

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED MONTHLY MEETING

MINUTES

JANUARY 9, 2018

CAL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Webb at 1:10pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Jim Webb led the group in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION

The Rev. Andy Kadzban led the members in prayer.

MISCELLANEOUS

President Jim Webb introduced himself to the members by providing information regarding his residence, interests and biographical data.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mark Cohen presented the members with the Treasurer's Report. Our organization closed the year in sound financial condition and met all our financial obligations. Our outlook for 2018 looks good if all members pay their annual dues. Mark invited comments and informed the members that the Treasurer's Report is available on the AU web site. Mark also made reference to the next Investment Study Group meeting in which representatives of the Stock Market Club will make a presentation regarding that Club's activities which marked described briefly. Mark encouraged the members to attend the Investment Study Group meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Walt Widmer indicated that our organization now consists of 384 members. There were 78 members in attendance. Walt asked that the new members step to the front of the room to be introduced to the membership. Each new member provided biographical information. The following is a list of the new members and their sponsors:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
Don Becan	
John Schweighardt	
Tom Ellwood	
Fred Meyer	
Doug Malcolm	
Tony Mastantrea	

One of the new members spoke about the possible formation of a bowling club as a new AU activity.

CARE AND CONCERNS

Doug Cooper spoke briefly about the recent deaths of AU members. He also made reference to the payment of annual membership dues.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TRANSPORTATION

Jim Webb spoke about attendance to the Christmas Party and arrangements for sharing transportation to and from such parties.

AU NETWORKING

Jim Webb spoke about forming an AU network as a means of providing needed information to AU members. He mentioned that AU members have a variety of education, backgrounds, work experience and other types of personal experiences. He talked about the sharing of such experiences with AU members who could use access to such information. He explained the need and procedures for supplying such information and personal experiences to other AU members. Information should be provided to Jim and he will arrange for communicating that information to other members. He answered questions from those in attendance. He also made reference to the use of the suggestion box as a means of improving AU activities.

TRIPS AND TOURS

Lou Guarneri spoke about current programs, encouraged participation and the need to make prompt payment for attendance in such programs. He also mentioned future planned events.

SCIENCE CLUB

Ed Schlachman spoke about current and planned Club programs and the days, times and location of such meetings.

GUEST SPEAKER

Jim Webb introduced the speaker, Rosemary Novellino-Mearns, who had been a member of the Radio City Music Hall ballet company, and spoke about the efforts to save the Radio City Music Hall from demolition. A visual presentation accompanied her talk. She spoke about the opening night at Radio City and described the interior design of the building. She described the movies and stage shows that had been performed at that theater. Announcement was made in 1978 that the Radio City Music Hall would be closed because of financial constraints. There was talk about converting it to either an amusement part, shopping mall, or a stock exchange. The speaker spoke about the design and construction of the stage, its operation, the orchestra pit and the Wurlitzer organ. She also spoke about the formation of a committee to save Radio City and the efforts of its staff, performers and the publicity undertaken to save it from destruction, including appearances on radio and television that she made. Efforts to save Radio City were made to New York City's Landmark Commission. A Radio City executive finally agreed to preserve the structure. The speaker had written a book about the efforts to save Radio City Music Hall which she autographed for those AU members who purchased the book.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm
Respectfully submitted,
Edwin Schlachman (acting Secretary)

