



Board Member Profile: Laura Fine

Laura Fine is our newest Board member. She joined the Board in March after Karen McCormick, a clinic volunteer and Northfield Township Trustee, suggested to Laura that she might like to work with Links. Laura says, “I think the programs that Links provides are so important to the health and welfare of our community.”

She knows the Links community well as she grew up in Glenview and graduated from Glenbrook South High School. She went on to receive a BA in Telecommunications and French from Indiana University. Her first job out of college was producing the 6:00 and 10:30 newscasts at an ABC affiliate in Wausau, Wisconsin. From there she moved to Duluth, Minnesota where she anchored the morning news and reported in the afternoon at a CBS affiliate. After she left Duluth she moved to Chicago to work on the Public Affairs programming for WEHS-TV. Her next step was a position as a writer producer at WBBM AM Radio in Chicago.

Laura then moved out of the media world and into the world of education. With an MA from Northeastern Illinois University in Political Science, she has been teaching there as an instructor in the Department of Political Science since 1999. Laura also currently serves as Clerk for Northfield Township.

She and her husband, Michael, whom she met in college, are raising their two boys – Jeremy, age 14 and Jacob, age 11 – in her hometown of Glenview. Both boys attend Attea Middle School and Jeremy will attend his mother’s alma mater, Glenbrook South High School, next fall. The family enjoys their dog, Salto. Laura says, “He is an awesome mutt!”

Laura is an experienced volunteer and the Northfield Township Food Pantry, the PTA, and the Cub Scouts have benefitted from her time and effort. For relaxation, Laura enjoys running and playing Scrabble with her son Jeremy.

As a mother of two adolescents, Laura feels strongly about Links’ parent programs. She concluded, “I feel parents need to be educated along with their kids so they have a better idea of what kids are facing today.”