

Board of Directors 2024



Bill Meiklejohn, Board President – Is a Schwinn factory trained mechanic and a graduate of Barnett Bicycle Institute of Colorado. He has been volunteering at the CAT Bicycle Cooperative for two years and was instrumental in developing the CAT’s holiday bike give-away program. Bill has 30 years of experience as CEO/President of technology companies and is the retired Chief Operating Officer of Fraser Optics LLC. (Board term 2022-2024)



Jennifer Cunningham, Board Vice President - is the AVP for Alumni Relations at Lehigh University. She bikes to work when she can, competes in triathlons, and has recently been bitten by the bug of overnight bike touring. She's also taken some classes in bike mechanics and hopes to put her newfound skills to use at CAT and on the D&L Trail, where she's a Trail Patroller. When she hits the lottery, all the winnings will go to making cities more pedestrian and bike friendly. Until then, she's trying to make a difference by serving on the Fundraising Committee for CAT. (Board term 2022-2024)



Shari Wilson, Board Secretary – Began biking as a pre-teen and never looked back. While her friends were rushing to the DMV to get their driver’s licenses, Shari was perfectly happy without one. As a student at Western Michigan University, she continued to prefer biking. Even as a carpooling mother, Shari’s passion for cycling flourished. She enjoys all the senses of being outside zooming around on her. Shari also enjoys tennis, cooking and baking. (Board term 2022-2024)



Edwin Kay – Board Treasurer – is emeritus professor of Computer Science and Engineering at Lehigh University. He has commuted by bike to work for the last 45 years. He and his wife, Jannie, have bike toured on three continents. He strongly supports CAT because its advocacy has substantially improved his and Jannie’s biking in the Lehigh Valley. (Board term 2023-2025)



Jennifer Swann – is a Lehigh University biology professor, with research focusing on neuroscience. Jennifer is active in promoting public transit, walking and bicycling for health and environmental benefits. (Watch her on CAT’s May 2016 appearance of RCN Community Spotlight.) (Board term 2022-2024)



Anne Felker – joins the board after serving as CAT’s attorney for 20+ years. Anne supports as a League Cycling Instructor, leading the CAT weekly women’s towpath bike ride. (Board term 2021-2024)



Gary Madine – is a founding member of CAT, co-author of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code section for bicycles, and a daily car-free bike commuter in the Lehigh Valley for over 20 years. Gary also served as CAT Board president for many years. (Board term 2021-2024)



Predo Nisic – As a refugee from Sarajevo, Bosnia, Predo Nisic moved to Pittsburgh in 1996 where he worked as a social worker and later on as a foreman with Pittsburgh’s steel mills. In 1997 he was given his first bicycle (ever!) and he developed a friendship with a well-known bike collector in the Pittsburgh area. As his friend’s business grew, Predo lent a hand by helping him find new bikes and setting up the bike museum. As someone who is passionate about bicycles and likes working with people, CAT was a perfect match for Predo. Predo has been volunteering regularly at the CAT Bicycle Cooperative since May 2019. (Board term 2023-2025)



Anna Zawierucha – Anna fondly remembers learning to ride my first bike at 5 years of age, shortly after moving to Shaker Heights, Ohio from Bordeaux, France. Biking is in her genes as she is half Dutch and has always loved the independence that a bicycle has given her. She has and continuea to use a bicycle as her main means of transportation whenever possible and in the many countries she has visited and lived in. She believes that we need to make our communities more people-centric and that a bicycle plays a key role in that goal. (Board term 2021-2024)



Tim Phillips – was an educator throughout his professional career. He started as an elementary school teacher and finished as a professor and chairperson of the Department of Instructional Technology at Bloomsburg University. He’s been riding bikes since he was a young boy and never stopped. Tim uses his bike for transportation, shopping, exercise, and just the sheer joy of riding. He completed century rides as well as multi-day rides like the Erie Canal Trail and the Greater Allegheny Passage (GAP) Trail. He enjoys teaching people how to ride safely as well as repair their bicycles. (Board term 2023-2025)



Ayana Brown – found her passion of biking through an Afros in Nature collaboration event in 2021. It’s been love at first sight since. Ayana learned the ropes very quickly and became a CAT Ride Leader for the Womens Group on Tuesdays, as well as the weekend bakery rides. She’s an advocate for education, safety awareness, and mechanics. Ayana earned her certification as a League Cycling Instructor and enjoys connecting others to the delights of biking with CAT. (Board term 2023-2025)



Lisa Lubin – is a former broadcast journalist who recently moved to Bethlehem from Chicago where her bike and public transit were her main modes of transport. She has biked all over the world in places like Vietnam, London, Melbourne, Berlin, and Buenos Aires. When not biking, Lisa freelances as a travel writer and video consultant, and is the executive director for a farm animal welfare non-profit. Her goal is to help make the Lehigh Valley an area centered around people and not cars! (Board term 2023-2025)



Scott Slingerland – Executive Director – Scott has served as CAT’s Director since 2015 and as CAT’s bicycling education director from 2008-2015. He has taught bicycling traffic skills to over 250 adults, and basic bike education to over 8,000 children. Scott has been a League of American Bicyclists certified instructor (LCI) since 2006 and completed his CyclingSavvy Instructor (CSI) Training in February 2018. Scott is licensed in Pennsylvania as a Professional Engineer.



Jason Schiffer, Esq. – CAT Attorney (ex-officio) – Is the Lehigh University Police Chief, as well as a practicing lawyer, formerly with Cohen, Feeley, Altemose and Rambo representing bicyclists and pedestrians. Jason was also formerly with the City of Bethlehem as Police Commissioner, and prior to that as Sergeant on the bicycle unit. Before that Jason was known to be a young BMX rider about Fountain Hill.