

***RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)***  
***invites you to attend its meeting, on Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2013.***  
***First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich.***

***HARVEY ARATON***

***EVOLUTION OF SPORTS JOURNALISM IN THE DIGITAL AGE***



Who scores games by hand, with a pencil anymore? The baseball tradition of keeping a scorecard is facing increasing competition from ballpark attractions and hand-held devices. Back in the day, a baseball or football game on television was an event to look forward to. Today, every sporting event for every team is available on a multiple of channels, and can be streamed to your computer or digital device. How many cameras are trained on every angle and play of the Super Bowl?

Harvey Araton will provide an overview of the evolution of sports journalism in the digital age, from his the perspective of a native New Yorker whose career has spanned more than four decades of writing commentary in New York for the city's tabloids, and internationally for *The New York Times*. The discussion will range from covering the likes of contemporary stars like Derek Jeter and Michael Jordan, to writing books about boyhood heroes like Willis Reed and Yogi Berra.

Mr. Araton reports on the New York sports scene, providing his personal insight on baseball, basketball, football and other sports, and also does enterprise reporting and feature writing for the Times Magazine, and its Book Review and Culture sections. After working for the *New York Daily News* and the *New York Post*, he joined the *Times* as a sports reporter in 1991, and became a "Sports of the Times" columnist in 1994. His work includes 10 Olympics, many N.B.A. finals, World Series, Super Bowls, and NCAA basketball Final Fours. He has authored six books, most recently "Driving Mr. Yogi: Yogi Berra, Ron Guidry and Baseball's Greatest Gift" (2012), a New York Times best seller, and "When the Garden was Eden," (about the New York Knickerbockers' glory years) (2011). He has won numerous journalism awards, and was nominated by the *Times* for a Pulitzer Prize in 1974.

Mr. Araton earned a B.A. in English from the City University of New York. He lives in Montclair New Jersey with his wife Beth, and is an adjunct professor of journalism studies at Montclair State University.

**RMA meetings are free and open to the public; no reservations are required. Please plan to arrive around 10:30 for our social break (coffee and cake), followed by our speaker at 10:45. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich. For additional information, call Bernard Schneider, 203-698-2558; bgsesq@gmail.com.**