

2021 Slate of Trustees



Jeanne Berdik

Jeanne has spent her career in non-profit leadership, coalition building, development of public-private partnerships for workforce development and education reform, program planning and management, and volunteer recruitment, training and coordination. Jeanne has served as national president ARCS Foundation, Inc., (Achievement Rewards for College Scientists) and founded the Pittsburgh Chapter. Mrs. Berdik also serves as a member of the Pittsburgh Botanic Garden Board of Directors and is a director and incoming President of the Nauset Garden Club in Orleans, where she also chairs the Steering Committee for a regional initiative - Pollinator Pathway Cape Cod. She was the founder and past national president of the Association of School/Business Partnership Directors. Jeanne is married with three grown children and six grandchildren. She lives in South Orleans.



Charlie Carlson

Charlie chairs OCT's Land Acquisition Committee and leads fundraising for these acquisitions. Outside of OCT, he is a member of the Nauset Heights Association, a neighborhood group, and he serves the Town as Chairman of the Nauset Estuary Stakeholder Group, which is a discussion forum for issues relating to the dredging of Nauset Estuary. As a lawyer and business executive, Charlie was the founder and president of Family Office Management Services Inc., a company that assists wealthy families with their personal and financial affairs, which he sold in 2017. He now provides consulting to high-net-worth families through Carlson Advisory Services LLC. Previously he served as COO and general counsel for Cabot, Cabot & Forbes and Corporate Realty Investment Company and as an associate at the law firm of Sherburne, Powers & Needham (now Holland & Knight) in Boston. Charlie received his BA from Harvard College and his JD from George Washington University.



Sue Meisinger

Sue sits on OCT's Governance and Communications Committees. She retired as President and CEO of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) and has been a consultant and writer on human resource management issues. Prior to joining SHRM, Sue served as Deputy Under Secretary in the U.S. Department of Labor. Her non-profit board experience includes having served on the advisory board for the College of Business of the University of Mary Washington, the boards of the National Academy of Human Resources (of which she is a Fellow), the World Federation of People Management Associations, SHRM, the HR Certification Institute, and the Certified Financial Planners Board of Standards. She currently sits on the boards of the Lower Cape Outreach Council and the Nauset Garden Club.



Judy Scanlon

Judy's family purchased their Orleans home in 1960, and moved here permanently in 1970. She received an A.A. Degree at Cape Cod Community College, and a Bachelor's in Marine Biology from Roger Williams University. Her professional career included employment at WHOI and NOAA/NMFS in Woods Hole, and Battelle Ocean Sciences in Duxbury. She also worked at Suffolk University managing their occupational safety and health, and environmental compliance programs. Judy returned to Orleans in 1997 and started a farm/greenhouse business and re-opened the historical farm stand next to her family home, which she and her husband continue to operate. Judy is an active community volunteer and serves on several town appointed committees. She has been involved with the town's environmental resource management efforts and marine and freshwater pond water quality monitoring programs for the past 21 years. Judy has also been an active member of the OCT Board of Trustees.



Jim West

Jim is a retired Senior Executive at CHUBB Limited, where he worked for over 20 years and served in several leadership roles before retiring as Executive Vice President. In that role he managed business operations of the Commercial Insurance Division, including underwriting, marketing, product development, business analytics, and actuarial. Since retiring in 2019, he splits his time between Florida and Orleans. He has been an active volunteer with the Homeless Prevention Council in Orleans and with the Orleans Conservation Trust, predominantly in helping with invasive species control and property boundary delineation. Jim received his B.S. from University of Massachusetts Amherst and his MBA from Columbia Graduate School of Business New York. He's married and has three adult children.