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#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 7**

The Me Too Movement (more popularly expressed as #MeToo) is a movement against sexual harassment and sexual assault especially in the workplace. Three attorneys from Cohen and Wolfe will bring us up to date on this significant social phenomenon. **Courtney George** is a principal of the firm and chair of its Employment and Labor Group. **Suzanne B. Sutton** serves as Of Counsel and has extensive experience in attorney discipline matters and bankruptcy law. **Susan F. Filan** also is Of Counsel and is a former MSNBC Senior Legal Analyst and NBC News legal analyst. She will moderate the discussion.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 14**

Life for those living around Long Island Sound during the American Revolution was filled with action, intrigue and terror. Historian **Ed Hynes** will tell us how raiders crossed the Sound every fair night either to smuggle and/or steal goods and to kidnap or kill enemies. The economic blockade between British-occupied Long Island and Patriot-led Connecticut was the foundation of this violent conflict. His presentation will detail some of these raids and discuss the fate of Patriot prisoners held by the British.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

On the night of February 17, 1864 at about 9:00 p.m. the CSS Hunley became the very first submarine to sink a ship in combat. This feat was so advanced for its time that it did not occur again for another 50 years. Historian **Phil Vitiello** will tell the story of what happened to the Hunley that night and trace the vessel's conception, its underwater discovery, conservation and the historic burial of her last crew. Phil is a specialist on the Civil War and a re-enactor for more than 40 years.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 28**

Too many of us, at this stage of life, are becoming all too familiar with joint pain often in our knees. **Dr. Michael Lynch**, an orthopedic surgeon, will tell us about advances in knee surgery. He was the first surgeon in Fairfield County to implement a new type of knee replacement that uses a 3D printer to create femoral and tibial implants that are unique for each patient.

IN MEMORIAM Stuart B. Ross

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Apr 4 – Kammy Maxfeldt, Birchwood Country Club Golf Pro

Apr 11 – Twig Holland

Aquarion Water Company

Apr 18 – TBD

Apr 25 – Bill Taibi

Chef/Restaurateur

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Last Name	First Name	Cell Phone
Blomfield	Bruce	203-227-4674
Chase	William (Bill)	917-603-3946
Feinberg	Marvin	516-902-8660
O'Brien	William (Bill)	203-257-1331
Rivage-Seul	Michael	475-319-6013
Wexler	Jesse	203-856-9223

#### FREE TAX PREPARATION SERVICE

The IRS/AARP again provides a no charge, tax preparation and filing service in Westport through April 15th, 2019. More than 700 Westporters, including numerous Y's Men, have used this service in past years, and a few have been volunteer counselors. It's open to all individual filers regardless of age or income level, with emphasis on low- and middle-income households and those ages 60 and older. The service will be available at the Westport Center for Senior Activities on Wednesdays (9:00-4:00) and Thursdays (1:00-7:00) by appointment at 203-341-5099, and Mondays at Westport Town Hall (1:00-7:30) by appointment at 203-341-1050.

#### **GARDEN CLUB**

Greetings Y's Men Gardeners! We have put together some interesting fun events:

March: Wed. 3/20, 12:00 noon. VFW Lunch prior to Gilbertie's. General discussion and idea exchange. 1:15 p.m. Gilbertie's Westport - **Joe Gloria**, Master Gardener: Spring preparation and planning. Raised gardens, herbs, fertilizers, pruning, etc. Always interesting with new ideas and Q&A indoors!

**April:** Sat. 4/6, 10:00 a.m. Gilbertie's Herb Gardens, Adams Rd., Easton, CT. A highlight trip hosted by **Sal Gilbertie.** See how commercial growing in greenhouses and outdoors has evolved with major emphasis on supplying consumers, stores and restaurants with

organically grown produce. Our **Skip Shaeffer** will have more information as date gets closer.

May: Wed. morning in late May (date to be decided). Member Win Allen's residence. An impressive array of Japanese Gardens and landscape. Unlike any in Westport! This is a show place well worth seeing, particularly if you missed last summer's short notice visit.

June, July, August: Still in planning stages. Suggestions can be relayed to us any time and at our March VFW lunch. Reminder, we are always looking for new Y's Men members and new gardens to visit. Spouses and significant others are always welcome! Please RSVP to help with event planning. Jorgen Jensen will be getting information on speaker Diana Ringelheim, a Master Gardener at the Senior Center in coming months. Reminders will be sent out as these dates get closer.

#### **TENNIS**

The Friday morning (8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.) winter tennis group is looking for a few additional players. Contact **Keith Brooks** for more information: keithbrooks26@gmail.com or 203-226-6384.

## TRIPS AND EVENTS March:

3/4 Mon. – Madison Square Garden, behind the scenes, back stage tour – Guided Tour at 11:00 a.m. Take 9:05 a.m. Metro North from Saugatuck station (event is sold out).

It's Spring! Come celebrate with friends!

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## "SPRING FLING"

**COCKTAIL PARTY** 

Fun Social Event of the Year

Thursday, April 11 - 5-7 p.m.

Branson Hall at Christ & Holy Trinity Church

Downtown Westport

Socialize with fellow Y's Men & their ladies

Meet new & long-term members

Catered Hors d'oeuvres, Great Wines Music & Dancing Y's Men Activities Slide Show

Spouses & significant others invited & encouraged to attend

Easy parking -- Plenty of tables & seating for all

\$25 per person if paid by Thurs., March 14 \$30 per person after March 14 Sign-up deadline Thurs., April 4 Cost partially subsidized by your Y's Men's dues!

Checks payable to "Y's Men" – Pay at meeting or mail to:
Y's Men of Westport/Weston, P.O. Box 167, Westport, CT 06881-0167

Chairman: Dewey Loselle - deweyloselle@gmail.com

3/11 Mon. – Tour of Grand Central Terminal East Side Access/LIRR Terminal construction. Tour at 1:00 p.m. – lunch before (event is sold out).

3/14 Thurs. – 5:30 p.m. – dress rehearsal of "Curtains - the Musical Comedy Whodunit"- Staples Players - must arrive NLT 5:30 p.m. for 6:00 p.m. performance. No RSVP necessary, no charge, just show up. Event is limited to Y's Men members and spouses.

3/25 or 3/26 – Mon. or Tues. (TBD) – Monthly Dinner at Tutti's, Westport. Price and details to come.

3/27 Wed. - Greenwich Historical Society Museum (a.m.) and Bruce Museum (p.m.). Bruce is featuring a special exhibit – "Masterpieces from the Museum of Cartoon Art." Car pool from exit 18. RSVP and details to come. (**Bob Mitchell** mitch161@optonline.net)

#### **April**

4/2 – Tues. – Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale. April 2nd is the new date for this event, postponed from February due to weather. (**Bob Mitchell** mitch161@optonline.net)

4/11 – Thurs. 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – "Spring Fling," all Y's Men and guests "Cocktail Party" – \$25.00 pp by 3/14; \$30.00 after (**Dewey Loselle** deweyloselle@gmail.com)

#### May

5/19 Sun. – "The Full Monty" – Bridgeport Downtown Cabaret. BYO dinner and beverage. RSVP at T&E desk. The Y's Men have the 6 best-located tables (42 people) in the theatre. \$28.00 pp. Signup and pay now because this is a very popular event. (Jeff Hare jeffhare@optonline.net)

*Please contact event leaders directly for further information.* 

## President's Message

With the coming of spring comes that great season when anything is possible. It is the time of new growth, new friends and golden opportunities to strengthen the bonds of fellowship for all Y's Men. One of those is the annual Spring Fling, an afternoon of fun and libation shared with as many of us and our significant others as will fit into Branson Hall.

Let's make it an event to remember!

John Brandt



Left to Right: Bill Christiaanse, BobMitchell, Tom Kieffer, Len Ances, Michael Hehenberger

### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

Mar 7 Attorney panel on #MeToo

Mar 14 Ed Hynes

Mar 21 Phil Vitiello

Mar 28 Michael Lynch, M.D.

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