

People and Organizations



Lou Raye Nichol



Chris McLeod



Steve Neal



Ruth Cook



Shirley Robinson



Alex Comfort

UNC-CH. Steve Neal, Winston-Salem and McLean, Va., former U.S. Representative, named president, board of trustees, Z. Smith Reynolds

ARTS & CULTURE

Ruth Cook, former state legislator and former member of state utilities commission, named development coordinator for Governor's International Committee for the Arts and the Israel/North Carolina Cultural Exchange.

Shirley Robinson, former development director at WUNC-FM, named first director of external affairs, N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences, Raleigh.

Martha Wilson Shannon, former executive director of Chatham County Arts Council, named executive director of Raleigh Arts Commission. She replaces Elaine Lorber, who retired June 30.

Margaret Webb of Webb Communications received Silver Award, Triangle Chapter Public Relations Society of America, for

promotional materials for Raleigh Little Theatre fundraiser, Comedy Under The Stars.

CIVIC

Lou Raye Nichol, formerly responsible for staff development at a mental health nonprofit in Great Britain, named executive director of Leadership Triangle. Timothy Tompkins named assistant director.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Anita Brown-Graham, assistant professor of public law and government, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, named 1995-96 Floyd B. McKissick Resident Scholar in Community Development, a scholarship created by Charles and Shirley Weiss Urban Livability Program.

EDUCATION

Alex F. Comfort, former vice president for development at Louisiana State University Medical Center Foundation, named assistant vice chancellor for development at University of North Carolina at Asheville.

Douglas S. Dibbert, UNC General Alumni Association president, named chair, board of trustees, Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Eugenia H. Leggett, former director of development, Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council Inc., named director of planned and annual giving at Peace College, Raleigh.

Chris McLeod, former director, Habitat for Humanity of the Triangle, named director of corporate and foundation development, Kenan-Flagler Business School,

Hosiery; Thomas P. Trollinger, president, Contract Office Furnishings; Walter S. Tucker, exec. vice president/city executive, Mechanics and Farmers Bank; C. Edward Pleasants, president/CEO, Pleasants Hardware Co.; and Vivian Turner, manager community programs/affairs, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

HEALTH

Named to board of directors, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of North Carolina (Kaiser Permanente): Randal "Randy" Brame, vice president for sales at Brame Specialty Co. in Durham; William Burkhardt, president and CEO of Austin Quality Foods Inc. in Cary; Sharon Decker, vice president of communications and community relations for Duke Power Company in Charlotte; and Walye Rasulala, public affairs director WRAL-TV in Raleigh.

OBITUARIES

Salvatore Aiello, artistic director of the N.C. Dance Theater in Charlotte, died in October of pneumonia.

Margaret C. Evans, headmaster of St. Timothy's Lower School in Raleigh, died Dec. 9. A scholarship fund has been created in her name at St. Timothy's Middle-Hale High School.

Locke to head Duke Endowment

Elizabeth H. Locke, director of the education division and communications for the Duke Endowment in Charlotte, has been named executive director of the \$1.5 million-asset foundation. She starts her new job April 1.



Locke will be the first woman to serve as executive director of the Duke Endowment, which is the 13th-largest U.S. foundation. She succeeds Jere W. Witherspoon, who is retiring after 26 years with the foundation, the last three as executive director.

Locke will continue to head the education division. A new communi-

cations officer will be named.

The foundation is making three other staff changes. Eugene W. Cochrane Jr. will become associate executive director and will continue to head the foundation's hospital division; Janice Walker will become chief financial officer and will continue to serve as the foundation's treasurer; and John G. Mebane Jr., the foundation's senior investment officer, will become chief investment officer.

Locke, who has bachelor's and doctoral degrees in English from Duke University and a master's in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has worked for the Duke Endowment since 1982. She previously was corporate contributions officer at Bethlehem Steel Corp., director of university publications at Duke University and an English instructor at Duke and UNC-CH.

Scholarships Available

A small number of scholarships are available to Philanthropy '96, the statewide conference for North Carolina's nonprofit sector sponsored by the Philanthropy Journal of North Carolina that will be held March 27, 1996, in Greensboro.

The scholarships are sponsored by several organizations, including:

- Duke University Certificate Program in Nonprofit Management
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