

# ROLAND PARK CIVIC LEAGUE BIOS of Nominees 2024-25

#### **THOMAS HOEN (President)**

Tom Hoen has served in several different capacities on the Civic League Board: First Vice-President, Secretary, and now President. He's a life-long Roland Park resident having grown up on Beechdale Rd and now living on Edgevale Park. Tom is the Founder and President of ClassroomParent and has been a technology leader for 30 years. He's most often working from his 3rd floor home office, which looks out over Falls Road to Cross Keys, but can also be seen on his bike. Tom lives with his wife Allison Barlow, their two children having flown the coop. He's previously served on the Friends of the Walters, Parks, and People, as well as the Architectural Review Committee of Roland Park Roads and Maintenance.

#### DAVID FITZPATRICK (1st VP)

David Fitzpatrick grew up on Ridgewood Rd. and attended Gilman School before leaving Maryland to pursue his undergraduate and MBA degrees, and ultimately a career in cyber security. He recently settled in Northfield Place with his wife and two children. David's interest in participating in the stewardship of Roland Park derives from his parents' past service to both the Civic League and Roads & Maintenance. In 2021 he stepped into an unexpected At-Large Plat vacancy, then was elected Board Secretary for 2022-2023, then 1st VP for 2023-2024.

# **CHRIS CORTRIGHT (2nd VP)**

Chris Cortright is a former board member (Plat 4) who grew up in the DC area and has lived in the Roland Park and Evergreen area for the past 20 years with his wife, Andrea DeLeon, a vice president with KAO. Their sons Connor and Carson are university students and attended Roland Park Elementary and Middle School and then Baltimore City College and Friends School. A systems engineer with Booz Allen Hamilton, Chris holds degrees from Georgetown and Syracuse and enjoys traveling, researching early Dutch- and Anglo-American history, studying foreign languages, and being outdoors with his family.

### **CARA SHEA KOHLER (Secretary)**

Cara Shea Kohler grew up in Greenwich, CT, has lived on Midvale Road since 1997 and enjoyed raising her now adult children in Roland Park. A graduate of Trinity University (DC) and Tulane University, Cara has been a Realtor in North Baltimore since 2001. In addition to serving on the RPCL Board and Finance Committee and the Hillside Park Committee, Cara has been an active volunteer for many Baltimore organizations including the Junior League of Baltimore, Gilman School, and Bryn Mawr School. She is the former Chair of the Hunt Valley Antiques Show, benefitting Children's and Family Services of Central Maryland, and past-President of the Guilford Garden Club. Walking the neighborhood, cooking, traveling and playing mahjong are amongst Cara's other interests!

# **DAN RECK (Treasurer)**

Dan Reck grew up in suburban Boston, MA and graduated from the University of Rochester and Duke. Dan spent most of his career working in the world of energy commodities and capital markets and is now

building an outpatient addiction treatment group with his wife Lauren. Dan and Lauren live on Elmwood Rd where their four grown children visit occasionally. Dan has served on a range of local non- profit boards including AVAM and WTMD. For over five years he acted as the board treasurer for the Jemicy School and is currently the chair of the Baltimore Rock Opera Society.

#### **NEW-Sarah Johnson Plat 1**

Originally from Colorado, Sarah moved to Roland Park in 2014 by way of South Bend, Cleveland, Mexico, Chile, Colombia, San Francisco and Maine. She has served in various professional roles in fundraising and organizational planning and has a passion for helping nonprofits attain strategic priorities. She and her husband, David, have a senior at Bryn Mawr School and a younger daughter completing her freshman year at Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. She enjoys the many, many kind and generous neighbors and friends in Roland Park and looks forward to joining the Civic League Board and maybe even honing her long dormant rowing skills in 2024.

# **NEW- Adler Archer Plat 5 City**

Adler Archer, born in New Orleans and raised in Japan, brings over a quarter of a century of diverse leadership experience spanning the US military, US government, Fortune 100 companies, academia, and tech start-ups. As a seasoned leader with a passion for community empowerment, Adler holds advanced degrees from institutions including New York Law School, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, and King's College London. Committed to advocacy, Adler champions causes for military veterans and the LGBTQ+ community. When not in the office, you can likely find him sweating it out in hot yoga or walking his highenergy Goldendoodle around the neighborhood.

## **NEW - Ted Engelke (At-Large A)**

Ted Engelke has twice moved to Roland Park - in 2009 and 2016 - as his work moved him overseas and to Charleston, SC before returning him to Baltimore. Ted is in his 29th year working at Diageo, a large international alcohol beverage company based in England. He lives on Longwood Road with his wife Katherine and 4 daughters - 2 in college and 2 in high school. Ted and his wife teach 2nd grade religious education at Saint Ignatius Parish in Mount Vernon. Ted spearheaded the 2023 4th of July parade and has volunteered to handle that event going forward. Ted received his undergraduate degree from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia and his MBA from the University of San Francisco.

## **NEW - Jacob Klein (At-Large B)**

Jacob is a new nominee for the Civic League Board. Having lived in Roland Park during his time attending Gilman School, Jacob recently moved back to the neighborhood in 2022 with his wife (Allie) and two sons. The greater part of his youth was spent in Harford County, where Jacob and his family operated a fourth-generation grocery and real estate business. A graduate of Washington University in St. Louis and Johns Hopkins Carey Business School, Jacob co-founded an educational non-profit called Harlem Lacrosse in 2011, which now operates in five cities across the country — including Baltimore. He currently serves as a board advisor at Northwest Hospital and on the board of The Jewish Museum of Maryland. His family enjoys walks along Stony Run trail, meeting new neighbors at Petit Louis, and sharing their love of Baltimore with friends and family.

## **NEW - Iva Turner (At-Large C)**

Iva Turner's family emigrated as political refugees from Czechoslovakia in 1950, finally settling in Maryland. A devoted Baltimorean ever since, she and her husband, H. Mebane Turner, lived with their two sons in Guilford for 37 years. Iva moved to a condo at 6 Upland Road in 2023, and has thoroughly

appreciated knowing her new neighbors, and enjoying the beauty and vibrancy of her new community. Education is the family business. Iva was a teacher, college advisor, and administrator at Bryn Mawr for twenty years, she then held the positions of Head of College and Head of the Upper School at Gilman - retiring in 2014. Her husband was the President of the University of Baltimore, and her sons hold leadership positions at private schools. Iva plans to use her administrative background to assist Roland Park - particularly those living in apartments and condominiums; and her perspectives as a new resident to help maintain the sense of community that is so emblematic of the Roland Park experience.