

## Women's Club Presidents' Message

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It's a New Year and technology continues to expand our lives! Ring, Goggle and Alexa are an everyday facet of our lives; lighting our way, keeping us safe, answering our questions and reminding us of our appointments. We even have an electronic screen in the clubhouse advertising all our Clubs and Upcoming Events. We have certainly come a long way from a lobby full of posters.

Due to the huge success of our Fall Vendor Fair we were able to present Partners in Healing with a donation of \$3,500.00 to continue their amazing work. Barry Lurie attended our 11/21/19 meeting and spoke about the wonderful assistance that Partners in Healing has already been able to provide to some needy families as a result of our generous donation.

Our November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting was educational with Morley Goldberg, investment advisor, and Blake Laurence, an attorney, providing us with valuable information on how to structure our investment portfolios and protect our assets by doing comprehensive estate planning. They provided suggestions on how to ensure that our assets are protected and passed on to our heirs according to our wishes by establishing Wills, Powers of Attorney, and Healthcare Proxies.

Our "Holiday Magic" Dance Party, held on December 19<sup>th</sup> was an evening of fun and delicious refreshments, with musical entertainment provided by Phil Solomon and Ron Alvarado, (members of the Stonebridge Jammers). As always, our hospitality committee turned the ballroom into a festive setting.

Please watch your email for the At-A-Glance list of upcoming events in 2020. We hope this new form of communication provides you with an easy way of tracking programs and events. Of course, we will continue to send email blasts with flyers that contain detailed information.

Back by popular demand, we will start off our New Year with a return to Forsgate Country Club for a wonderful Sunday Brunch on January 12, 2020. Since we will be celebrating the New Year on January 12<sup>th</sup> we will not hold a general meeting on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

February 20<sup>th</sup> will be our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Birthday Bash, and on March 19<sup>th</sup>, in honor of Women's History Month, Carol Simon Levin, will be in costume, as she presents WASPS (Women's Airforce Service Pilots). These are just a sampling of many events planned for 2020.

Would you like to join the Women's Club Executive Board in 2020-2021? The primary focus of the Club is social, educational and charitable. We will hold elections in April so please consider the opportunity to become more involved in our progressive and ever evolving club. Emails with the Nominating Committee timeline and specific information will be sent out in the next few weeks.

In the New Year remember the old Irish saying, "*may your right hand be stretched out in friendship, never in want*". We have a beautiful community with many wonderful residents and lots of activities. Please consider extending your hand and your time to meet and help others.

***Together we can do anything!!!***