

RSFF'S BOARD OF VISITORS

Founded in 2005 by J. Patrick Barber and 24 committed community leaders, the Roper St. Francis Foundation's Board of Visitors (BOV) is committed to furthering Roper St. Francis Healthcare's mission of *healing all people with compassion, faith and excellence*. Members of the BOV serve as advocates and ambassadors for both the healthcare system and Foundation by raising community awareness of the organization's goals and achievements. Now in its fourth year, the BOV is comprised of over 50 community and business leaders. Led by Chairperson Deirdre Gugelot Marion and Vice Chair James T. H. (Jim) Buxton, the group comes together several times a year to receive updates about the healthcare system and the Foundation from top administration, as well as to share ideas about how to strengthen and grow membership in the Board of Visitors.

Deirdre Marion is a native of Manhattan where she attended the Convent of the Sacred Heart. As a student at Sacred Heart, she discovered her love for volunteering while helping patients and staff at New York's Memorial-Sloane Kettering Cancer Center. She is a graduate of Hamilton College where she received a Bachelor of Arts in History. She began her career working for Ralph Lauren Inc. Mrs. Marion later took a position with Interstate Johnson Lane (since acquired by Wachovia) assisting advisors customize portfolios to meet clients' needs. In 1999, she became licensed as a Registered Financial Advisor. In 2001, she accepted a position with UBS Financial Services Inc., where she is both a Financial Advisor and a Chartered Retirement Specialist, as well as a Registered Financial Advisor for the NFL Player's Association. She and her husband, David, live in Mount Pleasant with their two children.

Jim Buxton was born at Roper Hospital in 1973 and admits that he received numerous stitches, x-rays and casts there during an active childhood. He earned his undergraduate degree in History from Princeton University and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina, where he received the *James L. Petigru Compleat Lawyer Award*. He currently is Corporate and Securities Special Counsel at Young Clement Rivers, LLP, and also serves as an Adjunct Professor at the Charleston School of Law, teaching Mergers and Acquisitions. Mr. Buxton is also active in the South Carolina Bar Young Lawyers Division and serves as Associate Verger at Grace Episcopal Church. He and his wife, Courtney, live in Mount Pleasant with their son Hugh and welcomed their second child, Julian, this October.

If you are interested in learning more about the Board of Visitors, please contact Megan Kerley, Director of Annual Giving, at (843) 789-1621 or megan.kerley@rsfh.com.

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Left to right: Molly Blakeney, Dan H. Martin, Toni Thompson, Matt Sloan, Walker P. M. Buxton and Michelle H. Oakes. Not pictured: Steven P. Bottcher and Anne K. Surrett.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Roper St. Francis Foundation is pleased to announce new members of the Board of Directors, all of whom began their board service this summer.

Molly Blakeney, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, has lived in cities across the country, including Boston and Tucson, working in museums as a consultant. After spending time in Charleston when she was younger, she returned 16 years ago to work as a financial researcher for L.R. Burtschy and Company. Upon her return, Mrs. Blakeney met her husband, Dubose, and had two children, now 13 and 11. Both children attend Porter-Gaud School where Mrs. Blakeney has served for the past four years on several gala committee boards. The Blakeney's live in Mount Pleasant.

Steven P. Bottcher is currently Executive Vice President, MRO, of Hagemeyer North America, Inc. He was formerly with Proctor & Gamble and Pepsico, from which he

retired as a vice president after 20 years. Mr. Bottcher has a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Lafayette College and a Masters of Business Administration degree from Rutgers University. He and his wife Marjorie divide their time between Seabrook Island and downtown Charleston.

Walker P. M. Buxton is a Charleston native who currently works as a realtor for Daniel Ravenel Sotheby's International Realty. She and her husband, Eddie, have three children, ages 13, 10, and seven. Prior to real estate, Mrs. Buxton spent 13 years in development at Ashley Hall and Porter-Gaud Schools. She has also served on the boards of the Junior League and the Porter-Gaud Parents Guild. Her most recent volunteer work includes chairing the 2008 Porter-Gaud Gala and serving on the Capital Campaign Steering Committee for Roper St. Francis Foundation.

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Dan Martin, a native of Awendaw, is President and CEO of D.H. Martin & Associates, Inc., a personnel staffing and consulting firm. Mr. Martin received a Bachelor of Science degree from Voorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina, and Master of Business Administration degree from Wharton and Chadwick University. He also holds two Master of Arts degrees in Military Science from Army War College and Command & General Staff College, and is a graduate of the Executive Management course at Harvard.

Mr. Martin is Town Administrator for the Town of Awendaw and serves as chairman of the Board of Elections and Voters Registration of Charleston County. He is also a managing partner of Pathway Real Estate Group, LLC. In addition, Mr. Martin is the founder and executive director of the YouthQuest Foundation of Mount Pleasant, a non-profit organization, and the author of *Charting Your Course: An Effective Guide for Resumé Writing*.

Additionally, Mr. Martin is an avid volunteer, serving on the boards of numerous local, state and national non-profits. Mr. Martin currently resides in Mount Pleasant with his wife.

Michelle Oakes, a native of New Orleans, earned her undergraduate degree in Biology from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Business Administration degree from the A.B. Freeman School of Business at Tulane University. She began her career at a large not-for-profit hospital in New Orleans. Her corporate experience includes managing products and markets, as well as strategic planning for Fortune 500 companies in the medical products sector. As a consultant, she advised major pharmaceutical corporations in strategic marketing and resource allocation. Locally, she is a member of the Gala Committee for the Roper St. Francis Foundation and the Special Events Committee of The Preservation Society of Charleston. A member of the Junior League, Mrs. Oakes chaired fundraising committees in several cities, including New York. She lives downtown with her husband, Michael.

Matt Sloan serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of The Daniel Island Company, and has been with the company since its inception 14 years ago and in real estate for over 20 years. Prior to joining The Daniel Island Company, Mr. Sloan was involved in acquisition and

financing with a major life insurance company on the West Coast. He earned his undergraduate degree in Science and Engineering at State University of New York at Buffalo and his Master's at Columbia University School of Architecture. He and his wife reside in Charleston.

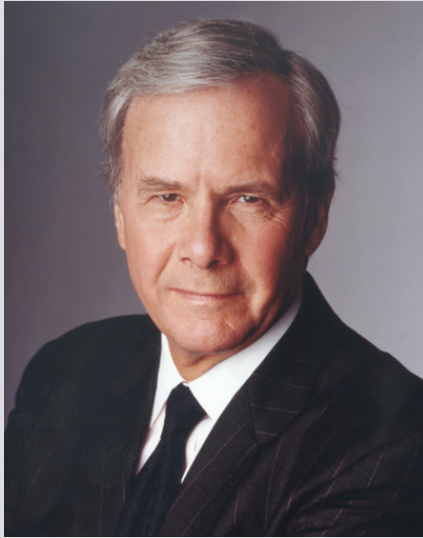
Anne Surrett, a native of Charleston, earned an undergraduate degree from the University of South Carolina. She received Executive Leadership certification from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University and Leadership Effectiveness certification from Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. She was most recently employed by The Citigroup Private Bank, N.S. in Philadelphia as managing director of Private Banking offices in Pennsylvania. While living in Philadelphia, she served as a trustee for the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and as a board member of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia and Christ Church Preservation Trust. Currently, Mrs. Surrett serves on the Charleston Private Wealth Management Team as a senior vice president and a wealth strategist at SunTrust Bank. She and her husband, Doug, have two children.

Toni Thompson, a native of Nassawaddox, Virginia, came to the Lowcountry as a student at the College of Charleston where she earned a degree in Marine Biology. After college, Mrs. Thompson taught freshman biology labs at her alma mater and, after having her third child, decided to be a full-time mother.

Mrs. Thompson's list of volunteer activities reflects her varied interests. She served as president of the PTA at her children's elementary school. Additionally, Mrs. Thompson has served on the Hanahan Election Commission, organized the Annual Fund Drive for the Cancer Society for Hanahan, and volunteered with both Trident Literacy and the Rotary Reader program at Belle Hall School. For the Roper St. Francis Foundation she is currently serving in her fourth year as the co-chair of the *Roper Xavier (Rx) Society* Donor Appreciation Gala and recently agreed to co-chair the capital campaign.

She lives in Mount Pleasant with her husband and enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren.

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TOM BROKAW

Featured guest speaker
Roper Xavier (Rx) Society Donor
Appreciation Gala
Charleston Place Hotel
Saturday, January 24, 2009

The Roper St. Francis Foundation wishes to acknowledge the sponsors of the 2008 *Rx Society* Donor Appreciation Gala. Without their generosity the Gala would not be possible.



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**Coming in the
Spring 2009 issue
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*A complete review
of the 2008 Gala!*

Membership in the 2009 *Rx Society* is now open! To inquire about joining, call the Foundation office at (843) 720-1205.

How does my gift of \$1,000 impact Roper St. Francis Healthcare?

With a 5% operating margin, every \$1 raised is equivalent to the System generating \$20 in services. Therefore, every donor who joins the Foundation's *Roper Xavier (Rx) Society* at the \$1,000 level impacts the System budget with the equivalent of \$20,000 in revenue.

Why does Roper St. Francis Healthcare need my support?

The purpose of the Foundation is to make up the difference between what Roper St. Francis Healthcare is able to fund and what physicians need to practice the very best medicine. Support of the Foundation further enables the System to provide best-in-class healthcare by increasing budget capabilities for unfunded projects and advanced technologies.

A DAY ON THE GREEN FOR NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS

Roper St. Francis Healthcare will host the 2009 Spirit of Caring Golf Tournament to help fund the Nursing Scholarship Program. The event will take place on May 12 at the prestigious Ralston Creek course on Daniel Island.

The event, produced through a committee of Roper St. Francis Healthcare staff members, raised over \$44,000 in support of nursing education in 2008.

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities and register a team for the Tournament, contact Joan Wherley at (843) 724-2193.



RSFH staff members Dede Carey, Jane Ledbetter and Joan Wherley with Ray Franz (center) and McKesson representative Richard Ivey at the 2008 Spirit of Caring Golf Tournament.