Activities





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December, 2021

Activities Unlimited General Meeting Tuesday, December 14, 2021 - 1:00PM at

WRC Chapel, Wyckoff, NJ

The entertainment for today will be:

THE MAGIC OF MARCO

arco is a professional close-up L sleight of hand comedy magical entertainer that has been practicing the art of magic for over 20 years for corporate / adult audiences. He performs at over 200 events per year nationwide.

He performs a 60-minute interactive, fun filled, stand-up comedy magic show that amazes and entertains fans everywhere. His show consists of fun, entertaining patter while props and objects vanish magically in front of your eyes. He will push your mind, senses, and perception.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Winter is soon upon us. The lights are on homes and bushes indicating the holidays that lie ahead. We look forward towards a New Year that hopefully puts COVID in our review mirror. It is a good time for optimism that we are finally back.

We have saved the best for last. We have our annual gala Christmas Dinner dance which will be on December 6th at Seasons. For those of you who have signed up, I am sure you will not regret it.

We also have a guest speaker you will hear about for our General Meeting Dec. 14th. This meeting will take place at the Wyckoff Reformed Church itself. Look to the Doug Cooper's column in this Newsletter.

PLEASE CHECK OUT ALL OF THE AU EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE activitiesunlimited.org AS WELL AS OCCASIONAL EMAILS SENT OUT TO YOU.

Club/Activities are meeting at the VFW (28 Faner Road, Midland Park 07432). Many of our Clubs are meeting physically, virtually via Zoom or Hybrid. So please attend. Club Chairmen invest great efforts to provide us all with quality

subject matter.

Please keep going to the AU Website. It contains valuable information about what is going on in our Club (i.e. Current news, Calendar, Meeting Schedules, Newsletter). While on the website read the Newsletter. It contains valuable club information as well. Please look at the calendar. It is one of the main informational methods we are using for communications. When in doubt, feel free to call any officers or Club Chairmen/Co-Chairmen to ask questions.

Lastly, I wish you and your families a very Happy Holidays and New Year. Let 2022 be a year of peace and continued health for all..

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For Alternate Routes to Seasons, see page 4

For AU's Covid 19 protocols

See bottom of page 4.

AU collected \$76.00 for the WRC Food Pantry in October.

Membership Dues

embership dues, \$50.00, for 2022 are due no later than **December 31, 2021.** Please send your check for \$50.00 payable to "Activities Unlimited" to: Marty Valerio, 344 Valley Road, River Edge, NJ 07661

The Activities Unlimited website is just a click away.

For the Home page, click here: http://www.activitiesunlimited.org/index.html

Visit AU's website: www.activitiesunlimited.org



ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED GENERAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

2021 OFFICERS





Mark Cohen President 201-337-4198



Doug Cooper 1nd Vice President 908-907-1112



Harry Bennett 2nd Vice President 201-891-9527



Dave Voehl Secretary 973-227-6981



Jeff Mohn Treasurer 201-261-1219



Marty Valerio Assistant Treasurer 201-262-8966

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GROUP	CONTACT	PHONE	MEETING	GROUP	CONTACT	PHONE	MEETING
AU Guys Band	John DeSantis	201-447-0256	Every Wed 9:30 am Midland Pk VFW	<u>Investment</u>	Al Connelly	973-616-0755	3rd Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW
Bocce	Walt Widmer	201-562-8666	M,W,F 10:00 am Ramsey Courts, Oak St	Luncheon John Abrahamsen john.abrahamsen.bnp@gmail.co 201-337-4198 Selected restaurants by invitation of		37-4198	
Book Club	Vince Tortorelli Marty Valerio	201-447-3718 201-394-2938	4th Tue 9:30 am Midland PK VFW	<u>Membership</u>	Walt Widmer Dick Hensch	201-562-8666 201-891-1309	s by invitation only
Database Committee	John Abrahamsen Sam Ohan	201-739-8589 201-825-0437		<u>Newsletter</u>	Lou Guarneri Dick Hensch	201-847-1981 201-891-1309	
Dup. Bridge	Tom Meloro	201-560-0169	Every Wed 1 pm Midland Pk VFW	<u>Pickleball</u>	Tim Tracy Tom Martin	201-560-8911 201-891-3185	Tue & Thur. 9:00 Wyckoff Public Tennis Courts
Rub.			On Hold	Project Outreach	Joe Pullaro	201-337-0018	
Care-Concern	Marty Valerio	201-262-8966		Photography	Murry Perl Sam Ohan	201-446-7357 201-825-0437	
Chaplain	Rev Andy Kadzban	201-485-8589		Public Disc.	Walt Widmer Tom Butler	201-562-8666 201-934-8161	2nd Wed 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW
Computer Technology	Don Kirkpatrick Ed Schlachman	201-337-5666 973-423-1459	4th Wed 10:00 am Via Zoom	Refreshments	Jim Forbes John Gannaway	201-825-0523 201-485-7881	
reciniology	Fred Theile	201-825-7541		<u>Science</u>	Harry Bennett Jack Yurasek	201-891-9527 201-337-4433	3rd Tue 10.30 am Midland Pk VFW
<u>Garden</u>	Rick Sneyers	973-248-6625	1st Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW	Skiing	Bud Brooks	201-327-6649	Snow
Golf	Bill Bryne	201-447-5064	Tues & Thur. 10:50	Sponsor Liaison	Jim Mallen	201-485-8589	
Long	Jim Webb Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-7982	Paramus Golf Club Mon 9:00 am	<u>Stock</u>	Frank Nusspickel John Abrahamsen	201-891-9099 201-848-8037	1st & 4th Tues. 8:300 am Midland Pk VFW
Hiking Short	Rick Sneyers Fred Theile	973-248-6625 201-981-1801	WRC-Parking Lot Mon 9:30 am WRC -Parking Lot	<u>Tennis</u>	Dave Burleigh Bob Meyers	201-762-3707 310-254-8699	M, W & F Time & Place Seasonal
Historian	Victor Pizzolato	201-612-0038	I wiking Lot	Transportation	Frank Nusspickel	201-891-9099	
<u>History</u>	Pablo Catangay Tony Mastandrea	201-684-1217 201-327-8832	4th Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW	<u>Trips/Tours</u>	John Caikowsky Don Wasson	973-599-1056 201-891-1873	Varies, Contact: John Caikowsky
				Web-Master	Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-5666	





Trips & Tours







Trips, Tours & Special Events Calendar

Monday, December 6, 2021 Thirty-Fourth Annual AU Christmas Dinner Dance at Seasons, 644 Pascack Road, Washington Township, NJ. 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Cocktail Hour: Hors D'oeuvres & Open Bar: 5:30 PM—6:45 PM (same format as previous years)

Dinner: Choice of Entrée with Open Bar: 6:45 PM—9:30 PM. An Entree Selection of Beef, Chicken or Fish to be

served at the table. Wives/significant others are invited. Dance to music by Peter Lieberman

Price: \$74.00 per person —Make Checks Payable to: "Activities Unlimited" and mail with Reservation Form to:

Bill Mastellon, 101 East Oak St Unit G-6, Oakland, NJ 07436.

Ouestions, contact: **John Murphy** at (201) 723-4404 - deltasp69@aol.com OR

Bill Mastellon at (201) 447-1417 - wjm8666@gmail.com

The Reservation form is on last page.

Reservation Cutoff Date is Saturday 11/13/2021 With Your Payments.

Alternate Routes to Season's on page 4.

2022

Monday Feb 14, 2022 VALENTINE DAY LUNCHEON/DANCE, LANEVE.

276 Belmont Ave. Haledon, NJ. 12 noon - 4 PM. Lunch includes a buffet (6 entrée choices) dessert tray on table, open bar 4 hours, DJ for music & dancing. Details with price will be in the January Newsletter. Any questions call Larry Restieri 201-825-5843 or larry9233@yahoo.com

Wednesday, March 30, 2022 HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE "Sherlock Returns" An All New Interactive Musical-Mystery Comedy

Buckingham Palace has been robbed and it's up to Sherlock Holmes, Dr. Watson and the audience to solve the crime. A table-served luncheon with outstanding desserts starts at 11:30 am sharp and will precede the show. Please arrive a half hour earlier in order to be checked in and seated. Space is limited and all checks must be received no later than March 1st, 2022. Wives/Significant Others are invited. This is a self drive event. Make checks payable to ACTIVITIES UN-LIMITED in the amount of \$75.00 pp and mail to: **DON WASSON** 14 Appert Terrace, Mahwah, NJ 07430. Please include cell phone number with check.

Any questions contact: Don at donwas@verizon.net, 201-891-1873, cell 201-739-7046

Canada Cruise — The cruise aboard Royal Caribbean's "Oasis of the Seas" will leave from Port Liberty, Bayonne, NJ on Sunday, June 5th, 2022 and return on Friday, June 10th, 2022.

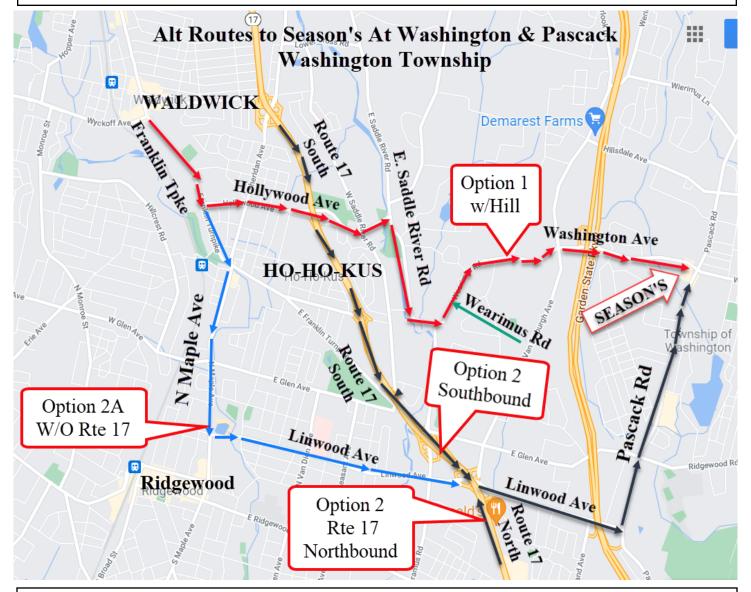
The itinerary: Sunday, Cape Liberty, New Jersey, Departs at 4:00 PM; Monday, Cruising, Day At Sea Tuesday, Halifax, Nova Scotia, From 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Wednesday, Saint John, New Brunswick (Bay of Fundy), From 9:20 AM - 9:25 PM; Thursday, Cruising, Day At Sea; Friday, Cape Liberty, New Jersey, Arrives At 6:00 AM

Itineraries are subject to change without notice

The actual rate will be based on the group rate and number of persons for the stateroom you choose at the time of your booking. As of 9/27/2021, the rate for 2 people in an ocean view balcony stateroom is about \$750.00 pp, which includes taxes and fees, Wives/significant others are invited. A deposit is required at time of booking. We strongly recommend that you consider purchasing travel insurance either from Royal Caribbean or a private insurance company. AU assumes no liability for this trip.

To make your reservation, call Royal Caribbean directly at 1-800-465-3595 Option 4. Tell the agent that you are a member of the Activities Unlimited group and give them our group number: 5503842.

Any questions, contact John Caikowsky at johncaikowsky@optonline.net or 973-599-1056 Please email John when you make your reservation, include your stateroom number.



Option 1(RED): Franklin Tpke South (at flashing light) make left onto Hollywood Ave (502) at the end turn right onto E Saddle River Rd, keep left onto Wearimus Rd which becomes Washington Ave, at the top of hill turn right onto Pascack Rd, Season's is on right.

Option 2(BLACK): take Route 17 (North or South) exit onto Linwood Ave, heading East, turn left onto Pascack Rd, Season's will be on your left just before Washington Ave.

Option 2A(BLUE): for those coming from the north that do not want to use RTE 17. Take Franklin Tpke south into Ho-Ho-Kus, turn right onto North Maple Ave, turn left at Linwood Ave at end turn left onto Pascack Rd, Season's will be on your left just before Washington Ave.

Covid 19 protocols when attending AU functions.

Our practice will be the following:

We strongly recommend that you and your spouse/guest be vaccinated. But if you have not been vaccinated, we request out of courtesy to your fellow members and spouses that you wear a mask and socially distance yourself during any meeting or event. We will also adhere to the protocols that are in place at any venue we use.

Thank you,

Mark Cohen

Upcoming Club Activities

BOCCE

All A/U members are invited to join the group at the Ramsey Courts, Oak St **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday** at 10:00 am. Questions call: **Walt Widmer** 201-562-8666. It's easy and fun.

Book Club

The Book club will have its December meeting on Tuesday December 28 at 9:30 at the VFW in Midland Park. Books to be discussed are *Bugsy Siegel* by Michael Shnayerson (non-fiction), the life of the brutal Jewish mafia gangster who rose from poor immigrant parents to a kingdom of his own in Las Vegas, and *The Fires of Jubilee; Nate Turner's Fierce Rebellion* by Stephen B. Oates (non-fiction), that recounts the bloody slave rebellion in 1831 in Virginia and the savage reprisals that followed. Any questions call **Vince Tortorelli**, 201 316 2961 or email carvince@aol.com.

Computer Tech. Club

The Computer Technology Club will meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am. The meeting will be via Zoom only through the end of this year. If you are not a member of this club but would like to attend, please contact: **Don Kirkpatrick**: 201-337-5666

Garden Club

Yes we are restarting the "AU Garden Club!" Please put the Garden Club on your calendar: Tuesday December 7th, at 1:00pm—at the VFW Hall in Midland Park, 28 Farner Road, Midland Park. It will be Round Table Discussion, so bring your expertise! I will bring a 10 page copy of: "Pruning Trees: Myths and Facts" from Borst. **Remember**—at "Hickory Hollow Nursery", on left side of route 17 north, just 1 mile after the entrance to Tuxedo Park, NY. Good news! AU gets -20% off! Just tell them your part of AU Garden Club, or use my name! Great garden center! Ask for Thea, she is especially knowledgeable & helpful!

PS: I am looking for a Co-Chair for the Garden Club, since Rick cannot continue because of health issues. I would like it if one of our Gardeners with Expertise would be at my side! Please email or call me. Thank You! Also, Joe sends his best regards to you all, but he is staying isolated with Carol, to avoid Covid. His 92nd birthday is next year! I'll send you his home address in January if you wish send him a card and best wishes! Remember Joe was the longest running AU Club Chairman in AU History!! And bought a real expertise to all of us AU Gardeners!

Any question contact: Fred Theile, Fredtheile@gmail.com Cell 201-981-1801

History Club

The History Club meeting is on November 23 at 1 PM: VFW Post, 28 Faner Road, Midland Park. **Pablo A. Catangay**: 201-394-4832; pcata123@optimum.net

Science Club

The December meeting will be on December 21st at the Midland Park VFW. Topic: Murray Perl will discuss "The Science of Immunity and Vaccination"

If you are not a member of the Science Club and would like to attend this meeting in person or via zoom, please contact **Harry Bennett**.

Jack Yurasek (201-337-4433) Email--Jyurasek@aol.com Harry Bennett (201-803-1475) Email-harben@optonline.net

Welcome New Members								
Name(Spouse))	Address	Interests	Phones/Email/(Occupation)					
Christopher J. Leskowicz (Debbie)	30 Aland Drive Hawthorne, NJ 07506	Golf, Historian, History, Re- freshment, Tennis	H: 201-245-1535 C: 201-245-1535 chrisleskowicz@gmail.com (Whiskey Blender)					
Robert C. Spagnardi 53 Schindler Ct. Parsippany, NJ 07054		Luncheon	H: 201-704-7000 C: 201-704-7000 robert.spagnardi@gmail.com (Manufacturing)					
Jim J. Mooney	18 Town View Drive Wappingers Falls, NY 12590	Book, Short Hikers, Computer, Historian, History, Trips & Tours	H: 845-325-2870 C: 845-325-2870 moonstruckdad@yahoo.com (Law Enforcement)					
Michael A. Grifone (Kathleen)	136 E. Stevens Ave Wyckoff, NJ 07481	Discussion, History, Science, Trips & Tours	H: 201-891-5161 C: 201-995-3140 kg891@verizon.net (Education)					
Bob Fitzpatrick (Susan)	878 Iron Latch Rd Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417	Discussion, Golf, Pickle Ball, Tennis, Trips & Tours	H: 201-669-9005 fitzfamily5@gmail.com (Owner)					
Stanley J. Zietek (Joyce)	PO Box 358 Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417	Computer, History, Investment, Luncheon, Refreshment, Stock	C: 917-754-0541 zstan9898@gmail.com (NYPD)					
Glenn D. Rice (Jean)	36 Ackerman Drive Mahwah, NJ 07430	Discussion, Historian, History, Stock	H: 201-848-1215 C: 201-832-1858 grice@whitecamelfoods.com (Executive)					
Andrew G. Watson (Margaret) 300 Highland Ave Ridgewood, NJ 0745		Short Hikers, Discussion, Lunch- eon	H: 201-445-8132 C: 201-248-5438 waty11@aol.com (Lawyer)					
Rick Bogdan 45 Metro Vista Dr Hawthorne, NJ 07506		Short Hikers, Discussion, Historian, History, Pickle Ball, Science, Stock	H: 201-913-6414 C: 201-913-6414 rickbo56@gmail.com (Sales Manager)					
Jack E. Haegele 239 Navajo Drive Wyckoff, NJ 07481		Hiking Long, History	H: 201-214-3585 C: 2-1-214-3585 jackhaegele@optonline.net (Executive)					

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Please don't hold back, join in. Remember, we can all succeed if we all participate.

It has been my honor to serve as the AU president for the past year.

Mark Cohen, President, 201-337-4198



ACTIVITIES





Thirty-Forth Annual

Christmas Dinner Dance

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(201) 447-1417 Email— wjm8666@gmail.com

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Reservation — Cutoff date is Saturday 11/13/2021 With Your Payments

Seasons has informed AU, per NJ regulations, there are no COVID-19 Restrictions for our 12/6/2021 Christmas Dinner Dance — No Masks are Required and there is No Social distancing.



For group table reservations of 5 or more please include all names and checks for the table

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If you have a preference to sit with friends at the same table <u>PLEASE CONFIRM</u> with them and list their names on the right Example: <u>one name per</u>	Confirmed Members and or Guests that you would like to seat with	9
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Reservation Received cutoff date is 11/15/2021		12
Cancelation cutoff date for a Full Refund is 11/22/2021		Table seating preference and table location is assigned in the
Full payment must be included with All Reservations		order that <u>payment</u> is received.

Alt. Reservation Contact—John Murphy (201) 723-4404 email—deltasp69@aol.com

Full payment must be included with All Reservations