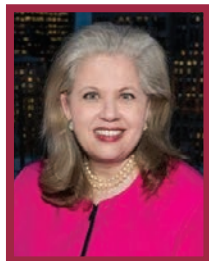




## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ANNA BULKOT, 99TH PRESIDENT

Dear Members and Friends:

What a terrific year 2017 turned out to be! I am happy to report that NES experienced a string of happy successes over the last six months. In late September, we held the Annual Meeting at Kellen's office, introducing members to the professional management team and capabilities that enable NES to function in a 21st century environment. In October, the Arader Gallery generously hosted our Fall Member-Guest event, which attracted a number of new faces – many of whom joined us at the Dinner Dance a month later.



And our 212th Dinner Dance at the Metropolitan Club was a multifaceted success! It was a wonderful evening celebrating both entrepreneurship and scholarship. In addition to our engaging Townsend Award honoree, Ian Murray, we were also graced with a brief speech by S. Welinton Vargas. A 2013 NES Scholarship Awardee and 2017 graduate of Roger Williams College, Welinton credited the support of NES in his college career and achievements: *"not only helping dreams come true, you help create them."* And thanks to the enthusiastic and energetic efforts of the Co-Chairs and Committee, the event achieved its fund-raising goals – along with being a fun and entertaining evening for all in attendance.

And the icing on the cake for 2017 was a lovely Page One article on the New England Society in the December 8th issue of the *Antiques and the Arts Weekly*, a publication that enjoys wide distribution among those interested in history as well as culture and artifacts. Add to this some wonderful coverage in the *NY Social Diary* as well as *New York Lifestyles* – we've definitely been working hard in our quest to raise the NES profile in a city where there are so many competing opportunities and events!

Based on the successes achieved by NES in 2017, I am confident that 2018 is starting with even more positive energy. We are lucky to begin the New Year with a capable, new Executive Director, Alexandra Owens (please see bio on page 4). The Book Awards Program is in full-flight, with readers actively reviewing their assigned tomes. And we are busy putting the events calendar together for the upcoming year. In the meantime, please feel free to share with me your thoughts and ideas for keeping the momentum going strong in the Society's 213th year!

## IAN AND SHEP MURRAY RECEIVE TOWNSEND AWARD

On Friday, November 10, NES hosted its 212th Annual Dinner Dance at the Metropolitan Club. The evening's highlight was the presentation of the 65th Reginald T. Townsend Award to Ian and Shep Murray, co-founders and co-CEOs of the lifestyle brand vineyard vines. Ian Murray accepted the award on his and his brother's behalf. Mr. Murray captivated the audience when he cited previous recipients of the prestigious award with whom he had connections, from Walter Cronkite (1995) who after receiving complimentary vineyard vines neckties from the brothers invited them to go sailing, to Charles 'Chuck' Royce (2013) whose storied yacht, *Aphrodite*, they had been guests on to Frank Boyden (1966) headmaster of Deerfield Academy where he met his wife, Jamie, when he was 15 years old. Their dedication to a business that combines their love of New England culture with a passion for thinking outside the box made them fitting recipients for the Townsend Award.



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## ELLEN SCORDATO PRESENTED WITH THE J. P. MORGAN AWARD

Also at Dinner Dance at the Metropolitan Club, Ellen Scordato was presented with the J. P. Morgan Award. Named for the noted financier and philanthropist who was the Society's 26th President, the award is presented annually to a member who has demonstrated outstanding service and devotion to the New England Society.

Ellen is a long-time member of the Board as well as a founding member of the annual New England Society Book Awards, which she currently chairs. With her energy, guidance, and publishing industry expertise, the Book Awards have become a signature NES program that attracts submissions from notable authors and publishers as well as provides the opportunity for cultural discourse among our members; it has also proved invaluable for attracting new recruits and strengthening NES membership. NES benefits greatly from Ellen's stewardship of this unique celebration of New England-focused literature.



# 212th Annual Dinner Dance

(NOVEMBER 10, 2017)



*Welinton Vargas, Anna Bulkot, Ian Murray*



*Carol Lynch, Michael Lynch, Steve Madsen*



*Reverend Cannon Andrew J. W Mullins, Cathy Mullins, Jay Sherwood*



*Salvatore Scalogna, Diane Scalogna*



*Chris Svard, Jean Walshe, Jamie Murray, Ian Murray, Jules Vachon, Peter Walshe*



*Dinner Dance Co-Chairs Mary Latimer-Chung and Harry Chung*



*Harry Chung, Liane McAllister, Jay Sherwood, Ron Romaine*



*Dinner Dance Co-Chairs Tom and Coleen Hills*



*Max Johnson, Chanelle Johnson, Dermod Sullivan, Anne Hall Elser*



*Jarmila Bren, Mike Meir Yaloz, Georgina Sager*



*Danzey Burnham, Arnold Neis, Hilda Neis, Wanda Hammill, Lois Bailey, Dr. Marvin L. Barron*



*Rick Perkins, Oksana Tikhonova*



*Danzey Burnham, Arnold Neis, Hilda Neis, Mary Latimer-Chung*



*Monique Rinere, Benedict Gedaminski*



*Dancing*

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*Alan Frese, Arnold Neis, Anne Hall Elser, Jay Sherwood, Connie Greenspan, Tom Hills*



*Alfred Ogden, Jan Ogden*



*Leia Bradley, Paul Ervin*



*Terry Smart, Melissa Zack, Bonnie Perry, Karen Lott*



*Karen Bevan, Stuart Bevan*



*Cynthia Maltese, John Morris, Maureen Morris, Anthony Maltese*



*Ian and Jamie Murray, Welinton Vargas, Samantha and Michael Gaumer*



*Leslie Crossley, Michael Kovner, Dr. Daniel Termini, Jean Doyen de Montaignou, Sahil Sandhu*



*Jay Sherwood, Jennifer Mitchell*



*Dancing Guests*



*Larry Golding, Cynthia Golding*



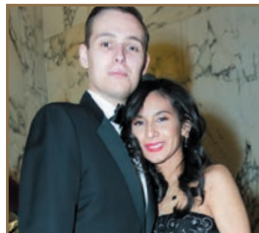
*Alex Donner, Marilyn Neilson, Nat Chandler*



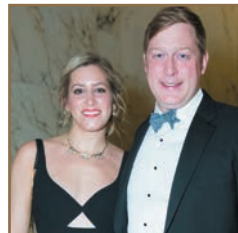
*Salvator Scalogna, Matthew Rimi*



*Stephen Foley, Tabitha Young*



*Mark Field-Pearson, Daisy G. Field-Pearson*



*Marisa Benoit, Thaddeus Olchowski*



*Chanelle Johnson, Matthew Rimi, Ashley Picker Dubin*



*Nancy Rothe, Ernst Rothe*



*Allan Keene, Theodora Klissas, Michael Scully, Margaret Keene*



*Robert Chan, Xiuli Meng M.D*



*Anne Hall Elser, Welinton Vargas, Jennifer Mitchell*

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# NES UPDATE



## WELCOME OUR INCOMING BOARD MEMBER

We are thrilled to say “welcome back” to Anne Teasdale, who previously served on the Board from 2010 to 2014. She has also been an active Book Awards Committee member, managing the Art & Photography reader panel.

## NEW NES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Alexandra Cantor Owens was born and raised in Manhattan and graduated from Columbia Preparatory School. At Hobart & William Smith Colleges (Geneva NY), she earned a BA in Religious Studies. After graduation, she worked in a small, busy accounting firm in New York City for before taking the lead staff position at the American Society of Journalists and Authors (ASJA). For almost the next 30 years she served the national Board and managed all aspects of

this growing association: membership, meetings, publications, technology, communications, finances, and more. In 2014, she brought ASJA to Kellen and managed the transition. She lives in Boonton, New Jersey with her husband and two teenage daughters.

Additionally, Alex started working with the Book Awards committee just before the 2017 Awards events. She has been actively managing the 2018 Awards program and is also using her technical and operational skills to streamline and update the operating processes of this key NES program.

## 2018 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Anna Bulkot, **President**

Benedict Gedaminski, **First Vice President**

Ellen Scordato, **Second Vice President**

Jan Whitman Ogden, **Secretary**

Judith A. Bliss, **Assistant Secretary**

Jennifer Mitchell, **Treasurer**

Cornelia H. Greenspan, **Assistant Treasurer**

### Directors

Carol Lynch

Walter F. Bottger

Laurence Golding

Stephen P. Foley

Matthew Rimi

Richard Perkins

Anne Teasdale



## NEW MEMBERS

Geoffrey Barton

Ann-Maria Cook

Ashley Picker Dubin

Katherine Mendez

Raymond Mendez

Kate Moffett

Thaddeus Olchowski

David Rich

Shana Roark

William Sipser

Preston Stuart

# Member-Guest at Arader Gallery

(OCTOBER 12, 2017)



Mike Borden, Benedict Gedaminski,  
Anna Bulkot



Connie Greenspan, Matthew Rimi,  
Campbell Smith



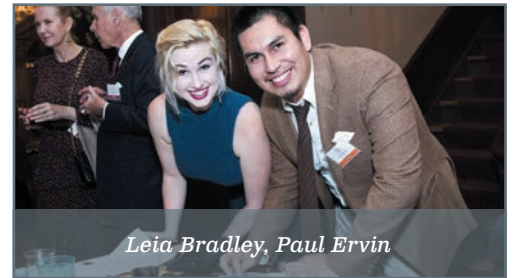
Trip Dorkey, Hilda Neis, Arnold Neis



Matthew Rimi,  
Oksana Tikhonova



David Shapiro, Matthew Rimi, Kurt James Corbett,  
Geoffrey Scott von Barton III



Leia Bradley, Paul Ervin



Mike Borden, Benedict Gedaminski,  
Monique Rinere



Trip Dorkey and  
Richard Johnson



Benedict Gedaminski, Lauren Silberman,  
John Kleiss, Anna Cook



Jose Pincay, Lucy Puig, Richard Perkins



Thorsten Schmidt, Matthew Rimi,  
Campbell Smith, Briana Alyssa



Lore Monnig, Judy Bliss



Sunny Hayward, Jennifer Mitchell



Richard Perkins,  
Saralie Slonsky



Benedict Gedaminski, Connie Greenspan,  
Mike Borden, Polly Witker

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# Dinner Dance Patron's Party

(OCTOBER 26, 2017)



2017 Dinner Dance Committee



Chris Svardh, Jean Walshe,  
Anna Bulkot, Coleen Hills



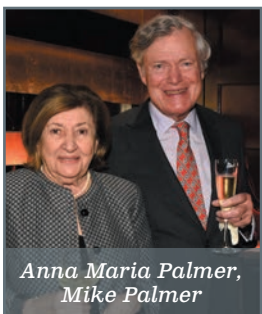
Arnold Neis, Hilda Neis, Ellen Scordato



Arnold Neis, Hilda Neis, Tony Tichenor, Christine Loomis,  
Dermot Sullivan, Anne Elser



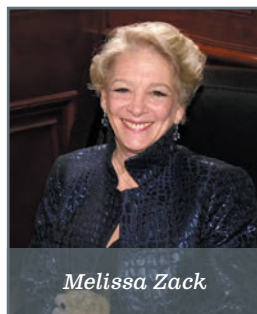
Connie Greenspan, Jennifer Mitchell



Anna Maria Palmer,  
Mike Palmer



Drinking a Toast



Melissa Zack



Michael Scully, Jane Pflug,  
Jan Ogden, Matthew Rimi



Matthew Rimi,  
Oksana Tikhonova



Donna Gross, Connie Greenspan



Fred MacEachron,  
Louise Claire



Tom Hills, Coleen Hills, Jean Walshe,  
Chris Svardh

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# Christmas Party

(DECEMBER 11, 2017)



*Stuart Baker, Anna Bulkot,  
Oksana Tikhonova*



*Salvatore Scalogna, Diane Scalogna,  
Geoffrey Scott von Barton III*



*Saralie Slonsky, Mark and Daisy Pearson*



*Richard Perkins, Anne Elser,  
Dermod Sullivan, Jay Sherwood*



*Yvonne Connors, Alixandra Baker,  
Judy Villard*



*Lucy Kirk, Diane Scalogna, Judy Bliss*



*Alan Frese, Lucy Puig, Jose Pincay*



*Alexandra Owens,  
Tatyana James*



*Leia Bradley, Paul Ervin, Matthew Rimi,  
Geoffrey Scott von Barton III, Salvatore Scalogna*



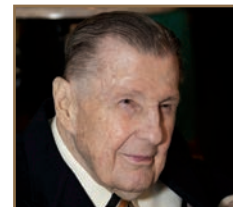
*Leonora Ballinger,  
Roger Schmitt*



*Cathleen Noland,  
Lucy Kirk*



*Andrea Rousseaux,  
Annie Watt*



*Ivan Obolensky*



*Donna Gross,  
Richard Perkins*



*Tom Hills, Colleen Hills*



*Ron Romaine, Jay Sherwood,  
Salvatore Scalogna, Alan Bialeck*



*Singing Christmas Carols*

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## REMEMBER TO BE SOCIAL WITH NES

Check for updates about NES events  
and Society information!



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### RECENT NES PRESS

NY Social Diary, November 28, 2017

Antiques & The Arts Weekly,  
December 8, 2017

New York Lifestyles, December 2017

*See NES website for links!*



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday,  
February 28

**1872 First Ladies' Reception**  
Astor Center

Thursday,  
April 5

**Spring Member/Guest**  
Soldiers', Sailors', Marines',  
Coast Guard and Airmen's Club

May–TBD

**Founders Day**

Wednesday,  
June 13

**Book Awards Author Salon**  
Down Town Association

Thursday,  
June 14

**Book Awards Luncheon**  
Union League Club

Friday,  
November 9

**213th Annual Dinner Dance**  
The Metropolitan Club