

ATHENIAN DIALOGUE

Fundraiser for NEACTC 2023

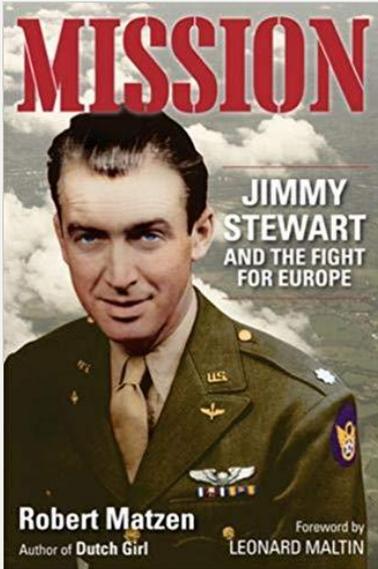
Wednesday, April 1, 2020 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Ethan Allan Hotel, 21 Lake Avenue Ext., Danbury, CT 06811

\$135 per person (includes lunch)

MISSION: JIMMY STEWART AND THE FIGHT FOR EUROPE

By Robert Matzen



It's a Wonderful Life was the first motion picture Jimmy Stewart made after returning home from World War 2, where he had participated in 20 often-brutal combat missions over Germany and France. When he left Hollywood in March 1941, Jimmy Stewart was America's boy next door movie star and a recent Academy Award winner. He left all that behind to join the United States Army Air Corps and fulfill his family mission to serve his country—only to face obstacle after obstacle from both Hollywood and Washington. Finally he made his way to the European Theater, where several near-death experiences and the loss of men under his command took away his youthful good looks. The war finally won, he returned home with millions of other veterans to face an uncertain future, suffering what we now know as PTSD. That is the man who embarked on *It's a Wonderful Life*.

What is an Athenian Dialogue?

Athenian Dialogues explore leadership principles and practice, drawing on the insights contained in a book that all participants have read. Dialogues are conversations in which clerks share their experience and understanding as it relates to the ideas of the author and the relevance of those ideas to their public leadership role.

Read the book, participate in class and complete assessment – Earn 3 CMC or MMC points

Athenian Dialogue Facilitator: Dawn Michanowicz, MMC, CMMC

Dawn Michanowicz is a Master Municipal Clerk and a popular Facilitator who runs her dialogue with creativity, joy and humor. After working 45 years, she is retired and pursuing her passions: to teach, travel, ski and share time with friends.

In the 1970's, Dawn was a candidate for her dream job in the U.S. Foreign Service. She was not able to pursue that career due to discrimination against women. It was a convoluted journey to reach her public service position as Master Town Clerk in Massachusetts. During the next five decades she wore many hats - always challenging herself and doing that which she loved, including: a start-up import/export company in New York City, a wine tasting business and a dance studio in Worcester. In 2004 she began the study of Reflexology and Acutonics to manage her chronic physical pain. Today she is a Certified Practitioner of *Energy Medicine* and Reiki, teaching stress management techniques to individuals and large groups, and just facilitated a de-stressing techniques this winter in Amsterdam!

She loves sharing knowledge and does so in a way that is thought-provoking and challenging, encouraging participation and understanding of the subject book, ensuring participants come away with new ideas, motivation and leadership skills.

ATHENIAN DIALOGUE REGISTRATION FORM
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Name: _____

Title/Town: _____

Office/Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

This Athenian Dialogue is being held as a fundraiser for NEACTC 2023
Please return this form with your check for \$135.00 payable to NEACTC 2023 to:

Michele R. Grande, MCTC-MMC, Redding Town Clerk
P.O. Box 1028, Redding Center, CT 06875-1028

Questions?

Call Michele at (203) 938-2377 or email townclerk@townofreddingct.org

*(Deadline to register is Monday, March 30, 2020- minimum of 12 participants needed)