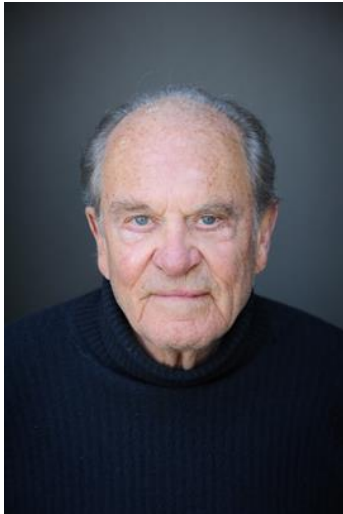




RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
Invites you to its meeting, April 19th at 11 AM at
First Presbyterian Church, 37 Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT.
The program will also be shown on Webinar: <https://bit.ly/30IBj21>

Flemming Heilmann

“The Men in Denmark’s Freedom Council: The Danish resistance movement of WWII”



Industrial executive, humanitarian, and author, Danish-American Flemming Heilmann will discuss his recently released translation of Halfdan Lefevre’s book entitled *The Men in Denmark’s Freedom Council*. This seminal work, first published in Danish in 1945, is the story of Denmark’s resistance leaders, their underground movement during Nazi occupation and how they coordinated the nation’s freedom fighters to mount military confrontation of the enemy. Their 11-member Freedom Council went on to form a government-in-waiting in anticipation of liberation to run the country pending restoration of democratic elections.

Lefevre, from the start of World War II, documented the genesis and evolution of the resistance movement and its struggle against Nazi occupation since April 1940. He was the recording scribe for the underground Freedom Council and author of illegal leaflets and news communiques distributed by the resistance. His scholarly account offers details of the German invasion, the government’s quick surrender, and then the emergence of the resistance movement, which led to the establishment of the crucial Freedom Council. Flemming has carefully translated this book into English so a broader audience can appreciate the sacrifices these brave men made for their country.

Fleming was born in Malaysia to Danish parents and studied at Cambridge University, where he graduated with degrees in economics and law. After a 35 year successful career as a business executive in South Africa, Europe, Canada, and the United States, Flemming served as a director for the Jacob Riis Neighborhood Settlement in New York’s inner city, its chairman for six years. His honors include Knight of the Order of Dannebrog, appointed by the Queen of Denmark. He lives in Connecticut with his wife Judy. They have four sons, a daughter, and nine grandsons.

Next week, April 26: Robert Wolterstorff, Director of the Bruce Museum, “The New Bruce Museum: a World-Class Destination for Art, Culture and Science Education.”

The Greenwich Retired Men’s Association offers a free program every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. For additional information see www.greenwichrma.org or contact us by email at info@greenwichrma.org.