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JUSTICE, JUSTICE, SHALL THY PURSUE

"It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so. Mark Twain.

MIKE SMITH presented LOU CHIAPETTA as Pledge Leader. CHUCK STANDARD, as song master, accompanied by GEORGE SANTORA on the ivories, led us in "The Star Spangled Banner," Grand Old Flag" and "Yankee Doodle Dandy." TOM HEALY entertained us with his droll wit about the vagaries of airline maintenance`.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1- PETER UHRY surveyed the members on whether there was an interest in forming a downhill skiing group.

2- BERNARD SCHNEIDER surveyed the members with respect to a luncheon being sponsored on February 14 by the Y's Men's Club of Westport/Weston, with Wayne Carini, the host of "Chasing Classic Cars" on the Discovery Channel.

3- HORST TEBBE announced that prior to next week's meeting, there would be training/demonstration in how to access and use all the features of the RMA web site.

4- GEORGE STOCKBRIDGE announced various events of the RMA Opera Group: (a) ongoing monthly meetings to view and discuss tapes of operas; (b) monthly simulcasts from the Metropolitan Opera at the Greenwich Bow Tie Criterion Theater, next showing is Parsifal; and (3) a planned trip in may to the Metropolitan Opera to see La Cenerentola (Cinderella).

5- TIM NOLAN announced that the next ROMEO luncheon will be Friday, February, 19, 2014 at noon at the Field Club

6- MIKE SMITH announced that the Parks and Recreation's adult pickleball (a racquet sport) has started up (through the end of March), at the Eastern Greenwich Civic Center,

7- Returnee: DOUG TAYLOR, from Vail, CO.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Visiting: CHUCK STANDARD reported that AL HARTIG and GEORGE CHELWICK were ailing. We welcome back TIM NOLAN.

2. Membership: Jim Fahy announced 117 in attendance with 112 members, 2 candidates and 3 guests.

3. Volunteer Hours: WALTER HOWE reported that, for the week ended January 8, there were 724 hours to outside agencies by 51 men, and 124 RMA hours by 22 men. DICK CASE reported 55 hours.

All hail BOB & KAREN WYLIE, celebrating their 61st wedding anniversary today, and all hail ROBERT OPPENHEIMER (99). Other birthdays: RAY CHANDLER (92), NORMAN COLLINS (85), DOUG FRANCEFORT (85), HAVEN KNIGHT (84), RICHARD GRIFFIN (83), DAVID MCKEE (83), BEN BENSON (82), GEORGE STOCKBRIDGE (82), JAN MEYER (78), BILL EDIC (77), JOHN CRAINE (77), JIM FAHY (76), ARNOLD GORDON (76), DONALD O'KEEFE (75) and STEVE BOIES (72).

FUN & GAMES:

Bridge: KURT SCHAFFIR reported the 3 top scorers: GRANT PERKINS, 4030; HOLLISTER STURGES, 3,420 and MARTIN WAYNE, 3270.

Tennis. Winners on Court 1 were JAMES HIMES and DAVE KANE (guest); winners on Court 2 were MIKE SMITH and RALPH VIGGIANO.

TODAY'S PROGRAM: KEN ROMAN, former Chairman/CEO of Ogilvy & Mather Worldwide Mather, spoke about his book, "King of Madison Avenue, David Ogilvy, the Father of Modern Advertising."

NEXT WEEK: MARTY YELLIN, a retired engineer from Perkin-Elmer, will speak about "The Hexagon Spy Satellite, A Forty Five Year Secret." This CIA organized project was not declassified until 2011. If he had told us about this secret plan before that date, he would have had to kill us.

SPECIAL EVENTS

February 6. Lunch at noon at La Cremaillere in Banksville. \$65 p/p. Drive yourself to location. 11 places available.

March 13. NEW YORK SIMULATION CENTER (NYC). Lunch at Copolla's Italian. Tickets \$85 Bus leaves St. Catherine's at 8:45 AM. 30 tickets available.

April 17. Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge MA. Lunch at Red Lion Inn. Tickets \$80 p/p. Bus leaves St. Catherine @ 9:45 AM. 26 tickets available.

Checks are to be made out to: RMA. Open to all members, their ladies, candidates and guests. For more information See Rich Limbacher 531-9515 or Gerry Lessuk 698-9451.

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