

Greater Farmland Civic Association
2015 Statements of Interest for the Board of Directors

Three Board Openings to Serve a Three-Year Term

1. Toby Levin

After the damaging derecho in summer 2013, Emily Mintz and I convened a series of meetings to discuss forming a community association to give our community a collective voice and build closer relationships among our neighbors. The GFCA grew out of those meetings, and I have been proud to serve as one of its Directors for the past two years. Over that time, the association has grown in membership and has begun to promote a greater sense of community through its programs, neighborhood directory, list serve, website and a new quarterly newsletter. These efforts are just the beginning.

I have lived on Old Stage for 12 years. I am a retired federal attorney, having promoted consumer protection at the Federal Trade Commission and then information privacy in the Department of Homeland Security's Privacy Office. In retirement, I volunteer full-time as co-chair of Suburban Hospital's Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC). As a GFCA Board Director, I will continue to promote activities and programs to build our community identity and advocate for GFCA's active involvement in local issues affecting our community.

2. Ed Rich

MY FAMILY AND I HAVE LIVED IN THIS WONDERFUL NEIGHBORHOOD FOR OVER 20 YEARS, MY KIDS HAVE GROWN UP HERE AND I HAVE BEEN HONORED TO REPRESENT YOU OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS AS CO-PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION. AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION, I LOOK FORWARD, WITH YOUR SUPPORT, TO HELPING TO BUILD UPON THE FOUNDATION THAT HAS BEEN LAID BY THE ASSOCIATION'S FIRST OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS. TOGETHER, WE HAVE CREATED A ROBUST LISTSERV, A WEBSITE, AN ON-LINE AND PRINT DIRECTORY, SPONSORED ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE JULY 4TH PARADE, TESTIFIED BEFORE THE COUNTY COUNCIL, THE PLANNING BOARD AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND HOSTED A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT SPEAKERS AT OUR COMMUNITY MEETINGS. AS A MEMBER OF THE WHITE FLINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE, I HAVE REPRESENTED OUR COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BENEFITS FROM THE NEW DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT BEING BURDENED WITH INCREASES IN TRAFFIC AND CONGESTION. I HAVE HELPED ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL, THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THE WATER AUTHORITY. OUR

COMMUNITY IS NO LONGER A STEPCHILD IN RECEIVING TIMELY COUNTY SERVICES, SUCH AS SNOW REMOVAL. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO REPRESENT YOU ON THE GFCA BOARD.

3. Peggy Slye

I would like to be considered as a candidate as a Director of the Greater Farmland Civic Association. My husband Richard and I have been residents of the GFCA community for 46 years. Our five children attended community based pre-schools, Farmland, Tilden and Woodward/ Walter Johnson High Schools.

Professionally, I have worked in the International Satellite Telecommunications field for over 30 years, in various strategic commercial disciplines, ultimately serving as the Chief of Staff for Intelsat, the world's largest commercial satellite operator, headquartered in Tysons Corner Va and Luxembourg. Subsequently, I was the Chief Operating Officer of Futron Corporation, a Bethesda based aerospace and defense consulting firm. At present, I consult on international commercial and technical satellite related projects. I am currently the Vice-President and Secretary of the Intelsat Retirees and Alumni Association, which is an approximately 400 hundred-member advocacy organization, located in Washington DC and have served as member of multiple national and international professional associations. I was elected in 1986 and served as member of the Montgomery County Board of Education and was appointed to the Board of Education's Budget and Audit Committees. I am a life member of the National and Maryland State PTA. I was appointed to and served on various county task forces focused on community matters, including fiscal affairs, public safety and transportation. I have extensive experience in governance, corporate and public board management as well as government outreach and community / governmental interactions at all levels.

I have served as the Secretary of the GFCA since 2013 and would welcome the opportunity to continue to serve our community by helping to develop a robust and effective civic organization which fully reflects the diverse views and interests of all of our neighbors.

[One Board Opening to Serve a Two-Year Term](#)

Thomas Biggs

I love Old Farm.

When I lived elsewhere, this was the place I called home. It is my community, as it is and has been for so many parents, kids, grandparents, dogs and cats for the last 55 years. My family moved from Bethesda to the new Longmeadow model home Kettler Brothers built for us in 1963. I was four years old when we moved here. Although, I have lived elsewhere in my

lifetime, my parents, family, neighbors, and now my wife and kids have always called 11710 Magruder Lane our home.

Just like my kids now, I attended Farmland Elementary for 7 years (K-6,) Tilden (at Tilden for 7-9,) and graduated from Woodward (10-12.) After attending Davidson and living in New York City for years, I returned to Old Farm. My wife, Jenni, and I have four children: Jackson – 11, Sam and Lila – 8, and Will – 5. I have sold real estate with Long & Foster for 23 years and have represented many clients in Walnut Woods, Tilden Woods, and Old Farm, as well as Luxmanor and Old Georgetown Estates. My office is in the old Willco building at Executive and Old Georgetown. Additionally, I have served and chaired the property management committee at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church. I am currently the Magruder Lane block captain and would be honored to participate for the next two years as a director on the GFCA.

Two Board Openings to Serve a One-Year Term

Peter Rumm

I Peter D. Rumm, MD, MPH, am a physician executive at FDA who has led several civic organizations including serving as a President of a Rotary Club, as the senior medical doctor on Philadelphia's Mercy Health Care System Board, and as a president of a Boys and Girls Club. I have a wife Ana from Panama with an MBA and a son who is a junior and golfer at Good Counsel. This year I received the life time distinguished alumni award from Columbus State University and am a former Army hospital commander, a former state chief medical officer, and founded an academic center etc. Interested in improving our community with input from others.

Second Nomination Remains Open