



COMMISSION'S 2009 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Annual planning retreat (January 2009) with a last year's facilitator to work on this year's Action plan identifying projects and budgets. * Donation of meeting facilities & facilitator

Continued partnership with KLRB with a commissioner on the KLRB Board since 2005. Commissioners joined in several KLRB events such the citywide litter index, CBC website posts KLRB announcements when applicable.

Continued with a 4th year with a booth at the 2009 Arkansas Flower & Garden Show with a booth theme of "City of Roses". Provided a rose planting sheet (in partnership with the Central Ark. Rose Society), CBC program information, historical CBC poster, giveaways of donated items: red rose bushes (6), signed copies of P. Allen Smith's *Living in the Garden Home* (6) & rose floral arrangement (1). Very popular and successful event. (Feb. 2009)

Continue to address administrative issues to help CBC run more smoothly, including updating the Action Plan for 2009 and the program budget for 2009 (Sept. 2008). Acquired CBC logo shirts and name tags for new members for event recognition

Continued to provide recommendations on the 2000 landscape ordinance revision to City Staff (since March 2008) Approved the final revised version of the ordinance (by the City) in spring 2009. The final version to go before the Mayor and Board of Directors in fall 2009.

Continued the 7th year of the "Eye of the Beholder" awards which recognize beautiful residential yards throughout the city. 2007 had the most nominations to date. Continue to use the yard signs which are now recyclable after use. * Donations of printing & calligraphy

Continue to update the CBC website for the commission and the community (Debut: May 2007) Use has increased nationwide; visitation to the website has tripled after 1 year. Aside from the most visited, Welcome page - the Community Awards, FAQ, Project, Ordinance pages are the most popular, in decreasing order. * Donation design/development & photos

In 2007, received a 5-year Adopt-A-Street (AAS) Certificate of Appreciation & Recognition from the City for our street adoption of S. Bowman Street in W. Little Rock and renewed for another five years (2012). CBC continues litter cleanup of our street and to promote the AAS program. * Donations of vests, pickup tools and trash bags

Started to organize and document CBC's history through the years with acquisition of older files from the Parks & Recreation Dept. Began history exhibits in branch libraries in 2009.

Completed the City Hall beautification project - Garden at the north entrance from the back parking lot involving the partnerships of several groups (2007-09) Media event held September 2009. * Donations of all labor, equipment & materials for entire project (\$16K+)

Continued the 30th year of the Landscape Awards competition with the top three "Best of the Best" for 2009 (Award event: Oct. 2009) Changed from plaques to large framed posters.

Begin meeting at Curran Hall (City's Info Center) for monthly meetings in October 2009