



Williams Club Newsletter

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SOCIAL

Third Annual Cigar Dinner

Tuesday, April 21st

6:30 PM cocktails, 7:00 PM dinner.

Price is \$65 plus surcharge and tax.

Tonight the Williams Club is proud to present it's Third Annual Cigar Dinner in the Grill Room. The evening will start off with an open bar reception showcasing Single Malt Scotches, Executive Chef Christopher James' hot and cold canapés, and a selection of five cigars given to each participant. Following the reception will be a four course gourmet dinner with accompanying wines. The menu is as follows:

- Pan Seared Monkfish Tapenade with Grilled Shrimp
- Organic Mesclun Salad with Roast Asparagus and Parma Ham, Pepper Coulis
- Individual Beef Wellington in Truffle Sauce
- Espresso Creme Brulee with Chocolate Crepe

The evening will also include a free raffle for specialty cigars. Seating is limited, so please call early to reserve your spot.

WCLB 101: Young Alumni/ae, India and the Happiest Hour

Wednesday April 8th from 6:00 to 9:00 PM

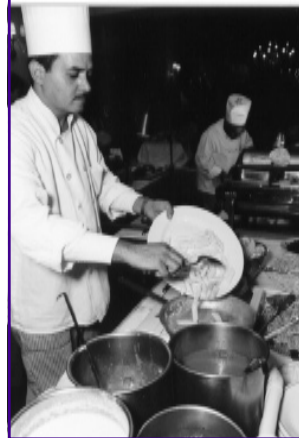
Price is gratis, all Williams alumni/ae and guests welcome.

Come explore the cuisine of India at the April meeting of this informal, monthly self-taught seminar. As usual a complementary buffet, drink specials and dollar draft beers will be provided. Participation and social activity is strongly encouraged. No prior experience or prerequisites necessary. Registration is not required, but appreciated.

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Catering Department Open House



Tours of the Club
Hors d'oeuvres
sampling
Preview the
New Banquet Menus

Wednesday, April 29th from
6:00 to 8:00 PM

See page 6 for more info.

SPECIAL OUTING!

New York Yankees vs. the Seattle Mariners

Wednesday, April 29th at 7:30 PM

Meet outside the Stadium at Home Plate
by the Giant Bat at 7:00 PM.

Tickets are \$28 each.



The rivalry between the Seattle Mariners and the New York Yankees in the 1990's has proved to be one of the most exciting matchups in all of baseball. The Williams Club has blocked off a group of field level seats for this first meeting between the two powerhouses in the 1998 season. If you're a baseball fan, this is a game you don't want to miss. Tickets are limited, so please call early.

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An Evening on Ice:

The Campbell's Soup Champions on Ice

Friday, May 15th

Dinner at 6:00 PM, Show at 8:00 PM

Price is \$80 per person inclusive of ticket, dinner and transportation to the Garden.

See all your favorites from the 1998 and 1994 Olympic Games when they come to town for one night only this Spring. All three women's and men's medalists will be performing LIVE to dazzle you with their jumps, spins and spectacular moves. The amazing line-up includes: Tara Lipinski, Michelle Kwan, Chen Lu, Elvis Stojko, Ilya Kulik, Philippe Candeloro, Oksana Baiul, Viktor Petrenko, Nicole Bobek, Surya Bonaly, Alexei Urmanov and many more. There are only a select number of tickets available, so please call early to reserve.



Secretaries Day Buffet

Wednesday, April 22nd

Price is \$21 plus surcharge and tax.

The Williams Club welcomes you to honor and show your appreciation for your secretary by bringing him/her to today's special buffet in the Dining Room. Please call the Front Desk for reservations.

LECTURES

ZAGATLECTURE

Wednesday, April 8th

6:30 PM Reception, 7:00 PM Lecture

\$15 for members, \$30 for non-members and guests inclusive.

The Zagat's Restaurant guides are the most well-known and most trusted guides of their kind. Come hear Tim and Nina Zagat talk about what's hot and new in the restaurant world from Paris to New York. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and soda. Seating is limited, so please reserve early. Co-Sponsored by the Vassar Club of New York.

George Plimpton

Thursday, April 23rd at 6:00 PM

Price is \$40 per person for the dinner; the lecture is gratis.

The Cornell Club
(6 East 44th Street)



Mr. George Plimpton, a true man for all seasons, will share his fascinating life-long achievements, including a discussion of his new book *Truman Capote*. Mr. Plimpton's career is an example of "doing it all" with accomplishments in the literary, acting and sports worlds. He is author of *The Paris Review* and the author of over 25 books. Plimpton's screen credits include *Nixon*, *Reds* and the current hit *Good Will Hunting*. His sports career includes stints with the Detroit Lions, the Boston Bruins, the New York Yankees and a bout with

Archie Moore. The evening will begin at 6:00 PM with a cash bar reception followed by the lecture. There will also be an optional dinner after the lecture. Please reserve by April 17th.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Bridging New York Private Tour

At the Museum of the City of New York

Sunday, April 26th at 3:30 PM

1220 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street

Price is \$10 per person, inclusive.



New York boasts 2027 bridges that span waterways and land within and between the City's five boroughs. For New York's artists, bridges became appealing subjects and simultaneously provided new vantage points from which to depict the growing City. *Bridging New York* explores the crucial role played by bridges in the creation of Greater New York City 100 years ago. Paintings, prints, drawings, post cards, and vintage photographs

from the Museum's collection will be featured, along with paintings from the artist Bascope's contemporary series of New York City bridges. Club members will be given a private tour of the exhibit by the Collections Associate and organizer of the exhibit, Barbara Buff.

Central Park Tour

Saturday, May 2nd at 1:00 PM

Meet at the Northwest corner of 66th Street & Central Park West

Price is \$12 per person.

As the Spring moves on and summer beckons, it is time to

go outside! Seth Kamil of Big Onion Walking Tours will lead us on a tour of this famous park. New York's collective backyard is actually the largest work of art in the city. Designed by Olmstead and Vaux as a place of spiritual uplift, today New Yorkers use it for much more. Stops include: the Ramble, Seneca Village, the Bow Bridge, Belvedere Castle and Robert Moses' smallest but greatest defeat. The tour will be held rain or shine.

Art Tour: Fernand Legér at The Museum of Modern Art

Saturday, May 3rd at 12 noon.

Meeting place is the Edward Noble Education Center,
18 West 54th Street (between 5th & 6th Avenues).

Price is \$25 per person

"I am the witness of my time," said French painter Fernand Legér (1881-1955), and this exhibition of more than 80 paintings and drawings intends to prove it. Known in Art 101 classrooms as an avatar of hard-edged cubism, Legér was also a prolific chronicler of everyday French life, as well as a traverser of painting styles from full-blown abstraction to social realism. Amazingly, this is the first major survey of Legér's work to be shown in New York in more than 40 years. Club members are invited to attend this fabulous afternoon that includes a private lecture tour by a museum expert. Sponsored by the Penn Club. Please reserve by Tuesday, April 29th



Gershwin Birthday Celebration

Wednesday, April 8th at 8:00 PM

The Yale Club

(50 Vanderbilt Ave.)

Price is \$10 per person.



Join other interclub members for in the Yale Club's Main Lounge for a celebration of the music of George Gershwin on his 100th birthday. The event will feature leading performers of the Broadway and classical scenes: Steve Ross, Catherine Wilson and Rosemary Loar. A cash bar will be available for members and their guests.

Have friends interested in joining the
Williams Club?

Alumni/ae from over 50 colleges and universities are eligible to join. Call Terry Kennedy, the Membership Manager or request a membership application online at the Williams Club website:

<http://www.williamsclub.org>

Film & Brew: *The Full Monty*

Tuesday, April 21st.

Brew at 6:30 PM, Film at 7:00 PM

Cornell Club

(6 East 44th Street)

Price is \$2 in advance, \$5 at the door.

A fun filled movie about a group of out of work men who hatch a plan to launch a striptease act in order to earn some much needed money. With boundless determination and well meaning choreography they're soon dancing up a storm. Come see this nominee for this year's Best Picture Oscar on the Cornell Club's brand new jumbo-screen TV.

The Great Gilly Hopkins at The New Victory Theater and Lunch

Saturday, April 25th; Show at 12:00 noon, Lunch at 1:30 PM

The New Victory Theater

209 West 42nd Street

Price is \$50 plus tax and gratuity on the lunch

You and your kids are invited to the fabulous new musical, *The Great Gilly Hopkins*, based on the Newbury Award-winning book by Katherine Paterson, one of the best selling children authors of all time. The show is about the eleven-year-old Gilly and her extraordinary foster family, who help this feisty and defiant young lady find love and acceptance in a family that is not her own. Viewing this hip musical adaptation from the first six rows of the theater, you and your kids will delve into Gilly's turbulent search for her real mother and her surprising discovery of family love. Following the performance, make your way over to The Penn Club Grill Room where you will enjoy a delicious buffet lunch, complete with items for both kids and parents.

BUSINESS & CAREERS

Business School in the 90's: Needed or Not? What are Your Options?

Tuesday, April 28, 6:30 PM

Penn Club

(30 West 44th Street)

Price is \$5.00 per person

Have you thought about returning to school for an MBA? Is an MBA vital to advancing your career? Join us for a panel discussion where we'll hear from both sides of the success story; those who decided to pursue an MBA and those who did not. We'll look at which fields put a premium on a graduate business degree and explore whether an MBA is worth the cost of tuition and two years of work experience and salary. Our panelists, whose careers span all facets of business (including finance, marketing and advertising) will discuss their experiences and the role that having (or not having) those three letters after their name has had on their professional lives.

WILLIAMS ALUMNI TRAVEL

Thanks to a recent arrangement with the Society of Alumni, the Williams Club is now proud to invite its members to participate in select trips from the Williams Alumni Travel-Study Program. This year we bring you two unique trips taking place this summer. If you are interested in or have questions about either trip, please call Frank Vigorito at the Williams Club for a detailed brochure or more info. But make your reservations early! Only a small number of tickets are still available for each trip.

Iceland: The Land of Fire and Ice

July 29th to August 8th

Nowhere on our planet are nature's forces more visible. Iceland offers volcanoes, icecaps, hot springs, glaciers, geysers, lava flows and waterfalls. The island's shores range from beaches of glacial till to rugged cliffs that are home to thousands of sea birds. Here you can see where two continental plates are slowly pulling apart. What better locale for a geologist to hold forth?

Professor of Geology Bud Wobus will lead this study tour of the natural wonders of Iceland. The arrangements are in the hands of the Travel Store and Icelandair. The exclusive tour bus travels the perimeter of the island for a week, and a final day's flight takes you to the Westman Islands to visit the town which was almost enveloped by lava flow. The itinerary includes tours to incredibly unique natural phenomenon: waterfalls, black beaches, lava fields, fjords, steam jets and sulfur pits, geysers and look at a thermal area between two geysers: the fire and the ice.

The tour fee for the 11 day trip is approximately \$2,650 and includes flights from New York, Boston or DC/Baltimore. The initial and final nights are in a first class Reykjavik hotel. While on the road, accommodations are in summer hotels with private facilities. Breakfasts and dinners are also included as is all transportation in Iceland. Options during the trip are horseback riding and two short boat tours.

The Williams Club Online

WWW.WILLIAMSClub.ORG

The Latest Club Events, Up To Date Menus
Online Event Reservations,

Membership Applications, Room Rates

Whether you lost your newsletter, don't have a phone, or just need a place to surf.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

IN ADVANCE FOR ALL EVENTS UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. CALL FRANK VIGORITO AT (212) 697-5300 EXT. 208 FOR ALL RESERVATIONS AND INQUIRIES.

PLEASE NOTE: TICKETED EVENTS OUTSIDE THE CLUB, SUCH AS THE ICE SKATING SHOW AND THE YANKEES GAME ARE NON-CANCELLABLE

The Natural Treasures of Costa Rica

August 4th to 13th

Sunny and warm Costa Rica is an exotic living laboratory, offering valuable insights about ecosystems, the interaction among animals and plants and man. This Central America nation is a model for the rest of the world, having achieved a remarkable balance between the needs of man and those of the natural world.

This ten-day tour offers a splendid learning adventure for the entire family. One of the unique features of this trip is that it spans the entire isthmus of Costa Rica, from the Pacific Coast to the mountain highlands to the Atlantic Ocean. And, for children aged 8-17 there is a supervised learning experience that no classroom can touch—the Young Explorers' Program. Young people will learn to identify and track wildlife and birds. They will appreciate how a healthy ecological balance is achieved. They will be able to discuss environmental issues with their parents or grandparents. During your explorations you will visit Tortuguero National Park, the nesting grounds of the rare green sea turtle, the dry rain forest at Santa Rosa National Park and the spectacular Monteverde Rainforest. The recreational opportunities are also abundant: nature walks, horseback riding, snorkeling, swimming and bird watching. Families, couples, and individuals will all have a series of delightful experiences. There are special rates for children as well.

The Williams College educational dimension will be provided by Professors of Biology Joan Edwards and David Smith. They are married, and their pre-teen son will be with them. Both Professor Edwards and Professor Smith have done extensive research in Central America, with emphasis on plants and animals. The tour price, excluding airfare is \$3,695 for adults; for children 8-10 sharing with parents or grandparents in a triple or quad: \$1,295 per child (children 11-17: \$1,495). With some restrictions, Travel Dynamics is providing discount airfare out of New York for \$698 round trip per adult and \$538 per child. Please call for a full color brochure.

CANCELLATION POLICY

In order to ensure equitable service for all Club members, the Williams Club adheres to the following policy regarding cancellations. Event reservations may be canceled, free of charge by 5:30 PM, two working days prior to the event. Members cancelling after this time, as well as no-shows, will be charged the full cost of the event. Out of house ticketed events are non-cancelable. Advanced cancellations for free events are also appreciated. See individual event descriptions for additional restrictions.

INTER-CLUB SCENE

All-Club Mixer

Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM

Yale Club

(50 Vanderbilt Ave.)

Price is \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door cash only

This mixer has all the ingredients of a good social evening: mixed clubs, mixed ages, mixed music. Enjoy free beer, wine and soda, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres while you mix and mingle with members from the other New York clubs. Please note: to pay cash at the door, you must call to have your name put on the guest list.

12th Annual Wild-Ivy Ball

Saturday, April 25th from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM.

Harvard Club

(27 West 44th Street)

Price is \$35 inclusive in advance,

\$40 at the door cash only, space permitting

This is one of the biggest parties of the year and this year should be no disappointment. There will be dancing to a DJ prepared to play whatever you want, hors d'oeuvres, unlimited beer, wine, soda and a cash bar. The dress for the evening is "creative black-tie." Tickets must be reserved by noon on Friday, April 24th.

Penn Club Family Friday Nights

Every Friday night in April at 7:00 PM

Penn Club

(30 West 44th Street)

Meals must be paid for with credit card.

Mom and Dad, tonight is the night to bring the kids to the club for dinner and a movie on the Penn Club's big screen TV. Enjoy special kids movie platters with Chicken Wings/Finger, Mozzarella Sticks and Supreme Nachos. Pitchers of soda will also be available. Movies begin at 7:00 PM.

April 3rd:	Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog
April 10th:	Pinocchio and the Emperor of the Night
April 17th:	101 Dalmatians
April 24th:	Snow White (Fairy Tale Theater)

Special Interest Group Reception

Monday, April 13th at 6:00 PM.

Cornell Club

(6 East 44th Street)

Interested in meeting other bridge or chess players? Looking for a book club, travel or wine tasting group? Come to the Cornell Club to meet people who share your interests. The object of the evening

is for each group to finally meet and set up plans for the future, so bring your calendars and some great ideas. A cash bar and munchies will be available. Reservations not required but appreciated.

Gay, Lesbian & Friends Mixer

Thursday, May 7th from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Penn Club

(30 West 44th Street)

\$22 in advance, \$25 at the door (cash only, space permitting).

Join all the Interclub members for music, dancing, mingling, hot & cold hors d'oeuvres, free draft beer, soda and a cash bar for all other beverages. The Penn Club is going all out for this bash that should not be missed. This event has been a sell-out at all the other clubs, so make your reservations early and don't miss out on the fun. Dress: Jacket and tie for men, comparable attire for women.

STILL AVAILABLE...

1998 Faculty Forum: Art

Saturday, April 4th.

Classes all day starting with Breakfast at 8:00 AM.

Don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity to be taught by the best of the best in the Williams Art World all in one day. Classes by Professors Whitney Stoddard, William Pierson, E. J. Johnson, Carol Ockman and Director of the Modern Museum of Art, Glenn Lowry '76. The day includes breakfast and lunch at the Club and an optional gourmet barbecue dinner on the First Floor Dining Rooms and patio. Prices vary, see Fax Back form on page 6 for more details.

Easter Brunch Buffet

Sunday, April 12th at 1:00 PM

A popular event for both couples and families alike, we still have some spots open for our annual Easter Brunch Buffet. Price is \$36 plus surcharge and tax, and \$18 for children under 12. Please call the Front Desk for reservations

NEW CLUB MEMBERS

Elizabeth Bluhm '95

Alan Fiedler '92

Walter Hoffman '89

David Jackson '67

Emi Matsubara '94

Thomas Trebat parent '99

Frances Lippman, Williams Faculty

Frederick Soloman, Baruch

Douglas Moritz, Colgate

Jonathan Skipp, Colgate

Richard Nelson, St. George Society

Peter Russ, Associate Member

DEPARTMENT NEWS



Catering Department Open House

Wednesday, April 29th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM

If you're thinking about planning a birthday party, business meeting or even your own wedding, come join us and sample Executive Chef Christopher James' new hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

Come see what the Williams Club has to offer for your special occasion. Tours of the club and our new banquet menus will be available during your visit.

Please RSVP with the Catering Department by calling
(212) 697-5300 ext 207.

Gabrielle Tancredi, Director of Catering
Geraldine Carolan-Lencsak, Catering Manager

FAX BACK RESERVATION FORM

To make reservations, simply fill out this form by **marking the number of tickets you want at the left of each event title**, and then send it via FAX to the number listed at the bottom. Your reservations will be confirmed by phone in the order in which they are received. Questions or comments may be directed to Frank Vigorito at (212) 697-5300 ext. 208.

Tickets

_____ *The Great Gilly Hopkins & Lunch*

_____ Cigar Dinner

_____ Business School in the 90's

_____ Young Alum Indian Happy Hour

_____ Yale All-Club Mixer

_____ New York Yankees vs. Seattle Mariners

_____ Wild-Ivy Ball

_____ An Evening on Ice

FACULTY FORUM 1998

_____ Zagat Lecture

_____ Williams Club Member Registration fee(s) **without** barbeque dinner (\$50 ea).

_____ George Plimpton

_____ **with** barbeque dinner (\$70 ea).

_____ *Bridging New York* Private Art Tour

_____ Guest Registration fee(s)
without barbeque dinner (\$80 ea).

_____ Central Park Tour

_____ Fernand Legér at MoMa Art Tour

_____ **with** barbeque dinner (\$100 ea.)

_____ Gershwin Birthday Celebration

GUEST NAMES: _____

_____ Film & Brew: The Full Monty

NAME: _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER: _____

PLEASE NOTE: There are no cancellations for ticketed events outside the Club such as theater and opera outings.

FAX TO FRANK VIGORITO AT THE WILLIAMS CLUB:

(212) 697-2008. No cover sheet necessary.

BIG BIG BIG! DEPARTMENT NEWS

GRILL ROOM TO OPEN SATURDAYS FOR LUNCH AND COCKTAILS

The Williams Club is proud to announce changes in our dining schedule. Beginning Saturday May 2nd, the Purple Cow Grill Room will be open for lunch and cocktails from 12:00 noon to 7:00 PM. We will be offering a lunch menu from 12:00 until 3:30, and cocktails from 12:00-7:00. If you're staying with us overnight or in town for a play or shopping spree, the Club is your spot to come in and enjoy the comforts of home.

FULL BREAKFAST IN GRILL ROOM WEEKDAYS

Beginning Monday, May 3rd the Williams Club will be offering a full breakfast menu from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM. We currently offer only a continental breakfast to our hotel guests and club members who visit us in the morning; the new breakfast menu should be a wonderful addition to this service. Some of the items you can expect to find are: Corned Beef Hash, Pancakes, Waffles, Omelettes and other selected items. Please feel free to come by and visit us at the Club and entertain your guests in the morning.

NEW DINING ROOM MENU AND WINE LIST

Last but not least, our Dining Room Menu and Wine List are both currently being overhauled. We are restructuring our format and will soon be able to offer cuisine considered on the "cutting edge." We will continue to carry your Club favorites, but will also offer

Appetizers

Stir Fry Duck with Julienne of Vegetables, Corn Cake
Yellowfin Tuna Carpaccio with Spicy Greens
Char Broiled Marinated Shrimp
with Cucumber Avocado Salsa
Fettuccine with Lobster Bolognese Sauce
Squab Salad with Cous Cous, Curry Vinaigrette
Bourbon Peppercorn Smoked Salmon, Garni
Duck Liver Mousse with Shiitake Mushroom Caps

Entrees

Nicoise Style Striped Bass
Sirloin Steak with Shiitake Mushroom Hash
Roast Loin of Lamb with a Montrachet Crust,
Rosemary Au Jus
Seared Chicken Breast with Red Onion Vinaigrette
Roasted Lobster with Truffle Butter, Basil Potato
Sautéed Veal Medallions with Morels and Truffle Sauce
Roast Quail with Salsa, Goat Cheese Fondue

We hope that you will enjoy these new changes. We are continually trying to improve the Club in ways that will enable us to serve our members better, and we welcome your feedback on such efforts. Please direct any comments to the General Manager, Michael Smith.

OFFICES & EXTENSIONS

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Membership & Reciprocal Club Manager,
Terry Kennedy..... ext. 203
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Banquet Manager, Stephen Fleischman ext. 206

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Executive Chef, Christopher James ext. 211

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Coming soon... May 15th: Evening on Ice; May 3rd: Legér at MoMa; May 7th: Gay, Lesbian & Friends Mixer



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