



Activities Unlimited

September General Meeting

Tuesday September 9, at 1:00pm
Wyckoff Reformed Church, Heneveld Hall

August is finished and we head into September, a busy season for all. Vacations for most are over, school is reopen, many of our club activities will pick up speed. While you are out and about driving, please drive carefully as all school kids will be out there going to and from school.

During August there were some very exciting Club activities available. I do hope you took advantage of the Wine Tasting planned by Tom Van Lenten and crew and hosted by Total Wines. Also, Dennis LaBarbera had a well-attended Investment Club meeting. In our Newsletter you will see pictures and captions of both events.

We will be resuming our Board Meeting and the General Meeting on September 9th in Heneveld Hall. We will have an Antique Road Show program, and I am sure you will not want to miss this presentation.

We will be electing new Officers for the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee has been speaking to some of you and if you have an interest in serving and have not been contacted please let Harry Bennett know and he will pass your name on to the Committee.

The AU Annual Social will be held on September 18th at the Upper Ridgewood Tennis Club. The October General meeting will be at the Brickhouse for Our Annual Breakfast. Please always check the Web site for our Newsletter and Calendar. There you will be able to see all Club Activities and Events.

Tom Donch, President



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2025 OFFICERS



Tom Donch
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201-774-8608

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Assistant Treasurer
201-738-8323

Activities Unlimited is pleased to announce a special event at our next General Meeting, September 9th.

Do you have antique coins, stamps, baseball cards or comic books? At our next General Meeting, we will be hosting antiques professional, Victor Lo Boe. Mr. Lo Boe will give us a presentation on the history of collectibles followed by on-site inspection and appraisal of your cherished collectibles.

This promises to be a fun event open to all AU members, wives and guests.

Welcome New Members			
Norm Barouch (Laurie)	55 Fisher Rd Mahwah, NJ 07430	Pickle Ball, Stock Club, Tennis	C: 201-925-8211 nwbarouch@gmail.com (Business Owner)
William T. Burdick (Donna)	26 Indian Valley Road Ramsey, NJ 07446	Book, Discussion, Golf, History, Investment, Luncheon, Stock Club	C: 201-669-6676 Golfburd@aol.com (Estate Management)
Zach Orden Dr. (Stacey)	29 Spring Wolf Trail Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417	Pickle Ball	C: 201-739-9878 drzacho@msn.com (Dentist)



Trips & Tours

The next T&T meeting will be on September 9,
after the General Meeting
Chair: Tom Van Lenten: 201-248-7207

Upcoming Events – Fall 2025

September 16, Second Golf Outing, Apple Green Golf Club, organized by the AU Golf Club. See page 7 for details.

Thursday, September 18, Annual Social, 6 pm to 9 pm at the Upper Ridgewood Tennis Club, 915 Glenview Road, Ridgewood, NJ. This event has become a very popular Fall activity. We are looking forward to our new members joining us as it is a great way for them and their wives /significant others) to meet everyone in a casual social environment. See flyer on page 8 for details.

Sunday, September 21, 3:00 pm at the Mayo Performing Arts Center, Morristown NJ. The concert features three beloved musical groups that created early R&B and Rock and Roll sound; The Platters, The Coasters, and the Classic Drifters. .

Thursday, October 2, Tour of Swaminarayan Temple, the second largest Hindu mandir (place of worship) in the world with breathtaking architecture and gardens. Built by 12,500 volunteers in 2011-2023. Located in Robbinsville, NJ. Bus transportation provided. After tour, lunch at Villa Barone, Robbinsville NJ 08691. Cost \$80pp including bus & lunch.. Mail check to Tom Van Lenten, 102 Walnut St. Mahwah, NJ. See flyer on page 9 for details.

Tuesday, October 14, AU Member Breakfast, Brick House, Executive Board Sponsored event. Hot buffet breakfast served. Doors open at 8:30 am. The Board approved the \$20pp price; with Members paying \$25pp at the door.

Monday, December 8, Christmas Dinner Dance, Seasons. Washington Township, NJ. See page 10 for details. Mail check to Bill Mastelon, 101E. Oak St. Unit G 6, Oakland NJ, 07436.

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

Book Club

The Book Club will be meeting on Wednesday September 24th @ 10 am in the Memorial Room at the Wyckoff Reformed Church. Members are asked to submit book recommendations for the coming year to gregg.krieger@gmail.com. At the meeting, the recommendations will be reviewed and selections will be made for the October and November meetings.

Chair: Greg Kreiger

Bowling Club

Bowling will resume on September 26.

Chair: Scott Japko, 201-788-5516

History Club

Tuesday September 23rd, VFW building. Our speaker will be Tony Mastandrea who will talk about: "Iconic Major League Ball Parks of the Past". There are some 50-60 baseball parks that have been "brought down," "destroyed" seen their "final inning" for highways, housing developments, malls, parking lots, airports, and in one case, a zoo.

Tony will talk about ones that he visited including but not limited to Ebbets Field, the Polo Grounds, ones in Atlanta and San Francisco. This will be a typical "Tony" presentation, full of facts and humor. As usual Tony will be giving out prizes to some lucky individuals.

Chair: Joe Pullaro-201-337-0018;

Co-Chair: Steve Joern

Current Month Club Activities (cont.)

Investment Study Group

The ISG meets 6-8 times annually on first Tuesdays of the month and offers investor education to AU members. All are welcome to attend.

Chair: Dennis LaBarbera, 561-222-1027

Co-Chair: Fred Theile, 201-981-1800

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, kenfrisco@aol.com

Co-Chair: Timothy Tracey, tdt375@gmail.com

Photography Club

There is no Photography Club meeting in September.

Chair: Murray Perl, 201-261-7276

Public Discussion Club

Next meeting is Sept. 10. Topics:

-Should the Ukraine-Russia conflict end by Ukraine ceding territory;

-The President has declared 10 "National Emergencies". Is National Guard to DC a step too far?

-I the redistricting effort a "race to the bottom."

Chair Walter Widmer.

Co-Chair: Tom Butler

Science Club

The next meeting of the Science Club will be on September 16 at 1pm at the Midland Park VFW. The speaker will be Sasha Jacobs. She will be discussing the Science of Pilates. Sasha is a graduate of Ramapo College and is a Certified Pilates Instructor.

Safe Shooting Club

The next meeting will be on September 24. Safe shooting club will have an off site shooting in September.

Chair: David Hubschmitt, 973-650-0052

Current Month Club Activities (cont.)

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 result for each contestant of the Stock Picking Contest will be emailed to the contestants the first week of the month. The winner for September with an increase of 16% is **Gabriel Carifi**

Chair: John Abrahamsen, 201-739-8589

Technology & Computer Club

At each meeting Fred Theile presents videos on exciting new advances in technology.

During the second half of the meeting John Abrahamsen will deliver a presentation fabricated by the **AI Copilot** for him. On Tuesday the 2nd, the 5 most important functions (apps) you need to know on the **ANDROID** cellphone. On Tuesday the 16th, the 5 most important functions (aps) you need to know on the **iPHONE** cellphone.

Chair: John: Abrahamsen
Co- Chair: Fred Theile

Gardening Club

Garden Club Meetings are currently on hold.

Chair: Fred Theile, 201-891-1801

SOLD OUT **Waiting List is Available**

AU SOCIAL

When: Thursday September 18, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Upper Ridgewood Tennis Club
915 Glenview Road, Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Attire: Business Casual

Event: A social gathering where old and new friends can converse, share stories, reminisce, and plan for the future in a beautiful venue while enjoying delicious food and drinks. It's an excellent opportunity for new members to meet others and learn about AU.

Menu: An assortment of fine wines, served hors d'oeuvres, a buffet, along with coffee, tea, and desserts.

Cost: \$45 per person



This Event Sells Out Quickly—Limit is 80

Mail reservation to: Mark Cohen, 26 Winding Ridge, Oakland, NJ 07436
Make check payable to: Activities Unlimited

Waiting List Cut Off 9/2/2025
Sold Out
Cancel Full Refund 9/8/2025

AU Member Last Name	First Name	Phone	Email
Guest Last Name	First Name	Phone	Email

Committee	Joseph Pullaro 201-337-0018 JosephPullaro@hotmail.com	Mark Cohen 201-755-5100 mark.cohen6222@gmail.com	John Murphy 201-723-4404 Deltsdp69@aol.com
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AU Golf Outing

This exciting fall classic AU golf outing will be held at scenic Apple Greens Golf Course on September 16, 2025. The tee time is 10 o'clock. Ripe apples should be ready for picking if you so desire. Sources rave about delicious apple pies they have made from the crisp sweetness of these New York State mountainside apples. Apple Green Golf Course is located at 161 South St., Highland, NY. No breakfast will be offered due to the later tee time but a lunch of Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and fixings will follow the play,

Send your \$90 check payable to Activities Unlimited to Doug Cooper as instructed below by September 6, 2025:

Douglas Cooper, 15 David Alan Way, Montville, NJ 07045 Doug's Contact info is

deoop1025@yahoo.com or 908-907-1112

Rules of Play

We will be scoring a different way for this outing. You can select a partner but the Outing Chairmen will match you with a second partner set. Objective is to balance out the competition.

1. We are playing a scramble. All team members tee off on each hole and then decide which tee shot they like the best and mark the spot with a tee or ball marker. The other team members pick up their balls and place them within one club length (no closer to the hole) of the marked spot.

The ball must be putted into the hole. The AU rule of inside the leather does not apply today!!

2. One completed score card from each team will be submitted to Jim Atieh or his designate. The winners will be determined by a composite score for four holes (Predetermined but known only to the Outing Chairmen). In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the addition of preselected additional holes until the tie is broken.

3. All tee shots are from the gold tees.

4. Each foursome must use at least 3 drives from each golfer in the foursome.

5. Threesomes are entitled to take four strokes on each shot played. They will rotate among themselves to determine who will take a second stroke on each shot played.

6. Golfers are NOT entitled to one optional "breakfast ball" on the first hole.

7. If the ball comes to rest in casual water, it may be moved without penalty to the nearest point of dry ground relief and no closer to the hole.

8. If there is any questions or disputes about play, the decision of the Outing Chairmen will be final.

Tour the Second Largest Hindu Temple In the world Swaminarayan Akshardham

Robbinsville NJ (South Jersey), NJ Turnpike Exit 8

Date: October 2, 2025



**Optional Free One hour Guided Tour of Temple Campus
Optional Cafeteria with Authentic Indian Food**

Bus departs from "Wyckoff Y" at 8:15am

Spouses & Significant Others Welcome

Total cost of \$80pp includes bus and lunch at Villa Barone Italian restaurant.

Bus from Temple to Villa Barone Italian Restaurant (10 Minute Drive)

Please make checks payable to: Activities Unlimited, mail to:

Tom Van Lenten, 102 Walnut Street, Mahwah, 07430

Checks must be received by September 18, 2025.

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**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 (AMAZING) – Hors D’oeuvres & Open Bar – 5:30 PM—6:45 PM

Dinner (OUTSTANDING) – Choice of Entrée & Open Bar – 6:45 PM—9:30 PM.

Choice of Beef, Chicken or Fish with Salad and Desert

Dance and Socialize to Smooth and Easy Listening music by Peter Lieberman

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**

Please—Do not send checks until **9/22/2025**

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.

Picture Highlights

Wine Tasting at Total Wines

On August 14 about forty AU members sampled select wines from Latin America, specifically Argentina and Chile. In addition to great wines the palats of the attendees were treated to Jersey Mikes Subs and Uncle Giusepp's gourmet Italian cookies. To cap off a great evening a Latin America Wine Trivia contest was held.



Investment Study Group

The Investment Study Group met on August 5 at the VFW in Midland Park. The topic discussed was the tax bill passed by Congress and signed into law earlier this year.

The guest speakers were Kelly Henning, CFP and Michael Gibney, CFP both from the investment management and financial planning firm Modera Wealth in Westwood.

The speakers gave the 35 attendees insight into how the changes made by the bill could impact investments and estate planning going forward. They were also able to answer the many questions from our members and were gracious to provide lunch as well.



Care and Concern



Activities Unlimited Care and Concern Report for September 2025

During the month of August 2025, the Care and Concern Committee sent out these cards: 4 Get Well, 1 Thank You, and 4 Condolences.

Please let us know if we have missed any occasion of joy or concern by contacting John Toth at johntoth52@hotmail.com.

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.

AU September Birthdays

We are not aging, we are ripening to perfection.



Tom Donch

William Balcerski

Ernest Barbaris

Saverio Costa

Charles Dye

Tony Celeste

Richard Hensch

James Forbes

Lowell Brooks

Edward Foldessy

Edmund Houlihan

Alex Moleski

William Layfield

Michael Murphy

Joseph Luongo

James Cancelosi

Roy Peppard

Roland Pasquariello

Rick Sneyers

Ralph Torracco

Cornelius Sullivan

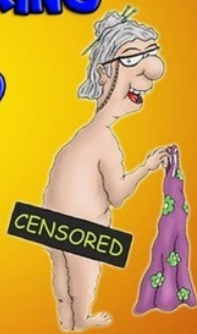
Jack Yurasek

Jim Webb

Keep Smiling



AT MY AGE "GETTING LUCKY" MEANS WALKING INTO A ROOM AND REMEMBERING WHAT I CAME IN FOR.



I'm confused how a cemetery can raise its funeral prices and blame it on the cost of living