



# PALOS VERDES PENINSULA LAND CONSERVANCY

## BOARD MEMBER PROFILES 2017

### OFFICERS

#### **Cassie Jones President**

Occupation: Veterinarian; Business Owner in Rancho Palos Verdes  
Community Activities: Past President of the Southern California Veterinary Medical Association. Served on veterinary boards at the regional and state level for many years; Veterinary Medical Board Hospital Inspector, California Veterinary Medical Association Board of Governors, California Veterinary Medical Foundation Board Member. Member of City of Rancho Palos Verdes Public Use Master Plan (PUMP) Committee  
Awards & Distinctions: UCLA BS Psychobiology 1980, UC Davis DVM School of Veterinary Medicine 1988

#### **Allen Franz Executive Vice President**

Occupation: Retired; Professor Emeritus, Marymount California University  
Community Activities: Member of Angel's Gate Park Advisory Board; Member of the White Point Community Group; Nature Walk Leader with PVPLC

#### **Diana Bailey Secretary**

Occupation: Attorney – Retired 2015  
Community Activities: Pro Bono, Public Counsel; Volunteer and Member of White Point Community Group and Home Tour, PVPLC; Board of Directors and Volunteer, National Charity League; Executive Board, PTA

#### **John Spielman Treasurer**

Occupation: Engineer  
Community Activities: Active member of the Conservancy since 1991; Past Board member Palos Verdes Little League; Volunteer Coach; Past Assistant Scout Master and Committee Member Boy Scouts of America Troop 276; Past President Peninsula Silent Flyers



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### DIRECTORS

#### **Bill Ailor** **President Emeritus**

Occupation: Aerospace Fellow, The Aerospace Corp.

Community Activities: Founder of Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy; Represents Palos Verdes Estates on Los Angeles County West Vector Control District; Former member of the Board of Directors, Peninsula Symphony Assoc.; President and clarinetist, Peninsula Symphonic Winds; Past member of Rolling Hills Estates Planning Commission; Member, Peninsula Village; Member, Lunada Bay Homeowners Association; Chair, Beautify Lunada Bay Project

Awards & Distinctions: PVPLC President, 1988 to 2006; PVPLC Webmaster, 1996 to 2004; PVPLC newsletter editor, 1988 to 2004; Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and Palos Verdes Rotary Club Citizen of the Year, 2001; Community Recognition Award, Lion's Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula, 2000; Community Assoc. of the Peninsula's Community Appreciation Award, 1997; Aerospace Corporation Volunteer of the Year Award, 1994; Palos Verdes Peninsula Audubon Society Conservation Award, 1990

#### **Scott Ammons**

Occupation: REI Outdoor Programs and Outreach Market Manager SoCal North

Community Activities: Management and outdoor education instructor at non-profits such as The Boojum Institute for Experiential Education, The Chadwick School, The Beach Cities Health District and The National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)

Awards & Distinctions: BA, UC Berkeley; JD, USC

#### **Bob Ford**

Occupation: Retired marketing executive and past Director of Development for the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

Community Activities: Board of Directors for the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy and Peninsula Racquet Club. Coach/manager for soccer, volleyball, ice hockey and roller hockey youth teams

Awards & Distinctions: PVPLC Presidents Award; BA Economics and MBA from UCLA

#### **Amy Friend**

Occupation: Vice President Corporate Communications, The Capital Group

Community Activities: Member of the White Point Community Group, Co-chair White Point Home Tour; Public Relations Society of America, Member since 1990; Accreditation Panel since 2009



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#### Randy Harwood

Occupation: Dentist – Retired (UCLA School of Dentistry 1974)

Community Activities: Past member of the West Los Angeles Dental Society (WLADS) Board of Directors; Past member and Chairman of the WLADS Peer Review Committee; Past member of the California Dental Association (CDA) Council on Peer Review; Past clinical instructor at the UCLA School of Dentistry; Past member and President of the Los Angeles Underwater Photographic Society; certified California Naturalist; Co-Coordinator Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy Volunteer Trail Watch

#### Rob Kautz

Occupation: Principal, HollowayKautz Investments LLC

Community Activities: Los Angeles Police Foundation, Vice Chair 2010-2011, Finance Finance Chair/Treasurer 2002-2010; East Los Angeles College Finance Club speaker/advisor, 2010; Haverford College Alumni Executive Committee 2006-2008; GE Capital Restaurant Leadership Forum, Advisory Board Member 2001-2005; volunteer lecturer on leadership and entrepreneurship, UCLA and Haverford College

Awards & Distinctions: LA Business Journal CFO of the Year Finalist, 2010; Robert Half CFO Panel, 2006; National Association for Strategic Planning, Keynote Speaker 2003; National YPO Food and Beverage Roundtable, Keynote Speaker 2003; UCLA Extension/CA Restaurant Association panel 2002; GE Capital's Innovative Concept of the Year, Award Recipient and Speaker 2002; MBA, Harvard Business School; BA, Economics

#### Mike Kilroy

Occupation: Investor (multi-family housing, office, retail)

Community Activities: Board Member & Vice President, PVPLC, 1989 to the present; RPV- & PVPLC-designated lead negotiator for the Filiorum acquisition, 2009; RPV- & PVPLC-designated lead negotiator for the Portuguese Bend, Agua Amarga & Vista del Norte acquisitions, 2005; PVPLC-designated lead negotiator for the Forrestal acquisition, 1996; RHE- and PVPLC-designated Lead negotiator for the Chandler acquisition, 1994; Founding Chairman, PVPLC Land Acquisition Committee, 1989 to 2006; PVPLC Nature Walk Leader, 1990-1996; Originator of the PVPLC Nature Walks, 1989

Awards & Distinctions: RPV & PVPLC awards for leadership of the Forrestal acquisition, 1996; RHE & PVPLC awards for the Chandler acquisition, 1994; PVPLC President's Award, 1993, first year awarded; MA, Oxford University; AB, University of California, Berkeley

#### Carolynn Petru

Occupation: City Administrator/Urban Planner – Retired 2015

Community Activities: Peninsula Village, Board of Directors and Volunteer

Awards & Distinctions: BS Environmental Planning, University of California, Davis; MA Urban Planning, University of California, Los Angeles; American Institute of Certified Planners (1996 – 2015)



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### **Ken Swenson**

Occupation: Senior Vice President, Office of the General Counsel, Bank of America

Community Activities: Current Stewardship Committee Chair and Executive Committee member, PVPLC; past Board President and past Chair of Land Acquisition, Fundraising, and Education Committees, PVPLC; graduate of Annenberg Foundation Alchemy and Alchemy Plus nonprofit leadership programs; former Editorial Board Chair, Los Angeles Lawyer Magazine; former Publications Chair, Environmental Law Subsection, Los Angeles County Bar Association; multiple season volunteer coach, Palos Verdes Basketball Association; frequent speaker and educator for business, professional and charitable organizations, including Land Trust Alliance Rally, American Bar Association, California State Bar Association, California Continuing Education of the Bar, Los Angeles County Bar Association and university-sponsored programs; previous employment included Vice President – Real Estate at Universal Studios, and partner at a Los Angeles-based law firm

### **Rick Wallace**

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Community Activities: White Point Community Group; LA Biomed Finance Committee; City of Rancho Palos Verdes Finance Advisory Committee 2000-2006; South Bay Lacrosse Association Co-Founder/Chief Financial Officer 2002- 2010; Boy Scout Troop 783 Assistant Scoutmaster 1999-2002