

# Activities





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### **Activities Unlimited General Meeting**

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015**

ur Speaker for this monthly meeting will be Dr. Charles Lieberman, chief investment officer for Advisors Capital Management, a money management firm, servicing financial advisors and private clients throughout the country. He currently lives in Wyckoff and his office is now in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

He graduated from MIT with a bachelors degree in economics, earned a PhD in economics, from the University of Pennsylvania and taught at the University of Maryland and Northwestern. After five years in academia, Dr. Lieberman began a distinguished career in the business world.

Dr. Lieberman is frequently quoted in the media. He will talk to Activities Unlimited about his thoughts on the US economy and the financial markets for 2015.

A frequent guest Speaker at various AU functions, he was always extremely informative and was very well received by our members. Please mark you calendar then and don't miss the opportunity to come and hear a celebrated Speaker, on a very important subject.. Also bring your questions.

#### Ramon

lease remember that WRC is a smoke-free environment.

This includes E-Cigarettes.

#### Ramon's Reflections

onsistent with the past practices of some of my more eloquent predecessors, I intend to continue with the practice of reporting monthly to the membership. Past efforts will provide a guideline for many of the subjects and ideas that I will "Reflect On", so my thanks go out to these Past Presidents for the inspirations and guidance they will have so generously provided.

This being the start of a new year, I would like to begin by extending to all members and their families, on behalf of our Board, our very best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

On Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, two hundred and fifty five Activities Unlimited members and guests, attended our annual Christmas Dinner Party at the Seasons, in Washington Township, with a cocktail hour, hors-d'oeuvre and a splendid diner and feast, fit for a king.

That evening, the Distinguished Service Award (an annual award given to a member for his outstanding and selfless service to AU) was presented to **Don** Kirkpatrick and Walt Widmer, both most deserving members. The Presidential Plague was also presented to **Herb Umland**, with thanks for his excellent service and leadership as our 2014 President. Additionally the transfer of Presidents, was witnessed, in a poignant moment, by eight Past Presidents who were warmly welcomed and thanked for their years serving the membership, which was followed by the final act; the presentation of the 2015 Officer's slate. In between all of these activities, the dance floor was well exploited and everyone had a wonderful time. A very special thanks therefore goes to Bill Mastellon and John Murphy and to their T&T team for their efforts in managing and making possible this lovely evening.

AU is a place for men of good spirits to come together in a brotherhood of common interests. It is in this spirit therefore that I ask you all to please mark your calendar so that you will be available to join us Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at our next General Meeting. I close with that "Western" expression of good will---HAPPY TRAILS.

### **OFFICER'S ELECTION - 2015**

ongratulations to those members who were elected at the December General meeting to service as AU Officers through 2015. They are:

President Ramon Casaprima 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President George Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Edward Chanod Secretary Edwin Schlachman Treasurer Michael Hurd Asst. Treasurer Tom Butler

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	OFFICES		MEETING
President	Ray Casaprima	201-891-3394	2nd Tue 11am
1st Vice-Pres.	George Lewis	201-891-5883	
2nd VicePres.	Ed Chanod	201-891-1995	
Secretary	Edwin Schlachman	973-423-1459	
Treasurer	Mike Hurd	201-891-1374	
Asst. Treas.	Tom Butler	201-934-8161	
	COMMITTEES		
AU Guys	John DeSantis	201-447-0256	
Book Club	Joe Clinton	201-447-2261	Wed after the AU General Meeting 9:30
Dup. Bridge Rub. Bridge	Joe MacDougall Wes Cheringal	201-891-4048 201-848-8009	Wed 1 pm M,F 1 pm
Care-Concern	Joe Clinton Paul Hennion Don Martin	201-447-2261 201-891-4716 201-891-2279	
Chaplain	Rev. D. Bach	201-891-1782	
Chess	Bill Schultz	201-891-5327	3rd Thru 9:30
Computer	Don Kirkpatrick Ed Schlachman Fred Theile	201-337-5666 973-423-1459 201-625-7541	3rd Wed. 10:00
Gardening	Joe Lamela	201-327-8137	1st Wed.10:00
Golf	Bruno Bissetta Guy Cappello	201-891-7567 201-891-0617	Tuesday Thursday
Hiking	Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-5666	Mon 9:00
Historian	Dom Manobianco	201-891-7185	
Investment	Herb Umland	201-891-6638	2nd Thru 9:30
Model RR	Don Cardoza	201-337-3417	Wed. 7PM
Membership	Walt Widmer	201-562-8666	
Newsletter Distribution By	Lou Guarneri Ed Schlachman	201-847-1981 973-423-1459	
Project Out- reach	Marty McGonigle	201-529-1941	
Photographer	<b>OPEN</b>		
Public Disc.	Walt Widmer	201-562-8666	3rd Fri 9:30
Refreshments	Jim Forbes Howard Vogel	201-825-0523 201-612-2237	
Science	Jack Yurasek	201-337-4433	3rd Tues 10.00
Skiing	Bud Brooks	201-327-6649	Snow
Sponsor Liaison	Rev. David Bach	201-891-1782	
Stock Market	Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-5666	2nd Tues. 9:00 4th Tues. 9:00
Tennis	Dom Manobianco	201-891-7185	MWF
Transport.	Frank Nusspickel	201-891-9099	
Trips/Tours	Lou Guarneri Don Wasson	201-847-1981 201-891-1873	2nd Tues 10:30
Web-Master	Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-5666	



#### **Duplicate Bridge Results**

		1st	2nd	3rd
12/3	N/S	Foley/Sweetgall	MacDougall/Wiest	Cheringal/Page
	E/W	Lewis/Warner	Mahmarian/Zelhof	Coughlin/Freimuth
12/10	N/S	Warner/Meloro	Cheringal/Milcos	Mulligan/Boylan
	E/W	Hulit/Sweetgall	Smith/Lewis	Martin/Hausman
12/17	N/S	Riccardi/Sweetgall	Levin/Page	Freimuth/Hulit, Hausman/Meloro
	E/W	Christie/McAdams	Mahmarian/ Yampell, Lewis/Zelhof	

#### **Membership Dues**

embership dues for **2015** will remain at **\$50**. While the Board recognizes its responsibility to exercise fiscal discretion, it also recognizes that keeping our members aware of the many activities and events sponsored by our organization is also vital. Accordingly, the Board has decided to place this increased fee of \$10 for the printed edition of the Newsletter on hold until further notice to ensure that everyone is able to remain informed and involved. Therefore, please send your **\$50** dues payment for 2015 to:

#### Mike Hurd

470 Wyckoff Avenue Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481

The check should be made payable to "Activities Unlimited

All members that go away for the winter please be sure to mail your check BEFORE you leave.

For those of you who may have already remitted a \$60 payment based on the discussion at the November meeting, a \$10 refund check will be sent to you in the very near future.

## **Investment Study Group**



We will <u>NOT</u> meet in January since Charles Lieberman is the speaker at our January 10th General Meeting!

Questions, Herb Umland 201-891-6638

The deadline for Feb, 2015 Newsletter articles is 5:PM Mon Jan 25, 2014. When submitting articles please use font: Times New Roman 11 pt. (not bold).

Email: lguarneri03@gmail.com
Or mail to: Lou Guarneri
128 MacLeish Court
Mahwah, NJ 07430

### Memories of a Friend

We are all saddened by the passing of our friend **John Weingartner**. For 6 months, from March 2014 thru August 2014, I had the good fortune to spend five days every week with John.

Every M-W-F John and I would play men's doubles tennis with our AU Tennis group. Every Tues. & Thurs. John and I would play a round of golf with our AU Golf group. I was thoroughly impressed with his ability to do these activities every day at the age of 88.

Additionally, John loved music. Although he did not play an instrument, it did not stop him from joining our AU GUYS big band. He'd attend every band performance and do whatever was needed to make it a success. Setting up chairs, stands, microphones, wires, etc. He would also be waiting for me to arrive and he'd help me make several trips to carry my drums to and from the gig. His constant willingness to help was most impressive and commendable.

I always enjoyed my conversations with him. He was a good man. Warm, considerate and intelligent. We will miss him. May he rest in peace!

Jim Mallen



#### The Science Club

ec 2—Thanks to Dr. Ron Cauchard (an Optometrist whose office is in Wyckoff) who returned and gave us a presentation on Chronic Dry Eye (CDE). CDE is a disease which can lead to damage of the eye surface, and increased risk of eye infection. He also answered questions on cataract, glaucoma, and macular degeneration concerns. Jan 20--Curt Koster—Canals and Locks

Feb 17-- Don Fairbairn—Computer & Software Career Experience in the Communications Field

March 17- Al Condon Prostate Update, Counselor with Hackensack Med Center

April 14—Bob Talan—Higgs Boson

May 19—--Car Pool Trip to Museum of Natural History or Liberty Science Center or a possible visit to Valley Hospital ER.

Thanks, to those who helped in our effort to improve the Science Club. **Bob Tallan** and **Ed Schlachman** will be Co-Chairmen--a third Co-chairman is still desired. The tasks involved are: Conducting the Meetings, A/V support, WRC Contacts, planning and coordinating possible Car Pool/Bus day trips and, THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT TASK---People who would contact or volunteer as possible Presenter's. Again, the Primary concern is the need for new speakers. These Tasks probably can be arranged on a Rotating Basis, but would need coordination and backup. By sharing the efforts, we can continue to improve our club. Please review the tasks and consider volunteering for a task you might be comfortable with.

Please contact me with your NAME, Phone No., and Email Address:

Jack Yurasek, 201-337-4433

#### **Food Pantry**

t the December meeting only \$23 was collected for the food pantry.

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Welcome New Members							
Name (Spouse)	Address	Employment	Interests	Phone/Email			
Frank B Calabrese (Linda)	815 Domm Ct Wyckoff, NJ 07481	Executive	Computers, Gardening, Investments, Model RR, Trips & Tours and Stock Market	(201) 0848-1021 H (201) 214-2141 C frankbcal@gmail.com			
Ron Hutchison (Lisa)	816 Domm Ct Wyckoff, NJ 07481	Executive	Book Club, Golf and Trips & Tours	(201) 847-2045 H (201) 317-5047 C hutch10@msn.com			
John R. O'Brien (Robin)	466 Fairfield Rd Wyckoff, NJ 07481	Executive	Book Club, Discussion Group, Tennis and Hiking	(201) 560-1894 H obrien275@aol.com			
Richard A. Stroem	142 Indian Hollow Ct Mahwah, NJ 07430	Sales	Historian and Investments	(201) 327-8731 H (201) 9215859 C rstroem@juno.com			
Edmund E Zelhof (Sarah)	40 Sparrow Bush Rd Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458	Manager	Bridge, Computers, Discussion Group and Investments	(201) 825-1464 H (201)788-6932 C ezelhof@optonline.net			

### The Computer Technology Club



The Computer Technology Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month on the 2nd floor of Heneveld Hall.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, January 21, 2015. The topic for this meeting will be Word Processing ...

we will be taking a look at the basics of word processing and some useful uses of word processing in our every day life.

Over this past year plus we covered a lot of ground in providing AU members that attended the monthly meetings with a better understanding of current day computer technology. The topics covered during this past year included for example browsers, anti-virus software, windows operating systems, backing-up data, downloading pictures from cameras and cell phones, learning how to create an Excel spreadsheet and a look at social media. Also, we looked at the favorite websites of the members of the Computer Technology Club (this section is a valuable tool for all AU Members). During the past two months we covered the IPhone, IPad and MacBook products from Apple and the new Nokia Lunia Icon Windows 8 Smartphone. And, at our last meeting we covered User Id's / Passwords and the Control Panel.

All the information presented has been posted to the Computer Page on the AU Web-Site which is at <a href="https://www.activitiesunlimited.org">www.activitiesunlimited.org</a>. Thus, all AU Members have the opportunity to take advantage of what was presented at our monthly meetings by visiting the AU Web-Site and accessing the Computer Technology Page.

In recap, the focus of the Computer Technology Club is to provide its members an opportunity to learn about computer technology and its use in everyday life. This includes both computer hardware and software. Also, included will be cameras and cell phones as both incorporate extensive use of computer technology. Furthermore, we will provide instruction / training in various aspects of the technology field which will include where appropriate experts from outside the AU organization as well as pointing AU Members to appropriate on-line web-sites.

The Computer Technology club has three co-chairmen;

- **Donald A. Kirkpatrick** (201) 759-3795 / dakirkpt@verizon.net,
- Ed Schlachman (973-423-1459) / edandjune@aol.com, and
- Fred Theile (201-981-1801) / fredtheile@gmail.com

Starting in January 2015 there will be a new section on the Computer Technology Club Page on the AU Web-Site call "Helpful Tips of the Month" ... the first posting includes a tip to easily enlarge the type size on the page you are looking at by pressing the Control Key and the Plus Key. Each time you press the Control Key and the Plus Key the size will increase. Look at this section to view the first posting which is a video that includes this tip and nine other technology tips.

Please feel free to contact these individuals regarding your interest in participating in the Computer Technology Club. Thanks, **Donald A. Kirkpatrick** 

### **AU's Annual Christmas Party 2014**



The balance of photos can be found on the AU website: www.activitiesunlimited.org

You will be able to download any or all of the photos then bring the files to a local store (CVS, Staples, etc.) to have them printed.

#### **Trips, Tours & Special Events Calendar**

Checks for these events, payable to Activities Unlimited accepted at the monthly meeting. Sign up sheets are nice, but money talks. Get your check in ASAP don't wait till it's too late.

#### Thursday, January 15, 2015 — 1:00 PM Lunch at Savini's.

Come join in an afternoon of good food and friendship. A four course lunch will be severed with pasta, soup or salad, choice of veal, chicken or fish, desert, coffee, tea and soda. A cash bar is available. Cost is \$27.00 pp. Rain/Snow date is Jan. 22, 2014. Wives are invited. Checks for \$27.00 pp should be made payable to Activities Unlimited and sent directly to: Dick Freimuth, 413A Bromley Place, Wyckoff, NJ 07481. (201)847-0415

#### Thursday, February 12, 2015 — Westchester Broadway Theater.

Camelot is the Play Great seats......Lunch includes choice of Meat, Fish or Vegetarian entree, Salad and coffee or hot tea. Soda and Liquor on your own. Bus leaves WRC at 9:30 am.

Checks for \$80.00 per person should be made payable to Activities Unlimited and sent directly to: Dick Botta, 413D Bromley Place, Wyckoff, NJ 07481. (201)848-9001

#### Friday, March 13, 2015 — Tim Finnegan's Wake.

When it comes to saying "goodbye", nobody does it better than the Irish! Be there as we bid a "Fun Farewell" to Tim Finnegan. Only 40 seats available, don't wait to send your checks. Drive or car pool to the Brownstone, show <u>starts</u> at 11:30 AM. Checks for \$44.00 per person should be made payable to Activities Unlimited and sent directly to: Larry Restieri, 105 Fisher Rd., Mahwah, NJ 07430. (201)825-5849

Thursday, April 9, 2015 — 911 Museum

Thursday, May 14, 2015 — Men's Beefsteak Dinner at the Brownstone

**June** — Annual luncheon/dance at Indian Trails

July — Rockland Boulders baseball game

August — Hunterdon Playhouse "Twist and Shout"

Thursday, September 10, 2015 — AU Wine Tasting Party

October — Oktoberfest

Tuesday, November 17, 2015 — Murder Mystery at the Brownstone

Monday, December 21, 2015 — AU Christmas Party at Season's





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