

2023 GLA Board Member 5 Candidate Slate



David Cheney:

My family moved a lot when I was growing up. The one constant during that time was spending the summers at Glen Lake. It's really always been my home, no matter where I was living. 2023 will be my 72nd consecutive summer at Glen Lake. The first visit was when I was 6 weeks old. My grandparents, George and Ruth Schilling, first came here in 1927, renting a cottage at Dunn's Farm. They liked it so much they bought the property next door from Grampa Dunn and built a cottage there the following year. Our family has been here ever since.

Growing up, summers at Glen Lake were ideal. Most days were spent entirely on the lake, participating in various water activities. I was surrounded by my grandparents, cousins, aunts and uncles. My parents didn't always spend the entire summer here, but I did. I was always able to get myself pawned off to one of my relatives when my parents left. After I was old enough to drive, I would spend the entire summer staying with my grandfather. I worked 6 summers in a row at the old Seeburger Marina.

After college, I spent the bulk of my career in the Chicago area. My wife Judy and I raised our 3 kids there and of course at Glen Lake in the summers. I was CEO and co-owner of a manufacturing company that supplies process equipment to bio-pharmaceutical companies. Since retiring five years ago we split our time between Glen Lake and Southwest Florida. I've served as membership chair, boat wash liaison, and now Treasurer in my time on the Glen Lake Association Board so far and have the willingness to continue to serve.



Kris Fishman:

As the daughter of two Michiganders, Kris spent many childhood summers tubing, canoeing and learning to fly fish on the Pere Marquette and Baldwin Rivers. In 2001, Kris and her husband Ken along with their three kids, were lucky enough to be introduced to this area during annual summer visits at their friends' home on Glen Lake. At the end of every visit, there was talk of the possibility of finding a family place. During a walk down Day Forest Road over the 4th of July weekend in 2007, Kris and Ken came upon a FSBO sign and, by Labor Day, they had their own slice of Glen Lake heaven.

Kris and her family love all that our beautiful Glen Lake has to offer. Gorgeous pristine water for swimming, kayaking, SUP-ing, or just sitting on the dock watching the sun sink behind the Dunes.

After graduating from Northwestern University, Kris held positions in sales and marketing. While raising three children in Kenilworth, Illinois, Kris was actively involved in her community. Kris's activities include Village Library Board Trustee, Board of Trustee member for Kenilworth Union Church, New Trier Parent Association Co-President. Kris has chaired multiple fundraising benefits for Illinois schools and Kenilworth Union Church Outreach Program and is a volunteer with Leelanau Christian Neighbor's Blessings in a Backpack Program.

Kris and Ken currently split their time between Glen Lake and Kenilworth, Illinois. They are members of the Glen Lake Yacht Club. Kris serves as the Glen Lake Association Secretary and Co-chair of the Development Committee helping to coordinate the Boat Wash Endowment Campaign, the Association's largest ever fundraising effort to protect the watershed.



Jennifer St. Julian:

Jennifer has been coming to Glen Arbor since the early 80s, when she began attending Camp Kohahna for Girls. In the early 90s, Jennifer introduced her husband, Joe, to the area, and they eventually found a cottage on Little Glen to call home. Joe's frequent job transfers necessitate moves all over the country, so Little Glen truly represents home-base for them and their three kids. They love spending as much time as possible on the lake and are committed to preserving and protecting the watershed for generations to come!

After graduating with an economics degree from Kenyon College and an MBA from Rice University, Jennifer worked in corporate finance and corporate banking. She eventually "retired" in order to spend more time with her kids and facilitate the family's ongoing relocations.

Jennifer currently lives in Houston, Texas. She spends much of her time serving as a regular volunteer at West Houston Assistance Ministries, an art history docent at St. Francis Episcopal School, a state rep for the Campership Fund, a board trustee of The Branch School, and a board member and Treasurer of the Glen Lake Yacht Club. In addition to serving on the GLA Board since fall 2020, Jennifer has as Communications Committee Chair seen through the monumental task of updating the Association website and ushered in a new era for education to members and beyond.



Pat Combs:

As the great-granddaughter of Bowdwin and Kate DeKorne, one of the founding families in Burdickville, Pat and her family have spent their summers on Big Glen enjoying the sun, water, boats and especially family time. Pat and her brother and sister still own the family cottage in Burdickville - Par 3 - where their families (now 4th generation) still enjoy this “Up North” living.

Pat and her husband, Guy Combs, built a home in 2018 on the Crystal River in Glen Arbor - right next to where Pat’s parent’s (Tom and Ginny Thomsma) lived since 1985 - and where her sister lives now. Pat and Guy enjoy the Crystal River and the wildlife (including the kayakers) the River brings to their doorstep.

For the past 50 years Pat has been an award-winning Realtor in Grand Rapids and in addition expanded her real estate outreach by becoming President of the Michigan Realtors in 1995 and then President of the National Association of Realtors in 2007.

Pat graduated from Grand Valley State University. She has been actively involved in many community outreach projects including Baxter Community Center, 4-H, Cascade Community Foundation and serving in the past on the 75th Anniversary committee for the Glen Lake Association. You might see Pat along with other members on Tuesday mornings manning the Glen Lake Association Booth near the Farmer’s Market.

Pat and Guy divide their time between Glen Arbor, Rockford, MI, and Naples, Florida.



Pete Haley:

Pete Haley has been spending his summers at Glen Lake since 1963. He is an avid sailor beginning with dinghies at the Glen Lake Yacht Club, racing Sunfish's, and later MC Scow's. Pete and his wife Barb have three grown children who also enjoyed youth activities at the GLYC. In high school and college, they held various summer jobs in and around Glen Arbor.

Pete and Barb's permanent residence is Dayton, Ohio. After graduating from the University of Notre Dame in 1978, he began with and spent his entire career with Gosiger Inc., a 101-year-old family business. He has served on various community boards including Chaminade-Julienne Catholic High School, Dayton Development Coalition, Downtown Dayton Partnership, Radiant Health, and Ohio's Hospice.