

Greg Everett Named 2009 Ann DeBock Leadership Award Recipient



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MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. – Leadership Grand Strand presented its 2009 Ann DeBock Leadership Award to Greg Everett during the Leadership Grand Strand Class XXIX graduation ceremony May 8 at Marina Inn at Grande Dunes.

Everett is cofounder and publisher of Veterans Herald, an online publication focused on American veterans, and served as president and publisher of the Myrtle Beach Herald until its recent sale. He is also president of Myrtle Beach Funeral Homes Inc. and of GE Media Inc., which owned and operated WFXB FOX-TV for more than a decade. From 2002 to 2008 he hosted "Carolina People," a half hour community show, on WFXB.

Since the sale of WFXB in 2006, GE Media has focused on developing its domain portfolio of more than 15,000 names including TheBestOfTheYear.com and ReadTheHerald.com.

He is vice president of GOCOM Media of Illinois LLC, which owns and operates the two FOX affiliates WRSP and WCCU and the CW affiliate WBUI in central Illinois. Everett is also vice president of Triple "E" Apartment Management Inc. (TEAM), which oversees apartment complexes in Durham, Fayetteville and Wilmington, N.C.

He is an active board member of several nonprofit organizations in the Myrtle Beach area including the Horry-Georgetown Technical College Foundation, the Horry County Division of March of Dimes, the Conway Medical Center Foundation and the Waccamaw Division of the American Heart Association. Since 1997 he has served on the executive board of the Center on Law, Ethics and National Security at Duke University School of Law.

Everett was recognized by the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce as its 2007 Citizen of the Year, an honor bestowed to an individual who has displayed outstanding leadership and community involvement.

He was born and raised in Durham, N.C., and received a B.A. degree in politics from Wake Forest University in 1993.

Each year, the Leadership Grand Strand class honors an alum who has exhibited outstanding leadership and service. The Ann DeBock Leadership Award was commissioned and started by Class XIX in memory of Ann DeBock, the executive director of Leadership Grand Strand from its inception in 1979 until her death in 1998. To receive this award, the recipient must volunteer in service or civic roles, serve on appointed boards or commissions and exhibit an overall demonstration of effective leadership skills.

For more information, visit LeadershipGrandStrand.com or call (843) 916-7222.

Editorial note: A digital image of Everett is available upon request.

The goal of **Leadership Grand Strand**, a program of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, is to develop a corps of informed, committed and qualified individuals capable of providing dynamic leadership for the Grand Strand. Over the years, Leadership Grand Strand has created a cadre of leaders who guide the direction of change throughout the Grand Strand.

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