



Adaptive Riding Institute

Health, Happiness and Healing through Horses

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Kerrill Knaus: Co-founder, President*

Co-founder of ARI, she has been internationally recognized for her work with animals and the disabled. She is one of the original founders and former vice president of CRI (Community Resources for Independence). She is the co-founder of Canine Companions for Independence, and the former director of their Southwest Regional Office. She received a Rotary International Vocational Scholarship for 1989-1990. Her awards include, but are not limited to: **THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY** (Presented by The Governor's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped, CA); **INDEPENDENCE AWARD** (Presented by The San Diego Community Service Center for the Disabled); **FOR THOSE WHO CARE** (Presented by KRON TV NBC); **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR** (Presented by The Easter Seal Society). Her experience serving on other non-profit boards as well as in the day to day operations of non-profit organizations has made her an invaluable asset to ARI. Elected to the board in 1988

David Roe, Treasurer

Mr. Roe is the retired vice president of Automatic Data Processing (ADP), a Fortune 500 Company. He is an active member of Oregon Equestrian Trails. Elected to the board in 1993

Julie Bystrom, Secretary

Julie is a local farmer & business owner, and is an active member of Grace Lutheran Church in Molalla. She is a member of Pacific Northwest Christmas Tree Association; Oregon Farm Bureau; Oregon Cattlemen's Association; Oregon Small Woodland Association. Served on the board since 2000

Susanne Rosen: Co-founder*

Co-founder of ARI and Executive Director, Ms. Rosen has worked with animals and disabled people for over 35 years. She began her career as an expert by training assistance animals in the early 1980's with Canine Companions for Independence in California. She is a former equestrian 4-H leader, and has been a member of Oregon Equestrian Trails, The American Vaulting Association and Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association for many years. Served on the board since 1988

Judy Fevec

Judy is a physical therapist working 15 years with special needs children for Willamette ESD. She has worked in the field of physical therapy since 1985. She loves horses and realized her "life-long" dream of having her own horse at 43 years old -- and she is never going back to a horse-less life. She wants to encourage those with special needs to see good health, happiness, and to reach for their dreams. Other hobbies: knitting, reading, and yoga for special needs. Elected to the board in 2008

Peggy Barker

Ms. Barker is a registered nurse and has been an Active volunteer with ARI for several years. She is an avid outdoor enthusiast with a love for animals, and a passion for working with children and youth. Elected to the board in 2006

****Judy Reid**

Judy Reid worked and volunteered as a physical Therapist for over 35 years including work in Nigeria with children with polio, work at a military facility helping those who had become casualties of war, and working at a general hospital Tunis, Tunisia. She then worked for 10 years at Salem Hospital Rehabilitation Center working with people having neurological conditions. Judy has been an active volunteer for ARI for more than 17 years. She has been active in Tai Chi for over 20 years and is now teaching Tai Chi along with gardening, landscaping, woodcutting and volunteering on wilderness.

ADVISORY BOARD

Charles Frayer*

Mr. Frayer is the Recreational Outdoor Planner, Accessibility Specialist for the Pacific Northwest Region of the Us Forest Service. Elected to the board in 1998 and to the Advisory board in 2008

Jack Levy

Mr. Levy is a licensed attorney formerly with the Oregon State Attorney Generals Office. Elected to the board in 1999 and to the Advisory Board in 2008

Cathy Russell*

Ms. Russell is an accomplished horsewoman. Her background includes, but is not limited to; showing on the national circuit in many disciplines, riding instructor, professional horse breeder and trainer, and barn manager. Ms. Russell has been a volunteer for ARI for many years. She is very well connected in the Salem Business community. Elected to the board in 2005 and to the Advisory Board in 2008

**denotes people who have disabilities*

***denotes proxy for Peggy Barker*