

**A FEW CLASSIFIED ADS**

**2 Female Boston Terrier puppies, 7 wks old. Perfect markings. 966-3313. Leave mess.**

**Lost: small apricot poodle. Reward. Neutered. Like one of the family.**

**A superb and inexpensive restaurant. Fine food served expertly by waitresses in appetizing forms.**

**Four-poster bed, 101 years old. Perfect for antique lover.**

**We do not tear your clothing with machinery. We do it carefully by hand.**

**Wanted: Unmarried girls to pick fresh fruit and produce at night.**

**Great Dames for sale.**

**Tired of cleaning yourself? Let me do it.**

**Dog for sale. Eats anything and is fond of children.**

**Wanted: Chambermaid in rectory. Love in, \$200 a month. References required.**

**Used cars: Why go elsewhere to be cheated. Come here first!**

**For sale: an antique desk suitable for lady with thick legs and large drawers.**

**MAY SPEAKERS** (Meetings are at 10:00 a.m. in Morrill Hall, St. Mark's Church.)

**May 1** Our speaker will be Richard Blumenthal, who is serving his fifth term as Attorney General. His aggressive law enforcement for consumer protection, environmental stewardship, labor rights and personal privacy, has helped reshape the role of state attorneys general nationwide. Prior to being elected Attorney General, he has served in many public roles, including the Connecticut legislature and as U.S. Attorney for the state of Connecticut. A resident of Greenwich, Mr. Blumenthal is a graduate of Harvard and Yale Law School, where he was editor of the Yale Law Journal.

**May 8** Annual Meeting at the New Canaan Country Club. \$40 in advance to Paul Stein, or \$45 at the door. Cash bar at 11:30, Lunch at 12:30. Food and wine with the lunch included in the price. Come for the conviviality and delicious food. Great program!!! There will be no morning meeting.

**May 15** SMC member Jim Lisher and Joel Warren will speak to us about The National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship. NFTE is an international organization that seeks to empower low-income students by teaching them the basics of starting a small business. The demonstrated NFTE result is students who are better readers, better thinkers, and better able to present ideas on their feet. Joel Warren has been Executive Director of NFTE Fairchester Region (Fairfield & Westchester counties) since it was formed in 1999. He is a graduate of Duke University and Yale Divinity School.

**May 22** Beginning in 2006, thousands upon thousands of honey bee colonies have suddenly vanished. This is bad news for the bees, and equally bad news for us. That's because 30% of what we eat is the result of pollination by honey bees. Come hear Howland Blackiston and learn more about honey bees, back yard beekeeping, and the latest news regarding the "Vanishing Honey Bee". Mr. Blackiston is the author of *Beekeeping for Dummies*. He has written many articles on beekeeping and appeared on dozens of TV shows on the topic.

**May 29** Samantha Ettus is a television personality and best-selling author. She will speak to us on "Faster and Better for a Fuller Life." Ms. Ettus is the host and co-executive producer of Obsessed TV, and the creator of the bestselling Expert's Guide series of books published by Random House, including her most recent book, *The Expert's Guide to Doing Things Faster*. Previously she was a syndicated columnist and ran the country's first talent agency for personality-driven brands. Ms. Ettus holds a BA and an MBA from Harvard University.

**NEED A RIDE TO FRIDAY MEETINGS?** Members are reminded that Getabout van service is available to and from our Friday meetings. Just call Getabout at 972-7433 one day in advance and sign up to travel with the others enjoying this service. Getabout asks for a donation of \$3 each way but does not require it. This is a great way to travel!! You can even arrange to be driven from the meeting to lunch or shopping downtown and taken home after that.

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**May 13 (Wed)** We'll have a visit to the Intrepid, the recently restored Essex class aircraft carrier housing a world class collection of period aircraft, artifacts and life stories of the brave men who served on her and the Concorde, the fastest commercial airliner ever built. A guided private tour will be followed by lunch at our favorite City Island Seashore Restaurant with unlimited wine & beer! Check-in time: 8:15, departure 8:30 a.m. Cost \$85.00 per person. Our hosts will be Pete Stair (966-6497) and Stan Stanziale (966-2862).

**Jun 17 (Wed)** We will go to the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in NYC for a tour and lunch. Details will follow in the next newsletter, at Friday meetings and on the website. Dick DePatie will be our host (966-8323).

### **Plan ahead for Future Couth Trips:**

**September - Port of Newark Operations Tour**

**October (?!)- Fall Cruise on the Hudson, and Army vs. Rutgers**

**November - To Broadway for South Pacific**

**Please note:** As a reminder, the Couth policy is as follows: The sign-up sheet is to be used as an indication of interest and intent to participate, but not to establish a reservation. The date of the check receipt by the Couth Committee will be the control of a confirmed reservation.

## ACTIVITIES (Check the website at SMCNC.ORG for updates)

**Amateur Chefs** The chefs will meet at Lapham Community Center on Thursday, May 28. Details will follow at the Friday meetings and on the website. Attendance is limited to 12 chefs.  
Bert Liebelt (966-3696), Nick Zaccagnino (966-7217)

**Bridge** Bridge follows weekly meetings. Games last until about 2:00 p.m. Sign up before the meeting or at start of the break at the Couth Desk.  
Eric Musa (966-3125)

**Golf** We have two dates in May. The first will be Monday May, 4 at Sterling Farms, 1<sup>st</sup> tee time is 11:00, price \$37, including cart. (directions: [www.sterlingfarmsgc.com](http://www.sterlingfarmsgc.com)) Then on Monday, May 18, we'll play at Ridgefield, 1<sup>st</sup> tee time is 9:30, price \$44, including cart. (directions: [www.ridgefieldct.org](http://www.ridgefieldct.org))  
Harvey Place (966-1821)

**Paddle Tennis** Play on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 11:00 at Waveny. Play will continue until the tennis nets go up, likely mid-May.  
George Perkins (972-6852)

**Photography** The Photo Group is planning an outing at the Lee Memorial Gardens. Details will be announced at Friday meetings and on the website.  
Jack Messert (966-8754)

**Racquetball** Players wanted. Mon, Wed, Fri 8:00 a.m. at the YMCA.  
Bill Patton (966-4849)

**Skyblazers** The planes are in the hangar for now. Stay tuned at Friday meetings and on the website for the next flight.  
Jack Murray (966-1416)

**Tennis** Play will begin at Mead Park when the nets go up, likely in late May or early June. Play on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 8 to 10 a.m. A Rec Department permit is required.  
Craig Wright (966-4399)

**Trailblazers** Join Trailblazers leader Ray Davis on a new narrated excursion in the Big Apple on Wednesday, May 6. View Gramercy Park, Irving Place and many places on the Lower East Side. Meet at St. Mark's and leave on the 8:49 AM train from New Canaan station and bring (or buy) a MetroCard for the subway. Lunch along the way or bring lunch. Also bring a friend.  
Ray Davis (940-3013)

**4F Luncheon** Our informal, relaxing Dutch treat lunch is the Fourth Friday, May 22. The site will be announced at Friday meetings. All are invited to join in, especially newer members who will find the group always hospitable. Sign up at the Couth desk, either before 10 a.m. or during the coffee break.  
Don Tiefenthaler (966-5794)



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