

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.



Cotton Club Greenwich
Along With Escapades singles, Present

Annual Holiday Gala

at Woodway Country Club, Darien, CT

Sunday, December 16, 2012, 5:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

Our Holiday Dinner Dance will be held at a stunning, private club, tastefully decorated for the holidays. We anticipate a large turnout as this is our first party here; its expansive new clubhouse is amazing. We will need your guaranteed reservation for planning purposes. Walk-ins will be admitted on a space-available basis. There will be a fully-staffed coat check. A top-notch band will light up your night!

The evening includes: **Dinner and Dessert with Coffee Service – Cash Bar**

Hors D'Oeuvre selections a la Chef.

Salads: Winter Park Salad (mixed field greens, sliced pear, dried cranberries).

Entree: A duet of Filet Mignon and Salmon with vegetable, starch, and sauce accompaniments a la chef, warm sour-dough rolls.

Desserts: Lemon parfait with fresh berries, Christmas cookies, coffee, decaf and tea.

Dance: For your dancing pleasure, the 5-piece Just Nuts Band.

Dress: Please wear your Holiday Finery – Black-Tie Optional.

Early-Bird Special: Price for All \$65. (Checks postmarked after Monday, December 10 or Payment at Door: \$5 extra)

Please mail your check by Monday, December 10 to

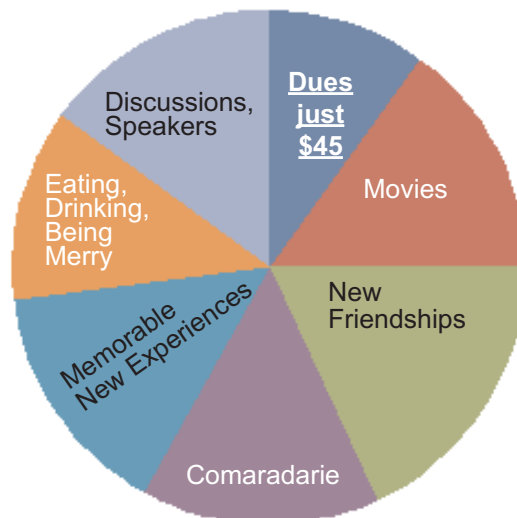
Richard Cardilli, 1455 Newfield Ave., Stamford, CT 06905 (include your phone number and email address on check). For information, contact Richard at 203-461-0986. Your guaranteed reservation cannot be canceled after NOON, December 12. ** Walk-ins will be accommodated on a space-available basis.



BOARD CORNER

IT'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

Look at the value you receive for a modest membership fee (\$45)! Time flies when you're having fun... send your renewal check now and join us for "more fun"! See attached membership form or download from our website.



Holiday Gathering, Tree Trim, and Toy Drive Wed., December 5, 7:30-9:00 pm at Tomes-Higgins House



Light refreshments will be provided by your Club for you. And, while we enjoy the season partying, YOU can help too: WOULD YOU PLEASE BRING 3 mini ornaments (about the size of a golf ball) to decorate the small Christmas Trees we will donate to "Neighbor to Neighbor" for distribution to families in our community.

Also: CAN YOU PLEASE BRING Toys for our Annual Toy Drive. Please bring an unwrapped, new toy for a child aged 1-16 in our surrounding community. Educational toys (building blocks, puzzles, etc) are very much appreciated and are distributed by several local agencies, who work with children and young people with special needs.

If you cannot bring a toy but still wish to participate, we have eager shoppers who are willing to purchase a toy on your behalf, if you prefer to send in a donation. Please make out your check to Cotton Club Greenwich, note that it is for the Toy Drive, and mail by December 6 to Joan Carter, 37-5 Sheephill Road, Riverside, CT 06878. The Outreach Committee will collect donated toys at each Wednesday Meetup until December 6, so don't hesitate to bring in your Toy for the drive at any time. Thank you for your generosity.



December Hikes

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

DATE: December 2

PLACE: Pound Ridge Reservation, Cross River, NY (C+)

TIME: 10:15 A.M. D'Agostino shopping center, corner of Rtes 121 and 35 in Cross River; we will carpool to the park (parking \$7)

LEADER: Fred Howley 914-762-3681 or redbeard419@msn.com

DATE: December 9

PLACE: Rockefeller State Park, Pocantico Hills, NY (C+)

TIME: 10:45 A.M. at northern end of Phelps Memorial Hospital off Rt. 117

LEADER: Pat January 914-769-1086

DATE: December 9

PLACE: A.T., Jug End to Race Brook trail. (A)

TIME: 10:30 A.M. at Race Brook trail parking area on the left side of Rte. 41.

LEADER: Phil Statlender, 203 631-8620 / PHILHS@att.net

DATE: December 16

PLACE: Tarrywile, Danbury, CT (B)

TIME: 9:45 A.M. Tarrywile parking lot on Southern Blvd. (across from Immaculate High School)

LEADER: Orest Engelbrecht, 203-616-5842

DATE: December 23, NO HIKE

DATE: December 30

PLACE: Aqueduct Trail, Irvington to Hastings, Irvington, NY (C)

TIME: 11:00 A.M. Irvington Elementary School off Main Street in Irvington

LEADER: Paul Sloane, 203-847-3830

DINING MEETUPS



Casual Dining at Mackenzies
148 Sound Beach Ave.,
Old Greenwich
DATES: Mondays, Dec. 10, Dec. 24

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

COORDINATOR: None; just drop in.

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



DATES: Mondays, Dec. 3, Dec. 17, Dec. 31

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

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

COORDINATOR: Jay Kane, 203-661-9478

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
the 15th of every month.

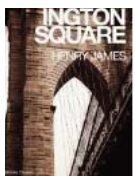
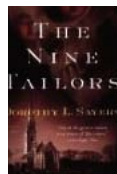


Book Group

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.

CHANGES! The group's holiday party, will be Monday, Dec. 18, and the book under discussion will be "The Nine Tailors," by Dorothy L. Sayers (originally published 1934). Called her "finest mystery," the story opens on New Year's Eve with nine chimes from the belfry of an ancient country church tolling the death of an unknown man. Lord Peter Whimsey is called to investigate. Call for location information.



The first meeting of the New Year will be Jan. 8 and will feature the classic "Washington Square," by Henry James (first published 1880). When shy, unattractive Catherine Sloper, only child of a rich New York physician, falls for a good-looking fortune hunter, her father attempts to thwart the romance.

Save the Date!

Sat., Jan. 12 at 1:30 pm.

PICASSO BLACK AND WHITE.

Tour at Guggenheim Museum

89th St. & Fifth Ave., NYC. Optional

"specially priced" early dinner after at nearby restaurant.



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 ...

■ Dec. 5 - **Christmas Tree Trimming Party;** refreshments will be provided for you by the Club....See full details on page 2.



■ Dec. 12 - Discussion on "The Good Death...." Is there such a thing as a "good death?" From his popular college course on Death & Dying, John Lawry, Ph.D., will show a half hour video of interviews with experts and dying patients highlighting such issues as hospice vs. hospital, palliative care vs. intensive care, and physician-assisted suicide vs. natural death. In addition, Carol Kelly has agreed to talk about her experience working in a hospice and answer questions. Carol was formerly a Board Member and involved in fundraising and patient care for VNA/Hospice Care of Southwestern Connecticut.

■ Dec. 19 - Open Chat. Let's talk about what has gone on in 2012(!) and what's next in 2013(?).

■ Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 - NO MEETINGS.

■ Jan. 9 - Chinese Auction gift swap (details to follow in Jan. Newsletter)



FREE FRIDAY FILM: MARGIN CALL

TIME: 8:00 p.m.

DATE: Nov. 30

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

MEET IN LOBBY: 7:45 p.m. and sit together on left side of theater facing stage.

COORDINATOR: Andrea Anthony, 914-564-2775

DESCRIPTION: With Kevin Spacey, Jeremy Irons, Stanley Tucci, Demi Moore, Zachary Quinto. Directed by J.C. Chandor. A young investment analyst uncovers sensitive information that threatens to plunge the entire enterprise plus millions of everyday Americans into ruin. Set during the scary first days of the 2008 financial meltdown. 109 min. Rated R



DIRECTIONS TO COTTON CLUB GREENWICH EVENTS

Mackenzie's Grill Room, Old Greenwich

From I-95 (North or South): Take exit 5, the US-1 N exit, toward Stamford/Old Greenwich. Turn right onto E. Putnam Ave./US-1. CVS Pharmacy in Riverside Commons is on the corner. Take the 1st right onto Sound Beach Ave. (just past the Getty Mart on the corner). If you reach Boulder Ave. you've gone about 0.1 mile too far. Mackenzie's is on the left just before the train tracks.

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.

Woodway Country Club, Darien

Merritt Parkway Exit 36: At end of Exit ramp, turn RIGHT to go SOUTH on Hoyt Street, Route 106. RIGHT into Woodway at 540 Hoyt Street. Phone: 203-322-1661.

Zody's 19th Hole, E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course, Stamford

From I-95 north: Take exit 6/Harvard Ave. At end of ramp, go straight one block. Turn left at next light onto West Ave., go straight across Post Road, then bear left around the island, turning onto Stillwater Ave. Continue on Stillwater about 1/8 mi. On your right you will see the Hubbard Heights golf course. Turn into the parking lot. From I-95 south: turn right off of exit 6 onto West Ave., then follow the directions above.

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

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