

# Stonebridge Men's Club

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2020 is finally over. We can put this challenging year behind us while continuing our diligence related to COVID-19 safety. We also share the hope and desire for a brighter 2021 including successful vaccines, the reopening of our Clubhouse and resuming activities there with our fellow residents. Despite the pandemic, the Men's Club Board continues to meet regularly and presents monthly entertainment via Zoom to the Community.

Our November event with historian Vinnie Bruno focused on the rise of the British Pop and Rock Invasion of the 60s and featured insights as well as music from the *Dave Clark Five*, *The Animals*, *The Kinks*, *The Rolling Stones*, *The Who* and *The Bee Gees*. The viewers of this well attended event were treated to a factual and enthusiastic musical presentation. Our December event featured comedy enthusiast Abe Vorensky's presentation on TV Comedy in the 50s and 60s with highlights from *I Love Lucy*, *The Honeymooners*, *The Jack Benny Show* and many others. Our January meeting, which in the past presented videos of previous Super Bowls, will this year feature trivia man Roy Cohen testing our knowledge of football trivia. The Men's Club Board hopes you continue to enjoy our events. Special thanks to Fred Block, Ira Cutler, Marty McGowan, and Mike Silverstein for putting these events together. Keep an eye out for future emails publicizing presentations in the coming year.

As we progress through our Men's Club year, it is also time to start preparing for Executive Board member transition and elections for new officers effective July 1, 2021. The revised By-Laws approved this past May allowed for a one-year extension for both the President and Treasurer positions. However, as the end of these terms approach, as well as those of other Board members, it becomes incumbent upon me to request member support in applying for open positions on the Board. This request is made in order to continue the planning of member events, whether via Zoom or in the Clubhouse, such as comedians, sports talks and historical speakers, as well as Community fundraising endeavors, including Stonebridge benefits, children's medical organizations, veterans, food pantries and scholarships as I have detailed in previous updates. Member events and Community fundraising efforts require planning and the thoughtful consideration and involvement of those participants who volunteer their services on the Board for the benefit of all members.

Without enough members willing to donate their time in these positions, the Men's Club may not survive. For those wishing to learn more about becoming a member of the Board contact Don Marino, President, at [smc08831.president@gmail.com](mailto:smc08831.president@gmail.com).

In addition, we continue to seek and welcome new members to join the Men's Club. As I've stated in previous posts, we are not collecting dues until we have a better idea of when we will be able to use the Clubhouse again. Anyone interested in joining the Men's Club can email Stan Fischer, VP Membership, at [smc08831.membership@gmail.com](mailto:smc08831.membership@gmail.com).

The Stonebridge Men's Club wants and needs you! Stay safe and be well!

## It's a new year, the perfect time for YOU to take an active role in the Stonebridge Men's Club!

The Men's Club membership is approaching 400 members.

The Stonebridge Men's Club is a diverse group of men who love to have fun, make new friends and experience the dynamic Stonebridge Community lifestyle! We enjoy each other's fellowship, participate in exciting, varied activities, perform charitable work and have an overall great time.

To keep our Club going we invite current Men's Club members & non-members to apply for a position on the Executive Board, a Committee position or to just become a member!

### Open Executive Board Positions (as of 7/1/21)

- President
- Treasurer
- VP, Activities
- Secretary

### Open Committee Positions (available now)

- Activities
- Membership
- Fundraising
- IT
- Publicity

Dues (normally \$25/year) have been eliminated during the pandemic. A free Stonebridge Men's Club Logo Tee Shirt is available to all new members and current members who have not received theirs!

To learn more, please email: Don Marino, President  
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