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Happy
New
Year



Programs For Our Upcoming Meetings

Jan. 6	Breakfast Get Together (Wives, Significant Others, Girl Friends Invited)
Jan. 13	Steve Smith, Exec. Dir. SRPEDD "Planning & Economic Dev. In Mass."
Jan. 20	Jodie Sweezey, Jodie's Place, Inc "Men's Club 2009 Travel Plans" (Thanks to Bernie Rosenthal for this speaker)
Jan. 27	Brian Smith, Edward Jones Co. "The Economy and the Stock Market"
Feb. 3	Breakfast Get Together (Wives, Significant Others, Girl Friends Invited)
Feb. 10	Howard Brown, H & R Block "Tax Information for Retirees" (Thanks to Jerry Greenblatt for this speaker)
Feb. 17	Stoughton Serenaders Chorus Helyne Hall, Director (Thanks to Jerry Miller for this program)
Feb. 24	Brett MacGowan, Sharon Recreation Director "Recreation Dept. Activities"

**A WINTER REMINDER - IF THERE IS NO SCHOOL IN SHARON,
THERE WILL BE NO MEN'S CLUB MEETING ON THAT DAY**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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I would like to wish everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year.

As I sit at my computer, I realize that six months have passed since I was elected president of our club. How time flies when you are having fun! All your committees have been burning the midnight oil to bring you great programs for this new year.

Shortly you will be receiving information on how you will be able to participate in these programs. We plan to have this new year filled with excitement and surprises.

Sid Hurwitz

Recent Meeting Photos



If you know of a club member or a member of his family who has become ill, or the death of a member or a member of his family, please contact **Marty Woolf** at **(781) 784-7826**. He is in charge of sending a Get Well or Condolence Card to the member or his family. The Club also sends a fruit basket to a Men's Club member's family after his passing.

Get Well wishes to **Marty Sidell** and **Sumner Atran**.

Ongoing Activities of the Sharon Men's Club

CRIBBAGE GROUP, led by **Sumner Atran**, plays on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. at the SHARON ADULT CENTER.

WHIST CLUB, led by **George Kostick**, plays on Fridays at 1:00 p.m. at the SHARON ADULT CENTER.

CHESS GROUP led by **Bill Appel**. Check with Bill for the time and location.

BILLIARDS led by **Al Ferrin** - 2nd and 4th Tuesday from approx. 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the SHARON ADULT CENTER.

DISCUSSION GROUP, led by **Bill Appel**, meets on the 4th Thursday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the SHARON ADULT CENTER.

CHORAL GROUP, led by **Bud Adler**, meets every Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. at the Sharon Community Center on the second floor.

GOLF GROUP, led by **Paul Berger**, plays golf on Wednesdays subject to the weather conditions.

TENNIS GROUP, led by **Bill Appel** and **Ed Neiterman**, Emeritus.

SMC INVESTMENT ASSOCIATES meets on the last Tuesday of the month at the SHARON ADULT CENTER. Any member of the Men's Club is welcome to attend as a guest. **Dave Berger** is president of the Sharon Men's Club Investment Associates

Sharon Men's Club Profile Of The Month

ARNOLD KUBLIN – COMMUNITY LEADER

Arnold was born in Boston on July 7, 1930 and is the youngest of seven siblings. He is a “DRM” baby, having lived in Dorchester, Roxbury and Mattapan. He graduated from Boston English High School in 1947. In 1948, while attending Suffolk University, Arnold enlisted in the Army National Guard as a member of the 101st Field Artillery Group. After going to college taking day and night courses, he graduated in 1951 with a degree in Business Management.

He became a civilian employee of the Mass. National Guard and became Adjutant of the Mass. Military Academy Training Facility of the Guard. Ironically, his office was at the Boston Latin School where he worked from 1952 to 1957. (*Ed. He didn't let them know that he was a Boston English High School graduate.*) Arnold went into “The Guard” as a Private and retired as a Captain.

In 1957, he joined the Bernat Yarn Company as office manager at their Jamaica Plain facility. He then became office manager of Garland Knitting Mills in Brockton where the company manufactured sweaters of all kinds. He established personnel departments for the Brockton plant and also Garland's mills in Georgia and South Carolina. He became Director of Personnel for the City of Newton from 1973 through 1974. In 1975, Arnold became Director of Human Resources at the Monét Jewelry Manufacturing Co. of Providence, RI, a subsidiary of General Mills. He was active with the company until he retired in 1995.

Arnold and his wife, Enid, were married in 1951 and have two sons, Jay and Barry. They have also been blessed with four grandchildren – two boys and two girls.

One month after retiring, he walked into the Sharon Council on Aging and said he was looking for ways to keep busy. “I didn't know what I was going to do, but I knew I wasn't going to sit home,” he said. “I enjoy the interaction with people.” Thirteen years later, he is just as busy as he was working full time. He began his community volunteer work in the SHINE program (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders), a state-sponsored program that trains volunteers to explain to seniors all their different health insurance options – especially Medicare, the federal program for people 65 and older and disabled people of all ages. He is a certified SHINE Counselor. He is also a state-certified Ombudsman performing consumer advocacy services for residents of nursing homes. Arnold served for 13 years as Chairman of the Council on Aging, is a Commissioner of the Sharon Housing Authority and a member of the Advisory Board of HESSCO, a regional agency that receives state and federal funds to provide a variety of home care services in 12 communities. He is also the recipient of the DOVE Award (Devoted, Outstanding Volunteers to Elders), the highest honor that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts awards to its volunteers.

Arnold has been instrumental in having the Sharon Adult Center become part of the Sharon Community Center. He toiled for many years to accomplish this gigantic goal. He had led the team who tried to have a stand-alone Senior Center built on the old Sacred Heart School property on East Foxboro Street which was defeated by Town Meeting.

As the saying goes – “if you want to get a job done, give it to a busy person.” Arnold has been that person since 1995. (*Ed. – Oh, by the way, I forgot to mention that he is also on the Board of the New England Sinai Hospital.*)

The Sharon Men's Club has been fortunate to have Arnold as a member and also the chairman of our Theatre and Pops Concert Committee for many years. Norma Fitzgerald, director of the Sharon Council on Aging knew that she had a real find when Arnold showed up in January 1995 and the club has had the good fortune to be in the same position. Thank you, Arnold. May you continue to go from “strength to strength.”



SHARON ADULT CENTER & COUNCIL ON AGING

NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Reminders:

Please read the December-January edition of *The View*. It is full of many more exciting programs and other important information. Some special or new items include:

- ✓ An **Open Mic Night & Coffee House** at the Adult Center on **Thursday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m.** is planned as the “official opening” for “Winter Festival for the Arts,” a new exhibit by art students from Sharon High School. This is an *intergenerational event* and should be a lot of fun. Please **RSVP by Jan. 5** if possible as seating is limited. We already have a journalist, a Morse code specialist, and a retired teacher signed up for the series. You do not have to have a “specialty” to be a participant.
- ✓ The Adult Center is featuring a series of Brown Bag lunches with town officials. Please join us on **Friday, January 9 at noon** to chat with Sid Rosenthal, chair of the Sharon Commission on Disabilities - we supply drinks and dessert. Please **RSVP** for seating and/or transportation by **January 6**. We would like a nice turnout for Sid whose commission has been doing wonderful things for Sharon.
- ✓ If you are eligible for the **Senior Circuit Breaker**, you should make sure that you have filed for your 2005 refund or credit from Dept. of Revenue – **before the end of 2008**. You can file after January 1 for years 2006-2008.

✓ Show and Tell:

Communicating Across the Generations on **Wednesday, January 7 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**
RSVP date: January 5.

Do you “twitter”? If not, would you like to know how? Have your grandchildren ever played a record or tapped a typewriter? The Sharon Adult Center and the Sharon Public Schools Community Service Learning Program is looking for participants willing to share knowledge and experience about modes of communication across the generations with Middle School students. In addition, students will share the newest technology with seniors (web cams, text messaging, downloading pictures and videos, iPods, MP3 players, You Tube, etc.) There will be five sessions at either the Adult Center or the Middle School, all sessions from **1:30 - 2:30 p.m.** This initial meeting at the Adult Center will be a planning/brainstorming session with seniors and Middle School students to determine what areas of technology and communication you are interested in exploring.

Additional dates: **Monday, January 26; Wednesday, February 11; Monday, March 16; and Monday, April 27.** Attendance at all five sessions is preferred.

*Wishing all of the Sharon Men's Club members and their families
A happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.*

Norma

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Joseph Bennett	January 1	Joseph Boise	January 12	Harvey Tobolsky	January 19
Sumner Saxe	January 1	Ivan Kirsch	January 12	Milton Zola	January 20
Bill Morgan	January 3	Robert Summerfield	January 13	Richard Gardner	January 23
Gus Kellman	January 4	Lester Lyons	January 15	Alex Stagman	January 25
Herbert Silverman	January 5	Marshall Grosberg	January 16	Nathan Bluestein	January 26
Joel Slarve	January 5	Allen Miller	January 16	Morris Casso	January 29
Irving Chait	January 6	Jack Gould	January 17	Melvin Golder	January 31
Stephen Arnold	January 12				

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Phil Chapman on his marriage to Carol Neitlich.

Sam Kane on his seventh great-grandchild Jackson Stein.

Alida and Harris Cohen celebrating their 60th wedding Anniversary.

The Sharon Men's Club welcomes into our club Harvey S. Tobolsky and his wife Mildred



The Sharon Men's Club Investment Associates posed for this picture before the stock market went crazy a few weeks ago. Associates are Joe Beberman, Stan Bello, Dave Berger, Ted Blank, Mel Brenner, Dale Bromfield, Elliott Fishman, Wally Heller, Reuben Herman, Sid Hurwitz, Stanley Marshall, Stanley Miller, Bill Morgan, Dick Mould, Manny Press, Herb Snyder, Richard Waterhouse and Michael Yawitch.



POOL TIME AT THE ADULT CENTER

Harold Cohen and Bud Adler had some fun in the Pool Room at the Sharon Adult Center. Club members enjoy the sport on Tuesdays after our weekly meetings.

RECENT PROGRAMS AT THE SHARON MEN'S CLUB



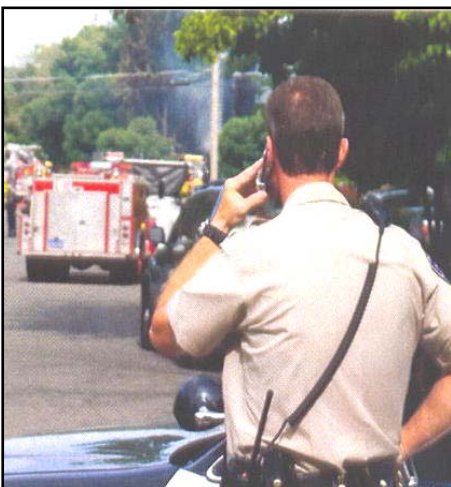
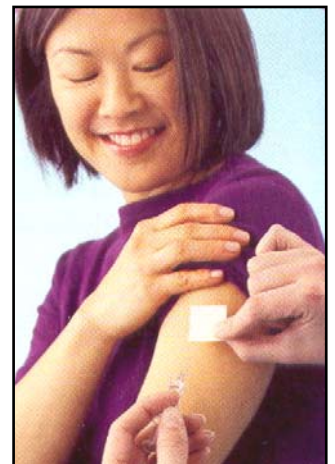
Phyllis Bernstein, President of the Sharon Rotary Club, was our guest speaker at our meeting of November 18. She told us about the International Rotary Club's "Shelter Box USA" project which provides a family of up to 10 people enough equipment and supplies to survive a disaster for at least six months. She brought a Shelter Box with her and described its contents. Each complete Shelter Box and its total contents cost \$1000. Donations, in any amount, towards this humanitarian program should be



sent to: **ShelterBoxUSA c/o Sharon Rotary Club, P.O. Box 534, Sharon MA 02067.**



Sheila Miller, Public Health Nurse for the Town of Sharon, was our guest speaker at our meeting on November 25. She spoke about the ways to reduce the risk of getting the flu, and how to recognize its symptoms. She explained that the best way to prevent seasonal flu is get vaccinated each year. Ms. Miller was accompanied by Nina Getzoyan and Jana Kelly, both Nursing Students at Curry College. She also provided us with printed information about the flu and was available to give flu shots to those members who had not yet received theirs.



Norfolk County District Attorney William "Bill" Keating, Jr. was guest speaker at our meeting on December 16. He talked about the responsibilities of his office and about his campaign to educate everyone about the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder problems of Vietnam and Iraq War veterans who get in trouble with the law. He explained how PTSD is being brought into the lives of soldiers and their families who have served multiple tours in Iraq. He



distributed a DVD about PTSD and another titled "Beyond The Yellow Ribbons-PTSD & Veterans". Additional copies are available through his office.

DISCUSSION TIME WITH D.A. "BILL" KEATING



If you would like to participate in the activities of the Sharon Men's Club, here are the people to contact and their telephone numbers. Remember, there is always something doing to keep you active in our club.



<i>ACTIVITY:</i>	<i>NAME:</i>	<i>PHONE NUMBER:</i>
Weekly Guest Speakers	Jim Heller	(781) 784-7047
Theatre	Arnold Kublin	(781) 784-3657
Trips/Travel	Bernie Rosenthal – Co-Chair.	(508) 660-9102
	Sid Hurwitz – Co- Chair	(781) 961-3811
	Harold Cohen	(508) 238-5358
	Marty Sidell	(508) 238-0364
	Ed Schwartz	(508) 668-8444
Breakfast	Fred Kaplan	(781) 963-1955
Luncheons (Co-chairs)	Marty Sidell	(508) 238-0364
	Irving Kniager	(781) 784-3530
	Sid Hurwitz	(781) 961-3811
Choral	Bud Adler	(781) 784-3834
Whist	Dave Berger	(781) 784-6447
Cribbage	Sumner Atran	(781) 341-2911
Drama/Chess/Discussion	Bill Appel	(781) 784-5133
Telephone Squad	Stanley Goldstone	(781) 344-7697
Raffle/Pool	AI Ferrin	(781)-963-0993
Fuller Crafts Museum	Stephen Arnold	(508) 238-0567
Investment Club	Dave Berger	(781) 784-6447

Receive our newsletter via email every month. Email your request to Newsletter Editor Harris Cohen at tzvi2@verizon.net. He can be reached by phone at (781) 784-5121.

If you wish to receive a copy of our newsletter by mail each month, send your request to Harris Cohen, 12 Marie Avenue, Sharon, MA 02067-2543 and include at least four #10 self addressed envelopes with a 42 cent stamp on each envelope. You will receive your newsletter just before the beginning of each month.

2009 Sharon Men's Club Trips & Events

APRIL – SPECIAL BREAKFAST WITH ENTERTAINMENT & SURPRISES



DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 21

PRICE: \$5.00 PP

PLACE: SHARON COMMUNITY CENTER

MAY – MOHEGAN SUN CASINO

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 7

PRICE: \$20.00 PP

BUS DEPARTS 9:00 A.M.



MAY – MAINE LOBSTERBAKE AT THE CLAMBAKE RESTAURANT - SCARBOROUGH, MAINE

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

PRICE: \$50.00 PP

BUS DEPARTS 8:30 A.M.

(There will only be two busses for this trip)

OFFICERS LUNCHEON

DATE: - THURSDAY, JUNE 4

JUNE – INSTALLATION OF



JULY – TALL SHIPS – BOSTON

DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 10

PRICE: \$72.00 PP

BUS DEPARTS 12:45 P.M.

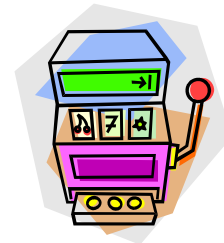
(There will only be two busses for this trip)

AUGUST – FOXWOODS CASINO

DATE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

PRICE: \$20.00 PP

BUS DEPARTS 9:00 A.M.



(For additional trip information, get a flyer of the trip from the Travel Committee)

Please contact a member of our Travel Committee for more information:

Bernie Rosenthal	(508) 660-9102	Harold Cohen	(508) 238-5358
Sid Hurwitz	(781) 961-3811	Ed Schwartz	(508) 668-8444
Marty Sidell	(508) 238-0364		



Arnold Kublin is in charge of our Theatre Trips and the Boston Pops program. He will have information on the shows and Pops during the month of January at our meetings and they will also be in the February issue of the Men's Club Newsletter.