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Hollis is an MBA Admissions Consultant at Gatehouse Admissions, a boutique firm that focuses on the most competitive business school programs. In this role, she works with aspiring MBA candidates from around the world, helping them define their goals and craft their stories. Earlier in her career, Hollis worked in New York City and San Francisco, primarily in public relations and real estate private equity. She earned an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business and a BA in Literature from Yale University, graduating Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude.

Hollis' love of nature dates back to her childhood. She grew up on a farm in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and, in addition to having acres of trees, ponds,

and creeks right outside her house, she frequently went hiking, whitewater canoeing, and windsurfing with her family. During college, Hollis spent a month with NOLS backpacking through the Olympic Mountains in Washington State. That month remains one of Hollis' peak experiences and was a catalyst for her love of the wilderness. An avid rock climber, currently self-described as "lapsed" while raising very young children, Hollis has climbed throughout the western US and Canada.

Since joining the Conservancy Council, Hollis and Matt have welcomed three daughters, Anais (6 ½), Elodie (4 ½), and Mathilde (2 ½) and are enthusiastically passing on their passion for the outdoors to their girls. Anais loves to climb, and all the girls are enthusiastic hikers who love exploring the mountains around their home in Boulder, CO.

In her free time, Hollis pursues her interests in photography, travel, interior design, yoga, and gluten-free vegan cooking.

MATT ADAMS

Matt Adams is a partner and portfolio manager at Orbis Investment Management, a global investment manager with more than \$35 billion in assets under management. Prior to joining Orbis, he served as an officer in the US Army, where he held a variety of leadership positions.

Matt holds an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business, an MS in electrical engineering from the University of Washington, a Masters of Philosophy from Cambridge University, where he was a Gates Scholar, and a BS in electrical engineering from the United States Military Academy, West Point, where he graduated 2nd in academic standing out of 951 graduates.

Matt's interest in rock climbing and mountaineering dates back more than 20 years, and has taken him throughout the US, Canada, and Europe. His favorite place to climb remains Yosemite. In his spare time, Matt also enjoys woodworking and furniture building, which he learned from his late grandfather.

Yosemite's high country remains one of Matt and Hollis's shared favorite places, and they hope to keep returning often with their daughters for many years to come.

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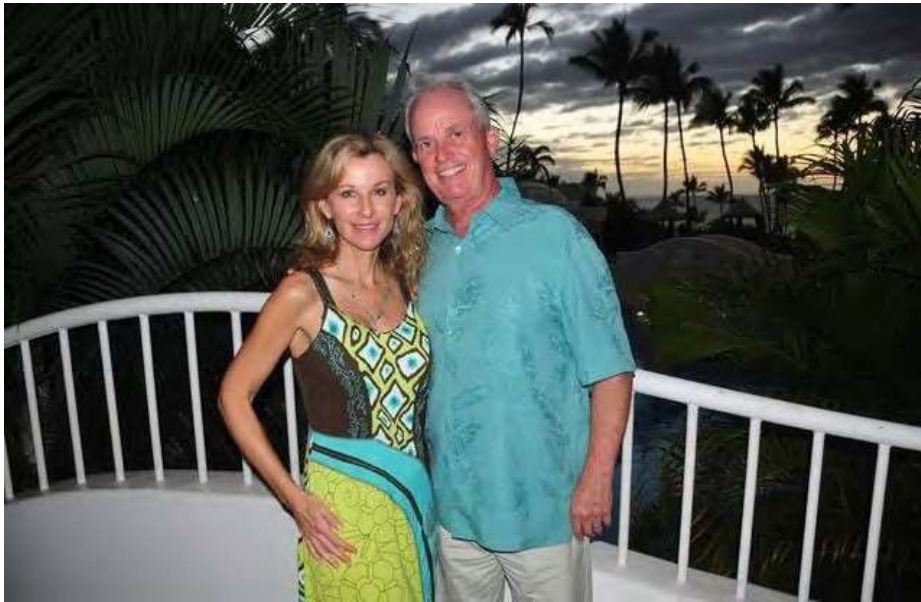
Gretchen grew up on a dairy farm in western Pennsylvania where she developed a love of the outdoors at an early age. Conservation and preservation of nature's wonders were taught and practiced in her home. Her father was one of the founders of McKeever Environmental Center in Sandy Lake, PA.

Gretchen and her late husband Joe moved to California in 1965. They raised their four children in Claremont. There Joe and Gretchen began their company, Sierra Alloys. It later moved to Irwindale, CA. Sierra is a manufacturing center for custom hot metal forging and rolling processes of titanium and steel alloys. Gretchen remained involved at Sierra Alloys until November 2011 when the company was sold.

A graduate of University of LaVerne, Gretchen worked for many years as a substitute teacher and was active in many school related activities. She was a board member of the Webb Schools for 10 years and is an active board member of the Raymond Alf Museum of Paleontology in Claremont.

Gretchen enjoys traveling, especially to visit her far flung family. Gardening and reading are among her favorite pastimes.

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Suzy Bennett is former President of Friendship Force International, a non-profit cultural exchange organization that promotes global goodwill through personal friendships in over 70 countries. Through this work, Suzy collaborated with people all over the world to organize cross-cultural and educational exchanges, including a two-year humanitarian relief effort in the former Soviet Union, where Suzy lived and worked in Moscow, Russia. Over the course of

her career, Suzy also served as Executive-Administrative Affairs Manager for The Yosemite Conservancy (then The Yosemite Fund), ABA-certified paralegal specializing in civil litigation and corporate transactions, mental health crisis specialist and airline customer service agent.

Suzy earned a B.S. in Political Science from Presbyterian College, South Carolina, and graduated from American University's International Fellowship Program in Washington, D.C. She earned a M.A. in Counseling Psychology from John F. Kennedy University, Orinda, California.

A lifelong animal advocate, Suzy serves as a National Council Member of The Humane Society of the United States. She also served as Board member of Lifeline for Pets, and volunteer with Fix Our Ferals and the Humane Society in Pasadena and Marin County, California. Suzy is currently writing a fantasy adventure novel with a kindness to animals theme.

In 2009, Suzy and Bob founded Pink Moment Press, the proud publisher of *To Be Brave* and *Fail Falling*, the first two volumes of legendary climber and fellow Council Member Royal Robbins' autobiographical series *My Life*.

Suzy and Bob live in Ojai, California with their healthy brood of cats. They are affectionately known as "Granny Sue" and "PapaBob" to their five grandchildren who are the offspring of Bob's two adult children, Matthew and Brandy.

BOB BENNITT

Since joining the Council in 1990, Bob Bennett has been an extremely engaged and committed supporter of the Yosemite Conservancy. He is the owner and CEO of The Pace Group, and has contributed printing services, including annual reports and brochures, to the Conservancy since 1994. Bob chaired the Project Review Committee for many years, chaired the Strategic Projects Committee from its inception through 2016 and now serves as the Board Chair. Bob is always ready to champion the Conservancy to potential Corporate Protectors.

For over 40 years, Pace has provided marketing strategy and execution with a personal, creative style for many well-known corporations in the Southern California market. Pace's clients include organizations such as Bank of the West, The Capital Group Companies, City National Bank, Willis Towers Watson and USC.

Out of high school, Bob received a nomination for an appointment to West Point, but chose to go to the University of California, Santa Barbara instead. Coincidentally, this was at the same time that the Conservancy's Vice President, Jerry Edelbrock, attended UCSB. Bob has lived in the Los Angeles area for the majority of his life. He is the father of two adult children, Matthew and Brandy, who also live in California. Bob is proud to be a representative of the Southern California contingent of Yosemite Conservancy.

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DAVID CAMERON

David Cameron is executive vice president of Personal & Business Banking at City National Bank and is a member of the company's Executive Leadership Team and Senior Management Team. David is responsible for the bank's small business, consumer, and preferred banking lines of business, including the branch network. He also oversees City National's commitment to fair lending and the Community Reinvestment Act. He is based in Los Angeles and manages colleagues in California, Nevada, Georgia, Virginia, Washington, D.C., New Jersey, and New York.

David joined City National in 2005 as an associate business development officer. He spent 10 years growing his career and leading colleagues in Commercial Banking before becoming the senior vice president in charge of

business banking in 2016. Under his leadership, City National became one of the top lenders in the country for Small Business Administration 504 loans. He was named executive vice president of Personal & Business Banking in 2023.

David has always carried a passion for giving back to the community. He serves on the board of directors for the Aquarium of the Pacific, The Pacific Coast Banking School and is now a proud member of the Yosemite Conservancy Council. David earned his bachelor's degree from the University of California, Irvine and is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School.

AMELIA CAMERON

Amelia is an Area Manager covering Southern California for Cline Cellars, a Sonoma winery which was established in 1982. In this role, she is responsible for managing distribution throughout the region, managing four teams to help drive sales and brand presence in the market.

Amelia's interest in wine developed while studying at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Spending weekends discovering the wine region began as a hobby, and soon blossomed into a passion, resulting in Amelia studying abroad in France where she was exposed to wines of the Old World. Her enthusiasm for food, travel and discovering wines that evoke a sense of place became a constant fascination. Although her degree was in Art & Design, Photography, and had an early career as an Architectural Photographer, the intrigue of the wine industry never waned. After starting a family, Amelia decided to follow her passion and went through the WSET program, completing the 3rd level with Merit.

Amelia and David live in Long Beach, California with their three sons: Samuel (14), Mackey (11), and Madden (8). Their weekends are mostly spent at the boys' football, baseball and water polo games. When not running from sport to sport, they enjoy the beach, camping, traveling and

exploring the local trails. Yosemite Valley has been a yearly vacation spot, where many memories have been made and they look forward to many more.



DARWIN AND JESSICA CHEN

Darwin and Jessica Chen have been married for over 25 years. They met while in school and have two adult daughters, Adrienne and Bethany, both university students. Jessica introduced Darwin to Yosemite, sharing its magical qualities she experienced while with her grandparents who, active in conservation, spent summers and winter breaks with her in the Sonora/Twain Harte area. This shared experience has led to their marriage-long support of the Yosemite Conservancy. They are also actively involved with the NRDC and health ventures aimed at supporting sustainable, environmental, and healthy food sourcing for the U.S.

Jessica is a native of California and they reside in Irvine. Darwin is a native of Taiwan, having immigrated here at the age of 12. He is Senior Vice President in charge of Kingston Technology's Global NAND Flash business, and a graduate of USC with an MBA from UC Irvine. His hobbies include golfing, traveling and sharing in the family's love of exploring different cultures and environments. Jessica is currently returning to education and recapturing her fascination with science.

During the last 25 years, they have grown even more fervent in their belief in and support of a Park that is available to all but also inherently itself, with a balance in visitation and restoration. Darwin and Jessica believe in the magical and unique qualities of Yosemite National Park and its need for protection and conservation for generations to come. Now more than ever, our environment demands our increasing care and support. They are excited to serve with so many other wonderful individuals with the same mission to make Yosemite its best.

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John & Meredith Cranston



Meredith Cranston was born and raised in the San Francisco Bay Area where the natural beauty of the Bay and its surroundings has served as her playground and classroom. Meredith earned a BA and MA from Stanford University as well as a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from UCLA. For the past 15 years Meredith has worked at the Harker School, an independent K-12 school where she serves as Upper School Campus Librarian and 2026 Class Dean. As Campus Librarian, Meredith works with teachers and students to create integrated, project-based learning opportunities that engage students in exploring a wealth of print and digital information resources across academic disciplines. Her goal is to give her students the tools they need to ask and answer their own questions. As a Class Dean, Meredith cultivates community for her 200 Sophomores--encouraging social emotional learning, mentoring student leaders and supporting grade-level Advisors. As a teacher and a parent, Meredith's favorite thing to do is to make her children go outside. The connection between

emotional wellbeing and the great outdoors for children and young adults is a strong one. She is honored to support the Conservancy's mission to preserve Yosemite for future generations and empower young visitors to enjoy our Park's shared natural patrimony.

John Cranston was born in San Francisco and now lives in Woodside, CA with his wife and two young sons. As a child, John's family travelled to Yosemite several times a year so it is a special place that is woven into the background of his childhood memories. Making Yosemite memories with his own family now, John is excited to give back to the park and continue the legacy.

John attended St. Ignatius College Prep in San Francisco where he was on the varsity rowing team all four years and was in the boat that captured SI's first-ever national championship. John continued his education and rowing career at Princeton where he studied Operations Research and Financial Engineering and earned medals at several league and national championships. During and after college, John rowed with the US National Team, earning gold medals at the Pan American Games in 2003 and Nations Cup (world rowing championships for under-23 year old competitors) in 2002.

John is currently the Vice President of Business Development and Channel Marketing at Telestream, a private equity owned company focused on media workflows and video quality. Prior to Telestream, John co-founded SYNCrew, a startup that helped companies with mobile employees stay compliant with labor laws and double their profitability through understanding labor cost. Before that, John spent time at Demandforce, a company that was purchased by Intuit for \$420 million. At Demandforce, he launched and built the Lifestyle industry vertical which was the company's fastest-ever growing division and became the largest software company, by revenue, serving the salon industry in the United States. Prior to Demandforce, John worked for Business.com in Product Strategy and at Lazard advising technology clients on M&A. John started his career at ALK Technologies in Business Development and Product Management.

John spends his free time with his family. They enjoy travelling around the world, across the US and within California, especially to Yosemite!



DIANE CIESINSKI

Diane grew up in California and visited Yosemite many times while camping as a child – she remembers watching the Firefalls at night and wishing they could stay at the Ahwahnee Hotel. She has a Bachelor’s degree in Marketing and Advertising from San Jose State and worked at a few Silicon Valley startups before becoming a fulltime Mom and volunteer. When the kids were young she served as PTA President and had many team mom roles.

She is President of the Kalele Foundation, their family non-profit dedicated to supporting disadvantaged youth through various scholarship grants. Currently Diane is on the Board of Yosemite Conservancy and serves as chair of the Marketing and Communications committee. For seven years (two as Board Chair) she served on the Board of Hidden Villa Farm and Wilderness Preserve in Los Altos Hills. She still volunteers there as a Kindergarten farm tour guide to connect young kids with nature. Other nonprofits she helps include Help One Child (Foster Kids), Canary Foundation (early detection of cancer) and LifeMoves (helping the homeless population on the Peninsula). In her free time she and Steve ride bikes, play golf, hike, travel, and ski. Diane loves cooking healthy meals, playing the piano and writing poems. Sons Zack (age 32) and Nick (age 29) have enjoyed several visits to Yosemite, including staying at the Ahwahnee for a Yosemite Fund event and wishing they were camping!

STEVE CIESINSKI is founder and managing director of Kalele Partners, and an investor, advisor and board member to many private tech-based companies and several international VC funds. His current interests include application software, cybersecurity, digital health, fintech and B2B marketplaces.

Steve is past president of SRI International, where he had P&L responsibilities and led global commercialization initiatives. SRI (formerly the Stanford Research Institute) is one of the world’s leading independent R&D organizations and an icon in Silicon Valley innovation history. He chairs SRI’s largest subsidiary, Ravenswood Solutions. Previously, he held executive management and board positions with Silicon Valley companies: Applied Materials, Octel Communications, and Resumix. He started his career at Procter & Gamble, was a consultant with Booz, Allen & Hamilton, and served as a partner with Earlybird Ventures.

Steve has been on the faculty at Stanford's Graduate School of Business for 13 years, teaching in the MBA and Executive Education programs on venture capital, entrepreneurship and innovation topics, with particular focus on developing economies. He frequently gives speeches and presentations on these subjects. He is past Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Union College as well as the President’s Cabinet at Cal Poly. Steve has a BSEE and AB from Union College and an MBA from Stanford University.

Steve and his family are the founders of the Kalele Foundation, providing support and scholarships for character-building programs for disadvantaged youth. He is on the board of the Yosemite Conservancy (chair of Finance Committee), and works closely with nonprofits LifeMoves (homeless sheltering) and Hidden Villa (social reform and justice).

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CRAIG COOPER

Craig Cooper has over 20 years of experience as a family office director where he provides personal, legal, and financial oversight to individuals, trusts, partnerships and foundations. He is a licensed attorney and active member of The State Bar of California. Craig has expertise in working with asset managers, accountants, and legal counsel to monitor wealth portfolios and real estate investments for trusts and high net worth individuals. He has served on the board of several startup companies, as President of a condominium homeowners association, as manager of Limited Liability Companies, and trustee over substantial trusts with a myriad of holdings including publicly traded securities, real estate and private equity investments.

Currently, Craig is COO of CABATech. The company specializes in designing and manufacturing LED components and lighting, and incorporating Craig received his Juris Doctorate from Loyola Law School and B.A. degree from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) with a major in Political Science and a specialization in Business Administration. He was a Federal Judicial Extern for Hon. James M. Ideman, United States District Judge and co-authored a chapter on Bulk

Sales “Sales & Leases in California Commercial Law Practice” published by Continuing Education of the Bar (1993).

Craig currently serves on the Board of Directors of Vista Del Mar, a charitable organization which provides specialized services and therapeutic treatment to children struggling with mental health, emotional, social and/or behavior problems. He is also on the advisory board of a Los Angeles based financial advisory firm. In his free time, he is an avid triathlete of all distances and has qualified and participated in USA Triathlon’s National Championships and Xterra World Championships.

KIRA COOPER

Kira Cooper has lived in Los Angeles since her parents moved here from the East Coast when she was 5 years old. She graduated UCLA with a BA in Sociology and then earned her teaching credential at California State University Northridge. Kira taught for several years until the birth of her oldest child and when she retired to stay at home to raise her kids. Kira and Craig have three children, Charlie, 18, Katie, 16, and Leo, 12 years old.

Kira has spent much of her free time working at the kids’ schools, and volunteering with other organizations, such as Vista del Mar and the Alliance for Moms in Los Angeles. In her free time Kira likes to do Pilates, yoga and play tennis.

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HAROLD D. CRANSTON

I have been coming to Yosemite for over 60 years. I first climbed Half Dome with my Dad on my 8th birthday and since then have hiked, skied and back packed most of the trails in the Park. As with many people, Yosemite is where I "recharge."

I first became involved with the former Yosemite Fund in 2002 as a Council Member. Since then, I have served on various Committees, the Board and was the Board Chair for a 3 year term during the merger of the Yosemite Association and Yosemite Fund.

Other nonprofit work that I have been or currently am involved with includes International Relief and Development,

St Ignatius College Preparatory, St Luke's Hospital, Episcopal Charities and Stanford University.

My professional career has been in business management and ownership.

I received an AB degree from Stanford University a long time ago and an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

I have two children; both married and living in the Bay Area. I'm very fortunate to have 4 grandsons who keep me busy and on my toes!

VICKI F. BAKER

Vicki retired from a 30-year career in information consulting services, first with the consulting firm of Arthur D. Little and later with her own firm. She provided advice to Fortune 500 firms and large government agencies, and specialized in systems consulting to one of the largest multi-employer pensions in the U.S. Prior to consulting, she designed and managed development of a financial planning system for Dart Industries which later merged with Kraft Foods.

Vicki is a Board member of the Everychild Foundation, a foundation dedicated to alleviating the suffering of Los Angeles area children. She has served as treasurer, secretary, chair of the grant screening board and is currently chair of grant outreach.

She has also served on the board of the Venice Family Clinic and was involved with development. She is a former board president of the Westside Family Health Center and served on the YWCA Santa Monica/Westside Blue Ribbon Committee.

Her outside interests include travel, long distance hiking, reading, Pilates, mah jongg and more recently hanging out at Yosemite and Truckee.

She earned her BA and MBA at UCLA.

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CAROL DIAZ

Carol grew up in Los Angeles and traveled extensively in the United States with her mother and siblings, Yosemite was their playground. She worked as an Accountant and then worked at home raising their children. Carol is on the board of the Sonoma County North chapter of Slow Food International, along with helping to run the Slow Food Snail of Approval program in Sonoma County.

MANUEL DIAZ

Manny grew up in Los Angeles and adventured his way through California in his teen/early adult years; Yosemite was where he flourished. His career in aviation began when he was in the Air Force, he continued his career at Western Airlines, and various others before retiring more than 17 years ago. Manny now spends much of his time overseeing their 10-acre vineyard in the Sonoma County wine country. He is also trying his hand at making wine, with a small lot of Zinfandel.

For both of them travel is a large part of their lives

and even though they have travelled to many more faraway places, Yosemite is “home,” a place to come back to and a place they want to put their efforts into protecting. Carol and Manny have two daughters, Stephanie and Stacey, who also grew up acquiring a special bond with Yosemite and now three grandchildren are also discovering the wonders of this beautiful place. Today their time is spent on their vineyard and ranch watching over the grapes and growing much of the organic produce that they eat.

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John and Leslie began their connection with Yosemite Conservancy in 1993. In 1997, they became John Muir Heritage Society Members and, in 1999, they were elected to the Council. Leslie served on the Board and as Vice Chair, Southern California from 2000-2004, and she recently chaired the Board's Strategic Planning Committee. John joined the Board in 2004 and served as Board Chair from 2011 through 2013. John and Leslie were both elected Trustees Emeritus of the Conservancy in 2019.

LESLIE A. DORMAN

Leslie Dorman is President of the Sterling Foundation, which focuses on college access issues for African American and Latino students in Los Angeles. Prior to starting the Sterling Foundation, she served as Executive Director of the Whitecap

Foundation, making grants to projects involving family support, youth education and wildlife conservation. Before joining the Whitecap Foundation, Leslie was Assistant Executive Director of the Los Angeles Educational Partnership, a non-profit organization which directs private sector resources to improve the quality of education in the Los Angeles area. Leslie has also served as Director of Development for KUSC-FM, one of the largest public radio stations in the nation. Before moving to public broadcasting, Leslie spent ten years with the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, a non-profit, non-partisan international affairs organization. Leslie also serves on the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Opera. A native of Winnetka, Illinois, Leslie holds a BA in Political Science & Sociology from Occidental College.

JOHN C. DORMAN

John Dorman retired from his position as Chairman, President and CEO of Digital Insight Corporation in 2004. Digital Insight is the leading provider of internet banking and online bill payment services to financial institutions. He remained active on their Board of Directors until Digital Insight was acquired by Intuit Corporation in 2007. Prior to his tenure at Digital Insight, he was Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Worldwide Financial Services Division of Oracle Corporation, a position he assumed in 1997 after Oracle acquired Treasury Services Corporation, a software company he founded in 1983. John currently serves as Chairman of the Board of DeepDyve, Inc. in Menlo Park. He also serves on the Boards of CoreLogic Inc. and LoanDepot Inc. John is a native of San Diego, California. He holds a BA degree in both Business Administration and Philosophy from Occidental College, as well as an MBA degree in Finance from University of Southern California.

John and Leslie reside in Santa Monica, California and Steamboat Springs, Colorado. They have one daughter, Brooke, who is married with two young children.

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Dave Dornsife is Chairman of the Board of the Herrick Corporation and its subsidiaries. Herrick is a steel fabrication and installation company based in San Ramon, California. Dave is a graduate of the USC Marshall School of Business. Dave has been a USC Trustee since 2002. He is Vice President of the Hedco Foundation, whose mission is health and educational improvement. Dave and Dana are working on expanding agricultural production in Burkina Faso, West Africa through the charity ECHO. In partnership with World Vision, they are doing water well drilling, sanitation, and hygiene in 24 other countries in Africa.

DANA DORNSIFE

Dana received her undergraduate degree in business from Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1991 she co-founded Axiom Design, Inc., a lighting design and home automation consulting firm. She is the Founder of Lazarex Cancer Foundation whose mission is to help end stage cancer patients navigate their clinical trial options and provide financial support, if needed, for clinical trial participation.

Dave and Dana have six adult children: Rena, Rhonda, Darcy, Kirsten, Ryan, Brendan.

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JEWELL ENGSTROM

Jewell is a senior entertainment industry executive and Chief Financial Officer, now retired after spending 26 years with The Walt Disney Company.

Jewell was the Senior Vice President, Financial Planning and Analysis for Disney ABC Television Group. Her responsibilities included planning and supporting the execution of strategies, including long range strategic financial and operational plans. Prior to that, she was the Chief Financial Officer of Disney ABC Networks Group and was responsible for all aspects of financial planning and accounting. Jewell also held several other financial management positions during her tenure with Disney.

Jewell is currently working part time managing all financial aspects of Bob's practice, as well as spending time with Jasper, the Engstrom family's 5 year old golden retriever. Jewell is also a member of the Yosemite Conservancy's Board of Trustees, chair of the Audit Committee and a member of the Finance and Grant Review Committees. Before the Coronavirus pandemic, Bob and Jewell traveled extensively and are looking forward to doing so in the future.

A certified public accountant, Ms. Engstrom is a graduate of University of California, Los Angeles, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics/Business.

ROBERT ENGSTROM, JR., M.D.

Bob is an ophthalmologist specializing in vitreoretinal disease and surgery in Encino, California. Bob earned his Bachelor of Science in Biology from UCLA, received his medical degree from David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and completed both his residency and fellowship at the Jules Stein Eye Institute at UCLA. Bob was an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology from 1995-2001 and was Chief of Ophthalmology at the Olive View Medical Center and Co-Director of the Ophthalmic Oncology center at the Jules Stein Eye Institute from 1995 – 2005. He opened his own practice, The Retina Partners, in 2001 which has grown to include 5 partners, 2 associate physicians and operates in 5 offices.

Bob is an avid photographer who loves to spend time documenting his family's travels.

Jewell and Bob share a lifelong passion for Yosemite. Jewell's family has been traveling to Yosemite for over 60 years. When Bob and Jewell met as freshman at UCLA, their first trip together was to Yosemite. They were also engaged in Tuolumne Meadows in 1985. They've continued the Yosemite tradition with their two daughters, Alyssa and Casey who both share their parents' passion for the park.

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BERNARD J. FISCHBACH

Bernie spent his early years in Oakland, California. He is a graduate of UC Berkeley and earned a law degree from Hastings College of Law in San Francisco. In 1971, shortly after graduating from Hastings, Bernie and his wife moved to southern California where he spent the first four years of his law career as a Field Attorney with the National Labor Relations Board for whom he tried cases under the Taft Harley Act before the National Labor Relations Board, Federal District Courts, and United States Courts of Appeal. He then went into private practice as one of the founding members of Fischbach, Perlstein, Lieberman and

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Bernie's early visits to Yosemite as a young boy would become his inspiration for his adult passion for hiking. Over the years, numerous backpacking trips in the Sierras led to more extensive trekking excursions to such locations as Bolivia, Peru, and Northern India. He is especially proud of summiting Mt. Kilimanjaro and reaching the Everest Base Camp. He also enjoys bicycling and traveling the world with his wife. However, no matter how far Bernie travels, his favorite place in the world continues to be Yosemite National Park.

SANDRA FISCHBACH

Sandi, a native Californian, was born and raised in San Francisco. She graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a BS in Social Sciences and went on to San Francisco State University where she earned a teaching credential. After two years with the San Francisco Unified School District, she and her husband moved to Los Angeles where she continued teaching elementary school. After two years in the classroom, she was tapped to work primarily with gifted and talented students at various schools in LAUSD. At the same time, as a parent, she was actively involved in all aspects of PTA and volunteered in various classrooms. After fifteen years in education, Sandi decided to make a career change and joined her husband's law firm as office manager. Upon retiring a few years ago, she re-entered the school system as a volunteer working with under-achieving students. Sandi loves to travel and does so often. One of her most memorable travel experiences was a trip to Romania where she worked as a volunteer in an orphanage that housed "failure to thrive" children. In addition to her continued volunteer work in schools, Sandi serves as a volunteer bookkeeper for the UCLA Health System Auxiliary. When she isn't volunteering, she enjoys gardening and is an avid reader.

Bernie and Sandi have fond memories of going to Yosemite as children. So, where else to go for a honeymoon? Yosemite. To carry on family tradition, they have hiked, biked and back packed in Yosemite with their two children for over thirty-five years.

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In 1989 Jay Rossi and Bill sold their company which manufactures Osmocote® controlled release fertilizer. Osmocote® is used by nurseries and greenhouses around the world. Since then Bill has devoted time to charitable organizations, as well as travel, hiking, skiing, swimming.

Cynthia and Bill have 6 children, 16 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren

CYNTHIA FLOYD

Cynthia was born in San Francisco. Her family moved to the Peninsula where she attended Castilleja High School and Stanford University. She served for many years as a trustee of Castilleja School.

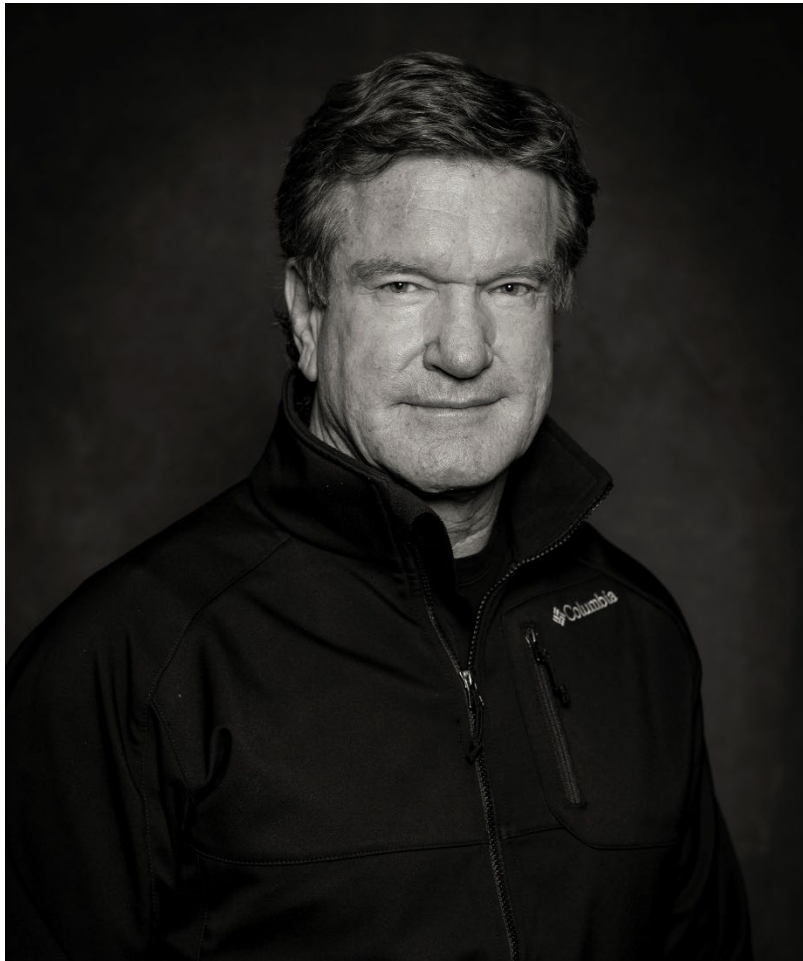
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BONNIE GREGORY

Bonnie Gregory is a retired Certified Public Accountant with a Master's degree from UC Santa Barbara. Bonnie volunteers in the communities of Mammoth Lakes and Newport Beach, CA where she resides. She is a member of the Council of Yosemite Conservancy. Bonnie is an outdoor enthusiast and spends her recreational time walking, skiing, boating, paddle boarding, and biking. Bonnie and her Labrador Retriever, Emi, enjoy frequent visits from her family members Michael, Deena, Hunny, Baby (soon!) and Jackson.

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RUSTY GREGORY

Rusty Gregory was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Alterra Mountain Company in January 2018 after serving as a member of the board and the company's Senior Strategic Advisor since its inception, helping create its vision and direction.

Mr. Gregory is an experienced leisure industry executive and proven mountain resort innovator. His career in the ski industry spans 40 years starting as a lift operator at Mammoth Mountain in California where he rose through the ranks to become an owner and the company's Chairman and CEO for over 20 years.

Throughout his career, Rusty gained experiences from all sides, including time spent as a lift mechanic, ski instructor, and human resources director. He went on to found, own and operate Mammoth Heli-Ski in the 80s, Mammoth Land and Development Company in the 90s, and eventually purchased into Mammoth Mountain Ski Area in 1996.

Rusty also helped shape the future of the resort when he led the sale of a fraction of the company to Intrawest in 1996, and sold the entire enterprise to Barry Sternlicht's Starwood Capital Group LLC and minority investors David Bonderman of TPG and Jonathon Nelson of Providence Equity, in 2005. He then led the July 31, 2017 sale of Mammoth Mountain to the newly-formed entity owned by affiliates of KSL Capital Partners, LLC and Henry Crown and Company, where he is now a member of the company's Board of Directors and previously held the position of Senior Strategic Advisor prior to being named the CEO.

Rusty is past Chairman of the National Ski Areas Association, Trustee of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Team Foundation, and Trustee and past Vice Chairman of the Yosemite Conservancy. He was appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger as a Commissioner to the California Travel and Tourism Commission where he served as CFO and Vice Chairman. He is the founder and Chairman of the University of California Santa Barbara's Valentine Reserve Environmental Research Fund.

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KAREN HANSON

Karen is a California native and has had the pleasure of enjoying our State Parks as well as Yosemite from very early on. Karen grew up taking family vacations every summer in the woods. Karen developed a deep love and sense of peace by spending time amongst the pines and redwoods and hoped to pass on this love and respect for nature to our children. When choosing a career Karen considered such things as being a forest ranger or a geologist, imagining a life in such surroundings. Karen was ultimately pulled in the direction of health care. Karen graduated from SJSU with a BS in Occupational Therapy and has enjoyed a wonderful career. Helping fellow humans regain independence after a catastrophic event has been very rewarding. More recently, Karen furthered her training and has specialized in the area of Hand Therapy and belongs to the American Society of Hand Therapists. Karen

especially enjoyed teaching her children about the wonder of nature. Karen hopes to help provide that inspiration to many others through the work of the Yosemite Conservancy.

STEVE HANSON

Steve was raised in a Navy family that enjoyed the opportunity to settle in Hawaii that would forever seal his love for the outdoors and water. Taking a break from college Steve collaborated with friends developing an organic farm north of Santa Rosa furthering his love for nature. Graduating from UC Santa Cruz, Steve developed an interest in software technology and worked for technology companies in Silicon Valley. Steve met Karen who introduced him to Yosemite and together raised two beautiful children. Steve's life has been inspired and enriched by each Yosemite visit and so contributes to preserving these qualities for future generations.

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LAURA HATTENDORF

For over 14 years Laura led the Mulago Foundation's operations, investment strategy and execution, leading a team that sources, vets and manages over 100 funding relationships (grants, debt and equity) with social enterprises in Africa and South/Southeast Asia. In this role she directed over \$200 million to early-stage funding for many iconic global social enterprises. More recently she has taken on a new role that allows her to focus on mentoring, advising and teaching Mulago's Fellows, portfolio and growing team.

Prior to Mulago, Laura co-founded Sustainable Conservation, a non-profit organization that solves environmental problems using a collaborative approach that aligns economic and environmental interests. Laura was its Executive Director from 1993 to 2000 and served on its Board of Directors through 2013. Outside of work she spends as much time as she can in the great outdoors. She and her husband, Andy Kau, have a 26-year-old daughter, Maddie, and a 24-year-old son, Nathan.

Laura received her BS from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, and her MBA and Certificate in Public Management from Stanford University.

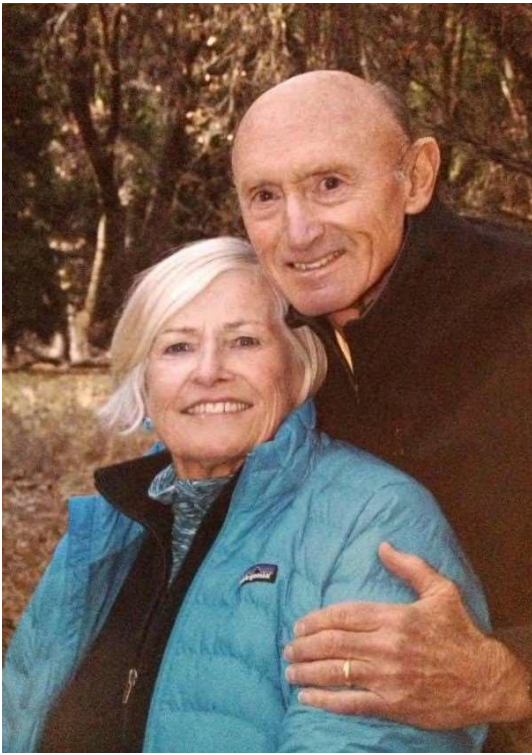
ANDREW KAU

Andrew is a Managing Director at Walden International, a leading VC firm headquartered in San Francisco, with offices throughout the world. Since 1994 he has made numerous early-stage investments in the IT sector in the US, India, China and Singapore. Prior to joining Walden, he was President of Chemical Technologies Ventures and a management consultant at Strategic Planning Associates and Booz, Allen and Hamilton. Outside of work, Andy enjoys biking, kayaking, hiking and camping.

Andrew holds a BS in Electrical Engineering from Brown University and an MBA from the University of Virginia.

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CHRISTY HOLLOWAY

Christy served as Chair of the Board of the Yosemite Association from 2001-2009, and retired in 2013 from the Vice Chairmanship and the Board of Yosemite Conservancy. She now serves on the Council. Her interests in environmental education and landsaving have directed her career. She attended the University of California at Berkeley and graduated from George Washington University in Washington D.C. In the late 1960's, while raising a young family, she was part of founding and chaired Environmental Volunteers, and then served on the board of the Peninsula Conservation Foundation. She was the first co-executive director of Hidden Villa in Los Altos and later chaired its board of trustees. She was president of the Junior League of Palo Alto and, in 1984, joined the board of the Peninsula Open Space Trust where she served as president for a number of years, and then as a board member through 2017. Christy has also served on the Pacific Advisory Council for NPCA and is among the 2018 recipients of the Avenidas Lifetimes of Achievement Award. She and her husband Chuck reside on the Stanford Campus.

CHUCK HOLLOWAY

A widely recognized expert in entrepreneurship, manufacturing strategy and technology management, Chuck Holloway is Professor Emeritus of Management at Stanford University's Graduate School of Business. Chuck has held a variety of positions within Stanford's Graduate School of Business since joining the University in 1968. In addition to serving as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for seven years, he has been an advocate for manufacturing and entrepreneurial education at the School of Business. In 1990 he founded the Alliance for Innovative Manufacturing at Stanford (formerly SIMA), a joint venture of the School of Business, the School of Engineering and a number of manufacturing companies. Currently he serves as a founding co-director of the Stanford Center for Entrepreneurial Studies. Prior to his career in education, Chuck was Assistant to the Technical Director of the Naval Reactors Branch of the Atomic Energy Commission and a senior engineer at Bechtel Corporation. He holds a Ph.D. and M.S. from the University of California, Los Angeles and a B.S.E.E. from the University of California, Berkeley.

Chuck is co-author of numerous business publications including "The Perpetual Enterprise Machine: Seven Keys to Corporate Renewal Through Successful Product and Process Development" (Oxford University Press, 1994) and "Decision Making Under Uncertainty: Models and Choices" (Prentice Hall, 1979). He now serves on the boards of two private companies and during his time at Stanford has served on the boards of seven start-up companies and four public companies. He is currently on the board of SRI in Menlo Park.

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CHRISTINA HURN

Christina Hurn is the founder of a beverage product development firm, St. Thomas Beverage, Inc., beginning in 1986. Her expertise is in non-alcoholic beverage formulation and manufacturing for her own brands as well as numerous retailers, including Vons, Trader Joes, Ghirardelli, 7up and other companies requiring new age beverage formulations. In 2005 she sold her military rated water brand, Aqua Blox, to an East Coast emergency preparedness firm

She holds a B.S. and M.S.A. from the University of California, Irvine, and is a native Californian. She is also a graduate of the FBI Citizens Academy. As a lover of the outdoors, particularly related to the National Parks, her primary outdoor interests include fly-fishing, hiking and kayaking and she has enjoyed all of these activities in Yosemite. She served on the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles Area Council Boy Scouts of America, the Rotary Club of Los Angeles, and the California State Railroad Museum. The culinary and wine worlds figure high on her list of interests as well.

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MITSU IWASAKI

Mitsu was born in a coastal town near Tokyo, Japan and immigrated to Seattle, Washington at the age of 6. He spent his teen years in Alaska working on commercial fishing boats, which sparked an enduring love for adventure and exploration of both the natural world and his capacity as a person. The natural extension of this love was a decade well-spent living out of a van climbing, boating, and skiing across the West.

Today, Mitsu serves as the CEO of American Alpine Club, a 501c3 based in Golden, CO. As CEO of the American Alpine club, he represents the collective voice and interest of the American Alpine Club's 25,000 members and the 7,000,000 climbers nation-wide through education, community building, and advocacy for access and protection of climbing landscapes.

Prior to joining the American Alpine Club, Mitsu served as Executive Director of the Mazamas and the Northwest Outward Bound School. At Northwest Outward Bound and the Mazamas, Mitsu modernized programs and operations, developed boards and governance, engaged broader constituents, and turned around decades of losses.

Mitsu served on the boards of Oregon Humanities and Oregon State Parks Foundation before moving to Golden, CO 9 months ago. He continues to serve on the board of Big City Mountaineers and volunteers as school reviewer and auditor for Outward Bound International.

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ERIN AND JEFF LAGER

Erin, Jeff, and their three sons recently moved from the SF Bay Area to Incline Village, NV. The entire family enjoys connecting with the outdoors, a shared passion born in part from the family's Yosemite visits over the years. The Lagers are avid skiers, hikers, boaters, golfers, and participants in youth soccer and lacrosse.

A native of Rhode Island and graduate of Boston College, Erin spent nearly two decades in institutional sales and trading with Montgomery Securities, Robertson Stephens, SG Cowen, and First Albany Capital. Since deciding to stay at home to raise her family, Erin has served as a board member and treasurer of the North Hillsborough Elementary parent board, the SF Peninsula JCC, and the Hillsborough Schools Foundation.

Jeff is a native Floridian who traveled west for college, receiving a BA, MA, and MBA from Stanford University. For the past 25 years Jeff has worked with the Capital Group Companies, where he currently is a partner, portfolio manager, and the principal investment officer of the American Balanced Fund. Jeff is the former treasurer of several non-profit organizations and currently serves as the vice-chairman of the board of trustees of the Gill/St. Bernard's School in Peapack-Gladstone, NJ.

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MELODY LIND

Melody is a Registered Nurse and a Certified Lamaze Childbirth Educator. She is also the Chief Financial Officer of Berkshire Bridge Capital and a board member of the Red Country Club HOA. Melody is actively involved in Stillpoint (a center for spiritual development), Desert Sage Auxiliary of the Assistance League of Las Vegas and is a member of The Christ Child Society. She has been involved with several schools as a board member and volunteer school nurse. Melody holds a BS degree in nursing from UCLA and did post graduate studies in childbirth practices and procedures.

Bob and Melody met at UCLA and they have four children and six grandchildren.

ROBERT LIND

Bob is Managing Partner of Berkshire Bridge Capital which provides strategic investment banking services to middle market companies. He is a board member and chairs the compensation committee of Virco Manufacturing (a public, U.S. based manufacturer of K-12 school furniture) and is a board member of Longenecker & Associates (a private, service provider to the nuclear and environmental industries). Bob graduated from UCLA with a BA in Economics and received his commission in the U. S. Navy. He received his MBA from the University of San Francisco following two campaigns in Viet Nam. He was a Managing Director with Lehman Brothers, headed Corporate Development at Rockwell International and was Managing Director and a board member of SAIC Venture Capital. Bob is a retired U.S. Navy Captain and is an awardee of the Navy commendation Medal (twice) and a graduate of the Naval War College (Defense Economics).

Bob & Melody reside in Las Vegas, Nevada near the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area where they enjoy hiking.

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TIM AND PATSY MARSHALL

To Tim and Patsy Marshall, Yosemite is paradise. Both of them feel at home in their soul in the park. They were initiated to the park when they were kids by their parents. Camping trips, scouts and backpacking trips all led them to want to share Yosemite with their friends. Thus, for the last 25 years they have brought 40 friends and family to the park every summer.

Having many favorite places in the park, their feelings for the park come down to all the experiences they have had with friends and family. Favorite hikes and cherished memories add to the parks allure, although, if they had to name something, sunset on Half Dome is always an awe-inspiring favorite.

Like a kid entering Disneyland's main street, they feel the thrill and chill once they enter the tunnel and emerge to the spectacular valley view. They are equally inspired by the East Gate's rugged high country entrance and both never fail to confirm their faith and inspire their lives.

PATSY MARSHALL

Patsy has raised three beautiful daughters, is a retired attorney and avid golfer, cook, hiker and skier.

TIM MARSHALL

Tim is an investment advisor at UBS Financial in Newport Beach. Prior to joining UBS Tim was a CPA at Arthur Anderson in Los Angeles.

In addition to his interest in enjoying and preserving the park, Tim helps friends in need and enjoys cycling, skiing and golfing.

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KIRSTEN MIKS

With over two decades serving non-profit organizations dedicated to cancer research and treatment, hospice care, youth leadership, and improving the quality of life in the community, Kirsten's passion is most recognized for her work with World Vision. The Dornsife Family has lead the crusade for the Water Warriors project, which brings clean water and hygiene to villages throughout Africa. Her direct volunteer work has included numerous visits to villages across multiple African countries. Kirsten has proudly served on multiple boards and holds a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Santa Barbara. In her spare time, she is very active in raising two teenagers and enjoys tennis and hiking with her goldendoodle.

DAN MIKS

An avid outdoorsman and fisherman, Dan has always had an appreciation for nature's greatest gifts. From mountain biking the trails of Northern California, to hiking the Monterey Coast, Dan is dedicated to the preservation of California's most coveted landscape. Dan also participates in the Water Warriors project on behalf of World Vision volunteering countless hours throughout the villages of Africa, bringing clean water and hygiene to the underserved communities. Dan is president of DKM Builders, Inc., and specializes in new construction and remodeling of residential properties throughout the Bay Area. On the weekends, you can find Dan cheering his son on the lacrosse and football fields - and occasionally sporting a "Cheer Dad" t-shirt at his daughter's competitions.

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Robyn is General Counsel for CallisonRTKL Inc., the global architecture and design practice of Arcadis. Those who know her best know that her real obsession is food – growing it, canning it, drying it, reading about it, and cooking with it. She tries (but fails pitifully) to keep her cookbook habit under wraps. When she can, Robyn joins Joe on his more modest hikes. Robyn holds a B.A. in English from Pomona College and a J.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles.

JOSEPH A. MILLER

Joseph left LA and the law business a few years back and now concentrates on small-scale farming and large-scale hiking, often accompanied by his hound, in and around Northern New Mexico. Joe holds a B.A. from Yale University and a J.D. from the University of California, Hastings law school in San Francisco. Joe has been an avid backpacker for over 45 years and spends part of each summer in the Sierra Nevada, including in Yosemite.

Joe and Robyn reside in Santa Fe, New Mexico. They have two grown sons, Ben and Daniel.

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DR. JUAN SÁNCHEZ MUÑOZ began serving as UC Merced’s fourth chancellor in July 2020, having most recently served as president of the University of Houston-Downtown (UHD). During his first year at UHD, Muñoz launched the university’s largest capital campaign and led the institution’s recovery efforts after Hurricane Harvey. He also presided over UHD’s increases in enrollment, retention and graduation. Chancellor Muñoz previously served as vice provost for undergraduate education at Texas Tech University and as an assistant professor at California State University, Fullerton. Dr. Muñoz sits on the boards of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, the American Council on Education and the Bay Area Council, and he received the 2020 Cesar Estrada Chavez Award from the American Association for Access, Equity and Diversity. He graduated from UC Santa Barbara, earned an M.A. from Cal State Los Angeles and was awarded his Ph.D. in education from UCLA. The son of Mexican immigrants to California, Muñoz is a first-generation college student; he served in the U.S. Marine Corps and taught high school and college in California.

DR. ZENAIDA AGUIRRE-MUÑOZ is an accomplished scholar and an associate professor of psychological, health and learning sciences at the University of Houston. Dr. Aguirre-Muñoz holds a Ph.D. in educational psychology from UCLA, and two bachelor’s degrees, in psychology and Spanish, from UC Santa Barbara. She has worked in teacher education for over 20 years.

When her sons were in elementary school, she helped their school develop and fund an outdoor education classroom that actively engaged the local community. She grew up in San Diego, where her family enjoyed the city parks on most weekends and our National Parks on holidays. Dr.

Aguirre-Muñoz is an avid runner and can be spotted running on the Bear Creek trail in Merced several times a week.

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We both grew up with a deep appreciation for the outdoors, and Yosemite holds a special place in both of our hearts. When Ryan was 11 he hiked the full High Sierra loop with his mother in addition to many other hikes in and around the Valley. Kate grew up in South Lake Tahoe and spent her childhood and teenage years exploring the Sierras, Yosemite, and Mammoth Lakes.

KATE MYERS

Kate is a kidney transplant coordinator at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. She is responsible for managing patients on the waitlist for kidney transplant, and also educates patients and their families regarding the waitlist process, transplant surgery, and other concerns. Previously, Kate was a registered nurse working in medical oncology at Scripps Memorial Hospital in San Diego.

Kate received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing, cum laude, from San Diego State University, where she was inducted in the Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society and selected by faculty as the recipient of the Clinical Achievement Award for excellence in patient care.

RYAN MYERS

Ryan currently serves as a Portfolio Manager at Causeway Capital Management, an international equity manager based in Los Angeles. He works on the quantitative research team and helps manage Causeway's emerging markets and international small cap strategies. Previously, Ryan founded Iron Castle Asset Management and managed its long/short, value-driven strategy focused on midcap U.S. equities. Before business school, Ryan worked as an analyst at Canyon Partners, where he covered the cable, media, telecom and satellite sectors. He also served an associate for Oaktree Capital Management in the Distressed Opportunities group. Ryan began his professional career as an investment banking analyst at Goldman Sachs in the Technology, Media, and Telecom group.

Ryan has a BA, magna cum laude, in Economics from Harvard University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business, where he was an Arjay Miller Scholar.

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RICHARD C. OTTER

Dick grew up in Yosemite where he attended Yosemite Elementary School. He served as Chairman of The Yosemite Fund from 1989 to 1996. Under his leadership, the Fund grew from a vision to a successful and well- respected model of effective philanthropy. During his seven-year term, grants of \$7 million were committed to support nearly 100 projects.

Dick is a graduate of U.C. Berkeley, and spent 3½ years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He began his career as a stockbroker with Davis Skaggs, predecessor company of the current Morgan Stanley Wealth Management. There he served as a mentor to newer brokers and his own outstanding production earned him membership in the firm's Chairman's Council. Dick's contributions to his community are equally inspiring. He has served as a successful fundraiser and conscientious leader of numerous organizations, including the San Francisco Guardsmen, Associates of the U.C. Press and Friends of the Bancroft Library, Recreation Center for the Handicapped, the U.C. Berkeley and U.C. Merced Foundations. Dick is a past president of the Commonwealth Club of California and of the Save-the-Redwoods League, and a current trustee of the California State Railroad Museum Foundation.

JUDITH F. WILBUR

A native Californian, Judy Wilbur earned her B.A. from U.C. Berkeley. She has served on and chaired many organizations, including the Asian Art Commission, Asian Art Museum Foundation, New Asian Art Project, and the 1994 "Yes on B" Bond Campaign (\$41 million bond measure retrofitting San Francisco's Old Main Library for use by the Asian Art Museum). She recently stepped down from the Asia Foundation's Board of Trustees, having served since 2006 and co-chaired their 60th Anniversary Gala, September 2014.

Judy currently chairs the Brayton Wilbur Foundation and the Flood Ranch Company. She serves on the board of the 870 Market Street Associates. She is past chair of the Asian Art Museum, and past president of the Commonwealth Club of California and the Hillsborough City School Board, and past director of the Wilbur Ellis Company. Judy has been the recipient of numerous social service awards.

Judy is the mother of four married children and has thirteen grandchildren. Her love of Yosemite has been nurtured by 40 years of August vacations at Wawona with family and friends.

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establishing a vineyard and you might see him out and about in his restored VW camper van!



Phil and Sharon began their connection with Yosemite Conservancy in 2000. In 2005 they became John Muir Heritage Society Members and, in 2008, they were elected to the Council. Phil joined the Board in 2009 and served as Board Chair from 2014 – 2016.

SHARON PILLSBURY

Sharon was born a flatlander. She grew up just outside Indianapolis, Indiana, and graduated from Miami University in Ohio. She was a marketing manager with Eastman Kodak and, later, with Franklin Covey. Retired in 2000, she is on the board of Marin Garden Club, and is active with the Fine Arts Museums Auxiliary in San Francisco. Sharon and Phil have four children, all of whom have migrated back to the Bay Area with their families, including four grands.

Sharon's mountain experience was initiated when Phil invited her to hike to Thacher's Golden Trout Camp at 10,000 feet in the Eastern Sierra at a time when she was six months pregnant. She survived that trip and became so attracted to the mountains that, a few years later, she hiked overland to Macchu Picchu in Peru, then continued her scrambles amongst refugios in the Dolomites in Italy and Yosemite's sister parks in China. She is considering a seventh (?) trip to Golden Trout this summer.

PHILIP L. PILLSBURY, JR.

Phil Pillsbury is a fifth generation Californian who first became involved in pack trips and backpacking in the Sierras while at the Thacher School in the 1960s. Phil graduated from Thacher in 1967, from Middlebury College in 1973, and from Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clarke College in 1976. He served on the Board of Visitors for the law school and recently on the Board of Trustees at Thacher School. Phil is the founding partner of Pillsbury & Coleman, LLP, a law firm in San Francisco. He also served for many years as Chairman of the St. Luke's Hospital Board of Directors, and as Chair of the Brotherton Fund and Chair of the Yosemite Conservancy from 2014 - 16.

Phil has been drawn to the mountains for as long as he can remember. He has climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro, Mt. Rainier, Mt. Shasta and various other mountains in California and Colorado. He recently gained some perspective on aging when he took four 18-year olds on the Haute Route between Chamonix and Zermatt. He and his son, Max, helped renovate Snow Creek Cabin as part of a Yosemite Fund- sponsored program. They stayed well away from the foolishness associated with a certain stove dropped into the high country and dragged into the cabin.

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Prior to retirement in 2015, Gisele was a senior Staff Attorney with the Public Staff of the North Carolina Utilities Commission. She received a B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Juris Doctor degree, with honors, from the UNC School of Law. She is a certified utility law specialist and has been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. She currently works part-time as a utility law consultant.

Gisele is active in the Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian Church, including serving as a member of the Leadership Committee for the Capital Campaign Ministry Team and as chair of its Celebration Committee. In addition, she has served as the Secretary and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Jane Austen Society of North America (JASNA), a nonprofit, as well as serving at various times as the president, treasurer, and newsletter editor of JASNA's North Carolina chapter.

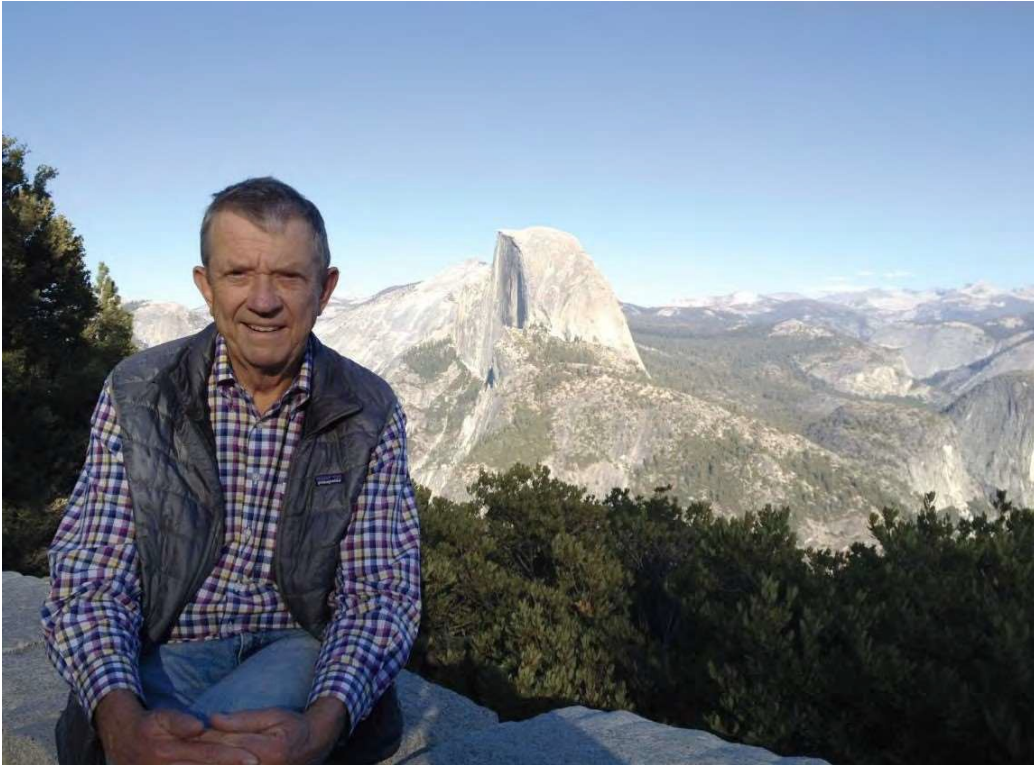
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Lawson and Gisele have long loved Yosemite and hope to one day build a home on property they own in Yosemite West. The Rankins have been donors since 1995. They attended the Bracebridge Dinner in 2001 and again in 2015 with the Conservancy. They also attended the 2013 Gala in San Francisco and the 150th Anniversary celebration in 2014.

LAWSON A. RANKIN, JR.

Lawson co-founded Rankin McKenzie, LLC in 2002 along with two other partners. Now retired, Lawson served as Managing Partner with the firm and concentrated his efforts on promoting the growth of his entrepreneurial client companies, primarily through fundraising and as either a part-time CEO or CFO. Lawson served on the board of nonprofit Southlight Healthcare, which provides substance abuse treatment, for 11 years and as Board Chair from 2014 to 2017. Lawson is also the past Board Chair for NC IDEA, a nonprofit promoting entrepreneurship through grants to potential high impact start-up companies. A seasoned fundraiser, Lawson co-led a capital campaign for his and Gisele's church that came in 48% above goal. In addition, he is currently serving on the University of North Carolina's Board of Visitors and on both the Development and Finance Committees for the Eshelman School of Pharmacy Foundation, which is associated with the School of Pharmacy at the University of North Carolina. A native of North Carolina, he attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business with a concentration in accounting, and Duke University's Fuqua School of Business, where he earned a Master of Business



WILLIAM E. RELLER

Bill is a graduate of Westminster College, Fulton Missouri and Stanford University Graduate School of Business.

In 1990 Bill and his wife Carolyn, co-founded Palo Alto Commons, an assisted living facility to service the needs of the frail and elderly.

He has served on the boards of many Palo Alto and nearby organizations. In past years, Bill has received various awards from Stanford GSB, Boy Scouts of America, YMCA, Westminster College, Palo Alto Outstanding Citizen, Lifetimes of Achievement awards .

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ROD AND PAM REMPT

Rod was introduced to Yosemite in the early 1950's during frequent vacations with his family in the Housekeeping Camp and hiking the "Circuit Hike" between the High Sierra Camps with his father and brother in 1956. Pam and Rod, married in 1967, have hiked and backpacked extensively in Yosemite and the Sierras. A highlight was taking the 65-mile circuit/loop hike in 1968 with Carl Sharsmith as the guide/ranger. Recently (Aug 2015) they hiked from Tuolumne Meadows to Sunrise, May Lake, Glen Aulin and Vogelsang to celebrate their 70th birthdays. They currently live near Yellowstone National Park in southwest Montana. Rod and Pam have been donors to

Yosemite Conservancy since 1990, and became members of the John Muir Heritage Society in 2009.

RODNEY P. REMPT (VICE ADMIRAL, US NAVY (RET))

Rod grew up in Van Nuys, California and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1966. In his 41-year active duty career, Rod saw combat action in the waters off Vietnam, commanded 3 ships and led the development of Navy weapons systems from cruise missiles to ballistic missile defense. His later years in uniform saw him as the President of the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island, the Navy's graduate school in Strategy and Policy, and as Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland where he was responsible for developing over 8,000 young men and women into Navy and Marine officers. While in these two assignments, he aided their foundations in raising \$ 15 Million and \$ 150 Million respectively at the War College and Naval Academy. Following retirement from active service, he has served on several boards and consulted with the Defense Department and various defense industries. Rod has Masters in Engineering-Economic Systems from Stanford University and in Strategy and Policy from the Naval War College. He is an avid hiker and enjoys biking with Pam on their many trips around the country.

PAMELA R. REMPT

Pam was born in Washington state, but grew up in Southern California. Graduating from Cal State Northridge, she worked in business for 18 years, earning an MBA from the University of Rhode Island. She served on the Finance and Relief Committees and on the Board of the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (which provides assistance to sailors, Marines and their families), helping to guide that \$ 250 Million endowment for several years. Pam most recently served as the President of the Board of Directors of the Big Sky Chapel. This unique chapel is home to three separate congregations, but is owned and managed by the Board which oversees a \$ 1.7 Million Endowment. She is currently the President of the Advisory Board of the Big Sky Community Food Bank. She learned to love Yosemite after her first trip with Rod and his family in the winter of 1963. When not hiking, walking or working on their house in the mountains, she loves to read, knit and watch Navy football.

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Skip is President of Skip Rhodes & Associates, a consulting firm in strategic corporate and non-profit philanthropic organizational and community activities.

He was with the Chevron Corporation for 46 years, where from 1986 – 2005 he was Manager, Corporate Community Involvement, responsible for managing and directing all consolidated charitable and business expense contributions and community engagement programs for the corporation and participating Chevron companies worldwide.

His group carried out the annual budget that ranged from \$65 to \$84 million, and provided programs and contributions guidance and direction to field public affairs managers and Chevron operating companies in over 120 companies.

During his time with Chevron, he held various positions in the field of transportation, logistics and supply, marketing, antitrust litigation, business planning, government affairs and public affairs.

A San Francisco native, Rhodes was raised in Berkeley, CA and graduated from the University of California, Berkeley. Following graduation, he served as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army.

From 1986-1994, Rhodes was a Council Member of the Piedmont, CA, City Council and was Mayor from 1990-1992. He served with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) from 1978-1994 and was director, Joint Operations Staff (NATO) from 1984-1994. He was the founding president – Board of Directors of a San Francisco Bay Area private school for five years. He is a Past President and current member of the Board of Governors of the Commonwealth Club of California, Past President of The Oakland Zoo Foundation and was a member of the Board of Directors for the Council on Foundations in Washington, D.C., from 1993-1999 and Board Chair from 1996-1998.

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Alain Rodriguez is the co-founder and CTO of SINAI Technologies, a software company that helps enterprises manage and reduce their carbon footprint. Prior to that he was an early engineer at Uber and an engineering leader within Uber's data infrastructure. He is also a member of the San Francisco chapter of the Citizens Climate Lobby.

Born and raised in Havana, Cuba, he grew up climbing trees in the urban forest and snorkeling in the Caribbean sea. After graduating with a degree in Computer Engineering from the University of Central Florida in 2007, Alain moved to San Francisco to be closer to the Sierras and has since developed a need to go on an annual snow camping trip. He was a land restoration volunteer for the creation of Parque Nacional Patagonia and is a donor to the Ocean Cleanup project and Friends of the Urban Forest. Alain is a firm believer in the healing power of nature and in our duty to be good stewards of the environment.

BLERINA ALIAJ

Blerina loves hiking and getting lost in nature. She was introduced to the outdoors for the first time on her softball team's annual Yosemite camping trip, which led to a decade of exploring nature. Blerina received her MS in Electrical Engineering at the University of Central Florida and is by trade a software engineer with a background in Microelectronics. Blerina believes strongly in educating the newest generation on the importance of preservation and restoration as well as supporting all organizations working towards that goal.

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Dave Rossetti was vice president of technology and market development and head of research at Cisco Systems before retiring in 2011. Prior to that, he was vice president of software development at Strategic Mapping, Inc. and spent 11 years at Metaphor Computer Systems. He earned an M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University and a B.S. in Applied Mathematics and Computer Science from Washington University in St. Louis.

Raised in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Dave moved to California in 1974 and has visited and loved Yosemite since then. In addition to the Conservancy Council he serves on the board of trustees of the Computer History Museum and the National Council of the Washington University Engineering School. He is a passionate mechanical puzzle collector and annually attends the International

Puzzle Collectors' Party somewhere in the world. Outdoors he is both a mountain and road bicyclist and loves to hike with his wife Jan and greyhound Zoe where they live in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

JAN AVENT

Jan Avent is a professor emerita in the Department of Communicative Sciences and Disorders at California State University East Bay (CSUEB) Hayward, where she entered the faculty in 1989. She founded the Aphasia Treatment Program at CSUEB, a unique intensive approach to speech and language rehabilitation following stroke and brain injury.

Jan was raised in Van Alstyne, Texas and attended Texas Tech University (B.S.), the University of Kansas (M.A.), and the University of California, Santa Barbara and San Francisco (Ph.D.). Jan and Dave live in Santa Fe with their rescued greyhound Zoe. In fall 2008, she retired from teaching to spend more time quilting, hiking, and bird watching.

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LISA STANGER

Lisa is a mother of three (Henry - aged 18, Emily – also 18, Andrew, 15) and is CEO of the Stanger household. Previously she worked in journalism at National Public Radio in Washington DC, as a writer on the Encarta team at Microsoft and as a nurse. She is a graduate of UC Berkeley. Lisa is active in her kids' school and also enjoys traveling and the outdoors in general. In their high school and college years before they knew each other Greg and Lisa each spent a lot of time in Yosemite. They enjoy giving something back to the park and spending time there.

GREG STANGER

Greg has had a varied career in finance management, investing and board advisory work. He is currently a general partner within the growth equity team at Iconiq Capital. Previously he has been CFO of several companies including oDesk, the marketplace for remote online work, Chegg, the education technology company and Expedia. He has also been a venture partner with Technology Crossover Ventures. Greg spent 8 years at Microsoft, most of that time in corporate development. He has served on the boards of Kayak, Netflix, drugstore.com, and several privately held technology companies. Greg is a graduate of Williams College and holds an MBA from UC Berkeley. Despite having only modest skills, he is an avid golfer.

After two years as Audit Committee Chair, Greg served as Treasurer for the Conservancy for six years and is now chair of the Strategic Projects Committee. He also serves on the board of Rocketship Public Schools, a network of charter elementary schools.

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GEORGE SUNDBY

George Sundby is Treasurer of Catholic Charities CYO of San Francisco and a member of Tulane University's National Campaign Council. Prior to his retirement, he was Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President for ABM Industries, Inc., a Fortune 500 company; and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Transamerica Finance Corporation, capping twelve years of experience at Transamerica Corporation. George has been active on the board of St. Vincent De Paul Society of San Francisco, the Municipal Fiscal Advisory Committee to the Mayor of San Francisco and is a CPA, earned during his 12 years at Ernst & Young. George holds a bachelor's degree in engineering from University of California at Davis and an MBA from Tulane University in New Orleans. Ann and George are the proud parents of two sons, Matt, a CPA with Salesforce in San Francisco, and Alex, who currently resides in New York City and is a senior editor with cbsnews.com.

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Prior to her retirement, Ann worked in the financial services industry for such companies as Bank of America, Charles Schwab and McKesson Corporation as a project director for large financial system implementations. Ann holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Miami University of Ohio, and an MBA from Tulane University in New Orleans. Ann is an active leader in St. Cecilia Parish in San Francisco and Tulane University's National Campaign Council. Ann and George are the proud parents of two sons, Matt, a CPA with Salesforce in San Francisco, and Alex, who currently resides in New York City and is a senior editor with cbsnews.com.

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ASSAD AND ALEXIS WAATHIQ live in Oakland, CA with their children, Amani and Alaia.

Prior to becoming CEO of the household, **ALEXIS WAATHIQ** worked in the corporate secretary's office at Gap, Inc. With Midwestern roots, Alexis was raised in San Diego, CA and attended UC San Diego, with degrees in Women's and Ethnic Studies. Her interests lie in family, design, travel, and social justice. Yosemite has long been a part of her family and has camped in the park many times.

ASSAD WAATHIQ is an alumnus of BDO, Citigroup, BNP Paribas, The Royal Bank of Canada, and Cornell University. He sits on the advisory boards of Oakland Tech Exchange, and Yosemite Conservancy. He is an advisor to Presidio Graduate School, The Search Inside Yourself Leadership Institute, Third Millennium Alliance, The Oakland Fund for Public Innovation.

Assad has an unwavering belief in our ability to address society's urgent problems with sustainable business solutions and advises companies on strategic finance, social responsibility, communications, partnerships, and business development.

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Cliff Walker moved to Silicon Valley in 1983 and has participated in the executive management of many start-up high tech companies. Cliff has been responsible for many corporate functions including Business Development, Legal, Information Technology, Intellectual Property, Engineering and Infrastructure. His formal education was in engineering at the University of Michigan and Cliff holds four U.S. patents. Cliff is currently the Vice President of Corporate Development at Power Integrations, Inc., in San Jose, California.

Cliff participates in numerous charities at the local, state and national level. Cliff has been an active participant in the Yosemite Fund/Conservancy since 1995. He lives in exciting Fremont, California.

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WALTER (WALLY) WALLNER

Born in Fresno, a 5th generation Californian, Wally's Yosemite roots began during the 1849 gold rush, when absent finding gold his great, great grandfather bought land in Mariposa, raised cattle and fed the miners. Summer pasture for the cattle was on the southern boundary of Yosemite, and the 3-day cattle drive still goes on annually.

Wally grew up exploring the Park. Trout fishing in the high lakes was a family passion, starting with camping and picketing horses in the meadow at Tuolumne. Wally has continued this tradition coming every year for over 70 years with his family, all of whom are hooked on the sport of fly fishing. The deep appreciation of Yosemite and the Sierra engrained from childhood is the motivating force behind Wally's involvement in the Yosemite Fund, now the Conservancy.

Wally earned both a BS in Engineering and an MBA from UCLA. Wally's business career was in commercial real estate and he brings the skills of planning, financing, construction, marketing and management of development projects. Now semi-retired,

Wally pursues his interest in bicycling, swimming and travel. Civic activities include Board and past President of Diablo Ranch Estates, Board of Governors of the United States Combined Training Association (horse shows), and local business-related organizations. He is a life member of the UCLA Alumni Association and Trout Unlimited, a coldwater conservation organization.

With his wife Jill, Wally has continued the Yosemite tradition annually with his children and grandchildren as campers, backpackers, fly fishermen, hikers, climbers, horticulturalists, and naturalists. They have been annual donors and participants in the John Muir Heritage Society, Yosemite Institute, Rally for Rangers, the Fund for People in Parks, CalTrout and US Park Service programs. Wally and Jill have served on the Yosemite Conservancy Council, the John Muir Heritage Society and the LeConte Society. Wally served on the Conservancy Board of Trustees from 2013 to 2021.

JILL APPENZELLER

Jill Appenzeller is a California native with roots in Montana. Born in the Bay Area, she studied Landscape Architecture at UC Berkeley. Now retired from practice, she has designed gardens throughout California and on the east coast. She is the author of *Postcards From The Hedge*, is working on another book, writes a column for a Bay Area garden publication, and lectures on gardens and garden design. She has been featured on the TV program *Curb Appeal* and her work has been published in several magazines.

A member of the American Society of Landscape Architects, she served on their board of directors. She also belongs to the California Horticultural Society where she is a life member, the Royal Horticultural Society, and the Diablo Women's Garden Club, the oldest garden club in California, where she is a past president and still serves on the board.

With her husband Wally and family, she loves fly fishing and hiking in Yosemite, anything at Tuolumne Meadows, staying at the High Sierra Camps, and working to enhance the visitor experience at Yosemite.

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In 2023 and after 44-years, Scott Witter retired from a long and satisfying career in banking. His final assignment was leading the Personal & Business Banking division of City National Bank, where he worked for 15-years. Prior to that he spent 19-years at Bank of America, where he met Helen, and 10-years at Lloyds Bank California - now part of BMO. Simultaneous to his banking career, Scott spent 27 years as reserve police officer for the City of Azusa, where he patrolled the city on weekend graveyard shifts. He logged over 10,000 hours of patrol, made hundreds of arrests, and was the recipient of Azusa's highest honor as a police officer, the Meritorious Service award, for actions he took to subdue a combative passenger on an American Airlines flight in 2002. Previous Board assignments have included: Pacific Coast Banking School, the Economic Development Corporation of Los Angeles County, the California Science Center, the Children's Bureau of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Public Library.

HELEN WITTER

Helen Witter is Executive Director, Market Director in the Banking division of J. P. Morgan Chase, based in San Marino, California. She is responsible for all sales and service activities of Chase colleagues within 15 branch offices in the greater Pasadena market. Mrs. Witter has more than 30 years of financial services experience, having started her career at Bank of America. She held several roles there, from managing branches to executive management in the Consumer Banking division as well as the Marketing division. After a successful career spanning over 20-years at Bank of America, she joined Chase in 2012.

Helen and Scott live in San Marino, California. Their blended family consists of four children: Alicia (35), Bradley (29), Madison (21), and Katelyn (20). They all enjoy vacationing at Yosemite and have hiked all-over the Valley. Scott summited Half Dome in October, 2020, with the cables down. The following year he achieved the top of Cloud's Rest, and loved it so much he convinced Helen, Alicia and Bradley to do the same with him in October, 2023.

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