



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Dave Dequeljoe, a former Navy fighter pilot with two combat tours in Iraq, will share his experience flying an F-14 jet in combat. He was awarded the Navy Commendation with Combat "V" device for valor, as well as an Individual Air Medal with Bronze Star and two Strike Flight Air Medals. But a battle with untreated combat issues began after the fighting. He took careful notes during his recovery from severe depression and now helps veterans and others overcome the disease. Author of "Dogfighting Depression," Dave is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

As a new school year begins, we will gain a perspective on the state of education in our towns from **Dr. Colleen Palmer** and **Dr. William McKersie**, Superintendents of Schools for Westport and Weston, respectively. Dr. Palmer, beginning her second academic year in Westport, was formerly, for five years, superintendent of schools in Weston. She considered the Westport position "a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity." Dr. McKersie is a career educator who previously was superintendent of Greenwich Public Schools. He has worked for a diverse set of high performing educational organizations—public, independent, parochial and philanthropic.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Who better to tell us about the 30-year history of **The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp** and its "A Different Kind of Healing" than **James Canton** who has had a relationship with the organization since its founding in 1988. Jimmy has been a counselor, unit leader, assistant director and camp director, and was appointed Chief Executive Officer in 2002. He has extended the Camp year-round with fall and spring weekend programs to serve the previous summers' campers, as well as family retreats for children who might not have the chance to experience a summer session.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

John P. McKinney was a Republican member of the Connecticut Senate, representing the 28th district, comprised of Easton, Fairfield, Newtown, Weston and Westport, from 1999 until 2014. During that period, he served as its Minority Leader for seven years. He entered the Republican primary for Governor in 2014 but was defeated by Tom Foley who subsequently lost

the general election. John is now out of politics and practices law in Fairfield. He will provide a unique view on the current political scene in the state.

Future Meetings

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| Oct 5 | Frederic Chiu
<i>In Performance</i> |
| Oct 12 | Daniel Ksepka
<i>The Bruce Museum</i> |
| Oct 19 | Foster Hirsch
<i>The Movies</i> |
| Oct 26 | Sandhya Dhruvakumar, MD
<i>Arrhythmia</i> |

In Memoriam

Salvatore DiGiorgio

Del Markoff

Ira Tumpowsky (*past member moved to NJ*)

NEW MEMBERS

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Burd	Robert	203-226-4987
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Sawicki	Nestor	203-227-7943
Snow	N. Nicoll (Nick)	203-215-1104 (c)
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Committee Chairs: Apple Roundtable, Sal Mollica; Art Director, Len Fisher; Audio Visual Support, Hal Foodman; Ancient Mariners, Mario Sa' Couto, Brian Strong; Backgammon, Woody Bliss; Biking, Tom Douglas; Bocci Club, Bob Fox; Book Club, Chris Lewis; Bowling, Al DeLardi, Gary Raschella; Bridge, Mario

Sa' Couto; Camera Club, Sal Mollica, Hal Foodman; Classical Music Society, Bob Fatherley; Collectible Club, Jon Fox, Rick Towers; Coffee, Mario Ottaviano; Facilities, Russ Blair; Family Y Liaison, Pete Wolgast; Garden Club, Jorgen Jensen; Golf, TBD; Health, Steve Raffel; Hiking, Chris Lewis, Malcolm Davies, Marty Yellin; Hoot Owls, Jorgen Jensen; Internal Financial Reviewer, Chris Lewis; International Discussion Group, Mike Belaga; Investment Group, Bob McGrath; Jazz Club, Ralph Levitan; Legal, Alan Nevas; Medical Advice, Richard Ellis, Len Flom, Marty Krauthamer; Memoir Writing, Bob Fatherley; Newsletter Editor, Steve Raffel; Layout Editor, Paul Cohen; Newsletter Proofreader, Ed Bloch; Newsletter Mailer, Lou Rolla; Photographer, Larry Untermeyer; Public Relations, Roy Fuchs; Skiing, Tom Douglas; Speakers, Ed Bloch, Marty Yellin; Table Tennis, Paul Beiler; Tennis (Winter Monday), Al Landis, Pete Wolgast (Winter Friday) Westport Tennis Club; Tennis (Summer), John Luscombe, Peter Kolbrener; Video, Art Greenberg; Walking, Art Greenberg; Web Site, Dick Hagan.

President's remarks on the start of the 2017-2018 season:

Our season begins on Thursday, September 7th. We meet at the Saugatuck Congregational Church. Coffee and donuts at 9:00 preceding the meeting at 10:00. This amazing organization started 41 years ago. The news of our founding was shoved from the headlines by the following: 1976 saw our nation celebrate its Bicentennial Year. Jimmy Carter wins the presidency, defeating Gerald Ford. Patty Hearst is convicted for a bank robbery in San Francisco. Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak start Apple Computer. Israeli commandos free hostages at Entebbe airfield. \$2 bill is reinstated. A gallon of regular gasoline was 60 cents. It is interesting to think about what you were doing then. Speaking of interesting, the speakers committee has assembled an outstanding roster of presentations, starting with a decorated fighter pilot describing what it is like to fly an F-14 in combat. This season we will hear from actors, musicians, politicians, FBI agents, historians, physicians and a notable film critic to name just a few presenters. We have an energetic board of directors who are eager to get started. The roster of activities is robust with enthusiastic leaders already working on projects. A notice for the photography contest has been published. I look forward to seeing you on September 7th.

Jay Dirnberger

Dues

Except for members over 90 years old, the 2017-2018 Annual Fee of \$60.00 is now due. After November 1st, 2017, the cost is \$70.00. Members as well as those over 90 please download the Membership Renewal Form from the Y's Men's website or pick one up at the meeting. Mail it in or bring it to the meeting. This will keep us up to date with your information. If you are not going to renew, please contact **John Weiss** at 203-858-5555 or weissjf@aol.com.

Flu Clinic

The health district will conduct a flu clinic for Y's Men and others in mid-October. **Dr. Laura Haynes, Ph.D.**, a professor of immunology at UConn Center on Aging has suggested that people aged 65 and older wait until late October to be immunized. She cited a study endorsed by the CDC that found the standard flu vaccine tended to wear off more quickly in older adults. Waiting to be vaccinated would ensure the vaccine lasts through flu season which runs from October to May.

Camera Club

All Y's Men are invited to participate in Expo 14, the Y's Men Camera Club and the Westport Center for Senior Activities 14th annual photo contest which opens on Monday, October 16th. Deadline for submissions is Thursday, October 5th and they may be made at the Y's Men meetings from Thursday, September 7th through Thursday, October 5th or brought directly to the Center. Judging of the entries is scheduled for Monday, October 16th. An opening reception, hosted by the Camera Club and the Center, will be on Friday, October 20th at 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions about Expo 14, please contact **Hal Foodman** at hfoodman@gmail.com or 203-454-5941.

Classical Music Society

The Classical Music Society meetings, held on the fourth Tuesday of the month, typically draw more than 30 participants. Programs have featured a wide range of music. We meet in the Media Bay of the Westport Center for Senior Activities where there is an excellent audio-visual system and comfortable seating. If you would like to be on our e-mail list, please contact **Ed Bloch** at edbloch@optonline.net or 203-227-4920.

Golf Outing

The Y's Men Fall Golf Outing will be held at Longshore Golf Course on Wednesday, September 27th. The entry fee is \$60.00 which includes greens fees, carts, and post golf goodies at the Black Duck. The fee will be payable at the first tee on the day of the tourney. The format will be a "Scramble" utilizing teams of four players. Teams will be assigned at random. Golf news and tourney information will be posted on the Y's Men site under Golf in the "Activities" section. **Dick Hagan** will be coordinating the golf outing. You can enter by signing up at the T&E desk or by contacting Dick at hagarnew@att.net or 203- 650-2317.

Hoot Owls

The Hoot Owls have their first performance of the fall season Sunday, September 10th and will start rehears-

ing Thursdays at 1:30PM at Saint Luke Church starting September 7th. If you like to sing, please come and join us.

Tennis

Beginning September 8th, we have a great group of guys playing indoor tennis on Fridays for an hour from 8:00 to 9:00AM. We would love to have you! All levels are present, and we have a few openings. Call **Judy** at the Westport Tennis Club (203-255-3481) for details.

Trips and Events

Details and sign up at the Trips and Events table

Sept 22 – Connecticut Museum of Mining and Mineral Science and the Eric Sloane Museum & Kent Iron Furnace, both in Kent, CT. Carpool. Sign up at T&E desk or e-mail **Bill Blaufuss** at prosit67@gmail.com

Sept 25 – Norman Bloom Oyster Farming Norwalk including boat trip. Trip to be confirmed. Sign up at T&E desk or email **Bill Blaufuss** prosit67@gmail.com

Sept 26 – Dinner at Café Madeline, Fairfield. \$35.00 pp includes tax & tip. 30 people max. RSVP at T&E desk or email JeffHare@optonline.net.

Oct 21 – 2nd Annual Y's Men West Point Football outing. Army vs. Temple. Tailgate parties tickets are \$40.00. Space limited to 31 so don't delay. RSVP at T&E desk or e-mail roymckay@hotmail.com. Spouses and significant others are always invited. Non-Y's Men members are invited space permitting.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Sept 7	Dave Dequeljoe
Sept 14	Colleen Palmer and William McKersie
Sept 21	James Canton
Sept 28	John P. McKinney

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OLD PREZ

NEW PREZ



Y's Men's Indian Lunch at the Coromandel (8/3/17)