

**Sauk Valley Community College**  
**January 26, 2026**

**Agenda Item 3.1.1**

**Topic:** **Acknowledgment – Ronald F. Coplan**

**Mission:** **Sauk Valley Community College is dedicated to teaching and scholarship while engaging the community in lifelong learning, public service, and economic development.**

**Presented By:** **Dr. David Hellmich**

**Presentation:**

Sauk Valley Community College remembers Ronald F. Coplan, who passed away on November 18, 2025. Ron served in the Marine Corps from 1959 to 1962 before receiving his Juris Doctorate from the University of Illinois, after which he practiced law in Morrison for many years. He volunteered at many community events, served as a member of the Board of Trustees (1970 – 1979), and served as a Sauk College Foundation Director (2008 – 2021). Ron is remembered as a dedicated friend of the College.