

Y's Men of Westport/Weston, Inc.



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Robert Klee, Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), will be our speaker on September 10th. Commissioner Klee will discuss the State's efforts for conserving, improving and protecting Connecticut's resources and environment. Klee holds a Ph.D. from Yale's School of Forestry & Environmental Studies in industrial ecology, a law degree from Yale, and an undergraduate degree from Princeton in geology and environmental science.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Gordon Joseloff will discuss his experiences as an award-winning journalist. His career began when he and three classmates founded a student-run radio station in Westport, WWPT, which continues broadcasting to this day. After graduating from Syracuse University in 1967, Gordon served for more than two decades with United Press International and CBS News in New York, London, Moscow, and Tokyo. In 1984, he was awarded an Emmy for his coverage of the assassination of India's Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. He returned to Westport in 1989. He was elected First Selectman in 2005. In 2003, he launched a local community news Web site for Westport called WestportNow.com.

The meeting on September 17th will feature a tribute to **Ted Diamond**. Ted was awarded the highest honor that the French Government can bestow on a person: the insignia of Chevalier (knight) of the Legion of Honor. It honors Ted's service to France in WWII. Ted's participation in the air cover for allied troops invading the South of France was the beginning of the end for Germany. The special guests that are coming to this meeting are Jim Marpe, Westport First Selectman, our speaker Gordon Joseloff, and several of our representatives from the Connecticut State Senate and Assembly. We are asking all WWII veterans to attend this meeting so that together with Ted they can lead the salute to our flag. Guests are welcome.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Francis T. "Fay" Vincent, Jr. served as Commissioner of Baseball from 1989 to 1992. He was elected to complete the five-year term of A. Bartlett Giamatti who died unexpectedly in office on September 1st, 1989, exactly five months after his term began. Vincent was Deputy Commissioner under Giamatti, who was his mentor, and like him "Fay" also was a "Yale Man" receiving his law degree from Yale in 1963 after graduating with honors from Williams College in 1960.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our first meeting will take place on September 10th. Meetings usually start at 9:00AM with coffee and donuts so that members have time to socialize before the official meeting begins at 10:00AM with announcements from the President followed by

the pledge of allegiance to the flag. If any members have passed away since the last meeting, there is a moment of silence in honor of those members. Then reports from the Secretary, Treasurer, Trips and Events committee, and on members' health are heard and other club announcements are made. At some meetings a 10-minute talk will be given by a member on a subject of interest to the membership. The first meeting will feature Robert Klee, the Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). Hal Foodman, our 2nd Vice-President and Program Chairman, has worked very hard with his committee to bring interesting speakers to our weekly meetings. Keep up to date by reading the monthly newsletter for a list of speakers for the following months. In addition to the weekly meetings, new members are encouraged to join at least one club or activity. By doing this you will meet new friends and get the most out of your Y's Men membership. Joining additional clubs and activities is always an option. Get active in a club or activity and you will form friendships with your fellow members, which should be the main objective of your membership. I am always available to any member who has questions or needs help in integrating himself into the organization. My email address is agreenb853@optonline.net.

Art Greenberg

FUTURE MEETINGS

- Oct 1 Kenneth Roman
Advertising Executive
- Oct 8 Robert J "Bobby" Valentine
Experiences in Sports
- Oct 15 Paul Bogaev
Musical Presentation
- Oct 22 Irwin Lebish
Atomic Testing in Nevada
- Oct 29 Judith Marks-White
Author / Humorist

IN MEMORIAM

Richard G. Gardella
Ray Eyes
Nathan "Nat" H. Magida

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NEW MEMBERS

Last Name	First Name	Phone
Sherman	Jerald	203-222-7950
Wind	Maury	203-256-8555

THE BOOK CLUB

The September meeting of the Book Club will be on the 17th at Saugatuck Church at 1:30PM. The book to be discussed is *A Thousand Acres* by Jane Smiley.

CAMERA CLUB

SAVE THIS DATE: October 23rd. This is the date of the GALA opening of the Y's Men Camera Club and Westport Senior Center Twelfth Annual Photo Contest and Exhibition. Entries for the EXPO will be accepted from September 10th to October 8th. Get your application forms and EXPO Rules from the Camera Club desk at the Y's Men Thursday meetings, from the Senior Center, or from the Camera Club page on the Y's Men website. Make arrangements to purchase print mats from **Buddy Rubin** at (203) 454-0445 or from the Camera Club desk. You don't have to be a member of the Club to participate. There are great awards for contest winners. Good exposure (pardon the pun) for all entrants.

GOLF OUTING

The Y's Men's Fall Golf Outing will be held at Longshore on Wednesday, October 28th. **Dick Hagan** is coordinating. Full details and a signup sheet will be available at the September Y's Men meetings. Questions can be directed to Dick Hagan at 203-650-2317.

TRIPS AND EVENTS

Details and sign up at the Trips and Events table

Sept 25 – CT Antique Machine and the Mining & Mineral Science Museums in Kent

Sept or Oct – Danbury Military Museum – details to be announced at September 10 meeting

Oct 5 – Dinner at Martel restaurant, 6:00 to 8:00PM, approximately \$45 per person tax and tip included

Oct 14 – Fall "Leaves" lunch at the Hopkins Inn on Lake Waramaug. The lunch is \$31 per person tax and tip included. 20 people maximum.

Oct 24 – Downtown Cabaret Theater, "Rod Stewart" – 5:30PM bring your own dinner and beverage. The cost is \$35 per person.

Nov 10 – Dinner at the new Positano, 6:00 to 8:00PM, approximately \$45 per person tax and tip included.

Finally, we are working on the details to visit the Fidelco Seeing Eye Dog Academy for a Wednesday in September; a visit to the Rockefeller estate in Sleepy Hollow, NY targeted for late October; and a trip on the Essex Steam Train and river boat cruise. Please stop by the T & E desk at the September 10th meeting for more details. It promises to be an exciting year.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Sept 10 Robert Klee

Sept 17 Gordon Joseloff

Sept 24 Fay Vincent



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