



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

Dear Members and Friends:



How quickly time has flown! It seems like just last week I was being welcomed as the 99th President of the New England Society, and now it is time to turn the reigns over to the 100th. Like my predecessors, one hopes to leave this position having contributed to the legacy of our venerable NES, now entering its 214th year.

Honoring our history while committing to progress has been the goal. Some highlights include instituting the 1872 Party; held in February and organized by the Junior Committee, it celebrates the first time women were allowed to attend an NES event. And implementing the new cloud-based management system marked a decided step into the 21st century, offering our members a user-friendly and secure means of managing their NES relationship online. My sincere thanks and gratitude to my Directors and our Past Presidents for their enormous support, encouragement, and energy in making this ambitious agenda a reality.

## BENEDICT F. GEDAMINSKI, JR. IS THE SOCIETY'S 100TH PRESIDENT



Benedict, a native Bostonian, grew up and lived in the West Roxbury section of Boston for 45 years. He also resided in Hingham and Cambridge before relocating to New York City in 2009. He is an active alumnus of Boston Latin School, which is the oldest public high school in the U.S., founded in 1635. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration

from Northeastern University before embarking on a 32-year career in Financial Information Technology from which he gratefully retired in 2010.

In retirement he immediately sought ways to give back to community, a search that ended in 2011 when he was introduced to NES. The rest, as they say, is history. Benedict became a member of the Scholarship Committee in 2012 and its Chairman three years later. From 2014 to the present, he has served on the Book Awards Committee where he is a voracious reader in the fiction category. From that year to 2017, he was a member of the Board of Directors.

Benedict is also an active member of the Blue Hill Troupe. On fall and winter weekends, you will find him leading the building of theater sets as Head of Construction, doing what he does best, making sawdust. Benedict resides with his wife, Monique Rinere, on the Upper West Side of Manhattan.

## PETER SUTTON HONORED AT THE 213TH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

On Friday, November 11, NES hosted its 213th Annual Dinner Dance at the Metropolitan Club. The evening's highlight was the presentation of the 66th Reginald T. Townsend Award



*Anna Bulkot and Peter Sutton*

to Peter C. Sutton, The Susan E. Lynch Executive Director of the Bruce Museum, in recognition of his illustrious career devoted to advancing the scholarship and appreciation of Art. During his 17-year tenure, he led the Museum's transformation from an institution of local interest to one of the most dynamic museums in the region. During his acceptance, Dr. Sutton noted he was humbled by the winners who preceded him, among them his mentor, Samuel Sachs II (1999). He also praised the longevity of the Society and its rich history of contributing to the cultural fabric of New York along with its philanthropic efforts.

## MICHAEL KOVNER RECEIVES THE J.P. MORGAN AWARD



Also at the Dinner Dance, Michael Kovner 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.

Michael is a long-time NES member and a strong supporter of its programs, particularly of the Dinner Dance. Generous and enthusiastic, he was instrumental in ensuring the success of this year's event. Michael has served on the NES Board in the past and is returning as a Director in 2019.

# 213th Annual Dinner Dance

(METROPOLITAN CLUB, NOVEMBER 11, 2018)



*Peter Sutton, Anna Bulkot*



*Jean Doyen De Montailou, Guy Robinson,  
Elizabeth Stribling, Michael Kovner*



*Peter Sutton, Marilyn Sutton*



*Geoffrey von Barton III,  
Matthew Rimi von Barton*



*Dermod Sullivan,  
Anne Hall Elser*



*Karen Bevan, Stuart Bevan*



*Michel Cox Witmer,  
Whitney Lucas Rosenberg, Dino Rivera*



*Bobo McKenney, Tom Hills*



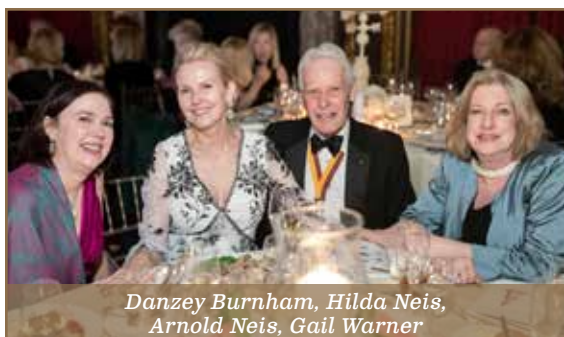
*Gary Berkman, Colleen Hills*



*Jennifer Mitchell,  
Benedict Gedaminski*



*Carol and Michael Lynch*



*Danzey Burnham, Hilda Neis,  
Arnold Neis, Gail Warner*



*Ellen Scordato, Mark Rifkin*



*Stephen Dombroski, Jay Sherwood, Michael Severin*

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*Hans Olsen,  
Caroline Olsen*



*Jay Sherwood, Anna Bulkot, Anne Hall Elser,  
Connie Greenspan, Tom Hills, Arnold Neis*



*Marisa and  
Thaddeus Olchowski*



*Michael LaCivita, Vicki Downey, Colleen Hills, Tom Hills*



*Mark Pearson, Daisy Pearson,  
Joseph Marley*



*Victoria Smith, Mark Eicher*



*Saralie Slonsky,  
Matthew Rimi von Barton*



*Andrea Rose Rousseaux,  
Trip Dorkey*



*James Lake,  
Marion Straton*



*Martin Feldstein, Kate Feldstein, Peter Sutton*



*Elizabeth Raimond,  
Katherine Johnson*



*Alex Donner*



*Barbara Meister  
Bender, David Bender*



*Peter Sutton*



*Guests During Dinner*

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# 213th Annual Dinner Dance

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*John Chadwick, Jeremy Webb, Nat Chandler, Patricia Chadwick, Michael Kovner*



*Fred MacEachron, Louise Claire, Cornelia Greenspan*



*Robert Chan, Carol Lynch*



*Chanelle Johnson, Maxwell Johnson*



*Josh Zheng, Shana Roark*



*Karen Bevan, Arnold Neis, Hilda Neis*



*Jirina Sager, Make Yakoz, Veteran Corps Of Artillery Of The State Of New York*



*Peter Sutton, Jean Doyen De Montaignou, Marilyn Sutton, Michael Kovner*



*Tom Hills, Stephen Foley*



*Tom Hills, Guy Robinson, Alan D.R. Frese, Anna Bulkot*



*Terry Smart, Melissa Zack*



*Nancy Rothe, Ernst Rothe, Jan Whitman Ogden*

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# NES UPDATE

## WELCOME OUR INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS

We are thrilled to welcome Kendra Swee along with returning Directors Nancy (Sunny) Hayward and Michael Kovner.



Kendra Swee



Nancy (Sunny) Hayward



Michael Kovner

## 2019 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Benedict Gedaminski, **President**

Ellen Scordato, **First Vice President**

Jennifer Mitchell, **Second Vice President**

Laurence Golding, **Treasurer**

Cornelia H. Greenspan, **Assistant Secretary**

Jan Whitman Ogden, **Assistant Treasurer**

### Directors

Stephen P. Foley

Nancy (Sunny) Hayward

Michael Kovner

Richard Perkins

Anne Teasdale

Kendra Swee

Matthew Rimi von Barton



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## NEW MEMBERS

G. William Haas

Adam Paige Hess

Jack McCartney

Cathleen Noland

Holly Peck

Jose Pincay-Delgado

Celeste Rodrigue-McCartney

Jirina Sager

# Fall Member-Guest Reception

(ARADER GALLERY, OCTOBER 10, 2018)



*Adam Paige Hess, David Shapiro,  
Matthew Rimi von Barton*



*Dana Mankiewicz, Jennifer Farrell,  
Geoffrey von Barton III*



*Lauren Silberman, Carol Lynch,  
Anna Bulkot*



*Daniel Radner, Marilyn Neilson*



*Saralie Slonsky, Richard Perkins, Jan Whitman Ogden*



*Jennifer Farrell, Ashley Dubin, Maya Korn*



*Alexandra Owens, Benedict Gedaminski*



*Daisy and Mark Pearson*



*Jessica Rudner, Soren Hansen, and Dana Mankiewicz*



*Karen and Stuart Bevan*



*Carol Lynch, Ellen Scordato*



*William Sipser, Judy Bliss*



*Richard Perkins,  
Margery (Boo) Grace*



*Holly Peck, Jose Pincay-Delgado, Jane Pflug*



*Dermod Sullivan, Anne Elser*



*Judy Bliss, Lauren Silberman, George Moeschlin*

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# Christmas Party

(COSMOPOLITAN CLUB, DECEMBER 13, 2018)



*Carol and Michael Lynch*



*Anna Bulkot, Anne Elser, Benedict Gedaminski*



*Geoff von Barton III, Karen Johnson, Matthew Rimi von Barton*



*Judy Bliss, Diane Scalogna, Leslie Middlebrook Moore, Salvatore Scalogna, Holly Peck*



*Lauren Silberman, John Kleiss, Mark Pearson, Daisy Field-Pearson*



*Lucy Kirk, Richard Perkins*



*Dermod Sullivan, Anne Elser, Jennifer Mitchell*



*Laurence Golding at the Piano*



*Ashley Dubin, Stephen Dombroski, Ashley Agron, Geoff von Barton III, Matthew Rimi von Barton, Katherine Kinkela*



*Jay Sherwood, Diahne Grosjean*



*Hilda Neis, Carol Lynch*



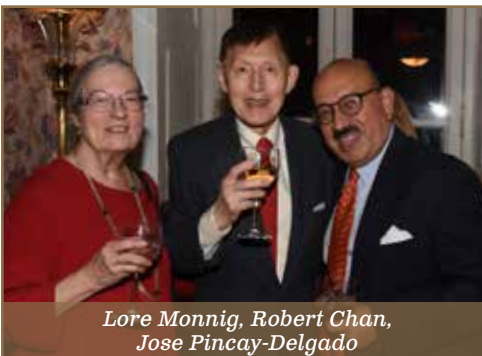
*Oksana Tikhonova, Merrie Martinson*



*Elizabeth Raimond, Katherine Johnson*



*Kendra Swee, Jan Whitman Ogden*



*Lore Monnig, Robert Chan, Jose Pincay-Delgado*



*Benedict Gedaminski, Monique Rinere, Dermod Sullivan*



*Singing Christmas Carols*

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the office at (212) 297-2194.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, February 7	<b>1872 First Ladies' Reception</b> Down Town Association
Thursday, April 4	<b>Spring Member/Guest</b> SSMAC Club
Wednesday, May 15	<b>Founders Day</b> The Colony Club
June (Date TBA)	<b>Book Awards Salon and Awards Presentation</b>
September (Date TBA)	<b>Annual Member Meeting</b>
October 10	<b>Fall Member/Guest</b>
Friday, November 8	<b>214th Annual Dinner Dance</b> The Metropolitan Club
Wednesday, December 11	<b>NES Christmas Party</b> The Cosmopolitan Club