

Board of Trustees

La Posada's Board of Trustees is a volunteer group of individuals committed to the mission and values of La Posada and its role as a not-for-profit community organization. The Board is dedicated to the well-being of seniors and actively monitors their quality of life, safety, security and overall satisfaction.

The Board's focus is one of policy governance, which emphasizes strategic leadership and proactive planning for the future of La Posada. The Board directs, controls and inspires La Posada through careful deliberation and establishment of governing policies.



DUANE BLUMBERG, Ph.D., Board Trustee

Mr. Blumberg spent 35 years at the University of Louisiana, where he was a faculty member (mathematics), department chairman, Dean of the College of Sciences, and Vice President. As Vice President, he supervised the University's specialized research and development centers and its research park, and helped to form partnerships between companies and faculty members for the commercialization of university research. Following his academic career, Mr. Blumberg was appointed by the Governor as Louisiana's Deputy Secretary of Economic Development. In this capacity, he served as chief administrative officer of the department and led efforts to strengthen the contributions of the state's higher education institutions to economic development. He came to Sahuarita in 2005, was elected to the Town Council in 2009, and served as Mayor from June 2011 to December 2016. He has been a member of the Boards of the Pima Association of Governments, the Regional Transportation Authority, and Sun Corridor, Inc.



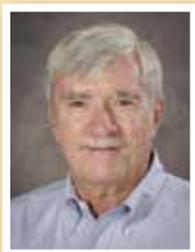
SIMON DAVIS, Board Trustee

Mr. Davis served as Green Valley Fire District Chief for 28 years. Davis lived with his family in Southern Africa until 1981, attended school in the United Kingdom, then came to Tucson to attend the University of Arizona and study mining engineering. While a student, Davis became a volunteer firefighter and found his new career. He started as a firefighter in Green Valley in 1987 and became the Fire Chief in 1996. He has spent extensive time working with his colleagues in emergency services to enhance safety and delivery of emergency care including internationally participating in conferences on pre-hospital emergency services. Davis is also the State President of the Arizona Fire District Association representing 140 Fire Districts supporting both elected officials and personnel.



PAULA DONLEY, Board Trustee

Paula Donley is a principal at Donley Commercial real estate and is a resident of Oro Valley. From 2014 to 2016, Ms. Donley served as director of advancement at Pusch Ridge Christian Academy, responsible for financial aid and scholarships, budget development and management, and raising \$300,000 annually. From 2011 to 2014 she served as director of admissions and as a teacher at the academy. Ms. Donley was an academy school board member from 2001 to 2005. She was acting director of Women's Ministries at Catalina Foothills Church from 2010 to 2011 and director of Women's Bible Studies at the church from 2006 to 2009. Ms. Donley obtained a bachelor's degree in secondary education in 1976 and a master's degree in education in 1978, both from the University of Arizona.



RICHARD DUCOTE, Board Trustee

Mr. Ducote interacted with many Green Valley/Sahuarita non-profits as Community Development Manager at Freeport McMoRan, from which he retired in June of 2015. He is an Arizona native, and a Tucson resident since 1966. He was a reporter for the Green Valley News from 1984 to 1986, and a longtime reporter, editor and columnist for the Arizona Daily Star. Mr. Ducote has served on the Board of Directors for several area organizations, including the American Red Cross Southern Chapter and the Community Performance & Art Center (CPAC) of Green Valley. Mr. Ducote holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with major in political science and minor in journalism from the University of Arizona.

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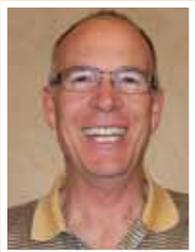
VIC FRESOLONE, Board Trustee

Mr. Fresolone has been a resident of Oro Valley since 2013 after retiring from being CEO/ President of acute care hospitals in New Jersey and Oregon. In New Jersey he was with Union Hospital for twenty years, later merging that hospital into the RWJ Barnabas Health Care System. At Barnabas Healthcare he was Sr. VP for Mergers and Acquisitions. In Oregon, he spent ten years at Mercy Medical Center, and later invested three years at ATRIO Health Plans, a Medicare Advantage Plan. He was born and raised in Northern New Jersey and lived there until 1996, when he and his wife moved to Oregon. Mr. Fresolone has a degree from Seton Hall University in Business, and a graduate degree from Saint Louis University in Hospital Management. Over the years he has had several healthcare related articles published and has served on many community and civic boards.



JANE LATEER, Board Chair

Ms. Lateer was an educator in central Illinois before moving to Richmond, Virginia, where she attended University of Richmond Law School. Her law career began and concluded with firms in Richmond, Virginia, as an employee benefits attorney. She also served in several capacities for Fort James Corporation, including as vice president of benefits and administration. Her other corporate experiences were as Director of communications for Northern Trust Retirement Consulting and as a retirement plan consultant for Strategic Benefit Advisors.



JOHN STEPHENS, M.D., Board Trustee

Dr. Stephens is a distinguished physician who served the greater Green Valley area for nearly two decades in this capacity. Dr. Stephens is a principal owner of an investment firm in Tucson and is actively holding investment designations as a Certified Financial Planner and as a Certified Financial Analyst.



KATHY WARD, Board Trustee

Ms. Ward is a development consultant and former Director of Economic Development and Communications for the Town of Sahuarita. Ms. Ward was Vice President of Corporate Services for the Greater Tucson Economic Council for two years. She was President/CEO of the San Diego World Trade Center and held vice president-level positions for the New Zealand Tourism Board and Air New Zealand. She has served on the Board for Carondelet Health Network and Carondelet Foundation. She is immediate past chair of Executive Connection and is a board member of Imagine Greater Tucson. Ms Ward is also a Tucson Airport Authority Board member and current Authority member.



LISA H. ISRAEL, Board Trustee, President and CEO

Ms. Israel served as Executive Director of La Posada at its inception in May 1987; she became Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in 1996. In 2004, Ms. Israel assumed the role of La Posada's President and CEO. Ms. Israel holds a master's degree in public administration with a certificate in gerontology from the University of Arizona. Ms Israel has served on the Green Valley Chamber of Commerce Board, Leading Age State Association, President and Board member; National LeadingAge Association, Board member; CARF Accreditation Board member; Tucson Airport Authority, Board Chair, Board member and current Authority member.

La Posada is Southern Arizona's award-winning continuing care retirement community.