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**Saugatuck Center  
for the Arts**

The Saugatuck Center for the Arts enriches lives through the arts. *We do this by:*

- Providing and expanding opportunities for distinctive, high quality arts and culture experiences for all.
- Encouraging, celebrating and igniting artistic creativity in all its many forms of expression.
- Supporting, protecting, promoting, and nurturing area arts and cultural pursuits.
- Energizing the economies of Saugatuck, Douglas, and the greater region.

## 2009 Board of Directors

*Chair* **Susan Reck** is Vice-President and Wealth Management Advisor with the Reck-Jesiel Group Merrill Lynch, having been with Merrill Lynch since 1972, previously in New York and now in Detroit.

*First Vice Chair* **Claudia Berry** Vice-President and Senior Team Leader for the Lakeshore Private Financial Team at Huntington Bank.

*Second Vice Chair* **Janie Flemming** is recently retired as Vice President of Health and Clinical Affairs for the Blue Care Network of Michigan.

*Treasurer* **Chris Eppel** is Vice President and Corporate Controller of Perrigo Company Inc. Prior to joining Perrigo Company, Chris was the CFO of Stanley Security Solutions and also held senior business development and financial management positions at Danaher and Honeywell.

*Secretary* **Ken Carls** brings arts management experience to the SCA Board, having recently retired from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as Associate Director of the School of Art + Design, and having formerly served as Interim Director of the School of Art + Design and Professor of Graphic Design.

**Mary Kay Baker** is recently retired as Executive Director of Family Promise of Grand Rapids, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping families and individuals in a housing crisis.

**Bud Baty** is a Kendall College of Art and Design graduate and Interior Designer. Originally based out of Grand Rapids, he now splits his time between Douglas and South Florida.

**Chris Nern** is recently retired as Vice President & General Counsel for DTE Energy Company and Detroit Edison and adjunct Professor of Business Law at Lawrence Technological University and Madonna University/St. Mary's College.

**Cindy Peterson** is an artist and printmaker. She is also mother of three and lives with her family in Saugatuck.

**Adaire Putnam** is Director of Corporate Communications at the Kellogg Company. Previously she was principal at Perspectives Research. Adaire has more than 25 years of marketing experience in consumer packaged goods, food, healthcare, corporate, member associations and not-for-profit industries.

**Sandra Randoph** is owner of Good Goods in Saugatuck which specializes in American crafts, including furniture, fine art, glass, and ceramics, for homes.

**Fred Schmidt** was a telecommunications and information systems technologist and technology manager at AT&T for 30+ years. Fred also worked with NASA and many other federal government agencies on communications programs.

**Michael Van Meter** is Managing Partner of Van Meter Associates, a Chicago-based investment advisory offering individual portfolio management services to individuals and small to mid-market institutional clients.

**Janice Varney** is the first Executive Dean of Lake Michigan College in South Haven. Prior to that position she served as Lake Michigan College's Dean of Student Services for over 6 years. During that time she was a member of the lead team in the creation of the One Stop Student and Financial Services Center, currently known as the Richard J. Pappas Student Services Center.

**Christa Wise** is an award-winning art instructor at the Saugatuck High School and an adjunct instructor at the Kendall College of Art + Design. Her "Art a Loan" program has won national recognition and she was named Michigan's Art Educator of the Year in 2003 and was a Fulbright Memorial Fund Scholar in 2001.

## **STAFF**

*Executive Director* **Kristin Armstrong** comes to the SCA with 15 years of not-for-profit management experience. She served as Director of Annual Giving for Heartland Alliance in Chicago and coordinator of the Annual Fund for Valparaiso University's Institutional Advancement Program and Director of Alumni Relations for Valparaiso University's School of Law. Prior to her tenure at the SCA, Kristin was employed in Kalamazoo by The Owen Group Limited, a consulting firm for not-for-profit organizations in the areas of planning, feasibility studies, and annual and capital fundraising.

*Program Coordinator* **Krista Reuter** is responsible for creating and coordinating educational programs and classes, exhibitions, and performances at the SCA. Previously Krista had managed the Cadwallader Gallery in Douglas, and she brings both a fine arts background and small business management experience to the SCA.

*Operations Manager* **Barbara Fiske** brings extensive experience in hospitality and elder care management to the SCA. She has managed operations at The Homestead Resort, Glen Arbor, Michigan, and for The Warm Friend, Holland, Michigan.

*House Manager* **Kathy Timmer** is responsible for coordinating functions in the SCA facility from performances to classes to rentals. She brings extensive hospitality experience to her position.

*Greenmarket Manager* **Alan McPhail** is a retired elementary school educator with a passion for fresh, "green" living and foods. He brings his extensive organizational and communication skills to the Greenmarket all summer and fall. Alan also serves as the SCA's volunteer coordinator helping manage 146 community volunteers.