, <http://psa-pbk.org>.

### **Submit your nominations for our 2016 Pathfinder Awards**

Our PSA-PBK Pathfinder Award reflects the imagery on the Phi Beta Kappa key – a hand pointing to the stars. It is awarded at our spring luncheon to individuals, businesses, and organizations who encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach. Most of all, it recognizes those who engage in the process of unfolding the unknown, aware that the consequences of the journey itself are truly beyond imagination. A list of previous Pathfinder Award recipients can be found on our website, <http://psa-pbk.org>.

Do you know an individual, business, or organization that you believe should be considered for our 2016 Pathfinder Awards? Nomination forms are available on our website. If you have any questions or would like a nomination form mailed to you, please call Linda Willenberg at (425) 641-1606 or e-mail her at [president@psa-pbk.org](mailto:president@psa-pbk.org). Nominations should be submitted by January 1, 2016.

### **Message from your president, Linda Willenberg**

PSA-PBK adheres to the Phi Beta Kappa core values of knowledge, wisdom, intellectual honesty, broad interests, trust, integrity, and responsibility. In support of these values, our mission is the promotion of culture, public education, and academic scholarship emphasizing education in the liberal arts and inspiring a strong sense of values, ethics, and civic engagement.

Thank you for your membership in PSA-PBK. Your dues and contributions support our undergraduate and graduate scholarships, award programs, and speaker honorariums. We welcome your recommendations for member activities. If you would like to recommend an event, speaker, or venue for an event, please contact us at [activities@psa-pbk.org](mailto:activities@psa-pbk.org) or call me at (425) 641-1606.

Membership in PSA-PBK is open to all Phi Beta Kappa members who live in the Puget Sound area. Do you have friends, colleagues, or family members who are Phi Betes and have not yet joined PSA-PBK? Please invite them to become members. We offer three years' free membership for all new PBK initiates. Our dues for regular members are modest. We also welcome contributions to our scholarship funds.

*PSA-PBK is a 501(c)3 organization, and as such, your contributions are tax-deductible as permitted by law.*

**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 Humanities Achievement Award, our Pathfinder Awards, and speakers and events throughout the year.

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**Meet your new PSA-PBK board members**

**Edward B. Perrin, Ph.D.**

Dr. Edward Perrin, a graduate of Middlebury College (Phi Beta Kappa, 1952; B.A. [mathematics], 1953) and Fulbright Scholar (Edinburgh, 1953–54), received an M.A. in mathematical statistics from Columbia University in 1956 and a PhD in biostatistics from Stanford University in 1961. He joined the faculty of the University of Washington in 1962 as an assistant professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine, School of Medicine, and in 1970 was the founding chair of the Department of Biostatistics, School of Public Health and Community Medicine. He served as director of the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics from 1972 to 1975 and was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 1974. He returned to Seattle in 1975 as the director of the Health and Population Study Center of the Battelle Human Affairs Research Centers. In 1983 he was named chair of the University of Washington's Department of Health Services, School of Public Health, serving in that capacity until 1994. He retired from the university as a professor emeritus in 1998.

Dr. Perrin's main professional interest has been in the development, teaching, and application of methods of inductive inference (e.g., statistical theory and practice) for the improvement of healthcare, health services delivery, and the health of the public. He has served as a member of governing boards and committees of a number of not-for-profit and public organizations, for example, the Committee on National Statistics of the National Academy of Sciences, the Science Advisory Board of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, and the founding board of the Washington State Academy of Science, and as president of the Association for Health Services Research, and, most recently, president of the University of Washington Retirement Association. He currently resides, with his wife Carol, in the Mirabella Retirement Community in South Lake Union, Seattle.

**Doris J. Stiefel, D.D.S., M.S.**

Dr. Doris Stiefel was born in Germany, spent the World War II years in England, and in 1948 came with her parents to Seattle to join family. In 1954 she received a D.D.S. degree from the School of Dentistry, University of Washington, the first woman to graduate from the school, and in 1971, an M.S. degree in oral biology. She joined the faculty and for 19 years directed the school's program of Dental Education in Care of Persons with Disabilities (DECOD). Academic honors include Phi Beta Kappa (UW, 1952), Omicron Kappa Upsilon (UW, 1954), and Distinguished Alumna Award, UW Dental Alumni Association (2003).

Dr. Stiefel has served on the boards of various community and professional organizations. She and her late husband, Ernie Stiefel, were blessed with three children and six grandchildren.

**Alpha Chapter, University of Washington**

During the 2014–15 academic year, Alpha Chapter invited 372 students to become members of the society. At its annual June initiation ceremony, held June 10 in Kane Hall, many friends and family members attended to witness the initiation of students into the society. The ceremony was preceded by the traditional procession across Red Square from the Gerberding Hall bell tower, where the Phi Beta Kappa key is represented carved in stone four times on the tower, symbolizing the university’s commitment to excellence. Change-bell ringers led by Rebecca Woodgate pealed the Gordon Stuart Peek memorial bells as the initiates marched across the square to the ceremony. The featured speaker at this year’s initiation was Professor Resat Kasaba, director of the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, who offered the students various options for seeing the world from a global perspective, even — with reference to the Middle East — as it appears to crumble. It was altogether an inspiring evening with many proud students, parents, siblings, and friends celebrating this important milestone in their lives.

Earlier in the spring, about 30 Phi Beta Kappa students enjoyed pizza and pop with University of Washington Interim President Ana Mari Cauce. It was a chance for them to engage in discussion with her on a wide range of topics and to ask her whatever was on their minds that day. President Cauce greatly enjoyed the interaction, which went overtime, and the students were very impressed and valued the opportunity to talk so candidly to the president.

Information School Professor Joe Janes and PBK Senator and Professor of Asian Languages and Literature Zev Handel will be representing the chapter at the society’s Triennial Council this fall in Denver.

**COUPON**



**Fall Luncheon, October 28  
(RSVP by October 23)**

Herb turkey breast \_\_\_\_\_  
Portobello mushroom napoleon (vegetarian) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of attendees @ \$35 \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to pay for a scholarship award  
winner @ \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

**Cheese Tasting, October 4 (RSVP by Sept. 30)**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**SAM Tour, November 8 (RSVP by October 28)**

Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_  
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\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Fall luncheon (\$35)**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Cheese tasting (\$15)**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **SAM Tour**  
**(\$22 adults, \$20 seniors, \$15 full-time students,  
\$5 SAM members and children under 12)**  
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## **High School Book Awards**

This spring, PSA-PBK awarded 100 personally inscribed books to outstanding graduating seniors in participating high schools in the Puget Sound area. 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 our core values of knowledge, wisdom, intellectual honesty, broad interests, trust, integrity, and responsibility. Principals, faculty, and counselors at the participating high schools select the graduating seniors who best exemplify the values of Phi Beta Kappa. The book we selected this year was *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown.

## **Please keep in touch**

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