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The Advisory Board of the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center elected 11 new members to its roster and selected officers for 2011-12.

The Advisory Board is a volunteer group of community leaders, most touched by cancer in some way, who raise funds to provide patient amenities and increase awareness of the Comprehensive Cancer Center. Since its inception in 1984, it has raised more than $12 million for the center.

The new board president is **Foots Parnell**, managing member with InterFirst Capital, LLC. Other officers are **William Harvill**, chairman of Intermark Group, president-elect I; **Danny Markstein**, managing director of Markstein Consulting, president-elect II; and **Dana Davis**, a community volunteer, secretary/treasurer.

New members elected to the board are **Robert Carr**, chief operating officer and general manager of Vestavia Country Club; **Trisha Dodson**, community volunteer; **Courtney French**, attorney with Fuston, Petway & French, LLP;

Tom Genetti
, senior vice president in commercial real estate for BBVA Compass;
Deborah O'Connor
, president of Successful Image LLC;
Joel Rotenstreich
, director of client services for Zarsaur & Schwartz, P.C.;
Jennifer Sims
, assistant dean for admission and diversity at Samford University Cumberland School of Law;
Ralph Summerford
, president of Forensic/Strategic Solutions, P.C.;
Lissa Tyson
, community volunteer;
Suzanne Wald
, account executive for
Over the Mountain Journal
; and
Joel Welker
, president and publisher of the
Birmingham Business Journal
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The UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center is among the 40 cancer centers in the nation to meet the stringent criteria for the National Cancer Institute's comprehensive designation. The center is a leader in groundbreaking research, reducing cancer disparities and leading-edge patient care.

Pictured, Back Right: Robert Carr, Lisa Tyler, Susan Sumner, Deborah O'Connor, Trisha