



RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
Invites you to its meeting **June 14, 2023** at 11:00 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church, 37 Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT

Our Speaker will present remotely on ZOOM, and his presentation will be shown at our meeting. You can also view his presentation by using this link: <https://bit.ly/30IBj21>

G. Pascal Zachary

“Endless Frontier: Vannevar Bush, Engineer of the American Century”



In his book, *Endless Frontier, Vannevar Bush, Engineer of the American Century*, G. Pascal Zachary describes the life and accomplishments of one of America’s most important engineers. Zachary has also edited and published *The Essential Writings of Vannevar Bush*. He will address the RMA via Zoom.

As President Roosevelt’s chief science advisor throughout WWII, Bush organized and directed more than 6,000 engineers and scientists to drive the innovation necessary to take the lead in the war. He helped to create what we now call the military-industrial complex, essential to ensuring the implementation of these innovations, and he oversaw the scientific development of the atomic bomb. He also fulfilled a promise to President Roosevelt to achieve in peace time the scientific and engineering innovation that was accomplished during the war by conceiving and proposing in 1945 the establishment of the National Science Foundation, an institution that continues to serve us to this day. Additionally, in 1945 Bush published an article titled, “As We May Think,” describing the concepts and functionality of the personal computer.

Zachary is a writer and educator, concentrating on the history of technological change, national security and economic growth. He taught at Arizona State University (2010-2020), Stanford University (2007-2009) and the University of California at Berkeley (2001-2002). He consulted on technology development for the Gates Foundation (2007-2009).

The National Science Foundation awarded him a grant to study the emergence of computer science as an academic discipline in East Africa. *The Atlantic* described Zachary as “one of the most insightful and creative thinkers on technology in Africa in the West.” He was a senior science writer for the *Wall Street Journal* from 1989 to 2002 and was a

chief writer on Silicon Valley for *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *Technology Review*, *Wired*, and *Spectrum* magazines.

Born in Brooklyn, Zachary lives in northern California with his wife, Chizo Okon, of Port Harcourt, Nigeria.

Our speaker on June 21st, Dr. Jeff Puglisi, will lead a panel discussion on “Prostate Disease, Complexities of Cancer Detection and Treatment.”

*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, 37 Lafayette Place in Greenwich. For additional information see www.greenwichrma.org or contact info@greenwichrma.org.*