



## Board of Directors Nominees for 2022

We are pleased to announce that the following people have put forward their names for the **2022 Board of Directors** election:

**VP - Personnel (1)**

- Dave King
- Jennifer Kuzmuk

**Treasurer (2)**

- Cheryl Lindstrom
- OPEN

**Communications**

- Matt Rees

**Secretary/At-Large**

- Stacey O'Neill

**Dive Team Rep**

- Theresa Valencic

**Social Activities Director**

- Will Maher

**Swim Team Rep**

- Houda Lohman

**Membership**

- Werner Watschke

**Strategic Planning**

- Kelly Soh

**Tennis Team Rep (JTT)**

- Griffin Mauk

**Tennis Court Activities (Facilities)**

- Andy Kim

### VP-Personnel

#### Jennifer Nance Kuzmuk

Jenn has been a member of Chesterbrook pool for 20+ years, not quite as long as her husband Chris. She has been an active member of the swim team since her daughter Ella was on Little Jaws in 2001. All four of her daughters swam/swim for Chesterbrook, and 3 have had coaching roles either as a Lower Pool coach or Little Jaws coach.

Jenn is currently a stroke & turn judge and timer at "B" meets and was the CST Swim team lunch coordinator for many years. She wears many hats, as the young people say - side hustles. She is a 500 RYT certified yoga instructor, health & wellness coach and also works as a personal assistant and substitute teacher.

While many pools contract out for their pool staff, Chesterbrook should keep its homegrown staff of members' kids! I will work to continue and maintain a staff of our CST kids and/or those in our community, giving them a place to work and grow in the summer. Administering the personnel needs at CST will be an extension of my expertise - fairness, attention to detail and hopefully a touch of mindfulness. ;)



### **Dave King**

Hi there! My name is Dave and I'd like your support as the club's next VP of Personnel. My wife Elysha and I have lived in the DC area since 1998, relocating here from Morgantown WV. Go Mountaineers! We currently live in Arlington about 5 mins from the club, so we're usually either at the pool or on the courts 4-5 days/week, enjoying all that the club has to offer. Our two children, Connor (14), and Caitlin (10), are both very active tennis players and members of the CST Junior Tennis Team. Connor is also enjoying his first job working at CST on snack bar and front desk duties.

Professionally, I'm a career entrepreneur in the technology space. I'm excited to bring my 20+ years of leadership and 'people experience' to this role and helping give back to the amazing community we have at CST. Outside CST and work, I enjoy looking after our backyard salsa garden and continuously trying to level up my grilling/smoking game.

### **Treasurer**

#### **Cheryl Lindstrom**

Cheryl and her family have been members of Chesterbrook since 1997. Both of her children have been members of the swim team. Katherine Pardo swam from age 5 to age 18. Steven Pardo swam up to age 12 and then worked for the swim club at the front desk, snack bar as well as becoming a life guard. Cheryl was a timer and stroke and turn throughout her daughter's involvement on swim team and was also the team referee, certified by NVSL for 4 years. Cheryl recently has taken up pickle ball and was thrilled when the courts were added August 1st.

Our family has many fond memories of Chesterbrook—which are still being made—and I would be happy to serve as Club Treasurer.

### **Communications**

#### **Matt Rees**

Matt Rees has been a member of Chesterbrook since 2007 and has been active with the swim team since his daughter, Sophia, joined in 2010. He serves as editor of *The Tiger Shark Times*, as well as a starter and stroke & turn judge at the team's meets. In his non-Chesterbrook life, he's president of Geonomica, a consulting firm that works with clients on speeches, books, articles, white papers, and other written materials.

His professional experience also includes serving as a White House speechwriter and a journalist for *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Economist*. His articles have been published in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*, and on the website of *SwimSwam*, an online



swimming publication. He is also the founder of an email newsletter, Food and Health Facts, and a [companion website](#).

Matt grew up in Lafayette, California and swam at a pool that was similar in feel and appearance to Chesterbrook (including its name – Springbrook). He has cherished his Chesterbrook experience and would welcome the opportunity to draw on his extensive communications service to help disseminate information to the club's membership.

### **Secretary w/At-large Responsibilities**

#### **Stacey O'Neill**

Stacey, her husband Sean, and her son's Quinn and William, (ages 12 and 11) have been active members of Chesterbrook since they joined the Little Jaws immediately after moving to Arlington from Capitol Hill six years ago. Stacey was a competitive swimmer swimming at the National level for many years, but her favorite swim memories are spending her summers on her neighborhood swim team and making new friends hanging out at the pool. She has loved sharing this experience with her boys at Chesterbrook.

Stacey is a proud former Tiger Shark mom who can still be found helping or cheering at meets with her boys when they are not traveling for lacrosse. Stacey has volunteered in various swim team roles since they joined the team. She has also enjoyed Tennis lessons with her kids and friends over the years. She has been volunteering in the community since her kid's started pre-school and has stayed busy ever since as the Vice President of Jamestown Elementary PTA where she volunteered extensively in auction planning and other fundraising capacities as well as volunteering time and energy in each classroom. She has held various Board roles in professional organizations in the federal consulting community in her role as SVP of a Government Contractor headquartered in Arlington, VA.

When not working or volunteering (or parenting) you will probably find her driving carpool between lacrosse, football, basketball, and baseball fields or freezing in a hockey rink. Stacey finds volunteering to be very rewarding and a wonderful way to be involved with the community as a whole and there is no better community to the O'Neill's than the Chesterbrook Swim & Tennis Club. She is so thankful for Chesterbrook, and she hopes her energy and collaboration with others will help the integrity and the success of the club.

### **Dive Team Rep**

#### **Theresa Valencic**

Theresa Valencic and her family have been members at Chesterbrook for 14 years. She has 3 children who have been active members of ALL the teams Chesterbrook has to offer! She had swimmers for 6 years before they moved on to tennis and dive. Currently her youngest (14) is on the JTT tennis team and attends clinics regularly. He is also an All-Star diver and has broken



three pool dive records to date. For years Theresa was a member of the CST ladies tennis team and thoroughly enjoyed attending various tennis clinics.

The Valencic summers have always revolved around the CST activities and brought such fun and fond memories. Theresa has been a regular volunteer at both swim and dive meets over the years. She volunteered as a judge at dive meets this season.

Outside of CST, Theresa is a top producing realtor with Long and Foster and consistently recognized by Best of Washingtonian, Top Agents by Northern Virginia Magazine and Arlington Magazine. As a McLean native, she is able to bring her local expertise to her clients and loves working in the community. Theresa hopes to give back and serve on the Board as a Dive Rep and to bring her experience with the team from over the past 7 years her son has been on the team.

## **Social Activities**

### **Will Maher**

Will Maher is the husband to Veronica Seva-Gonzalez and father to Manu (11), Emma Jean (8) and Max (6). Our family has deep swimming roots starting with Will's father, an Olympian in the 1972 and 1976 Olympics, Will, a US Olympic trials qualifier and Vero, a Spanish national team member. Swimming is in our genes. Professionally, Will's career has been honed in risk management and business process analysis. As an internal audit leader, Will helps his company think strategically and validate process are effective for business objectives.

Since joining Chesterbrook and its amazing community in 2018, as a family, we see ourselves as faithful contributors to the swim team. Our children enjoy upper and lower pool teams. Manu and Emma Jean have made wonderful friendships, while Max has become a true deck personality. Will's Saturday and Monday meet volunteering offer a great opportunity to give back to what has been so rewarding. We owe a huge thanks to Jen Cory for introducing us to this amazing community.

## **Swim Team Rep**

### **Houda Lohman**

Houda and her family joined Chesterbrook in 2009 and have been active in the community ever since. Her older boys Thomas and Nicholas joined the swim team in 2010 and their youngest, Andrew joined in 2012. The older boys also participated in the Dive Team and played tennis.

Houda has served on the Board before as Membership Director and Secretary and is looking forward to serving again in her new role as Swim Team Rep.



Houda is a graduate of the University of Virginia and the American University School of International Service. She worked in government affairs for a multinational corporation. In her free time, you will find Houda at Chesterbrook.

## **Membership**

### **Werner Watschke**

Hi, my name is Werner and I have been a member of the Chesterbrook Swim & Tennis Club for 7 years. My wife Cristina and our 3 kids Braden (13), Connor (11) and Katelyn (9) enjoy going to the pool several times a week and when possible every day of the week. My daughter Katelyn is a member of the CST swim team and, my wife and I volunteer at many of the swim meets while we watch our daughter compete. You can find me playing basketball with my sons in the pool or the basketball court, relaxing & socializing poolside or attending one of the many fun CST social events.

I previously served on the CST Board in 2020 as the Social Director. Being the Social director during the height of COVID had its challenges, however I pushed hard to run as many events as possible while being mindful of safety protocols.

Outside of CST, I have coached numerous McLean Little League baseball teams and supported Chesterbrook Elementary School events. Professionally I work for Salesforce which is a company committed to giving back to the local communities that we live in.

CST is a special place to my family, and I want to help continue the tradition of being one of the best clubs in the area. As Membership Director I will work hard to make the entire membership process a great experience for new and current members.

## **Strategic Planning**

### **Kelly Soh**

Kelly and her family have been Chesterbrook members since 2014. She served on the Board as Swim Team Representative from 2018- 2019, navigating the challenges of the club's last major renovation project. She is a former competitive swimmer and enjoys lap swimming and Sunday brunch with her husband, Eugene.

Professionally, Kelly is a principal consultant with a firm that specializes in strategic health facilities planning. She helps leaders of both public and private health systems develop visions and master plans that serve as the foundation for future facility investments. She hopes to bring her many years of experience to the role of Strategic Planning Director.



## **Tennis Team Rep (JTT)**

### **Griffin Mauk**

Griffin Mauk and her family have been members of Chesterbrook since 2020. Her three kids, Hayes (8), Campbell (6) and Caroline (5), swim for Little Jaws and play tennis. Griffin has been active in the tennis program since joining Chesterbrook and was a member of the Ladies Tennis Team this past Spring. Her son, Hayes, joined the Junior Tennis Team this summer and is already hooked on the sport.

Prior to moving to Virginia, Griffin and her husband, JT, lived in New York City for 12 years where she worked in Investment Banking for JPMorgan. Since moving to Virginia, Griffin is staying home with the kids and trying to keep up with their increasingly active schedules. Chesterbrook has already been such a big part of our social and sports life since moving to Virginia.

Our first summer was 2020 when the pandemic was at a peak. We were so grateful for the opportunity to participate in outdoor activities at Chesterbrook and to meet other families in a safe and fun environment. It has only gotten better since our first summer, and I very much look forward to continuing to grow and develop the already amazing tennis program at Chesterbrook.

## **Tennis Court Activities (Facilities)**

### **Andy Kim**

My name is Andy Kim. My family and I have been part of the Chesterbrook community since 2019 and absolutely love it here! My wife Eunice and I have 3 kiddos: Addison, Olivia, and Ben (7,5,2). While the main attraction for the kids has been the pool - Addison has just finished her first summer season as a Tiger Shark and Olivia as a Little Jaws participant - they have both also participated in the tennis programs too. I grew up playing tennis in USTA tournaments as a junior and played club tennis in college. While it took me almost two decades to get back to it, Chesterbrook has inspired my love of the game and these days you can find me on the courts playing with my kids, competing in the Mens Tysons Cup league or just practicing with other members. I am excited to contribute back to Chesterbrook tennis and help it grow even more.