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## Preservation of Wilson appoints new board trustees and officers

At the Preservation of Wilson board meeting held on Thursday, August 21, 2008 new board trustees and officers were appointed for the 2008-09 year.

New officers are Garland Homes, Jr., President, Ed Etheridge, Vice President, Bowie Gray, Treasurer and Donna Wells, Secretary. J. Robert Boykin and Susan Wainwright Hudson will serve as Ex-Officio Executive Committee members.

New board trustees are Kenneth Jones, Plant Manager at Merck Pharmaceutical and Garland Homes, Jr. with Merrill Lynch. Other members that were reappointed for three year terms are Doug Boone, Rob Keller, Sue Powell, Ben Skinner, Deloris Thomas and Donna Wells. Lu-Ann Monson, City of Wilson Historic Preservation Specialist will be an ex-officio member of the board.

After the appointment of officers the meeting was turned over to new President, Garland Homes, Jr. Homes thanked Bobby Boykin for his leadership in making this organization a reality. According to Boykin, "These are exciting times. We have a lot to do and we need to be ready to go."

As a grassroots effort, Preservation of Wilson was formed to address ways to advance historic preservation and strengthen the residential market surrounding the downtown commercial area. Preservation of Wilson is working under the Historical Preservation Fund of Wilson County, Inc., a 501c3 non-profit organization.

### **Preservation of Wilson 2008-09 Board of Trustees**

#### Executive Board:

Garland Homes, Jr., Merrill Lynch	President
Ed Etheridge, Etheridge Associates	Vice President
Bowie Gray, Wilson Hardware Co.	Treasurer
Donna Wells	Secretary
J. Robert Boykin, Boykin Appraisals & Antiques, Inc.	Past President
Susan Wainwright Hudson	Past Vice President

Lisa Anderson  
Paula Benson  
Doug Boone, Boone's Antiques Inc.  
Sharyn Hardister, First Wilson Properties, Inc.  
Kenneth A. Jones, Merck Pharmaceutical  
Robert Keller, Merrill Lynch  
LuAnn Monson, City of Wilson

Perry Morrison, Morrison Law Firm  
Sue Powell  
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