

Darla Davis

Institutional Performance Portfolio



Background:

I grew up in Kingsport Tennessee where I discovered Unitarian Universalism at the Holston Valley UU Fellowship in 1976. Since that time I have been a member of 3 additional UU congregations in TX and NC. I served the Piedmont UU Church in Charlotte, NC, as the President from 2006-2007. I am a charter member and past member of the board of the Piedmont Liberal Forum. The Piedmont Liberal Forum coordinates and sponsors lectures for the great Charlotte community focusing on socio-economic, scientific, political, religious or spiritual theme. Additionally, I'm a member of the PUUC Social Justice Council and Peace Alliance. I've been a member of the UU Buddhist Fellowship since 2005. Prior to retirement in 2004, I spent 25 years in the business world in various management positions such as Project Manager, Contract Negotiator and Vendor Relationship Manager.

What attracted you to The Mountain?

As a UU I'm very interested in supporting organizations which serve the larger UU Community. I'm particularly attracted to The Mountain for its work in support of peace, justice and sustainability.

What would you like to accomplish in your Board role?

I'm very proud that the current Board has been able to make significant headway in removing The Mountain's longstanding debt and has protected the natural environment by finding partners who would put the property into a conservation easement with the Highland's Land Trust.

About your family: I'm the widow of D. Scott Davis who was an early supporter of The Mountain and served on the staff of SUUSI for many years. I have 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

What do you find most important in life?

I'm a practicing Buddhist as well as a committed Unitarian Universalist. Bringing the principles of those two traditions into play in my daily life and my work with The Mountain is my overarching goal and primary focus.