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Enlightenment • Fellowship • Community service in retirement

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

Amy Riggio, Executive Director of Builders Beyond Borders (3 B's) will talk about building homes, schools and other projects in needy countries using local Fairfield County Volunteer High School Students.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

Art Gottlieb, formally director of exhibits at the Intrepid Sea-Air- Space Museum will talk about "Inside Nazi Germany" before and during WWII.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

Pam Allyn, President of Lit/Life will talk about promoting literacy in many countries, including countries in Africa and South America. Through her other company Lit/Life, Pam also directs her educational consulting service that helps schools in the U.S. develop new literature curricula.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

Les de Villiers was born in South Africa. Les has a travel company that provides luxury safaris to tourists in Africa. A professional wildlife photographer, he will have a pictorial exhibit of safaris and wildlife.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Feb 6	Chris Neubert
	Technical vs Fundamental Investing

- Feb 13 Stephen C. White President, Mystic Seaport
- Feb 20 Spike Lipschutz, MD *The Future of Medicine and Healthcare*
- Feb 27 Susan Granger
 Westport News film critic

The Book Club

The Book Club will meet on January 16th in the Bedford room at the Y. The book to be discussed is "Flight Behavior" by Barbara Kingsolver. Larry Hirsch will lead the discussion.

COFFEE & DONUT TEAMS 2014

Under the expert supervision of Mario Ottaviano, the volunteer teams for the 2014 winter-spring season will be. Coffee team: Neil Coleman, Lou Bregy, Chris Lewis, Louis Lemont, Mort Silverberg, John Weiss, Len Peterson, David Mrotek, Jeff Read, John Murphy. Donut team will be Marty Ripchick, Michael Burke, Neil Croakin, Herb Bloom, Morton Schomer.

COLLECTORS CLUB

The next meeting of the Collectors Club will be on Tuesday, January 14th. As usual, it will be at 10 AM at the Senior Center. The hardy members who braved the second December snowstorm look forward to being rejoined by others to celebrate the new year. Bring an interesting item or just come to swap stories; any questions, ask **Rick Towers** (towersme@aol.com, or 227-6530).

Community Service

Would you like to make a difference in Westport and Weston in 2014? We need drivers to pick up day old goods from Stew Leonard's and deliver them to The Gillespie Center, The Senior Center and Project Return. We need a permanent volunteer for 2nd Tuesdays beginning in January. However, if you can't volunteer permanently please let me know if you can volunteer for 3rd Tuesdays beginning in January. However, if you can't volunteer permanently please let me know if you can volunteer permanently please let me know if you can volunteer in January. We need four volunteers for the following 5th Tuesdays in 2014 – 2 volunteers for July 29, 1 volunteer for Sept 30, and 2 volunteers for Dec 30, 2014.

I will remind you the Friday and Monday before your volunteer obligation. Pickup is at 6:15 AM. You'll be done by 7. Each Tuesday needs 2 men as volunteers. To volunteer please contact Pete Powell at petepowell@yahoo.com.

GLASSES FOR THE NEEDY

Jon Fox is collecting your old eye glasses. They are

given to the poor throughout the world. Deposit them in the box at the Travel and Event table.

Hiking Group

It is during these wintry days that we especially feel the urge for exercise and the outdoors. Snow has slowed but not stopped us. The Wednesday and Friday hikers have had three hikes this past month with the snow on the ground, including one magical brisk outing when snow still clung to the branches around the Aspetuck River. Familiar trails look like new adventures in winter. If conditions are too bad in the woods but roads are clear we will take road hikes. During the winter, the Tuesday hikers tend to stick to the roads for reasons of safety. When everything looks too dicey, the Tuesday and Wednesday groups may settle for lunch someplace like Southport Brewery so as not to miss the camaraderie. Join us. Contact Art Greenberg (agreengerg853@optonline.net) if you'd like to be included on the hikers email list.

TRIPS & EVENTS

Details and sign up at the Trips and Events table:

Jan 14 – Bertucci's Jazz Club lunch. \$10 includes tip. Video of Dave Brubeck concerts and commentary by Jon Howell.

Jan 14 – T&E Committee Meeting 2:30 PM in Conference Room of the Senior Center. All Y's Men member welcome to attend and contribute ideas ane suggestions. Contact **Jeff Hare** at 203-254-2221.

Jan 21 – Dinner at Finalmente Restaurant in Westport for Y's Men and their guests. Cost is \$40pp. Leader is **Alan Landis.** Fully booked but accepting standbys.

Jan 28 Trip to Norwalk Maritime Center (IMAX theatre optional). Sign-up at the Trips and events desk. Leader is **Jon Fox.**

MEETING SCHEDULE

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