

Martha's Vineyard Museum Staff

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*The Martha's Vineyard Museum preserves and interprets
collections that engage and connect the public to the
Island's history, art, and culture.*

93rd Annual Meeting of the Martha's Vineyard Museum

August 10, 2015 ~ 5:00 pm
Marine Hospital Lawn, Vineyard Haven



Board of Directors 2015

Elizabeth Beim, *Chair*
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Dale Garth, *Treasurer*
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Barbara Alleyne, Stever Aubrey, Nat Benjamin, Robert
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Frank, Peter Gearhart, Lorna Giles, Mark Lapman,
Douglas Leavens, David LeBreton, Phoebe Lewis,
Calvin Linnemann, Mark Alan Lovewell, June Manning,
Christopher Morse, Chris Murphy, Richard Walker,
Elizabeth Hawes Weinstock, Denys Wortman

Report of the Committee on Directors 2015

The Committee on Directors presents the following slate for election to the Board of Directors:

Class of 2018:

Up for election for first full term:

Barbara Alleyne	Peter Gearhart
Stever Aubrey	Richard Walker
Deirdre Frank	

Up for election for second full term:

Bob Blacklow	Mark Alan Lovewell
Dale Garth	June Manning
Phoebe Lewis	Christopher Morse
Calvin Linnemann	Denys Wortman

Farewell to:

John R. Ettinger	Mark Charles Lapman
Lorna Giles	Douglas Leavens

Under the By-Laws of the MV Museum, the new officers will be elected at the next meeting of the Board of Directors on August 19, 2015.

As a seasonal resident, Pat Morgan has just a few months out of the year to make an impact on the Island, leading her charitable work to be even more impressive. She is on the Board of Directors for both the YMCA and the Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust. Morgan is also a generous friend of the Museum, helping to sponsor the catboat VANITY, as well as various other causes. The Beagary Family Charitable Trust has allowed the Museum to reach out to more Island children with its education programs.

Pat Gregory (posthumously)

Presented by Cynthia Mitchell

Pat Gregory first came to the Vineyard in 1971, unaware of the special community that existed here and the impact that he would eventually have on it. As a schoolteacher at the Tisbury School, and later the West Tisbury school that opened in 1974, Gregory's strong influence on the Island began right away and never faded. His impressive legacy later expanded to include the opening of the enduring business EduComp with his wife, as well as his 23-year tenure as the West Tisbury town moderator.

Over the years, Gregory was involved with Community Services, Hospice, the Public Charter School, Daybreak Club House, as well as the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. More recently, he took an active role in opening the Vineyard House, a place for those struggling with addiction. Gregory always maintained a connection to the soccer fields as well, coaching and refereeing for various leagues around the Island.

Sadly, Gregory was killed in May 2014. Though his life was tragically cut short, his legacy on the Island continues to this day. Gregory's compassion could be felt with his every action—whether it was teaching children, coaching soccer, or calming voters at a town meeting. His impact on the Vineyard was profound, and for that we recognize and honor his life.

2015 Martha's Vineyard Medal Recipients

Cynthia Riggs

Presented by Dan Waters

Cynthia Riggs is an accomplished writer, having been published in *National Geographic Society* and the *Smithsonian Magazine*. She has also penned fourteen fictionalized mystery books that draw inspiration from the Island. The series follows Victoria Trumbull, a 92 year-old amateur detective, as she attempts to solve various crimes that take place around the Island. The Vineyard Haven Library named Riggs the Celebrated Vineyard Author for 2012. Her impressive resume also includes working in public relations for the American Petroleum Institute, running the Chesapeake Bay Ferry Boat Company, and serving as a rigger at MV Shipyards.

As a 13th generation Islander, Riggs' connection to the Vineyard runs deep. Much of her influence on the Island stems from her work done to promote and foster the arts. She is involved with the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council, as well as various community outreach initiatives. This includes teaching courses at the Vineyard's Adult and Community Education program, and her *On Island Writing* television show. Most notable perhaps is the 1700s Cleveland House, a bed and breakfast for poets and writers that she operates with her husband. Riggs is also a commissioner of the Martha's Vineyard Commission.

Pat Morgan

Presented by Jill Robie-Axtell

Pat Morgan is the head of the Beagary Family Charitable Trust, an initiative developed to sponsor various educational and research missions in support of diverse forms of learning for both children and adults. The Beagary Trust was founded in Brooklyn, CT in 1995 with Morgan's husband John and brother-in-law Ben, both deceased. Since its establishment, the Trust has helped enrich the Sterling Community School, the Pomfret School, and the Mystic Seaport Museum.

Agenda

Call to Order: Elizabeth Beim, Chairman

- Approval of the 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes
- Report of the Chairman

Report of the Executive Director: David Nathans

Report of the Treasurer: Dale Garth

Questions

Report of the Committee on Directors: Marcia Cini

- Vote on Proposed By-Law Changes
- Election of Directors

Presentation of the 2015 Martha's Vineyard Medal:
David Nathans

- Cynthia Riggs
 - o Introduced by Dan Waters
- Pat Morgan
 - o Introduced by Jill Robie-Axtell
- Pat Gregory (posthumously)
 - o Introduced by Cynthia Mitchell

All are invited to stay and enjoy light refreshments following the medal ceremony.

2015 Board Members Up For First Term Election

Barbara Alleyne

Barbara Alleyne is the former Managing Director in Global Fixed Income for Citigroup. She is a graduate of Northeastern University and received her MBA from Columbia. Prior to her time at Citigroup, Barbara spent many years at Salomon Brothers, as well as the Northeastern University Corporation. She is actively involved in the Black Alumni Scholarship Fund and passionately advocates for education. On Martha's Vineyard, she has been a strong supporter of Adult and Community Education of Martha's Vineyard (A.C.E.) and joined the Cottagers, an Island philanthropic organization, in 2014 when she became a year-round Oak Bluffs resident.

Stever Aubrey

Stever Aubrey is a successful senior executive with extensive operations and marketing experience. Stever was the co-founder of Dovetail Health based in Needham, MA and retired as CEO in 2014. Prior to that, he held top leadership positions at Pri-Med and Hill Holliday Advertising, both based in Boston. He was previously on the boards of The Partnership and The Trinity Boston Foundation. He has been done charitable work with Dana Farber, City Year, and the Boys and Girls Club. Stever has been married to his wife Elsie for over 30 years, and they have two grown children. They split their time between Dedham, MA and Edgartown.

Deirdre Frank

Deirdre Frank has been coming to the Vineyard since she was five years old, staying at her great-grandfather's house in the Methodist Campground. Dede graduated from Wheelock College with a major in Early Childhood education and an interest in social work.

Dede has been involved in several nonprofit organizations, including the Parent-Child Home program. She has served on the boards of the Hospice Care Network, the Tilles Center for the Performing Arts, and the Loblolly Community Foundation. Dede also served as the Board President of the Family and Children's Association for two years, following more than 15 years on the board. Dede and her husband Woody split their time between Boston and Chilmark.

Peter Gearhart

Peter Gearhart is an architect living and working in the Boston area. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture degree from the University of Arizona. For over 40 years, he and his firm have provided architectural services for the restoration, renovation, reconstruction, and adaptive re-use of existing and historic structures. Peter has previously been on the board of The Cambridge Homes on Mt. Auburn Street in Cambridge, MA. He helped the antiquated nursing home successfully transition to become a modern facility. Peter met his wife Noel in the early 1990s. Both have been visiting the Vineyard since the 1960s, and in 2012 they bought a historic home together in Vineyard Haven.

Richard Walker

Richard Walker is a Senior Officer of the Regional and Community Outreach Department for the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. Since 2012, Richard has led the Working Cities Challenge, an innovative funding competition for small industrial cities in Massachusetts. Walker attended Villanova University, and is a graduate of the executive program at the M.I.T. Sloan School of Management. He has served on many boards, including the Boston Children's Museum, Metropolitan Area Planning Council, and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. Richard lives in Waltham, MA with his wife Betty Cheviot and has a summer home in Oak Bluffs.