

RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA) Invites you to its meeting, February 8 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

Keith Hirsch and Daniel Paladino "What to do in the event of an Active Shooter?"





What do you do when a six-year old child comes into a kindergarten with a loaded gun and shoots his teacher? While the thought makes us gasp, the reality is that our children from grammar school to high school live with this reality and go through drills to prepare them for just such an eventuality. But we as adults are less likely to know what to do.

Officer Keith E. Hirsch and Officer Daniel Paladino, two highly trained police officers of the Greenwich Police Department, will address the question: what to do in an active shooter situation? Both officers are assigned to the Community Impact Section within the Detective Division of the Greenwich Police Department and are passionate about educating the public about this critical social and safety issue. Both have been educated in specialty classes all over the country, becoming certified in Threat Assessment, Crime Prevention, and Crime Analysis, and both are certified as instructors for Civilian Response to an Active Shooter. Their presentation will help inform adults on how to react.

Officers Hirsch and Paladino have provided these presentations to hundreds of adults. Attendees learn what is the first action to take, how to anticipate a shooter, what defense mechanisms ordinary people have, how to case out a room to be prepared, and other proven actions to deflect and even overcome a shooter. Both officers pride themselves on their attention to detail and helping

empower Greenwich citizens to make the community one of the safest places to reside and raise a family anywhere in the nation.

Both officers are highly decorated members of the Police Department. Community Impact Officer Hirsch has been named Office of the Month several times, was the recipient of the Doctor John A. Clarke award for Officer of the Year, 2016 Police Person of the Year by CASIA, and was the recipient of the Community Policing Award for 2017 from the U. S. Attorney's Office. Community Impact Officer Paladino has served for 20 years and has received accolades that include Officer of the Month and the Community Policing Award in 2017.

Both officers are life-long Greenwich residents and graduates of Greenwich High School.

Next week: February 15, Stuart Malina, Music Director and Conductor, Greenwich Symphony Orchestra, "**Dvorak, Elgar, and the Future of the Greenwich Symphony Orchestra.**"

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.