

2009-2010 HTS Staff & Instructor Biographies

Instructors are listed in alphabetic order

Anderson, Karen

Karen has a Bachelor's of Science in Mathematics from James Madison University. She has been homeschooling her three children for the past 17 years. In addition to teaching at home she has taught Sunday School, teen Bible studies and Missionettes as well as tutored students in Algebra, Geometry and SAT preparation. Besides loving math, she has been a lifelong student of photography and several years ago started her own portrait photography business. In addition to portraits of families, children and seniors, she has photographed weddings, theater productions and other events. She is excited about passing on her knowledge and experience in the realm of digital photography and image editing to budding photographers. If you would like to see some of her work visit her website at: www.kjandersonphotography.com.

Becker, Sharon

Sharon has homeschooled her four children for 13 years and has taught elementary and junior high school science for the Sovereign Grace Church Homeschool Cooperative. Her enthusiasm for scientific inquiry coupled with her love for the Savior combine to create classrooms of fun-filled learning with an eternal perspective. Prior to her spiritual conversion, Sharon worked as a greenhouse grower for several years and has always had a love for learning and scientific inquiry. Since becoming a Christian, Sharon has devoted her time to serving her family and local church as a children's ministry teacher, home education cooperative science teacher and in numerous other volunteer positions.

Bossom, Ron

Ron and his wife Susie founded Harvester Presbyterian Church over 30 years ago. They have five children. HTS' Enrichment Class program was built around Ron's History classes more than 15 years ago. He is widely known as an excellent teacher of History. He has a rare gift evidenced by an almost flawless recall of historical events, people, and places, and can demonstrate through exciting stories God's hand in the course of human events. He makes History fun and exciting. Many parents sign their children up for his class just so they themselves can attend.

Coleman, Jeani

Jeani Coleman has been the Drama Director of Harvester PCA since 2000, directing productions such as "The Judgment Seat," "Lion, Witch & the Wardrobe," "Family Outings," and "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," among many others. She has been in Theater and Drama for over 35 years and has been teaching drama and directing plays for over 14 years. Jeani has directed all types of theater including Children's Theater, Children's Musicals & Dramas and traditional theatrical productions. She's been teaching every year that HTS has been open with the exception of a one year sabbatical. Jeani, along with her friend, Deb Siler, previously owned and operated their own Children's

Production Company for three years called "The Play's the Thing." Jeani is married to Steve Coleman and homeschooled their son, Jesse, who is a 2008 Civil Engineering graduate of GMU.

Coleman, Nathalie

Nathalie Coleman is a French native, a military wife to a wonderful pediatrician and a homeschooling mother to five beautiful children. After graduating in France, Nathalie moved to Germany to work as an au pair, where she met her husband and became fluent in the German and English languages. Nathalie then moved to the United States, earned a nursing degree and worked as a pediatric nurse at Children's Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama where she learned "southern" English. Having herself learned five languages in school, Nathalie enjoys sharing her love for foreign cultures and languages, and particularly the love for the culture and language of her native country.

Concepcion, Marcie

Marcie Concepcion loves art and loves teaching. Being able to combine the two, she believes, is a gift from God. She has her BS and her MS in Art Education from FIU and has spent several years teaching in a variety of settings. She has taught five years in a public school Magnet Art Program in Miami-Dade County. Her students have won multiple awards in both public and private competitions. One student's work was chosen for inclusion in a national Art textbook. Several of her students have gone on to be Art majors. In addition to the public sector, she has also taught private classes, as well as Junior and Senior High Art classes in the Sovereign Grace Co-op for the past four years. An artist herself, she has works in both public and private collections and has exhibited in several art shows.

Cuddington, Laurie

This is Laurie's second year teaching at HTS. In addition to Physical Science and SAT Prep here last year, her group teaching experiences over 14+ years of homeschooling include Sunday school, Awanas, general science, biology, chemistry, sewing, crafts, and ESL for all ages from one to seventy-three years in the United States as well as in Japan and the Czech Republic. Laurie has a Bachelor's degree from Duke University in French with a minor in Chemistry. She has been a Navy wife for 23 years as of December 2009, and she and her husband Donald have four children in grades 3, 8, and 12, and a senior at the University of North Florida. Her primary desire in teaching at HTS is to see her students work to a standard of excellence in their freedom as homeschoolers.

Day, Betty

Betty is looking forward to her fourth year teaching at HTS. Having grown up in California, she graduated from UCLA with a BFA in Dance. Years later she earned a teaching credential (K-8th) and a Master's of Education in Curriculum & Instruction from George Mason University. After college she met the living God in 1975 when He captured her heart and her attention, and gave her a new identity and purpose. Soon after, she met her husband, Dick, at a Bible school where he won her heart and her hand in marriage.

During their first ten years as a couple, they had the opportunity to live in Africa where Dick served the U.S. government as a Foreign Service Officer in both Mali and Malawi. Still happily married for over 30 years, together they have partnered with God in raising three amazing children to adulthood. In 2000, Dick and Betty returned to Africa a decade later with their grown family as part of a missions trip to Ghana with their church. While there, in God's good plan, the Days met and a year later adopted their youngest son, Andrew, originally from Liberia and now a thoroughly American teenager. In addition to living and traveling in Africa, Betty has traveled in Europe, the Middle East, Mexico, and the U. S. As a result, she enjoys teaching World Geography, Bible and French. She has taught in public schools, Christian schools, international schools, Sunday schools and English language training programs. Also, Betty has homeschooled three of her four children at various times. She is passionate about discipling the next generation for Christ, building God's kingdom and bringing His Good News to unreached peoples.

Dosch, Debbie

Debbie has four daughters whom she homeschooled for 16 years. Through the years she has taught in a variety of situations: years at HTS, Sunday School (all ages), youth group, co-ops, Backyard Bible Clubs, church retreats, and Ladies Bible Studies. Debbie also teaches special needs adults at her church, Immanuel Bible Church, coaches high school students with special needs, does private tutoring and substitutes in public as well as private schools. Teaching is a delight for Debbie.

Esher, Jan

Jan Esher has a Master's in Education, with an emphasis in learning disabilities, as well as a Master's in Biblical Counseling. For 15 years, Jan taught a range of subjects to learning-disabled students from K-12. She trained other teachers throughout her years as a teacher and also, developed and managed a private instruction business in the Denver metro area. She has loved every teaching experience, but teaching Harvester students has been her favorite because of the children's hearts for the Lord. Jan is mom to Elli, who loves Harvester as much as her mother does!

Fouse, David

David ran cross-country and track throughout high school. David was ranked 2nd in the state of Ohio for the half mile. He continued his running career as a full-ride scholarship athlete at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia running both track and cross-country. David has continued to pursue physical activities which include running and lifting weights. David also holds a black belt in tae-kwon-do. He has worked with youth in several capacities and is a father of five children.

Fouse, Robin

Robin ran cross-country and track throughout high school. Robin also ran both sports in college as a scholarship athlete. She is the mother of five children and is homeschooling her children.

Froberg, Bev

After attending a Fairfax County public school in her early elementary years, Bev McLellan moved to New Jersey, where she graduated from high school and came to know Christ as her Savior. She received her B.A. in Philosophy and Religion from Ursinus College in Pennsylvania. She then returned to Virginia, where she met her beloved husband, Dave Froberg, and they were married in 1984. In 1986, Bev graduated from George Mason University with an M.A. in English and with a concentration in The Teaching of Writing and Literature. Bev has taught children at two Christian schools, for various church programs, and at HTS; in fact, she was HTS's first director. In the past six years, Bev has taught Study Skills three times and Writers' Workshop I twice. In addition she has taught ESL to adults part-time in various capacities for over 20 years. Bev and Dave are members of Harvester, along with their three children (ages 12-17), who have been homeschooled from birth. Bev's passion is to teach her students discernment in reading and excellence in writing so that they might be used of the Lord to advance His kingdom.

Gilbert, Jeff & Janna

Jeff Gilbert graduated from Cornell University and spent over two decades as a naval officer training young adults for sacrificial service. Following his seagoing career as a nuclear submarine officer, he spent four years working with members and staff of the U.S. Congress. Along with his wife, Janna, the Gilberts have performed educational technology consulting for corporations and schools. They provide plenary sessions and seminars on family discipleship and home education at conferences throughout the world. The Gilberts have two children, a recently married daughter who graduated from Baylor University and a son who is a senior at Towson University. They homeschooled their children through numerous military relocations and deployments, and have conducted and supported home education in a variety of settings. In addition to directing the services and ministries of The Potter's School which they founded over 10 years ago, the Gilberts serve on the staff of The Harvester as Director of Family Ministries and Director of HTS, where they help prepare teens and families to sacrificially serve God in the local community and abroad. Jeff and Janna appreciate the value of home education for raising Godly children in a biblical covenant family.

Glidewell, Sarah

Sarah Glidewell has been a home schooling mom for 5 years and holds a B.S. in Elementary Education from New Mexico State University. She has been married to Michael for 15 years and is mom to Micah and Owen. Sarah has taught in both public and Christian schools prior to having her own children, and has also enjoyed teaching both in a co-op and at a local Classical Conversations group. Sarah loves to cook, read, and study Scripture. She is looking forward to her first year teaching at HTS.

Graves, Melissa

Melissa Graves has been married to John for 22 years and has been homeschooling their three children Megan, 20; Chris, 18; and Molly, 15, for the past 14 years. Although her

Bachelor's degree is in Speech Pathology, her passion is theater. Her involvement on stage began as a dancer but soon graduated to singing and acting as well. In college she performed professionally with the Tabletop Players, a dinner theatre troupe in Buffalo, New York, and after joining the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ, toured and performed with the Master's Production Company, CCC's drama ministry. She currently is the Director of Morningstar Productions, a local homeschool theater troupe which is in its seventh season. Melissa also is the facilitator for Harvester's GEMS young ladies group.

Hayes, Corinne

Corinne Hayes is the wife of Harvester's Associate Pastor Mark Hayes and the mother of five children, four of whom she and Mark are still homeschooling. This is Corinne's third year serving as the Administrator for HTS. She has taught Sunday School and served in the infant nursery at Harvester for 19 years. Corinne has been involved in Harvester's drama ministry, HMS Productions, for the past two years as Assistant Director and Stage Manager; she hopes to continue her involvement behind the scenes with the drama ministry. Corinne would love to garden and join a bowling league in her spare time. Her dream ministry would be to hold and love on needy babies in a hospital nursery.

Hayes, Mark

Mark graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree and entered the Marine Corps. While in the Marines, Mark attended the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School and earned a Master of Science in Computer Science. Mark served in the Marine Corps for 11 1/2 years and served in artillery, finance and computers. Mark also worked for eight years as a computer network engineer and project leader. He then transitioned into working on the staff of Harvester PCA. Mark began seminary while still in the Marine Corps and took classes part-time for the next 11 years. Mark was ordained as a Teaching Elder in the PCA in 2002 and is the Associate Pastor of the Harvester PCA. Mark and his wife, Corinne, homeschool their four children.

Hoffman, Kay

Kay Bryant Hoffman first came to the Harvester in 1993 as a high school senior attending a teen Precept Bible Study. After being home schooled for nine years, Kay went on to earn a BA in Social Science Education at Mississippi University for Women. She then worked two years as a Capitol Hill staffer for South Carolina Representative Jim DeMint before accepting a teaching position at Immanuel Christian School in Springfield, VA, where she taught 7th grade History, English and Bible. After marrying her husband, Tim in 2002, Kay continued to use her gift for teaching by tutoring students from 4th to 12th grades in various subjects. Kay is currently a stay-at-home mom to 3-year old Cassie. Her hobbies include running, reading, watching the History Channel and classic Hollywood movies, catching up with former students on Facebook, and participating in Bible studies.

Hubler, Craig

As the founder and chief instructor of Martial Arts Ministries, Craig is committed to

teaching Taekwondo from a Christian worldview void of all Eastern philosophy. He is a third degree Black Belt and has spent the last 17 years training. With a B.S. in Health and Physical Education, he keeps safety and effectiveness as a priority during all classes. Having taught for over 12 years, he has experience with a wide range of age groups (3-60 years) and enjoys children and adults alike. His goal is that the students will enjoy the challenge and learn perseverance, diligence and the joy of working with excellence toward the goal.

Ipsan, Stacey

Stacey Ipsan graduated from The College of William and Mary in Virginia with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. After ten years in the world of broadcasting and journalism, she retired to stay home with her beautiful and quickly growing family. She and her husband of 21 years, Michael, have been homeschooling their children for 11 years. Undaunted after having taught several classes for homeschooled students, including Elementary Science, American Literature, Shakespeare, British Literature, and World Lit, Stacey looks forward to another year at HTS, studying the classics through a Biblical perspective and sparking in her students a passion for and enjoyment of great literature.

Karamath, Heather

Heather Karamath is a military wife and a homeschool mother of two boys. She has previously taught elementary school in both the public and Christian school settings, as well as homeschool co-op classes. Although she did most of her undergraduate work at the University of South Carolina, she received her Bachelor's degree in Exercise and Fitness from Ohio University (with an undeclared minor in science). She later continued her education at Fayetteville State University and became certified to teach elementary school. Science is a favorite of hers, both to study and to teach. In her free time she enjoys riding bikes with her boys, studying the Bible and photography.

Lacquement, Jeannine

Jeannine Lacquement received her Bachelor's in Dance from Goucher College in Townsend, Maryland. She is the director of a non-profit Christian dance ministry called Children of the Light Dancers. She has 25 years of experience teaching dance. Twenty of those years have been spent discipling and training children and youth for ministry through the art forms of dance and storytelling. You can find out more about her ministry by visiting her website at childrenofthelightdancers.org

Logan, June

June Logan attended the University of the West Indies where she received a B.A. in Art. She has been a member of the Springfield Art Guild for 16 years and served one year as the director the Fairfax County Parks and Recreation summer program. She has taught art at all levels (K-12) and in many contexts. For the past 14 years she has served as an elementary art teacher at a Christian school developing in her students both a love for their Creator and honed their individual artistic skills. Many of her students have gone

on to use those talents as successful artists and designers. This is her second year teaching Art at HTS.

Mahoney, Deanne

Deanne Mahoney graduated with a degree in Engineering Physics from the United States Air Force Academy. She worked as a Satellite Analyst for three years and earned a Masters of Science in Space Operations from the Air Force Institute of Technology. She then worked as a Satellite Control Officer for four years until she separated from the Air Force to raise her growing family. Deanne and her husband, Steve, have three boys whom they have homeschooled for sixteen years. Two have graduated high school and are attending Virginia Tech and George Mason University. Their third son will be a senior this coming year. Deanne has been involved with HTS for sixteen years. She has taught Creative Thinking (1 year), Logic (4 years), Advanced Algebra (2 years), and Physics (1 year). Deanne also coached a HTS Mathcounts team. She is currently the HTS teacher sponsor for the FIRST Robotics Team, Rolling Thunder Robotics.

McGuire, Patti

Patti hails originally from Seattle and holds a math degree from the University of Washington. She and her family moved to Virginia after living in Germany for over six years. Having ten years experience educating her two teenage sons at home, one of her joys is watching them struggle through a concept when suddenly “the light comes on.” Through her teaching at HTS, she desires to assist parents who may feel the need for additional support in teaching math, and help students gain a solid foundation in math concepts that they will use in further studies.

Nardone, Annie

Annie Nardone graduated from University of Wisconsin with a Bachelor’s degree in Art and Commercial Design. She has taught various co-op classes for more than ten years as a homeschool mom, including art and science. Annie also worked as a freelance editor and wrote magazine articles for a couple of publications. The Nardone family includes husband, Sonny, Chloe, Isobel and Lex along with a variety of animals. The Nardone’s are members of The Harvester.

Paumen, Kimberly

Kimberly Paumen is a homeschool mom of three. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from Stephen F. Austin University with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Chemistry and won the top Freshman Chemistry Student award. While she completed her degree, she taught supplemental freshmen Chemistry classes and labs to help students understand, simplify and digest the complicated concepts presented in class. After graduation she worked in the following fields as a chemist: petrochemical, pharmaceutical, and environmental. In 1993 she left her job to serve as a single missionary to Mexico with Denton Bible Church. A year later she married her husband Tim and together they served as missionaries in Bolivia, South America for seven years and are fluent in Spanish. Her experiences in Bolivia have left her with a love for Spanish. She has a passion for teaching others to speak and understand Spanish conversationally.

She also takes great joy in unlocking the keys to understanding Chemistry and helping students discover the glory of God revealed there.

Pinkstaff, Anne

Anne Pinkstaff has a Bachelor's degree in Biology from East Carolina University and a Master's degree in Biotechnology from Johns Hopkins University. Her career as a full-time scientist spanned the years 1996-2004. During the majority of that time she worked for Genetic Therapy, Inc. in Gaithersburg, Maryland doing DNA based lab support and preclinical safety testing for gene therapy research. For about six months, she also worked for Human Genome Sciences in Rockville, Maryland as a DNA sequencing Lab Manager. This coming year will be her fourth year teaching Biology at HTS. Most importantly, Anne is a wife and mother to two beautiful daughters—Sarah and Ashleigh. She and her family live in Falls Church and attend The Harvester, where Anne has been a member since 1984.

Schafer, Kathy

Kathy Schafer married her husband, Scott, 15 years ago and has homeschooled their daughter, Becky, all her life. Kathy earned a Bachelor's degree in Interior Architecture from Montana State University in 1987 and worked in that field for 10 years before her daughter was born in 1998. Kathy and her family attend Columbia Baptist Church, where she serves in several leadership capacities, including choir. She wanted to start a book club at HTS to give her daughter a venue for discussing great literature with her peers.

Schuenemeyer, Elena

Elena is married, the mother of four children, and the daughter of Jose and Mary Garcia. She is fluent in Spanish, having spent her childhood in Colombia, South America. The Lord saved Elena when she was 16 years old and after graduating from high school, she came to the United States. Soon afterwards, she entered the USAF, traveled extensively and eventually met her husband, Ken. They have been married now over 26 years and have homeschooled for 18 of those years. Additionally, this will be her seventh year of teaching Spanish at Harvester. Elena loves to share Christ with non-Christians and help younger Christians to deepen their relationship with God.

Silver, Joan

Joan Silver has been teaching for her entire adult life. She graduated from the University of Northern Colorado with a degree in Elementary Education and a minor in math education. She has taught 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th grades. She has also taught in adult education ranging from ESL to a high school refresher class for incoming college freshman. Married to an Air Force officer for 25 years, Joan has lived all over the globe—in Europe, Asia, and the U.S.—which has given her the opportunity to have many jobs. Her favorite teaching job has been homeschooling her three children over the last 14 years. During the 2006-2007 school year, Joan served in the world of coaching debate. She found it to be an amazingly rewarding experience to see tremendous growth in the

students on multiple levels. Her goal is to help students stretch and be challenged in thinking on their feet, reasoning through arguments, and becoming fluid speakers. She will be assisted in the class by her son, Matthew.

Silver, Matthew

Matthew Silver is a homeschooled student who has competed in NCFCA for two years. He has debated in Team Policy and tried his hand at Lincoln Douglas Values Debate. He finished with a 4th place at the Regional Championship Tournament. Matthew competed at the National Championship Tournament in Speech in three categories. Matthew enjoys teaching. He is on the leadership team at both church and Tae Kwon Do where he teaches in small group settings. He will be assisting his mother, Joan Silver, in teaching the Debate class.

Spinello, Barb

Barb Spinello is a homeschool mom of two children, Jessica and Ryan. She has lived in Springfield, Virginia most of her life. She attended Liberty University and graduated with a degree in Elementary Education (NK - 8). For two years after college she was a short term missionary school teacher for various levels in Loures, Portugal. After Portugal and before becoming a mom she was a Middle School Math and Science Teacher at a local Christian School. She has taught math (6th grade math, Pre-Algebra, and Algebra 1) for several years in the classroom as well as privately tutoring and working at a local learning center. She has a passion for students to succeed in math and to understand and master the basic concepts in order to be fully prepared for Algebra and beyond.

Stone, Cathy

Cathy Stone is a homeschooling mother of five children, three of which have graduated from high school. She is a wife of a former military officer who has finally lived in one place for more than three years (Springfield, Virginia)! She has been a member at Harvester PCA for ten years and served at HTS for several of those in various capacities— instructor, day administrator and all around funny lady! Cathy met her husband, Bob, while attending the University of Florida and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Broadcast Journalism. She also enjoys acting with HMS productions and is an avid sports fanatic. (GO GATORS!)

Washechek, Susan

Susan has a BS degree in Nursing from Montana State University. She worked for 9 years as an Army Nurse before leaving the service to be a full time mother. She has 4 children ages 21-14 and has homeschooled all of them. She grew up with a mother who had a college degree in home economics and who was a very talented and patient teacher. Knitting, sewing, cooking, and any other craft she could get her hands on were all encouraged. She is looking forward to teaching and encouraging students in practical needlework skills.

