



**RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)**  
Invites you to its meeting, February 1, at 11 AM at the  
First Presbyterian Church, 37 Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT.  
The program will also be shown on Webinar: <https://bit.ly/30IBj21>

## **David Fitzpatrick**

### **“Cable News and How It Changed the American Landscape”**



Remember the network news days of old with Jennings, Rather and Brokaw where news came directly from its original source with little or no embellishment? Now fast forward to today where network news has been supplemented (some would say virtually displaced) by cable news outlets. These often mix news and opinion (or, depending on your point of view, replace news with opinion) leading to the

purveyance of misinformation which is encapsulated in the recently coined phrase Post Truth Environment. The story of the transition from the days of hard news to opinion influenced news is a compelling one driven in parts by political undercurrents, financial concerns and age demographics.

Come hear David Fitzpatrick, a former staff writer for CNN’s “Anderson Cooper 360” describe the transition and assess the influence of cable news in the world today. David was a CNN anchor producer, senior executive producer and investigative producer from 2001-2021. Prior to joining CNN he spent 25 years at CBS News in a variety of editorial positions, including service as a producer in the network’s Washington, Los Angeles and London Bureaus. He has also served as the network’s Bureau Chief in Chicago and later, National Editor. He joined the CBS Evening News as a producer in the late 1980’s and subsequently joined “60 Minutes” as a producer attached to the late Morley Safer. Upon leaving CBS News in 1998, he joined the staff of the ABC News primetime newsmagazine “20/20”. David is a graduate of Brigham Young University and 35 year plus resident of Darien.

**Next week: February 8, Keith Hirsch, Detective, Police Department, Town of Greenwich, “What to do if in an active shooter situation.”**

*The Greenwich Retired Men's Association offers a free program every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. For additional information see [www.greenwichrma.org](http://www.greenwichrma.org) or contact us by email at [info@greenwichrma.org](mailto:info@greenwichrma.org).*