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Activities Unlimited October 2024

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## Activities Unlimited Breakfast Meeting Tuesday October 8, 2024, 8:30pm The Brick House, 580 Wyckoff Ave.

#### NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Please review this newsletter to refresh yourself on dates, times, topics and locations for all your favorite activities.

The October 8 General meeting is our annual breakfast at the Brick House restaurant in Wyckoff. Remember to send your check for \$18 to Gaspar Lesznik. If you are paying at the door, the cost is \$20.

I would like to thank George Lewis and his team for a very successful Annual Social. There was food and drink galore, and a good time was had by all.

Remember that Trips and Tours is having an Oktoberfest at the Brownstone, 351 West Broadway Paterson on October 16.

Also, our Christmas Dinner Dance is coming on Monday, December 2, 2024. Starting at 5:30 PM and ending at 9:30 PM. Remember this is the only event in the 21st Century that hasn't gone up in price.

As we enter the last quarter of the year, AU continues to be vibrant and in a strong financial position. This is due to our members who actively participate, volunteer and foster a sense of fellowship. Let's each of us set a goal to introduce a new member in 2025 so that AU continues to grow and remain strong.

See you all for breakfast October 8, 2024 James Atieh, President

The Food Pantry donations at the September General Meeting totaled \$125.

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### **ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED**





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Gaspar Lesznik 2nd Vice President 201-774-8608



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Welcome New Members				
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Trips & Tours



## The next T&T meeting will be immediately after the Annual Breakfast in the bar of Brick House. Chair: Tom Van Lenten: 201-248-7207; email: tomvanlenten@hotmail.com

*October 8*— Annual Breakfast / General Meeting at the Brick House.

October — October 16 Octoberfest

### **<u>CHANGE OF DATE and CONTACT INFORMATION</u> NEW DATE: Wednesday, October 16, 2024**

#### **SAME TIME:** 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

#### SAME LOCATION: The Brownstone, 351 West Broadway, Paterson NEW CONTACT PERSON: John Caikowsky

Join us for a fun afternoon of music and comedy by "The GB's" band. They'll entertain you with German drinking songs, make you laugh with hilarious jokes and get you up dancing with lively tunes, including polkas.

Lunch includes 1 free alcoholic drink, soup, salad, knockwurst and sauerkraut, chicken entrée, vegetables, potatoes, dessert, coffee, tea. Beer and soda at the table. Wives and significant others are invited.

Please make checks in the amount of \$59 per person (which includes tip)

payable to Activities Unlimited. Send your check to John Caikowsky, 26 Donna Drive, East Hanover, NJ 07936.

Any questions, please call John Caikowsky, at (1) 973-599-1056.

#### PLEASE ENTER YOUR CELL PHONE NUMBER ON THE MEMO LINE OF YOUR CHECK.

#### JOIN US !

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## <u>AU Annual Breakfast</u> and General Meeting

October 8, 2024 The Brick House 179 Godwin Ave. Wyckoff, NJ

Full Breakfast Buffet Coffee, Tea, Juices

Speaker Topic: Update on Medicare Rules

\$18 ea. (\$20 cash on-site)

Doors open 8:30 AM

Mail **\$18** check payable to 'ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED' (must receive check by Oct. 5) to:

> Gaspar Lesznik 747 Wyckoff Ave. Wyckoff, NJ 07481

Questions?? gaspar.lesznik@gmail.com

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Alt. Reservation Contact—John Murphy (201) 723-4404 email—Deltasp69@aol.com 3rd Announcement Version 1 – 10/1/2024

## **Current Month Club Activities (cont'd)**

#### Computer-Tech. Club

The Computer and Technology Club will meet on October 15th at 10:30 am at the VFW. Hall New technologies videos selected by Fred will be presented by John Abrahamsen.

Chairman of the Computer Club: John Abrahamsen, au.club@optimum.net



The Tennis Club plays at the Wyckoff outdoor on Monday, Wednesday, & Friday at 10AM, weather permitting. Come and have fun with the AU Tennis Guys at the Wyckoff Outdoor Courts.

Chair: David Burleigh; 201-762-3707, email: kaetdave@yahoo.com

	There will be a Photography Club Meeting on October 11 at 10:30.
I CIND	Among the topics we will discuss are action photography and how to cull your photos."
	Chair <b>Murray Perl:</b> 201-446-7357; mdperl@gmail.com; 201-261-7276 Co-chair: <b>Sam Ohan:</b> samo993@verizom.net; 201-825-0437

Investment	
Study	
Group	
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There is an investment Study Group Meeting at Fidelity's Office in Paramus on October 29.

Chair: Dennis Labarbera; dennis.labarbera@yahoo.com

	The AU Stock Market Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The Club meets at 9:00 am at the VFW Hall in Midland Park. The next Stock Market Meeting will be on Tuesday Octo-
Stock Market	ber 1.
Club	Chair: <b>Frank Nusspickel:</b> nusspickel@aol.com; 201-739-5773. Co-Chair: <b>Steve Klein</b> :sikein7@aol.com; 201-264-1654.

## **Current Month Club Activities**



The AU Guys Band meets Wednesdays at 10:00am at the Midland Park VFW Hall. Chair: John DeSantis: blueiii@earthlink.net; 201-447-0256. Co-Chair: Frank Altomare: 201-410-4712; frank@altomare.us

Book Club

The October Book Club meeting will be held on, October 29 and at 10:00am at the VFW Hall.

Books to be discussed at the October Book Club meeting are *Madoff: the final word* by Richard Behar, the author's chronology behind history's most enduring fraud and those who believed him, covered for him or locked him up. Also, *The Churchill factor: how one man made histo-ry* by Boris Johnson in which the author challenges popular misconceptions to assess Churchill's enduring influence on the world, discussing the many contradictions of his life and his considerable political and military achievements."

Chair: Vince Tortorelli, email: carvince@aol.com

History Club	<ul> <li>History Club Meeting– October 23, 1pm at VFW Building, 2 Faner Road, Midland Park.</li> <li>Hope all can make this great presentation by our own Ed. Houlihan who will talk about Mao Tse- Tung, 1949 to 1976. Ed previously talked to us at our April meeting about Chairman Mao and Chiang Kai-Shek. This presentation will be completely new and concentrate on Mao and his effect on world politics.</li> <li>Questions, contact Joe Pullaro, josephpullaro@ hotmail.com or Gaspar Lesznik gaspar.lesznik@gmail.com.</li> </ul>
Stock Picking Contest	The September winner was Steve Howard. The month-to-date increase for this portfolio was \$182 K or \$12%. The year-to-date winner was Bruno Bissetta with a gain of \$149K. Chair: <b>John Abrahamsen:</b> au.club@optimum.net

201-739-8589.

## **Current Month Club Activities (cont.)**

I M/P, VFW. Bring your Lunch at 12:30—meeting at 1 PM. An Open Discussion is planned with updates on the FSK Bridge (Cost/ **Science** Responsibility etc.), and AI (new I Phone, and stories about properly forming Queries to avoid bizarre or biased responses). Bring your ideas, Club areas of interest (videos etc.), that you might like to be discussed. Chair: Jack Yurasek: 201-314- 0258 or Harry Bennett: 201-803-1475 Gentlemen, we will meet on Wednesday October 9 at 10 am at the Franklin Lakes Ambulance building. The topics are: **Public** Discussion 1. How does the Harris' nomination change the presidential campaign? Club 2. Oklahoma has mandated that all public schools K-12 must teach the bible. Is this a sensible requirement? Chair: Walter Widmer, Walter HWidmer@gmail.com, 551-268-4045; **Tom Butler,** Tibutler04@gmail.com, 201-452.6649 The Safe Shooting Club will meet on Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup> is at the VFW HALL 28 Faner Road Midland Park. The Club meeting Safe starts at 1 pm. Topics covered will include but not be limited to: Shooting 1. Crime Proofing your home Club 2. Levels of force that can be used in your home to protect yourself and your property under NJ State laws. Several case studies will be examined. 3. An update on NJ State laws relative to the purchase, storage, and transport of firears Chair: Dave Hubschmit: ski3100@aol.com;973-650-0052; Co-Chair: **Rich Beger:**gerrgb464@gmail.com

#### **On The Lighter Side**



You come from dust, you will return to dust.

That's why I don't dust. It could be someone I know.

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# MENS WELNESSDAY Wed., OCTOBER 16

## from 9am–1pm

## BREAKFAST & HEALTHY LUNCH

#### GUEST SPEAKER TOPICS



Hackensack Meridian *Health* 

Heart Health: Keeping up the Beat Urology: Health Down Under Brain Health: Retirement, Now what?

#### INTERACTIVE MINI-SESSIONS

Wellness Screenings Sleep Health Strength Training Hearing Conservation

Balance Testing Nutrition for Men

RAFFLES & GIVEAWAYS and so much MORE!

Pre-Registration Required. Cost: \$20

**Register at WYCKOFFYMCA.ORG/EVENTS** 

Questions? Contact: PattyK@wyckoffymca.org

If an AU MEMBER needs assistance in registering for the Wellness Day event or has a question they can call the Y's general number +1 (201) 891-2081 during the office hours 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday and ask to speak to the **membership office** with Mary or Terry.

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#### **Obituary of Joseph Thomas Infosino**

Joseph Thomas Infosino, 92, of Oakland, New Jersey, passed away on September 14, 2024 in his home. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, and will be deeply missed.

His funeral mass was held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Oakland, on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 10:00am. Burial followed at Christ the King Cemetery in Franklin Lakes, NJ.

Joe was born in Brooklyn, New York to Rose and Joseph Infosino. He graduated from St. John's University *summa cum laude* in 1953 and received an MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1960. A lifelong learner, after retiring he attended courses at the Institute for Learning in Retirement at Bergen Community College. Joe worked as a systems analyst for several corporations, working for many years at Crum and Forster Insurance Company.

A man of deep faith, Joe was active for decades at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, serving as a Eucharistic Minister, a lector, a writer for the bulletin, and on the parish council.

Joe cared deeply for his family and friends and spent many happy hours around the dinner table with them. He always thought about the needs of others. He was a voracious reader and had a dry sense of humor.

Joe is survived by his wife of sixty-five years, Dorothy; children Anne Marie, Andrew, Monica, and Joan; daughter-in-law Silvia and son-in-law Don; grandchildren Darci, Sophie, Elise, Isabella, and Marco; and sisters Marie and Lillian. He is preceded in death by his brother Alfred.

Please send donations to: Franciscans at Holy Name Province

129 West 31<sup>st</sup> St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10001-3403

#### **Obituary of Joe De Salvo**

Joseph M. De Salvo, 93, of Pompton Plains, New Jersey, passed away on September 19, 2024. Born in Rahway, New Jersey, to Vincent and Josephine De Salvo. In 1963, he and his beloved wife, Josephine (Dragotta) De Salvo, made the significant move to Franklin Lakes, where they built a life together that would last for several decades before moving to Pompton Plains in 2017.

Joseph enjoyed a fulfilling career as a civil engineer, working for Converse Consultants in Caldwell, New Jersey. After retiring, Joseph found a new passion in mentoring others through SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives), a role he embraced for over 25 years. Through this organization, he had the unique opportunity to guide aspiring entrepreneurs and share his wealth of knowledge, leaving a lasting impact on many lives. Beyond his professional accomplishments, Joseph had a deep love for music. He was a talented musician and formerly a member of the AU Guys band, where he shared his passion for performing with others. Joseph was a parishioner of Most Blessed Sacrament Church in Franklin Lakes.

Joseph was the cherished husband of the late Josephine De Salvo, with whom he shared a profound and loving partnership. Together, they raised a family that became the center of his world. He is survived by his beloved sons, Steven De Salvo and his wife Laura, Tom De Salvo and his wife Stacy, and Richard De Salvo and his wife Anne. He took immense pride in being a loving grandfather to his five grandchildren. In addition to his immediate family, Joseph is survived by his brother, Vincent De Salvo and predeceased by 2 sisters and a brother.

The family received friends on Saturday, September 28, 2024 at the Vander Plaat – Vermeulen Memorial Home, located at 530 High Mountain Road in Franklin Lakes, New Jersey. A service was held at the funeral home. Joseph was laid to rest at Christ the King Cemetery in Franklin Lakes.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requested that donations be made to American Heart Association in Joseph's memory, honoring his spirit of giving and mentorship. For additional information, please visit www.vpmemorial.com.