

## March Madness

### Sign Up March 20 – One Day Only



March Madness Contest Managers **John Barston** and **Bill Bellis** announce that the only day you can enter this year's March Madness contest is at our DMA meeting, Wednesday, March 20. John and Bill will be on hand to take your entries before the start of our meeting, during the coffee break and at the end of the meeting. The NCAA Selection Committee announces the 68-team brackets on Sunday, March 17. The tournament starts on Tuesday, March 19. That leaves you just a few days to pick the eight teams you believe will accumulate the most points and which of those eight teams you believe will win the tournament. If you pick the winner, you receive 25 bonus points. Each entry fee is \$5 and covers the entire 19 days of play. Participation is restricted to DMA members, who may submit multiple entries for themselves and their family members.

## President's Message

As I write this letter on a Thursday in late February, we've just completed another fabulous Wednesday at DMA. One might think we already know everything there is to learn about Thomas Jefferson, but our talk yesterday by Professor Gutzman, a Jeffersonian Scholar, taught every one of us new fact after new fact. Later the same day, **Bryan Hooper** gave a clear overview of Brexit, a riddle inside a conundrum wrapped in an enigma. Both presentations were extremely well done. We are glad we attended and emerged better educated as a result. We encourage you and others who might read this newsletter to join us in the future. DMA, indeed, is a treasure



here in Darien. There will be many more Wednesdays like this until the end of May. Staying more than active during the cold winter months, our Social Committee has planned an outing north to Hartford to watch Connecticut's own version of bratwurst being made. Then, to restore our bearings, we'll venture south to Manhattan's SoHo's art scene. As spring arrives, we once again will venture out onto the waters of Long Island Sound to reprise last year's voyage, enjoy the sea air and listen to the wind as it blows through the rigging of the schooner called SoundWaters. With the Super Bowl behind us, March Madness is right around the corner. **John Barston** is

set to dazzle us with his ingenious Byzantine ranking system that produces generous prizes to the statistically inclined who can pick the winning teams with the longest odds. Flushed by recent successes, our Book Club is tackling all 900 pages of Walter Isaacson's *Leonardo da Vinci*. **Harris Hester** and **Gary Banks** continue to ensure that the related discussions are even more provocative than the books themselves. Current Affairs will take on the quandary of DNA privacy, while the Investment Discussion Group continues to unearth major success stories not yet appreciated by the investing public. If **Jim Phillips** draws many more members, we'll have to trade venues to provide him with room for the teeming throngs. It's not quite yet tennis season, but pickleball has become immensely popular, not only for the beginner but also at the advanced level. **Jan Selkowitz** is doing a wonderful job organizing it. Worthy of special mention is our upcoming evening event, a program about jazz featuring Gil Harel performing an evening of music, education and, of course, dessert, all free of charge thanks to the DMA Endowment Fund. This event, together with other incredibly successful activities, demonstrates DMA's vibrancy that has translated into increased growth of the membership. This is all happening thanks to those who organize the activities and all of you who are such enthusiastic participants.

*John Wolcott, president*

## Speakers

**Wednesday, March 6, 2019**



**Jim Lewis** will speak on McDonald's advertising program and future plans. Jim has been in the McDonald's system since 1986 and an owner/operator since 1993. He currently owns 17 restaurants in Manhattan and Queens, including the famous Times Square and 42nd Street McDonald's. Jim began his career as an account executive with Michigan Bell Telephone in 1981. After that, he worked as a sales manager for AT&T in Southfield, Mich. He has a B.A. degree in marketing from Michigan State University. He was a member of Sigma Nu and served as the fraternity's first president when it returned to campus in 1978. He served as president of the Inter-fraternity Council for Michigan State University. Jim is married to Kimberly Lewis, and they have three children. The family

lives in Darien. *Arranged by Tom Lom*

**Wednesday, March 13, 2019**

**Jim Smith** and **Robert Patricelli** will speak about the Connecticut Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth (FSEG). Connecticut's revenues are not keeping pace with spending commitments. Our population has not grown since 1990, and private sector jobs are fewer today than a decade ago due to the high cost of doing business here and unfriendly tax climate, aging infrastructure and transportation issues. The new administration is faced with a \$2 billion deficit



due to overspending in the past and pension shortfall in state employee and teacher pension funds. What new taxes and belt tightening the committee will eventually recommend will evolve over the next months. **Jim** is chairman of the Board of Webster Financial Corporation and, until recently, served as vice chairman of the Midsize Banks Coalition of America. He served as a member of the Federal Advisory Council, which advises the



deliberations of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, and served on the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. He is actively engaged in community service and supports numerous civic organizations. **Bob** has spent more than 50 years in leadership roles in the health care industry and in public service. His business life began in health care in 1987 at Connecticut General Corporation and its successor Cigna Corporation. In 1997, he left Cigna to begin a 20-year career as an entrepreneur, founding several companies. His public service started fresh out of law school as a White House Fellow, followed by numerous roles in Washington, D.C., and Hartford. Bob most recently served as co-chair of the FSEG, appointed by Gov. Malloy in 2017. He has served on the Board of Directors for five organizations. He grew up in Hartford, attended Wesleyan University and Harvard Law School, and was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Paris. *Arranged by John Schlachtenhaufen*

## Wednesday, March 20, 2019



**Erik Ofgang** will share the story of William Gillette and the ways in which the Hartford actor's life became entangled with the development of literature's most famous detective. He also will examine how the eccentric Gillette decided to build a castle overlooking the Connecticut River. Erik is an award-winning writer, musician and magician whose work has appeared in dozens of magazines and newspapers throughout the country, including the Associated Press, the *Hartford Courant* and *Connecticut Magazine*, where he is a senior writer. Erik is the author of "Buzzed: Beers, Booze & Coffee Brews, Where to Enjoy the Best Craft Beverages in New England," "Gillette Castle: A History" and the forthcoming "The Good Vices." He teaches writing and journalism at Western Connecticut State University's MFA writing program and at Mercy College. When he's not writing, he can be found playing bass with the Celtic roots band MacTalla Mor. He lives in western Connecticut with his wife Corinne. *Arranged by Gehr Brown*

**Wednesday, March 27, 2019**



**Art Gottlieb** returns to the DMA to talk with us about the history of the USS Intrepid. Launched in 1943, this former aircraft carrier fought in World War II, surviving five kamikaze attacks and one torpedo strike. The ship later served in the Cold War and then the Vietnam War. Intrepid also served as a NASA recovery vessel in the 1960s. It was decommissioned in 1974 and, today, is berthed on the Hudson River as the centerpiece of the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum. Art has served as a professional curator of naval history and technical director of exhibits at the museum. His presentation will cover the full history of the Intrepid from keel laying through her service history up to the present day. *Arranged by Tom Lom*

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**



**John Hamilton** will speak on the field of addiction treatment and prevention. He is nationally recognized as an expert in this field. He brings three decades of experience to his role as president and CEO of Liberation Programs and also chairs the Advisory Board for the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and serves on the Governor's Alcohol and Drug Policy Council. Previously, John was chief clinical outreach officer at Mountainside Treatment Center, a nationally acclaimed drug rehabilitation center with locations in New York and Connecticut. He served as CIO of Recovery Network of Programs, a nonprofit behavioral health agency serving the Greater Bridgeport Community. John is past chair of the Dissemination Committee for the National Institute for Drug Abuse Clinical Trials Network, past chair of the Community

Treatment Providers Caucus, past president of the Southwest Connecticut Mental Health Board, past president of the New England Association of Drug Court Professionals and co-founder of the Greenwich Father's Forum. In 2013, John was a recipient of the American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence Nyswander-Dole Award for his contributions to the field of addiction treatment. *Arranged by John Bassler*

**Wednesday, April 10, 2019**

**Leonard Leader** will cover the essentials of estate planning techniques in the context of today's tax climate, with particular focus on recent changes in the federal and state estate tax laws. He will emphasize various lifetime planning techniques that provide asset protection for future generations while minimizing the potential for adverse tax consequences. Len will discuss important planning



opportunities and perils that will have application for all levels of wealth. His presentation will highlight the consequences of the failure to plan, including a few minutes covering wealthy celebrity case studies. Len is nationally recognized in his field. *Worth* magazine has named him one of the Top 100 Trust and Estate Lawyers in the country. *Chambers High Net Worth* magazine recognized him in 2018. Connecticut Super Lawyers has listed him in the category of Estate and Probate since 2007 as well. Len is a prolific thought leader in his field. He is a contributing writer on estate planning to several law publications and is a frequent speaker on estate and tax planning topics to bar associations, business

groups and continuing education programs. He also presents at an annual fiduciary income tax workshop for Professional Education Systems. Len is a member of the Taxation Section, the Generation Skipping Trusts Committee of the Estate Planning and Drafting Group of the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of the American Bar Association, and the Executive Committee of the Estate and Probate Section of the Connecticut Bar Association. *Arranged by Tom Igoe*

### **Wednesday, April 17, 2019**



**Emilie Deutsch** will discuss her recent documentary, “Althea & Arthur,” which aired on CBS Sports Network in celebration of Black History Month. The film highlights the legacies of Althea Gibson and Arthur Ashe as the first African-Americans to cross the color barrier of international tennis and their impact not only on the world of tennis but also in advancing civil rights in America during a time of racism and segregation. Emilie is a veteran sports RV producer, has been vice president of the Original Programming & Features for CBS Sports and CBS Sports Network since 2004, and originated “NCAA March Madness Confidential.” Throughout her career, Emilie has focused on creating impactful programming on women and

African-Americans in sports. In 2014, Emilie helped develop and launch the first all-female national sports talk show, “We Need to Talk,” on CBS Sports Network that won the Gracie Award for Women in Media. Emilie is a graduate of Stanford University, where she studied international relations and served as the sports editor of the *Stanford Daily*. Aside from her six Emmy awards and more than 30 nominations, one of her proudest achievements is receiving the Arthur Ashe Leadership Award for her documentation of women and African-Americans in sports. She lives with her husband Dominic Schmitt in New Rochelle and has three children. *Arranged by Tom Lom*

### **Wednesday, April 24, 2019**

**Lino DiCuollo** will speak on the U.S. Soccer League operations, competition and player relations. As senior vice president, Competition & Player Relations, he oversees the league’s acquisition and retention of players, including senior and supplemental rosters. Included among his primary

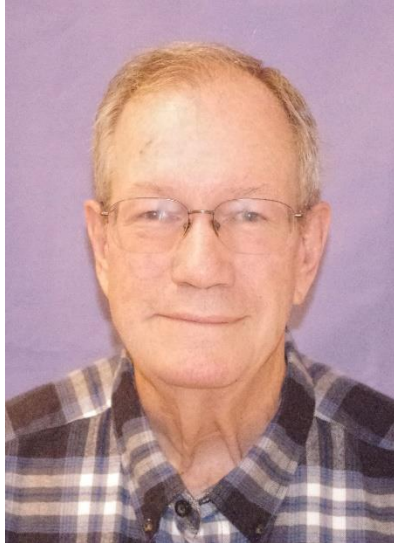


responsibilities are overseeing major league soccer (MLS) clubs' compliance with MLS roster and budget guidelines, managing the league's centralized role in approving player contracts and leading the league's efforts in global player recruitment. Lino joined MLS in 2005. Since then, he has liaised with all expansion clubs to manage their rosters on entering MLS, played a key role in assisting senior executives and ownership in formulating player investment strategies, and introduced a technology initiative in the league's global scouting efforts to assist clubs in their player recruitment strategies. He also oversees the league's strategic initiatives related to youth player acquisition and retention in the United States and Canada, as well as all player

signings from the league's Allocation List. Lino works with the U.S. Soccer Federation, the Canadian Soccer Federation, CONCACAF and FIFA to ensure that MLS and its clubs are in compliance with regional and global player registration matters. He graduated from Rutgers with a degree in economics and was a four-year starter for the men's soccer team. He was inducted in the Rutgers University Sports Hall of Fame in 2008. He lives in Darien with his wife, son and twin daughters. *Arranged by Kevin Davidson*

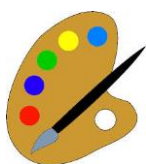
## New Members

**Barry Baldwin** was born in Manila, Philippines, in 1949 and attended the American School there through ninth grade. He graduated from The Lawrenceville School in 1967. He received a B.S. in chemistry from Seton Hall University in 1973 and his M.B.A. from Arizona State University (ASU) in 1975. At ASU, he also received his master's degree in international management from Thunderbird School of Global Management. Barry started his career with Survey & Marketing Services in Honolulu in 1975. In 1977, he relocated to Stamford with Olin Chemicals on international business development and continued with Mobil Oil and Cresap, McCormick & Paget doing management consulting in the energy industry for oil and gas companies and utilities. Barry and his wife Vicki of 39 years live in Darien and have three children and one grandchild. He belongs to the Darien Boat Club, the Tokeneke Club and the Darien RTM. His hobbies and interests include sailing, golf and tennis. He also is interested in investing and history. *Sponsored by Mike Heitz*



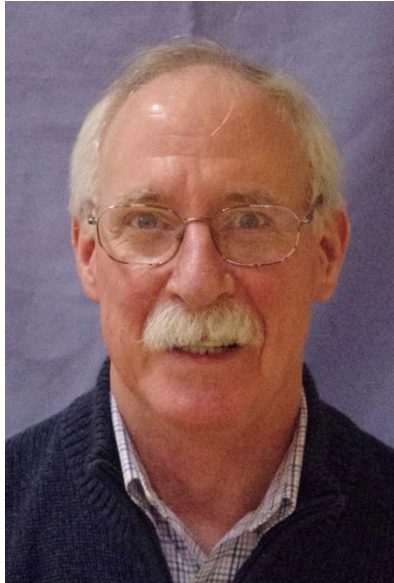
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### SoHo Art Galleries Tour



A tour of SoHo art galleries will take place on Thursday, April 25, in New York City. We will go to the Chelsea area and visit pre-eminent galleries showing blue chip artists, as well as emerging artists. The trip will be led by **Judith Selkowitz**, a former Fulbright Scholar and art historian who has been involved in the art business for more 50 years. Lunch will be at a nearby restaurant.

**Desmond McLaughlin** was born in Montreal, Quebec, in 1950 and grew up there and in the



French town of Trois Rivieres. He graduated from Marymount High School in 1967 and was president of the Student Council and captain of the senior football team. Des graduated from McGill University with a B.A. in economics and political science. He earned an M.B.A. in finance and marketing from Concordia University, where he served as president of the M.B.A. Student Association and as first president of the Concordia University Alumni Association. Des joined Celanese Canada in various financial and marketing positions and served as an industry advisor to the Canadian government negotiation team for the GATT and Multi-Fiber Trade Agreement with key Asian countries such as Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and India. He also was responsible for developing the Canadian textile industry position of the newly negotiated NAFTA agreement in the '90s. Des first came to the United States in 1977 and, after three years, returned to Montreal and Celanese. In 1987, he was transferred to Celanese's New

York City office and has been living in the area since then. He continued his career in the textile industry through 2017 in various senior management and board positions. Des and his wife Cindy live in Rowayton and have two children and three grandchildren. His hobbies are fly fishing, fly tying, reading and small woodworking projects. *Sponsored by Gehr Brown*

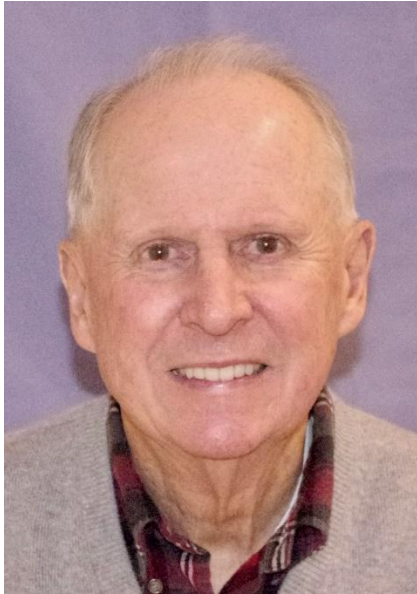
**James Archibald** was born in 1954 in Aurora, Ill., and grew up in Bethesda, Md. He graduated



from Walter Johnson High School in Bethesda and spent two years at Montgomery County Community College before leaving to work for a solar energy firm in Malibu, Calif. Returning to Maryland, Jim graduated from Antioch University with a B.S. in human services administration and continued his education, receiving an M.B.A. in finance in 1981 from Columbia University's Graduate Business School. During one summer, Jim worked as a Japan Society Management Fellow in Tokyo and Osaka. Jim's 34 years in banking and finance led to international assignments in Caracas, Aruba, Singapore and Hong Kong. He returned to Darien in 1988 and, as an empty nester, recently relocated to Stamford. Jim and his wife Donna have three children. He is active in the Darien United Methodist Church, ABC Darien and the Darien High School China Host Program and has opened his home to the Fresh Air Fund. He volunteers at the DCA Thrift Shop. He is a member of the Darien

YMCA and enjoys working out on the bike, traveling with family, and attending lectures at the Darien Library and the Mather Center. *Sponsored by Harry Bergen*

**Robert Cudd** was born and raised in New York City in 1946. He graduated from Buckley School



in 1960. He attended Exeter Academy from 1960 to 1963 and graduated from Le College Cevenol in France in 1964, where he participated in cross country and squash. He graduated from Trinity College in Hartford in 1968 with a B.A. in the Classics and was awarded Phi Beta Kappa in 1968. He studied in Rome at the Intercollegiate School for Classical Studies in 1967. He received his J.D. in 1974 from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and an L.L.M. in taxation from New York University Law School in 1976. From 1968 to 1971, Robert served as budget and fiscal officer of the 502<sup>nd</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion in Seoul, Korea. His business history is all in taxation. He worked at Brown Wood in New York City from 1974 to 1978 and spent the next 25 years with firms in New York and San Francisco, ending his career as senior tax partner at Polsinelli P.C. from 2014-2018. Robert and his wife Nancy live in Darien and have three children and four grandchildren with two more expected soon. He belongs to the

Tokeneke Club and the Yale Club of New York City, is treasurer of the DKE Club of New York City and is a trustee of the Darien Library. In his leisure time, he enjoys jogging, hiking, boating and reading. *Sponsored by Pete Scull*

**Jerry Paolini** was born in Yonkers, N.Y., in 1943 and grew up in the Bronx. He graduated from



Regis High School in New York City, where he was active in cross country and basketball. He received a B.S. in economics from Fordham in 1965, where he was awarded membership in Omicron Delta Epsilon (economics honors fraternity) and was on the crew team. He received his M.B.A. in finance in 1967 from Columbia University's Graduate Business School. After that, Jerry served in personnel and finance positions at U.S. Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, D.C., for two years, after which he joined Squibb Beechnut Financial Planning and Analysis. After Squibb, Jerry joined Xerox in White Plains and Stamford in financial planning and asset allocation. From 1994 to 2009, he was with Trust Company of the West as senior vice president, client relations and marketing. Jerry and his wife Linda live in Rowayton, and in his leisure time, he enjoys gardening, reading and investing. *Sponsored by Bryan Hooper*

## Book Club



**Harris Hester** reports that the book *Leonardo da Vinci* by Walter Issacson will be discussed on March 13. The book *Presidents of War* by Michael Beschloss will be discussed on April 10. The Book Club meets the second Wednesday of the month year round at 12:30 p.m. in the Mather Center Library. You do not have to read the book to attend the meeting. You can find more information

about the books at the DMA website. All books are available at the Darien Library.



**Flash Gordon** was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1946 and grew up in Queens. He graduated from Andrew Jackson High School, after which his family relocated to Merrick, Long Island, and he attended State University of New York at Farmingdale, studying electronics. Upon graduation, he joined Grumman Aerospace in the Army Mohawk aircraft program. After a year, he transferred to the space program, working on lunar module communications for Apollo 9 and 10. Later at the Kennedy Space Center, he worked on the lunar model for Apollo 11, 12 and 13. In 1971, he joined National Cleaning Contractors in Manhattan as a purchasing agent and later became head of the Purchasing Department and Warehouse. After 24 years, the company closed the division, and he joined Strauss Paper Company in Port Chester, where he ultimately became director of purchasing, retiring in 2017. Flash and his wife



Alejandra (married in 1969 and celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year) live in Weston, where they raised two children and have four grandchildren. In his leisure time, Flash enjoys working with wood, is a NASCAR fan and collects diecast model cars. He likes country music, photography, art museums, and gatherings with family and old friends. *Sponsored by Herb Winter*

**Robert Steckel** was born in 1947 in Cleveland, Ohio, and grew up in Cambridge, Ohio. He graduated from Guernsey Catholic Central in 1965. From there, he put in a four-year stint with the Marine Corps as an aircraft engineer mechanic. He received his B.S. in agriculture from Ohio State University in 1973. Rob received his M.S. in surgery from Purdue University in 1981. After leaving Purdue as assistant professor of surgery in 1983, he transferred to Tufts University as assistant professor of surgery and chief large animal surgery until 1990. After spending two years at the University of Minnesota as associate professor of surgery, he joined U.S. Surgical Corporation as director of preclinical research until 1994. Rob opened his own private surgical consulting practice in Norwalk in 1995 as owner and surgeon performing advanced surgical procedures for tri-state veterinary practices. Rob and his wife Marjorie live in Norwalk. He is an honorary member of the American Veterinary Medical Association and a member of Connecticut Veterinary Medical Association, Sierra Club, Darien Sail and Power Squadron, Roton Point Association and Norwalk Yacht Club. In his leisure time, he enjoys woodworking, fresh and salt water fishing, hiking and tennis. *Sponsored by Roger Renz*



## Investment Discussion Group

**Jim Phillips** reports that at the January 7 meeting, **Sunil Saksena** talked about Alibaba (BABA), and **Jim Ozanne** provided a cautious view of General Electric (GE). At the February 4 meeting,



**Dave Piersol** provided an analysis of Citigroup (C), and **Gary Banks** reviewed Microsoft (MSFT). On March 4, Jim covered TradeDesk (TTD), and **John Hess** discussed Altria Group (MO). Jim notes that as of February 15, stocks covered by the Investment Discussion Group are all up: Alibaba (BABA) 24%; GE 33%; Citigroup (C) 21%; Microsoft (MSFT) 9%; Salesforce (CRM) 18%; Nvidia (NVDA) 23%. He says that if you had simply purchased an S&P 500 ETF, you would be up 10%.

**Arthur Baron** was born in New York City in 1951 and grew up in Seaford, N.Y. He graduated from General Douglas MacArthur High School in 1969 and from Binghamton University in 1975 with a B.S. in physics and an M.S. in computer science. Art began his business career with Singer Aerospace in 1975 in software engineering in Binghamton, N.Y. He joined IBM in 1978 in systems engineering in New York City and White Plains. He worked as a business development executive and developed marketing areas and alliances. In 2010, he joined Rackspace Hosting in San Antonio as a partner development executive in cloud hosting. From 2010 to the present, he has been doing business development consulting locally. Art and his wife Virginia live in Darien. They have two children both living in New York and three grandchildren. He belongs to Connecticut Innovations and NFTE. In his leisure time, he enjoys a round of golf. *Sponsored by Bryan Hooper*



**Richard Wolff** was born in 1945 and was raised in Evanston, Ill. He graduated from Evanston High School in 1963. From 1964 to 1968, Rick served aboard a U.S. Navy destroyer based out of Charleston, S.C. Upon discharge, he attended Youngstown State University, where he received a degree in business. Rick began his career with Beneficial Finance and then joined Chicago Design and CD Build, a company that arranges leases for rental commercial properties in malls and shopping centers and handles the design and construction to build out the space to the tenant's satisfaction. He retired at the end of 2018. Rick and his wife Chris live in Darien. He belongs to the Connecticut Food Bank. In his leisure time, he enjoys playing golf. *Sponsored by John Hess*



## Events and Activities

### Current Affairs

**Charlie Goodyear**, Current Affairs, reports that **Gary Banks** will present DNA Privacy on March 12 and **John Schlachtenhaufen** will talk about Connecticut's Fiscal Problems on April 18. **Gary** will cover how inexpensive it is to partially sequence a person's genome. Companies like Ancestry.com and 23 & me have done it for 20 million people. There are growing databases with an individual's DNA gathered from medical testing or criminal events that help solve crimes. Employers and insurance companies also can look into your genome. In the April session, **John** will discuss the state's financial outlook. He notes that Connecticut's fiscal problems can be stated simply: State revenues are not keeping pace with financial spending commitments. Connecticut's population has not grown since 1990. Private sector jobs are fewer today than a decade ago due to the high cost of doing business in Connecticut and an unfriendly state tax climate. Aggravating the revenue problem, high earning/high wealth individuals are leaving the state for more tax friendly environs. To learn more, be sure to attend these two Current Affairs discussions.

## “Jazz after World War II”

### *A Musical Evening with Gil Harel*

John Coltrane. Charlie Parker. These pillars of jazz history along with many other musicians transformed the swinging big band jazz sounds of the ‘20s and ‘30s into the more intimate and



virtuosic jazz music of the post-World War II era. **Gil Harel**, a superb presenter of music, will host the evening that is free of charge for you and your guest. Gil is absolutely fantastic. He can hold an audience spellbound as evidenced by the standing room only crowds he draws



to his presentations. He is an accomplished pianist and vocalist. Gil will present excerpts of post-World War II jazz in the form of videos, slides and live piano. The music will be accompanied by his commentary about the artists’ lives and their musical innovations. You will thoroughly enjoy this entertaining evening that will bring joy and warmth amidst the winter blues. The event on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, is paid for by the DMA Endowment Fund. The evening starts at 6 p.m. with tea, coffee and gourmet cookies followed by a 90-minute performance at 7 p.m. and ending with a 30-minute Q&A. The event will be held at the Darien Community Association.

**Reservations are required even though there is no charge. Sign up at the next DMA meeting or email John Hess at [jhess@nsinvestors.com](mailto:jhess@nsinvestors.com).**

#### About the Presenter



Gil Harel is a musicologist and music theorist whose interests include styles ranging from classical repertoire to jazz and popular music, as well as opera, medieval and renaissance music. He is a professor at Naugatuck Valley Community College, where he conducts the college chorale, teaches music history and theory, and serves as musical director of theater productions. Before that, he taught at CUNY Baruch College. He holds a Ph.D. from Brandeis University. His commitment to community-oriented lecturing spans many years. He has hosted numerous such events in Connecticut, New York and

Massachusetts. Outside of teaching, he enjoys staying active as a pianist and vocalist.

## New Member Coffee



The DMA officers and directors hosted a new member coffee January 16, 2019. **Bryan Hooper**, chairman, Membership & Hospitality, says the purpose was to give new members an opportunity to learn more about DMA events and activities so they can select areas of special interest.

*Photos by Charles Salmans*

## Super Bowl Pool Winners

**John Barston** and **Bill Bellis** announce the winners of the 2019 Super Bowl pool are **Frank Johnson**, \$25 for the score at the end of the first quarter; **Lou DeAngelis**, \$50 for the score at the half; and **Bob Fiske**, a combined \$125, for the score at the end of the third quarter (\$25) and for the final score (\$100).



*Photo by Michael Poler*

L. to r.: Bill Bellis, Lou DeAngelis, Frank Johnson, John Barston. Not present, Bob Fiske.

## Hockey Night Featuring the Sound Tigers



Photo by Rick Degraw

Hockey Night featuring the Bridgeport Sound Tigers on January 16 was a big success. Before the game, 24 people enjoyed dinner at Ralph-n-Rich's Restaurant followed by a fast-paced game with the Lehigh Valley Phantoms at the Webster Bank Arena says **Gehr Brown** and **Tom Lom**, event organizers. A good time was had by all.

### Wanderings March & April

On March 19, **Sunil Saksena** will lead a Wandering into lower Manhattan. Included will be visits to a number of heritage sights, some from the Colonial and Revolutionary eras, as well as others from later historical periods. On April 16, **Mark Shakley** will lead a Wandering starting along Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, then through the Boerum Hill neighborhood, through some ethnic food markets and the new Barclays Center sports arena complex, and to the Brooklyn Academy of Music, with a stop for lunch at one of Brooklyn's most famous delicatessens. The Wanderers Committee announced that going forward, **David Mace** and **Joe Spain** will lead the group. **John Barston**, who has led the Wanderers for 19 years, and **Bill Bellis** will remain on the committee as senior statesmen. They also will continue as game managers for the Super Bowl pool and the March Madness contest.

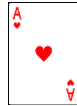
# Activity Representatives



**Book Club**, Harris Hester, 655.2309  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., Mather Center Library



**Bowling**, Tom Lom, 655.0686  
Tuesdays, 9:15 a.m., Nutmeg Lanes, Fairfield



**Bridge**, Tony Kwedar, 656.0444  
Tuesdays, 1 p.m., St. Luke's Church, Noroton



**Current Affairs**, Charlie Goodyear, 655.6935  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 8:15 a.m., DCA Lillian Gade Room



**Golf**, Denny Devere, 353.1758  
As announced at meetings and eblasts



**Happy Wanderers**, David Mace, Joe Spain, 655.7555  
As announced at meetings and eblasts



**Hiking**, Sunil Saksena, 561.8601  
As announced at meetings and eblasts



**Investment Discussion Group**, Jim Phillips, 722.2787  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 9 a.m., 30 Old Kings Highway South



**Pickleball**, Jan Selkowitz, 655.0441  
Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., Mather Center



**Songsters**, Joe Holmes, 838.8744  
As announced, Wednesdays, 8:45 a.m., DCA



**Woodworking**, Tom Williams, 655.7398  
Mondays, Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m., Mather Center

# Pickleball



Photo by Charles Salmans

Pickleball continues to be popular reports **Jan Selkowitz**. Turnout has been good this winter, with up to 24 players turning out on occasion at the Mather Center. You can find players on the court on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. “It’s good exercise to help you keep in shape. Everyone is welcome to join in. No reservations are necessary. Just show up,” says Jan.

## New Name for DMA Website

# DarienDMA.org

### Darien Men’s Association Newsletter

**Publisher**, *Ray Meurer*. **Speaker write-ups & new member bios**, *Taylor Strubinger*. **New member photos**, *Michael Poler*. **Caricature**, *Tom Glover*. **Mailing list**, *Frank Kemp*. **Photo credits this issue in order of appearance**, *Charles Salmans, Michael Poler, Rick Degraw*.