

Greetings NJ SLA!

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying some of the warmer weather we have been having lately.

Let me begin by thanking the 2018 Executive and Advisory Boards of the Chapter most expertly led by our outgoing President, Karen Botkin. Karen stepped up to lead the chapter at a crucial time last year, most notably through the merger of the New Jersey Chapter with the Greater Princeton Area Chapter of SLA. Blending units is never an easy task but Karen made it look seamless and effortless and we closed the year with this smoothly accomplished.

Going forward, our Executive Board for 2019 includes:

President - Janet Cooper Weiss

President-Elect/Program Chair - Angela Pagliaro

Secretary – Susan Gleckner

Treasurer – Joy Whitney

Director of Communications – Kathy Taggart

Past President – Karen Botkin

The Program Committee has been busy planning the first few meetings scheduled for the spring. A webinar on the topic of succession planning is in the works for March. A tour of the Firestone Library at Princeton University is on the calendar for early April, and a tour of the Holocaust Resource Center at Kean University in Union is scheduled for May. Expect some dates and further details from Program Chair Angela Pagliaro very soon.

Linda Salvesen, Membership Chair, and her committee have developed and distributed a new survey to gather input from you, our members. I encourage you to respond.

Maxine Goldsmith and the Scholarship Committee have revised the criteria and deadlines for the Rosemary Allen Little and Frank H. Spaulding scholarships. Applications will be accepted starting March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please see the [website for further details](#).

As you may have noticed, the website is under construction. Jeanne Mauriello, our webmaster, has been diligently transferring files and content to a new website. You can watch the progress by logging in at <https://connect.sla.org/newjersey/home>.

And speaking about the website, it would be terrific to have some photos to include there. Volunteer to be the photographer! Additional volunteer opportunities include hospitality at meetings (handing out name tags and greeting people as they arrive), and website migration assistance.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Cheers,

Janet

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