## RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA) Invites you to attend its February 15, 2012 Meeting at the First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich.

## **Chris Shays**

## Former U.S. Congressman "Lessons Learned"



## **Public Service:**

Co-Chair, Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, 2009-2011

U.S. Representative from Connecticut's 4th Congressional District, 1987-2009

Representative, Connecticut General Assembly, 1975-1987 Assistant to the Mayor of Trumbull, 1970-1971 Peace Corps volunteer, 1968-1970

**Education:** BA, Principia College, 1968, MBA, New York University, 1974, MPA, New York University, 1978.

Christopher Shays represented the southwest region of Connecticut from 1987 to 2009 in the United States Congress. Christopher began his career in public service as a member of the Peace Corps in Fiji from 1968 to 1970 with his wife, Betsi. He was elected to the Connecticut State House of Representatives in 1974, serving for thirteen years before his election to Congress in 1987. He was appointed co-chair of the federal Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan in 2009.

While a member of Congress, Christopher was a senior member of the House Oversight and Government Reform, Budget, Financial Services, and Homeland Security Committees. He chaired the House Oversight Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, which played a major role in reforms following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. The only Republican congressman from New England elected in 2006, Shays was consistently recognized for his knowledge, hard work, and ability to work with both sides of the political aisle to help resolve major issues confronting our nation.

Christopher serves on the board of directors of North Highland—a management and technology consulting firm based in Atlanta—and was a commissioner of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Betsi and Christopher—a resident of Connecticut for sixty-four years—grew up in Darien, lived in Stamford for over thirty years, and now reside in Bridgeport.

RMA members and their guests should arrive by 9:45 AM for our full meeting. The general public should plan to arrive at 10:45 AM. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich. No Charge and No Reservations are required. Questions about any of the above, call George Shaddock (203) 542-0986