

Activities Unlimited

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Due to the Coronavirus, AU General Meetings will be held via Zoom

**Activities Unlimited
General Meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
1:00 PM via ZOOM**

The Russians Are Coming!!!

Presented by **Jeff Mohn**

Get ready for a wild ride through the turbulent and bloody times of Russian history!

We'll begin with a look at the early history and social climate of Russia, followed by the causes and events of the 1905 and 1917 revolutions. We'll discuss the overthrow and murder of Tsar Nicholas II and his entire family, and the famous "October" revolution which brought Lenin and the Bolsheviks to power.

We'll look at some of the main characters; Lenin, Trotsky and Stalin, and the long and bloody Civil War that followed. Finally, we'll examine the aftershocks, when Stalin took over the Party and became an absolute dictator who murdered millions of his countrymen. The seeds of the Cold War were sown here, and gave rise to many other communist dictators who followed in the footsteps of Lenin and Stalin. The aftermath of these events wound up affecting most of us directly, and profoundly altered the course of world history.

Jeff Mohn is the current Treasurer of AU (2018). Jeff served as a Russian linguist in the U.S. Air Force during the height of the Cold War, flying intelligence gathering missions on the borders of the Soviet Union and its satellite nations. While in the Air Force, Jeff also studied Russian History at Syracuse University. He and his wife toured Russia in 2017. The Russians Are Coming!!!

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we enter 2021, AU's 35th year, we leave behind a year where all lives around the world were affected by a global pandemic. I look forward to serving as President and trying to fill the shoes of the gentlemen who have served our club during our history.

Bob Dauer did an outstanding job in very difficult times and provided leadership and compassion in finding paths to keep us heading in a positive direction. It was my honor to serve as his 1st VP during 2020.

We were not able to get together as we had traditionally done at events and had to place a reliance on a new method of communicating called Zoom. But, we found our way to continue many of our social efforts due to the hard work of our Club Chairmen and our participating members.

I want to make sure that you all recognize the Board for 2021: **Doug Cooper** (1st Vice President), **Harry Bennett** (2nd Vice President), **Jeff Mohn** (Treasurer), **Marty Valerio** (Assistant Treasurer), and **Dave Voehl** (Secretary), **Walt Widmer** (Membership Chairman), **Jim Mallen** (liaison with WRC), and past Presidents **Bob Dauer** and **Joe Pullaro**, and **Reverend Andy Kadzban**.

The main theme we will have this year will be one of "Rebirth of AU, a Renaissance". We want to recreate the physical social interactions and activities we were all used to. We may have to wait a few extra months while most of us and all of our neighbors get vaccinated, but we will aggressively look for opportunities to get us once again able to shake hands and talk face to face.

We can all succeed if we all participate.

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

Click the link below for instruction on:

How to navigate the Activities Unlimited website:

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2021 Activities Unlimited Dues

**About two-thirds of our membership have paid their 2021 dues,
Thank You.**

Reminder to those who haven't - They are now are past due.

Dues for 2021 have been reduced from our normal \$50.00 to \$30.00. Send your check for \$30.00 made out to **Activities Unlimited to:**

Jeffrey Mohn, Treasurer, 499 Hobart Road, Paramus, NJ 07652.

Jeff Mohn

For current club information and monthly articles click on the link below the club name.

Sports & Games	Personal Interests	Social Activities
Bridge	Book Club	AU Guys Band
Golf	History Club	Care & Concerns
Hiking	Gardening Club	Project Outreach
Skiing	Computer Technology Club	Dinner/Dances
Tennis	Investment Study Club	Transportation
Pickle Ball	Photography Club	
	Public Discussion Group	
	Stock Club	
	Science Club	
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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 'til it's too late.

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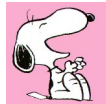
2021 Trips and Tours are On Hold

We hope to see all of you soon.



**Bob Daur
passing the gavel
to Mark Cohen**

**Mark present
Bob with the
plaque for
Excellent Service
to AU.**



The Lighter Side

Just picked up my social distance support animal.



Self Isolation Chair



DAFFY'S DAILY

By Annie Tempert.



"It's just that I find that having two glasses of wine at once stops me touching my face..."

