



20th Century Club FALL HIGHLIGHTS 2020

Staying Strong... Staying Connected

20th Century Club of Park Ridge

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Twentieth Century Club of Park Ridge President's Message

As 2020 comes to a close, I think we would all agree that, undoubtedly, it has been one of the most difficult and painful years in our recent memory. Now we are approaching what normally would be celebratory times – holiday gatherings with friends and loved ones. They will be celebratory, if not smaller. The next few months will be difficult: shorter days, colder weather and our ever-present masks. But as Sue James reminded us last spring, we are a strong group of women, generous, purposeful and dedicated. I am thankful to be a part of this wonderful group.



Our Board has been meeting via Zoom technology. The yearbooks are published. Our Thanksgiving tradition of donating to the Center of Concern continued, and increased, this year. Instead of turkey dinners and baked goodies, we donated thirty \$50 Jewel gift certificates. Martina Mathisen will present a Christmas Program in December via YouTube. We are offering several programs, via Zoom technology or YouTube, this winter and spring. The Benefit Committee continues to work toward a Spring function, although no details can be finalized.

Cheers to all of us!!! Have a peaceful holiday season. Please stay safe and healthy until we can meet again in person.

Pat Long, President

2020-2021 CLUB YEARBOOK IS HERE

We are pleased to provide you with the 2020-2021 Yearbook, albeit a bit later than usual. Obviously, there are unanswered questions about meetings (virtual or not), entertainment (virtual or not), Benefit, and what the Club members can expect this year. Those of you with a working crystal ball and have the answers, please give us a clue. In lieu of picking up your books at a General Meeting and also to save postage, club members are hand-delivering a majority of the books.

THE PEACEFUL TRANSFER OF POWER



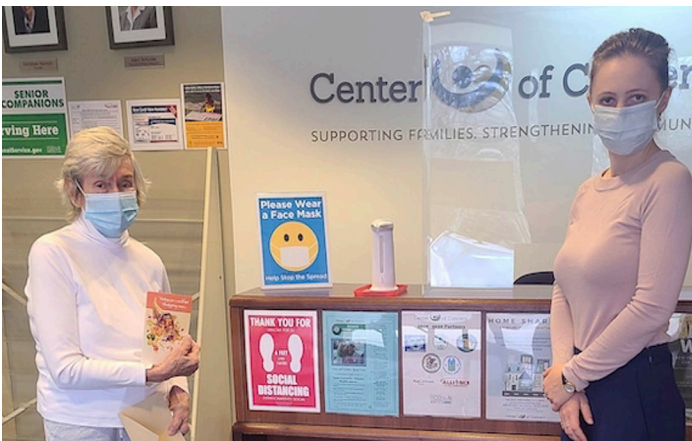
At an undisclosed location during the summer of 2020, outgoing 20th Century president Sue James passed the gavel of authority to new president, Pat Long. The event was peaceful with everyone wearing masks.

SUMMERTIME FUN: THE GRAND RAFFLE OUTDOOR DRAWING



While Covid caused the cancellation of the Spring Benefit, the pandemic could not stop the Club's Grand Raffle. On September 25, Sue James, Sue Kosinski and Angie Bratek along with a gaggle of board members met at Cumberland Park to draw names of the winners. Grand Raffle Profit: \$1,114.56

THANKSGIVING IS FOR GIVING: 20th CENTURY CLUB CONTINUES ITS THANKSGIVING TRADITION

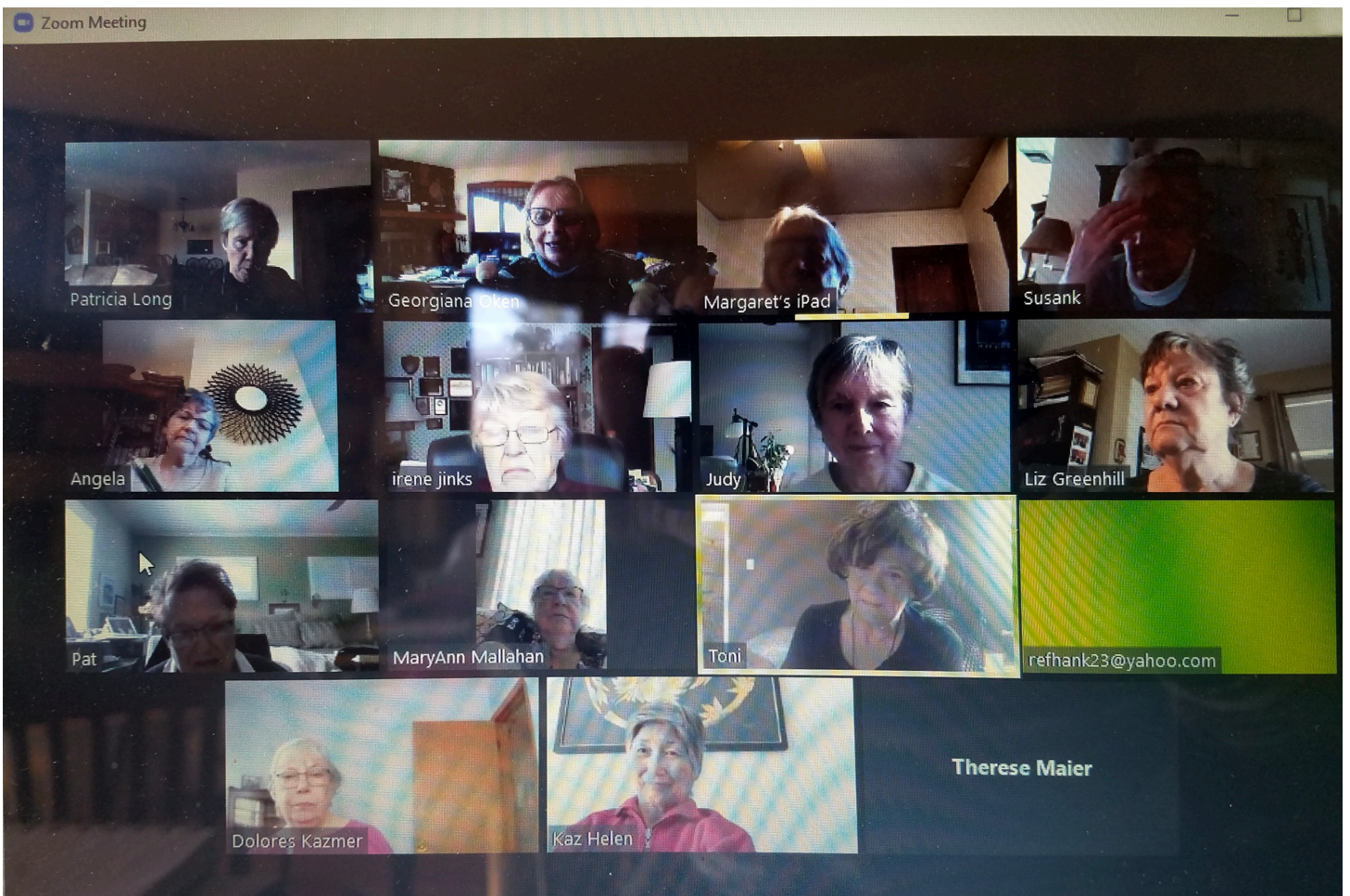


Myrna Fogarty, Social Services Co-chair, presents the \$50.00 Jewel Gift Cards to Ana Popa, Director of Programs, at The Center of Concern.

As 2020 is a special year, the 20th Century Club of Park Ridge increased its financial contribution and kept its traditional service project benefiting the Center of Concern. This year, instead of turkeys and bags of food, we donated Jewel gift certificates. And as our members were not able to provide baked goods, the Board of Directors authorized an additional donation of \$250.00. In total, we purchased a total of thirty \$50.00 Jewel Gifts cards.

YES, IT'S TRUE... THE 20th CENTURY CLUB IS ON ZOOM!

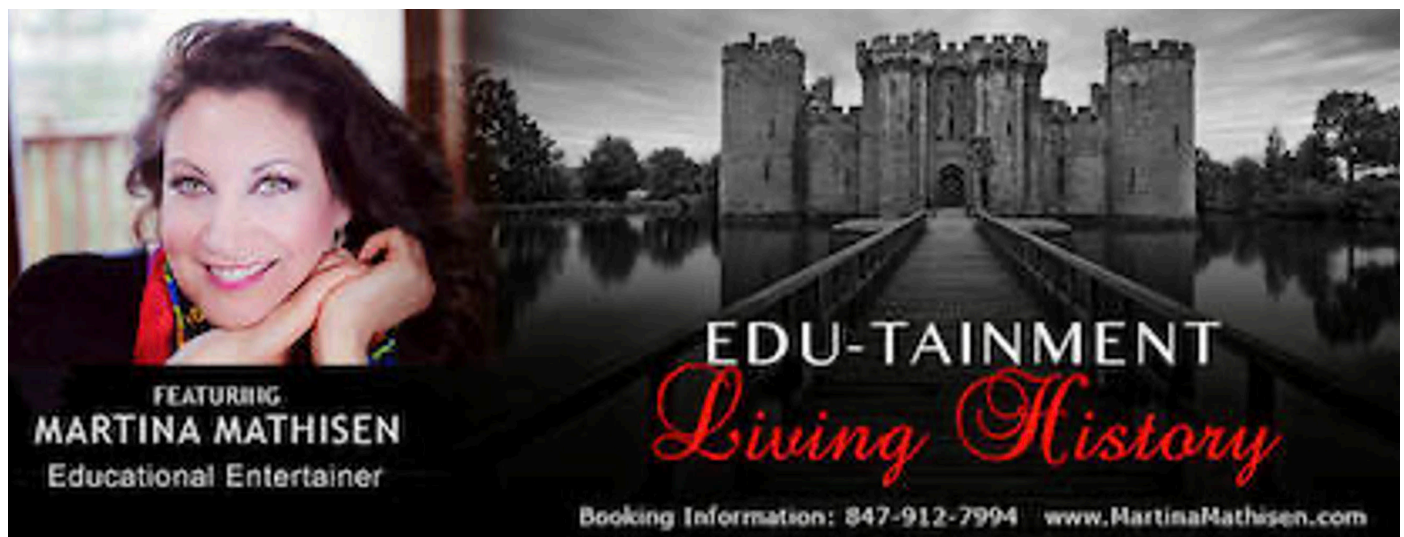
Who would have thought that 20TH CENTURY members would be active users of Zoom? Funny, how the pandemic makes us learn new and strange methods of communications to stay connected. Here's a Zoom shot from our board meeting on October 20th. It's challenging and it's fun. Plus, you get to see your friends! And now 20th Century Club has a paid subscription to a Zoom account. It's available for the board meetings, for book clubs to meet, for the stitchery groups to chat while stitching their wares (or wears?) and probably for next six months or so some of the Club's entertainment programs. To access the login details, contact a Board member.



Let's all get started using this creative tool. Next newsletter, we want to see a bunch of new faces from different groups in the ZOOM boxes!

20th CENTURY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON MOVES FROM THE PRCC TO YOUTUBE

Every year it's the same old thing, going to the lavishly decorated Park Ridge County Club and having a gourmet luncheon beautifully served and then having the Maine South Choir serenade us with melody of traditional and inspirational Christmas melodies. 2020 is a change year (as if you did not know). So, for the Club's Christmas program we have one of our favorite entertainers, Martina Mathisen, presenting an enchanting "American Christmas Traditions." Not only will you be able to sit in your cozy home and enjoy the program but just think of money you're saving on wine!



***Stay tuned for instructions on how
to access this program throughout
the entire month of December.***