

Subject: Important President's Update

Dear Men's Club Members,

It has been a while since my last message. I hope that all of you are well. As we're hearing encouraging news on reduced COVID-19 cases and the many vaccines administered in our state, it has led to the lifting of various restrictions. We continue to see improvement, even in our community, with the opening of the gym and the pools by Memorial Day. Other clubhouse restrictions continue to be evaluated as more information is received from the State and from our own preparedness. We have much to look forward to as the pandemic clouds continue to clear.

Men's Club Board Election

Your Board has met regularly by videoconferencing and, in furtherance of the Men's Club, on April 9th a list of candidates for positions on the Executive Board was emailed to all members by the Nominating Committee of the Men's Club Board. It was requested that anyone wishing to be considered for a Board position to submit their name to the committee by April 24th. As no additional candidate names were received, *and in lieu of an in-person member meeting*, the Executive Board is pleased to announce, in accordance with our by-laws, the following slate of officers to be presented at our election meeting on June 28th for the 7/1/21-6/30/22 fiscal year:

President	Don Marino
Treasurer	Mark Janofsky
Secretary	Mike Silverstein
VP Activities	Ira Cutler
VP Membership	Stan Fischer
VP Fundraising	Rick Schlanger
VP Committees	Charlie Zeichner

Many thanks to Frank Zuccaro for serving this past year as VP Committees and to George Fischer for his financial guidance in his three years as treasurer. We thank them as well as the current slate of officers that volunteer their services for the advancement of the Men's Club.

Activities

While we hear rumblings of when the clubhouse may reopen, we still don't know when we will be able to resume our monthly in-person meetings. Shortly after the pandemic began, now well over a year ago, we began bringing online entertainment to our monthly meetings via Zoom for the benefit of our members and frequently shared them with the entire Stonebridge community. We definitely far exceeded our expectations and were one of the few community clubs to continue reaching out and bringing entertainment to its members on a consistent basis.

Here is a list of the wide range of entertainment events that have been presented to date:

- 7/28/20 Ex-Yankee Ron Bloomberg
- 8/24/20 Comedian Mike Marino
- 9/21/20 Historian Dr. James Kane on the 6 Iconic Presidents
- 10/26/20 Comedian/Magician Vinnie Marx
- 11/23/20 Rock Music Historian Vinnie Bruno
- 12/21/20 TV Comedy presented by Abe Vorensky
- 1/25/21 Football Trivia with Roy Cohen
- 2/22/21 Sirius XM DJ Dave Hoeffel
- 3/15/21 Ex-Yankee Jim Leyritz
- 4/26/21 JFK Assassination & the Constitution presented by Hofstra Professor James Coll

And your Board intends to continue delivering a variety of monthly entertainment. On May 24th, we look forward to presenting Historian Sal St. George presenting video clips and conversation on "Those Funny Boys from Brooklyn" featuring the Three Stooges, Phil Silvers, Jimmy Durante, Dom Deluise, Jerry Stiller, Woody

Allen, Henny Youngman and Buddy Hackett. For our June 28th meeting, we have engaged speaker John Kenrick, who lectures on various musical theatre and classic film topics.

We are also in the planning stages for a non-charity golf outing this summer and a possible additional outdoor event. Be on the lookout for email notices on these and other events. The Men's Club Board hopes you continue to enjoy & appreciate these presentations.

Beyond providing entertainment, your Men's Club has also continued to donate to various charities. Last year was a difficult year for the local food banks as well as for our NJ Veteran facilities, which were just two of the areas that received our continued support.

Your Board is proud of these accomplishments through the challenging times over the past year, as we've continued to fulfill the Men's Club mission of social and charitable activities while still providing ongoing value for its members.

We have been able to maintain these activities through careful fiscal management of our cash position. At this time last year, with the pandemic raging, we did not feel comfortable requesting dues for the membership year beginning July 1, 2020, which means the last time dues were collected was July 1, 2019. But at the time there was no way of knowing we would still be dealing with the impact of this virus nearly 14 months later. As we continue to plan and provide events over the next several months for our membership, it is our increasing fiscal responsibility to continue to review and determine the appropriate time to resume the collection of dues. Once the Board has decided on that time, I will notify the members. Your feedback on this or any other Men's club topics is welcomed. You can contact me at my email indicated below.

Club Website

As we review and update the Men's Club Website regularly, please remember to visit the site at www.stonebridgemensclub.com.

In Closing

As always, thanks to the membership and the Stonebridge community for their support of the Men's Club. Even through these challenging times, since July 1, 2020 we have managed to add a net 24 new members to the club. We continue to seek volunteers to serve on our various committees.

Hopefully things will get back to some normalcy as I look forward to better times and seeing all of you soon.

Be well and stay safe.

Don Marino, President and The Executive Board of the Stonebridge Men's Club

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