



Community Fund Board Announces New Officers Neal Denning as President

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The Community Fund of Bronxville, Eastchester and Tuckahoe recently named Neal Denning as its new President for the 2016-17 fiscal year. He succeeds outgoing president Doug Meyer.

Neal has been a member of the Board of The Community Fund since 2011 and has served as a member of its Executive Committee for the last four years, including roles as President-Elect and Eastchester Tuckahoe Campaign Co-Chair. He and his wife Tara have been life long residents of the BET area, having lived in the villages of Eastchester and Tuckahoe, and are raising four children who attend the Tuckahoe schools. Denning is a graduate of Boston College and currently works as Director of Investor Relations at Roystone Capital Management in NY. An active member across the BET community, Neal also participates in the Eastchester Irish American Association, the St. Joseph's Men's Club, the Bronxville Manor Association and is a coach in both the Tuckahoe Youth and Eastchester Youth Soccer Associations. He was also a founding member of the Mary Denning Scholarship Fund and continues to serve on the board.

"The Community Fund is a special organization that truly symbolizes the totality of our home town," remarked Denning. "Through the generosity of our residents, the diligence of our local volunteers, board members and evaluators, and the tireless work of the agencies we support, we collectively enhance our community. The Community Fund offers a unique lens into the needs among our residents that would otherwise be overlooked and is steadfast in addressing the most pressing causes that impact everyone from our youth to our elders, and those in between." Denning continued, "I'm proud to be helping to lead such an organization because it epitomizes our residents' commitment to giving back and to ensuring that the Bronxville, Eastchester and Tuckahoe remain close knit communities that support one another and make this such a special place to live. I am thrilled to be part of this effort and look forward to kicking off our campaign."

Other appointments for the 2016-17 year include Jim Rotenberg, who will be taking on a dual role as President Elect and Evaluations Co-Chair along with Amy Korb; Kim Powell, Secretary; Dana Arrighi, Treasurer; Donna Ruhanen, Marketing Chair; Jennifer Lescott and Bill Rizzo, Investment Co-Chairs; Annette Healey Dowling and Doug Meyer, Campaign Co-Chairs for Bronxville; Mike Calano, Campaign Co-Chair Eastchester - Tuckahoe and Robert Castaño and David Scalzo, Golf Outing Co-Chairs.

New to the Board this year are Jennifer Buckley, Barbara Eustis, Tom Giordano, Kate Ramundo, David Scalzo, John Toker and Kiri Wolfe. They will be joining returning board members: Stephen Arcano, Andrea Bates, Jennifer Colao, Ashleigh Donovan, Kristen Evans, Judy Foley, Fran Harris, William Knox, Rosetta McArdle, Kevin McNeill, Cathy Needham, John Reynolds, Tom Sipple, Albert Van Ness and Mark Welshimer.

"I am thrilled to have Neal as our president," noted Melinda Burge, Executive Director of The Community Fund. "His knowledge of our community is immeasurable and will be a great benefit to our residents." Ms. Burge went on to say, "It is always very exciting for me to begin a new campaign year and work with a new board. We are fortunate to draw our board members from across all three BET Communities and this year's class of new members has an impressive range of talent and expertise which will compliment perfectly with that of our returning members."

The Community Fund is a non-profit corporation founded in 1919 to enhance the quality of life and provide assistance to all residents living in Bronxville (including the areas located in the 10708 zip code), Eastchester and Tuckahoe. For 97 years it has provided funding and support to social service agencies and community programs serving the health, education and welfare needs of local residents. For more information please contact Melinda Burge at (914) 337-8808 or log onto the website at www.thecommunityfund.org.