



**Welcome to 2020 from your Co-Presidents
Brian Burns and Angela Heart**

Fellow CLI Members:

After wrapping up a successful CLI Forum in December, we wanted to first welcome you into 2020 with two events.

1) **CLI January Retreat**, Friday, from Noon to 4 p.m. on January 10, 2020.

Where: [Mitchell-Hamline Law School in St. Paul](#)

Who should come to this event? Anyone that is interested in practicing collaborative law and promoting its principles.

Why should you come?

- Free lunch
- Network with other people passionate about collaborative practice
- Have a say in CLI direction for 2020

2) **CLI New Member Social** – Wednesday, from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. on January 29, 2020.

Where: [Mendoberri's Café and Wine Bar in Mendota Heights](#)

Who should come? Everyone interested in collaborative practice.

Why should you come?

- Fun social activity
- New members should come to meet other existing members and other new members
- Old members should come to welcome the new members
- Non-members should come to network with collaborative-minded professionals and learn more about CLI through other members directly

Mark your calendars and we hope you to see you at both events!

We also look forward to following up on Carl's "Vision 2020" theme. CLI has developed some great interdisciplinary tools through their web site and trainings to help CLI stand apart as a leader and resource in interest-based negotiations, out-of-court settlements and basic collaborative principles on how to handle conflict in divorce. Now it's time to promote what we have developed with members of the public and other professionals. We look forward to continuing to build on [CLI's mission and vision](#) in making

Collaborative Practice known, valued and practiced with excellence where professionals transform the experience of dispute resolution into a healing process.

We are also eternally grateful for the past leadership. A heartfelt thank you to Louise Livesay and Deborah Clemmensen for their hard work as they officially roll off the board and Carl Arnold as he transitions into his past president roll. We will continue to seek input from them in all areas.

Sincerely,

2020 Co-Presidents of the CLI Board of Directors,

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Links included in the article:

Mitchell-Hamline Law School in St. Paul: <https://mitchellhamline.edu/>

Mendoberri's Café and Wine Bar in Mendota Heights: <https://mendoberri.com/>

CLI's Mission & Vision: <https://www.collaborativelaw.org/mission-vision-and-values/>