

The



COTTON CLUB GREENWICH

Newsletter

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Cotton Club Greenwich is a fellowship of and for unmarried adults living in Fairfield, Westchester and surrounding counties, sponsored by Christ Church Greenwich. Members are offered an opportunity to work and play together, to become better acquainted with each other and with themselves. To join, please download an application from our website (www.cottonclubgreenwich.org). Annual dues are \$45.

JUNE EVENTS

Cocktail Party at the Tuscan Oven

DATE: Sunday, June 3

TIME: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

PLACE: Tuscan Oven's Garden Room
544 Main Ave., Norwalk

COST: Members \$35, guests \$39 (for checks postmarked after May 27, \$40 for members and \$44 for guests). Please reserve early!

RSVP: by May 23 to Richard Cardilli
(rcard44@gmail.com or 203-461-0986).

Send check by May 27 to Doug Learman,
29 Whitney Glen, Westport, CT 06880

One step inside the door sends you on an exhilarating culinary journey through

authentic Tuscan countryside. Replacing our traditional dinner-dance, this format will enable more people to mingle freely in an elegant, yet comfortable atmosphere ... with European ambiance. Cash bar. Delectable hors d'oeuvres including beef on crostini, sweet sausage wrapped in puff pastry, roasted portobello mushrooms/ fontina crostini, stuffed mushrooms, etc.

Dress to impress!



■ 42ND STREET at CURTAIN CALL

DATE: Sunday, June 24

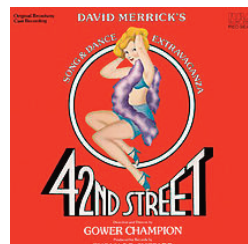
TIME: Show starts at 8 p.m.

PLACE: KweSkin Theater, Stamford

COST: \$25 for members and \$30 for guests; after June 17, \$30 for members and \$35 for guests. Limited number of tickets.

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One of the longest running musicals in Broadway history, 42nd Street is based on Busby Berkeley's 1933 movie. Set during the Depression in New York, and considered the quintessential backstage musical, 42nd Street tells the story of a starry-eyed young actress named Peggy Sawyer who leaves her Allentown home for a chance to audition for the new Julian Marsh musical about to open on Broadway. While she can't seem to stay in the good graces of the show's aging leading lady, Dorothy Brock, Peggy soon catches the eye of the well-known leading man Billy... and the famous director. On opening night, Ms. Brock breaks her ankle and panic spreads through the company as the show is doomed... until it is suggested that the recently fired Peggy take over the role. In only 36 hours, a star is born.



Thanks to all who participated!



Many hands made light work on Midnight Run preparation night.

BOARD CORNER

● **SPECIAL NOTE:** We will not be able to meet in Tomes-Higgins House on Wed., June 6 or June 20 because it has been rented out. However, there will be a meetup at Zody's 19th Hole Restaurant in Stamford at 6:30 pm on June 6. We will not have an official coordinator (unless someone would like to volunteer?). So, the idea is to just arrive at Zody's and meet in the bar or grab a table and see who shows up. (This is what happens on Mondays and it is kind of fun to be surprised.)

● Midnight Run (see photos). There were many busy hands at the Run on May 5. Members gathered to prepare food, hygiene articles and clothes for delivery to NYC. This is always a MIXTURE of Work(!) and Fun(!). Thanks to Diane Caldwell, Ivana, Denise Melato, Patricia DeWitt, Tom Gildersleeve, Rich Cardilli, Lew Clark, Nancy Rongoe, Joyce Nye, Doug Learman, Marla Weston, et al.

● **ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF NEWSLETTER FOR YOU!!** In the future, we are considering changing from a hardcopy newsletter to an email version. This will offer significant savings in the expense of printing, postage and assembly, as well as "man"power. We realize that many people enjoy receiving the newsletter via postal mail. Agreed, it is fun to get. We also realize some of our members are not comfortable downloading the newsletter as an email attachment. Therefore, we need to know who really feels they need the letter in hardcopy. We want to watch our budget so we can keep event prices relatively modest; so the more we save on newsletters, the more benefit to us all.

Please contact Andrea (203-532-5569) or edwardsairport@gmail.com ONLY if you really need the newsletter mailed via postal mail. We will not make this change for several months because we want to understand the impact on our members. Our new Newsletter Editor, Lynn Russo Whyly, will continue creating it, whether it is sent via email or postal mail.

Something to think about: You receive news sooner when you use email and you can print it out at anytime if you wish to have a paper copy for reference. We will continue to print some for publicity and for some members. We will not abandon anyone!! Many organizations have migrated to receiving news via computer as it is quite an effort and expense to produce paper copies.



Book Group

The Book Group meets at Ann Sexton's house, 57 Drum Hill Lane, Stamford (203-968-8090). For more information, call Carolyn Ryzewicz (203-845-0698). New members are always welcome.

June 12: This meeting will focus on award-winning author David G. McCullough's "The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris." The book tells the story of American writers, artists, doctors, politicians and more, who went to live in Paris between 1830-1900. Their goal? To be in the center of culture and innovation and thus to learn what was needed to excel in their own chosen careers. The paperback version of this book became available May 15.

July 10: The book for this meeting is "Death Comes to Pemberley," by P.D. James, who draws on characters from "Pride and Prejudice" to come up with a suspense novel set in 1803. Elizabeth and Mr. Darcy have been together for six years on Darcy's estate, Pemberley. On the eve of their annual ball, Elizabeth's disgraced sister, Lydia, arrives at their home shrieking that her husband has been murdered, plunging our heroes into a frightening mystery.



June Hikes

For more information, go to www.thehikinggroup.com.

DATE: June 10, Level C

PLACE: Aqueduct Trail, Irvington to Hastings

TIME: Meet 11 AM at Irvington Elementary school off Main St. in Irvington.

LEADER: Ann Sheridan, 914-946-2629

DATE: June 17, Level B+

PLACE: Squantz Pond State Forest, New Fairfield, CT

TIME: Meet 11 a.m. in the lower Squantz Pond parking lot. Park directly across the street to avoid admission.

CARPOOL: 9:30 AM Merritt CPL Ex. 42

LEADER: Paul Sloane, 203-847-3830

DATE: June 24, Level C+

PLACE: Pound Ridge Reservation, Cross River, NY

TIME: Meet 10:15 AM, DeCicco's (formerly D'Agostino's) Shopping Center, corner of Rtes. 121 & 35.

CARPOOL: 9:30 AM Merritt exit 35 commuter lot

LEADER: Fred Howley, 914-762-3681, redbear419@msn.com



WEEKLY WEDNESDAY DISCUSSION AND SOCIAL 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



... in the Tomes-Higgins House, 216 E. Putnam Ave., Greenwich (the white Victorian building to the right of the church as you face it). Afterward, we continue the discussion at Ginger Man, 64 Greenwich Avenue for a nightcap or snack...

■ **June 6** No meeting at T-H House. Dining meetup (no coordinator) at Zody's 19th Hole restaurant.

■ **June 13 ROUNDTABLE TALK:** Grading our Presidents - A,B,C, or F. Let's VOTE on all past presidents, starting with FDR. Name the best president; name the worst. Does it help a president's legacy to get shot? Who slept around the most, who didn't? Did it help his reputation? Everyone gets to vote on various factors such as war monger or peace lover. Coordinators: Jay Kane along with other "history buffs." Volunteer moderators are encouraged.

■ **June 20** No meeting at T-H House. 7:30 p.m. Free concert at Waveny Park, New Canaan: New Orleans Funk, Delta Blues



■ **June 27 Celebrate FOURTH OF JULY with a HOLIDAY PARTY on the porch! Everyone please bring a beverage or snack to share.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

July: Watch for outdoor concert announcements!!

July 13: Big Band at Rye Playland

July 25: "See you in September" shindig

July 28: Shakespeare on the Sound in Rowayton

DINING MEETUPS



Bistro Dining at Zody's 19th Hole,
E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course,
451 Stillwater Ave., Stamford, CT

DATES: Mondays, June 4 and 18

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

DISCOUNT: CC members enjoy a 10% discount on several menu items.

COORDINATOR: Jay Kane, 203-661-9478



Casual Dining at Mackenzies
148 Sound Beach Ave., Old Greenwich

DATES: Mondays, June 11 and 25

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

COORDINATOR: None; just drop in.

Thanks go to Tom Gildersleeve (Presidential election) and Alison Rivard (Current Events) for leading STIMULATING discussions at our Weekly Wednesday meetings. ... We send Get Well Wishes to Tom Cusack and Neil Donnelly.

Friday, June 15 ASGA Fairfield Chapter (**American Singles Golf Association**) will have a Friday meetup at Sterling Farms Golf Course restaurant "The Royal Green". Open to all. Meet in the bar. Cocktails between 6:30-7:00 p.m. Move to the dining area around 7:15 for those who wish to stay for dinner. 1349 Newfield Ave., Stamford.



FREE FRIDAY FILM:
Last Train Home

TIME: 8:00 p.m.

DATE: June 15

MEET IN LOBBY: 7:45 p.m.

PLACE: Greenwich Main Library, Cole Auditorium,
101 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich

COORDINATOR: Andrea Anthony, 914-564-2775

DESCRIPTION: Directed by Lixin Fan. With Suqin Chen, Yang Zhang, Changhua Zhan. Getting a train ticket in China proves a towering ordeal as a migrant worker family embarks on a journey, along with 200 million other peasants, to reunite with their distant family. Shows the enormous dislocation and working conditions in the new China. 87 min. In Mandarin with English subtitles.

DIRECTIONS TO COTTON CLUB GREENWICH EVENTS

Kweskin Theater or Royal Green Restaurant, Newfield Ave., Stamford, CT

Access is from I95 or Merritt Pkwy. From the Merritt: Exit the parkway at Exit 35, Route 137, (High Ridge Rd) (From SOUTHBOUND) At the end of the ramp, turn right toward downtown Stamford. Go under parkway bridge and turn left at the light. (Buxton Farms Road) (From NORTHBOUND) Go straight across the intersection onto Buxton Farms Road. This will put the big shopping center with an A&P on your right. Go to the stop sign and turn right. (Turn of River Road). Go to the next stop sign and turn left (Intervale Road). Go up big hill. At the top of the hill, at the light, turn right. (Newfield Ave.) The Sterling Farms Golf Course driveway is the first left. Follow the driveway all the way down to the stop sign, turn left into the parking lot. Park in the lower end of the parking lot near the driving ranges. The Kweskin Theatre is a little down the hill and on the left. For the Royal Green Restaurant, park at the top of the lot.

Tomes-Higgins House (located at Christ Church Greenwich)

From I95, take exit 4 (Indian Field Road). Coming from New York (the northbound side), turn left off the ramp. Coming from New Haven (the southbound side), turn right. Follow Indian Field Road to the traffic light at Route 1 (also called Post Road or East Putnam Ave.). Turn left and continue for about 1.5 miles (3 traffic lights) until you pass Christ Church on your left.

Tuscan Oven Restaurant, 544 Main Ave., Norwalk

FROM I95 EITHER DIRECTION: Take EXIT 15 toward Norwalk/Danbury. Follow the connector until it ends. Turn right onto US-7/Grist Mill Rd. At light, turn left onto Main Ave/US-7. 544 MAIN AVE is on the right just after the DMV.

Additional directions can be found on our website under the "Newsletter" tab.

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