

NEWSLETTER

HOW MISPELLING CAN CHANGE A WORD'S DEFINITION-COMICALLY!

Coffee: The person upon whom one coughs. Flabbergasted: Appalled by discovering how much weight one has gained. Negligent: Absent mindedly answering the door when wearing only a nightgown. Lymph: To walk with a lisp. Flatulence: Emergency vehicle that picks up someone who has been run over by a steamroller. Balderdash: A rapidly receding hairline. Frisbeetarianism; The belief that, after death, the soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there. Pokemon: A Rastafarian proctologist. Osteopornosis: A degenerate disease. Giraffiti: Vandalism spray-painted on a high wall. Oyster: A person who sprinkles his conversation with Yiddishisms. Castration: The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent for an indefinite period. Testicle: A humorous question on an exam. [Fooled ya!]

WHEN IN HEAVEN BE CAUTIOUS TO WHOM YOU ARE SPEAKING

Two ladies were talking in heaven. "Hi! Wanda." "Hi Sylvia. How'd you die?" "I froze to death" "How horrible" "It wasn't bad..after I quit shaking from the cold, I began to get warm & sleepy, and finally died a peaceful death. How about you?" "I died of a massive heart attack. I suspected that my husband was cheating, so I came home early to catch him in the act. But I found him in the den watching TV." "So what happened?" "I was so sure there was another woman there somewhere that I started running all over the house looking. I ran up into the attic and searched and searched, and down into the basement. Then I went through every closet and checked under all the beds. I kept this up until I had looked everywhere, and finally I became so exhausted that I just keeled over with a heart attack and died." "Too bad you didn't look in the freezer...we'd both still be alive!"

FEBRUARY SPEAKERS – (Meetings are at 10:00am in Morrill Hall, St Mark's Church)

February 3 Richard L. Rose will discuss his experience while participating in a World Banking program prior to and on Dec. 1, 1991, the date of the succession of the Ukraine from the USSR, and one month before the end of the cold war that ended on Dec. 31, 1991. His assistance included advising the Ukraine to obtain bids for the remediation of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster; assuring Ukrainian commercial and agricultural organizations to do business with the US; and to understand the basic laws of the capitalistic system of doing business.

February 10 Kathleen Holland is the Director of Inland Wetlands and Watercourses for New Canaan and has 28 years of municipal land use experience. In 2009, she received the "Wetlands Director of the Year Award" from the Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission. Her presentation will cover the purpose and importance of wetland protection, roles and responsibilities of the Wetland Commission, challenges faced by the staff and the Commission and a review of interesting projects on the horizon.

February 17 Richard Townsend is currently managing partner of Rangeley Capital and is involved in various positions past and present in the United Methodist Church's Habitat for Humanity mission. He will speak on the Habitat's mission and scope, its history in New Canaan, its operating model and history of its success, and provide opportunities to participate in its successes.

February 24 Dan Marcy is a member of the New NY Bridge Project since 2002. He will present to us the construction and all the activities going on with the Tappan Zee Bridge that are making the crossing much easier, more efficient, environmentally protective of residents and marine wildlife and structured to last for at least 100 years, mass transit ready and pedestrian and cyclist friendly.

NEW MEMBERS - Very happy to announce that we have 7 new members: Charles Rose, Neil Swanson, Peter Eldridge, Frank Dubas, Richard Townsend, Roger Williams and Wesley Fredericks. Welcome, gentlemen! We are delighted that you have joined the NCMC!

ACTIVITIES - (Check the website at NCMENS.CLUB for updates)

- Amateur Chefs** The February luncheon will be held at Lapham on Thursday, February 16^h at 12 noon. \$15 cash or check holds your reservation. Please pay at the Couth Table.
Nick Zaccagnino (203-966-7217) or Bert Liebelt (203-966-3696)
- Book Club** The Book Club selection for February is A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman. You might recognize one of our NC Men's Club members in the story of a cranky old man whose life is dramatically impacted by an unlikely friendship. Ultimately, a feel-good story. Ove's path is probably a familiar one for many of us. We will meet Tuesday, February 28th at Lapham at 1:30pm.
Jack Lapolla (203-966-1107), Dan Eng (203-972-0649)
- Bridge** Talk with friends and organize your own games after Friday meetings.
Marvin Newman (203-972-8165)
- Health Club** The Health Club subject for February (on Valentine's Day yet!) will be "Sex Over 60". The presentation will be made by Dr. Scott Chudnoff, a staff physician from Stamford Hospital at the New Canaan YMCA from Noon to 1pm on February 14th. Also, don't forget the New Canaan 2017 ISTEP Tele-Health program. Join the other seniors who are keeping track of their health and wellness via a personal dash board plus Bethany, the town Tele-Nurse. If you have access to the internet and want to live a healthier life, the town provides the equipment and a very successful program now in its 5th year. Call 203-594-3076.
Jim Lisher (203-972-3519)
- Investments** The next meeting will be on Monday, March 6th at 10am at Lapham. The topic at the meeting will be: Stock Market Trends and Expectations.
Hans Dijis (203-972-6024)
- Paddle Tennis** Play Monday, Tuesdays and Thursdays 9-10:30am . All welcome to play or socialize. A Rec. Department pass is required. Nick Guthrie (203-966-6192) Joe Adiletta (203-966-5843)
- Sidewalks of NY** Join us in the Spring for more walking tours exploring NY City. Hold the following dates:
Wednesday, April 19th: St. Patrick's Cathedral & Rockefeller Center
Wednesday, May 17th: South Street Seaport & Museum
Wednesday, June 7th: Museum of American Finance & Federal Hall
Pete Stair (203-962-2034)
- Table Tennis** Play at the YMCA, Monday and Wednesday at 8am. Stephen Halpert (203-972-7555)

DISTINGUISHED NEW CANAAN SENIOR MAN NOMINATION - Please consider nominating a club member for recognition as the 2017 New Canaan Man's Distinguished Man. For information about the reward, and the process, please go to the club website and follow the links to Committees, Distinguished Man Award, then Click Here. Nominations are due to the club President by February 15th, 2017. Please contact Ralph Hills or any committee member if you have any questions.
Ralph Hills (203-966-6211)

2017 NCMC DUES ARE OVERDUE AND PAYABLE NOW – The Board has agreed to keep our dues at \$50 for 2017. We are only able to maintain the \$50 amount because of the generous voluntary additions donations that many of you have made in the past. Please feel free to make your payment at the membership desk at the Friday meetings, in cash or check, payable to NCMC. Or mail the check to NCMC, c/o YMCA, 564 South Avenue, NC, CT 06840. Or you can go to the website – NCMENS.CLUB – and you can pay via PayPal. And, of course, it will be a wonderful help if you can make a voluntary donation above the \$50 to help us balance the budget.