



NEWSLETTER



HIKERS IN MIANUS GORGE

The newly organized Hiking Group led by Scott Hutchason had their initial outing on Oct.25 with a hike on the Mianus River Gorge Trail. Sixteen people came for the first outing in ideal weather. The group hiked the entire trail to the final point with a view of the Mianus Reservoir. Side trips to see the old Hobby Hill quarry site, the gorge overlook, and the Have-meyer Falls (without water) amounted to a total distance traveled of about five miles. No laggards and no injuries from tripping over rocks and tree roots in the trail. Before parting, the group went to lunch together at the Lakeside Diner. Another hike is planned for November. Watch for time and place to be announced.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



We are completing our second month of the 2013 - 2014 year. We have had several new members and hopefully this will continue. Our speakers have been outstanding. However, attendance at the Wednesday meetings remains constant. I would like to see more members at our weekly meetings and would appreciate hearing from each of you as to how we can accomplish this (my email address and phone number are in the directory).

We have several activities which are well-attended and have added a new one - Hiking. Scott Hutchason

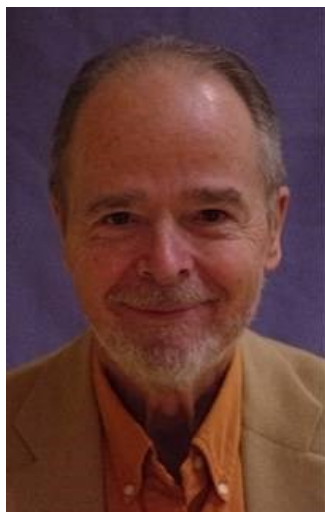
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has organized this group, and I look forward to both attending and seeing you there. Our activities are where new friends are made and one becomes better acquainted with members. I encourage each of you to participate in all activities that interest you and to form a new group if you have an interest that is not addressed.

Thank you for all your support and I look forward to hearing from you with your suggestions on how we can make the DMA even more rewarding.

MEET THE NEW MEMBERS

Fraser Wright was born in 1940 in Newton, Mass. Upon graduating from Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, he worked briefly in construction before serving in the U.S. Marine Corps reserve program for six months.



Fraser then joined Proctor and Gamble's (P&G) general advertising department in San Francisco and after two years became a supervisor in the company's headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio. He then switched to sales in P&G's New York City office. He later went to work for *Progressive Grocer* magazine for 30 years and upon retiring was vice president of sales and marketing.

He lives with his wife Kim in Wilton, Conn., and has two adult children. An avid boater, he is a member of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club. He is a volunteer at Norwalk Hospital and enjoys following NFL football, reading and physical fitness activities.

Allen Delaney was born 1941 in Stamford, and graduated from Darien High School in 1961.

Allen attended Leicester College in Leicester, Mass., for one year and then joined the U.S. Army where he served as a cryptologist for 18 months in Germany. Upon leaving the Army, he joined the Darien police department where for a period of time he worked undercover with federal agents, Westchester County's Sheriff's Office and Fairfield County's Chief of Police. He retired from the Darien police as a sergeant in 1986. He went on to become general manager of an international company that provides physical security for buildings. Later he provided private security at Daytona Speedway for the race car drivers and the news media.

For the past two years he has served as a commissioner for the Darien Housing Authority. Allen lives in Darien and enjoys kayaking, tennis and paddle tennis. He has two children and five grandchildren.



Dr. Willibald Nagler was born in 1929 in Grossraming, Austria, and received an M.D. degree from the University of Vienna in 1959.

Upon coming to America on a visa, he worked as a physician at Saint Francis Hospital, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. and then at Roosevelt Park Hospital, Buffalo, N.Y. He was called on to care for President Kennedy on occasion and, in so doing, was granted full citizenship in the United States. He also treated many famous musicians, sports figures, and business leaders.

Dr. Nagler was Physiatrist-in-Chief of the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine at the New York Presbyterian Hospital where he worked for over 40 years. Upon retiring in 2008, he was named professor emeritus.

He also served as a consultant at Memorial Sloan-

-Kettering Cancer Center and as a member of the advisory board for Rehabilitation Medicine at the Hospital for Special surgery.

Dr. Nagler is a sought after medical authority and lecturer and has received many honors for his outstanding medical work. His book "Dr. Nagler's Body Maintenance and Repair Book," has been published in six languages. He has appeared on national television and authored numerous articles in medical journals.



He and his wife Marion live in Rowayton, Conn. They have two sons and three grandchildren.

Membership Report—With the approach of November, we have received dues payment from 167 (members over 90 and new members from last Spring are excused). Our by-laws indicate that all dues should be paid by Nov. 1 so that the directory can be complete. This work is underway now so please get the rest of the payments to our Treasurer.

So far this year, three new members joined DMA. Our current membership is 256

C. Scribner, Membership Committee

DMA PROGRAMS –NOV./DEC. 20133

Wednesday, November 6, 2013

David Genovese, Baywater Properties, and **Penny Glassmeyer**, PG Properties Ltd. Partnership, will talk about the commercial real estate projects that have created the "New Darien". **Arranged by Alex Garnett**

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

George Bodenheimer, Executive Chairman of ESPN, an over 30 year veteran of the company. George cites mission, culture, and brand as the firm's drivers for success. The company started in late 1978 in Bristol, Connecticut. Initially the plan was to utilize the satellite network to cover Connecticut, but quickly expanded to be nationwide. Getty Oil provided seed money in 1979. The ESPN mission is "to serve sports fans" in an entertaining fashion and to get "it" right. Realizing fans' unfamiliarity with Australian football, the company offered to send them copies of the rules. Over 45,000 requests were received, giving ESPN an early inkling of its audience potential. Culture emerged as an underdog, hardworking, constructive vision, a "born in a muddy lot" view. The culture also featured "family first", with promotion from within mentor roles, assistance for families with problems, and accommodation for family activity schedules. Opportunity was also emphasized. George started at the very bottom and moved from production to sales and marketing. Today, this culture involves 7000 employees. George will show a short video tape of "bloopers" and the humorous byplay, showing that the firm's staff takes sports seriously but not themselves, recognizing fans like to laugh. As an additional example, there are those funny Sports Center ads. Thus, an image of the fan-oriented ESPN brand. George will close with a stirring video tape entitled "Tribute to Sports Fans."

Arranged by Bob Smith

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Ed Hynes is a native of nearby Wilton who has an avid interest in local history and has developed a lecture and an in-depth tour of the scenes of battle of the 1777 Danbury Raid. New York Royal Governor Gen. Wm Tryon found his supply line perilous and heard that rebels had supplies and lots of tents in Danbury. So as not to repeat mistakes of Lexington/Concord, he demanded 1500 troops and a 300 man group of American Loyalists to lead and guide. Tryon surprised Danbury but local militia forces under Gen. Benedict Arnold and local militia commanders harassed Tryon all the way back to his boats (at what is now Compo Beach) with major skirmishes at Ridgefield and Compo

so that Tryon had to burn the supplies instead of capturing them. The British had walked in but had to fight their way out. Because of this action, American forces gained international esteem. Benedict Arnold, while tactically out-manuevered, would receive his promotion to Major General and go on to the important victory at Saratoga. Without the Danbury Raid, that critical battle might have ended quite differently. The expedition was a tactical success for the British forces, but their actions galvanized patriot support in Connecticut and forced the British to severely limit future raids on the Connecticut coastal areas.

Wednesday, November 27, 2013

No meeting, Thanksgiving Holiday

Wednesday, December 4, 2013

Marty Yellin will talk about the “Big Bird”, a spy satellite produced by Perkin-Elmer starting in 1966. This work envisioned supplying film speeds of 200 inches per second with a resolution of 2 to 3 feet. Each 6 inch wide frame covered 370 nautical miles on each pass over the Soviet Union and China. The entire project was done in the pre-computer era when slide-rules and drawings were the tools for designing. The satellite captured shots of Soviet missiles, submarines and air bases, also entire battalions on war exercises. At the height of the Cold War, the ability of this project (dubbed “Hexagon”) to provide this kind of technical intelligence was of incredible help in providing advance information on possible invasion attempts in Europe and also crucial information for the Strategic Arms Limitation talks. The satellite was 60 feet long and weighed 30,000 pounds. It carried 4 film spools (60 miles worth). Every few months film was shot back to earth in buckets over the Pacific Ocean where it was snagged by C-130 Air Force planes and sent to ultra-secret processing labs. 19 of 20 launches from Vandenberg Air Force base in California were successful.

From the outset, secrecy was a huge concern, especially in Danbury, where the intense activity of a relatively small company that had just been awarded a massive contract made it obvious that something big was happening. Few knew the true identity of “the customer”. They met in a smoke-filled, wood-paneled

Conference room where the phone lines were scrambled. When they traveled, they sometimes used false company names. At one point in the 1970s, there were more than 1,000 people in the Danbury area working on “The Secret”. Though they worked long hours under intense deadlines, they could tell no one — not even their wives and children.

Arranged by Bob Smith

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

Dr. Heidi Hadsell is President and Professor of Social Ethics of Hartford Seminary in Hartford, Conn. Founded in 1833, Hartford Seminary prepares leaders, students, scholars and religious institutions to understand and live faithfully in today’s multi-faith and pluralistic world. Dr. Hadsell came to the Seminary from the Ecumenical Institute of the World Council of Churches, Bossey, Switzerland, where she served as Director. She also served as Dean of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, and has taught at the Federal University of Santa Catarina, Florianopolis, Brazil and the University of Southern California. Dr. Hadsell is widely published on a number of subjects including ecumenism, environmental ethics, inter-religious relations and the public role of religion in society. She sits on several national and international boards, including Globethics.net; the Ethics Education for Children board for Arigatou International; the Association of Theological Schools, and the Advisory Board of the Muslim Council of Singapore. She will discuss the interplay between the three Abrahamic religions, Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Arranged by Bob Smith.

Wednesday, December 18, 2013

The Blue Notes is a group of women who use their voices for a good cause. Singing four-part harmony, covering music from Big Band to Broadway, the group performs at senior centers and assisted living facilities throughout southern Fairfield County as well as at the DCA. Their Director, Dr. Craig Scott Symons, also is the director of the First Congregational Church

Of Greenwich choir. The DCA is proud to have the Blue Notes as a key part of our philanthropic mission. The Blue Notes Group, founded 60 years ago, takes pride in providing high quality entertainment and enjoyment to audiences and the DMA takes pride in asking them to return year after year.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Christmas Luncheon scheduled for December 6 has been cancelled this year due to lack of attendance the previous two years. We'll try again next year. In the meantime, your committee is working on arranging some interesting journeys for the January-June period next year.

Anyone who has taken a trip managed by Mel Klugman knows that it will be very interesting and well planned in addition to having a bit of suspense. This refers to the previous trips to NBC studios and the visit to the new Yankee Stadium where there were multiple rescheduling problems and a broken down bus but both great trips. On Oct. 17, Mel was leading a trip to Hype Park, Val-Kill, and lunch at the Culinary Institute of America. The date was in peril due to the infamous government shutdown that closed all of the sites managed by the National Park Service. Mel had his Plan B ready to roll, not relying on the fact that the shut-down was ended on the day of the trip. He was constantly on the phone during the bus ride and finally directed the driver to the Park Service sites which were open after all. A good time was had by all and Plan B sounded so interesting that Mel might lead us on another trip to visit them.



A Salute on Retirement

We all know Howard Thompson (known to all of us as "Tom"). Tom has been doing the videos of our speakers for the last nine years and has decided to take a rest. He is looking for a volunteer to take his place in this important job. We usually give the speaker a copy of the DVD and also keep a file so that even if you are absent you can see and hear a special speaker. Tom will train you. Won't someone volunteer?



MA Activities:

Bowling	Tuesday AM	Tom Lom
Bridge	Tuesday PM	Tony Kwedar
Songsters	Wednesday AM	Joe Holmes
Tennis/Paddle	Mon. & Fri/ AM	Al Metayer
Computers	Tuesday AM	Ed Mulock
Wanderers	As announced	John Barston
ROMEOS	Wednesday PM	John Geoghagen
Book Club	As announced	John Podkowsky
Hiking	As announced	Scott Hutchason



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