

RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA) Invites you to its meeting August 9, 2017 at First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT

## **Bradford and Brian Walker**

## "The World of Gemology: History and Value of Precious Stones"



Precious gemstones have captured the imagination for centuries, with their allure, value and often mystery. The Walker brothers will dazzle us with stories about Sapphires, Rubies and Emeralds. Where are they found and why are some regions more desirable than others? What contributes to their color and other properties? Additionally they will examine some of the most notable gems owned by monarchs, celebrities, and American royalty past and present.

Brothers Brian and Brad Walker of Shreve Crump and Low are fourth generation jewelers who moved to Greenwich in 2014, bringing with them one of America's oldest institutions. Shreve Crump and Low first opened its doors in Boston in 1796 just 20 years after the Declaration of Independence was signed. Shreve's purchased the former Putnam Trust Co building on the corner of Greenwich Avenue and Lewis Street. Brad received his Graduate Gemology degree prior to graduating Babson College with a BA in Business, and Brian received his BA from Harvard University.

## Next Week: August 16th, Rear Admiral John Weigold, "What's Happening in the Pacific Theater"

The Greenwich Retired Men's Association offers a free program every Wednesday that is open to the public, both men and women; no reservations are required. Our social break starts at 10:40AM followed promptly by our speaker at 11:00AM. Programs are at the First Presbyterian Church, 1 West Putnam Avenue in Greenwich. For additional information see www.greenwichrma.org or contact info@greenwichrma.org