Activities





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Monthly Meeting MAY

LUNCHEON MEETING:

he May membership meeting is a luncheon at Indian Trails Club in Franklin Lakes on Tuesday, May 8th (the normal 2nd Tuesday of the Month). Cost is \$23 per person with spouses / guests welcomed. There will be open seating (no advanced reservations). Doors open at Noon with the AU Guys band playing for the enjoyments of all. It is not too late to sign up. Send your check to Herb Umland, 344 Longbow Drive, Franklin Lakes, NJ, 07417.

Food Pantry

t the April meeting, \$170.50 was given as donations to the Food Pantry.

he Deadline for June Newsletter articles is May 30, 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

A month or so ago, one of our members and past presidents, **Tony Or**sini passed away. Tony was an outstanding AU member and past president. His creative energy and driving ideas made our club a much more vital organization. With his passing, he left the organization better than he found it. That is a testimony to his person.

In this newsletter, we are re-printing a bio which was published in the Our Sept. 2002 Newsletter. Tony was truly a remarkable person. I also want to make this Jotting a request. I was not aware of the bio of Tony, until **Wes Cheringal** brought it to my attention. I regret that. Some of the younger AU members may not be fully aware of the contributions of our older members, in making the club what we have today. As one gets older, sometimes their circle of friends narrows.

I would like to ask that if you receive an e-mail announcing the passing of one of our members, whom you knew personally, as a friend, please consider writing a short reflection of that person, to be shared in our Newsletter. You can send it to:

Louis J. Guarneri at: lguarneri03@gmail.com You may have some insights regarding the person, that other AU members were not aware of. It may only take 10 minutes of time. We are a caring organization, and this will help us better appreciate the special members, whom we are privileged to know. **JOE KELLY**

Family Focus.....Tony Orsini

A memorial service will be held for Tony at the Wyckoff Reformed Church on May 17th, 2012 at 11:00 am.

Tony came from humble beginnings, his parents migrated from Italy, when our nation's people were suffering the terrible Great Depression. It was a time when working class families set very modest goals. A pair of good shoes were prized much more than an education and all family members went to work at whatever they could find.

Tony and his family lived in West New York, NJ, a town of many struggling families, role models were scarce, but Tony was strong willed and especially self reliant. He excelled in grade school and at the eighth grade graduation Tony won "The Elks award for the Best Scholastic Record."

Tony took on a newspaper route to do his share at home. Up at 4:15 am every day, he climb 100 flights of stairs to deliver 250 daily newspapers for the Hudson Dispatch. Paperboys made their own "collections" on the weekends, most

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	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		
	Committees			
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	Joe MacDougall Wes Cheringal	891-4048 848-8009	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			2nd Tues. 9:00 4th Tues. 9:00	
Tennis	Dom Manobianco	891-7185	MWF 9:00	
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
04/04 NS	Coughlin/Miles	Hulit/Lewis	Sileo/Socolof
EW	Chapman/Page	Reed/Smith	Freimuth/Hausman
04/11 1st 2nd 3rd 3rd 5th	Finn/Green Freimuth/Lewis Wiest/Levin Reed/Socolof Chapman/Milcos		
04/18 NS EW	Cheringal/Warner Finn/Hilit	Levin/Meloro Gilpatrick/Smith	Christie/Milcos Coughlin/Gattoni
04/25	Freimuth/Riccardi	Gilpatrick/ MacDougall	Gattoni/Smith

AU GOLF CLUB MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012 APPLE GREENS GOLF COURSE.... HIGHLAND, NY

- * 18 Holes of golf, with cart
- * Shotgun start at 9:00 am
- * Continental breakfast...pre golf
- * Barbecue lunch...after golf
- * Awards and Prizes
- * COST....\$80.00 per person



Form your own foursome or just sign up and we'll fit you in.

Make checks payable to Activities Unlimited and mail to Bruno Bissetta, 553 Lee Court, Wycoff, NJ 07481 Any questions, contact Bruno at 201-891-7567

OBITUARIES

ED ABRAMO HANS MAUNZ FRED WALKER

Tony Orsini

times chasing slow payers into Monday nights. Tony's take was 12 bucks a week — tax free! He kept his paper route all through his high school years at Memorial High School and graduated in January 1936. He was second in his class.

Tony pursued a higher education, by competing with 200 candidates for a tuition free college education at Cooper-Union, NYC. He won the competing exam and took a Co-Op work study program that ran six years, four nights a week. Tony worked days delivering his paper route in the early mornings and then working at a near by factory Kaywoodie — who made smoking pipes. In 1942 Tony received his engineering degree at Cooper-Union. He was elected to the Engineering Honor Society and Tal Betta Pie.

Tony went to work at M.W. Kellog, NYC. They designed special projects for the Navy and the war effort. Kellog obtained "occupational deferments" for Tony while he persisted in his attempts to "join up," but poor vision kept him on the home front, Soon after the war was won, he met Clair at a company glee club rehearsal, and they were married in October 1947, they settled in Bergenfield and stay for seven years. Tony engaged in some civic activities, taught Sunday school, joined the Bergen Civic Defense Fire Unit, and also supervised a Kidder sponsored "Junior Achievement Group."

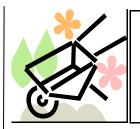
While spending 18 fascinating years at Kidder, Tony became involved in numerous classified projects for NASA, such as Navajo Missile and Scout Rocket, stationary Satellite projects, space vehicles and propulsion systems. While at Kidder Tony applied for and received four US patents, all related to the pressurization systems for missiles and aircraft.

Tony left Kidder in 1962 to devote the next 25 years to his own consulting business with offices in Franklin Lakes. He retired in 1987. Now dial back to 1955 the Orsinis built their house in Wyckoff and raised five bright daughters. Tony and Clair became active locally.

Tony in the Recreation Programs in Wyckoff and becoming a commissioner and president of the group. WHOA - Wyckoff Home Owners Assn. a member from it's inception serving as VP and President. A 12 year volunteer at Marge Roukema's Office.

Clair volunteered at the school library, PTO Economy Shop, instructed English as a second language, Women's Club, Ladies Aid Wyckoff Reformed Church. Tony joined AU in 1991—his neighbor **Don DeWinnie** sponsored him. He participated in Hiking and The Investment Study Groups. Tony's significant understanding of reading market indicators and evaluating specific industries and companies inspired a new wave of interns into ISG, who were not able to decipher the embellished information put out by the investment industry. Tony introduced his "Equilibrium Channel" and with friends published "The Investment Study Manual." Tony's yearly stock contest where every contestant starts out with \$100,00 to build a portfolio (with play money) was a great success! A luncheon, a skit and song parodies (all tied to the market) was a production of Tony's and year after year was a highlight of the season! The skit was a howl and featured guys like "Loonie Louie," "Joe Slick" and "Phoneas T. Barnumb."

Tony went through the VP chairs and was our President in 1995. During his term of office he grappled with the sticky question of escalating membership, many wanted a 200 member cap, thank goodness Tony lobbied for unlimited membership (lots of friends wouldn't be here!). Tony also spearheaded several constitutional changes that fine tuned the goals of the changing shape of AU. Tony was a true leader and has achieved a "significant status" everywhere he **Wes Cheringal** has perched.



The Garden Club

ur April meeting began with members sharing information. Pete Griffin reported on deer repellent devices he is using successfully. Art Cappello answered questions on his previously suggested Vermont peony trip and also brought some digitalis plants for those who wanted them.

Several group members reported on the Spring fest trip to Sussex County and provided extensive printed information on hostas. Terry Gilly recommended a field trip to include the wolf preserve, Well Sweep Herb Farm and, of course, a place for lunch.

Fred Theile is looking into the Presby Iris Garden in Montclair as a possible venue.

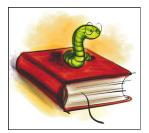
During the Q&A portion of the meeting the question was posed, "when do you prune lilacs?" The answer is: in order to have blossoms every year, cut out old flower heads as soon as blooms fade. This is also the time to thin out the weak main stems arising from the soil and to take out very old stems that are no longer blossoming freely. Also, if replacing or adding to your garden, you can now obtain varieties of lilacs that provide a longer sequential flowering season. Happy Gardening!! Any questions? 201-327-8137

Joe Lamela

RUDY VANEK

long time member died on 02-28long time member died en salta. Rudy suffered from Alzheimers for some time and hadn't attended our monthly meetings for awhile. His wife died in 1998. Rudy was 92, and lived in Waldwick. His family requested donations be sent to the Alzheimers Assn in Denville, NJ.

The Book Club



The books we will discuss in May are:

- "The Professor's House", a novel by Willa Cather
- "The Negotiator" by Frederick Forsythe
- "Destiny of the Republic" by Candice Millard.

We welcomed Paul Killion as a new member to start off our April Meeting. Discussion of 3 books related to past history followed. Werner Kofler reported on "How the Irish Saved Civilization" by Thomas Cahill. Werner felt the book was interesting but did not have anything really new. The title refers to the Irish monks who traveled from the fifth to the eighth or ninth centuries, copying manuscripts from monasteries in Europe. Gerry Hulit reviewed favorably the book "Explorers of the Nile" by Ted Jeal. These were the ones who explored Central Africa seeking sources of the Nile River in the eighteen fifties and eighteen sixties. **Joe Clinton** then described "An American Original: a Life of Will Rogers by Ray Robinson". Will Rogers appeared in shows, rodeos, vaudeville, silent and talking movies and in print. The book was rated a fine read.

Two novels sandwiching one non fiction book will be discussed in June:

- "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee
- "New Proof for the Existence of God" by Robert Spitzer
- "Mrs. Kimble" by Jennifer Haigh

Any one who likes to read books is welcome to come and sample our meetings.

Joe Infosino

BOB DESROSIERS GETS HIS FIRST HOLE-IN-ONE

know three of you were "on the scene" witnesses (Oscar, Russ and Jed), and a number of you enjoyed the celebratory drink at the clubhouse following play (statute of limitations has since expired for that drink), I just wanted to share with you a lifetime memorable event. And don't



laugh, yes, a Driver was used and for two valid reasons; hitting directly into a 1 and 1/2 club headwind, and the "Old Golfers Axiom" ... as age goes up distance comes down.



Welcome New Members						
Name (Spouse)	Address	Employment	Interests	Home/Email		
Elliot H. Bern (Linda)	68 Charles Street Allendale, NJ 07401	Psychologist	AU Guys Band, Gardening, Hiking, Stock Market, Tennis, Trips & Tours	201-327-8189 eb7545@aol.com		
Robert (Bob) F. Daver (Pat)	15 Birchwood Lane Ramsey, NJ 07446	American Express	Computers, Digital Cameras, Golf, Investments, Model RR, Science, Stock Market, Transportation, Trips & Tours	H:201-327-9247; C:201-725-8425 bdaver@aol.com		
Robert P. Mulligan (Elaine)	144 Brewster Road Wyckoff, NJ 07481	Owens-Lorning Fiberglass	Bridge, Computers, Golf, Investments	201-447-8837 mulliganbirdie@aol.com		

AU SKIING 2012



ur AU skiers celebrated another successful season on April 11th with a dinner at LaTour attended by sixteen members and their wives.

Our season began in January with weekly trips to Belleayre Mountain Ski Center located in the Catskill Mountains; approximately two hours driving time. The area is operated by the State of New York. Excellent snow making and grooming allows us to negotiate all terrain including the expert trails and slopes. As seniors, the area also provides most of our skiers with lifetime gold passes.

Weather and driving conditions allowed us to make only 6 trips with 9 skiers compiling a total of 24 skier days. In addition to our weekly trips, 5 of our members traveled on skiing vacations adding an additional 63 skier days. Forty of the 63 days were compiled by Arthur Cappello our skier and certified instructor working with the Okemo, VT ski school. Areas visited included Loon Mt., NH, Bromley, VT, Okemo, VT, Crested Butte, CO, Heavenly Valley, Lake Tahoe, CA, and Stratton Mt., VT. This brought us to a total of 87 skier days for the season.



The season was completed by our senior skiers with no major injuries and only one minor injury, the fault of another skier. We continue to conquer the groomed black diamonds with skill and confidence despite the worst season for natural snow and cold weather ever experienced in our memory. It resulted in a very late start to our season and an early finish with minimum ski days.

We are look forward to the 2013 Ski season in hopes of better snowfall and a more typical winter. All members and new members of AU are welcome to join our activity.

he A.U. Guys Band had a wonderful evening playing for the "Senior Citizen's Prom" hosted by River Dell High School on April 4, 2012. The event was attended by more than 100 well dressed seniors and their "dates" who danced the evening away while enjoying dinner and desserts, along with great door prizes. A good time was had by all - including the Band.



Trips, Tours & Special Events Calendar

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

May 10, 2012- Dubrovnik and Beyond: From the Adriatic to the Alps. This is an escorted land tour by Grand Circle Travel, which takes you from the walled city of Dubrovnik up the sun-drenched Croatian Riviera to the Julian Alps in Slovenia. Optional tours to Bosnia, Montenegro, Istrian Peninsula and the Island of Kirk are available. It's a 15-day leisurely bus trip that includes round trip airfare, accommodations (4 nights in Dubrovnik, 1 in Split, 4 in Opatija and 4 nights in Bled), 6 sightseeing tours and 21 meals. The food has an Italian influence, the people are very friendly, the countries are safe and you will enjoy the opportunity to visit 4 UNESCO World Heritage sites. The price is \$2,995pp. Croatia and Slovenia are fast becoming very popular tourist destinations. If interested, contact **Don Wasson** (201)-891-1873.

Tuesday June 19, 2012 AU ANNUAL SENIOR PROM WITH A SURPRISE GIFT FOR ALL THE LADIES

It will be held at the Ramsey Country Club from 5:30 to 9:30 PM with open seating and an open bar for one hour. This year we will have an Extended Cocktail & Buffet Affair. No formal sit down dinner. Food will be served all evening.



with 10 selections of Butler Passed Hors oeuvres, such as: Shrimp, Baby Lamb Chops, Smoked Salmon & other varieties. Then 2 Carving Stations of Filet Mignon, Boneless Pork Loin, plus Pasta, Fajita Chicken Stations, Fresh Vegetables, Fruit, Cheese & an Italian Antipasto table. We will choose a King & Queen for the Prom, & end the evening with Coffee & Assorted Desserts. Entertainment will be all night for your dinning & dancing pleasure. Make checks payable to Activities Unlimited for \$63pp & mail

to; Larry Restieri 105 Fisher Rd. Mahwah, NJ, 07430, Tel: 201-825-5843

Thursday, July 19, 2012 – 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. 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 b2, 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. Cost is \$81.00 pp., which includes bus, lunch (five different entrees) and a matinee performance. Send checks to **Ramon Casaprima**, 46 Walnut Street West, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430 (telephone 201-891-3394). A sign up form will be available at the March meeting for those wishing to attend. We encourage prompt payment to ensure availability to this popular venue.

Trips, Tours & Special Events Calendar, cont.

Thursday September 20, 2012—Wine Tasting Party

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

Investment Study Group

ur April meeting featured Tim Baker, Senior Director and Barbara Collins, Senior Portfolio Manager at BNY-Mellon Wealth Management.

Their presentation focused on Hedge Fund Investments and we were provided with a terrific overview of the industry, the various strategies employed and the favorable differences in volatility when compared to the S & P 500.

Mutual funds are now available in the market that allows many more people to invest in this growing market sector. Our speakers provided a very helpful handout.

Our meeting On Thursday, May 10th at the Larkin House at 9:30AM will be in a roundtable format open to all AU members where investment ideas and exchanged and shared. This discussion will be moderated by Dom Manobianco and Herb Umland and we welcome all AU members to come join us and bring your investment ideas, issues and concerns.

A seasoned investment professional from Morgan Stanley, Smith Barney, Robert Reichert, will join us to assist, where needed, in our discussion. Please join us!

Our June 14th meeting at WRC will feature David Dietze, JD, CFA, CFP, President and CI Strategist at Point View Wealth Management in Summit, NJ. David will discuss the current market and where he sees opportunities. David can be seen on CNBC's "The Larry Kudlow Show", Fox Business News and Bloomberg with Kathleen Hayes. Please mark your calendars now! Please call me with any questions Herb Umland



he Digital Camera Club meeting for 10:00 am, Thursday May 17th will be off-ste. Mr Alex Layman a professional photographer from Waldwick and a friend of one of our members has invited us to visit his studio in Waldwick. His studio is located at 20 Harrison Ave Waldwick, NJ. Information about Mr. Laymen can best be found at his website (www.laymanimaging.com). This is another opportunity to learn more about our digital cameras and what beautiful photos and memories they can produce.



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