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September 2023

A Celebration for Alan Moore

By Margie Deutsch

On July 29, a wonderful summer weather day, 48 friends of Alan Moore and Charlotte Navratil gathered at Charlotte’s home in Silver Lake. The day started at 10:00 AM with a bike ride. Some chose the scenic rural countryside roads, others biked on the Luce Line Trail. When riders returned, they removed coolers from cars and filled the hors d’oeuvres table with tasty snacks. More past and current member Ullrs started to arrive about noon to this lovely house on Swan Lake. They set up their folding chairs, and added yet more food to the table. Friends of Charlotte got the grill going, and another table was filled

with potluck food for lunch. By 2:30, everyone had their hamburgers and another filled plate.

Damaris Frank, a long-time friend, asked everyone to move their chairs into a big semicircle and pick up a piece of cake.

Charlotte thanked all who came. Then she told us

how she met Alan, and about their busy lives and travels together. She shared all of the many tasks Alan had done for the ULLR club, including being the newsletter editor when an edition was done using cut and paste to make a page mock-up. In 1993, Alan was both President and ULLR of the Year. About 2000, Alan became the ULLR historian, and soon a bedroom, then the shed, were filled with Nullrs, Board Minutes, Club Officers notebooks, and event reports! The ULLR meeting before the 70th ULLR Anniversary party in 2021 was filled with photos that Alan supplied from past albums. The party’s extensive “Walk Down Memory Lane by Decades” was possible because of Alan’s holdings.

Several Ullrs, including Hal West and Bill Brechtel, spoke about their friendships with Alan and Charlotte, and about his work for the club. Then Charlotte drove up 3 times with boxes of notebooks and papers and said, it was time to empty the shed. It was a wonderful celebration of Alan’s life!



2023 IMPORTANT CONTACTS

See the membership directory for e-mail addresses and phone numbers.

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Patty Fitzgerald

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Brian Johnson

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What's Cookin' Beverage Chair

Janice & Jerry Swanberg

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John Stiefel and Patty Fitzgerald

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Bruce Warner



Greetings fellow Ullrs,

96 degrees and high humidity led your Board to postpone the July picnic to August 2nd. 60+ members attended that postponed event, hosted by the Foundation, with an Italian menu. It was "only 90 degrees" that day.

50+ members participated in the Alan Moore remembrance event hosted by Charlotte Navratil at Silver Lake. Several Ullrs shared their memories of events that they had with Alan. For many years he served as our Club historian and record keeper. Charlotte said their storage areas were filled to capacity with boxes filled with those records. Many members accepted a box to recycle. She also announced that this will be the last Silver Lake event she will sponsor. Our club continues to mature and change.

The Board is reviewing meeting site locations, meeting times, and events to better accommodate our membership. It caused me to remember that in the "60's" we used to go to Madeline Island, rent an enormous military style tent for everyone to sleep under, and bike, swim, hike, or just hang out for a weekend. My memory is hazy, but I think we had 70+ members show up. It was great fun!

The Board has invited Velofix to join us at our next picnic. They are a portal van bike shop. If you need service they will drive to your location and do the service in your driveway, at a time that you schedule. I have used them four times.

All of our upcoming events are on the web and in this newsletter. Please review them and communicate with us about any item you wish us to consider. Many of our members donate their time and skill to keep us current and active. Please join me in thanking them! I hope to see you soon and don't forget to say hello.

Your fellow club member, Bruce Warner

News from Webmaster Wayne

Lately Internet Service Providers (ISPs) have cracked down on unwanted emails, A.K.A. Spam, and our ULLR announcements got caught up in the crackdown and were blocklisted by most ISPs. Our announcements are again getting delivered, but we must continue to follow certain guidelines so we can rebuild our reputation as a safe sender. The two big guidelines that affect us are **no links or attachments in the announcements**. This means that you must go to the club's website to view pictures or print out flyers etc. instead of just clicking the link in the email. Thanks.

ULLR Webmaster: Wayne Jastremski

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Webster@ULLR.org

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Little groups of friends formed in Charlotte's yard as they rested after their bike rides. For some, it was just resting from the one-hour (plus or minus) car trip from the Twin Cities. Charlotte moved here to Silver Lake from California in 1956 with her new husband, Francis Navratil, to his family's farm. The Navratil family had farmed this land from 1862. In January 1986, 5 years after the death of her husband, Charlotte attended a January ULLR meeting with Damaris and met Alan. The rest is history!

Annual Lanesboro Bike And Golf Trip

Lanesboro, Minnesota

Call to put your name on a wait list.

Sunday thru Tuesday, August 20 - 22

Cost \$138 /person, 2 per room

Includes: Lodging Sunday and Monday nights at the Green Gables Inn

See the flyer at ullr.org

Options: Biking, visit Four Daughters Winery in Spring Valley, Commonweal Theatre, Golf at Lanesboro or Preston Golf Club

Remember there are many near-by lodging options. If you do this, please tell a trip leader.

Co-chair Contacts: Maril Barnard,
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Lois Drontle, 952-906-9698, 612-501-3629 [c]
ldrontle@icloud.com

See the flyer at ullr.org for more information.

ULLR CANCELLATION POLICY APPLIES.

HELMETS REQUIRED FOR ALL BIKERS.

What's Cookin' Picnics at Brookview Park in Golden Valley.



Park is at Hwy. 55 and Winnetka Av. N.

In August the pavilion is reserved from 5:00-10:00 pm. The meal is served at 6:00 pm. See the map on p. 3 of the directory for the picnic's location.

August 16 Pulled pork, coleslaw, fruit

Vicki Johnson and friends

August 30 Sloppy Joes Hal & Gail West
and 70s, 80s, 90s birthdays

Full meal (food, 2 beverages, one dessert)—— \$10.00

Attend/socialize only (no food /beverage)—— \$2.00

Attending (with 2 beverages)—— \$4.00

[Prices includes rental cost for shelter.]

Extra beverage—— \$1.00

Sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the park.

**Invite a friend to join you and fellow Ullrs.
Also, bring \$\$ for the Foundation Raffles.**

Fall Hiking Schedule - See the individual flyers at ullr.org

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT	PHONE
SEPTEMBER 2023			
Sept 13-Wednesday	Quarry Park and Nature Center Waite Park (St. Cloud)	Barb Kolbe Jan Swanberg	651-633-0936 BK 612-719-3458 JS
Sept 18-Monday	Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park	Nancy Sand	763-280-2600
OCTOBER 2023			
October 2-Monday	Rice Marsh Lake Park Chanhassen	Patty Fitzgerald John Stiefel	612-743-4565 [c] 952-470-5411
October 7-Saturday	New Ulm Oktoberfest	Karen Holmquist	952-270-4739
October 9-13	Do the Door County Hiking Trip	Karen Holmquist Kyle McClintick	952-270-4739 KH 651-398-6870 KM
October 21-Saturday	Nerstrand Big Woods State Park	Nancy Sand	763-280-2600
October 27-Friday	Richardson Nature Center	Sharon Marini	952-893-7408
October 30-Monday	Lebanon Hills-Holland Lake Eagan	Linda Heintz	612-916-2526
NOVEMBER 2023			
November 1-Wednesday	Purgatory Creek Park Eden Prairie	Karen Holmquist	952-270-4739
November 7-Tuesday	Carver Park Reserve Victoria	Patty Fitzgerald John Stiefel	612-743-4565 [c] 952-470-5411
November 9-Thursday	Nine Mile Creek Bloomington	Linda Heintz	612-916-2526



***In Loving Memory:* Gary Don Gray**
AUGUST 6, 1936 - JUNE 21, 2023

Dr. Gary Gray held a PHD in biochemistry. He did research and taught classes through community education and online. He offered many interesting afternoon classes for his ULLR friends. Gary was the ULLR president from 2003-2004 and received the ULLR of the year award in 2005. In his 2003 President Candidate "Bio" he wrote, as a member, "I have come to value and treasure my ULLR friends; a very special and fun loving group." The first thing Gary did was plan and lead a weekend trip for 20 folks to visit and learn about four Minnesota State Parks.

The ULLR Club offers sincere condolences to his wife, Karen Gray; children, Gary Gray and Kate Gray Graham; and his extended family and friends.

SINGLES CARD/GAME NIGHTS

Contact Jan Butler about Singles' activities or to volunteer to plan and/or host an event: 952-544-8163 or cartooncat@comcast.net
Bring a dish to share, beverage, and any games you would like to play.

Please RSVP to the host!

Friday, August 11 - 5:00 PM

Host: James Habeck, 763-559-5593
12030 54th Av. N., Plymouth 55442
james.habeck@q.com

Friday, September 8 - 6:00 PM

Host: Lori Wolff, 612-214-0403
2089 Jefferson Ave., St. Paul 55105
lwolff2012@gmail.com

Friday, October 13 - 6:00 PM **NEED Host**

Volunteers are needed for Oct. and Nov.
E-mail / call Jan!



SINGLES' FINE DINING on TUESDAYS in 2023

RSVP to Ellise Lamb by the Sunday
before the
event. Send via voicemail
to 952-457-8772 or to
ellise.lamb@mchsi.com
Arrive at 11:15 a.m.



August 22 on the patio at
Maynards, 685 Excelsior Blvd., Excelsior 55331
maynards-excelsior.com

September 26 at Firelake Grill House (in
Radisson Blu Mall of America), 2100 Killebrew
Dr., Bloomington 55425, firelakerestaurant.com

October 24 at the Blue Water Grill (in the airport
Hilton)
3800 American Blvd. E., Bloomington 55425
See the menu at: places.singleplatform.com

Bike Rides where all Ullrs are welcome and invited to join for lunch after the ride.
See the flyers at ullr.org for more details.

September 7 - Thursday

Event: Dakota Trail/ Ferndale Road. Park at the
trailhead, 175 Grove Lane East, Wayzata.

**Picnic at the trailhead after the ride, about 12:15
pm.** Bring a chair, your own food & beverages

Contact: Dan Regan 952-471-9318;
763-645-9708 [c]



September 21 - Thursday

Event: Luce Line Trail ride.

Park at Theodore Wirth Trailhead

1221 Theodore Wirth Pkwy, Minneapolis

Lunch about 12:30 at the Mill Valley Market.

**Walkers are welcome to come to the park and
enjoy the trails while the bikers are riding, then
join for lunch.**

Contact: Dan Regan 952-471-9318;
763-645-9708 [c]

August 2023 Spotlight

Directory Changes

Joan Roe,
Karen & David Oakland
Craig & Nancy Navis

Directory Additions

Steven Husby,
Lorna Tjaden

Please welcome these new members:

John R. Agnello
Steve Agnello
Randy Crank
Barb Wright

Look for your email with the
complete information.

**It is NOT TOO Late to plan
a social event for ULLR
members this summer or
fall. Please! Contact
Summer VP, Mary Ellen
Goriesky, with your idea.**



P.O. Box 201409
Bloomington, MN 55420



Bike

Don't Miss Out! Renew your ULLR Membership Today

To join or renew your membership, print out and complete the [ULLR Membership form](http://ullr.org) found online at ullr.org. Be sure to indicate interests and willingness to volunteer.

\$25 Make a check payable to *ULLR Ski, Bike & Social Club* & sign the club waiver. Bring these to the next picnic or meeting. Or mail them to:
ULLR Ski, Bike & Social Club, PO Box 201409, Bloomington MN 55420-1409

Singles Events

Card and Game Nights



**Kayaking
River Rafting**



**Monthly
newsletter**



Golfing



Social Events



**Downhill Skiing
Snow Shoeing**



**Bike rides
& trips**

HIKES



Good Ol' Days Family Resort

What's Cookin' Picnics at Brookview Park
General Meetings & Unique House Parties – A Day at the Lake – Boating – Cultural Events – Lanesboro - Anything you can think of!!! [PLEASE RENEW RIGHT NOW.](http://ullr.org)

Thanks to these members for their planning and event work. You are appreciated!!

July

4, St. Paul Capitol Ride and Potluck Picnic

Nancy & Craig Navis

6, Fish Lake to Elm Creek Park Ride

Bill Brechtel

11, Edina to Bloomington Ride

Pat Nelson
12, What's Cookin' Picnic
Bikers & Patty Fitzgerald

13 - Browns Creek & Gateway from Stillwater Ride
Jared & Melinda Hoke

14, Singles Cards, Games
Jan Butler

18, Sakatah Trail, Waterville to Madison Lake Ride

John Stiefel & Patty Fitzgerald

20, Elm Creek Park Ride and Potluck

Hal & Gail West, Bill Brechtel

23, Winter Planning Party

Nancy Navis & Barb Kolbe

25, Singles Dining at Pinstripes
Jan Cady

29, Celebration of the Life of Alan Moore, Luce Line Trail Bike Ride, Potluck Picnic

Charlotte Navratil & friends

Cancelled due to high heat

26, What's Cookin' Picnic (rescheduled to August 2)
Foundation & Jan Cady, Pres.

27, Three Tunnels Ride
Craig & Nancy Navis

"Do The Door"

A trip to Door County WI

Monday-Friday, October 9-13, 2023

Read about this event at ullr.org

Contact Kyle McClintick to go on a wait list.

A, B, C, Z

Arboretum, Basilica, Como, Zoo. So many places to visit!

Plan an event for ULLR!



SKI BIG SKY

**MAR.
17-23**

The resort gave ULLR 2 more rooms. The trip will accept 4 more people, no later than Sept. 1. Call Kate about these 4 new reservations.

Included: roundtrip airfare to Bozeman & bus to Big Sky; lodging at Huntley Lodge in the Mountain Village with 2 per room, daily breakfast buffet, ski valet, and luggage handling; Pre-trip Party and Welcome Party; and optional small group dinners.

The trip cost of \$1,993 (Land Only \$1,393)

Payment schedule:

At signup \$800,
\$500 due 9/1/23, - 693** due 12/1/23
(* - Final payment subject to change)

Make checks payable to "ULLR Ski Club" and mail or deliver to Kate Casserly, 2525 Byrd Av. N., Golden Valley MN 55422-3818

Flyer and signup sheets are available at ULLR general meetings, summer picnics, and on the **ULLR website** ullr.org

More information available from:
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ULLR Membership and Cancellation Policies Apply

August 17, Thursday

North St Paul Gateway Trail Ride

(15 mi RT) Meet at 9:15, Ride at 9:30
 Meet at the North St. Paul Municipal Parking Lot,
 corner of 7th Ave East and Margaret Street,
 North Saint Paul
 Lunch after the ride at Neumann's Bar and Grill
 2531 7th Ave East, North St Paul
RSVP: Jared or Melinda Hoke

August 24, Thursday

Minneapolis City Ride

(24 mile RT) Meet at 9:15 am, Ride at 9:30
 Meet at Lynnhurst Park
 1345 W Minnehaha Pkwy, Minneapolis
 Picnic after the ride
 Bring a chair, your own food & beverages
 John Stiefel and Patty Fitzgerald

(New date) August 31, Thursday

Dakota Trail/Ferndale Road Ride

(15-20 mi RT) Meet at 9:30 am, ride at 9:45
 Park at the trailhead
 175 Grove Lane East, Wayzata, Minnesota
 Picnic after the ride
 Bring a chair, your own food & beverages
**All Ullrs are welcome at the picnic - about 12:15
 pm at the Trailhead.**
RSVP: Dan Regan, dfregan@msn.com, 952-471-9318 or 763-645-9708

(New date) September 7, Thursday

Sixth Annual Charlie Brown Memorial Ride—Browns Creek State Trail

(21 miles RT) Meet at 9:15 am, ride at 9:45
 Meet at Brown's Creek State Trailhead
 401 Laurel St E, Stillwater
 Picnic after the ride
 Pioneer Park, 515 N 2nd St. Stillwater
 Bring a chair, your own food & beverages
 Maril Barnard

September 14, Thursday,

Lakes & Hills of Eden Prairie Ride

(about 18 mi RT) Meet at 9:30, Ride at 10:00
 Meet at Miller Park
 8200 Eden Prairie Rd, Eden Prairie
 Lunch at Lions Tap
 16180 Flying Cloud Dr, Eden Prairie
 Marcia Switenski

September 19, Tuesday

Bloomington Overlook Drive Ride

(about 23 mi RT) Meet at 9:30 am, Ride at 10
 Meet in the strip mall parking lot by Jerry's Foods
 9625 Anderson Lakes Parkway, Eden Prairie
 Picnic after the ride
 10820 Bloomington Ferry Rd
 (SW corner Old Shakopee & Bloom. Ferry Rd)
 Bring a chair, food and beverage
 John Vogt

September 21, Thursday

Luce Line Trail Ride

Golden Valley and Points West
 (about 20 mi RT) Meet at 9:30, ride at 9:45
 Park at Theodore Wirth Trailhead
 1221 Theodore Wirth Pkwy, Minneapolis
 Lunch about 12:30 at the Mill Valley Market
**Walkers are welcome to come to the park and
 enjoy the trails while the bikers are riding, then
 join for lunch**
 Dan Regan

September 28, Thursday

TBD – see web later

October 5, Thursday

Stower Seven Lakes Trail Ride

Amery, WI – see web
 Jared and Melinda Hoke

In Loving Memory

Gwendolyn Mae (Thorpe) Kline

September 2, 1938-June 5, 2023

Gwen was an ULLR for many years and was known for her friendliness. Gwen was preceded

by loving companion of many years, Tom Larkin. See more about Gwen's interesting life on the Ullr Foundation Memorial Gifts webpage. The ULLR Club extends its condolences to her son, Erich and his wife Katherine Kline, and to her extended family and friends.

2023 bike rides—see flyers at ullr.org for more details.

AUGUST

Date: Aug 17 - Thursday **NEW**
Event: North St. Paul Gateway Trail Ride
Contacts: Jared & Melinda Hoke
Phone: 612-618-3773 JH, 612-618-6919 MH

Date: Aug 20-22, Sunday-Tuesday
Event: Lanesboro Bike/Golf
Contacts: Maril Barnard & Lois Drontie
Phone: 651-402-0301 MB
 952-906-9698 LD

Date: Aug 22 - Tuesday
Event: Douglas Trail Ride (on way home from Lanesboro)
Contacts: John Stiefel & Patty Fitzgerald
Phone: 952-470-5411, 612-743-4565 PF [c]

Date: Aug 24 - Thursday **NEW**
Event: Minneapolis City Ride
Contacts: John Stiefel & Patty Fitzgerald
Phone: 952-470-5411, 612-743-4565 PF [c]

Date: Aug 31 - Thursday **NEW DATE**
Event: Dakota Trail/Ferndale Rd Ride
Contact: Dan Regan Phone: 952-471-9318

SEPTEMBER

Date: Sept 7 - Thursday **NEW DATE**
Event: Charlie Brown Memorial Ride Browns Creek-Stillwater
Contacts: Jerry & Maril Barnard
Phone: 651-402-0301

Date: Sept 14 - Thursday
Event: Lakes & Hills of Eden Prairie Ride
Contact: Marcia Switenki
Phone: 952-941-6882, 763-350-0430 [c]

Date: Sept 19 - Tuesday
Event: Bloomington Overlook Drive Ride
Contact: John Vogt **Phone:** 952-829-7056

Date: Sept 21 - Thursday
Event: Luce Line Trail, Golden Valley start
Contact: Dan Regan **Phone:** 952-471-9318

Date: Sept 28 - Thursday
Event: TBD

OCTOBER
Date: Oct 5 - Thursday
Event: Stower Seven Lakes Trail Ride, Amery, WI
Contacts: Jared & Melinda Hoke
Phone: 612-618-3773 JH
 612-618-6919 MH

Contact the ride leader if weather is a problem. All riders must wear helmets.

Our handsome biking leader, John S, minus his biking shirt, shorts, gloves, and helmet. The florescent socks stayed on!



Past member Diane Peters Egan and husband Greg Egan enjoyed being with ULLR friends at Silver Lake.

Charlotte N. thanked all who helped her with the celebration and all those who came. She said, "This is exactly what Alan wanted, a day with his friends."

