

Activities Unlimited

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Activities Unlimited General Meeting Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 12:00 Noon Christian Reformed Church, Fellowship Hall 183 Godwin Ave in Midland Park

Guest Speaker: Joel Farkas

TOPIC: THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN ONE HOUR

We have invited Joel Farkas back to remind us how our nation was formed and the principles on which it stands. Joel Farkas is a lecturer on The American Revolution, The Revolutionary War, and the founding of our country. He lectures at libraries, schools, senior centers and clubs, retirement communities, national organizations, etc. His credits include:

LECTURER: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Rutgers University
Collector of original historical autographs

HIS MISSION: To motivate you to learn more about the founding of our country. The people and events that impacted and shaped the world we live in today.

I want to prove to you that HISTORY DOES MATTER.
Joel is a Graduate of Ohio State University; was an Officer in the United States Army and is currently a National Park Service volunteer docent at Washington's Headquarters, Morristown, NJ.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we head into late fall and the holiday season, I would like to give thanks for a return to somewhat normal activities. Our clubs have found meeting homes and attendance is growing stronger as evidenced by the 51 members at the last Science club meeting. If you are not getting to the clubs, you should really try. They offer camaraderie and friendships that we all need. They also often challenge us mentally or physically keeping us sharp as we all get older.

The election of the 2023 Executive Board will take place at the general meeting on November 8th at the Christian Reformed Church in Midland Park. This is an important meeting as we will be setting the course for AU for the new year as well as talking about next year's events. In particular, we will have more details on the planned joint Marti Gras party with the Ridgewood Hobbyists and the Glen Rock Activities Club planned for February.

The final and most well attended event of the year is the Annual Holiday Dinner Dance at the Seasons in Washington Township. We will be installing our new officers as well as presenting the 2022 Distinguished Service Award to an outstanding AU member. Our Event Chairmen, Bill Mastellon and John Murphy are busy with their last-minute details for this social event. They need your checks by November 12th; please mail to Bill Mastellon, 101 East Oak St, Unit G-6, Oakland, NJ 07436. See the form at the end of this newsletter.

At the October Meeting \$122 was collected for the Wyckoff Reformed Church Food Pantry.

Membership dues for 2023 must be received no later than December 31, 2022. Send your check for \$50.00, payable to "Activities Unlimited", with "2023 dues" in the memo line, to:

Marty Valerio, Assistant Treasury - Activities Unlimited, 344 Valley Road, River Edge, NJ 07661

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



2022 OFFICERS



Doug Cooper
President
908-907-1112



Harry Bennett
1st Vice President
201-891-9527



Jim Atieh
1st Vice President
201-315-5346



Rich Bernarde
Secretary
201-337-5238



Mike Kelley
Treasurer
973-839-6470



Marty Valerio
Assistant Treasurer
201-262-8966

COMMITTEES & CLUBS				COMMITTEES & CLUBS			
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GROUP	CONTACT	PHONE	MEETING	GROUP	CONTACT	PHONE	MEETING
AU Guys Band	John DeSantis	201-447-0256	1,3&4 Wed 9 am Midland Pk VFW	Luncheon	John Abrahamsen	john.abrahamsen.bnp@gmail.com 201-739-8589 Selected restaurants by invitation only	
Bocce	Walt Widmer	201-562-8666	M,W,F 1:00 pm Ramsey Courts, Oak St		Mark Cohen		
Book Club	Vince Tortorelli Marty Valerio	201-447-3718 201-394-2938	4th Wed 9:30 am Larkin House	Membership	Dave Voehl Dick Hensch	973-227-6981 201-891-1309	
Database Committee	John Abrahamsen Jim Webb	201-739-8589 201-337-7982		Newsletter	Lou Guarneri Tom Van Lenten	201-847-1981 201-248-7207	
Dup. Bridge Rub.	Tom Meloro	201-560-0169	Every Wed 1 pm Larkin House On Hold	Pickleball	Ken Frisco Tim Tracy	201-848-5595 201-560-8911	Tue & Thur. 9:00 Wyckoff Public Tennis Courts
Care-Concern	Marty Valerio	201-262-8966		Project Outreach	Joe Pullaro	201-337-0018	
Chaplain	Rev Andy Kadzban	201-485-8589		Photography	Murry Perl Sam Ohan	201-446-7357 201-825-0437	1st Tue 10:30 am Midland Pk VFW
Computer Technology	Don Kirkpatrick Fred Theile	201-337-5666 201-825-7541	4th Tue 10:00 am Midland Pk VFW	Public Discussion	Walt Widmer Tom Butler	201-562-8666 201-934-8161	2nd, Wednesday 9:30 at Ambulance Corp Franklin Lake
Garden	Fred Theile	201-981-1801	1st Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW	Refreshments	Jim Forbes John Gannaway	201-825-0523 201-485-7881	
Golf	Bill Bryne Jim Webb	201-447-5064 201-337-7982	Tues & Thur. 10:50 Paramus Golf Club	Science	Harry Bennett Jack Yurasek	201-891-9527 201-337-4433	3rd Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW
Long Hiking Short	Don Kirkpatrick Rick Sneyers	201-337-5666 973-248-6625	Mon 9:00 am WRC-Parking Lot	Skiing	Bud Brooks	201-327-6649	Snow
	Fred Theile	201-981-1801	Mon 9:30 am WRC -Parking Lot	Sponsor Liaison	Jim Mallen	201-485-8589	
Historian	Victor Pizzolato	201-612-0038		Stock	Frank Nusspickel John Abrahamsen	201-891-9099 201-848-8037	1st & 3rd Tues. 9000 am Midland Pk VFW
History	Pablo Catangay Tony Mastandrea	201-684-1217 201-327-8832	4th Tue 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW	Tennis	Dave Burleigh Bob Meyers	201-762-3707 310-254-8699	M, W & F Time & Place Seasonal
Investment Study	Dennis LaBarbera	201-391-0471	3rd Wed 1:00 pm Midland Pk VFW	Transportation	Frank Nusspickel	201-891-9099	
				Trips/Tours	John Caikowsky Don Wasson	973-599-1056 201-891-1873	2nd Tue 9:00 am Midland Pk VFW
				Web-Master	Don Kirkpatrick	201-337-5666	



Trips & Tours



Contact John Caikowsky: johncaikowsky@optonline.net or 973-599-1056

Monday, December 5, 2022, Activities Unlimited 35th Christmas Dinner Dance at Season's in Washington Township

You and your guest are invited to the Activities Unlimited 35th Annual Christmas Dinner Dance, on December 5, 2022 at Seasons, Washington Township We need your checks by November 12th; please mail to Bill Mastellon, 101 East Oak St, Unit G-6, Oakland, NJ 07436.

See Page 8 for details and page 9 for the registration form.

2023 planning events:

February—Marti Gras a joint venture with the Hobbyists and the Glen Rock Activities clubs.

March— An affair at the Brownstone.

June—a repeat of the highly successful summer picnic at the Wyckoff YMCA.

Welcome New Member

Name(Spouse)	Address	Interests	Phones/Email/(Occupation)
William P. Dorney (Kathy)	386 Monroe Ave. Wyckoff, NJ 07481		H: 201-891-2423 C: 551-206-7015 wpdce@aol.com (Health Care)

Notice of proposed changes to our By Laws

1. Changes in dues for members attending the age of 90.

Our practice in recent years has been to allow members who joined before 2016 to be “dues free” in the year in which they are 90 YOA. Members who joined after December 31, 2015, did not have that privilege, they continued to pay dues. The proposed change in Bylaws will allow members who joined after 2015 and subsequently attain the age of 90 or more, to no longer pay dues after five consecutive years of membership in good standing.

The current By-Law is:

Article VIII: Dues

Section 5.

All members are required to pay dues with the following exception. Exception: Members in good standing as of December 31, 2015 do not pay dues beginning the year, they turn 90 years of age.

The proposed change is as follows:

Article VIII: Dues

Section 5.

All members are required to pay dues with the following exceptions:

- Members in good standing for five consecutive years do not pay dues beginning the year they turn 90 years of age.
- Members who have reached the age of 90 do not pay dues following the completion of five years of consecutive membership in good standing.

2. Changes to amendments.

The Current Bi-Law is:

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by the membership at any regular meeting or duly called special meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment(s) shall have been given at a previous meeting and published in the previous two monthly newsletters in sufficient detail. A quorum (Article VII, Section 2) must be present. A two-thirds affirmative vote of members present is necessary “to amend”.

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Voting will be held at the General Meeting on December 13, 2022.

The Nominating committee’s recommendation for the 2023 Executive Board:

Extract from AU By-laws:

Officers shall serve one term in the office to which they have been elected. However, at the option of the then member in office and the Nominating Committee, the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Secretary may be elected for a second consecutive term. Except as otherwise provided herein, a member may again be elected to the same office provided that at least one term has elapsed. This does not restrict members from being elected to a different office in the interim. Installation of newly elected officers shall be the final “Order of Business” at the Annual Meeting, which will take place at the November General Meeting. Note: It has often been the past practice that the 1st VP, the 2nd VP, and Asst. Treasurer, step up to the next position. Also, the past Presidents need to confirm their desire to continue to serve. However, it is up to the Nominating Committee to finally decide the slate to be put forward to the Membership at the October General Meeting. All Members are also free to put forward nominations should they desire at that Meeting. The nominations shall be closed at the November General meeting. The election of the new officers by voice vote shall proceed. However, if there is more than one nominee for a particular office, voting shall be done by ballot.

Below are the results and represent a proposal by the Nominating Committee made to the Executive Board of AU. This is the slate of proposed candidates who were presented as part of our October 2022 General Meeting (October 11th held in connection with the breakfast event at the Brick House), and which shall be voted upon at the General Meeting in November (November 8th held at the Christian Reformed Church):

President.....Harry Bennett

1st Vice President..... Jim Atieh

2nd Vice President Tom Donch

Secretary..... Rich Bernarde

Treasurer..... Mike Kelley

Asst. Treasurer..... Tony Dilorgi

Upcoming Club Activities

BOCCE

All AU members are invited to join the group at the Ramsey Courts, Oak St Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:00 pm. Questions call: **Walt Widmer** 201-562-8666. It's easy and fun.

Computer Tech. Club

Our next meeting is on November 22, 2022, via Zoom and in Person The main topic to be determined. **Please forward to me suggested topics for future.** **Donald A. Kirkpatrick** (201-759-3795) or dakirkpt@verizon.net

Golf Club

The 2022 Golf Awards Luncheon will be held on **December 8, 2022** at the new **Taverna on the Green** at the Paramus Golf Course. Doors are open at 11:30 am and lunch will be served at 12 noon. The cost is \$45 per person and a cash bar is available. All golfing members as well as other members interested in golf are welcome to join us as Trophies are presented for 2022 League play. Your checks in the amount of **\$45** payable to **Activities Unlimited** should be mailed to: **Douglas Cooper**, 15 David Alan Way, Montville, NJ 07045 Your check should be received by me no later than **November 23rd**. Question: **Doug Cooper**, 908-907-1112

History Club

The History Club meeting is on November 22 at 1pm at the VFW- Midland Park. This is "in person" meeting. The speaker is Mr. Adolph Galluccio. He is a semi-retired criminal trial attorney. He has tried many different criminal cases including approximately thirty murder cases both with and without the death penalty. His presentation will touch on a variety of the Criminal Law issues including but not limited to: possession and distribution of illegal drugs, DUI, bail reform, death penalty, safeguards to protect the innocent, and of course, addressing "How can you represent someone who is obviously guilty?" **Pablo A. Catangay** - pcata123@optimum.net

Public Discussion

The Discussion Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Franklin Lakes Ambulance Corps Building.at 10:00am. The next meeting will be on November 9, 2022.. Topics covered will be:
 1 Election results, House and Senate',
 2. Judicial origination - meaning and how it functions.
 3. Ukraine How far will Putin go?
 Questions call: **Walt Widmer** 201-562-8666

Trips & Tours

The next meeting will be January 10, 2023 at the Midland Park VFW at 9:30.AM Also, see page 7. If you would like to join T&T, please contact **John Caikowsky** at: johncaikowsky@optonline.net or 973-599-1056

Pickleball

Play will start at 8:30AM every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at the Wyckoff tennis/pickleball courts. Anyone interested in playing should contact **Ken Frisco**: Cell # 973-919-6704, Home 201-848-5595, kenfrisco@aol.com

31 AU MEMBERS ATTENDED A VERY INFORMATIVE SESSION ON OCTOBER 19 AT THE YMCA ABOUT STAYING HEALTHY AS WE AGE



October 21 Trips & Tours special event:

A Wonderful Time with the "Jersey Tenors" Wish you we there.
John Caikowsky – Chair T&T



ACTIVITIES



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You and your guest are invited to the
**Activities Unlimited
35th Annual Christmas Dinner Dance**

Where: Seasons, Washington Township

When: December 5, 2022

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Cost: \$89.50 / person

Invite A Non-member

If you have a friend who is curious about AU, or interested in joining AU or you think may become interested in joining AU if he had the opportunity to experience one of our events first hand, the board has given the green light for you to invite a non-member to our 35th Annual Christmas Dinner Dance. No Obligation.

Christmas Dinner
Dance
Chairmen
Bill Mastellon &
John Murphy



Happiness is not just
spending time, Happiness
is enjoying the time you

Time slips away
like grains of
sand never to re-
turn. Don't wait,
send in your res-
ervation ASAP.



12 Days left to mail Reservation

**Reservation – Received Cutoff Date is Saturday 11/12/2022 With
Your Payments**

**Cancellation – Received Cutoff Date is Monday 11/21/2022 for
Full Refund**



Return the attached reservation with payment to Bill Mastellon



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**Thirty-Fifth Annual
Christmas Dinner Dance**

Location: Seasons – 644 Pascack Road Washington Township, NJ

Date – Monday, December 5, 2022 Starting at 5:30 PM and Ending at 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. Selection of Beef, Chicken or Fish

Dance to music by Peter Lieberman

Price – \$89.50 per Person —Make Checks Payable to **Activities Unlimited**

Return Reservation Form to: Bill Mastellon Email— wjm8666@gmail.com

With Check 101 East Oak St — Unit G-6

Oakland, NJ 07436

(201) 447-1417

Reservation – Received Cutoff Date is Saturday 11/12/2022 With Your Payments

Cancellation – Received Cutoff Date is Monday 11/21/2022 for Full Refund

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



Reservation \$89.50 per person Make Checks Payable to: Activities Unlimited Member Phone Number (____) _____ email: _____ 1 _____ Member (First) - Please Print - (Last Name) 2 _____ Guest (First) - Please Print - (Last Name)	Confirmed Members and or Guests that you would like to seat with	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr style="background-color: #ffff00;"> <th style="text-align: left; padding: 2px;">First Name - Please Print - Last Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">3</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">4</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">5</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">6</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">7</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">8</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">9</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">10</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">11</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">12</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #ffff00; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px; font-size: small;"> Table seating preference and table location is assigned in the order that payment is received. </div>	First Name - Please Print - Last Name	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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If you have a preference to sit with friends at the same table **PLEASE CONFIRM** with them and list their names on the right. - Example: one name per line — 3 Bill Smith, 4 Mary Smith. **For group table reservations of 5 or more please include all names and checks for the table.**

Check Box for random table seating
Reservation Received cutoff date is 11/12/2022
Full payment must be included with All Reservations
Cancellation cutoff date for a Full Refund is 11/21/2022

Alt. Reservation Contact—John Murphy (201) 723-4404 email—Deltasp69@aol.com

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