

# NEWSLETTER

## NOW A JOKE TO SAY GOODBYE TO THE 2017 NCMC GOLF SEASON

This year while golfing, a NCMC member accidentally overturned his golf cart late one afternoon. A very attractive young female golfer, who lives in a villa on the golf course, heard the noise and called out, "Are you OK?" "I'm OK, thanks," he replied as he pulled himself out of the twisted cart. She said, "Come up to my villa, rest awhile, and I'll help you get the cart up later." He noticed her silky bathrobe was partly open, revealing what appeared to be a very nice figure. "That's mighty nice of you, but I don't think my wife would like it." "Oh, come on now," she insisted. She was so pretty and persuasive. He was weak. "Well OK," he finally agreed. After a couple of Scotch and sodas, he thanked her and said, "I feel a lot better now, but I know my wife is going to be really upset. So I better go now." "Don't be silly!" she said with a smile, letting her robe fall slightly more open. "Stay for a while. Your wife won't know anything. By the way, where is she?" He replied, "Still under the cart, I suppose."

## IT'S SAID THAT MEN HAVE BETTER FRIENDS THAN WOMEN- HERE'S PROOF

Friendship Between Women: A woman didn't come home one night. The next morning, she told her husband that she had slept over at a friend's house. The man called his wife's 10 best friends. None of them had heard from her.  
Friendship Between Men: A man didn't come home one night. The next morning, he told his wife that he had slept over at a friend's house. The wife called her husband's 10 best friends. Eight confirmed that he had slept over, and two said he was still there!

## NOVEMBER SPEAKERS – (Meetings are at 10am in Morrill Hall, St. Mark's Church)

November 3 John Santa is Vice Chairman of the Sentencing Commission of Connecticut & Founder of Malta Justice Initiative. The subject of his talk is "*Opportunities for Us All in Criminal Justice Reform*". John has been recognized as a prophetic voice in the modern Criminal Justice Reform movement. In 2002 he founded the Malta Justice initiative which now conducts Prison Ministry activities in 37 states and Canada. He will be joined by Zelda Roland of Yale University who will discuss the Yale Prison Project.

November 10 Sharon Gesek is Program Director at Southwestern CT Agency on Aging (SWCAA). The subject of her talk is "*Optimizing the gauntlet of Medicare & Senior Health Insurance*". She has worked in the field of aging for more than 20 years including clinical settings, as the Municipal Agent for the Elderly. She is a certified CHOICES Counselor. She will be joined by Bethany Zaro, RN & MPH, Asst. Director of Health & Human Services Dept. for New Canaan. She will discuss local resources for moving accurately through Medicare and health insurance questions.

November 17 C. Craig Wright, M.D., fellow NCMC member and club speaker at 15 previous meetings will present a photographic adventure using color transparencies made during a recent automobile trip through Scotland, Wales & England. His talk, *John O'Groats to Land's End-7 Weeks-4000 Miles*, aims to tell all present to set aside their anxieties about roundabouts, left hand driving and HAGGIS. "*IT'S NOT TOO LATE – IT'S EASY – GO! – DRIVE – HAVE A BALL – LIVE LIFE!*"

November 24 NO MEETING – Thanksgiving weekend

NCMC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY LUNCHEON – Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – Lunch at the Country Club of New Canaan. Great conviviality and fun as well as delicious food with wives and guests also invited. New members, this is an auspicious event for you. There is open seating plus much mixing, mingling and opportunities to meet other members. Choice of delectable salmon or mouthwatering roast beef. Salad, dessert, table wine, tip and tax are all included in a modest cost of \$55 (\$60 at the door, so make reservations early). Cash bar opens at 11:30am, luncheon at 12:20p. *Please write on your check salmon or beef and mail check to Paul Stein at 172 Oenoke Lane, NC, CT 06840 or give it to him as you make your reservation at a Friday meeting.*

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Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> - Couth trip to Westchester Broadway Theatre for ANNIE GET YOUR GUN matinee. Arrival time at the theatre is 11am. If you are planning to carpool, meet at the parking lot at St. Marks at 10:10am. The music is wonderful: Doin' What Comes Naturally, The Girl That I Marry, No Business Like Show Business, Got the Sun in the Morning and more! Sign up at the Couth Table. Questions? Ask Mike Allocca (203-966-0547)

## ACTIVITIES

**Amateur Chefs** Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – NOVEMBERFEST luncheon will be held at Lapham at 12 noon. \$15 payable by check or cash holds your reservation. Pay at the Couth Table.  
Nick Zaccagnino (203-966-7217) or Bert Liebelt (203-966-3696)

**Book Club** The Club's book selection for November is *The Plot Against America* by Philip Roth. The York Times in 2004 wrote: "Philip Roth has written a terrific political novel". In the 1936 presidential election, Charles Lindberg beats FDR and fascism rises in America. Roth shows how tenuous the grip on our republic can be when a self-serving politician is at the helm. We will meet Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at Lapham at 1:30pm.  
Dan Eng (203-972-0649), Jack Lapolla (203-966-1107)

**Investments** Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> the club will provide a presentation by Jack Foster on "How to Buy Bonds". The presentation will share with the unsophisticated investor criteria on how to evaluate bonds. The analysis is based on proper portfolio diversification and preservation of capital and focuses on how to allocate assets, how to select investment funds and how to reduce management fees.  
Jack Foster (203-966-8804) or [jfoster899@aol.com](mailto:jfoster899@aol.com)

**Paddle Tennis** Play Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays, 9-10:30am. All welcome to play and/or socialize. Join us for coffee even if not playing. A Rec. Dept. permit is required.  
Joe Adiletta (203-966-5843), Nick Guthrie (203-273-4051)

**Pickleball** Play Tues, Wed & Thurs. at Grace Farms -10:15 to 11:45am. George Perkins (203-972-6852)

**Sidewalks of NY** Watch for our Spring 2018 Walks in NY! Pete Stair (203-962-2034)

**Table Tennis** Play at the YMCA, Monday and Wednesday at 8am. Stephen Halpert (203-972-7555)

**NEW MEMBERS** – Happy to announce that we have four new members: John Hanauer, Jeffrey Gaynor, Kenneth Novak and Roger Saunders. Welcome, gentlemen! We are delighted you have joined the New Canaan Men's Club!

**2018 NCMC DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW** – Our dues will continue to be \$50 for 2018. Because of the generous voluntary additional donations that many of you have made in the past we actually have a modest surplus which, combined with the \$50 regular dues, should comfortably cover our expenses for 2018. So this year we are not asking for you to make those additional donations! Please feel free to make your payment at the membership desk at the Friday meetings in cash or by check, payable to NCMC. Or mail the check to NCMC, c/o YMCA, 564 South Ave., NC, CT 06840. We are not using PenPal this year, as we have had serious problems with their system.

**AARP SAFE DRIVING PROGRAM** – Tuesday, November 14, 8:45am to 1pm at Lapham. Roger Colson will be leading a driving class that will give you valuable driving tips and a state-mandated reduction on your auto insurance of at least 5% for 2 years. Fee: \$15 for AARP members. \$20 for non-members. Please contact Roger at [rochar@aol.com](mailto:rochar@aol.com), or at 203-966-9258.