Heather Perry Gardner, Ph.D.

SYNOPSIS

After obtaining a Ph.D. in the field of science, I temporarily retired to raise a family and enjoy life on the Monterey Peninsula. While raising my three children, I was actively involved with each of their classrooms as a room parent, their school as an active member of the parents' organization and their sports as a team parent and leading member of the organizational board. Recently, I founded a unique small tourism business on the Monterey Peninsula renting a fleet of my personally owned classic cars.

EXPERIENCE

Owner/Manager, Monterey Touring Vehicles 2018-Present Conceptualized, designed and implemented the first classic car rental business. Without a blueprint or model to follow, I created a thriving and unique small tourism business allowing customers to experience driving classic and vintage automobiles along our beautiful coastal roads.

- 2021 Best Small Tourism Business, Carmel Chamber of Commerce
- 2022 Business Excellence Award "Art, Attractions, Entertainment, Event Services and Recreation", Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Board Member, Snack Bar Manager, Volunteer Coordinator, Carmel Youth Baseball 2014-2017

- Managed all three snack bars including buying and staffing
- Managed and organized volunteer hours for approximately 200 sets of parents.

Treasurer, Parents' Organization, All Saints' Day School 2010-2014

- Active member of a parents' organization involved in almost every aspect of school culture in a private K-8 school.
- Conceptualized and implemented several fund-raising programs.

Scientist, Deltagen; Menlo Park, CA 2000-2003

Managed Affymetrix Gene Chip analysis team including sample collection, processing and data analysis.

- Liaised between database software development teams and in-house scientific teams to create a robust and user-friendly interface.
- Designed and presented database training sessions to teams of executives, IT specialist and scientists at large pharmaceutical companies.

EDUCATION

- University of California Davis B.S. Biochemistry 1993
- University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. School of Medicine Ph.D. Cellular and Molecular Biology 2000.
- Thesis: "Cloning and Characterization of Two Novel Protein Kinases, Hunk and Pnck and Their Role in Mammary Gland Development and Carcinogenesis"

SKILLS

- Throwing amazing birthday parties.
- Planning fabulous trips.