

January 11, 2021

Dear GBBPA Members,

As the New Year of 2021 begins, I would like to start by wishing everyone a very Happy New Year and hoping that you and your families are healthy. The last year has been very difficult on all of our business members due to COVID-19. Your resilience and creativity, as you faced a plethora of challenges, were and are remarkable. We are looking forward to a much healthier and more prosperous year for all our businesses as we go forward.

As you know, 2020 was the end of our Executive Officers' terms of office. Unfortunately, Joe Hoffmann, the GBBPA Treasurer for several years, asked not to be considered for re-election. Joe has been an integral member of our organization not only as an officer, but endless days spent volunteering on our various projects including Christmas decorations, 4th of July and our annual Fall Festival. There are not enough words to articulate our gratitude and appreciation for everything he has done throughout the years.

Kevin Lyons, GBBPA Secretary, also declined to continue in this position. As most of you know, aside from Bunnycakes, Kevin is still working as a full-time nurse at Virtua in Marlton. Kevin has been working 7 days a week, particularly during the height and new surge of COVID. In addition to his executive position, he was also co-chair of our 2019 Fall Festival...oftentimes, my voice! We spent many hours working together on general GBBPA correspondence and he kept me laughing as we prepared for the 2019 4th of July parade. Thank you for everything and stay well my friend!!

Our current Executive Officers are as follows:

Betty Velie, Marie Fleche Memorial Library
Johnnye Ervin, Accel Promotions
Carolyn Lutz, Chick-fil-A
Kathleen Betz, ParaPlusTyping and Notary
President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

The GBBPA is known as an association that has always fostered hope, new endeavors and the planning of new projects in order to achieve our goals to support our communities. Working together has made this possible throughout the past years and we believe our combined efforts will do so again... *Fall Fest 2021* here we come!!!!!

Warmest Regards,

Betty Velie GBBPA President