Activities





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Monthly Meeting

SALUTE TO THE STATUE OF LIBERTY

HE MEMBERSHIP MEET-ING THIS MONTH HAS BEEN MOVED TO THE 4TH TUESDAY – JULY 24. This is due to a schedule conflict at the church. The presentation this month will be on the STATUE OF LIBERTY given by Kevin Woyce. Mr. Woyce has given many patriotic presentation in Bergen county which have been enjoyed by many. The meeting starts at 1PM as usual. Come early and bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy the AU GUYS band music and conversations with vour friends at AU. Free AU 25th Anniversary coffee mugs will be available for those who did not receive previously. Extra mugs will be available for those who would like them.

Food Pantry

t the June meeting, \$175.00 was given as donations to the Food Pantry.

he Deadline for August Newsletter articles is July 28, 2012. Please remember to use my new email address:

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

JOE'S JOTTINGS

I wanted to provide you with a quick summary of some of the major initiatives that are underway to help us maintain and improve the vitality of AU.

AU WEBSITE. These days, websites are a compelling tool to communicate to our members, as well as for potential new members to learn about us. Our current website has suffered the effects of benign neglect for some time. We are trying to revitalize it with the addition of a number of new components. Don Kirkpatrick is leading this effort, and has already made significant strides. See page 5.

AU EXIT SURVEY. Don Wasson has organized an effort to conduct an exit survey of AU members who have left our organization. We are working to understand the factors that might have influenced these members to stay. This effort could be of significant value in making AU an even better, more appealing organization.

USE OF LARKIN HOUSE. The town of Wyckoff has instituted a plan to impose a tax for usage of the Larkin House. Four of our clubs regularly use the Larkin house:

> **Duplicate Bridge** Book Club **Public Discussion** AU Guys rehearsals

Joe MacDougall has been working with the Wyckoff officials to allow AU to use this facility at a reasonable cost. Joe is currently in the hospital and Frank Nusspickel is pursuing this matter with Wyckoff town officials. I believe, he will be successful in allowing us continued use of this facility.

Joe Kelly

NOTICE For those signed up for the July 19th Harbor Cruise and Lunch: The cruise company has canceled the July 19th sailing and has rescheduled it to July 26, 2012.

| | Officers | | Meeting |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|
| President | Joe Kelly | 891-8026 | 2nd Tue 11am |
| 1st Vice-Pres. | Frank Nusspickel | 891-9099 | |
| 2nd VicePres. | Don Wasson | 891-1873 | |
| Secretary | Joe Meighan | 891-4909 | |
| Treasurer | Herb Umland | 891-6638 | |
| Asst. Treas. | Jim Jeffers | 891-9603 | |
| Asst. 11cas. | Committees | 071-7003 | |
| AHIG | | 447.0256 | |
| AU Guys | John DeSantis | 447-0256 | |
| Book Club | Joe Clinton Joe Infosino | 447-2261 337-5442 | Wed after the AU General Meeting 9:30 |
| Dup. Bridge Rub. Bridge | | | Wed 1 pm M,F 1 pm |
| Digital Camera | Ed Trerotola | 236-1368 | |
| Care-Concern | Joe Clinton Paul Hennion Don Martin | 447-2261 891-4716 891-2279 | |
| Chaplain | Rev. D. Bach | 891-1782 | |
| Chess | Bill Schultz | 891-5327 | 3rd Thru 9:30 |
| Gardening | Joe Lamela | 327-8137 | 1st Wed.10:00 |
| Golf | Bruno Bissetta | 891-7567 | |
| Hiking | Jack Alber | 891-2870 | Mon 9:00 |
| Historian | Dom Manobianco | 891-7185 | |
| Investment | Herb Umland | 891-6638 | 2nd Thru 9:30 |
| Model RR | Lou Guarneri | 847-1981 | Wed. 7PM |
| Membership | Dick Gattoni | 652-0064 | |
| Newsletter | Lou Guarneri 847-1981 | | |
| Project Outreach | Marty McGonigle | 529-1941 | |
| Photographer | Chuck Bainbridge | 447-2910 | |
| Public Disc. | Walt Widmer | 562-8666 | 4th Fri 9:30 |
| Refreshments | Hank Boucher Frank Turi Andy Grace | 445-2633 973-513-9117 337-4360 | |
| Science | Jack Yurasek | 337-4433 | 3rd Tues 10.00 |
| Skiing | Bud Brooks | 327-6649 | Snow |
| Sponsor Liaison | Mike Wolff | 891-4426 | |
| Stock Market | Ramon Casaprima | 891-3394 | 2nd Tues. 9:00 4th Tues. 9:00 |
| Tennis | Dom Manobianco | 891-7185 | MWF |
| Transport. Ron Miller | | 891-5734 | |
| Trips/Tours | Lou Guarneri George Lewis | 847-1981 891-5883 | 2nd Tues 10:30 |



Duplicate Bridge Results

| | | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|--------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 6/6 NS | | Martin/Wiest | Desrosiers/Levin | Christie/Smith |
| | EW | Foley/Page | MacDougall/ Milcos | Mahmarian/Reed |
| 6/13 | NS | Riccardi/Page | Crawford/McGuire Warner/Reed | _ |
| | EW | Levin/Meloro | Hausman/Christie | Freimuth/Boylan Desrosiers/ Mahmarian |
| 6/20 | NS | Christie/Boylan | Martin/Green | Wiest/McGuire Gattoni/Socolof |
| | \mathbf{EW} | Smith/Desrosiers | Hausman/Reed | Meloro/Verdi |
| 6/27 | NS | Milcos/Warner | Desrosiers/Reed | Wiest/Green |
| | EW | Riccardi/Smith Finn/Boylan | _ | Sileo/Gattoni |

As a reminder, there will be NO Bridge on Wednesday, July 4, 2012

Investment Study Group

he Investment Study Group met on Thursday June 14th and listened to a terrific presentation from David Dietze, President and Chief Investment Office of Point View Wealth Management in Summit, New Jersey. David is a graduate of Dartmouth and University of Chicago Law School. David is a CFA, CFP and an SEC Registered Investment Advisor. David provided the 40 + AU members with ideas on investments and strategies on income for the retired. He answered all of our many questions and was well received by all in attendance.

The Investment Study Group WILL NOT MEET in July or August.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday Sept. 13th.

Enjoy the summer! Herb Umland 201-891-6638

| Welcome New Members | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Name (Spouse) | Address | Employment | Interests | Home/Email | | | | |
| Mario Genduso (Angela) | 118 Seminary Drive Mahwah, NJ 07430 | Pharmacist Self | Gardening, Golf, Tennis, Trips & Tours | Home: 201-785-0440 Cell: 201-257-1088 Email: agmrx@apl.com | | | | |
| John A. Murphy (Beverly) | 10 Dana Drive Waldwick, NJ 07463 | Networking Pearsod | Digital Cameras, Hiking, Investments, Model RR, Science, Trips & Tours | Home: 201-447-0921 Cell: 201-723-4404 Email: deltasp69@aol.com | | | | |
| Joseph J. Pullaro (Jane) | 886 Iron Latch Road Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417 | President Lichtenstein Consult- ing Engineers | Book Club, Bridge, Car & Concern, Computers, Digital Cameras, Garden- ing, Golf, Newsletter, Science, Skiing, Stock Market, Tennis, Trips & Tours | Home: 201-337-0018 Cell: 201-378-8378 Email: josephpullaro@hotmail.com | | | | |

Public Discussion Group



iscussion Group's June meeting was attended by 24 members. We have elected to meet in July and August. First topic, the Supreme Court ruling, (which did not occur) developed into a very vocal meeting and wandered into other topics. In July we plan to update the election and evaluate the Supreme Court ruling. (2) Mandatory voting. (3) Minerals and their limited supply. (4) if time permits 1984 revisited?

The Book Club



he first order of business was to cancel the projected Breakfast of July but not the meeting itself. The meeting will take place at the Larkin House on July 11 at 9:30.

The books we will discuss in July are:

- "The Help", a novel by Kathryn Stockett
- "Man's Search for Meaning" by Viktor Frankl
- "Singin' in the Rain" by Earl Hess. This not the movie but a book about the making of the movie.

There were 15 attendees at the June 13 meeting. **Werner Kofler** enthusiastically reported on "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. This is the famous novel made into a more famous movie. In the 1930's in a small town in Alabama, a Negro is falsely accused of attempting to rape a white woman and is found guilty. He is defended by a small town lawyer Atticus Finch played by Gregory Peck in the movie. This is a powerful book. Next, Joe Infosino favorably reviewed "Mrs. Kimble" by Jennifer Haigh. Actually there are 3 of them as Ken Kimble, an opportunist marries 3 different women. While there are many episodes in the novel, the focus is on the 3 women, the man and to a lesser extent on Charlie and Jody, the children of the first marriage. A good read. Lastly, **Bob Saletta** spoke on "New Proof for the Existence of God" by Robert Spitzer. Bob described the book as an excellent primer on cosmology and also on philosophy. The general subject matter is the origin of the physical world.

We did not select books for August because as usual, there will be no meeting that month. We will resume monthly meetings in September. Rather than select books for September, the decision was to ask each member to be ready in September to name 2 worthwhile books so that we can then select books from the resulting list for the October and possibly subsequent meetings. To repeat, the next meeting is on July 11 at the Larkin House. Again, we welcome any one who likes to read books to sample our meetings.

Joe Infosino

The Golf Club



AU Golf Outing

orty golfers participated in the Annual AU Memorial Golf Tournament on Tuesday,

June 19th The outing was at Apple Course Cold Co. June 19th. The outing was at Apple Greens Golf Course in Highlands, NY, a venue of 27 holes; eighteen of which wind their way thru an active Apple Orchard while the other nine holes have been carved out of the rock on the side of a hill. This combination makes for an interesting round of golf. A Continental Breakfast was available before the shotgun start and a nice lunch was served after the round at the restaurant at the course. The winning team was led by Marty Mcgonigle and included his brother Joe McGonigle, Bob Harris, and Mike Kondrat. They narrowly edged out the runner up team of Al Coldon, Joe Luongo, Bill Paladino and Nick Dekazo. Individual honors went to Joe Mcgonigle for the low score of the day with a very nice 74 and to **Joe Luongo** who repeated as the AU member with the lowest net score of 72. Joe's name will be added to the AU Golf Trophy as the winner of this year's event. Other prizes were won by **Guy Cappello** and Nick Dekazo for closest to the pin and to Ralph Corallo for the most accurate drive. The weather cooperated with a partly cloudy day and relatively cool temperatures which were fine for playing golf. All in all it was a good day!

October Breakfast

↑ U will hold its annual breakfast meeting this fall at The Brick House in Wyckoff. The particulars are as Follows:

Date: October 9th **Place:** The Brick House, 179 Godwin Avenue, Wyckoff

 Coffee service will be available at 8:30AM

— Breakfast Buffet will open at 9:00AM

(tables will be randomly called) -\$9.00 cost per member

The breakfast will be held at the beautiful Brick House restaurant in Wyckoff. This has always been a well attended event, so make sure you get your check in early. We were able to hold the price at \$9.00 per member, which makes it the best value in town. Don't miss this once a year opportunity to join your AU friends and share this memorable breakfast meeting.

Checks should be made payable to Activities Unlimited. Either bring your check to the next meeting or send it to:

Don Wasson 14 Appert Terrace, Mahwah, NJ 07430. See you all at the Brick House October 9th.

AU GOLF TRIP - AUGUST 2012

ast year's Pennsyrvania as was such a hit that we have deast year's Pennsylvania golf trip cided to repeat it. This year's threeday, two-night excursion will take place Wednesday - Friday August 8-10th. The courses again will be Architect's in NJ on the way out and Golden Oaks and Old Homestead while there. The cost has been held at \$350.00 which includes: greens fees & cart, driving range, at all three venues, two-nights lodging w/breakfasts, welcome drinks and gift. The Holiday Inn Conference Center outside Allentown, PA is where the weary duffers will rest their heads and prepare for the next day's matches. Players can choose to play from the white or senior tees and there will be prizes for

Payments are to be sent to our AU Treasurer Herb Umland, 344 Longbow Drive, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417. Make your checks payable to "Activities Unlimited" and state what they are in payment for. The first installment of \$200 is due June 15th and the \$150 balance by July 15th. Please list your room mate when submitting your checks. Let Marty McGonigle know by e-mail mmbmcg@optonline.net if you intend to make the trip. We already have 12 AU members signed up and should exceed last year's total of 16.

- Marty McGonigle

HOBBYIST GOLF MATCH ALL SET

he fifth annual golf match against the Ridgewood Hobbyists is set for Tuesday, August 14th. Wallkill Golf Course will be the site since we are the home team and tee time is 8:30 AM with a Shotgun start. The cost is \$47.00 per golfer and includes hamburgers, hot dogs, salads and a choice of one beer or soft drink. Our team had 32 golfers last year and expect as many or more for this year's match. It is important to get your intention to participate or not to Marty McGonigle:

mmbmcg@optonline.net ASAP.

If playing, have your checks made out to "Activities Unlimited" and please note on them what they are for. Send them to our Treasurer: Herb Umland, 344 Longbow Drive, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417. The final number of AU golfers will depend on the number of opponents. Last year we had 32 golfers and the hope is for as many or more. Your response timing will be a factor in that final list. Participants should wear their AU shirts and hats so we nattily attired. We are in possession of the trophy and want to keep it so I encourage you to get in as much practice as possible between now and August 14th. Let's stretch our lead to 4 and 1!



The Science Club

Science

t the June meeting, **Fred Theile** gave a very professional talk on the topic of the 'War On Waste' (WOW). It was based upon Fred's experience in the Cosmetic Industry, and included excellent PPT and DVD presentations, which had been during the implementation of the 'Green' type program. The WOW approach was included in the Procurement and Manufacturing phases of the business and graphically demonstrated how planning/effort and investment, can both significantly reduce waste and cost.

The Science Club will not meet in July or August. The September meeting will be on Tuesday, September 25th, 2012 at 10:00 AM on the second floor of Heneveld Hall. Peter Griffin will give a talk Population Growth problems (from 7 billion on earth now to 9 billion by 2050), with implications on Environmental issues, Fuel, Food, Potable Water, Jobs, and Housing. Peter will update information from his presentation several years ago, and the information promises to be challenging.

On the first Saturday in October (10/6), the Science Club will visit the LaMont-Doherty Earth Observatory in Palisades, NY (close to Alpine, NJ), for its annual Open House. Several members of the S/C have attended the Open House previously, which includes opportunities to view exhibits and speak to professors etc., and they have indicated the trip is a 'must see/return'. The trip will be by private car, with the exhibits starting at 10 AM. During November we will also have a Trip to the Liberty Science Museum. Details for these trips will be included in the Monthly Newsletters. Note that the May meeting, **Bob Sal**etta repeated that the 'life blood' of the Science Club is having people volunteer to give talks, and he distributed very useful and practical information on methods to prepare a talk. Bob has an extensive collection of 'Teaching Company' DVDs (with supporting text) which can be used for a presentation, and he would like members to contact him for their use.

Again, thank you to all those who helped this year, and all ideas for future talks and suggestions to improve the Science Club are welcome.

JACK YURASEK (201-337-4433)

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED WEBSITE

ur member, Don Kirkpatrick, has been working with the Board of AU to create a new website for Activities Unlimited. This website will replace our existing one (yes, we did have one) and it promises to be very useful for our members and to recruit new members. It is very much a work in progress but the basic format is there for members to see. It can be accessed at www.activitiesunlimited.org or through Google by searching for "activitiesunlimited.org"

Briefly, there is a Home page that will have some general information and current news items. Across the top of the Home Page are links to other sections for "Activities", a "Calendar" of scheduled events for the month, the "Newsletter" with current and past editions, "Trips & Tours" for their events, "Membership" with a membership roster (available only to members), and a page to "Contact Us" to be used by members and non-members.

The next major undertaking will be to work with the committee / club chairmen to populate the website for each activity so that it meets the needs of each of the activities. It can be used to publish events, both past and future, including pictures and other information. Trips and Tours will be able to publish future events and include a link to other sites for more information on planned tours. Pictures of past trip and tours can also be included.

The above is only a brief introduction to the possibilities of the website. Don has done a great job so far but we will need the help of other members to make it a first class website. Everyone is invited to visit the website. Comments and suggestions are encouraged and can be discussed with Frank Nusspickel (201-891-9099) or any member of the Board.

When further developed, we will have a full presentation of the website at a future membership meeting with a walk-through on how to use it. Lets work together to make this a truly great and useful website.

May 8th Luncheon Well Attended

Our annual luncheon was held May 8th at the Indian Trail Club in Franklin Lakes. We had a turnout of 213 members, spouses/ friends who enjoyed the afternoon dining, dancing and listening to the music of the AU Guys. The Indian Trail Club did a great job arranging this luncheon and a special thanks goes out to all the AU Guys for their important contribution, making this once again a wonderful annual event.

Don Wasson

Trips, Tours & Special Events Calendar

Checks for these events, payable to Activities Unlimited accepted at the monthly meeting.

Thursday, July 19, 2012 CHANGED TO JULY 26th—New York Harbor Cruise and Lunch-We will car pool to Lincoln Harbor in Weehawken, near the entrance to the Lincoln Tunnel. The Spirit of New Jersey sails at noon and starts boarding at 11:30 a.m. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:15am to get to the boat by 11:30. It will pass the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, the Brooklyn Bridge, and many more sights. A buffet lunch will be served as we cruise Lower New York Harbor. The cost is \$55 pp. for the cruise and lunch. The price does NOT include beer, wine, or soda. Checks made out to Activities Unlimited should be mailed to Jim Webb, 970 Pines Terrace, Franklin Lakes, N,J 07417.

Thursday, August 2, 2012—Baseball followed by Fireworks - Pomona N.Y. **Rockland Boulders vs Newark Bears** at 7 PM. Food is available at concessions. Only a 30 minute drive from Wyckoff. We will Car Pool from WRC at 5:45 PM sharp, or drive from your home. Guests are welcome. We will buy tickets (about \$14pp) at the stadium that night. If you would like to attend, call **Terry Gilly** at 201-891-4055

Thursday, Aug 30, 2012 - Westchester Broadway Theatre - This Dinner Theatre located in Elmsford, NY is presenting the wonderful Cole Porter's popular musical and dance production of CAN-CAN. Winner of two Tony Awards, this musical extravaganza will take us back to another era, when the Moulin Rouge was the rage of Montmarte - Paris. Assigned seating (stadium seating instead of by tables) will be determined by the order in which checks (for \$81.00 pp.) were received. Trip includes bus, lunch and a matinee performance. Six different entrees will be available which will be seat selected at the Playhouse for either-beef stroganoff, chicken piccata, cheese ravioli with meat ball, egg plant parmesan, filet of sole with either crab meat stuffing or with lemon/butter. Bus departs at 9:30AM from the Wyckoff Reform Church parking lot. Contact **Ramon Casaprima** (201 891 3394) for any additional information/clarification".

Thursday September 20, 2012—Wine and Appetizer Social at the Brookside Manor Clubhouse, which is about 5 minutes from the WRC (Wyckoff Reformed Church). There will be some wine tasting and plenty of appetizers (Shrimp, Chicken, Swedish Meat Balls, Pigs in a Blanket, just to name a few, plus beer & soda). No one will leave hungry. It will run from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The cost is \$37.00 pp. This social will be limited to 50 people because of the size of the clubhouse. Please sign up ASAP to reserve your place for this party. Make checks payable to Activities Unlimited no later than September 1st, and send them to **George Lewis**, 45 Walnut Street West, Mahwah, NJ 07430. (201) 891-5883

Wednesday Oct 3, 2012-Mount Airy Lodge—--- MYSTERY SHOW, at Mt. Airy Casino. PA. The Show is Grandpa Tony's Funeral. This original comedy takes place at a Mafia Godfather's funeral. Audience members enter thru a metal detector, offer their sympathies, and act as pall bearers. Tony was shot and rumor has it the killer is at the funeral. The real question is who will be the next Don? The cost for this trip is \$40. pp. and includes the Bus, a Buffet, the Mystery Show and \$25. in slot play. Make checks payable to AU and mail to Larry Restieri, 105 Fisher Rd. Mahwah, NJ 07430. (201-825-5843). The Bus will leave WRC at 9:15 am and return after the show.

Tuesday, October 23, 2012: OCTOBERFEST at Platzl Brauhaus in Pomona, NY. A day of Music, Dancing, Entertainment and of course Food. On arrival as a starter Coffee, Tea, Scones and Donuts. For Dinner at noon there is Barley Soup, Salad, Rolls, Bread & Butter followed by a choice of Roasted Half Chicken, Roast Pork or Sauerbraten, Potato and Vegetable. Also served Family Style Bratwurst, Spare Ribs, Red Cabbage, Sauerkraut, Applesauce and Fresh Apples. Ice Cream along with Coffee and Tea, Beer, Soda and Apple Cider will be served from Noon to 5PM. At 4 PM there is a Steamship Roast from the Carving Table, Pretzels, Coffee & Tea.

We drive ourselves or carpool to Platzl's which is only about a 20 minute drive from Wyckoff. Driving directions in a later edition of Newsletter. \$44 per person. **Dick Botta**, 413D Bromley Place, Wyckoff, NJ 201-848-9001

Nov-Grand Chalet-Dinner and Dancing

Monday-Dec 17, 2012 - Christmas Party

2013 Thoughts:

Newport-Boston 3-5 day trip Valentines Dinner—Dance Newark spring trip

The Senior Prom

It was held at the Ramsey Country Club on June 19th had 80 attend. We had an extended cocktail party with an open bar all evening. Music was provided by Doug Scriviani and he did a great job getting all the quests up to dance. Hans & Dora Sammer were picked as King & Queen of the Senior Prom. Our surprise gift was Carnation Corsages for the Ladies which were donated by Shop-Rite of Ramsey; they also donated a large Sheet Cake for all our members to enjoy. This was a pleasant evening for all our members to mingle and chat with old friends and greet new members.









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