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## **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5**

Frederic Chiu, a world-renowned musician, pianist and teacher returns to perform for the Y's Men. This time he will focus on Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 comparing orchestral performances with the Liszt piano transcription. He plans to play at least two of the symphony's four movements. In addition to his performing, recording, teaching and world tours, Frederic has created a local arts experience with his periodic, multi-disciplined Beechwood Arts Immersion Salons located on Weston Road. Wives and significant others are invited to attend.

## **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12**

Did you know that the world's largest bird had a wingspan of up to 24 feet? No chance of encountering it today because it lived 25 million years ago in South Carolina. But a full scale model resides in the lobby of The Bruce Museum whose Curator named the species (Pelagornis sandersi) and reconstructed its flight capabilities. He is **Daniel Ksepka** who will tell us about his research in this field. He earned a Ph.D. in Earth and Environmental Sciences from Columbia University.

# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Hailed as perhaps "the best film interviewer in the world," **Foster Hirsch** is Professor of Cinema at Brooklyn College. A graduate of Stanford University, Dr. Hirsch received his M.F.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University and joined Brooklyn's Department of English in 1967. He moved into the newly-formed Film Department in 1973. The author of 16 books on subjects related to theatre and movies, Dr. Hirsch was a key pioneer in film noir studies.

# **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26**

We all have heard about arrhythmia and some of us unfortunately may have experienced it. Here, to give us a better understanding of the subject, is **Dr. Sandhya Dhruvakumar**, a specialist in Cardiac Electrophysiology, which deals specifically with heart rhythms. She is Director of Electrophysiology for Stamford Hospital and is an expert in device implantation and cardiac ablations.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Nov 2 Charles Grady

FBI New Haven

Nov 9 Stefan Underhill

U.S. District Judge CT

Nov 16 **Leonard Everett Fisher** 

An Artist's Life

Nov 23 Thanksgiving

No Meeting

Nov 30 Mark Pazniokas

Capitol Bureau Chief, CT Mirror

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Last Name	First Name	Phone
Ances	Leonard	203-227-8218
Bernstein	Ray	203-222-8602
Burkhardt	Ross	203-227-4656

### **HOLIDAY PARTY**

The Y's Men's 2017 Holiday Party is scheduled for Thursday, December 14th, beginning at 11:30AM at the Norwalk Inn. The agenda includes cocktails, first-class musical entertainment, choice of meat, chicken or fish for lunch and a few added surprises. **Marty Yellin** will begin taking reservations and making table assignments at the October 5th meeting. The cost of this year's party will be \$46.00 per person, with significant others encouraged to attend. So be the first to fill your table. Checks are made out to Y's Men of Westport/Weston, with "Holiday Party" in the memo space.

#### **DUES**

Except for members over 90 years old, the 2017-2018 membership fee of \$60.00 is now due. After November 1st, 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**

Date: October 12th following the meeting at about 11:30AM. The clinic will be in the room off of the upstairs lobby. Wives, friends, etc. are invited. The injectable vaccine will be available as regular or high dose. Payment will be Medicare Part B, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Cigna and Connecticare insurance. United Health Care is not eligible at this time. Participants must bring their insurance card to the clinic for billing purposes.

#### **TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG**

The Table Tennis/Ping Pong Group meets every Tuesday afternoon 2:30 to 4:00PM at the Y. We have a cadre of players at all skill levels. It's a lot of fun. New players are welcome.

## **TENNIS**

We have a great group of guys playing indoor tennis on Fridays for an hour from 8:00 to 9:00AM. Please join us. All levels are playing, 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

Oct 11 – Wolf Preserve in S. Salem NY. Morning tour, lunch in S. Salem, afternoon visit nearby Katonah Art Museum. **Al Landis** is leader. Sign up at T&E Desk or contact Al.

Oct 16 – Dinner at B.J. Ryan's in downtown Norwalk. Price is \$45.00 pp, tax and tip plus one drink included. Pay in advance at T&E Desk.

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.

Dec 10 – Downtown Cabaret Theatre "Phantom Operetta" styled production, not "Phantom of the Opera." BYO dinner and drinks. \$26.75 pp. RSVP soon and pay at T&E desk

At a date TBD we will visit the Westport Historical Society for a curator guided tour of an exhibit "06880+50". Spouses and significant others are always invited. Non-Y's Men members are invited space permitting.

On October 2nd, **Jeff Hare**, a Naval photo interpreter officer during the Cuban Missile Crisis, will speak at the Westport Country Playhouse. **James Naughton** and other actors will read letters exchanged between JFK, Khrushchev and Castro. Tickets are \$20.00.

#### Y'S MEN WEB SITE HELP

Dick Hagan, webmaster for the Y's Men web site, is soliciting additional help in maintaining the site. Currently assisted by John Murdock, Mort Silverberg and Bill Balch (the former webmaster). Dick would like to have backup should members no longer can serve. If you have some computer savvy and would like to assist, please contact Dick at hagarnew@att.net or 203-650-2317.

### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

Oct 5 Frederic Chiu Oct 12 Daniel Ksepka

Oct 19 Foster Hirsch

Oct 26 Sandhya Dhruvakumar

Editor—Steve Raffel Production—Paul Cohen Proofreader—Edward Bloch Mailing—Lou Rolla Website—Dick Hagan



At the first meeting of the 2017-18 season, Dave Dequeljoe, a former Naval fighter pilot with two combat tours in Iraq, meets with Y's Men veteran flyers Ted Garrity, Gary Raschella, Gun Moen and Ted Diamond.