Newsletter for December 19, 2021

## **President's Corner**

Season's Greetings! I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season. However you celebrate it, as the song "White Christmas" says "may your days be merry and bright". And I will add, peaceful and calm, and a blessed New Year.

We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting of 2022 on January 6 at the Fairway Center. More information on the program to follow. The new year will be another challenging one as we gear up for the 2022 mid term elections.

During this past year, in spite of the challenges, we accomplished a number of things:

- We resumed our in-person meetings at Fairway with some semblance of normalcy such as 50/50 and food collection for the food bank,
- Thanks to our very busy vice-president, Annarose, we have been able to capture great speakers for our membership meetings, and look forward to more great speakers in 2022,
- We resumed our Monday morning coffee at Starbucks, thanks to Susan, and look forward to resuming our monthly happy hour in 2022,
- We revamped the website changing its format, increasing the content, allowing for joining/renewing membership online, and more - Thanks Rich,
- We continued our relationship with the food bank and encourage you to continue your support to this very important work, many people are still in vital need of its services thanks to Vi and her team; and thanks to all who have contributed,
- Thanks to Cathy, we maintained regular communication through our newsletter,
- We have been able to maintain a good level of paid memberships both renewal and new and maintaining good record keeping thanks to the efforts of Diane and Jim,
- Thanks to Becky for her diligence in capturing signatures for candidates and initiatives.
- We revised the bylaws, bringing them in compliance with RCSC rules and making them more user friendly and structured thanks to the diligence of the board of directors,
- And finally, you elected a new board to serve you in the coming year. They take office on January 1, 2022. Thanks to Jim and Cathy for your years of service, and welcome to Marsha, Glen, and Nancee.
  - President: Joseph Piccari
    Vice-President: Annarose Lilly
    Secretary: Michele Cornwell
    Treasurer: Glen Grant
    Membership Chair: Diane Lings
    - Hospitality Chair: Susan Brzezinski
    - Web Master: Rich Cornwell
    - Communications: Marsha McGovern
    - Member at Large: Viola Zepeda
    - Member at Large: Nancee Noel

**NOTE:** In addition to the above new board members, we are looking for someone to assist Rich with the website. This is not a board position, but this person will serve as a backup for Rich as needed. If anyone is interested, please contact me or Rich to find our more. And I invite you to consider volunteering for committees such as Hospitality (we hope to be doing more next year), food bank, nominations, and audit and a few others that will be created this coming year. Thanks!

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