



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What a year it has been so far for our Society! Our kickoff event was the Spring Member/Guest Reception at The Soldiers', Sailors', Marines', Coast Guard & Airmen's Club (SSMAC). Our Annual Founders' Day Celebration was held this year at the Yale Club's newly renovated Roof Dining Room and Terrace on the 22nd floor and was especially successful.

As the event was on Cinco de Mayo (May 5th), we ensured that the Yale Club had all the fixings for endless margaritas! Both Judy Bliss and Scott Glascock were instrumental in securing this spectacular venue.

June hosted two of our popular summer events. The Book Awards Committee, chaired by Anna Bulkot, held its 5th Annual Book Awards Luncheon at the Grolier Club on the 8th. The luncheon was a sold-out success! Our Summer Solstice Party on the 23rd was held at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, formerly Otto Kahn's mansion. The venue's imposing loggia provided a bird's-eye view of Fifth Avenue and gave respite to all who attended.

The Summer Solstice Party was also special as we introduced our new Executive Director Donna J. Conway to the membership. As you know, the Society has outsourced its ED position through Kellen. Our former ED, Emily Brochstein, and Donna are both employees of Kellen so the transfer was seamless.

Special thanks go out to the Scholarship Committee, chaired by Benedict Gedaminski for its exemplary service, resulting in awards to three very deserving students who are heading off to Bowdoin, Dartmouth and Northeastern this fall. (Continued on Page 7)

JOIN US FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2016
AT THE METROPOLITAN CLUB
FOR OUR
211TH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE
2016 TOWNSEND AWARD HONOREE
IVAN OBOLENSKY



We are delighted to announce that our longtime friend and member, Ivan Obolensky, will be our honoree at this year's Annual Dinner Dance. Throughout his life, Ivan has supported numerous charities the foremost of which is the Soldiers', Sailors', Marines', Coast Guard and Airmen's Club which has had a special relationship with the New England Society. As is the case with our Scholarship Program, several of Ivan's charities help the youth of New York. It is with great honor and anticipation that we will be presenting Ivan with the distinguished Townsend Award this November.



Jan & Tad Ogden



Jay Sherwood, Hilda & Arnold Neis



Rick Perkins, Oksana Tikhonova, Melissa Zack, Lauren Silberman and Junior guests



Ethan Lyle, Shana Roark

211th Founders' Day Celebration



Lark & Erica Mason, Harry & Mary Chung, Robert Chan, Jan Ogden, Sunny Hayward, Tad Ogden, Richard Johnson, Diahne Grosjean, Jay Sherwood



Salvatore & Diane Scalogna



Sara Hunter, Stephen Foley, Bill Greenspan, Anne Elser, Dermod Sullivan



Elissa & John Jennett, Ellen Scordato, Connie Greenspan



Ivan Obolensky & Margaret Ann Harley



Jay Sherwood, Anna Bulkot



Bonnie Perry, Melissa Zack



Michael Brach, Adrianna Barr, Monique Rinere



Jonathan Smith, Valerie & John Farrell



Erica & Lark Mason



Erik & Sarah Belz



Owen Kloter, Lara Mizrack



Maureen & John Morris

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211th Founders' Day Celebration



Paula Meeske, Robert Chan, Erica & Lark Mason,
Jan & Tad Ogden



Lauren Silberman, Tom Krouwer,
Anne Brewer



Andrew Bauer, Jay Sherwood, Oksana Tikhonova,
Richard Perkins



Ellen Scordato, Tabitha Young



Jay Sherwood, Coco & Richard Neel, Anne Elser



Harry & Mary Chung, Lark & Erica Mason



Kris Zdyb, Anne -Hunter Van Kirk, Khary Ward,
Margot Heinlein



Leonora Ballinger, Judy Bliss, Oksana Tikhonova



Richard Neel, Dr. Tony Tichenor, Fred MacEachron



James Lake, Diahne Grosjean



Tom & Colleen Hills, Richard Johnson, Sunny Hayward, Fred MacEachron
New England Society in the City of New York



Bill Livingston, Barbara Meister Bender

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NES CELEBRATES THE 2016 BOOK AWARD WINNERS



NES members and two of the winning authors of the 2016 New England Society Book Awards gathered on June 8 for a sold out luncheon at the Grolier Club in midtown. The winning books represent excellence in New England-themed writing across a range of subjects and celebrate the culture, history, and individualism that are central to the New England character. The winning books mirror the history and mission of the Society, which balances its centuries-old connection to New England with contemporary programs that continue to celebrate the Yankee spirit.

The 2016 *NES Book Award* winners were selected from 7 finalists. Peter Swanson winner in the Fiction category and Chaim Rosenberg winner in the History and Biography category shared their personal appreciation and love of New England with members as they accepted their awards at the luncheon.

Fiction *The Kind Worth Killing* by Peter Swanson (William Morrow/HarperCollins): A devious tale of psychological suspense involving sex, deception, and an accidental encounter that leads to murder. This is a modern re-imagining of Patricia Highsmith's classic *Strangers on a Train* from the author of the acclaimed *The Girl with a Clock for a Heart*.

Contemporary Nonfiction *The Pawnbroker's Daughter: A Memoir* by Maxine Kumin (W.W. Norton & Company): Maxine Kumin left an unrivaled legacy as a pioneering poet and feminist. Against all odds, she channels her dissatisfaction with the life that is expected of her as a wife and a mother into her work as a feminist and one of the most renowned and remembered twentieth-century American poets.

History & Biography *Yankee Colonies Across America: Cities Upon the Hills* by Chaim Rosenberg (Lexington Books): The book provides a panoramic view of the Yankee diaspora from New England and its impact on the evolution of communities in every region of the United States, while shedding new light on the history of internal migration and its unifying force in the building of the American nation.

Specialty Title *The Selected Poems of Donald Hall* by Donald Hall (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt): Former poet laureate Donald Hall selects this essential work from a moving and brilliant life in poetry, providing hand-picked poems that showcase a body of work rich with humor and Eros.

Selected photos, courtesy of Kate Weiman, are on the following page. Visit the NES website for a link to view all the photos from the luncheon photos.

The Book Awards Committee will soon begin meeting to plan 2017 Book Awards Program.

If you are interested in becoming part of this dynamic program, please contact the NES office.



2016 Book Awards Committee

(l-r): Book Awards Committee Members: Ellen Scordato, Anne Teasdale, Ireen Kudra-Miller, Committee Chairperson Anna Bulkot, Jan Whitman Ogden, Benedict Gedaminski, Roland Foster Miller, and Matthew Rimi.

2016 Book Awards



Ireen Kudra-Miller, Roland F. Miller, Author Chaim Rosenberg, and wife Dawn



Chaim Rosenberg, Anna Bulkot, Peter Swanson



George Doyle, William Adelaar



Leila Campoli, Tad Ogden, Tabitha Young, Jan Ogden



Danzey Burnham, Alan Frese



Anna Bulkot, Elizabeth White, Jay Lindsey



Sarah Belz, Matthew Rimi, Jennifer Mitchell



Hans Olsen, Anne Teasdale

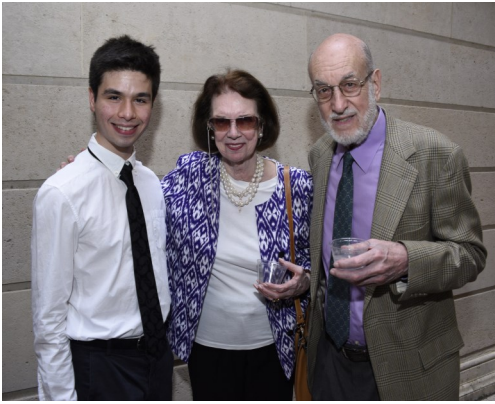


Jay Sherwood, Anne Elser, Benedict Gedaminski



Author Peter Swanson, Monique Rinere

2016 Summer Solstice Celebration



John Dall'Aglio (Scholarship 2015) w/ liaison
Connie Greenspan, Bill Greenspan



Helen Denisenko (Scholarship 2014)
w/ liaison Jay Sherwood



Stephen Dombroski, Z. Logan Gould, Matthew Rimi



Kurt Schroder, Sarah Hunter Hudson



Ellen Scordato, Mary Chung



Saralie Slonsky



Salvatore & Diane
Scalogna



Harry & Mary Chung, Jay Sherwood, Robert Chan



Tabitha Young, Anna Bulkot



Richard Perkins, Melissa Zack, Jeremy Poth,
Leonora Ballinger



Diane Scalogna, Guest, Leonora Ballinger, Judy Bliss

In Honor and Memory of Our Past Presidents



Thomas P. Peardon, Jr.
President: 1982 – 1983



Doran A. Mullen
President: 1988 - 1989



J. Scott Glascock
President: 2009 - 2010

MEET OUR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We are pleased to announce that Donna Conway took over as our Executive Director this past June. Jay Sherwood introduced Donna to the members at the Summer Solstice Party. Donna hails from the Midwest, but moved to upstate New York in 1996. Her past employment includes the Home Sewing Association, The Uniform Association and Promotional Marketing Association and she started with Kellen in April 2016. So far she has been a whirlwind of energy bringing to the table new ideas and is a great supporter of our New England roots.



President's Message (continued from Page 1) We are now focusing on this year's fall and winter events. The Fall Member/Guest Reception will be on Tuesday, September 13th at Arader Gallery at 1016 Madison Avenue, next door to La Maison du Chocolat and Lily Pulitzer's! We thank Graham Arader, in advance, for his continued and most generous hospitality. Our Annual Meeting will be held on September 29th in the Hupper Room at the James Lenox House at 49 East 73rd Street. Friday, October 14th, we honor our history at Pilgrim Hill in Central Park followed by a luncheon. The Juniors have arranged a brunch on Saturday, October 15th, followed by a visit to Pilgrim Hill.

November 11th is the date of our Annual Dinner Dance, the details of which are on the first page of this newsletter. We are very excited to have Ivan Obolensky as our honoree. We are putting together the various committees including Program, Patron, Silent Auction and Junior Committees. If you would like to help with one of the committees please give the New England Society a call (212-297-2146). This year's celebrations conclude with the Annual Christmas Party at the Cosmopolitan Club on December 5th.

Regretfully, this year has not been without sorrow. As noted above, we have lost three of our past presidents: Thomas P. Peardon on April 21st, Doran A. Mullen on May 13th and J. Scott Glascock on August 27th. All three will be memorialized in our Dinner Dance program.

Enjoy the wonderful collection of pictures from our Founders' Day Celebration, Book Awards Luncheon and Summer Solstice Party. Visit our website to see more event photos. Savor the rest of the summer and we hope to see as many of you as possible in September and in the months to come.

Jay Sherwood, 98th President

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 13 - Member/Guest Reception
(Arader Gallery)

September 29 - Annual Meeting
(James Lenox House)

October 14 - Annual Pilgrim Luncheon

October 15 - Junior Pilgrim Brunch
(Central Park & Restaurant)

November 11 - Annual Dinner Dance
(Metropolitan Club)

December 5 - Annual Christmas Party
(Cosmopolitan Club)



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