

January, 2015 Newsletter

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Greenwich Club is a fellowship of and for unmarried adults living in Fairfield, Westchester and surrounding counties, sponsored by Christ Church Greenwich. Members are offered an opportunity to work and play together, to become better acquainted with each other and with themselves. To join, please download an application from our website (www.GreenwichClub.org). Annual dues are \$45.

Join us! Wednesday, Jan. 21, 7:30 P.M. (Family Room) for an audiovisual lecture on

The Southern Tip, by Olaf Sööt















The southernmost land of the Western Hemisphere is all chaos. Just as the ragged summits jut into the windy skies, the sea and the weather invade from the west. From the cold southern Pacific, the land rises in thousands of islands separated one from the other by deep channels with arms reaching inland.

The fjords become glaciers that snake upwards toward rock towers, coated most of the year with frost, topped by weird snow mushrooms that can thwart a climber just a few rope lengths from success. The line where the sea ends and the mountains begin is not a clean line. Hard winds blow wisps of cold salt water from the crests of waves and salty fog hangs in the low places.

And Why dream about this place? Why spend so much money and so much time when, in all likelihood, you'll spend the bulk of your trek hunkered down in a rainsoaked tent anyway? Why, when so many other places are so warm and welcoming and when this southern tip is so antagonistic, would anyone want to go there and maybe even try to climb to one of its high points?

Logic and reason might suggest we stay away, but history says otherwise. History tells stories about people coming from every direction, using every means of travel available, looking for something in those mountains, and ultimately, finding out about bigger things than those mountains.

Every once in a while, the gusts will relax and the gray skies will gap a bit, and you'll be able to see, maybe even photograph, the rock mountains of Patagonia or the snow mountains of Tierra del Fuego; but things will shut down just as quickly. The Pacific will fill its lungs again and blow hard at the jagged crest of the southern end of the continent.

Don Mellor

CORNER

We wish you a wonderful 2015!

Let's enjoy 2015 together sharing good times and in making a difference in our community.

We are a premier singles group which welcomes everyone interested in joining our ranks.

We offer the following:

- Weekly dinner get togethers
- Wednesday night discussions, speakers, parties
- Outreach programs clothing, food, toy drives; giving Christmas trees which we've trimmed to the needy, etc.
- Special meet-up occasions at restaurants, hotels
- We are a source of events:
- A) Thru encouragement of members who inform us of interests they would like to share with other members, as per the concert.
 - B) Thru our meet-up site
- C) Thru our alert members who hear of events
- Opportunities to volunteer in areas of your interests and feel an integral part of this dynamic club. Your voice is encouraged and heard here. This is your club.

Therefore, mail your membership renewal form and check for \$45 dues in the self-addressed stamped envelope sent to you and enjoy being a part of the Greenwich Club in this coming NEW YEAR 2015!!

ENJOY GREAT MUSIC, FOOD, FRIENDS, FUN!

GREENWICH SYMPHONY CONCERT

Sunday, January 25, 2015 Greenwich High School Auditorium, 10 Hillside Road

> Pre-concert Talk-3:00pm Concert-4:00pm

for tickets call Mary Radcliff, 203-637-1680 \$25 group discount rate

After the concert, come to Phyllis Sattar's Home, 204 West Lyon Farm Drive, Greenwich for a Buffet Supper Reservations required.

RSVP by January 19, 2015 Please call Phyllis Sattar 203-532-5276

A maximum of 16 members is the limit for the buffet, so reserve early! Everyone will be assigned a dish: an hors d'oeuvre, entree, salad, dessert or beverage.(If snow is forecast for Sunday, we may be able to switch to the Saturday night performance with dinner before the 8:00pm concert)



Free Friday Film: To The Wonder

TIME: 8:00 p.m. DATE: January 9

PLACE: Greenwich Main Library, Cole Auditorium, 101 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich

MEET IN LOBBY: 7:40 p.m. and sit together on left side of theater facing stage.

DESCRIPTION: TO THE WONDER (2013) with Ben Affleck, Rachel McAdams, Javier

Bardem, and Olga Kurylenko, a stunningly beautiful and elusive film about a man who falls in love in Paris and brings his wife back to Oklahoma, which she finds is not Paris and big changes unfold.

COORDINATOR: Pat Daigle



MONDAY DINING MEETUPS 6:30 P.M.



Casual Dining at Mackenzies

148 Sound Beach Ave., Old Greenwich, CT

DATES: January 5, January 19

COORDINATOR: None; just drop in.



Bistro Dining at Zody's 19th Hole

E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course, 451 Stillwater Ave., Stamford, CT **DATES:** January 12, January 26

DISCOUNT: GC members enjoy a 10% discount on several menu items.

COORDINATOR: Jay Kane, 203-661-9478



January 4, Huntington State Park, Redding CT (B)

Meet: 10:30 AM, 74 Sunset Hill Rd, Redding, CT Carpool:* 9:45 AM, Merritt exit 42, commuter lot Leader: Jennifer MacKenzie, H: 203-746-1459, C: 203-545-9945, E: jmack54@gmail.com.

January 11, Greenwich Point, Old Greenwich, CT (C)

Meet: 10:30 AM

Leader: Loraine Salerno, 203-869-2515

January 18, Housatonic River Trail Walk (C)

Meet: 11:00 AM Park on Tait Rd (not Tait's Mill). Leader: Dennis Callahan, 845-612-9720

January 25, Aqueduct Trail Irvington to Hastings, Irvington NY (C)

Meet: 11:00 AM IPark at Irvington Elementary School off Main Street in Irvington Leader: Ann Sheridan, 914-946-2629

Directions and information on: www.thehikinggroup.com. Meetup site: http://www.meetup.com/The-Hiking-Group-Ct-NY



WEEKLY WEDNESDAY DISCUSSION AND SOCIAL

7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Held in the Christ Church Parish House "Family Room," 254 E. Putnam Ave., Greenwich

Jan. 7 New Year's Party and Chinese Auction.

Please bring a snack or beverage to share. But also important – bring a wrapped gift. It can be re-gifted from your holiday stash for a hilarious exchange. Carol Smith is Santa's Helper.

Jan. 14 Post New Year's Pot Luck Dinner Party at Lew Clark's home at 6:00 P.M., 24 Creeping Hemlock Drive, Norwalk (203) 846-2762. Call for assignment (if food, based on serving 6 to avoid excesses). A couple of volunteers are needed.

Jan. 21 Another popular audiovisual lecture by Olaf Soot (see information on page 1.)

Jan. 28 60 Minutes

February 1: Super Bowl Party! Note: In absence of Social Chair person we need help from members with suggestions of a place with adequate parking to Del Zalesky newdel2010@gmail.com or call 203-313-5927.



On behalf of our Outreach Committee we want to thank our members for their generosity in our food drive and toy drive which was distributed by Neighbor-to-Neighbor to many appreciative recipients.

The Family Room, next to the Parish House (located at Christ Church Greenwich)

From I-95, take exit 4 (Indian Field Rd.). Coming from New York (northbound side), turn left off ramp. Coming from New Haven (southbound side), turn right. Follow Indian Field Road to the traffic light at Route 1 (also called Post Rd. or East Putnam Ave.). Turn left and continue for about 1.5 miles (3 traffic lights) until you see large parking lot and Christ Church on your left.

Mackenzie's Grill Room, 148 Sound Beach Ave., Old Greenwich, CT 06870

From I-95 (North or South): Take exit 5, the US-1 N exit, toward Stamford/Old Greenwich. Turn right onto E. Putnam Ave./US-1. CVS Pharmacy in Riverside Commons is on the corner. Take the 1st right onto Sound Beach Ave. (just past the Getty Mart on the corner). If you reach Boulder Ave. you've gone about 0.1 mile too far. Mackenzie's is on the left just before the train tracks.

Zody's 19th Hole, E. Gaynor Brennan Golf Course, Stamford

From I-95 north: Take exit 6/Harvard Ave. At end of ramp, go straight one block. Turn left at next light onto West Ave., go straight across Post Road, then bear left around the island, turning onto Stillwater Ave. Continue on Stillwater about 1/8 mi. On your right you will see the golf course. Turn into the parking lot. From I-95 south: turn right off of exit 6 onto West Ave., then follow the directions above.

Additional directions can be found on our website under the "Newsletter" tab.

Greenwich Club

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: the 15th of every month. <u>Suggestion: Why not print out this newsletter so you will have it handy during the month?</u>

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