



## Charlie Engelhard: The REAL Goldfinger?

An illustrated lecture presentation by **Stephen Yautz**,  
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Thursday, November 9, 2006

7:30 – 8:45 pm

**in the lower level Program Room. Refreshments will be served.**

As excitement builds in advance of a new movie featuring Ian Fleming's James Bond, *Casino Royale* due in theaters November 17, **Bernards Township Library** invites listeners to explore the world of a former local personality who may have served as the model for one of Ian Fleming's most intriguing and creative characters.

Charles W. Engelhard, Jr. 1917-1971, a multimillionaire minerals industrialist whom the New York Times dubbed "The Platinum King," was a prominent resident of the Somerset Hills in the mid- to late-Twentieth Century. Importing diamonds and precious metals from South Africa, with business partners DeBeers and Oppenheimer, he greatly enlarged the considerable inheritance received from his father, seeing the great potential for precious metals in developing technology. He and his wife Jane Engelhard (1917 - 2004) owned Cragwood, a 1920's neo-Georgian mansion in Far Hills decorated by Sister Parrish, and raised golden retrievers and thoroughbred racehorses.

Join Historian **Stephen Yautz** for an in-depth discussion of Engelhard's extraordinary life. Learn about the lifestyle that inspired his friend Ian Fleming to create the notorious character, Auric Goldfinger, who attempted to monopolize the world's gold reserves.

Please register at the Adult Circulation desk for this **free** presentation, which is suitable for teens and adults.

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