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President's Letter

Hello fellow ReLeafers,

It is my continued pleasure to write to you as president of ReLeaf.

This is the first of two newsletters for the 2013-2014 membership year / planting season. We've already held Community Tree Day and the Wine & Cheese Social. Arbor Day is yet to come in the Spring, which is scheduled to be at Oakwood School. In fact, 2014 will mark the 25th year Greenville will qualify as a Tree City USA.

This year we moved Community Tree Day from February to October. That gave us the opportunity to reconsider when to have the Wine & Cheese, since it's normally in October. Fortunately a serendipitous solution availed itself and we had a very gracious time at the Museum of Art with Robert Llewellyn's Exhibition of Seeing Trees/Seeing Flowers.

Also this year we have planted 14 Oaks at the new Dream Park on Chestnut Street. There are four projects still planned for this planting season, which are Shiloh Drive, West 5th Street, North Memorial Drive, and South Pitt and McClellan Streets, but those projects will depend on membership contributions for this planting season.

Next year, ReLeaf and the Buildings & Grounds Department are planning an extensive planting project in the University area referred to as the TRUNA neighborhood. This will involve a lot of planning and collaboration with property owners. For this reason, we plan to start early in the year making plans and preparations for the project in the Fall.

For those of you keeping up with this matter, we are still in the process of finding a new home/wall for the Commemorative Tree plaques. We're getting close, though! We have a great design and are hoping to have a space at City Hall. The design involves an initial installation of framework, so we are applying for a grant to offset the up-front costs.

ReLeaf appreciates all of you for your continued support. Special thanks to our Members, Commemorative Tree Donors, Board of Directors, City of Greenville Public Works, and the Museum of Art.

If you or someone you know would be interested in being on the Board, please let us know at go2smithville@gmail.com. We would love to have you!

Janet Smith, President



Janet Smith at October's Community Tree Day.

Wine & Cheese Event

ReLeaf's Wine & Cheese Social this year was a big hit and well-attended. We held it at the Museum of Art on a Sunday afternoon in November. Being in the presence of all that beauty and creativity, we felt very elegant while wining, dining, and socializing.

The Museum was a perfect location for our Social this year. The Museum is currently exhibiting Nature's Design, The Botanical Photographs of Robert Llewellyn. Robert is the photographer of the book Seeing Trees, whose author is Nancy Hugo Ross. Nancy was the featured guest and speaker at the Cooperative Extension's Friends of the Arboretum event last January.

According to the Washington Post about their book Seeing Trees, Ross and Llewellyn "have brought the level of observation to new heights, in a way that hasn't been seen". So, we feel very privileged that Greenville has been host to both and we have been enriched by their love of trees.



Fall Community Tree Day

ReLeaf, the city of Greenville, and volunteers of all ages, met at South Greenville Church of Christ in Glen Arthur for the fourth Greenville Community Tree Day. Following a few days of rain, we were favored with a day perfect for planting. The residents of the Glen Arthur welcomed us with smiles, and questions about the trees and how to care for them. Some came out to give a hand with the planting. Ninety-seven trees were planted that morning. Many of the residents spoke of the beauty these trees will bring to their neighborhood in the future. The variety of trees planted includes Sycamore, Maple, Golden Rain, Red Bud, Nuttail Oak, English Oak, Pistachio, Dogwood, Zelkova, and Crepe Myrtle,

ReLeaf wishes to thank the Public Works Grounds Division and Transit Division who gave their time that morning to assist the volunteers with planting, and the South Greenville Church of Christ for hosting us. A special thanks to Worthington Farms, Fresh Market, three Greenville Starbucks, and the Harris Teeter on Charles Blvd for supplying food and drink to fortify our volunteers. A special thanks to Russell Williams of Fresh Market who said, "I believe in what you are doing. Are you the ones who planted the trees on the new road (Regency Blvd)? They are going to be beautiful." We assured him that ReLeaf did indeed plant those trees. Please take note of the trees in the Glenn Arthur neighborhood as you drive along Evans and perhaps turn into the Glen Arthur Neighborhood for a look at the latest ReLeaf project.



2013 ReLeaf Members (as of December 3, 2013)

Oak Level - \$500

Rosanne & Jerry Davis
Karen Shaw & Stefan Marquard

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2013 Commemorative Tree Donors

A \$100 tax-deductible donation enables the purchase and installation of trees in ReLeaf's annual planting program.

A single Commemorative Tree Registration may honor or memorialize one person or a couple. Names of those honored or memorialized are displayed on a plaque in the Washington Street Lobby of the Municipal Building in downtown Greenville.

In Memory

William (Bill) and Ina Ezzell
Edward Leahy
"Bill" C. Taylor, Jr.
Caleb Kade Askew
Melba Brown Howard Stallings

In Honor

Lisa Brenner
Myron Caspar
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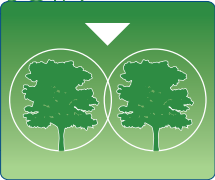
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Did you get one of our decals? If you didn't and would like one, please email Gretchen Kemmer at gek331@gmail.com. She'll be happy to send you one.

ReLeaf Membership Application

Your Name _____

Email Address _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Type of Membership

To make sure you receive our Newsletter, please provide your email address.

_____ Under \$50	Acorn Fund	_____ \$50	Elm Level	ReLeaf, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization. Your membership is tax-deductible. You can renew your membership online at www.releaf.us , or mail to: Releaf, Inc., PO Box 4072, Greenville, NC 27836-2072
_____ \$100	Maple Level	_____ \$250	Beech Level	
_____ \$500	Oak Level	_____ \$1,000	Cypress Level	

* Full Membership is available at the Elm Level and above. _____ I am interested in serving on ReLeaf's Board of Directors/Advisory Board.

Commemorative Tree Donation Form

Your Information

Your Name _____

Email Address _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip Code _____

Person(s) to Honor or Memorialize

Name _____

Honor _____ Memorialize _____

Email Address _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip Code _____

Name _____

Honor _____ Memorialize _____

Email Address _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip Code _____

Enclosed is my tax-deductible check for \$ _____, payable to ReLeaf, Inc.

Comments or additional information:

Mail the check and this form to:
ReLeaf, Inc.
PO Box 4072
Greenville, NC 27836-2072

You can also GIVE A TREE online at www.releaf.us.

Q&A With PAUL JAMES, The Gardener Guy

Bring all of your gardening questions for the guy who knows how to make gardening fun!

Date: January 25, 2014
 Time: 10:00 a.m.
 Where: J.H. Rose High School
 Performing Arts Center
 600 W. Arlington Blvd.
 Greenville, NC 27834



Paul James, popularly known as "The Gardener Guy," hosted HGTV's *Gardening by the Yard* from 1996 to 2009 mostly from his own backyard in Tulsa, Oklahoma. This entertaining half-hour program was designed for people who want their yards to look great but don't have a lot of time to spend on them. James focused on the lighter side of gardening, giving practical advice on gardening basics such as soil, watering, composting, native plants, and other gardening topics. He wasn't afraid to show problems in his garden and then tell viewers how to solve them. While no longer on the air, gardeners can go to HGTV.com to find short web-cast reruns of the show.

\$20 General Public
\$15 Friends of the Arboretum
\$30 ALL tickets at the door

Tickets available at the following locations:

Pitt County Extension Office	Wild Birds Unlimited
403 Government Circle	518 Greenville Blvd.
Greenville, NC 27834	Greenville, NC 27858
252-902-1709	252-493-0340



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