



Downtown Neighborhood Association of Savannah Georgia, Inc

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Biographical Sketches of the DNA Board of Directors

Henry M. Reed II -- President

Hank is a retired Army Colonel (Paratrooper, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star-Vietnam) and retired Federal Senior Executive. From SC, a graduate of The Citadel, he has an MSEE from Georgia Tech and an MBA from Auburn. As the US Administrative Advisor to NATO in Brussels, Hank also served as Secretary of NATO Summit Delegations led by Presidents Reagan, Bush, Clinton and George Bush. In 2004 the White House appointed him Director of Operations for the G-8 Summit hosted by President Bush in Georgia. Living on Jones Street since 2003, he builds websites for non-profits as a public service and speaks to interested groups about NATO. He and Heidi, married 49 years, have 2 children and 5 grandchildren.

E. Michael Powers-- Vice President & Programs

Native of Tennessee, Education: Georgia Institute of Technology 1960-1963 Aerospace Engineering, The University of the South 1963-1966 BS Economics, Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania 1969-1971 MBA Marketing & Finance. Boards: Savannah College of Art & Design Board of Visitors and Chair of Endowment Investment Committee (Savannah), Director Critz Inc (Savannah), Director The Live Oak Public Libraries Foundation Inc (Savannah), Board of Governors Lucas Theater (Savannah), Director Nor-Nan Inc (Tennessee). Chairman Kennel-Aire LLC (Kansas). Holds 4 patents. Married to wife Norma for 45 years with one son (Houston, TX)

Bob McAlister -- Secretary & Political Liaison

Bob McAlister lives with his wife (Mary) and daughter (Holly) in the Gordon Row next to their inn, Savannah's Bed & Breakfast Inn. Bob has lived in Savannah since 1974, working with the City and County governments in various capacities. Prior employment involved university level teaching of political science. Local entanglements have included various things Scottish, the St Pat's parade, Asian Festival, Coastal Heritage Society, the Trade Center and the Navy League. The McAlisters collect Asian art and enjoy international travel.

William C. Coonce---Treasurer

Bill is a retired Federal Senior Executive of the Department of Defense (DOD). He and his wife of 44 years, Angela, moved to Savannah in 2001. He holds a bachelor degree in engineering and graduate degrees in business and public administration. His working experience includes design engineering, project management engineering, and financial management. His work for the Secretary of Defense included being the Director for Construction, which encompassed the worldwide financial management of all Military Construction, NATO Infrastructure, and Family Housing. He was also the Director of Industrial Funds, which encompassed the financial management of all DOD military industrial facilities (such as shipyards and aircraft maintenance facilities).

Katharine B. Alphin – Deputy Chair, Holiday Tour of Homes

Born in Charlottesville, VA, Katharine Alphin is an American Studies graduate of Smith College and has an M.A. in American history from the University of Massachusetts. After teaching social studies for five years in Massachusetts, she became a law student at the University of Virginia and earned a J.D. For more than 20 years Katharine was an attorney in the Atlanta Regional Office of the Federal Trade Commission. She practiced both antitrust and consumer protection law, investigating and participating in cases dealing with the credit statutes and fraudulent telemarketing entities. In 2003, Katharine and her husband William ("Tic") Atkinson moved to downtown Savannah looking for a friendly walking city to call their own. Savannah and its residents have far exceeded their expectations.

Karen Britt – Chair, Holiday Tour of Homes

Karen Britt and her family chose to move to Savannah in 2003 from Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. She is a Midwestern girl who was born in Ohio but has lived many places from coast to coast and also lived for 3 years in Berlin, Germany with her husband Jim. Her background includes early childhood education, owner and operator of an aerobics business in the Chicago area and flight attendant and trainer for Mid West Express Airlines in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She and her husband have been married for 43 years, raised three great children and are proud to have three awesome grand children. Karen has trained in Savannah as a Master Gardener and Master Naturalist. She is active in the community with the Telfair Ladies Guild, Garden Club of Savannah and has served as the Holiday Tour of Homes Chair for 2010 and 2011. Karen takes pride in living in the Historic District on Monterey Square.

Bailey Davidson – Director of Communications

Bailey Davidson, originally from Milledgeville, Georgia, was living in NYC and working as an actor and photographer before returning to the south to study photography at SCAD. After graduating in 2002 with an MFA, Davidson decided to make Savannah his home. His photographs have been published and exhibited internationally, and he is currently self-publishing his second book titled *Savannah Past and Present*, due out fall 2011. For the past 12 years, he has maintained a diverse local and national client base as the owner of his own freelance photography business (www.BaileyDavidsonPhotography.com). Bailey stays very active in the local community, volunteering his time as an actor and Rotarian.

Staci Donegan – Membership Chair

Staci moved to Savannah in 2005 to marry Chris who was living here. Educated at Clemson and the University of Delaware, she has a degree in accounting. Before moving to Savannah, Staci was a senior financial manager for Coca-Cola in Atlanta and a Certified Public Accountant with Coopers and Lybrand in Philadelphia and Atlanta. Here she served as both Controller and Chief of Staff for the President at the Savannah College of Art and Design. Now a licensed sales professional for Celia Dunn Sotheby's Int'l Realty and business consultant, Staci is a sustaining member of the Junior League, a founding member and Treasurer of the Savannah Golf Club Swim Team, and a member of Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church, the Telfair Museum and Historic Savannah Foundation. She and Chris enjoy family walks in Forsyth Park with their 4 year old daughter Anne Chaddock and rescue rottie Stella.

Meredith R. Dulany – Events Chair and Deputy Membership Chair

Meredith returned to her native Savannah in 2003, after an exciting stint creating and coordinating events for National Public Broadcasting in New York. She joined the Savannah College of Art and Design as Director of Events, managing events at the college's, then, three campuses in Savannah, Atlanta and Lacoste, France. Since leaving SCAD, Meredith serves on the Women's Board of Bethesda, the Savannah Advisory Board for Georgia Public Broadcasting and works as a volunteer on events for the Telfair Museums. With her husband, Reed, she has two beautiful toddlers, a restaurant, *Local 11Ten*, and an ongoing restoration in the Historic District.

Nicholas Henry, Warden (Ward Captain Chair)

Nick and his wife, Muriel, have lived in the Historic District for more than a decade, and are Co-Ward Captains for East Forsyth Park. Nick also serves on Savannah's Historic District Board of Review. He is Professor Emeritus and President Emeritus of Georgia Southern University, where he persuaded the Board of Regents to convert Georgia Southern from a college into a doctoral university (the first new university in 21 years), nearly doubled the number of students (including minority students), more than tripled the budget, almost sextupled the endowment, and recruited proportionately more Hope Scholars than any other institution in the state. He is a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and is a member of the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. Nick and Muriel have two children and three grandchildren, all thriving in Georgia.

Martha Keber – Newsletter Editor

Originally from Colorado, Martha Keber received a B.A. from the University of Redlands in California and a Ph.D. in Modern European History from Emory University in Atlanta. She taught history at Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville, retiring as Professor of History in 2005. She traveled extensively during her university career to do research in France, Germany, Italy, Britain, Mauritius, and India. Since retirement, she has authored two books on Savannah neighborhoods for the City of Savannah. She and her husband Robert have lived on East Jones Street since 1993. Although they delight in daily walks through the Landmark Historic District, they tear themselves away to make an annual pilgrimage to France.

Randolph H. Kulp II – Immediate Past President

Originally from Tidewater, Virginia and a graduate of Virginia Tech, Randy first came to Savannah in 1983 when he was assigned to the 1/75th Ranger Regiment at Hunter Army Airfield. Following his military service, Randy began a fifteen year career in the resort and private community industries, serving in both development and operating capacities. Since 2004, he has acted as a broker, developer and principal in the Savannah area with an emphasis on Historic Preservation projects in the Landmark District. Randy serves as the Managing Partner of Kulp Mouchet and makes his home in the district with his wife, Diane, and twin children.

Bob Maas – West Forsyth Neighborhood Association

Bob is a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and a graduate of Marquette University, with a degree in accounting. Bob spent 15 years working as a C. P. A., (auditor and financial consultant); then changed careers, becoming president of a magazine and book publishing company. In the 10 years before retiring and moving to Savannah in 2005, he consulted with small publishing companies, assisting them in circulation and advertising marketing, as well as financial management. Bob has been the President of the West Forsyth Neighborhood Association since its inception. He and his wife JoAnn enjoy traveling and have never once regretted their decision to move to beautiful Savannah.

Roger Moss, Jr. – Publicity Chair and Media Contact

Roger is originally from Chattanooga, Tennessee. He holds a B.A. in Interpersonal Communication from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois. He spent 15 years in radio advertising. Five years ago he gave in to the art muse that so pervades Savannah and became a full time singer, vocal coach and most importantly co-founder and Artistic Director of the critically acclaimed Savannah Children's Choir. He proudly calls Savannah and the Historic District home. He is on the board of the Habersham YMCA. He is Vice-President of the Board for Savannah Classical Academy, a proposed public charter school. Mr. Moss believes that the role of education is to produce better people and better citizens.

ExOffico Members

Lawrence B. Lee – Past President, Legal Counsel and Chair, Downtown Development

Larry is a lawyer who served for 23 years with the United States Department of Justice. He earned his undergraduate degree from UNC-Chapel Hill and his law degree from the University of South Carolina. He has served as President of the Downtown Neighborhood Association and Chairman of the Historic Savannah Foundation. At the present time he is Chairman of the Board of the Savannah Federal Credit Union, and the Chatham/Savannah Authority for the Homeless. He is Director of the Thomas Park Food Pantry and President of the Shore Acres Company (North Carolina). Larry has three grown children and lives with his wife Kristin and dog Lucille. When not worried about the historic district the Lees can be found on their sailboat the Annabel Lee.

Bill Stuebe – Past President and Chair, Urban Planning and Preservation

In 1988, Bill and his wife Isabel moved to Savannah from Manhattan where they raised two children, Alison and David. A graduate of Lehigh University, real estate has been his lifelong interest and career. He was a real estate investment advisor to domestic and off shore pension funds in New York and is now an associate broker with Celia Dunn in Savannah. He served on the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee of the Historic Savannah Foundation (HSF) and is a member and former chairman of HSF's Architectural Review Committee. Bill is also the DNA delegate to the Savannah Tourism Advisory Committee, a member of the Savannah Film Commission, and serves on the SDRA Technical Advisory Board, the SDRA Planning Committee and the SDRA MLK/Montgomery Revitalization Committee.