

HENRY KISOR & TROOPER

Saturday, August 4 @8:00 PM

Henry Kisor is a retired newspaper editor as well as the author of three nonfiction books and six mystery novels.

He is at work with a co-author Christine Goodier, also a member of SayWhat Club, on *Places We Have Peed: Traveling with Service Dogs in North America*, to be published in 2018. Henry will be speaking to SayWhatClub on the making of this book.



Henry and Trooper at the Chihuly Gardens in Seattle.

His service dog, Trooper, is a 3 1/2-year-old schnoodle who alerts his partner to sounds. Trooper was trained at Dogs for the Deaf in Central Point, Oregon, and came to Henry in December, 2015.

He has been profoundly deaf since age 3 1/2, having lost his hearing to meningitis, and told the story in his 1990 book *What's That Pig Outdoors: A Memoir of Deafness*.

Henry was the book review editor of the *Chicago Daily News* from 1973 to 1978, then of the *Chicago Sun-Times* from 1978 to his retirement in 2006. His reviews and articles have appeared in the *New York Times Book Review*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Washington Post* and on *MSNBC.com*.

Between 1977 and 1982 he was an adjunct instructor at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. From 1983 to 1986 he wrote a weekly syndicated column on personal computers that appeared in the *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Los Angeles Herald-Examiner*, *Orlando Sentinel*, *Seattle Times* and other newspapers.

He was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Criticism in 1981. In 1991 Trinity College awarded him a honorary Doctor of Letters degree. In 2001 he was inducted into the Chicago Journalism Hall of Fame.

He was educated at Trinity College (B.A., 1962), and at Northwestern University (M.S.J., 1964).

He winters in Evanston, Illinois, and summers in Ontonagon, Michigan, with his wife, Deborah Abbott. They have two grown sons, Colin, an attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice and a captain in the Navy Reserve, and Conan, a corporate communications editor and writer for the Boeing Company. They also have two grandsons and two granddaughters.