

## **Christine Eberhardt**

*Board President; Accountant; Capital Campaign Committee Chair; Board Development, Shop and Finance Committees*

### **Education:**

B.A. Mathematics, Pomona College

M.B.A. in Accounting and Finance, Anderson School of Management, UCLA.

### **Work History:**

Chris is a retired Certified Public Accountant.

She was employed by Arthur Andersen & Co. as an auditor; Maxxam Inc. as Director of Internal Audit; Getty Trust as General Auditor; and Colburn Foundation as Treasurer.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Chris served on the Pomona College Board of Trustees for over 20 years. She is also a Hospice Unique Boutique Shop Volunteer.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

“My belief in hospice and the hospice house project comes from prior positive experiences with hospice and the belief that everyone, and their loved ones, deserve caring, compassionate care at the end of life.”

### **Other Interests:**

Chris enjoys traveling with her husband, golfing and cooking. She also enjoys horseback riding and has competed in both dressage and jumping in California and Oregon,

## **Jeanne Denning**

*Treasurer; Finance, Capital Campaign and Shop Committees*

### **Education:**

B.A. Accounting, Eastern Washington University and Pacific University

### **Work History:**

Jeanne, now retired, worked as a financial advisor for 25 years.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Jeanne serves on the Board of This is The Edge in Ashland. She also served in leadership positions for non-profits and other organizations in Olympia, Washington and Walla Walla, Washington for over 40 years.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

“My interest in the Hospice House project is spurred by the quality of help my family received from Hospice in Kalispell, MT during my husband’s last 3 weeks of life in 2007. Having Hospice involved in the ‘last adventure of life’ is a gift that should be available to everyone.”

### **Other Interests:**

Cooking, tennis and bridge are some of the many interests she enjoys.

## **David Markewitz**

*Secretary; Marketing and Capital Campaign Committees*

### **Education:**

B.A., University of Oregon, Journalism; M.A., Reed College; PhD, University of Santo Tomas, Psychology  
Certified Mediator and Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator,  
Selected as a Phi Delta Kappa Honoree for “Distinguished Service to Public Education” May 2005,

### **Work History:**

David’s background is in overseas public education and international adoption. He has taught kindergarten through university.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

He is President of the Board of Directors of This is the Edge, a non-profit serving middle and high school students in Northern California and Southern Oregon. David is also a Hospice Unique Boutique Volunteer.

### **Reasons for Involvement with Southern Oregon Friends of Hospice:**

“As a Hospice Volunteer I serve the Rogue Valley community supporting patients and families. Building a new Hospice Home will meet the rapidly growing need for Hospice care in Southern Oregon.”

### **Other Interests:**

David enjoys woodworking, traveling, reading, skiing, and his 11 grandchildren.

## **Ken Barnes**

*Hospice Facility and Marketing Committees*

### **Education:**

M.A. Counseling, Sonoma State University

M.A. in Public Administration with a Certificate in Non-Profit Administration, Sonoma State University

### **Work History:**

Ken’s career has spanned the health care fields of insurance, software information systems and clinical program development. He started and managed three clinical mental health programs: an adolescent residential group home, an adolescent hospital-based sub-acute program, and a senior day treatment Partial Hospitalization Program. He was an account/project manager in employee health care benefits administration and a software designer, implementation manager and regional account manager in medical claims information system companies.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Ken volunteers for Siskiyou Singers and Southern Oregon Repertory Singers.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

“There is nothing more important than the moments when we reach out and care for each other. My mother’s passing showed me we have immeasurable gifts to give each other at the end of life. For me, our Hospice Home is about providing a space that allows living each moment in its fullest, with respect, dignity, support and love.”

### **Other Interests:**

Ken has lived in the Rouge Valley with his family since 2000 and his three children are now in college. He enjoys backpacking, stargazing, and being supporter and audience member for his wife’s choral performances.

## **Danilo D. Decena**

### **Education:**

B.S. Chemical Engineering, UCLA

MBA in Finance from UCLA

Certificate in Securities and Investments from New York University

Senior Executive Service Certification from the U.S. Department of the Treasury awarded by the George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

### **Work History:**

Dan worked with the Ford Foundation and Morgan Stanley in portfolio management and investment banking (15 years). He worked for the U.S. Department of the Treasury in Washington D.C. (25 years) and oversaw the major Trust Funds, including Social Security, Medicare, Unemployment Insurance and Native American Trust Funds. He was a Senior Fiscal Affairs Official with his office having oversight responsibilities for the Bureau of the Public Debt and Financial Management Service. He established the Community Investment and Adjustment Grant and Loan Program in the Office of Domestic Finance. He represented the Treasury Department in the Boards of the National Archives and the Library of Congress.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Dan has been involved in the Rotary Club of Ashland Lithia Springs, the AIFF, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Museum of Fine Arts in San Francisco.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

Dan supports the Hospice House Project in honor of his mother, an obstetric gynecologist in the Philippines and his partner's parents Bill and Peg Sammons and their family friend and founding Southern Oregon Friends of Hospice Board Chair, Catherine Church.

### **Other Interests:**

Dan and his partner, Morgan Sammons, are avid travelers, long-time art and antique collectors, and architecture and interior design enthusiasts. They love operas and have attended major art shows and auctions all over the world. They love to cook and entertain and consider themselves “foodies.”

## **Don Felt**

Hospice Facility Committee

### **Education:**

Yale University, B.A.;

Yale Law School, J.D.;

Pacific School of Religion, M. Div

### **Work History:**

Don was a partner in a large San Francisco law firm specializing in business and financial law. He served as Interim Minister at the United Church of Christ.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Don served on the Boards of Marin Community College District, several spiritual organizations and endowments, and a San Francisco Tenderloin care organization. He was the volunteer chaplain of Hospice of Marin.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

“The nurses and chaplains of Hospice of Marin were the purest souls I have ever worked with. The effect of their work with patients and their families was life enhancing. An earlier experience visiting a dying friend at the Zen Hospice in San Francisco still affects me deeply.”

### **Other Interests:**

Family, good causes, the arts, the sea.

## **Bruce Johnson**

*Hospice Facility and Board Development Committees*

### **Education:**

B.A., Carleton College, Minnesota,  
M.D., University of Nebraska College of Medicine,

### **Work History:**

Internship and Family Practice Residency, San Bernardino County Hospital, CA 1967-1970  
USAF BEALE AFB, California, Chief of Family Practice Clinics, 1970 - 1972  
Began solo practice in Ashland 1972, and eventually developed Southern Oregon Family Practice.  
Hospice Medical Director, Ashland Community Hospital Hospice and Palliative Care, 2005 -2010

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Bruce served as President of Jackson County Medical Society. He has also served on the Boards of Rogue Valley Physician Services; Board of Trustees for the Oregon Medical Association; ACH Board; ACH Foundation; Ashland YMCA, "Distinguished Service Award" 2007, ACH Foundation

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

“Although during all of my early training I received no training regarding death and dying, after moving to Ashland, Elizabeth Kubler Ross gave a series of talks in Medford and that was the beginning of my interest in end-of-life care. The interest mushroomed as we began organizing the Ashland Hospice and I attended multiple training programs to prepare to become the Medical Director.”

### **Other Interests:**

Bruce has enjoyed sailing in the San Juan and Canadian Gulf Islands, as well as the British Virgin Islands, and golfing with friends. More recently he has enjoyed traveling overseas.

## **Carolyn Johnson**

*President Elect; Hospice Facility Committee Chair; Finance and Board Development Committees*

### **Education:**

B.S. Nursing, Southern Oregon State College (now Southern Oregon University)

### **Work History:**

Carolyn worked for Ashland Community Hospital in a variety of management positions for 25 years, retiring as Vice President of Ancillary and Support Services in 2007. She was also the Executive Director of Commit, a research project for the National Institutes of Health and Director of Healthy Start for the Jackson County Health Department.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Over the years Carolyn has served as the Board President for Ashland Meals on Wheels; Interfaith Care Community of Ashland; Jackson County Medical Auxiliary; Soroptimist International of Ashland; Chapter FC PEO. She has served as an Elder and Deacon at First Presbyterian Church of Ashland. In 2004 the Ashland Chamber of Commerce named her Citizen of the Year.

### **Source of Passion:**

“One of my roles at Ashland Community Hospital was to implement new programs to allow the hospital to meet community needs. In 2005 I started the Ashland Community Hospital Hospice and Palliative care Program. As I attended the National Hospice Association conferences, I toured Hospice Houses all over the country and dedicated my efforts to building a Hospice House in the Rogue Valley.”

### **Other Interests:**

Carolyn enjoys traveling, hiking, reading, volunteering and spending time with friends and family.

## **Chuck Reiling**

*Marketing Chair, Capital Campaign Committee*

### **Education:**

B.S., Mining Geology, Colorado School of Mines

M.B.A., University of Chicago Graduate School of Business

### **Work History:**

Chuck is currently an Oregon-licensed principal broker affiliated with the John L. Scott organization. He was Vice President of several companies, including PHAMIS Inc, a hospital information systems company, which he helped build and take public in the mid-1990's. Chuck also worked at IBM.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Chuck was co-founder and Executive Committee Member for the American Cancer Society charity auction for Camp Goodtimes, a summer camp program for kids with cancer and a college scholarship program for younger cancer survivors. Upon moving to Southern Oregon, Chuck established what is now a very active wine tasting group for the Ashland Newcomers Club.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

"I vividly recall my own parents passing, and sure think a hospice home would have been a better way."

### **Personal Information:**

Chuck was born and raised in the Los Angeles area. He and his wife, Diane, moved to Southern Oregon in 2011 after living in the Seattle area for 20 years and raising their kids there. They love it here.

## **Sarah Seybold**

*Board Development Committee Chair, Capital Campaign Committee*

### **Education:**

Registered Nurse training & RN licens,e Mercy College of Nursing, San Diego, California

B.S., Nursing University of San Francisco

M.S., Nursing University of California, San Francisco

Certification as an End-of-Life Counselor.

Sarah's life-long interest in spirituality and world religions was deepened through studies at Mercy Center in Burlingame, California (1996-1999) where she became certified as a Spiritual Director.

### **Work History:**

Sarah spent eighteen years of her professional career as a nurse educator, most recently teaching Mental Health/Chronic Illness at OHSU on the SOU campus. Sixteen years of Sarah's career was spent in starting, developing, and sustaining a national mail order business, Dove Professional Apparel.

### **Board Service and Community Involvement:**

Volunteerism is woven into Sarah's life in the international arena with the Peace Corps-Turkey and Brazil 1963-1967 and citizen diplomacy with the former USSR 1985-1990, and domestically with faith community nursing and the Hospice Unique Boutique.

### **Source of Passion for the Hospice House Project:**

"I deeply believe that Southern Oregon, with its growing retirement population, is an ideal community where compassionate care at the end of life will become the norm."

### **Other Interests:**

Sarah spends her leisure time in fitness activities, walking Riley her golden retriever, and playing golf with her husband Jack and friends.