

5 TUESDAYS IN MARCH

- A Luncheon / Lecture Series -
Sponsored by the

Peace and International Issues Committee
of the
INTERFAITH CONFERENCE of GREATER MILWAUKEE

#Truth . . . or Consequences

(We won't know what we don't know...)

*Addressing the vital importance of a free and independent press in a democracy,
and some essential considerations in our pursuit of truth.*

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2020
Noon to 1:30 p.m.

First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee – a Unitarian Universalist Congregation
1342 N. Astor St., Milwaukee

\$75.00 - series of five
\$20.00 - individual sessions

Includes a simple buffet-style primarily vegetarian meal

March 3, 2020 – An Independent Press: Essential for Democracy

George Stanley, Editor, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, regional editor of USA TODAY Network Wisconsin, and vice president of the national News Leaders Association

March 10, 2020 – Democracy at Risk in Wisconsin: Spelling out the problems we face, from gerrymandering & the role of big money in our politics to the collapse of local media & local control, and offering some solutions

Matt Rothschild, Executive Director, Wisconsin Democracy Campaign and former editor & publisher, *The Progressive*

March 17, 2020 – Truth & Broadcasting in a Digital Society: How TV/radio newscasts & interview shows have been affected by economic pressures, political polarization, and the public's increasing reliance on social media for news

Joanne Williams, host of Milwaukee Public Television's award-winning *Black Nouveau* program, former television news anchor, and past president of the Milwaukee Press Club

Kathleen Dunn, retired host of *The Kathleen Dunn Show*, which was on Wisconsin Public Radio for 24 years, and member of Milwaukee Media Hall of Fame

March 24, 2020 – True News & Social Media Blues: From the Kardashians' escapades to "fake news" and conspiracy theories, what dynamics are affecting all of the information we receive, and what are the checklists to guide us?

Milwaukee native Paul Oren, professor in Communication Department and faculty advisor to the student newspaper at Valparaiso University, Indiana, and journalist for the Times of Northwest Indiana.

March 31, 2020 – Truth & Mind Games: Our supercomputer minds naturally process complex realities into simplified narratives, but there are dangers if we consume media that feed only our ingrained opinions of truth

Pardeep Kaleka, Executive Director, Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, and a clinical therapist

- ❖ *We will be making the following resources available at the luncheon & online: a reading list on these topics, a list of recommended alternative news sources, and ways to support independent news coverage/journalism.*
- ❖ *We know parking can be a hassle. There is a HOP stop right at the corner of First U (Ogden & Astor). It's free to ride! Check out your options for parking elsewhere and "hopping" on at thehopmke.com.*

"5 TUESDAYS IN MARCH" RESERVATION FORM

Please return by Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

_____ Entire Series _____ March 3 _____ March 10 _____ March 17 _____ March 24 _____ March 31

Series of 5 for \$75.00, or \$20.00 per individual luncheon/lecture* Total: \$ _____

*Students and others of limited means pay as you are able

_____ I am not able to attend but would like to make a donation of: \$ _____

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