

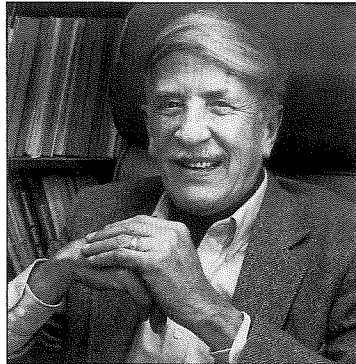
MEET THE NEW FELLOWS

Each year the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters honors men and women of extraordinarily high accomplishments in their fields by naming them Fellows. In that role, Fellows act as mentors to our state by serving as a Wisconsin Academy resource and helping to shape our programs. All Wisconsin Academy members are invited to meet our new Fellows at an induction ceremony in Appleton this summer. Please see sidebar on page 4 for details.



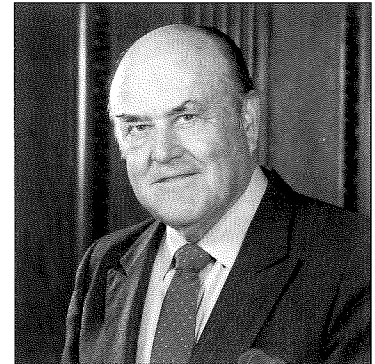
Karen Johnson Boyd

Bringing Wisconsin artists into a national spotlight and fostering them here at home—that mission has infused Karen Johnson Boyd's work since she opened the aptly named Perimeter Gallery in Chicago more than 20 years ago to bring artists from Wisconsin and other outlying areas to an urban showcase. The Perimeter Gallery now has a branch in New York. In Wisconsin, Boyd has been a leader, supporter, and donor to the Milwaukee Art Museum and particularly the Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts in her hometown of Racine, which this spring becomes part of a new Racine Art Museum (featuring the Karen Johnson Boyd Galleries). In its focus, the Racine Art Museum will break down the barriers between crafts and fine arts and between artist and craftsperson, and place great emphasis on community outreach—a direction that reflects Boyd's spirit. As a collector, gallery owner, mentor, and active participant on museum boards and commissions, Boyd has encouraged artists and craftspeople to new creative heights and led the public to greater arts appreciation.



Harold C. Jordahl, Jr.

Gaylord Nelson is the founder of Earth Day—but conservationist, scientist, and educator Harold C. Jordahl was the staunch ally at his side. A professor of urban and regional planning at UW–Madison, Jordahl served as a member and chair of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board and as an alternate to Gov. Lucey on the Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission. During his career and very active retirement, Jordahl has fought to preserve and enhance Wisconsin's natural world. The Lower Wisconsin Riverway, the Richland County Forest, the new "Driftless Area Land Conservancy," and the northern Great Lakes area around Ashland are all places Jordahl has played a key role in protecting. He is a founding member of Gathering Waters Conservancy and 1000 Friends of Wisconsin, and helped to establish and fund the Gaylord Nelson Distinguished Chair in Environmental Policy Studies at UW–Madison's Institute for Environmental Studies. Jordahl is a recipient of a lifetime achievement award in conservation from the Natural Heritage Land Trust as well as a Wisconsin Clean Water Achievement Award from the Department of Natural Resources, among his other honors.



Melvin R. Laird

At first glance, the Honorable Melvin R. Laird is something of an oxymoron: a Secretary of Defense (during the Nixon Administration, 1968–1973) who is best known for pulling U.S. troops out of Vietnam and for eliminating the draft. But Laird's strong humanitarian drive has been clear throughout his career. Before moving on to the White House, Laird spent nine terms representing Wisconsin in the U.S. Congress, where he successfully sponsored 12 regional cancer centers, the Centers for Disease Control, and, in Madison, the McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research and the UW Cancer Center, among other projects. His support of the Marshfield Clinic extends over decades—he personally knew and worked with many of the early physicians there—and the Clinic's Melvin R. Laird Center was named for him in honor of his support for research, education, and quality care. After serving as Secretary of Defense, Laird became Counselor to the President for Domestic Affairs (1973–1974). Prior to his work in Washington, he served in the Wisconsin Senate. Laird is the recipient of more than 300 awards and honorary degrees, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

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