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# Institute of Lifetime Learning

Sarasota, Florida

The following minutes had been prepared before word of the death of Del Fox had been received. They are presented in the form originally written. They are mailed to you - as they will be received - with a sense of the infinite loss SILL and the community have sustained. Del's participation in the January 10 meeting will always be remembered by all who were present.

## Minutes of January 10, 1984 Board Meeting

Present: Marguerite Allen, Stuart Allen, Pearl Aronson, Frances Bourne, Lee Cohn, Evelyn Duvall, Ray Ellis, Del Fox, Fern Long, Bob Luke, George Petrie, Dorothy Simpson, John Stalmaker, Rose Shulman, presiding.

The meeting was called to order by the chairperson at 7:30 pm at Plymouth Harbor.

The president opened the meeting with a prayer in memory of board member Margaret Ratz.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as mailed.

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

### Tax and fiscal matters:

1. Stuart Allen reported that SILL had applied for and received a federal tax Identification Number. (#59-2344325).
2. The president reported that Harry Major has volunteered to complete for SILL when it is received IRS tax form # 990 required of non-profit organizations.
3. It was moved and seconded that the fiscal year of SILL be established as May 1 through April 30.
4. Evelyn Duvall suggested that SILL apply for a Florida Tax Exempt Certificate. Mr. Allen will follow through.
5. Mr. Allen was authorized to transfer further funds from the checking account to a Certificate of Deposit.

Nomenclature: Following some discussion as to whether SILL offered "seminars" or a "lecture series", Dr. Duvall recommended that the following terminology be used to identify SILL events.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Designation</u>
The presentation of any given morning	a session
A series of six lectures	a series
The total program for the year	the season program

Further action and discussion were postponed until a future date.

Board Membership: At Bob Luke's request, his resignation from the board effective with the final board meeting of the 1983-84 season was accepted with regret.

Audience Participation: Discussion of the paper on Audience Participation: Options available, first introduced at the September meeting, was resumed. Bob Luke received consent from the members present to report in the minutes the following:

1. He would be available to meet with moderators of SILL series who might wish to further explore the audience participation techniques - and hopefully invent others - discussed in the September paper.
2. Sometime before the end of the current season he would prepare for the information of the board a paper on Asking and Answering Questions.

Registrar's Report: Lee Cohen provided the following comparative enrollment statistics as of the first four days enrollment and attendance for 1983 and 1984.

	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>
Season Passes	217	179
Series passes	51	37
Attendance	995	796

On Jan. 9th a new attendance record for any single session of 370 was set at the lecture presented by Rabbi Shulman. Lee has arranged for daily transportation through a friend.

Publicity: The president reported on behalf of Chet Williams and Ted Jaekel that radio and television coverage would not be available this year as it has in former years. Del Fox reported that SILL events are frequently reported as news on her tri-weekly radio program.

Round-up: Del Fox, John Stalnaker, George Petrie, and Frances Bourne reported that their series were off and running without any major difficulties encountered. The problem of proper stage lighting persists. Mrs. Cohn suggested that Junius Allen contact Mr. Petlock of the Asolo Theater and request that at some convenient time he observe one of the sessions and offer such technical advice as he might consider helpful. Mr. Petrie concurred and expressed his hope that this would be done.

Fall Series: Two independent Great Decisions groups are operating as SILL spin-offs. Rose Shulman announced that she will not be responsible for any of the fall discussion series.

P.O. is O.K. Rose Shulman reported that she had received a notice from the Post Office advising her that SILL owed \$80.00 for mistakes made in mailing the SILL announcements (various infractions involving rubber bands, zip codes, packaging, etc.). But all was forgiven! After she and Rabbi Shulman visited the Post Office they were advised that the \$80.00 penalty would be forgotten if the mistakes were corrected. They left with the mailing in perfect order, the \$80.00 still in Rose's pocket, a printed statement of the applicable Rules and Regulations, the acquaintanceship of a nice man with an unpronounceable last name and - crowning glory - rewarded with the knowledge that one of the alleged mistakes was not SILL's but the P.O.'s. Moral: All's well that ends well.

February Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, the 14th at Plymouth Harbor, 6th floor Community Room at 7:30. Please mark it on your calendar.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert Luke*

Robert Luke, Asst. Rec. Sec.

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If you should receive this before the 26th of Jan. please note that the meeting which we are co-sponsoring at the Red Cross Bldg on January 26th will feature Alfred Puhon who will discuss "The Soviets: Confrontation or Co-existence." He is former U.S. Ambassador to Hungary.



# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

## MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 1984 BOARD MEETING

**PRESENT:** Norman Shaw, Stuart Allen, Grace Major, Evelyn Duvall, Lee Cohen, Edward Conlon, Ray Ellis, Fern Long, George Petrie, Dorothy Simpson, John Stal-naker, Rose Walker, Rose Shulman, Marguerite Allen, Rollin Posey, Pearl Aronson.

**DEL FOX:** Rose Shulman read the letter she sent to the family of Del Fox. It is on record, in memoriam.

**MINUTES:** The minutes were amended with the addition of Rose Walker's name which had been omitted. The majority of the board members want to continue to receive copies of the monthly meetings' minutes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** There was a correction on the report over last month. The \$1000 that was borrowed from the savings has been returned. The Plaza Theater rental is paid through March. The application for a Florida tax-exempt status requires an answer to the question of now, if the organization should be disbanded, would any remaining funds be disbursed. Norman Shaw is familiar with the approved wording and will bring it to the next meeting. The report was filed for audit.

**REGISTRAR:** Lee Cohen reported on a comparison of the issuance of season passes for the past three years: 1982 -- 239; 1983 -- 328; 1984 -- 315, to date. Based upon her records, John Stalnaker compiled a comparison table, by dates and subjects, as closely as possible; Monday, RELIGION -- 1983 -- 1842; 1984 -- 1221. Tuesday, FICTION -- 1983 -- 1495; COMPUTER -- 1984 -- 443. Wednesday, MUSIC -- 1983 -- 990; 1984 -- 1132. Thursday, INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES -- 1984 -- 1222; LAW -- 1983 -- 1100. The Venice figures were not available. Total attendance for the first four seminars: 1983 -- 5427; 1984 -- 4018.

**FACILITATORS:** Marty Petlock, lighting technician at the Asolo Theater, came to the theater to advise upon how to light the speakers' faces. He suggested new spot lights to be fastened to the front side walls. A note of thanks was sent to him, and his advice will be considered at a later date.

The Board authorized a payment of mileage to Lee Akers and Ben Wedner, who are taking Sam Magill's place.

**REPLACEMENT:** Ray Ellis will moderate the seminar, PATHWAYS TO PEACE, to substitute for Art Lanckton, for health considerations. We hope that Art will soon be back in full health and up to his usual enthusiastic, excellent efforts. Rollin Posey announced that the speaker for BONDS will be William Read.

**TOWN MEETING:** Ray Ellis read Art's report on the Jan. 26th Town Meeting we sponsored with the League of Women Voters and the County School Board. Ninety-seven people attended and 61 filled out an evaluation sheet, which indicated that they would like more meetings such as this one on nuclear armaments.

**FIRST SERIES REPORTS:** MUSIC -- Don Morrison well liked. A music series recommended for next year. INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES -- Very well attended. RELIGION -- Less well attended this year than when Rabbi Shulman gave the whole series. COMPUTERS -- Not well attended, so we should consider more appealing titles, not only for this, but for other series.

**VENICE and BRADENTON:** Frances Bourne reported that about 125 people attended each of the Venice sessions. She hopes to get the Community Center to agree to Friday meetings next year, if possible.

Richard Redfern, who led the fall discussion on the English language, lives in Bradenton and is interested in having a series on music there in the Public Library, starting on January 18, 1985.

BROCHURES: The Board was asked to think about a new, more easily read arrangement for the 1985 brochure, based on the days of the week, and the weeks ad seriatum. Out of town seminars should be given separately to avoid any confusion as to where they are being held.

GIFT: A gift of a clip board is to be given to Betty Hall, who drives Lee Cohen to the Plaza Theater.

DISCUSSION GROUPS: Following up on SILL's fall program, Dr. Sylvanus Duvall is conducting a very well attended series of six discussions on CHRISTIANITY AND ITS ALTERNATIVES, at Plymouth Harbor.

MARCH BOARD MEETING: BACK ON TRACK!!!!!! TUESDAY, MARCH 6th at 9:30 A. M. at Plymouth Harbor in the sixth floor community room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

*Grace Major*  
Grace Major, Rec. Sec.



# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

## MINUTES OF THE MARCH 6, 1984 BOARD MEETING

**Present:** Norman Shaw, Stuart Allen, Grace Major, Pearl Aronson, Evelyn Duvall, Lee Cohen, Junius Allen, Frances Bourne, Arthur Lanckton, Robert Luke, George Petrie, Dorothy Simpson, John Stalnaker, Rose Walker, Marguerite Allen, Rollin Posey, Rose Shulman

**Minutes:** The minutes were amended to add "The letter from the IRS verifying SILL's non-profit status is on file at the local post office's bulk mailing department." A copy is on file with the treasurer of SILL.

**Treasurer:** The transfer of \$1000 in the December report was explained. Because it was needed for current expenses, it was taken from the savings account, but it was returned in January. A suggestion was made to change the category of "refreshments" to "volunteer appreciation." The report was read, discussed and filed for audit.

Norman Shaw brought to the meeting the wording used by other non-profit organizations which have filed with the Florida State Department of Revenue for tax-exempt status. The paragraph provided for the disbursement of funds, in case of dissolution, to other non-profit bodies. It was moved and carried that we adopt the same wording in the application which the Treasurer has been authorized to fill out.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Letters of thanks have been sent to Dr. Donald Morrison and to Miss Margaret Allan for their participation in our music series. One was also sent to Marty Petlock of the Asolo Theater for advising us on a better way to light the faces of our speakers.

**Gifts:** Evelyn Duvall presented gifts of pens with the wording, "With appreciation of the Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning" to all the Board members. A motion to give checks of \$25 to speakers in place of a gift and mileage was defeated. Evelyn was asked to continue her quest of suitable gifts for next year.

**Registrar:** The attendance at the second series of seminars:  
Pathways to Peace -- Feb. 15, 251; Feb. 22, 147; Feb. 29, 170  
Continuing Dilemmas -- Feb. 20, 68; Feb. 27, 65; Mar. 5, 107  
Managing Personal Resources -- Feb. 16, 116; Feb. 23, 115; Mar. 1, 102  
The Flowering of New England -- Feb. 21, 148; Feb. 28, 160.  
Lee Cohen recommended that we order the same number of brochures for next year as we had this year.

**Brochures:** John Stalnaker proposed a new form for future brochures which would be calendar-oriented instead of subject-centered. The days of the week would be across the horizontal top line and the date starting each week would be listed along the vertical left-hand side of the sheet. The seminar for each day of each week would appear in the space where the vertical and the horizontal would intersect. There was no action, pending evaluation by Ted Jaeckel, to whom a copy was to be forwarded. With this plan, Venice and Bradenton would be in the Friday column.

**Seminar Reports:** Venice -- Frances Bourne asked for a block number of season passes for next year, inasmuch as the present plan created some confusion about when and where seminars were being held on a given day and whether the passes were good for all sessions, which they are. She asked that this be made clear in the next brochure.

The Venice newspapers had given good publicity to the series and the Community Center had been most cooperative. It was voted to contribute \$150 to the Center in appreciation.

Pathways to Peace -- Arthur Lanckton said that he expended great effort to find excellent people for his series and he was pleased with the response. He hoped that in the future ways might be found to attract more local people who might be available in this field.

Continuing Dilemmas -- Junius Allen said he felt that the seminar was successful but the attendance was disappointing. He suggested that a more appealing phrasing of the topics might have better results.

Information Technology and Society -- George Petrie suggested cultivating more local people for speakers and trying to work out ways of getting the audience more involved.

Since the Board meeting took place at the same time as the session on The Flowering of New England, there was no report from Fern Long.

Publicity: On the question of whether the annual ad which cost over \$400 should be repeated next year, Norman Shaw felt that it had great value and we should run one, even though the best publicity was the weekly article in the Sunday Tribune, with pictures when possible. He has been very successful with these. However, he was not in favor of sending weekly releases to local weekly papers. He doubted that attendance would increase from that source.

Rose Walker hoped that we would not get lost in just emphasizing numbers. Pearl Aronson felt that taking the microphone to the participants in the audience was a good idea.

Nominating Committee: Rollin Posey, Chairman, moved the election of the following:

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| Pres. -- George Petrie      | <u>Board Members for 1984-87</u>   |
| Vice-Pres. -- Fern Long     | Re-nominated -- Theodore Jaeckel   |
| Treasurer -- Stuart Allen   | " Dorothy Simpson                  |
| Rec. Sec. -- Rose Shulman   | " Arthur Lanckton                  |
| Corr. Sec. -- Pearl Aronson | New nominations -- Samuel B. Gould |
|                             | Joan Hopkins                       |
|                             | Dale Dennis                        |
|                             | Robert Benedetti                   |

Since there were no further nominations, this slate was elected to take office at the April meeting.

APRIL BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 3rd, at 9:30 A. M. at Plymouth Harbor, sixth floor Community Room.

The meeting was adjourned by motion at 11:05 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Grace Major*  
Grace Major, Rec. Sec.



# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING -- May 1, 1984

Minutes -- There were four corrections: (1) Under "Committees for Next Season", after "He hoped that", add "Ted Jaeckel would be the Chairman and that"; (2) change the letter "a" at the end of the word "dramatista" to "s", under the heading "Winter Series"; (3) delete "Galileo" on p. 2, under "Gould"; and (4) delete the apostrophe after "Sylvanus" and add "Duvall's". The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer -- Stuart Allen presented a comprehensive annual report that showed a slight drop in total attendance and in revenue, with higher expenditures. The bank balance is \$9,450. The report was filed for audit.

Univ. of So. Fla. Contribution -- It was decided to give \$1,000 to U.S.F. for community adult education purposes, in a format of their choice. With the construction of new buildings, it was expected that more space would be available for this purpose. The money might possibly be used for scholarships for mature applicants or for something special in the library.

Past Presidents' Listings -- Marguerite Allen proposed that years or parts of years served by Past Presidents should be listed in the brochure. It was moved and carried that only those who are active should be listed, and only among the other board members, not listed separately.

Fall Series -- SILL is not sponsoring any fall discussion groups. However, the Board authorized George Petrie to send out the letters he proposed, apprising our members of other programs available in the fall. The mailing would include a bibliography related to our winter seminars. Dorothy Simpson is to be consulted about the mailing list.

Fall Board Meeting -- The first fall meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 11th, 1984, at 9:30 A. M. at the 6th floor Community Room of Plymouth Harbor.

Winter Series -- The preliminary report of the program committee was distributed to the Board.

Venice -- Frances Bourne reported that she has been promised the use of the Venice Community Center for the following Fridays in 1985: Jan. 4, 11, and 18, and Feb. 8, 15, and 22. From the evaluation of last year's program, she concluded that half of those who attended want foreign relations and current events, and the other half want other subjects. To avoid duplication in the community, she needs to clear subjects with Milton Chase, who runs a series at the Venice Jewish Center, which offers Tuesday evening lectures free to the public.

Bradenton -- Richard Redfern, who is planning a music series for SILL in Bradenton, was invited to the program committee meeting. He reported that his series would start on January 17th, a Thursday, not Friday, as previously reported.

International Challenges and World Trouble Spots -- It was agreed that these two series should follow each other on Wednesdays. Art Lanckton and his wife are planning to move to St. Pete this fall, so he will not be available as a Moderator. However, until he leaves, he would work to help structure these programs along with Ned Conlon, Al Skelly, and Sam Gould.

There was a discussion about how deeply it is possible to go into subjects within our time frame, and how far our membership really wants to go into the various subjects. Sam Gould tried to

get clarification as to just what our philosophy is. People need to know more and become more intelligent about smaller areas rather than continue to get a general treatment, which still left them poorly informed.

Rollin Posey felt that the goal should be a better understanding rather than detailed knowledge about a small area.

Al Skelly made the point that we do not offer classes where subjects might be examined in great length, but we take people from where they are.

Art Lanckton reminded the Board that we operate within many limitations, among them being the availability of six speakers on any one area.

Sam said that Rollin's suggestion about going from the specific to the general might be the way to go for us.

George pointed out that another limitation is that of time. If we experiment with a discussion session after the question period, we would have to have a recess between. Ten o'clock seems to be the best starting time, in general, so any experiment would be so based. We are not handicapped by any specific time limit set by the theater within the morning hours.

Music -- George Petrie reported that this is an important year in music, it being the tercentenary of a few famous composers. The opera society is going to present a new opera. A music series is to be planned definitely, based upon the report of the committee designated in the minutes of April 3rd. Mrs. Petrie might moderate. (Tuesdays in 1st series)

Post-Election Prospects -- Rollin Posey suggested six sessions for this series: (1) Old Age Security; (2) Other Social Problems; (3) Relations With Russia; (4) Relations With China; (5) National Defense; and (6) Inflation and the Deficit. It is planned for Thursdays in the 1st series.

Literature -- Fern Long proposed three possible series in her field, the first of which was accepted. It is to be entitled THE GOLDEN DAY, A Review of American Literature, 1865-1915, and includes (1) Search for a Perfect Society - Looking Backward and Looking Forward, by Dr. Schiffman; (2) The Poets: Walt Whitman and Emily Dickinson, by Dr. Dykstra; (3) Henry Adams and the Zeitgeist, by Dr. Moseley; (4) The Phenomenon of American Humor: Mark Twain, (5) Fiction of the Frontier: Bret Harte; and (6) The Novelists: William Dean Howells; Henry James; Edith Wharton, by either Dr. Borden or Fern Long. The speakers will be asked to take a look at the possible influence of these authors upon today's writers. This series may be slated for Mondays in the second period.

Ideas That Shape the World -- Sam Gould was asked to explore this subject and report back on a possible series. This will be on Thurs., 2nd series.

Religion -- Rabbi Shulman will capsule his book, THE RELIGIOUS HERITAGE OF AMERICA, slated for Monday of the first series.

Science and Tomorrow's World -- John Stalnaker was asked to outline this series, with the thought that he would moderate it. Tues., 2nd series. This might include such subjects as genetics, space, robotics, medicine astronomy and computers.

The Program Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 15th, at 9:30 A. M. at Plymouth Harbor in the 6th floor community room.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rose Shulman*



# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING -- April 3, 1984

Present: George Petrie, Fern Long, Stuart Allen, Pearl Aronson, Rose Shulman, Norman Shaw, Robert Benedetti, Grace Major, Evelyn Duvall, Junius Allen, Frances Bourne, Edward Conlon, Ray Ellis, Joan Hopkins, Sam Gould, Ted Jaeckel, Arthur Lanckton, Robert Luke, Dorothy Simpson, John Stalnaker, Rose Walker, Marguerite Allen, Rollin Posey and Alvin Skelly

Rec. Sec.:-- The phrase , "in addition to" be substituted for "instead of" in describing a suggestion for next year's brochures, as submitted by John Stalnaker, in the minutes of March 6th.

Treasurer: The month of March was about even in receipts and expenditures.

Nominating Committee: Rollin Posey, Chairman, proposed the name of Alvin Skelly to fill the unexpired term of Sam Magill, 1984-85. He was duly elected and invited in to the meeting.

Registrar: In the absence of Lee Cohen, it was decided that letters of thanks should go to the staff of the Registrar and that there should be a special luncheon tendered to her and her staff when she gets well.

Committees for next Season: George Petrie asked for volunteers to help him in making appointments to various committees. He hoped that <sup>Ted Jaeckel would be chairman and that</sup> Rollin Posey would serve on the Nominating Committee; that John Stalnaker would head a Committee on Future Planning; that we should have a committee that would collect data on other Adult Education activities in the city so that we would not conflict or duplicate.

Review of 1984 Seminars: Pathways to Peace -- Ray and Art were pleased; good speakers and good attendance.

Managing Personal Resources -- Rollin was hoping for a better response, since he found his series most interesting,

Continuing Dilemmas -- Junius felt that the subject matter was excellent, but maybe the titles could be more attractively worded, and might attract more people.

Flowering of New England -- Excellent subject matter and speakers. Thanks are due to New College. Fairly good attendance.

Attendance always diminishes in the month of March, so the moderators should consider that.

Fall Series: George raised the question of whether we should do a fall series. Our subjects have been copied by organizations, so if we do have a series we should not repeat the computer series. Dr. Duvall's was so good that he had a follow-up series, as did Alvin Skelly with "Great Decisions". He has another scheduled for 1985 under individual initiative. Art and Ray had enthusiastic responses, but would not do the same again.

Winter Series: The Venice series will be held on Fridays at the Community Center, and the Bradenton series will be held at the Library, also on Fridays.

Several suggestions were made for subjects: Post-Election Trends, an Art series in cooperation with the Ringling School of Art; a series on great dramatists; one on music of a different format than the last three years.

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:53 A.M. and was followed by a meeting of volunteers interested in selecting next year's program. Present were George Petrie, Evelyn Duvall, Alvin Skelly, Grace Major, Rollin Posey, Art Lanckton, Ray Ellis, Sam Gould, Ted Jaeckel, Joan Hopkins, Fern Long, Robert Benedetti, Rose Shulman and Ned Conlon.

Ted Jaeckel reported on the result of his compilation of the questionnaires answered by about 40 fewer people than last year. International affairs, history and government were most popular; music and literature were next; religion and technology and art were in the lower third.

Brief mention was made of a possible fall series, <sup>Duwall's</sup> including the fact that there will be some residual activity in Dr. Sylvanus' "Social Philosophers" sessions at Plymouth Harbor; Ned Conlon's "Great Decisions" at Lake House; Al Skelly's possible group at the Library on "Great Decisions."

Suggestions were made as follows with comments from others on the committee:

Skelly -- MUSIC: Jazz, Blues, Country Western, Folk, Rock, etc.

Long -- LITERATURE: A continuation, chronologically, of last year to include such authors as James, Dickinson, Dreiser, Cather, etc. Benedetti suggested as an overall subject THE GOLDEN DAY. Others mentioned a series on dramatists, satirists, etc.

Gould -- 19th and 20th Century Seminal Thinkers, like Einstein, Freud, Galileo, Marx, Darwin.  
"History of Oil" also a possibility

Conlon -- Would be responsible for a repeat of last year, INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES.

Hopkins -- History of the Tampa Bay Area -- Ybor City, Bradenton to be included.

Jaeckel -- Expand on Dr. Gould's suggestions. TERRORISM -- WHO? WHAT? WHERE?

Lanckton -- Endorsed Dr. Gould's suggestions and suggested the Persian Gulf.

Ellis -- U. S. RUSSIAN-RELATIONSHIP. Much is about to happen in this area.

The Chairman, George Petrie, set a second meeting of this group for Tuesday, April 24th at 9:30 A. M., at Plymouth Harbor, 6th floor Community Room.

The concluding Board meeting of the year will take place on Tuesday morning, May 1st, at 9:30 A. M. at the 6th floor Community Room at Plymouth Harbor.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rose Shulman*

Rec. Sec.



# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

NEXT BOARD MEETING - TUESDAY, OCT. 2nd, 9:30 A.M. at the 6th COLONY ROOM, PLYMOUTH HARBOR

## Minutes of Board Meeting - Sept. 11, 1984

Present: George Petrie, Fern Long, Stuart Allen, Pearl Aronson, Evelyn Duvall, Lee Cohen, Norman Shaw, Junius Allen, Frances Bourne, Robert Benedetti, Ned Conlon, Dale Dennis, Sam Gould, Joan Hopkins, Dorothy Simpson, Al Skelly, John Stalnaker, Marguerite Allen, Rollin Posey and Rose Shulman.

Minutes: The minutes of May 1, 1984 were corrected to change the name of "6th floor Community Room" to "6th floor Colony Room" and they were accepted as amended.

Treasurer: Stuart Allen reported that Harry Major had audited the records and found them in good order. The Institute is grateful to both of them. The balance as of the end of August, 1984 is \$2,443.96 with a C.D. of \$6,098.33.

Corr. Sec.: Pearl Aronson read a letter from Dean Robert Barylski of the U.S.F. of Sarasota, informing us that he had put our \$1,000 contribution into the Endowment Fund for the new library.

Resignation: Art Lanckton resigned from the board because he was accepted into the Academy of Senior Professionals at Eckerd College and has moved to St. Pete. His resignation was accepted with regret, and also with appreciation for all he has done for the Institute.

Nominating Committee: According to our By-Laws, a Nominating Committee was appointed to serve for the year, with Chairman Ted Jaeckel, Joan Hopkins, Ned Conlon, Rollin Posey and Lee Cohen.

Board Meetings: Please note! Tuesday, November 6th; Tuesday, Dec. 4th; Thursday, Jan. 3rd; NO MEETING in February; Friday, March 8th; Tuesday, April 2nd; Tuesday, May 7th.

Fall Program: The two GREAT DECISIONS groups, one at Lake House under Ned Conlon, and the other at the Selby Library under Al Skelly, are over-subscribed. It was decided not to circularize all of our fall subscribers from last year. Because Dr. Sylvanus Duvall's series on ANTI-SEMITISM AND AMERICAN DEMOCRACY, which begins on Oct. 3rd, does not yet have its full quota, notification will be sent to those who attended his course last year. Norman Shaw will arrange for publicity after it is determined to what extent the National Conference of Christians and Jews plans to participate. George Petrie, Dorothy Simpson, Evelyn Duvall and Lee Cohen will determine what the Institute should do to help.

Venice: Frances Bourne reported that she is working on starting a Great Decisions group in Venice. She is also exploring subjects such as THE NEW TECHNOLOGY, EDUCATION, U.S.-RUSSIA RELATIONS, HISTORY OF SARASOTA, PEACE AND SECURITY, and CHURCH AND STATE for the Friday series under the general heading, TODAY'S CHALLENGES. Since some of the speakers she has in mind are also being asked by other moderators, there will have to be some adjustments.

A Five-day Program: The suggestion of a possible Friday program was turned down, which means that we retain the 4-day structure, Monday through Thursday.

1985 PROGRAM: FIRST SERIES -- Rollin Posey -- Mondays -- POST-ELECTION PROSPECTS.  
*Robt. Benedetti* Sam Gould -- Tuesdays -- IDEAS THAT SHAPE THE MODERN WORLD  
Ned Conlon -- Wednesdays -- INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES.  
M/M George Petrie -- Thursdays -- COMPOSERS AS INNOVATORS.

SECOND SERIES -- Fern Long -- Mondays - GLIMPSES OF AMERICAN LITERATURE  
1865 - 1914. THE GOLDEN DAY.  
John Stalnaker -- Tuesdays -- SCIENCE AND TOMORROW'S WORLD.  
John felt that to some extent, this would duplicate the series on IDEAS THAT SHAPE THE MODERN WORLD, and

he recommended that it not be pursued. He felt that a series on RELIGION has always had appeal for our members and that such a series be substituted in his time slot on Tuesdays. It might be possible to use the series worked out by Dr. Sylvanus Duvall on RELIGION IN AMERICA that was tentatively scheduled for a Friday. Rabbi Shulman is unable to participate this year, even though he had accepted Dr. Duvall's invitation earlier.

The opinion was expressed that except in very special circumstances it is better to have a variety of speakers rather than having the same speaker for all six lectures. John, Dale Dennis and George will work on this.

Al Skelly -- Wednesdays -- WORLD TROUBLE SPOTS

M/M George Petrie -- Thursdays -- EARLY AMERICAN COMPOSERS

Bradenton -- Richard Redfern has firmed up most of his music series to be given on Thursday mornings at 10 A. M. at the Central Library, starting on Jan. 17th. He has five of six speakers lined up.

Theater Contract: George Petrie and Stuart Allen negotiated a contract with the Plaza Theater for 1985 for \$35 per session for four days a week.

Bibliographies: Joan Hopkins wanted a decision on whether to have one single folder with a few titles on each subject being presented or single sheets which would have more books on each subject which would be given out at each session. The decision was for the former, one folder to be distributed at the beginning of the season.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rose Shulman*  
Recording Secretary



November 4 1984

## Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING -- Tuesday, Dec. 4th at 9:30 A.M.

Either the Board Room or Card Room at Plymouth Harbor

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE JANUARY MEETING WILL BE ON THURSDAY, JAN. 3rd

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Present: Grace Major, Rollin Posey, Marguerite Allen, John Stalnaker, Al Skelly, Dorothy Simpson, Ted Jaeckel, Joan Hopkins, Sam Gould, Frances Bourne, Junius Allen, Norman Shaw, Lee Cohen, Evelyn Duvall, Pearl Aronson, Stuart Allen, Fern Long, Rose Shulman, with George Petrie presiding.

Minutes: Accepted as mailed.

Treasurer's Report: Less than \$100 was spent since the last Board meeting, leaving a balance of \$2,348.56 with our C.D. increasing in value to \$6,199.40.

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# Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning

Minutes of the Board Meeting of Dec. 4, 1984

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Either the Board Room or Card Room at Plymouth Harbor

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