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#### **New Members:**

**Bill Burdick**, 26 Indian Valley Rd., Ramsey. His wife is Donna. Camera, Golf, Movies, Music, Walking.

**Geoff Cooper**, 45 Stevenson La., Upper Saddle River. His wife is Pam. Bocce, Bridge, Golf, Habitat.

**Lou Del Prete**, 790 Mattner Ct., River Vale. Bocce, Bowling, Bridge, Camera, Habitat, Science & Tech., Tennis.

**John Dorshimer**, 116 Vreeland Ct., Ridgewood. His wife is Pat. Camera, Investments, Science & Tech., Tennis.

**Steve Friedman**, 3-16 Kenneth Ave., Fair Lawn. His wife is Eileen. Bocce, Bowling, Bridge, Camera, Movies, Music, ROMEO, Science & Tech., Walking.

**Henry Minnerop**, 405 N. Broadway, Upper Nyack, NY. His wife is Kathy. Books, Hiking, Military, Movies, Music, Public Affairs.

**George Lambert**, 621 Alacci Way, River Vale. His wife is Jeanne. Fishing, Habitat, Hiking, Investments, Military History, Movies, Music, Poker, Walking.

**Dennis Portsmore**, 23 Orchard St., Midland Park. His wife is Lynne. Books, Bowling, Camera, Fishing, Investments, Movies, Music, ROMEO, Science & Tech.

**Baron Rightmyer**, 412 Ponfield Pl. Ridgewood. His wife is Margie. Bocce, Bowling, Bridge, Habitat, Investments, Music Appreciation, Public Affairs, Science & Tech., Winemakers.

**Walter Sohigian**, 31 Ridge Rd. Apt 6, Ridgewood. His wife is Lois Staid. Bocce, Bowling, Bridge, Golf, Habitat, Sci & Tech, Tennis, Winemakers.

**Samir Tayem**, 6 Hopper Ct. Mahwah. His wife is Vivian. Fishing, Hiking, Poker, Science & Tech., Walking.

**Dennis Young**, 95 Lakeview St., River Edge. His wife is Pat. Bocce, Bridge, Habitat, Hiking, Investments, Science & Tech., Walking, Winemaking.

#### **Activities:**

**Archive** (Joe Suplicki, [jssuplicki@aol.com](mailto:jssuplicki@aol.com), 201-316-3262)

**Audio** (Bob Mosher, 201-689-9651, [rmosher895@aol.com](mailto:rmosher895@aol.com)) An assistant is needed.

**Bocce** (Roger DuBroff, 201-327-7014, [dubroffr@yahoo.com](mailto:dubroffr@yahoo.com)) Friday at 10:00 a.m. at the Superdome in Waldwick. Join us and have lots of fun.

**Book Club** (Alan Stein 447-4235, [stampmaven1@verizon.net](mailto:stampmaven1@verizon.net), Peter Philip 666-0105) 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, 10:00 a.m., at the Church.

**Bowling** (Charlie Tuch, 973-636-9211, [clt976@optonline.net](mailto:clt976@optonline.net), Don Peterfriend, 201-739-8672, [dpeterfriend@yahoo.com](mailto:dpeterfriend@yahoo.com), John Pensec, 201-447-1317, [jpensec@optonline.net](mailto:jpensec@optonline.net), Mike Doherty, 201-447-4625, [mikedoh@aol.com](mailto:mikedoh@aol.com), Gary Don, 201-574-3506, [garydon@verizon.net](mailto:garydon@verizon.net)). Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. at Bowlero Lanes, Fair Lawn.

**Bridge** (Rick Pascal, 201-791-9526 and Jim Deaver, 201-666-2066) Thursdays, 11:45 a.m., in the East Room of the Church. Play concludes at approximately 4:00 p.m. Some 21 players of the 37-member roster are active participants. Newcomers are welcome.

Bob Yampell is currently in first place, with James Hildreth and Ed Foldessy tied for second in cumulative points. Jim Angus was the most recent weekly winner with 4510 points.

**Camera** (Giancarlo Bisone, 201- 644-8844, [gbisone@optonline.net](mailto:gbisone@optonline.net) ) 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. at the Church.

**Dances** (Bill Healy, 201-652-5868, [whealy3741@aol.com](mailto:whealy3741@aol.com)); Phil Almeida, 201-445-9935, [phil1231@optonline.net](mailto:phil1231@optonline.net); Gary Engelhardt, 201-670-9185, [garye569@msn.com](mailto:garye569@msn.com). The Fall Dinner Dance will be held at Seasons on October 14. All members and widows are welcome.

**Fishing** (Gene Boyle, 862-377-9016, [gbrealty@optonline.net](mailto:gbrealty@optonline.net))

**Golf** (Paul Fazio, 201-445-3426, [faz90@optonline.net](mailto:faz90@optonline.net))

The Golf committee is Mike Doherty, Gary Don, Gary Engelhardt, George Giaquinto, Charlie Tuch, Tom Desmond, Paul Richert and Bob Norelli.

Thirty-nine Hobbyists traveled in May to the Atlantic City area for three days of fabulous golf. Mother Nature fully cooperated by providing excellent weather. Dinner at Valentina's Restaurant in Northfield, N.J. was an additional highlight. With a record 100! registered golfers, golf is off to a great start with an ambitious schedule in place.

**Gourmet Cooking Group** (Jim McKeown, 201-327-3411, [jimmckeown@optonline.net](mailto:jimmckeown@optonline.net))

**Hiking** (Ed Collins, 201-445-5158, [edward5158@aol.com](mailto:edward5158@aol.com))

**Hobbyaires** (Joe Hovan 201-445-6708)

**Hobbyists Concerned** (Peter Philip 201-666-0105) If you are on the e-mail list, most communications, illnesses, hospital stays, and deaths will be reported to you through an e-mail message. Those without e-mail will receive a phone call. If you prefer to be on the calling list rather than notified by e-mail, contact Joe Savitscus, 201-661-8469.

**Investments** – (Bill Flynn, 917-693-1469, [williamaflynn@gmail.com](mailto:williamaflynn@gmail.com)) All meetings of the Investment Group meet at 2:00 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the church.

**Italian Club** (Don Togneri, 201-445-0679, [dtogneri@yahoo.com](mailto:dtogneri@yahoo.com) ). Meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 1:00 p.m., at the church. A "Basic" group will meet at 2:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday.

**Jazz Bunch** (Bob Stevenson at 201-615-1202, [robtstevenson@hotmail.com](mailto:robtstevenson@hotmail.com)) The Hobbyists Jazz Bunch consists of Hobbyists who enjoy all forms of jazz and swing music and periodically attend interesting concerts in the metro NY/NJ area. If you are interested in joining, please contact Bob Stevenson.

**Lunch Bunch** (Bob Sayegh, 201-670-6010, [bobsay14@gmail.com](mailto:bobsay14@gmail.com)).

**Membership** (Ed Lundell, 201-857-1992, [edlundell4@gmail.com](mailto:edlundell4@gmail.com), Steve Hochman, 201-424-9701, [shochman@gmail.com](mailto:shochman@gmail.com) )

**In Memory of** - The following Hobbyists have recently passed: **Alan Maxfield, Ed Miller and Bob Waldron.**

**Military History Club** (Tom Heed, 845-534-8695) 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at the Church.

## Monthly Presentations

### History Themes at Recent Programs

Hobbyists **Peter Phillip** and **Joe Suplicki** presented interesting programs following recent general meetings:

In May, Peter discussed the Presidential Elections of 1912 and 1916, both won by Woodrow Wilson. The 1912 election featured a challenge from former President Theodore Roosevelt as well as incumbent William Howard Taft. In 1916, Wilson won re-election by a narrow margin over Charles Evans Hughes.

Joe and wife Peggy Norris provided a look back at the history of Ridgewood circa 1865-1876 at the June meeting. The presentation includes old photos and maps in the area once part of Franklin Township. One photo depicted current streets like Prospect and Maple as dirt roads. Other illustrations showed farms with the main staples of the day—honey, strawberries, tomatoes, and hay, among others. Some of today's structures were shown shortly after they were built. A building boom by gentleman farmers in the years following the Civil War was halted due to a Depression in 1873, and shortly after, Ridgewood incorporated as a Township in 1876. One of the driving forces behind Ridgewood's growth was the railroad, (1848). Ridgewood became a Village in 1894.

**Movie Lovers** (Dick Oswald, 201-447-4053, [ddoswald@verizon.net](mailto:ddoswald@verizon.net) ) Movie Lovers usually meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., at the Ridgewood Village Hall, ground floor. There is a discussion period at each film showing.

**Music Lovers** (Jim McKeown, 201-327-3411, [jimmckeown@optonline.net](mailto:jimmckeown@optonline.net)) 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 10:00 a.m. at the Church.



On Friday, April 12 about 30 Hobbyists and some spouses attended the Music Lovers presentation "Country Music Origins, Early History" presented by Hobbyists **Bob Cestola, Vince Giovinco** and **George Shabet** (aka Johnny Horizon) who spoke about the life and music of Johnny Cash, and sang some of his songs.

**Pinochle** ( **Bill Flynn**, 917-693-1469, [williamaflynn@gmail.com](mailto:williamaflynn@gmail.com) ) The club currently has 12 men that play twice a week. On Wednesdays, single deck Pinochle is featured at the church in Ridgewood. On Mondays, a group plays double and triple deck Pinochle in Mahwah. On both days, the groups meet at 10 a.m. and play until 2 p.m., with a snack break at noon. Contact Bill Flynn (917) 693-1469 or Gary Banta (201) 529-4846 for further information.

**Poker** (**Paul Levin** 201-444-7729, **Dan Wolf** 201-825-7769)

**Public Affairs** (**George Mackey**, [gfmjd@aol.com](mailto:gfmjd@aol.com), 201-445-3777; **Dom Casulli** 201-261-4991) 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., Church Auditorium.

**ROMEO** (**Cliff Matthews**, 201-447-9040, [mrmcem@optonline.net](mailto:mrmcem@optonline.net)). ROMEO meets at different moderately priced BYOB places on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month and is a pleasant way to meet and socialize with fellow Hobbyists.

**Science and Technology** (**Elliot Ratchik**, 914-420-4330, [eratchik@gmail.com](mailto:eratchik@gmail.com)) 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 2:00 p.m., Church auditorium.

**Tennis** (**Dick Oswald**, 201-447-4053, [ddoswald@verizon.net](mailto:ddoswald@verizon.net), **George Shabet**, 201-444-8492, [jonhoz@aol.com](mailto:jonhoz@aol.com))

**Trips and Tours, Extended** (Ray Cheesman, 201 652 9372, [raycheesman@yahoo.com](mailto:raycheesman@yahoo.com)).

The recent trip to Washington, D.C. for the Cherry Blossom Festival and the Twilight Cruise in New York City were both well-received. Upcoming trips include the Norway and Finland Voyages in July and August; a St. Louis River Cruise in July, and a six-day October tour of the Napa and Sonoma wineries in California.

Complete details on all trips are available on the Hobbyists website. For more information, contact Ray Cheesman or Group Tours at (973) 513-9001.

**Trips & Tours, Day** (**Bob Sayegh**, 201-670-6010, [bobsay14@gmail.com](mailto:bobsay14@gmail.com))

### **Volunteer Services**

- **Eva's Village** (**Dave Smilon** , 201-573-0887, [davesmilon@yahoo.com](mailto:davesmilon@yahoo.com).) Volunteers have spent time at Eva's Kitchen to assist about 300 homeless in need. The day starts at the Graydon Pool parking lot at 10 a.m. (June 19 and July 29) and ends at about 1:30 p.m. after returning from Paterson. Interested parties should contact Dave.
- **Habitat For Humanity** (Paterson, **Rich Edelman**, 201- 973-427-7647, [edelmanr@optonline.net](mailto:edelmanr@optonline.net), **Ed Daly** 201-447-4603, cell 201- 960-7069, [eddaly386@yahoo.com](mailto:eddaly386@yahoo.com)) Hobbyists volunteers continue to provide key support to both the Bergen and Paterson units of Habitat for Humanity.

**Walking** (**Pete Seibel**, 201-573-8350, [peterams@aol.com](mailto:peterams@aol.com) ) The group walks the Saddle River bike path every Thursday morning starting at 9:00 a.m. from the Duck Pond in Ridgewood. The Walking Group walks 52 weeks a year weather permitting.

**Wine Appreciation Group –WAG:** (**Bob Stevenson**, 201-615-1202, [robtstevenson@hotmail.com](mailto:robtstevenson@hotmail.com) )

**Winemaking** (**Paul Richert**, 201-967-1347 or [phriche7314@gmail.com](mailto:phriche7314@gmail.com))

### **Kudos**

Congratulations to Hobbyist **Ed Tarino** and wife Ronnie on their 70th wedding anniversary. At a celebration at the Presentation Church in Upper Saddle River, **Gene** and **Cathy Boyle** and **Bob** and **Kathy Stevenson**, each celebrating their 50th anniversaries, joined the Tarinos.

### **News Items?**

Have an interesting item you wish to share with your fellow Hobbyists? Drop a line to Mark Singer at [msinger@ramapo.edu](mailto:msinger@ramapo.edu).

**Hobbyists Alert** - If you ignore robo calls from a Caller ID that you don't recognize, you may be missing important calls from the Hobbyists. The service we use is **CALLING POST**, although at times the calling number with an area code of 405 is used instead. So unless you have voicemail or an answering machine, we suggest you take the call.

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