



RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
Invites you to its meeting, **May 8, 2024, at 11 am** at
First Presbyterian Church, 1 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich, CT.
The program will also be shown on Zoom: <https://bit.ly/30IBj21>

Benjamin Lebwohl

“The Illness and Death of Ludwig van Beethoven”



Beethoven has long held a unique place in musical history because of his groundbreaking compositions, produced in the face of significant personal struggles. This medically-oriented lecture focusses on the circumstances surrounding Beethoven’s illnesses with an emphasis on his final illness and death, in the hopes of shedding light on the intersection of his life, work, and legacy.

Benjamin Lebwohl is Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology at Columbia University Irving Medical Center and serves as the Associate

Clinical Chief of the Division of Gastroenterology and as the Director of Clinical Research at the Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University. He is Past President of the Society for the Study of Celiac Disease, and collaborates with investigators in the United States and abroad in epidemiology, patterns of care, natural history, and therapeutics. He has co-authored more than 350 peer-reviewed publications. His research is supported by the National Institutes of Health, and past research funding includes the American Gastroenterological Association, the Celiac Disease Foundation, and the American Scandinavian Foundation.

Dr. Lebwohl is the Chair of the Gastrointestinal Drugs Advisory Committee of the United States Food and Drug Administration. He maintains a clinical practice and is heavily involved in medical education, teaching regularly on topics including celiac disease, evidence-based medicine, clinical decision making, pseudoscience, diarrhea, and colorectal cancer screening. He is a member of the cello section of the Westchester-based Excelsior Symphony Orchestra.

Our next presentation, on May 15th, will be by The Grace Notes, a Capella Singing Group, “Connecting Through Song Since 1967.”

*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 **10:40 am** followed promptly by our presentation at **11:00 am**. Programs are at the First Presbyterian Church, 1 West Putnam Ave. in Greenwich. For additional information see www.greenwichrma.org.*