

**Oyster Harbor Annual Meeting and Elections**

**Tuesday, September 27, 2022**

**Registration opens at 6:30 pm, Voting begins at 7 pm**

**Eastport Fire Station**

**914 Bay Ridge Avenue**

**Annapolis, MD 21403**

## **Letter from the OHCA Board Chair, Calvin Kidd**

Dear Oyster Harbor Neighbors,

In accordance with the Oyster Harbor Citizens Association Constitution, our annual election meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 27 with registration beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7:00 p.m. It will be held at the Eastport Fire Station, 914 Bay Ridge Avenue, Annapolis, 21403.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we urge you to mark the date on your calendar and plan to get out and VOTE! As you know, our Community is a County Special Taxing District so we are all paying a special tax on our property tax bill to cover the costs of maintaining and running our Community. The Board members and Officers you elect oversee the expenditure of these funds. It is vital that we elect dedicated and resourceful members to these positions to share their skills in overseeing the proper functioning of our Community. We have much work to do to settle some of the fiscal clouds overhead and to reinvigorate our citizen Committees to assure the proper functioning of our wonderful Community and assure compliance with our Constitution.

The election and the meeting are being held in strict compliance with our Constitution. Under these requirements, a Nominating Committee, consisting of five members, was appointed by the President in August. This is the vehicle established by the OHCA Constitution to consider candidates and to nominate only one person for each Officer position and for each open Board seat. The Nominating Committee report that follows in this Newsletter fulfills this Constitutional mandate and includes the Bio and photo of each nominee for an elective office. These are the recommendations of the Nominating Committee that has carefully reviewed all of the applications.

I look forward to seeing you on September 27 and joining together for a better Community.

Sincerely,

Calvin Kidd, Chair, Oyster Harbor Citizens Association Board of Directors

## **ELECTION PROCEDURES**

Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. and voting at 7 p.m. To be eligible to vote you must be over 18 years of age and an Oyster Harbor property owner or spouse. You will be asked to show identification such as a driver's license and your name will be checked off a copy of the most recent tax roll. Each eligible voter receives one ballot for Officers and one for Board members. Voters must be present to vote.

The Pro-tem election meeting chair runs the election meeting and calls for the report of the Nominating Committee. The Committee presents the report to the membership. Then, additional nominations from the floor are called for. If nominated from the floor, the nominee must be seconded, and the nominee must accept the nomination. The names of such nominees are then written in on the ballot. Officers are voted on first by secret, written ballot.

As Officer votes are being counted by the volunteer vote counters (none may be a person who is on the ballot), voting for the Board nominees will begin in the same manner. Votes will be counted immediately. A tally board containing all candidates' names will be at the front of the room and vote counts will be recorded on that board. After the election, an oath of office is administered to those elected. The meeting then adjourns. The duly elected Board immediately meets and appoints a Chair, Vice-chair, and Secretary. This is how our Community's elections under the Constitution have been run since Oyster Harbor's inception 71 years ago.

## **REPORT OF THE OHCA NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

As required by the OHCA Constitution, the President appointed five members to form the 2022 Nominating Committee. They are Winston Dunkley, Bennie McCottry, Nancy Plaxico, Rhoades Whitehill, and Gerald Winegrad. The members elected Gerald Winegrad as Chair. The Committee members performed their constitutionally mandated duties in reviewing all applications for open elected positions and submitting a nomination as follows for each opening. This report is provided to the membership in the constitutionally required mailed notice of the annual election meeting. Formal submittal will be done at the September 27 OHCA meeting as required.

The Committee met three times over many hours to review the applications for Officer and Board positions and interviewed all applicants who had not been previously nominated for positions in the recent past. There were an extraordinarily high number of applicants for the five Board positions open, 14 in total. One person withdrew and one decided to stand for an Officer position. This left 12 of our neighbors to be considered for 5 open Board seats. Thanks to all who applied. We did our best to choose wisely and it was not an easy task. We hereby recommend the following residents to fill the open Officer and Board positions—their Photos and Bios follow:

### **OFFICERS**

All OHCA Officers are elected for one-year terms, so all terms of Officers expire with the OHCA Annual Meeting. Our recommended slate for Officers is:

**KATHY BURK** for President

**DON KRAUSE** for Vice President

**JODY TRACEY** for Recording Secretary

**DAVE JURKOWSKI** for Corresponding Secretary  
**DREW LAWSON** for Financial Secretary and Association Treasurer  
**PATTY JENKINS\*** for Special Tax Treasurer  
*\*Incumbent*

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

This year, there are five vacancies on the OHCA Board as the terms of four elected Board members are expiring and there is one vacancy due to a resignation. After much review and deliberation, this is our recommended slate for Board members:

**DAN CRAIG\***  
**WINSTON DUNKLEY\***  
**DAVID GINSBURG\***  
**JOHN MAXWELL**  
**BENNY MCCOTTREY**

*\*Incumbents*

This fills the slate with a nominee for all open Officer and Board positions as constitutionally required. The Nominating Committee recommends all nominees for election at the September 27, 2022 OHCA meeting. The Bios and contact information of all Officer and Board nominees follow. Residents may nominate others to serve as an Officer or Board member for any of these positions if the candidate is nominated and seconded and is present at the election meeting.

The Nominating Committee commends the nominees for their commitment to serve the community. We recommend that those not nominated, as well as all other members, choose to serve the Community on one of the many Committees where much can be done in service to the Community. These Committees have mostly fallen into disuse so there are great opportunities to serve. 1) Beach; 2) Community Property; 3) Roads and Drainage; 4) Benevolence; 5) Social; 6) Piers & Harbors; 7) Green; and 8) Security. Simply let the new President know of your interest.

Respectfully Submitted on September 13, 2022,

The OHCA Nominating Committee  
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## MEET THE OFFICER NOMINEES

### PRESIDENT



**KATHY BURK** has lived in Oyster Harbor since 1993 and has been actively involved in OHCA through the years as Beach Committee chair, Vice President, President, and both Chairman and member of the Board of Directors. Kathy would like to stay involved in community affairs and move from serving as Vice President to serve as President. Her experience, knowledge of Oyster Harbor history, familiarity with the County's special community benefit district charter, attention to fiscal responsibility, and dedication to making Oyster Harbor the best it can be, qualify her as a candidate for the President's position. Currently the Vice President/Executive Director of the Baltimore Washington Medical Center

Foundation., Kathy also volunteers for several non-profit organizations in Anne Arundel County. She and her husband, Jim, are (part-time) empty nesters. Kathy loves everything that Oyster Harbor has to offer: boating, fishing, "beaching", and amazing neighbors/friends. You can reach Kathy at: [kathycburk@verizon.net](mailto:kathycburk@verizon.net) or 410-212-8810.

### VICE-PRESIDENT



**DON KRAUSE** moved to Oyster Harbor with his wife Bonny in fall 2019 from Wilmington, DE to be near their grandchildren who live in Annapolis Cove. Don and Bonny love it in Oyster Harbor and have spent the last three years renovating their home on Harbor Road. Don grew up on a farm in Iowa and attended Iowa State University where he received degrees in Architecture and Landscape Architecture. He is a registered Architect and Landscape Architect in MD, DE, PA and WDC. He is semi-retired, currently working on his 29th project of this year. As a design/build General Contractor from 1980-2018, he has experience dealing with county, state and environmental agencies and as a land planner for new towns in Florida

and New Jersey. He was the town planner for several municipalities and townships in NJ and designed over 30 parks in MD, DE and PA. He is a former HOCA president in Wilmington, DE and helped to counsel other housing developments on their uses of parkland. Don has enjoyed many outdoor activities over the years including hunting, fishing, camping, sailing, and crew. As a rower and board member of the Wilmington Rowing Center, he participated in many east coast regattas including the Head of the Charles Regatta and USA Nationals. He now limits his outdoor activities to visiting his family's beach house in Fenwick Island and fishing from his classic Boston Whaler which is at the Fishing Creek Marina. Now semi-retired, Don would like to contribute his time and talent to the Oyster Harbor Community as the Vice President of the OHCA. You can reach Don at: [donakrause@verizon.net](mailto:donakrause@verizon.net) or 302-593-7366.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY



**DAVE JURKOWSKI** moved to Oyster Harbor in 2018 with his wife Haley and two daughters, Harper 7 and Stella 5. They live on Fishing Creek Road. Dave is a contractor for the Navy and frequents the Pentagon to advise leadership on transformational change. He is an expert in communicating key messaging and managing stakeholder expectations. As an executive coach, he has facilitated, led, and coached senior leadership in multiple government agencies and fortune 500 companies through complex organizational transformation. Dave often facilitates high-ranking stakeholder negotiations through adaptive issues while navigating competing values and disparate views. Dave has also developed performance management programs for federal agencies still being used today to drive individual performance, organizational change, and core operational missions. He is most passionate about bringing teams together and figuring out how they can navigate conflict and become more effective. Dave is also frequently consulted to implement communication strategies for teams, groups, and even large organizations utilizing multiple communications platforms to reach their people. He has a degree in psychology, is a globally certified executive coach, and is certified in survey process analysis. In a former life, Dave was a professional sailor, racing all around the world on some of the sport's most advanced sailing vessels on the world's most elite sailing teams, including the current America's Cup challenger Hap Fauth's grand-prix sailing team Bella Mente. He has over 35,000 offshore sailing miles and still sails competitively with close friends. Dave grew up sailing and fishing on the Chesapeake Bay and you can often find him down at one of the neighborhood beaches teaching his two girls to sail and fish. Dave has spent a lifetime teaching and leading others. Dave's immediate community involvement would be best leveraged getting the message out. He is determined to keep Oyster Harbor informed, involved, and excited about this one-of-a-kind community. You can reach Dave at: [dave.jurkowski@gmail.com](mailto:dave.jurkowski@gmail.com) or 443-255-0903.

## RECORDING SECRETARY



**JODY TRACEY** has lived in Oyster Harbor since 2013. She grew up in Maryland and has always enjoyed time spent on the Chesapeake. Retired as a Federal law enforcement officer, having spent her lifelong career in Washington, DC, Jody worked as a Social Worker, Branch Chief of Parole and Probation, and as the Deputy Compact Administrator for the District of Columbia. Living at the end of Harbor Road, next to the park, allows Jody to enjoy much of what the community has to offer. Since retirement, Jody does contract work, in addition to volunteering with her church and other non-profits. Jody looks forward to working to keep Oyster Harbor the wonderful community that we enjoy. You can reach Jody at: [jodytracey@verizon.net](mailto:jodytracey@verizon.net) or (301) 938-8110.

## FINANCIAL SECRETARY/ASSOCIATION TREASURER



**DREW LAWSON** has lived in Oyster Harbor for 3 years with his wife Kate, two daughters Blakely and Bryce, and yellow lab, Abby. They live at 1425 Howard Rd. and you can often find them enjoying the community beach year-round. Drew has a Bachelors in Economics and Masters in Accounting and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). He spent the first 8 years of his career in internal audit roles at various companies to help ensure the accuracy of the company's financial statements. He currently works in Finance for Under Armour where one of his responsibilities is planning, allocating and tracking large expense budgets exceeding \$100 million. In his spare time, Drew likes to run, ski, golf and spend time with his family. He is looking to take on a role within the community to help Oyster Harbor thrive for years to come. You can reach Drew at: [drewnlawson@gmail.com](mailto:drewnlawson@gmail.com) or 804-921-5024.

## SPECIAL TAX TREASURER



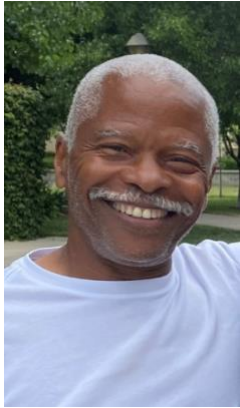
**\*PATTY JENKINS** and her husband, Bill, have lived in Oyster Harbor for 27 years. They have two children, Billy and Annabelle. Patty has been involved in the OHCA for the past 20 years, volunteering for different projects and committees, including past Nominating and Elections Committees. She has served as the Special Tax Treasurer for the past nine years and prior to that she served as the Recreation Chair for four years. In addition to OHCA, Patty is the Financial Administrator at Schooner Strategies and Accreditation Manager for RadSite an accreditation company for imaging machines. Patty is retired from a law firm in Washington, D.C., where she worked for 25 years. In this position, she handled all of the financial needs of the firm, including billing, accounts payable, bookkeeping, retirement accounts, insurance benefits, and payroll. She is looking forward to maintaining the position of Special Tax Treasurer where she can continue to contribute her talents, skills and knowledge about Oyster Harbor to the community. You can reach Patty at: [pattybjenkins1@gmail.com](mailto:pattybjenkins1@gmail.com) or 410-353-7861.

## MEET THE BOARD NOMINEES



**\*DAN CRAIG** has lived in Oyster Harbor since 2005 and plans on staying until he can't climb his front steps anymore. He served on OHCA's Board of Directors as Vice-Chairman shortly after moving into the community and has been Chairman of the Beach Committee for 16 years (projects included reinstalling jellyfish nets in 2006 and building the sandstone retaining wall along Shore Drive to help keep beach sand off the road); he also serves as an interim Board member in 2022 and is running for reelection in September. Dan was born in Austria and grew up overseas, visiting 70 countries on 6 continents as an anthropologist and the son of a Foreign Service officer. He has five grown children, seven grandchildren, and looks forward to spending more time volunteering in the community now that he is fully retired. Careers included 18 years with the Federal Government, 20 years in the telecommunications industry, and a short stint in academia after he got his Ph.D. An avid boater, scuba diver, and bicyclist, you can probably find him outside, either in the

garden or on the water. It would be a privilege for him to help keep the Oyster Harbor Citizens Association moving forward by serving on our Board of Directors. You can reach Dan at: [dan-o.craig@outlook.com](mailto:dan-o.craig@outlook.com) or 410-268-7929.



**\*WINSTON DUNKLEY** and his wife, Carolyn, have been residents of Oyster Harbor for the past 20 years and raised their son, Winston II, here. Having served as President and Vice President, Winston is currently serving as Vice-Chair of the Board and as Co-Chair of the Benevolent Committee with Carolyn. He has worked for the U.S. Holocaust Museum in facilities management for more than 25 years. The Oyster Harbor community means a great deal to Winston and Carolyn and they now own two adjoining properties on Washington Drive. You can frequently see them walking their dog, Phoenix, around our beautiful community. Winston's strong desire to see our community be the best it can be has led him to seek reelection to the Board. You can reach Winston [winstond44@hotmail.com](mailto:winstond44@hotmail.com) or 410-216-9656.



**\*DAVID GINSBURG** and his family have lived on Fishing Creek Road in Oyster Harbor for the past 22 years. His wife Jackie is a local pediatrician. David has been a member of the OHCA board or community committees through several administrations. During his tenure, the budget has always balanced, sometimes with excess revenue, the tax rate has decreased saving community members tax money, all while the community continued to maintain roads, piers, beaches, bulkheads, and other items. David is an attorney and believes in the strict adherence to the OHCA Constitution and By Laws by all Officers and Board Members and friendship and civility. You can reach David at: [dginsburg@dmvinjurylaw.com](mailto:dginsburg@dmvinjurylaw.com) or 410-268-4310.



**JOHN MAXWELL** moved to Oyster Harbor in 2020 along with his girlfriend, Michele. They live on Louis Avenue with their two dogs. Having moved from DC, they fell in love with Oyster Harbor. John wants to contribute his substantial financial, contracting, and procurement skills to the community by serving on the Board and assisting with the tasks of assuring the smooth administration of contracting, procurement, and expenditures. He has an extensive accounting, financing, and contracting skillset as a federal government Contracting Officer with 7 years of working in public finance. John has worked on numerous high dollar procurement actions including construction, research and development, and major IT Systems. He is a GS-14 Independent Contracting Officer with the U.S. Department of Energy. Previously, John was with the U.S. Secret Service as the sole contract specialist for the Chief Information Officer. He oversees contracting in the millions of dollars and has completed hundreds of complex procurement actions totaling over \$500 million. John has a passion for working collaboratively to streamline and improve processes in both military and the federal government sectors, and brings a strong foundation in acquisition, planning and procurement in addition to contract management, strategic planning, cost and price analysis, financial accounting, customer relations, and staff leadership and training. John has a Bachelor's Degree from Rutgers University in Political Science and Economics and is completing work on a Master of Public Administration in Public Budgeting and Finance from Rutgers expected in May 2023. He also is studying for his CPA. His finance and contracting experience have led to considerable savings in U.S. taxpayer dollars and in 100% mobilization readiness within his U.S.

Navy reserve unit as well as numerous certificates of appreciation. John is proficient in QuickBooks and MS Office Suite. He also has basic Spanish language proficiency. John served in the U.S. Navy as a Surface Rescue Swimmer and Quartermaster First Class and has received awards for conducting multiple rescue-at-sea operations, most notably the recovery of two piracy hostages in the Somali Basin. As a Quartermaster, John personally contributed to the safe navigation of a U.S Navy Warship over 92,000 nautical miles, 12 strait transits, and 18 foreign port visits including Ukraine, Bulgaria, Seychelles, and Spain. When not working, John and Michele enjoy sailing their 22' sailboat, paddleboarding, kayaking, and any excuse to be on the water. He also runs marathons, finishing the Coastal Delaware Marathon in 2021 and the U.S. Marine Corps Marathon (2019). You can reach John at: [JohnJosephMaxwell@gmail.com](mailto:JohnJosephMaxwell@gmail.com) or 202-734-2461.



**BENJAMIN J. MCCOTTRY** first came to Oyster Harbor in the early 1960s when he was 12 years old. He spent lots of summertime in the community when his aunt bought property in 1970. He and his wife Gerrie have been property and homeowners in Oyster Harbor since 1989. After graduating from Howard University, with a Pre-Med B.S. degree, he decided to take a full-time job with the Washington, DC Department of Parks and Recreation as an Aquatic Facility Manager. He quickly rose through the ranks to become the Chief of Aquatics which meant that he had responsibility for all of the District of Columbia's municipal pools. After serving as Chief of Aquatics, he became the Special Assistant to the

Deputy Director of the Department for Special Programs Administration, and later in 1995, he became the Deputy Director of Special Programs which entailed oversight of half of the Agencies' Programs. In 2002, Benny received the highest District Government Service Award, the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Award. This award recognizes the top five managers out of 240 candidates in the District of Columbia Government. Benny retired from the Department of Parks and Recreation in 2006, after a 39-year career. He is currently a part-time Licensed Massage Therapist, a certified Coastguard Auxiliary trained boat captain, motorcycle operator, certified SCUBA diver and has been an ordained Elder in the Presbytery USA for over 30 years. Currently, he is the 17th Commodore of the historic Seafarers Yacht Club of Annapolis located in Eastport, Annapolis. He keeps his boat on Oyster Creek. Now that he is retired, he wants to devote time to serve his Oyster Harbor Community on their Board of Directors. You can reach Benny at: [bmccottry@ymail.com](mailto:bmccottry@ymail.com) or 202-288-4660.

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