

## **PROFILES FOR OFFICERS**

The following have been selected as nominees for the offices of:

### **PRESIDENT**

**EDWARD E. FINLAY** [147-A] (203-267-4758)

Ed has been a Village resident since 2001. He is a second generation "Villager" who retired nine years ago to the unit his parents bought in April 1969. Ed raised a family of 4 children in Upper Montclair, NJ, within easy commuting distance of New York City where he worked in advertising for 40 years. The first part of his career was spent at ad agencies (VP Media Director, Network TV Negotiator) and the second half in ad sales at newspapers culminating his last seven years at The Daily News. Nowadays he serves as an ACBL bridge director for some of the HV weekly duplicate games and monitors elections in former Communist countries for O.S.C.E. Government Services, Inc. Ed served as Condo 4 President for two years and as Trustee in 2009 - 2011, and as HVF/HVMA Vice-President in 2011.

**FRAN OWEN** [345-B] (203-264-7029)

Fran has been a Village resident since 2003. She became President of HVMA in 2008 and served in that position for two years. She served as President of Condo 10 and has been a member of the Finance Committee, the Long Range Planning Committee, Chair of the Foundation Facilities Committee, and is currently serving on the Human Resources Committee. Prior to opening her own retail business in New Jersey (15 years), Fran spent 26 years with Montgomery Ward where she was a Merchandise Vice-President.

### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

**RONALD CONTI** [950-B] (203-267-1857)

Ron has been a Village resident since 2004. He graduated from the University of Hartford with a BS in Management and Economics. He was Retail District Manager for 36 years working for Bradlees Department Stores covering Connecticut, New York and Northern New Jersey. After Bradlees, he was a District Manager for Big Lots and retired in 2004. He and his wife Adrienne have two children and two grandchildren. He is an Aisle Captain at the Palace Theater in Waterbury and a driver for the Heritage Village Ambulance and enjoys golf and gardening. Ron was President of the CRC, serves on the HVMA Safety Committee, and is Chairman of the Rules Adherence Committee.

**JOAN KING** [210-A] (203-405-3435)

Joan has been a Village resident since 2009. She graduated from Hofstra U. School of Law with a J.D., from Fordham U. Graduate School of Arts and Sciences with a Master of Arts in History, from Fordham U. Graduate School of Education with a Master of Arts in Teaching, and from Barnard College with a B.A. in Political Science. Joan's previous professional experience included Associate, Partner, and Of Counsel with Berger & Steingut; Adjunct Associate Professor of Law, Legal Writing Faculty at New York Law School, and Director of the Career Center at the Brooklyn Law School. Joan currently works as a Real Estate Agent with Joseph Bette Realtors. Her community activities include Member of the Town of Southbury Board of Assessment Appeals; President of Condo 5; Member of the HV Legal Committee, and Volunteer Instructor Candidate for the AARP Driver Safety Program.

**TREASURER**

**JOAN GILLESPIE**

[124E]

(203-405-3045)

Joan has been a Village resident since 2008, and Treasurer for Condo 3 and chair of the Condo 3 "beautification committee." Her education includes a Bachelor's degree in economics, Barnard College, NY, NY, a Master's in accountancy, University of Wisconsin Whitewater, WI, and further courses in information systems, UW, Milwaukee. Joan is licensed as a CPA by the State of West Virginia. Her relevant work experience includes one year as an audit reviewer for Employers Insurance of Wausau, Wausau, WI; two years in the cost accounting department of Waukesha Engine Division, Dresser Industries; ten years teaching financial and managerial accounting at Alverno College, Milwaukee, WI, three at West Virginia State College, Charleston, WV, and nine years teaching financial, cost and accounting information systems at the University of Charleston, Charleston, WV. I also taught managerial accounting to Master's students.

**ASSISTANT TREASURER**

**DENNIS (JOE) HENNESSY**

[475-B]

(203-264-3236)

Joe has been a Village resident since 2005. Joe moved from Bethel, CT with his wife Diane where they lived for 34 years and raised their six children. He earned his Bachelor and MBA degrees from Iona College and has held accounting and financial positions with several companies. Most of his working career was spent with The Nash Engineering Company, a privately held mid-sized international engineering and manufacturing company with subsidiaries in Europe, South America and Asia. During his years at Nash Engineering, Joe held various positions including that of Controller, Vice-President of Finance, Treasurer and Secretary. He continues to be involved with Nash on a part-time basis. Joe and his wife are members of several Village organizations.

**SECRETARY**

**ELAINE RANDEL**

[552B]

(264-3401)

Elaine has been a Village resident since 1997. Born in Harrisburg, PA. Grew up on Long Island and graduated Queens College with a B.S. in Education. Attended N.Y.U. and received Masters equivalence credits as required for certification to teach in N.Y.C. Taught High School for four years and took a leave of absence to raise a family. After the children grew up, she became a Travel Agent. Elaine currently works for Largay Travel. She currently holds the position of Secretary of the Heritage Village Master Association and is the Second Trustee of Condo 14, and is a past Trustee. Elaine was a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Governance and volunteers for the H.V. Civic Association's Patient Transportation Program.

**ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

**JEAN LAWNSBY**

[22A]

(262-1603)

Jean has been a Village resident since 1989. She worked in New York City for her entire career as an Administrative Assistant, for over 25 years to the Dean of Columbia Law School and the Chairman of the Board of Sandoz (now Novartis), a multinational corporation. She is presently the Trustee of Condo 1 and Cluster Captain for Cluster 3A.