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## REMEMBERING OUR LEGACY DONORS

### ANGELA AND GREGORY BALDWIN, TRUE HORSE COUNTRY FRIENDS

-LANDON RUSSELL

Angela and Greg Baldwin are fondly remembered. Angela's laughter was contagious and her spirit was charismatic. Greg's sense of humor brightened every occasion. For more than twenty years, Angela and Greg Baldwin were members of the Southern Pines horse community. They enjoyed trail riding and carriage driving together through The Walthour-Moss Foundation. Angela enjoyed hunting with the Moore County Hounds and was a long-time organizer of both the Moore County Hounds Hunter Trials as well as the Hunter Pace. She was active in the Moore County Driving Club and served as its President at one time. If an event needed volunteers, one could always count on Angela and Greg to lend a hand. When the Legacy program of The Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society was established, the Baldwins were among the very first supporters.

Angela and Greg shared a love of horses and a love of open land that stretched back to childhood days. Angela spent her childhood riding and fox hunting in the southern English country side and Greg spent his playing polo and riding through the island mountains of Maui. When they moved to Southern Pines in the mid 1980s, it was the horse community and open land of The Walthour-Moss Foundation that drew them to the Sandhills. Southern Pines was also "halfway home" for the Baldwins; just under 4,000 miles to her home in England, and just over 4,500 miles to his in Maui.

Angela Renee Bald was born on February 13, 1940, an only child to parents Renee and Gordon Bald, in Sussex, England. She grew up in the little village of Mayfield where the houses that lined the high street backed up to pasture land and the open English countryside. Her parents owned and operated a textile company.

Taught by her father, Angela learned to ride at a very young age. She was a member of the local pony club and her father regularly took her fox hunting with the local hunt, Southdown.



ANGELA AND GREG BALDWIN

Angela attended St. Leonard's Mayfield School, a private Catholic boarding school located just up the road from her childhood home. After graduation, she went on to attend Queens College in London, finishing in 1960.

Angela spent several years in London before a job with UNICEF brought her to New York and the United States. She disliked the hustle and bustle of the city, and, after a year, headed west to San Francisco where she took a job as a health care administrator.

There she met and married J.C. "Bud" Dardi, a local polo player and endurance rider. Angela fell in love with endurance riding. She competed in and completed races all over California and Nevada including the prestigious Tevis Cup, known as "the world's best known and most difficult equestrian endurance ride." Winners of endurance races are

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the newly-elected Chairman of The Walthour-Moss Foundation, it is humbling to follow two extraordinary predecessors, Dick Webb and Dick Moore, under whose leadership The Walthour-Moss Foundation grew from the 1,739 acres bequeathed by William Ozelle Moss to the current 4,092 acres made possible by the generous gifts of our friends and neighbors. Dick Moore steps down after two decades of tremendous service to the Foundation. He is an inspiration to all of us, and he will be missed, not least of all by his successor.

However, I will have the good fortune to serve with a tremendous team of volunteers, for whom I am so grateful, including Neil Schwartzberg, our new president, Dennis Paules, our new vice president, Ginny Thomasson, our treasurer, and Dominick Pagnotta, our secretary. Norman Minery, who has spent innumerable hours supporting the Foundation since his retirement, is the most recent addition to our board of directors. We are delighted to have Norm on board and are grateful for his many skills and insights as well as his great dedication to the Foundation. We are also so grateful for the other ten members of our board of directors – Dan Butler, David Carter, Alan Dretel, Jim Granito, George Little, Cameron Sadler, Jock Tate, Katie Walsh, and Caroline Young – and the special talents and contributions that each of them brings to the Foundation.

Ours is very much a working board of directors, and we are all deeply engaged in furtherance of the mission of the Foundation, and each of our directors performs an important service to the administration and maintenance of the Foundation lands. We also benefit from the hard work of the many committee members who also volunteer their time and efforts, whether in support of special events or ongoing projects, on behalf of the Foundation.

Our focus in 2015 will continue to revolve around the mission of our Foundation: To preserve open land, to protect and improve wildlife habitat and to provide a place for equestrian purposes. We are so fortunate to live in the midst of this wonderful forest. The longleaf pine habitat in North America is, in fact, more rare and more endangered than the rain forests of South America. We will promote best practices for maintenance and stewardship of this national treasure through prescribed burns, removal of scrub oaks, reforestation of longleaf pine, and annual maintenance of equestrian trails.

The continued acquisition of deeded equestrian access easements to Foundation lands will remain a priority for us as well. We are delighted that, since the initiation of this effort in 2009, almost fifty of our neighbors have graciously stepped forward to ensure perpetual access to the Foundation lands across their farms and other lands. We also welcome the opportunity to protect open spaces by holding conservation easements on private land in our community.

The Walthour-Moss Foundation, of course, also faces challenges in 2015. The threat of a four-lane freeway thundering through our towering pines remains an ongoing challenge for our board of directors and expense in our budget. We are also tasked with wildlife management issues ranging from deer population to exclusion of feral pigs from Foundation lands as well as land management challenges from trail maintenance to aggressive canines and unauthorized motorized vehicles.

We will, for the first time in 2015, host an annual meeting for you, our constituency, at which we will provide you with updates on our projects and answer your questions about the Foundation and its administration. We urge the entire community to attend and will announce the date, which will be in the Spring, as soon as we have finalized arrangements. We will, at the annual meeting, introduce Terry Sharpe, a certified wildlife biologist and registered forester who serves as our land management consultant, and he will review our fifty-year plan to preserve and ensure the vitality of our beloved longleaf pine forest.

As we enter a new year, I thank you, on behalf of our board of directors, for your generous support in 2014. Each gift to the Foundation is a gift of life for our longleaf pine forest, and we so appreciate your commitment to its preservation.

Yours truly,



Stephen Later, Chairman



TEVIS CUP 100 MILE RACE, HALFWAY POINT, 1969

often awarded belt buckles and Angela proudly had several to call her own.

Angela met Greg Baldwin, a handsome polo player from Maui, in 1982. She had recently divorced and he had recently been widowed. They just so happened to board their horses at the same stable.

Gregory Baldwin was born May 20, 1928 in Paia on the island of Maui in Hawaii to Ruth Charlotte Lindsay Baldwin and Edward Henry Kittredge Baldwin.

The Baldwin family has a long and storied history in Hawaii. Greg's great, great grandfather, the Reverend Dwight Baldwin, arrived on the island of Maui in the 1830s to work as a missionary, his great grandfather, Henry Perrine Baldwin, co-founded Alexander and Baldwin, one of the Big Five companies in territorial Hawaii. Alexander and Baldwin started as a sugar cane processing company in 1870 and exists today with interests in real estate, agriculture, natural resources, and construction. His grandfather, Frank Fowler Baldwin, was President of the Kahului Railroad and of the Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company, a subsidiary of Alexander and Baldwin. Greg's own father, Edward H.K. Baldwin, managed the 40,000 acre family cattle ranch, Ulupalakua, located on the south slope of the Haleakala volcano.

Greg spent most of his childhood on Ulupalakua among the "painelos," the Hawaiian cowboys, and his time was spent in the saddle, working with the horses and cattle and also playing polo.

From 1943 to 1947, Greg attended the Thacher School, a boarding school located outside of Los Angeles known for



GREG AND TRADEWIND, C. 1947

its equestrian program.

From the 1947 Thacher Archives:

*"Greg came to Thacher from the Hawaiian Islands in spite of the difficulties of transportation. Like most Hawaiians he is an excellent rider. He is well known for his proficiency in ministering to the ailments of Thacher steeds. His own horse, Tradewind, also from the islands, has made many points for him in gymkhanas ever since the arrival of both at school. An expert in the camping, as well as the gymkhana field, he is one of the most ardent enthusiasts in his class for that activity. It is not unusual to see "Maui" dressed in cowboots and his customary white shirt, astride Tradewind heading for the Sespe. Without doubt, his classmates will remember him for his quiet sense of humor and unusual skill as a horseman."*

When Greg arrived at Thacher he told his guidance counselor that he intended to apply to Yale. His grades weren't spectacular and the counselor tried to persuade him to apply elsewhere. He would not be deterred. His hard work and determination paid off and he earned a place at Yale in the class of 1951.

Greg was the fifth generation of Baldwin men to attend Yale. Like his uncles and cousins before him, he played on the school's polo team. Greg was pictured on the front page of the Yale Daily News in January 1951 after scoring thirteen goals for his team – the caption reads in part, "Baldwin's total is the highest for a Yale player since 1932, when his uncle made 17 against Howard."

After graduating from Yale with degrees in sociology, psychology, and literature, Greg spent two years in the Air Force before returning to Hawaii to work on Ulupalakua Ranch.





ANGELA AND ANN COMPTON, 1989

The Baldwin family sold Ulupalakua in 1963, and Greg and his family moved to California, just outside of San Francisco, where Greg worked as a private investor and broker. Throughout his time in California, Greg continued to ride and play polo.

When Greg met Angela he was widowed and had three daughters: Sybil, Claire and Elizabeth. At that time he lived in Woodside and had his polo ponies stabled in Santa Rosa.

Angela and Greg were married in a ceremony in Sonoma on October 7, 1984. Greg's daughter Claire remembers the wedding as small and beautiful, with Dad and Angela surrounded by both family and horse friends.

In the fall of 1986, they took a trip east to visit an old friend of Greg's who lived in Southern Pines. They fell in love with the area. Elizabeth remembers him saying that they felt immediately at home in Southern Pines. During that first stay, they met Ginnie Moss and several other horse country residents who would later become dear friends.

In the summer of 1987 Angela and Greg packed up their California house and drove their dogs, one horse and their belongings across the country. They rented a house from Lila Bozick in Southern Pines near the Moore County Hounds kennels while they built their farm on Youngs Road. Angela loved living close enough to the kennels to hear the hounds singing.

That first year Angela leased the famous Big Baker to foxhunt as her endurance horse was not suited to foxhunting. Clive Rose, the huntsman at that time, and his wife, Elizabeth, became dear friends. As it turned out, Clive and Angela had grown up fewer than twenty miles



ANGELA AND LIZ ROSE, CHRISTMAS PARADE, 1994

from each other.

Angela hunted with the Moore County Hounds for twenty-three years. She loved hunting and was always impeccably turned out, never a hair out of place. She introduced many juniors to the sport and made sure they were safe and well-mannered in the field.

Over the years, she had several wonderful hunt horses including Penny, Moscow, Poppy and Merlin.

Angela took on the task of co-organizing the Moore County Hounds Hunter Trials in 1989 with Alice Stuart. Angela went on to co-chair the event for eleven years, and her co-chairs during that time included Betsy Best, Ann Compton, Dick Moore, Betsy Rainoff, Lisa Van Camp, and Mickey Wirtz. In 1998, Angela was awarded the Unsung Hero trophy for her service and dedication to the Moore County Hounds. The Hunter Trials and Angela's Aiken, a jump on the course, were dedicated in her memory in 2011.

When she moved from California to Southern Pines, Angela brought with her a pony named Pesky, the foal of her favorite endurance horse. Angela had retired from endurance riding and Pesky needed a new job. Always ready to learn something new, Angela took up carriage driving. Bill Long taught her to drive and helped break Pesky to a carriage. Angela drove Pesky for years before passing her along to Wendy Preble. After Pesky, Angela acquired Poppy, a pony that both hunted and drove.

Angela and Greg helped organize the Moore County Driving Club Christmas parade and participated every year. Angela was a well known for her polished and decorated carriage as well as her wide-brimmed red hat.



ANGELA AND LYNDA BOONE, MCDC HALLOWEEN DRIVE

Angela and Greg lived a full life in North Carolina. Between horses, dogs, friends, hunting, driving, and volunteering, they stayed busy. Angela was known for her cooking and they entertained often. Her friends called her a true British gourmet. Her desserts were legendary, especially her sticky toffee pudding, and at Christmas, her figgy pudding.

Greg passed away in April of 2007, after a long battle with cancer. Angela, not one to stay idle, continued riding and hunting.

In the summer of 2007, Angela took a trip with Marcia Bryant to Maine to visit friends. On their drive from the airport they discussed their gardens and how each wanted to have a beehive. By the end of that summer, they were attending Moore County Beekeepers Association meetings and taking beekeeper classes at the Moore County Agricultural Center. The following April they each had two hives of their own.

In the hunting off-season, Angela often rode in the Foundation with her friend Corine Longanbach. They met on Sunday mornings at Equestrian Road and would ride for hours exploring and enjoying the quiet beauty of the forest. Angela loved those morning rides and said that she felt closer to God in the woods and enjoying nature.

Angela passed away unexpectedly on July 4, 2010. On that day she had ridden Poppy, planned a trip to Boston, and put up forty jars of honey from her hives.

Angela and Greg were friends to many in this community and they are most certainly missed. They were so beloved by the community that The Walthour-Moss Foundation

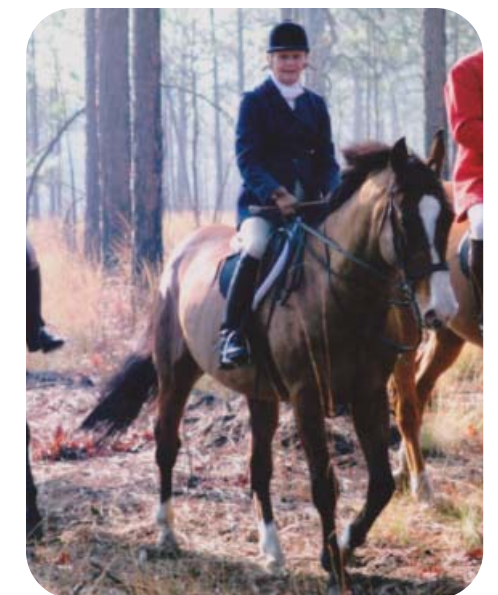


ANGELA AND GREG WITH FRED COCKRELL, POINT-TO-POINT RACES, 2003

renamed the 180 acre tract of land along Aiken Road "Baldwin Woods."

In her will, Angela bequeathed a gift to The Walthour-Moss Foundation fulfilling the Legacy pledge that she and Greg made for the long term preservation on the forest, and for which The Walthour-Moss Foundation—and this community—will be forever grateful.

*This article on Angela and Gregory Baldwin is the fifth in a series of articles honoring Legacy Donors to The Walthour-Moss Foundation. Their gifts helped to pay for land purchased in the North County. We are forever grateful for their generosity. Our community is the beneficiary of their philanthropy.*



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**DEFENDING CHAMPS WIN**

Sunny skies and teams of happy faces graced the Preserve Our Forest Golf Tournament held at the Mid Pines Inn & Golf Club on December 7, 2014 to benefit The Walthour-Moss Foundation. The Board of Directors is grateful to Anne and Rick Thompson and Dick Walsh for organizing the tournament again this year. This third annual community event is terrific fun for the players and an important fundraiser for the Foundation.

Mid Pines pros awarded first place to the Special Forces Charitable Trust team. With a scramble score of 50, Kevin Riley, Ronnie McCan, Trevor McCan and Jeff Hotejuc comprised the winning foursome. Sans Trevor, this team was the defending champ from 2013.

A team of five, Tom Cruce, Joe Agresta, Dick Verrilli, Dick Cavedo, and Dennis Paules, also scored 50 but placed second in the tiebreaker (the lowest score on hole 18 determined the winners).

Caps off to Bill Gozzi, who won dinner for four with wine from The Sly Fox for driving his ball closest to the line. Salute Kelly Valdes, who won a wedge from Robert's Golf for getting closest to the pin.

All of the golfers received a candy-filled stainless steel drink cup with the Foundation's logo as a thank you for playing. Many also walked away with terrific door prizes contributed by local businesses. A deer feeder from Ed's Gun Shop and a crockpot from Burney's Hardware put smiles on the faces of Kevin Riley and Debbie Darby. Happy golfers drew greens fees contributed by local golf courses, packages of new golf balls, golf hats, tees and markers, sunglasses, a Moore County Horse Country Cooking cookbook, Irene Russell's lovely pottery, and even a beer mug with a bell on the handle. Thank you goes to Leigh Allen for help securing the sponsors and prizes.

Of course, the biggest winner was The Walthour-Moss Foundation, which grossed over \$10,000 dollars from the tournament. Those funds will go to preserve and steward the longleaf pine habitat protected by the Foundation. A big thank you from the Board of Directors of the Foundation goes to the organizers, players, hole sponsors and prize donors who made this event a success. Special thanks goes to Mid Pines Inn & Golf Club and the Pine Needles Resort and Country Club for hosting the tournament again this year. It is a beautiful place to enjoy an afternoon's sport.



THE WINNING TEAM: TREVOR McCAN, JEFF HOTUJEC, RONNIE McCAN AND KEVIN RILEY



PART OF THE 2ND PLACE TEAM: DICK CAVEDO, JOE AGRESTA AND DENNIS PAULES



BILL GOZZI, WINNER OF THE SLY FOX CLOSEST TO THE LINE PRIZE



CLAIRE REID WITH KELLY VALDES, WINNER OF THE CLOSEST TO THE PIN PRIZE

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