

NEWSLETTER

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SOME MEDICAL DECISIONS SHOULD BE MADE ONLY BY THE PATIENT

An SMC member wakes up in the hospital bandaged head to toe. His doctor comes in and says, "Now you probably don't remember, but you were in a car accident. You will walk again, however, your *member* was severed in the accident and we couldn't find it. You have \$9000 insurance compensation due you and we have the technology to build a new one. They cost a \$1000 an inch. You must decide how many inches you want. You have been married for 30 years so you ought to talk it over with your wife. If you decide on more inches than you had, she may be put out. If you decide on less inches, she might be disappointed." The man agrees to talk it over with his wife. The doctor comes back the next day. "Did you speak with your wife?" "Yes, I have". "Has she helped you make a decision?" "Yes," said the man. "Well?" asked the doctor. "We're getting granite counter tops."

SORRY, BUT IT'S TIME FOR A BLONDE JOKE - ONLY ONE A YEAR...PROMISE!

Jenny, a blond girl came skipping home from school. "Mommy, Mommy," she yelled, "we were counting today and all the other kids could only count to four, but I counted to 10!" "Very good," said her mother. "Is it because I'm blond?" "Yes, it's because your are blonde," said her mother. The next day Jenny came home and the same thing happened with the alphabet. Jenny knew more letters in a row than all the kids. Again her mother gave her the reason when asked again why, "Because you're blond." The next day Jenny came home and told her mother that in gym class, when they showered, all the other girls had flat chests. "But I have these, Mommy." She lifted her tank top to reveal a pair of 36Cs. "Is it because I'm blonde, Mommy?" "No honey, it's because your 24!"

NOVEMBER SPEAKERS - (Meetings are 10:00am in Morrill Hall, St. Marks Church)

November 1 Sumner Glimcher, filmmaker and Professor Emeritus from NYU, will give an illustrated talk entitled "The Publishing Revolution". This is a phenomenon he believes to be the greatest advancement in publishing since Gutenberg developed movable type 600 years ago. This is a factor of three recent developments: self-publishing, reading tablets and ebooks. Professor Glimcher will illustrate his premise by showing excerpts from his recent memoir, "A Filmaker's Journal".

November 8 Jay A. Dirnberger, retired veteran of 35 years experience in the field of institutional and private investment management, also spent years in the Army where he was an infantry Captain, flew helicopters in Vietnam with the 1st Cavalry Division and was the Aide-de Camp to the Commanding General of the 18th Airborne Corp at Ft. Bragg. He is treasurer of the oldest commemorative military units in the United Sates called Gold's Dragoons. The title of his speech is one word and couldn't be of any more present day interest: "Drones".

November 15 Robert Goldsholl's, past baseball athlete, became a time salesman for WNEW Radio, which led to "Free Lance" sports reporting leading to a career in broadcasting. He was sports anchor with WCBS and WPIX-TV, while providing "color" reporting for the NY and NJ Nets basketball team. Bob rounded out his career with more than thirteen years as a sports anchor at Bloomberg Radio. He will talk about life in baseball's minor leagues and the humorous side of TV and Radio broadcasting.

November 22 Don Hersam and Josh Fisher, Owner & Editor respectively, of the New Canaan Advertiser, will speak on the founding and interesting history of the New Canaan Advertiser, which covers more than a century of local town newspaper coverage. Mr. Hersam has been a town resident all his life and has a wealth of interesting facts about old New Canaan. His past reads like a New Canaan time capsule, including his stint as Fire Chief and 48 years as Treasurer of New Canaan.

November 29 No Meeting - Thanksgiving weekend.

COUTH

"MOST HAPPY FELLA" at the Goodspeed Opera House - Thursday, November 14 - We will leave St. Mark's at 10:15am. Will lunch at the Gelston House Restaurant. \$99/person. Sign up at the Couth Desk.

Pete Stair (203-966-6497), Bob Will (203-966-2892)

2014 Couth events are currently being planned. Expect future trips to be announced soon!

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

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Amateur Chefs	Thursday, November	· 13th - Meeting at Lapha	im Center - This is a	change from the usual day

and time of month we usually meet. The particulars will be announced at a future Friday meeting. Questions? Contact: Nick Zaccagnino (203-966-7217), Bert Liebelt (203-966-3696)

Bridge Talk with friends and organize games after the Friday meetings. Eric Musa (203-966-3125)

Cycling See you again in the Spring! Les DeVilliers (203-966-9645), Roger Colson (203-966-9258)

Investments Monday, November 18th, 10:30am meeting at Lapham.

Harry Hitch (203-966-1947)

Mystery Book The November book is Cuckoo's Calling by Robert Galbraith aka J K Rowling. Even the

name of the author was a mystery. We will meet a mean, envious and spiteful cast of Muggies as we investigate the untimely death of a beautiful London fashion model. Was it suicide or murder? A one legged private detective with an interesting past will guide us through the maze of conflicting motives. Details of meeting announced at Friday meeting.

Brian Hollstein (203-972-0633)

Paddle Tennis We play on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to ll:00am at Waveny. A Rec.

Department pass is required. \$10 ball fee.

Steve Rowley (203-966-2376), John Ross (203-966-8339)

Sidewalks of NY See you again in the Spring! We're resting up! Pete Stair (203 966-6497)

4F Luncheon A luncheon will be scheduled in November. Details will be announced at Friday meetings.

Don Tiefenthaler (203-966-5794)

SMC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - MARK YOUR CALENDAR! - Friday, December 13th!

Luncheon will be again at the New Canaan Country Club. Bar opens at 11:30am, lunch served at 12:30pm. This is the looked-forward-to social event to which wives and guests may be invited. *Everyone*, please circle the date on your calendar. Choice of delectable roast salmon or mouthwatering roast beef. Salad, dessert and table wine are included. Cost is a modest \$55 per person in advance or \$60 at the door. Please write on you check your choice of salmon or beef and give or mail it to Paul Stein. Any questions, Call Paul: (203-966-1252)

<u>SMC DUES BULLETIN</u> - Please submit your \$50 payment at next Friday's meeting in cash or check payable to SMCNC and mail check to SMCNC, c/o YMCA, 564 South Ave., NC, CT 06840. It would be a wonderful help if members made a voluntary donation above the \$50 to help the Club balance the budget.