

HSC Schedule of Speaker and Special Events for September, 2022, through August, 2023

This is, of course, updated & corrected during this 11 month period, both for future events and events that have already occurred.

There is a link to this schedule at the top of the club website's Calendar page.

The 3 ways the club alerts you to and gives you descriptions of club events:

This schedule serves to give an overview of the full year both for advance notice and for an archival record of the year. But usually the descriptions of events are short. The Calendar, in contrast, usually contains more detailed descriptions. But the Calendar does not give access to them, if they occurred more than one month ago. The weekly Friday "NEXT Week" emails contain only future events for about the next month.

The descriptions in the NEXT Week for just the coming week are the most detailed and up to date, compared to what is in this "Schedule" and in the "Calendar." The NEXT Week emails also include photos and graphics. This is facilitated by the use of the Constant Contact software for these weekly emails.

Date of this update is Feb. 12, 2023

Notes about types of events in this Schedule:

Note 1: "Special Events" at lunchtime include monthly "Discussion Events" and a "Brainstorming" event. There are five such recurring events each month.

	Week of Mo.	Day of Week	Hybrid Event? as of 2-17-23
Discussion:			
Book	1st	Thursday	Yes
Short Story	2nd	Tuesday	Yes
Current Events	3rd	Friday	Yes
Luckiest Generation	4th	Friday	Not yet; Zoom only
Brainstorming	3rd	Thursday	Yes.

Note 2: Other “Special Events”

A. Recurring:

New Member Party	Sept.
Holiday Party	2nd or 3rd Sat. in Dec.
Garden Party & Annual Meeting	3rd Saturday in May
Mint Julep Party	2nd or 3rd Sat. in June

B. Less Recurring

Saturday Cocktail parties at homes of members (1st in Jan. '22)
Walking tour, sometimes combined with lunch at club
Exhibit at Walters Museum before or after lunch at club
Concert at Peabody Conservatory after dinner at club
“Meet a Member” lunch at club; may be hybrid
“Announced Guest” lunch at club; may be hybrid
Lunch with “Good Ole Days” member talk at club; may be hybrid

Note 3: Speaker Events

A. Recurring after dinner presentations:

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of most months
2nd Wed. only in Nov., Dec. and May
4th Wed. only in June,
Professionally managed hybrid event in club’s Living Room

B. Less Recurring after lunch presentations

Any regular lunch day or Saturday
To permit offering

- **more speakers than the above schedule allows**
- **speakers who are unavailable in evening**

Note 4: New events not yet conceived or attempted

Members are invited to suggest them. The January “Brainstorming Lunch” was created specifically to generate ideas for such new events as well for ideas for future speakers and improving the existing design of club events. And such monthly brainstorming will continue on the 3rd Thursday of the month at lunch

Note 5: This Schedule does not include the lunches in the club that have no special attraction that was scheduled in advance. Neither does it include the

Noon Zooms that are offered as a substitute to members who cannot visit the club in person for these lunches.

Committees that Create and Manage the Above Event

Speaker Events Committee

Sam Hopkins, Chair

Members: Art Hildreth, Mike Franch, Bruce Barnett, David Zoll, Bettina Jenkins, Ed Henry, Eric Brown, Frank Pine, George Ferris, Jim Ulmer, Josh Ewen, Lois Schenck, Rich Gardella, Skip Isaacs, Peter Quint, Barret Freedlander, Snowden Stanley, Tim Wolf, Steve Scott, Norman Smith, Greg Cukor, Ed Stringer

Special Events Committee

Sam Hopkins and Lois Schenck, Co-Chairs

Members: Mark Cammock and Frank Pine

Noon Zoom Committee/Hosts:

Sam Hopkins, Chair

Other hosts (past and present) : Mike Franch, Bruce Barnett, Gus Lewis, Jeff Sawyer, Jim Ulmer, Bill Reynolds, Frank Pine, Mitch Koppelman

Schedule of Events

Thurs., **9-8**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion.

Fri., **9-9**, 12:30 pm. – Zoom only - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Tim Wolf is moderator.

Sat., **9-10**, 6:30 pm cocktails; 7 pm buffet dinner. This resumes the annual dinner we do jointly with H.L. Mencken Society

Dinner will be followed by an “after-dinner conversation” about “Writers' Homes as Relics: Mencken, Poe, and their Baltimore Houses.”

Description: People flock to the former residences of literary and political figures long after the occupants of those homes have left planet earth. The reasons for the appeal of such homes may be obvious, but the Saturday Night Club Program allows two people with ongoing involvement in the administration of the Mencken House and the Poe House to speculate about the appeal of these facilities. Brigitte Fesseden, from the Mencken House, and Thomas Brown, from the Poe House, will participate in an informal conversation, led by D. G. Hart, president of the Mencken Society. This after-dinner conversation will conclude the annual meeting of the Saturday Night Club, a meal co-sponsored by the Hamilton Street Club and the Mencken Society as part of Baltimore’s annual celebration of Mencken Day.

Wed., **9-14**: Speaker Event was postponed to Jan. 11

Tues., **9-20**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion: Bruce Barnett, host

Fri., **9-23**: 12:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins, moderator.

How several kinds of unprecedented growth have made us luckier than previous generations by compensating for many repeated and new political problems of civilization. But only fossil fuels have made this growth possible. And this will include another look at the writings of William Ophuls since 1973. See Amazon.com for his books.

Sat., **9-24**: 6-8 pm - In Club Special Event: New Members Party. "New Members" are all who joined since the last party in 2019.

Wed., **9-28**, 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event:

Catherine Wyler, daughter of the late William Wyler, and her husband will join us for cocktails and dinner in the club. Then, Ms. Wyler will show part of the documentary she produced about her father, talk about him, and answer our questions. The film title is "Directed by William Wyler." Thanks to George Ferris for arranging this unique club event.

Ms. Wyler will explain her father's continuing influence in cinema. She will also give personal stories about visiting the sets on his movies as a child and as she grew up.

Every list of the great directors from Hollywood's golden era includes the name of William Wyler. From the 1920's until 1970, William Wyler painstakingly crafted over sixty feature films which are cherished by audiences today – features like *Jezebel*, *Wuthering Heights*, *The Best Years of Our Lives*, *The Heiress*, *Roman Holiday*, *Ben Hur*, and *Funny Girl*. Not only did he win three Academy Awards as best director, William Wyler also brought more Oscars to his leading men and women than any other director (the number is 40). He flew combat missions in World War II, in order to make *The Memphis Belle*, the documentary that brought home to American audiences the realities of the war in the air. Never associated with any particular genre or technique, Mr. Wyler chose his material carefully and invested his projects with demanding perfectionism. Audiences recognize that William Wyler's films today reflect consistently high quality and unmatched good taste.

The first of his four children, Catherine Wyler has had a distinguished career of her own. Most notably she produced in partnership with David Puttnam the 1990 adaptation of her father's documentary into a full-length feature film, *The Memphis Belle*. She was Senior Vice-President of Production at Columbia Pictures. She was Director of Cultural and Children's Programming at PBS. She was assistant director of the Media Arts Program at the National Endowment for the Arts and helped create the

Sundance Institute. Deeply immersed in film aesthetics, she has been a juror at the Venice, Sundance, Berlin, Chicago, and Istanbul film festivals.

Recently she and her husband Richard Rymland have returned from Mulhouse, France, her father's birthplace, to attend a city-wide celebration of the centenary of William Wyler's birth. Active and engaged to this day, they currently live in Washington, D. C.
George Ferris is host

Thurs. **10-6**, 12:30 pm Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion. Book TBA

Wed., **10-12**, 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Dr. Gary Pasternack, club member, will speak.

Topic: **"So You Have a Great Business Idea - What Next?"**

Description: Starting a business is always fraught with challenges. Starting a business in the pharmaceutical or diagnostic sectors is several orders of magnitude more complex. Dr. Pasternack has been starting and managing early stage businesses in these sectors since the late 1980's. In describing his journeys and wrong turns, he will provide a *vade mecum* that will touch on the mixed blessing of venture capital, the ebullient diffidence of investment banking, the kabuki of the FDA, the Machiavelli of the European Medicines Agency, and the inscrutability of the elusive IPO.

Dr Gary Pasternack received his MD and PhD degrees from Johns Hopkins, then moved to Yale for his residency in pathology and postdoctoral training. He was on the full-time faculty in pathology at Johns Hopkins from 1984 to 2005, when he resigned his position to pursue private sector interests. He has served as CEO of Asklepion Pharmaceuticals since 2008, and is also managing director of the Aliceanna Group, a seed stage fund operated by his business partner, Jeff Courtney, and himself. He maintains an adjunct appointment at Hopkins and amuses himself by attending on the autopsy service several days per month.

Host is Sam Hopkins

Fri., **10-14**, 12:30 pm. – Zoom - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Tim Wolf is moderator

Mon., **10-17**, 12n – Hybrid Board Meeting

Tues., **10-18**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion: Bruce Barnett, host

Sat., **10-22**, 6-8 pm - Special Event at Member's Home: Cocktails again at home of Lois Schenck and Todd Meyers

Wed., **10-26**, 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Dr. Jean Fernandez about her book on effect of U.K.'s imperialism on English writers. Speaker is Chair of Dept. of English at UMBC.

Her book is: *Geography and the Literary Imagination in Victorian Fictions of Empire: The Poetics of Imperial Space* (Routledge, 2020). It explores how the rise of institutional geography in Victorian England impacted the treatment of space and place in fictions of empire. The study engages with late Victorian fiction by R.L.Stevenson, Olive Schreiner, Joseph Conrad, Winwood Reade, Flora Annie Steel, and Rudyard Kipling.

Mike Franch is host.

Wed., **10-28**, 12:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins, moderator.

Thurs. **11-3**, 12:30 pm Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion. Book TBA

Tues., **11-08**, 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion: Bruce Barnett, host (2nd Tues.)

Wed. **11-09**, 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event:

Frank Barranco will talk about the burden on Baltimore today of having been such an early and major player in the industrial revolution in the U.S. Toxic pollution from the earliest days of that revolution in Baltimore still need remediation today.

Mr. Barranco's career has been at a unique Baltimore engineering firm, EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc. or "EA."

EA is a 100% employee-owned public benefit corporation that provides environmental, compliance, natural resources, and infrastructure engineering and management solutions to a wide range of public and private sector clients. EA has earned an outstanding reputation for technical expertise, responsive service, and judicious use of client resources.

Host is Frank Pine.

Fri., **11-11**, 12:30 pm. – Zoom only - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Tim Wolf is moderator

Mon., **11-14**, 12n – Hybrid Board Meeting (2nd Mon.)

Tues., **11-15**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion: Bruce Barnett, host (2nd Tues.)

Fri. **11-25**, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins, moderator.

Wed., **11-30**, , 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Dr. Hal Weaver on the JHU APL DART Mission to Protect Our Earth from an Asteroid Disaster
Bruce Barnett is host.

Thurs. **12-1**, 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion. Book TBA

Fri., **12-9**, 12:30 pm. – Zoom only - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Tim Wolf is moderator

Mon., **12-12**, 12n – Zoom Board meeting (2nd Mon.)

Tues., **12-13**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion: Bruce Barnett, host (2nd Tues.)

Wed. **12-14**, 6:30 pm - In Club Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Mitch Koppelman on the Evolution of News Photography in print journalism.
Mike Franch is host.

Sat., **12-17**, 6 pm – In Club Special Event – Holiday Party

Mon., **12-19** – Club closes until Jan. 2

Fri. (last Fri.) , **12-30**: 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm– Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

New Year, 2023, begins!

Mon., **1-2** – Club opens for New Year

Thurs., **1-5**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion.

Tues., **1-10**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Wed, **1-11-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: George W. Liebmann will speak on of his book, America's Political Inventors: The Lost Art of Legislation.

George is a long time member, retired attorney, and historian specializing in American and international history. He has more than a dozen books to his credit. He graduated from Dartmouth with high honors and was a managing editor of the law review at the University of Chicago. For the past twenty-five years he has frequently been a Visiting Fellow of Wolfson College, Cambridge. George's law office was on Hamilton Street for many years and he and his wife Anne-Lise live on Mount Vernon Place. George is President of the Baltimore Bar Library.

Jim Ulmer is host.

Thurs., **1-19**, 12:30 pm – New Hybrid Lunch Event: Brainstorming for an Even Better Club: Meeting of Speaker Events and Special Events Committees with leaders of monthly discussion events and any other members who wish to join in this stimulating exercise to do as a group what it is harder to do alone

Fri., **1-20**, 12:30 pm. – Zoom only - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Rich Gardella or Skip Isaacs will be moderator.

Sat., **1-21**, 12:30 pm – Special Event – Lunch in Club, followed by visit to exhibit at Walters Museum
Frank Pine will arrange the event. Member, Joaneath Spicer, curator of exhibit will lead tour of it.

Wed., **1-25-23**, 6:30 pm - Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Dr. Stephen Oppenheimer will give dramatic reading of two of his short stories.

Stephen Oppenheimer first performed readings for us in July. He will return in January by popular demand.

Stephen was born, was educated and pursued a totally uneventful and inauspicious career. He is retired but not retiring. He will read two stories from his collection of short stories. The first continues on board the Queen Mary in 1937 during a winter transatlantic crossing. It explores the lives of two of the six passengers seated with Mr. Pettibone and the Major in the first class dining room. The second story has yet to be decided but will likely come from the next volume of stories.

Fri. **1-27** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Thurs., **2-2**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion.

Wed, **2-8-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Dr. Ralph Hruban on his book, "A Scientific Revolution?" The sub-title is "Ten Men and Women Who Reinvented American Medicine." The underlying theme is that all were at Hopkins Hospital, most of them in the late 19th century ---people such as Mary Elizabeth Garrett, John Shaw Billings, William H. Welch, William Osler, etc.
Ralph is Chairman of Pathology at JHH.

Steve Achuff is host

Tues., **2-14**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Thurs., **2-16**, 12:30 pm – 3 pm – Brainstorming lunch event is moved to 2-23 for this month.

Fri., **2-17**, 12:30 pm. – First ever Hybrid Current Events Monthly Discussion. Previously Zoom only. Rich Gardella and Tim Wolf will be moderate. They will be on Zoom and still moderate all who attend. Sam Hopkins will be in club to help moderate as needed.

Wed, **2-22-23**, Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Rush Loving on his new book, *Fat Boy and the Champagne Salesman: Göring, Ribbentrop, and the Nazi Invasion of Poland*.

The book offers a compelling behind-the-scenes exploration of the road to World War II and the invasion of Poland by the Hitler's Third Reich. Focusing on the personal power plays within Hitler's inner circle, author Rush Loving details the struggle for Hitler's approval, long before the battle for Poland had begun.

David Zoll is host.

Thurs., **2-23**, Lunch, 12:30p – 2p

Brainstorming for an Even Better Club.

Peggy Sparr will be our guest at this second monthly Hybrid Lunch Event. Peggy has used brainstorming in the Women's Hamilton St. Club and in her earlier career. For her club she used it for both to increase membership and to help the nominating committee.

Before this event she will brief Sam Hopkins on how she did this.

Then, this month we shall focus the brainstorming on member recruiting and retention, using Peggy's methods.

So, we especially ask all Membership Committee members to attend.

But, again, all club members are invited to join in this stimulating exercise to do as a group what is harder to do alone.

Fri. **2-24** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Thurs., **3-2**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion

Wed, **3-8-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Rob Kamigel about his new memoir on Baltimore in the 1960's.

Mike Franch is host

Tues., **3-14**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion

Bruce Barnett, host

Fri., **3-17**, 12:30 pm. – Hybrid - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Rich Gardella and Tim Wolf will moderate

Wed, **3-22-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: James Bond, President and CEO of Baltimore's Living Classrooms Foundation

Snowden Stanley is host.

Fri. **3-24** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion.
Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Thurs., **4-6**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion

Tues., **4-11**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Wed, **4-12-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event:
Kristina Gaddy
Mike Franch is host.

Fri., **4-21**, 12:30 pm – Lunch with Hybrid Speaker Event: Carol Graham will speak on
her many years of research and writing on the “Economics of Happiness”
Sam Hopkins is host

Sat. (NOT Friday this month), **4-22**, 12:30 pm. Current Events Monthly Discussion.
Zoom only, unless enough signups request lunch in club on this Saturday. Rich
Gardella and Tim Wolf will moderate.

Wed, **4-26-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: E. Evans
Paull, a retired city planner and author of the highly-praised 2022 book *Stop the Road:
Stories from the Trenches of Baltimore's Road Wars*.
The book takes us from Robert Moses's 1940s plan to put a freeway almost in the club's
backyard through the battle to stop running roads across Federal Hill, the Inner Harbor,
and Fells' Point, and the construction of the "highway to nowhere" in West Baltimore.
The battle changed the physical and political landscape of Baltimore. Barbara Mikulski
came to prominence as one of the voices against the road. The author conducted
extensive interviews, including with club members Charlie Duff, David Gleason, and the
late Jack Lapidus.
Evans Paull spent 45 years as a city planner, working in Baltimore and nationally on
urban redevelopment issues, and particularly on the redevelopment of brownfields. He
lives in Northwest Baltimore.
Mike Franch is host.

Fri. **4-28** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion.
Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Thurs., **5-4**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion

Tues., **5-9**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Wed, **5-10-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event:
Dr. Kellogg J. Schwab on the history and current status of the Baltimore City water
system.

Dr. Schwab is the Abel Wolman Professor in Water and Public Health with dual appointments at the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health and the Whiting School of Engineering Department of Environmental Health and Engineering.

Snowden Stanley is host.

Fri., **5-19**, 12:30 pm. – Hybrid - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Rich Gardella and Tim Wolf will moderate.

Sat., **5-20**, 4-6 pm – Spring Garden Party and Annual Meeting Event: At parish hall and garden of St. Christopher's by the Sea Church at Gibson Island, MD

Note: A second speaker event in May is not scheduled because of proximity of 4th Wednesday of month to both the 3rd Sat. of month Garden Party and Memorial Day weekend.

Fri. **5-26** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Thurs., **6-1**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion

Wed, **6-7**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event:
(Note that this is 1st Wed. in June.) (**Cancelled for this year, as of 1-12-23**)

Mon.-Sat., **6-5 through 6-11**: Club closed for spring vacation of staff

Tues., **6-13**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Wed., **6-14**, 2nd Wed. speaker event was moved to 6-7 because 6-17 event is so close. But then 6-7 had to be cancelled because travel plans had already been made for some staff to be on vacation from club on 6-7.

Fri., **6-16**, 12:30 pm. – Hybrid - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Rich Gardella and Tim Wolf will moderate.

Sat., **6-17-23**, 4-6 pm – Mint Julep Party: At home of David and Robin Zoll

Fri. **6-23** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

Wed, **6-28-23**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: Betty Loafmann, President of Renaissance Institute, will talk about the institute and the importance of "Life Long Learning"

Thurs., **7-6**, 12:30 pm – Lunch in club with Hybrid Book Discussion

Tues., **7-11**: 12:30 pm - Lunch in club with Hybrid Short Story Discussion
Bruce Barnett, host

Wed, **7-12**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: TBA

Fri., **7-21**, 12:30 pm. – Hybrid - Current Events Monthly Discussion. Rich Gardella and Tim Wolf will be moderate.

Wed, **7-26**, 6:30 pm – Cocktails, Dinner and 8 pm Hybrid Speaker Event: TBA

Fri. **7-28** , 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm – Zoom only - Luckiest Generation Monthly Discussion. Sam Hopkins is moderator.

8-1 though 8-31: The club is closed and no Zoom events occur.