



## Nominees for 2023 Villages Board of Directors Bios



Linda Olson

Linda Olson, 757 Nuthatch Dr., College Place, WA 99324 (Village 8)

Nomination by the MPMA Board of Directors

My husband, Dennis, and I moved to the Villages in 2015. I have been a board member for the past 3 years and currently serve as President. I am also a part of the Social and Welcoming committee. I am committed to the vision articulated by the developers of our community. That is to strengthen our community through protecting our home values by the way we maintain our collective investment (our beautiful common areas, walking paths, ponds, and iconic structures) both now and through careful planning for the future. Additionally, I believe in order to enhance home values, it is a homeowners association responsibility with member input, to create and enforce land use standards. This vision requires a carefully balanced give and take process. Working together we can truly enhance and strengthen the beauty and spirit of this very lovely community we call home. It is a privilege to live in this community and an honor to participate in its governance and I would like to continue to do so.

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## Marie Evans

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Nominated by the MPMA Board of Directors

My husband, Larry, and I have lived in the Villages for almost 8 years. We were attracted to the beautiful grounds, the walking paths, the ponds, and the lush trees. It didn't take long for us to realize that these assets needed to be cared for properly so that the Villages would always be a great place to live. For the past 5 years I have served on the Board of Directors which qualifies me to continue to serve. Every board member that I have worked with in the past 5 years has been dedicated to the good of the Villages. Even through a lawsuit that took much of our time and a pandemic that took much of our ability to get together, we have moved the Villages forward. Our grounds are healthy and beautiful. Our roads and sidewalks are safe and well maintained. We are moving towards updating our important governing documents and bringing the Villages into a more member-governed HOA. I ask for your vote so that I can continue to work towards this vision for the Villages.

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**John Cress**

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Nomination by the MPMA Board of Directors

Since moving to the Villages of Garrison Creek in 2002, and throughout my two terms as a director of the MPMA, our homeowners association, I have been a consistent advocate for informed homeowner management and a board of directors that encourages member input, active engagement, and volunteerism. I have strongly supported HOA best practices, including a responsible reserve fund to care well for our lovely trees, ponds, bridges, signature structures, streets, walking trails, and common areas that belong to all our members and make The Villages a uniquely desirable place to live. Good governance and our shared community features help keep our individual property values high. Well-functioning committees, up-to-date covenants and operational documents, open communication with members, and careful stewardship of our assets in common is the best way for us to preserve the positive reputation, culture, and aesthetics of our splendid neighborhood. I am honored to have been nominated for another term by the MPMA Board and, if elected, will welcome the opportunity to continue serving in the best interest of our association and its membership.

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**Barb Larson**

Nomination by the MPMA Board of Directors

My name is Barbara Larson. I moved into Village 8 in December of 2010. I have been on the Village 8 board for two years, serving as Vice president and then President/treasurer. I have volunteered on the landscaping committee, helping with south of the creek projects and traffic control during the trimming and removal of trees along Garrison Village Way. I am retired from working over 30 years with the VA system, 12 of those years here in Walla Walla and the rest in Seattle, Illinois, and Wisconsin. I have been a member of HOA's when I lived in Wisconsin. If elected to the board, I will serve to the best of my ability. Barb

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**Mike Serra**

Nomination by the MPMA Board of Directors

I grew up in Glendale California and went to College at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo where I met my wife Amy in the mid-eighties. Working for DuPont and working in their Printing and Publishing Division, Amy and I lived in St. Louis, MO, Wilmington, DE, Nashville, TN eventually settling for 18 years on the west side of the state in Bothell, WA.

When Amy had a teaching opportunity at Garrison Middle School, we decided it was time for one last move. We moved to The Villages in 2016 living on Goldeneye Drive in Village 8. I eventually became the Division Manager for WCP Solutions a regional printing, packaging, and paper distributor. While living in Village 8, I spent several years as the treasurer and president of Village 8. We moved to Village 7 in May of 2021. In my spare time I volunteer at the Walla Walla Pen and enjoy Racquetball and Pickle Ball. Amy

and I know many of you from walking our dog Apollo through the Villages. We love living here and enjoy the community. I feel strongly about doing my part in preserving this wonderful community.

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Don Bohlman

Member Nominated by John Peterson

1. I nominate Dr. Don Bohlman, 1114 SE Creekside Drive, College Place WA 99324, dandcbohlman@gmail.com , 5096291011 2. Member Submitting Nominee: John Peterson 1104 SE Creekside Drive, CP 3. Hello, I have lived and been a member in the VGC since 2017 with my wife and have enjoyed our experience here. I declare that I meet the stated criteria for nominees listed here: • Must be a member in good standing, i.e.: not delinquent in payments owed to the association for assessments or fines and not have unresolved violations of the association's governing documents or Land Use Standards. • Must not be a co-owner or associate in a separate interest with another person who is a nominee or director. • Must not be a convicted felon. • Must not be involved with litigation as a plaintiff against the association and/or a director. I am wanting to be considered for service as I wish to do some volunteer work for the Villages which I am physically capable of. I currently am not able to engage in volunteer clean up crews so using my experience as a chairman of the board of the family practice group for Portland Adventist Hospital helps me better understand board functions and dynamics. I served on the board of the Portland Adventist Academy High School. I have also been a partner in the ownership of nursing homes and these qualifications allow me to effectively work in groups or in committees and thus work with a board of varying personalities. I also have served as a flight surgeon in the army for two years in Texas. I want to ensure that the VGC remains an exquisite HOA and I will uphold my best to

make this a desirable destination for homeowners and keep our property values strong. I am fiscally conservative and will ensure that we keep our dues reasonable for all families and income groups. Thank you for your consideration

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