

HOBBYISTS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – June 6, 2024

The June birthday slide was being displayed as the members arrived. 33 Hobbyists have birthdays in June including four lifetime members (Richard Ramge, John Cancalosi, David Shaw and Walter Fitzgerald).

Meeting called to order by President Mark Singer at 9:58 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Bob Paoli.

- Note: Today is June 6th, the 80th anniversary of D-Day. During the course of the meeting, and starting with Bob, numerous Hobbyists spoke about D-Day, the importance of the event, and their personal reflections of relatives who were at Normandy or times in their life when they visited the region and shared the impact it made on them.

President's Report – Mark Singer

- This is our last general meeting until September

Speaker Program Details – Don Peterfriend

- Marc Peterfriend will present “Wealth Preservation through Asset Management”
- Roster Photos – 17% of the Hobbyists do not have photographs for the roster page. If you do not have a photo of yourself on the roster page, please take a passport type photo and email it to hobbyists1966@gmail.com. Don will be following up and we need to reduce the missing photos to zero.

Treasurer's Report – Gary Engelhardt

- A great month, another \$108 of interest on the CD.

Hobbyists Concerned – Mark Singer for Peter Philip

- It was a bittersweet month, no Hobbyists deaths to report; however, there were two immediate family members passing. Mark Singer's brother and Joe Burns' daughter.

Membership – Bob Mosher

- We currently have 410 members, 51 are Lifetime; 6 members are being inducted today. There were 94 members present, 1 via Zoom, for attendance of 95 for today's general meeting.
- Today's inductees:
 - Art Saperstein – sponsored by (Bob Mosher for) Sid Sobel
 - Chris Stout – sponsored by Bob Paoli
 - Dennis Testa – sponsored by Paul Richert
 - Alan Krauss – sponsored by Barry Murley
 - Jim Quinlan – sponsored by Peter Weinstein
 - Pat Donahue – sponsored by Jon Sterling

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Activity Chairman Reports (accumulated from in-person, email or activity website)

- Bocce - Steve Friedman – Bocce is outdoors at Waldwick Borough Park and will remain weekly throughout the summer from 9:30 to 11:30 am on Fridays. There is no cost to participate. Bring a chair, bring a rake, and have some fun.
- Book Club — Jon Sterling – The next Book Club meeting is scheduled for **FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024 at 10:00am** in the Church Library. At the meeting we will review "**Accidental Presidents: Eight Men Who Changed America**" by Jared Cohen. The book discussion will be led by Dave Smilon.
- Bowling – Bob Mosher – Plaques are given to The Cobras (Bob Hoppe, Bob Kozar, Peter Gibbons and Dick Boswell), who beat the Strikers for the league championship. Dick Boswell was the only Cobra in attendance.
- Chess – Rick Pascal – Chess meets every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until noon. If you would like instructions, please show up at 9:30 a.m. All abilities are welcome. We will play at the church until June 26, then play outdoors somewhere.
- Fishing – Peter Weinstein – planning a fall trip to Lake George for two nights. More to come on that.
- Golf – Paul Richert –
 - Spring golf tournament will be Tuesday 6/11 at Apple Greens Golf Course in Highland New York. A 48th golfer volunteered at the meeting (for final foursome).
 - Late summer tournament will be August 13th at Apple Greens
 - Fall tournament will be October 1st at Apple Greens
 - Travel Tuesday for July will be July 9th at Great Gorge Country Club
 - Other tournament details to be worked out
 - Paul urges you to refer to the Golf page on our website to stay current for the details of all upcoming events, chair people for the events, and the Hobbyist Song – Golfing Daydream by Dick Boswell and Steve Friedman
- Hiking – Ed Lundell – there are 25 regulars!
 - There will be a hike/picnic at Wawayanda State Park NY on Tuesday June 11 for Hobbyists and their guests. Rain date is June 25.
 - A 3 day hiking trip is being planned for October
- Investors Club – Ron Reedy – the next meeting will be by zoom on July 24th
 - April 24th meeting contents are available via a link on the Investors page
- Movie Lovers—Dick Oswald – the next Movie Lovers presentation will be on **TUESDAY JUNE 11, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Ridgewood Village Hall Senior Lounge. We will watch the movie "**The Palm Beach Story**". starring Claudette Colbert, Joel McCrea, Rudy Vallee and Mary Astor.
- Newsletter – Rick Pascal – All activity chairmen are requested to submit input for the summer newsletter to Rick (rickpas@optonline.net) by Sunday June 9.
- Pickleball – Allen Krauss – We have been playing on Wednesdays at 10 am at the Saddle River County Park in Rochelle Park. Come on down!

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- ROMEO – Cliff Matthews – ROMEO is **FRIDAY JUNE 21, 2024 at 12 PM** at Fiona’s in Midland Park. Contact Cliff Matthews if you plan to attend. Wear your membership badge. ROMEO will continue through the summer months on the third Friday.
- Wine Makers – Paul Richert – Grapes were crushed on May 27th and on June 3rd the grapes were pressed and juice pumped into barrels. 31 Hobbyists are involved in this process. The group is making a Chilean blend of Carmenera, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. Check out the web page for a lot more information.
- Computer Club – Bob Stevenson – Bob received more than 100 responses showing interest in rebooting the computer club. Only three indicated they might consider leading the group. A meeting will be scheduled for September to determine how to proceed.

New Business –

- The Hobbyists picnic will be August 15th at noon at the Graydon Pool in Ridgewood. Bring your own lunch. Ice cream will be provided. Cost is \$5. Rain date is August 22.

The business meeting concluded at 11:02 a.m.

Today’s program: Marc Peterfriend presenting “Wealth Preservation through Asset Management”

Have a great summer!

Following through with the theme of the dinner dance, we’ll “See You In September”!

Respectfully submitted by,
Steve Friedman, Executive Secretary