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# Steve Ausnit

## American Worthies Award Recipient

American Friends of Stowe is delighted to bestow *The American Worthies Award* upon Steve Ausnit (Cobham '42) in recognition of his outstanding contributions in the worlds of business and philanthropy.

Mr. Ausnit was sent to Stowe at a time of growing political uncertainty and antisemitism in his home country, Romania. After studying at Stowe, he made his way to the United States and to Harvard. In 1951 he worked with his father and uncle, Max and Edgar Ausnit, to develop the deceptively simple plastic zip fastener that was patented and incorporated into Ziploc bags. He holds 104 patents for re-closable fasteners and zipper bags, and is co-inventor of 61 other patents.

Mr. Ausnit has been honored in Romania for supporting local businesses, schools, and sporting events and has endowed bursaries and scholarships at both Harvard and Stowe. He and his wife live on Manhattan's Upper East Side.

Previous recipients of the American Worthies Award are Peter M.F. Sichel (Cobham '39), Sir John Richardson (Chatham '39) and Harry Gregson-Williams (Chatham '80).

# American Friends of Stowe

requests the pleasure of your company at the

## Fall 2017 Cocktail Party

with honored guests

**The Headmaster Dr. Anthony Wallersteiner  
and American Worthies Award recipient Steve Ausnit**

**When** Thursday, October 26  
6:30pm until 9:00pm

**Where** Roosevelt House  
47-49 East 65th Street  
(between Madison Ave. and Park Ave.)  
New York  
NY 10065

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**Join us for a tour  
of Roosevelt House  
at 6:00 - 6:30 pm**