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*Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York, Inc.*

**May 2009 Annual Meeting**

**Slate of Officers-Board of Directors effective October 2009**

**Jennifer Gilston, Chair (Accepting a two year term)**

Jennifer is currently the Assistant Administrator at Fulton County Residential Healthcare Facility where she has been employed since January 2008 however, she started her healthcare experience in the late 1960's at Amsterdam Memorial Hospital. During her tenure at AMH, her role and responsibilities continually grew and expanded, evolving from clinical to managerial to administrative. Prior to her position elimination in August 2007 she was the Chief Operating Officer whose functions encompassed the roles of Chief Clinical Officer and Corporate Compliance Officer.

Jennifer received her AAS in Nursing from Fulton-Montgomery Community College and her Bachelor's in Healthcare Administration from State University of New York at Utica. Since that time she has pursued paralegal studies and become certified in Corporate Compliance and will be eligible to sit for the Nursing Home Administrator's exam in January 2009 expecting to be appointed Administrator at Fulton County RHCF in spring 2009.

Jennifer is Chair of our Council and has prior experience serving on various community Boards to include: past Board President of Fonda-Fultonville Central School, past Chair of Greater Amsterdam Volunteer Ambulance Corp., past Chair of Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce and received the Fulton-Montgomery County Nurse of Excellence Award in 2006.

Jennifer resides in Broadalbin with her husband Joseph Sr., has one son Michael and two grandchildren, Michael and Michaela, she also has five stepchildren and five step grandchildren

**Ellen Schell, First Vice Chair (Continuing a two year term)**

Ellen works as the Legal Director of The Legal Project of the Capital District Women's Bar Association. In her position she supports the organization as they provide both staff-based and pro bono civil legal assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well as other low and moderate income clients seeking assistance with affordable housing, foreclosure, bankruptcy and credit, small business, and other legal issues. Ellen is also responsible for The Legal Project's Domestic Violence and Military Families Project, which provides specialized civil legal services to victims whose abusers are associated with the military or are veterans, and technical assistance to attorneys or advocates regarding work with the military justice system. She has been an active volunteer with Girl Scouts, Hudson Valley Council and Girl Scouts of the North Country. Other volunteer interests have been with the Crisis Center of Clinton, Essex and Franklin Counties and the New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault.

Ellen is a Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts. She was a girl member from Brownies through Campus Gold; received her First Class award; was an archaeology consultant and event director at National Center West for several summers, and has been a Daisy/Brownie leader. She believes that Girl Scouting has given her the courage, confidence and character to become who she is today, and the compassion and commitment to give back to the Movement by helping make sure the Girl Scout experience is available to every girl who needs it -- which is every girl!

**John Prybylowski, Second Vice Chair (Accepting a two year term)**

John Prybylowski is the Manager of the Materials Development Operation at KAPL, Inc., a wholly owned Lockheed Martin company headquartered in Niskayuna, NY. Dr. Prybylowski began his current position in June 2004. His responsibilities include supporting manufacturing, managing corrosion science and testing programs, and developing advanced materials to enable enhanced propulsion systems. Prior to his current position, Dr. Prybylowski was the Manager of Structural Materials Engineering and before that he was the Materials Laboratory Manager.

Dr. Prybylowski holds Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Science degrees in Metallurgy as well as a Bachelor of Science degree in Materials Science and Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Prybylowski joined KAPL in 1987 after graduate school. He started out as an engineer and has held various positions of increasing responsibility as an engineer and manager at KAPL. In total, Dr. Prybylowski has over 20 years of experience in various aspects of naval nuclear propulsion work.

Dr. Prybylowski serves in the Board of Directors for Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York, is on the Stonegate Neighborhood Association Board, a member of the MIT Educational Council, is a volunteer mentor at Martin Luther King Elementary School in Schenectady, and is the executive Sponsor for the KAPL chapter of Women in Nuclear Society. He lives with his wife Liz, and two daughters, Sarah and Molly, in Clifton Park and enjoys bike riding, golfing and fishing.



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**Luan LaRoche, Secretary (Continuing a two year term)**

Luan is the Director of Information Management and Corporate Compliance for Warren Washington ARC and has been with the agency for 15 years. She holds an MBA from SUNY Albany School of Business. Her role with ARC is to champion ethical practices and promote regulatory compliance to eliminate wasteful and inappropriate activity to ensure the company's status as a good corporate citizen.

She has been active in Girl Scouting all her life, first in Girl Scouts of Tropical Florida and for the last fifteen years with Adirondack Council and Northeastern NY. She was a board member for Girl Scouts Adirondack Council for four years and the Secretary for six. She was chair of Girl Scouts Adirondack Council's WINGS group (Women Interested in Girl Scouting) and had previously served on the Executive, Adult Recognitions, Property Development and Marketing and Planning committees. She is the President of the Board for Adirondack Productions and Theater, an integrated theater group for disabled and non-disabled adults. Luan currently serves on the Audit, Human Resources, Executive, and Properties Committees for Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York and is a lifetime member of the organization.

**Joanna Valente Orr, Assistant Secretary (Accepting a two year term)**

Joanna is a retired school Principal. She had been a member of the Board of Girl Scouts of the North Country Council since 1995 and served as the Council Vice President. She is a Regional Representative for SAANYS (School Administrators Association of New York State) for Region 7. She has been an adjunct lecturer at SUNY Plattsburgh since 1988 in the Teacher Education Department. She is an active member of Delta Kappa Gamma and Phi Delta Kappa and she is a member of her local Kiwanis Chapter. She is also on the Executive Committee for the Northeastern Zone of the New York State Retired Teachers Association. Joanna was a member of the Council Realignment Committee and is currently involved as a GSNENY Board Member and Brand Development Committee Member.

**David Bauer, Treasurer (Accepting a two year term)**

David is the President of Capital Bauer Insurance, Inc. He also serves as a director for the Adirondack Insurance Exchange. He served as the Treasurer at Girl Scouts, Hudson Valley Council and had been a Board member there since 1997. He was a member of the Finance Committee at GSHVC. He was the former Chair of the Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of New York. He also served as President of the Colonie-Guilderland Rotary Club. David was a member of the Council Realignment Committee. He currently serves as a director for the Police Athletic League of Albany and member of its finance committee; and a current director for American Little League. David is currently a member of the Board of Directors for GSNENY and a member of the Finance Committee.

**Patrick Russell, Assistant Treasurer (Continuing a two year term)**

Pat is a Certified Public Accountant and the tax partner at Abbott, Frenyea, Russell & Coffey, CPA's, P.C. Prior to forming Abbott, Frenyea, Russell & Coffey, CPA's, P.C. he served as the vice-president of taxation at a regional accounting firm, in management positions with the International CPA firm Ernst & Young in New York City and as Manager of Federal taxes for PepsiCo, Inc. at its world headquarter in Purchase, NY. Pat is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, New York State Society of CPA's, and the Tax Division of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Pat is an active member of many community groups including but not limited to; American Legion Post 1619, Kiwanis Club of Queensbury, Lake Forest Senior Living Community, Plattsburgh & North Country Chamber of Commerce, Plattsburgh State University School of Business & Economics, Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club, and the Plattsburgh YMCA. Pat is currently a member of the GSNENY Board of Directors and a member of the Audit Committee.

**\*\*Those in bold require voting**