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FY 2018

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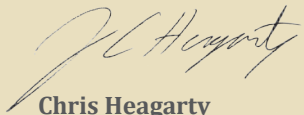
Reaping the rewards of hard work

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

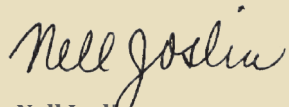
Our seventh year was a special one for the City of Oaks Foundation. We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our donors, partners, volunteers, and supporters who made 2018 a successful year for the City of Oaks Foundation.

We welcomed hundreds of visitors to Joslin Garden, introducing them to this special place in the heart of Raleigh and demonstrating its potential as a future public garden and community treasure. We took a huge step in realizing the vision of Bob Kellam and Susan Wyatt to dedicate their 60-acre farm as a public park and nature preserve with a special emphasis on our agricultural heritage. The Wake County Commission voted to accept donation of the farm, protected by a conservation easement held by the City of Oaks Foundation, and helped turn this dream into reality. And with our support, scores of local youth from low wealth families enjoyed active, outdoor summer camp experiences where they could get outside and get immersed in nature.

Why do we do this? Nature enriches our lives. We are all physically and mentally healthier when connected with the outdoors, and nature-play helps children build confidence and develop social skills. The City of Oaks Foundation works in the present to create a lasting impact on our future. We thank you for your past and present support, and excitedly look forward to the great future we will share as we work together to ensure a great outdoors for a great Raleigh!



Chris Heagarty
Executive Director



Nell Joslin
Chairwoman of the Board



BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2017-2018

Nell D. Joslin (Chair)
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Chris Heagarty, Executive Director
Charles Meeker, (Trustee Emeritus)

** term ended March 2018*

*** term ended December 2017, named "Trustee Emeritus"*

OUR VISION

We believe that lives are made richer by nature and we work to keep nature nearby for all to enjoy.

OUR MISSION

Working in collaboration with Raleigh's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department we work to preserve Raleigh's natural treasures, to connect children to nature, and to ensure a great outdoors for a great Raleigh!

Art Direction: Sergio Analco

Financials

(July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018)

REVENUE



INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

\$257,131

includes restricted gifts



GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

\$157,534



IN-KIND GOODS, FACILITIES, AND SERVICES

\$33,404



OTHER INCOME

\$66,346

TOTAL REVENUES

\$514,415

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE

\$311,235

EXPENDITURES



PROGRAMS

\$200,636



FUNDRAISING

\$35,620



MANAGEMENT

\$52,823

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$289,079

Note: Independent audit of the financial statements of the City of Oaks Foundation, Inc. performed by PLC Rouse Norton PLLC, Certified Public Accountants, completed September 18, 2018.

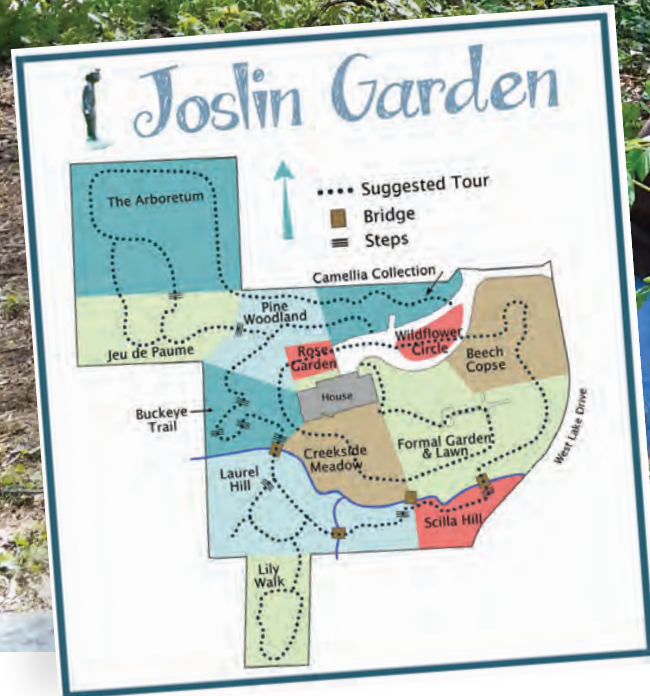
Joslin Garden

HISTORY

This hidden treasure in the heart of Raleigh was designed and tended by the late William and Mary Coker Joslin from 1950 until 2016. The four and one-half acres of rolling hills and gardens overflow with streams, wildlife, and a diverse collection of rare and native plants, arranged in both formal and informal areas. Joslin Garden and the Joslin House were donated by the Joslins to the City of Oaks Foundation, an organization they helped to create in 2010. The House and Garden are only open to the public on certain days and for private events, but the Foundation is working with the City of Raleigh to make the property a neighborhood amenity open year-round as a public garden in 2019.



William and Mary Coker Joslin.



JOSLIN IMPROVEMENTS

It is hard work maintaining the natural beauty of Joslin Garden. Fortunately, thanks to the Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department and scores of volunteers from the neighborhood and the community, we were able to keep the garden growing, maintain the trails and paths, and clean up after hurricanes and storms.

SHARING THE GARDEN

Hundreds of visitors toured Joslin Garden in FY 2018, from school groups to garden clubs, for a variety of events such as our Open Garden Days, the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Mother's Day Tea Party, our outdoor dinners, and our Oak-toberfest celebration, featuring outdoor painting sessions and our OWL-oween nature program.



WE GROW

In FY 2018 we planted a community vegetable garden at Joslin Garden, with Raleigh's Parks and Recreation Department volunteers helping to grow food that we donated to Logan Trading's Company's "Plant a Row for the Hungry" program.



Joslin Garden



OUR WORK TO OPEN JOSLIN GARDEN TO THE PUBLIC REQUIRES IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY SO THAT IT CAN BE ENJOYED BY ALL. MEANWHILE A SEASON OF STORMS HAS CHALLENGED US WITH FALLEN TREES AND LIMBS AND OTHER DAMAGE. DONATIONS OF TIME OR MONEY TO HELP MAINTAIN THE HOUSE AND GARDEN ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED.



Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve

A LEGACY OF CONSERVATION AND AGRICULTURE

The Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve, a lush property featuring woods, lakes and trails, had been in Bob Kellam's family for generations. Bob Kellam and Susan Wyatt preserved the property as a farm and sanctuary to hundreds of plants and animals, while neighboring lots were sold, divided, and developed into neighborhoods and shopping centers. Bob and Susan envisioned that Kellam-Wyatt Farm could become a place for environmental education and sustainable farming for future generations. Through the City of Oaks Foundation, they protected the land with a conservation easement. Through the efforts by the City of Oaks Foundation to promote Bob and Susan's vision, the Wake County Commission voted in April of 2018 to accept donation of Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve as a future park, nature preserve and community agricultural site to share with future generations.



Bob Kellam and Susan Wyatt.



A VOTE FOR CONSERVATION

The Wake County Board of Commissioners, on April 2, 2018 accepted the donation of the Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve from Susan Wyatt, her late husband, Robert (Bob) Kellam, and his daughter, Leewyn Kellam. "Wake County shares our values of open space, environmental protection and sustainable agriculture, and we feel confident that Wake County Parks, Recreation and Open Space will be an excellent steward for the future of the farm," said Susan Wyatt after the vote.

Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve

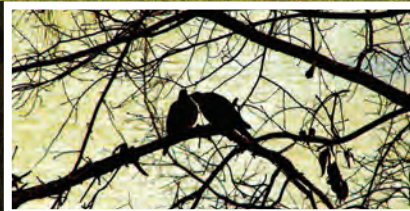


BOB KELLAM'S LEGACY

Bob Kellam died on August 5, 2016 after a courageous battle with cancer. After his passing Susan Wyatt established the "Kellam-Wyatt Nature and Farm Education Public Park Project" as a special memorial fund of the City of Oaks Foundation. Over twenty-five thousand dollars have been raised for this fund, which will build a suitable memorial in the future Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve to honor Bob's passion for conservation and agricultural education.

WILDLIFE LIVES HERE!

The Kellam-Wyatt Farm Preserve is home to many birds and animals, including: deer, gray foxes, raccoons, possums, beavers, bats, groundhogs, herons, vultures, wrens, finches, ducks, woodpeckers, ospreys, hawks, and owls.



Give Play



MORE THAN FUN!

Through the Give Play program, the City of Oaks Foundation partners with Raleigh's Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Department to provide financial aid to Raleigh area families so that local children can attend active, outdoor summer camps connected to nature. Through the generosity of private donors, in addition to community sponsors such as the Crabtree Rotary Club and the Duke Energy Foundation, the Foundation provided 74 children with summer camp experiences in 2018.

THANK YOU FY2018 SPONSORS!

Duke Energy Foundation
Crabtree Rotary Club

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
THE GIVE PLAY PROGRAM
PLEASE VISIT

bit.ly/GivePlayVideo



Donors

GRANTS AND BEQUESTS

AARP
Bank of America Foundation
City of Raleigh – Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Dept.
Crabtree Rotary Foundation
Duke Energy Foundation
Estate of Mary Coker Joslin
Grainger

EVENT SPONSORS

Boxcar Bar & Arcade
City of Raleigh – Public Utilities Dept.
City of Raleigh – Solid Waste Services Dept.
City of Raleigh – Storm Water Management Dept.
Hazen and Sawyer
HDR
OBS Landscape Architects
Raleigh Wine Shop
S&ME, Inc.
Sonoco Recycling
SPREAD Catering & Events
US Foods



IN-KIND GOODS AND SERVICES

Alvarino, Frances
Briggs Hardware
Empire Eats
Friends of the Natural Sciences Museum
Great Outdoor Provision Co.
Heagarty, Chris
Joines, Robert
Joslin, David & Laurie
Joslin, Nell
Larry's Coffee
Lilly's Pizza
Medlin, Gray
Meeker, David
NCSU Athletics
Oak City Cycling
Richard Perritt & the Family of Nancy Perritt
Oppman
Raleigh Little Theatre
Read with Me Bookstore
Red and White Shop
Runologie
Slim's
St. Roch
Tic Toc Escapes
Trophy Brewing Co.
Videri Chocolate Factory
Wyatt, Susan

FOUNDER'S CIRCLE (\$1000+)

Anonymous
Gant, Elizabeth
Joslin, David & Laurie
Joslin, James & Beth Hahn
Joslin, Nell
Killough, Ann
Larrew, Treena & Andrew
Meeker, Charles & Anne McLaurin
Midyette, Carlton
Pearce, Kate
Wyatt, Susan

SUSTAINERS (\$500 - \$999)

Gardner, Lyle
Heagarty, Chris & Tivey Clark
Hyde, Jeanette
Lobao, Celso
Mains Family Charitable Fund
McGuire, Tom & Barbara
Poole, Jr., Greg & Mary Ann
Wilkerson, Louis & Lynn
York, Smedes & Rosemary



THE GIFTS THAT KEEP GIVING

The City of Oaks Foundation is sincerely thankful to the many Raleigh area institutions that have donated items for our silent auctions. These generous gifts have helped us to raise money for programs vital to the Foundation in a fun and exciting format.

IN HONOR OF THEIR MOTHER

"We selected this sculpture to represent my mother's love towards supporting art and art education for over five decades. We know it will shine forever within the beautiful landscape and within the spirit and values of the founders and the community of the City of Oaks Foundation."

- Richard Perritt



FOR A FAST WAY TO DONATE TO THE CITY OF OAKS FOUNDATION, PLEASE VISIT:
CityOfOaksFoundation.org/quick-donate

PATRONS (\$101 - \$499)

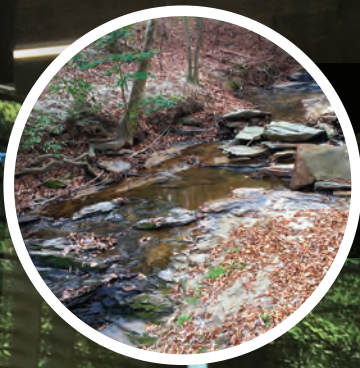
Alcock, Shannon	DiMaio, Maria	Jones-Roe, Charlotte & Chuck Roe	Nowakowski, Krista	Threatt-Taylor, Dale
Allen, Russell	Duckett, Louise	Kirby, Elizabeth	Oxholm, Tom & Becky	Walker, Karen
Anonymous	Duke Energy Carolinas	Kot, Kayla	Parnell, Rory	Watters, Molly
Auman, Bob & Agnes Marshall	Ferguson, Julie	Levin, Stuart & Sondra Panico	Paul, Greg	White Memorial Presbyterian Church
Bacon, Blanche	Frantz, Ella	Lysaght, Greer & Chuck	Rader, Megg	Williams, Robert
Baggett, Fred	Freedman, Barbara	Mabe, Walker	Robinson, Laura	Wood, Elaine
Baker, Elisabeth	Galgon, Julia	Maddison, Clare & Larry	Russell, Kelley	Woolridge, Hyla
Bell Family Foundation	Hammond, Melinda	McCaskill, Meredith	Sacco, Mark	Worthy, Carter
Blavos, Melissa	Heagarty, Nicole	McDonald, Jessica	Sauer, Diane	Zomchek, Alexandra
Bowers, Henry & Sorry	Hibbits, Richard & Ford	McLaurin, Meg	Scanlon, Shelley	
Brice, Mary & Kevin	Hockmuth, Carl	McMillan, Cornelia & Duncan	Showalter, Becky	
Buckman, Etta	Holbrook, Douglas	Merritt, Katharine	Stumm, Christy	
Call, Parker	Johnson, Krishna	Miller, Claire	Taylor, James	

FRIENDS (Up to \$100 - Partial List)

Anonymous	Edmisten, Rufus & Linda	Lincoln, Cindy	Robinson, Tamara
Ashcraft, Carol	Erazim, Mary	Lopresti, Melanie	Ross, Art
Ball Hodge, Anna	Fearrington, Edythe	Loyek, Laura	Russell, Caroline
Baril, Joseph	Folda, Jaroslav	Lundy, Clyde & Meredith	Sadler, Brandy
Bateman, Joel	Fox, Melinda	Mathers, Sandra Brooks	Schecter, Nancy
Baugh, Jeannette	Ganesh, Lakshmi	Maughan, Grayson	Schiffbauer, Lisa
Beaman, John	Gault, Diane	McCalla, Elke	Shaw, John
Bennet, Caroline	Giles, Jacqueline	McCoy, Leslie	Sigmon, Miller
Bentley, Stephen	Gogoi, Sukonya	McCullough, Jeanette	Simons, Anne
Bharathi, Deepa	Grant, Colleen	McLeod, Cara	Skinner, Jenny
Blanchard, Anna Neal	Grice, Safiya	McNair, Parham	Spadorcia, Janice
Bostic, Richard	Hammond, Robin	Miller, Benjamin	Spilker, Brittney
Brady, Dan	Harman, Karen	Monahan, Kristen	Stafford, Louise
Braun, Eric	Harris, Jenny	Monath, Robert	Styers, Gray & Barbara
Brown, Anna	Hauch, Josie	Nelson, Marcie	Thrall, Lucinda
Cannon, Jessie	Hester, Belinda	O'Hara, Jennifer	Tiller, Robert
Chalmers, Anita	Holloman, Brenda	Ostrow, Barry & Lois	Toms, David
Churn, Peggy	Huston, Deborah	Page, Sandy	Watkins, Randy & Jenny
Cleveland, Nicole	John, Joe	Palmer, Donald	Whiteman, Andrew
Colavito, Anthony	Joshua, Ellsworth	Pittman, Ellen	Wilson, John
Coley Forest North Garden Club	Joslin, John D.	Poe, Phillip	Yanke, Grete
Conyers, Al	Kellenberger, James & Leslie	Raman Krishnan, Parvathy	Younkin, Scott
Daniels, Frank	Kennedy, Joan	Ramsey, Anne	
Duffus, Jack	Kimbrell, Erika	Reese, Shane	



Note: Only donations processed between July 2017 - June 2018 are included in this report. Contributions made in late June of 2018 but not processed prior to the end of the fiscal year will be included in next year's report.



Azalea Falls is another property protected by the Foundation that will be in an important link in the Capital Area Greenway System!



*The Foundation has been a frequent co-host of the **Raleigh Environmental Awards**, and has sponsored the **Urban Agriculture Mini-Grant** program with the City of Raleigh.*



*The Foundation is the Fiscal Sponsor for the **Millbrook Dog Park** volunteer group.*



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*The Foundation is the Fiscal Sponsor for the **Raleigh Riders** program that provides special tandem bikes to help citizens with limited mobility enjoy Raleigh's parks and greenways.*