



Activities Unlimited November General Meeting Tuesday November 11, at 1:00pm Wyckoff Reformed Church, Heneveld Hall

We say goodbye to Halloween, pumpkins and now just set our clocks back one hour. Soon it will be time to say goodbye to our snowbird members as they start heading south to escape the winter months.

Our October General Meeting was held during the Annual Breakfast at the Brickhouse, on October 14th. Approximately 90 members enjoyed the delicious breakfast that Aldo Cascio, owner of the Brickhouse, and his staff prepared for us. If you were not there you missed a great time.

At the Breakfast we conducted our business meeting passing amendments to our By Laws which were presented by Marty Valerio. John Toth led everyone in celebration of October birthdays with a rendition of "Happy Birthday."

Gaspar Lesznik, our incoming 2026 President, announced with great excitement our General Meeting location changes for 2026. Starting January 13th, 2026, the General Meetings will be held at the Midland Park Reformed Church, 183 Godwin Ave. Midland Park. The start time will be 10:00 am.

Adolph Galluccio, our incoming 2026 1st Vice President, also spoke. He encouraged all Members to be sure to attend our General Meetings. At the November General Meeting, Harry Bennett will present changes to the AU website. Make sure you are there to learn how to navigate these changes.

December is fast approaching, so be sure to get your tables together and order your tickets now for our Christmas Dinner Dance on December 8th at Seasons.

Tom Donch, President



ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED



2025 OFFICERS



Tom Donch
President
201-376-8824

Gaspar Lesznik
1st Vice President
201-774-8608

Adolph Galluccio
2nd Vice President
973-392-4802

Marty Valerio
Secretary
201-394-2938

Doug Cooper
Treasurer
908-907-1112

Gabe Carifi
Assistant Treasurer
201-738-8323

Membership Dues

Membership dues, \$60.00, for 2026 are due no later than December 31, 2025. Please send your check for \$60.00 payable to “Activities Unlimited” to:

Gabieli Carifi

299 Sicomac Ave. Apt 1202

Wyckoff, NJ 07481

Welcome New Member

Name	Address	Interests	Phone Number
Peter Connors	PO Box 12 Midland Park, NJ	Golf, History Club, Stock Market Club	H: 201-400-8389



Trips & Tours



The next T&T meeting will be on **November 11th**, immediately after **General Meeting at the Memorial Room of Heneveld Hall.**
Chair: Tom Van Lenten: 201-248-7207

Upcoming Events – Winter 2025-2026

Monday, December 8, Christmas Dinner Dance, Seasons, Washington Township, NJ. Mail check to Bill Mastellon, 101E. Oak St. Unit G 6, Oakland NJ, 07436. See page 4 for details.

Thursday, January 15, The Beefsteak Dinner, will be at the VFW Hall in Midland Park. Doors open at 6:00 pm and dinner is served at 6:30pm. Water and soda are included. This is a BYOB affair. If you want to drink anything other than water or soda bring it with you. Cost is \$60 pp. Menu: salad, all-you-can-eat Nightingale Beefsteak, French fries, ice cream sundae, and coffee. Our entertainer will be again John Pizzi –a multi-faceted comic who treats audiences to a one-man show of stand-up and ventriloquism featuring feisty sidekicks like Uncle Smiley. He appeared on two seasons of “America’s Got Talent” and performs regularly in Las Vegas and Atlantic City. Make checks payable to “Activities Unlimited” and mail to Jim Webb, 970 Pines Terrace, Franklin Lakes NJ 07417. There is a capacity limit at the VFW. This event may sell out. See page 5 for details.

Thursday, February 12, 2026: Temptations & Four Tops Concert. Two legendary supergroups – together again! Enjoy an evening full of your favorite Motown memories from two classic hitmakers. If you are interested in attending this concert send an email to tomvanlenten@hotmail.com indicating the number of tickets you wish to reserve. See page 6 for more details.

Thursday, March 26 Lunch at Fionas Restaurant. Save that date. More information to follow. Contact Joe Pullaro with any questions: 201-337-0018.

5th Announcement Ver 1 11/1/2025



Thirty-Eighth Annual Christmas Dinner Dance



Location: Seasons — 644 Pascack Road The township of Washington, NJ 07676

Date — Monday, December 8, 2025 Starting at 5:30 PM and Ending at 9:30 PM

Cocktail Hour (Season's Way) — Hors D'oeuvres Open Bar — 5:30 PM

Dinner (Superb) — Choice of 3 Entrées & Open Bar — 6:45 PM

Choice of Beef, Chicken or Fish with Salad and Desert

Dance and Socialize to music by Peter Lieberman 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Price — \$118 per Person — Make Checks Payable to **Activities Unlimited (\$236 per Couple)**

Return Completed Reservation Form With Check or Checks

To: Bill Mastellon
101 East Oak St — Unit G-6
Oakland, NJ 07436

wjm8666@gmail.com
(201) 447-1417



Reservation & Payment - Cutoff Date is Saturday 11/15/2025—15 Days

For group table reservations of **3 or more** please include all names and payments for the table

Member Phone Number (____)_____

email: _____

1 _____

Member (First) - **Please Print** - (Last Name)

2 _____

Guest (First) - **Please Print** - (Last Name)

Check the Box for random table seating

If you have a preference to sit with friends at the same table **PLEASE CONFIRM** with them and submit 1 reservation with Payments

Full payment with All Reservations

For a Full Refund - Cancellation Date is **11/17/2025**

Confirmed Members and or Guests that you would like to seat with

First Name - **Please Print** - Last Name

- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____
- 11 _____
- 12 _____

Table seating preference and table location is assigned in the order that payment is received.

Alt. Reservation Contact—John Murphy (201) 723-4404 email—Deltasp69@aol.com

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AU Beefsteak Dinner

Thursday January 15 @ 6 pm

VFW Hall in Midland Park

Menu For Event

Salad

All-you-can-eat Nightingale Beefsteak & French fries

Ice cream sundae and coffee

Water and soda are included

BYOB (wine/beer)



Entertainment:

Our entertainer will be John Pizzi –a multi-faceted comic who treats audiences to a one-man show of stand-up and ventriloquism featuring feisty sidekicks like Uncle Smiley. He appeared on two seasons of “America’s Got Talent” and performs regularly in Las Vegas and Atlantic City.

Cost

Cost is \$60, we have up to 50 spots available, reserve yours now!

Mail checks to Jim Webb, Pines Terrace, Franklin Lakes, NJ

Questions call Jim @ 201-337-7982,

or email: jimwebb970@gmail.com

Temptations and Four Tops

Two legendary supergroups – together again! from “Baby, I Need Your Loving” to “My Girl,”. Enjoy an evening full of your favorite Motown memories from two classic hitmakers.

THE TEMPTATIONS THE FOUR TOPS



Mayo Performing Arts Center, Morristown, NJ

Thursday, February 12, 2026 @7:30pm

From the streets of Detroit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. With their signature dance moves and unmistakable harmonies, they rose to the top of the charts creating an amazing 42 Top Ten Hits with 14 reaching number one.

Ticket prices: \$80.00—\$130.00

If you are interested in joining this concert please email Tom Van Lenten at tomvanlenten@hotmail.com. Also let us know how many tickets you want to reserve.

Current Month Club Activities

AU Guys

The AU Guys Big Band meets Wednesdays at 10:00 am at the Midland Park VFW Hall.

Chair: John DeSantis: 201-447-0256

Co-Chair: Frank Altomare: 201-410-4712

Book Club

The Book Club will be meeting on November 19 @ 10am at Walt Widmer's home (38 Hamilton St., Allendale). The books to be discussed are "Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck, "The Old Man and the Sea" by Ernest Hemingway, and "Area 51" by Annie Jacobsen.

Chair: Gregg Krieger, 201-925-3197

Co-chair: Peter Bieszard, 201-739-3584

Bowling Club

The next meetings of the Bowling Club will be on November 14 at 10:30 am at the Montvale Lanes. Anybody interested should contact Scott Japko.

Chair: Scott Japko, 201-788-5516

History Club

The next History Club meeting will be on November 25 at the Midland Park VFW at 1:00pm. AU Member Jim Webb, a 50+ year member of the Franklin Lakes Fire Department will be our speaker. The title of his presentation will be "The History and Operation of the Franklin Lakes Fire Department."

The FLFD celebrated 100 years of operation in 2024. Over 400 men and 4 women have passed through its doors during that time. The Department has a long and proud history as the technology and methods of firefighting have changed drastically over the years. Jim will share with you many of the events that have shaped the Department and how it has evolved to keep the community safe.

Chair Joe: Pullaro, 201-337-0018

Co-Chair: Steve Joern, 201-491-7456

Current Month Club Activities (cont.)

Investment Study Group

There will be no meeting in November.

Chair: Dennis LaBarbera, 561-222-1027

Co-chair: Fred Theile, 201-981-1801

Pickle Ball

Pickleball Club meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 am. Play will take place at Wyckoff Pickleball courts behind Wyckoff City Hall, 200 Woodland Avenue.

Chair: Kenneth Frisco, 973-919-6704

Co-Chair: George Lewis, 551-427-1223

Photography Club

The November meeting will be on the 25th at 10:30 am at the VFW Hall in Midland Park.

Chair: Murray Perl, 201-261-7276

Co-Chair: Sam Ohan, 201-825-0437

Public Discussion Club

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12 at Franklin Lakes Ambulance Corps Building at 10am. The Club Chairs will email discussions topics for the next meeting prior to the meeting date.

Chair: Walter Widmer, 551-286-4045

Co-Chair: Tom Butler, 201-452-6649

Current Month Club Activities (cont.)

Science Club

The Science Club will be meeting at 1PM at the Midland Park VFW on November 18. Subject TBD.

Chair: Marc Bernhardt, 201-236-2957

Safe Shooting Club

Because our club dates fall close to Thanksgiving and Christmas we are having live shoots in the middle of the month in lieu of in person meetings. Contact Club Chairs for details.

Chair: David Hubschmitt, 973-650-0052

Co-Chair: Mark Stahl, 201-321-9986

Stock Market Club

The AU Stock Market Club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am at the Midland Park VFW Hall.

Chair: Frank Nusspickel, 201-739-5773

Co-chair: Steve Klein, 201-264-1654

Stock Picking Contest

The monthly winner is Bob Dauer with an increase of 14.1% month to month.

Richard Bogdan continues to lead for the year with a profit of over \$124,000.

Chair: John Abrahamsen, 201-739-8589

No meetings scheduled for November.

Technology & Computer

Chair: John: Abrahamsen, 201-739-8589

Co- Chair: Fred Theile, 201-981-1801

Care and Concern



Activities Unlimited Care and Concern Report for October 2025

Activities Unlimited Care and Concern Report for November 2025 Newsletter:

During the month of October 2025, the Care and Concern Committee sent out these cards: 1 Condolence, 1 Congratulation, and 1 Thank You.

A Suggestion and Request from the Care and Concern Committee:

It has seemed that a few AU members have let us know about the joys and concerns **in their own lives**. However, more AU members are quick to let us know about the joys and concerns **of other members**. So, please let us know when we can send a message of support to someone you know in our club. And, if you prefer, we will keep your name anonymous.

Trips and Tours Event

On October 2nd, 38 AU members and their spouses joined a bus trip to visit the world's second-largest Hindu religious and cultural center in Robbinsville, NJ.

The sheer size and beauty of the BAPS Swaminarayan Akshardham left the group in awe, and many expressed a desire to return and fully experience all that the site has to offer. A delicious lunch followed at a local Italian restaurant.



Annual Breakfast and General Meeting

On October 14, more than 90 of our members gathered at the Brick House in Wyckoff for a delicious hot breakfast and the October General Meeting. Our President, Tom Donch, served as master of ceremonies and expressed his gratitude to the members for their support during his term as President in 2025.



Dedication of the G. Thomas Donch Nature Preserve

Our president, Tom Donch, was recently honored for his work when he was mayor of Franklin Lakes. He led the effort for the Borough of Franklin Lakes to purchase the Old Haldon Reservoir property and preserve it as a park.
tomdonch280@gmail.com



AU November Birthdays

We are not aging, we are ripening to perfection.



Stephen Joern

Scott Japko

Richard Lane

Richard Burns

Richard Lutz

Elliot Richmond

Gabriel Cariff

Frank Czelusta

Marty Gurian

Philip Curtiss

James Deaver

Tom Butler

Terrence Smith

Grandon Voorhis

Avi Friede

Domenic DeVincenzi

AVI FRIEDE

Skip Tietjen

Jeffrey Friedman

Dan Yandrsevich

Stanley Zietek

Edmund Zelhof

Keep Smiling



YOU SHOULD BE ASKING YOURSELF, HOW CAN THIS NOT WORK? PEOPLE LOVE FREE STUFF

