

Nominees for Home and School Association Executive Committee

****Please note: This is an uncontested election. Only one nominee (or co-nominees) is/are running for each available Executive Committee position. Therefore, we will not have the balloting process. Please read the revised By-Laws that are posted on the RSPS website. The HSA link can be found under "About RSPS." Any questions or concerns, please contact Pam Handel or Linda Lynch at hsa@resstpaul.org. At the next Murphy's Mingle, we will address any comments and/or concerns. We plan to approve the proposed budget and the proposed revised By-Laws at the last HSA event of the school year which is the Family Movie Night.**

Sue Ellen Grove, Co - 1st Vice President

I am interested in serving on the HSA in the position of 1st Vice President and it is my intention to share the position with Barbara Romiti and Andrea Kagel. My husband, Don, and I have two terrific children at RSPS and have been parishioners of the Church of the Resurrection for six years. Since both of our children are busy learning all day, I have some time to dedicate to serving our school community and enjoy being involved in this wonderful environment! This year I have worked as the HSA Recording Secretary and have really enjoyed being involved with the HSA Board. I have been a professional vocalist for over 25 years and am comfortable working with a team of outgoing personalities. I am a graduate of the College of Notre Dame of Maryland and was employed by the Baltimore Orioles for 12 years in various capacities and also as a Freelance Publicist. The position of 1st Vice President would be a rewarding experience for me and my skills are a good fit for the job. Thanks for considering me!

Andrea Kagel, Co - 1st Vice President

I grew up in New Jersey and graduated from the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY in 1995, along with my husband Lucas. I served 5 years as an active duty Army officer and was stationed in South Korea for one year and Fort Bragg, NC for the remaining 4 years. I decided to leave active duty and join the Army Reserves when our first child, Jared, was born. We moved to Maryland in 2001, and I have been working for the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory in the National Security Analysis Department for the past 9 ½ years. We have three children at RSPS, Jared in grade 5, Lyssa in grade 3, and Ambrie in grade 2. More than anything, I love spending time with my kids and husband. We love going bike riding, or hiking with our dog Molly in Patapsco. I grew up playing softball, and I have loved coaching my daughters and other young girls in the Elkridge Youth Organization for the past 3 years. I would like to become involved with the RSPS HSA so I can be part of making RSPS a fun and inspiring place for children to learn and grow.

Barbara Romiti Co - 1st Vice President

I am interested in the position of HSA 1st Vice President, serving in this capacity along with fellow parents Sue Ellen Grove and Andrea Kagle. I am the proud parent of two RSPS students, Joseph (5th grade) and Johnny (3rd grade) and have been a parishioner of St. Paul's for 14 years. I am a James Madison University graduate, with a BA in Communications and a minor in German. Since coming to RSPS five years ago, I have immersed myself in the wonderful school

community, serving as HSA Gala Chair, Co-Chair and as Room Parent for two years. In my past life, I had a wonderful career. My first job was working for the Spina Bifida Association of America raising awareness of the disability, including planning and coordinating educational conferences for parents and professionals. Two of the most exciting fundraisers were local celebrity roasts of Pat Buchanan and Sam Donaldson! Subsequently, I coordinated fundraisers for other non-profit groups. I then moved on to the computer world, serving as a Systems Engineer and trainer for a large reseller in the DC area and other local companies, including a branch of Computer Sciences Corporation. I have traveled extensively, including living in Germany for three years, and I have been to 19 countries, three of which I have had the wonderful experience of sharing with my sons. In addition to being computer-knowledgeable, organized and a great writer, I am very gregarious and tolerant of other cultures, religions and backgrounds. I feel the leadership position of 1st Vice President will allow me to share my experiences and strengths with others. Thank you for your consideration.

Sharon Ghazarian – Recording Secretary

I am a proud mother of two children, AJ (Pre-KB) and Natalie (16 months old). I live in Finksburg (Carroll County) with my husband (Gary) and our English Pointer (Winnie). I was born and raised (until age 9) in Pennsylvania, just outside of Philadelphia. I then spent some time moving around to Florida, back to Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and now settled in Maryland. I have a Master's Degree in Psychology and a PhD in Human Development and Family Studies. I am a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics at Johns Hopkins University and spend part of my time devoted to research in child development and the other part of my time as Director of a Statistical Consulting Center. I enjoy and thrive working in a collaborative way and have served on several task forces and committees for national societies as well as within the universities where I've worked. Thus, serving on the Executive Committee of the HSA for RSPS is a good fit for me. Having recently joined the RSPS family, I am looking forward to becoming more integrated within the RSPS community and working with the other HSA members to continue making RSPS a great place for our children and families.

Ellen Harrison – Corresponding Secretary

Born in New York City, New York I moved to Maryland right before Middle school. After attending Severna Park High school, I attended the University of Maryland, graduating with a degree in Elementary Education. I then married my college sweetheart, Howard "Chip" Harrison, and moved to Howard County, where I became employed by the Howard County Board of Education as a classroom teacher. While working, I enrolled at Loyola College in Baltimore, and earned a Masters Degree, eventually becoming a Reading Specialist for the county. Our family grew to include five wonderful children, Tighe, Lyndsay, Drew, Brent and Hope. A few years after the birth of our fifth child I became a stay at home mom. I have served on the Home and School Board of the Trinity School, in Ilchester, Md., where my two oldest children attended. I am serving my final term as the Secretary and Membership Chair for Forest Hill Swim and Tennis club, and am an active volunteer at Resurrection St. Paul School where my three younger children are currently attending.