

Stonebridge Men's Club

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As I write this message approximately four weeks before you receive the *Stonebridge Exchange* in early September, it seems the virus has reared its ugly head and caused new concerns, safeguards and restrictions to be put in place around the United States and in our Community. Whether it is required face masks when indoors, or potential reduced capacity at functions in the Clubhouse, the Men's Club, as it has over the last year and a half, will work through the issues for the benefit of its members.

For those members who missed it, this past July we returned to Arm & Hammer Park in Trenton for a Triple A baseball game. Here is an excerpt of the event as described by Fred Block who has served as our Publicity Chair for the past 12 years:

"On Tuesday evening July 20th, 100 Stonebridge Men's Club members represented our Community in a sea of burgundy Stonebridge Men's Club Logo Shirts.

The members all enjoyed seeing each other in person. The fans throughout the stadium viewed this colorful sight of our enthusiastic Men's Club members enjoying their first field trip in two years. The weather was perfect for the entire evening as the guys enjoyed \$1 hot dogs and many other treats available at the concession stands."

As in the past, as well as with all of our activities and presentations, this event was arranged by Ira Cutler, our VP of Activities.



Stonebridge Men's Club at Trenton Thunder game

On July 26, the Men's Club Executive Board continued its latest efforts providing free entertainment engaging our members and the entire Stonebridge Community via Zoom. Our speaker, Steven Samtur, presented *Back in the Bronx 1940s-1960s*. Whether you were from the Bronx or not, I'm sure you found as I did, that it was a nostalgic peek into that era to which many of us could relate. We hope you enjoyed this as well as our past Zoom presentations.



Golf Outing at Concordia

On August 2, we held a successful non-charity golf outing at Concordia Golf Course. The perfect weather day was attended by 75 golfers who enjoyed the game as well the continental breakfast and barbecue luncheon.

On August 20, a private picnic area, with food included, was reserved at Monmouth Race Track for a night of exciting thoroughbred racing. We hope to be back in the Clubhouse for our September 27 meeting featuring Larry Wolfert, a Stonebridge resident, speaking on "The Lighter Side of Sports." At our October 25 meeting, speaker Anthony Florio will share stories from his book, *The Luckiest Kid in NY* and reflect on his days as a NY Yankee bat boy in the early '60s. Keep an eye out for our emails advertising these and future events.

Anyone interested in joining the Men's Club can email Stan Fischer at membership@stonebridgemensclub.com. For those members who haven't sent in your dues yet, please drop off a \$25 check in the Men's Club mailbox at the Clubhouse. For more information about the Men's Club, please visit the site at www.stonebridgemensclub.com. Be well and stay safe.