

## **Minutes of the 3/13/17 Staying Put Board Meeting**

4:30 – 5:30 pm meeting of the Board of Staying Put in New Canaan took place on Monday Mar 13 at 4:30 pm at The Congregational Church of New Canaan.

**Present:** Barb Achenbaum, Betsy Afragola, Judy Bentley, Carol Blauvelt, Lyn Chivvis, Lila Coleman, Kelly Defrancesco, Tom Ferguson, Phil Ives, Peggy Jay, Judy Johnson, Janet Lanaway, Lois Sandberg, Sue Scannell, Priscilla Thomas, Cynn timer Yates; Nicola Holzberger, SP's new Associate Director of Member Services, attended by invitation!

**Fairfield County Giving Day:** Members and donors who stopped by to donate to SPNC enjoyed a luncheon sponsored by Betsy and Fred Afragola.

**Membership:** The Committee is recommending that SP make a big effort to go "intergenerational" and include more high schoolers as helpers at the annual Birthday Party and the June fundraiser. The Membership Committee party held at LeeFair helped spread the word about SP and all that SP does. Three other condo associations will be holding similar info-parties. The Membership Committee will join the New Canaan Artisans at the Farmer's Market, and of course SP will have a presence at the Sidewalk Sale. They would also like to have a table outside Walter Stewarts one day.

**Community:** Carol Blauvelt is exploring the question of how to handle transportation for our elders in the future when the over 65 population is expected to rise dramatically. The conversation between NCCF and SP and GetAbout will continue to involve coming up with a long range plan for transportation.

**Events:** Sixty-seven members attended Events in February; the lunch at The Inn at Pound Ridge was very popular with 16 attendees. Upcoming Events include the potluck supper at the Presbyterian Church to honor our "nonagenarians" on Monday March 27 at 5:30. SP members are invited to a presentation at the New Canaan High School Planetarium on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Astronomy teacher Tim Haag will run the program.

Next year SP will be celebrating its first 10 years. It was suggested that SP recognize its members who have been members for 10 years. Of course the original "cast" will also be recognized and honored.