

Pat Deck, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

Atje Pat Deck was born in the Netherlands and her family immigrated to Canada after World War II in search of better opportunities. At age 16, they moved to the United States where Pat graduated from high school, received a BS degree from Western Washington University and a MS from Purdue University. In 1976, she and her husband, Larry, moved to Michigan and she began her life-long involvement in volunteer work with beautification. She serves simultaneously on three beautification organizations: Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission (since 1985), the Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan (since 1995) and Keep Michigan Beautiful, Inc.(since 1999). She also serves on the Board of the Keep Michigan Beautiful Foundation. She believes that beautification and stewardship of the earth are critical quality of life issues. Pat is also an active member of Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church and teaches an interdenominational Bible study class.