



A volunteer organization working to conserve and enhance the beauty and ecology of our community through public and private cooperation.

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GREENSBORO BEAUTIFUL ANNOUNCES ITS 2011-12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS & ADVISORY BOARD

Greensboro -- Greensboro Beautiful, Inc., a volunteer organization, announces its Board of Directors and Advisory Board for the 2011-12 year:

Executive Committee: Carolyn Allen (Chair), Robert Capen (Vice Chair), Ross Geller (Secretary/Treasurer), Ann Steighner (Immediate Past Chair), Ellen Ashley, (At Large) Lee Britt (Public Gardens Co-Chair), Andrena Coleman (Clean Community Co-Chair), Peg Moore (Gateway Gardens Coordinator), Mary Purnell (At-Large), Randal Romie (Urban Forestry Co-Chair), Kathy Cates (City Beautiful Director), Lynne Leonard (City Beautiful Coordinator), Edith McNeal (Administrative Assistant).

Board of Directors: Stephanie Ashton (Greensboro Area Chamber of Commerce), Alexa Aycock (Neighborhood Initiatives Co-Chair), Jim Brooks (Bog Garden Curator), Kathryn Brown (Wreath Sale Co-Chair), Bobby Coltrane (Landscape Maintenance, Field Operations Department), Beverly Cooper (President, Greensboro Council of Garden Clubs), Mike Cusimano (Urban Forester, Planning Department), Jennifer Ehlert (At-Large), Greg Jackson (Director, Parks & Recreation Department), Yvonne Johnson (At-Large), Bill Knight (Mayor, City of Greensboro), Bonnie Kuester (At-Large), Dan Maxson (Manager, Administration Division, Parks & Recreation Department), Bob Morgan (At-Large), Judy Morton (At-Large), Gail Murphy (At-Large), Karen Neill (NC Cooperative Extension Service in Guilford County), Ginny Olson (At-Large), Sue Schwartz (Director, Planning & Community Development Department), Tennie Skladanowski (Neighborhood Initiatives Co-Chair), Steve Windham (Public Gardens Co-Chair), Dale Wyrick (Director, Field Operations Department).

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Advisory Board: Individual Representation: Dana Apple, Lynn Black, Sylvia Bray, Dennis Burnette, Sallye Chambers, Chris Fay, Keith Francies, Bettie Grubbs, April Harris, Rob Heavner, Gail Hill, Keith Holliday, Thelma Kirk, Bob Krumroy, Claudel Lassiter, Ginny Leone, Kitty Lyon, Ellen Moore Miller, Mona O'Bryant, Wanda Phifer, Betty Potter, Becca Pritchard, Graham Ray, Norman Smith, Cilie Sutton, Goldie Wells. Community Organization Representation: Garrett Walker (Action Greensboro), Gabrielle Foriest (E. Market Street Development Corporation), Esther Bringman (Girl Scouts, Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont), Henry Fourrier (Greensboro Area Convention & Visitors Bureau), Bob Rathbone (Guilford County Master Gardeners), Lynda Waldrep (Guilford Horticultural Society), Sally Cobb (Hospice & Palliative Care of Greensboro), Melanie Buckingham (Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Library), Michael Hatcher, NC A&T State University, Bob Newton (Rotary Clubs of Greensboro), Lynn Bresko (UNCG), Cathy Hamilton (UNCG Office of Leadership & Service Learning). Business Representation: Jeff Johnson (American Express), Leslie Rice (Bank of America), David Craft (Craft Insurance), Penny Partido (Dow-Corning Corporation), Milton Kern (Milton Kern & Co.), Steven Ohm (Ohm Resources), Valerie Justis (REI), Frank Auman (Signature Development Group), Sherry Ford (Syngenta Crop Protection), Julie Breuchel (UPS).

Greensboro Beautiful is a unique private, non-profit, volunteer organization whose mission for more than 40 years has been "To conserve and enhance the beauty and ecology of our community through public and private cooperation." Working in partnership with the City and citizens of Greensboro, it has sponsored design and construction of four public gardens - The Greensboro Arboretum, the Tanger Family Bicentennial Garden, the Bog Garden, and Gateway Gardens - and over 100 landscaped sites on public property throughout the city. It supports urban reforestation through the annual NeighborWoods Community Tree Planting and Memorial/Honor Tree Program; conducts a Business Landscape Awards Program and recognizes other community appearance efforts at its Annual Meeting and Awards Reception; partners with the City of Greensboro to support landscaping projects on major public thoroughfares; collaborates with Parks & Recreation and the NC Cooperative Extension Service to develop environmental education programs; and sponsors two annual community-wide litter cleanup events - Big Sweep and the Great American Cleanup.

Greensboro Beautiful serves the entire population of Greensboro, and makes a significant contribution to the quality of life we all enjoy in our community. For more information on how to support Greensboro Beautiful or how to get involved, visit www.GreensboroBeautiful.org

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