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From individual to communitywide involvement, Audubon International fosters more sustainable human and natural communities by educating, assisting, and inspiring people from all walks of life to protect and sustain the land, water, wildlife, and other natural resources around them.

Clarence D. Bassett, Clifton Park, NY, although retired now, has spent the last 40 years working for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the NYS Assembly Minority Leader's Office, and United Press International in public affairs.

James Becker, West Bend, WI, has been the President of EPIC Creative, an advertising and public relations agency with a staff of 40 people, for 15 years. He is an outdoor enthusiast, avid golfer, and has been involved in many golf and environment initiatives.

Jan Beljan, Jupiter, FL, is an award-winning landscape architect. She previously worked with Fazio Golf Course Designers, Inc., and was the second woman elected to the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

Dan Dinelli, Glenview, IL, is a third-generation golf course superintendent, and has been with North Shore Country Club for the past 34 years. He was awarded the President's Award for Environmental Stewardship from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America in 2009.

Ronald G. Dodson, Feura Bush, NY, is President of Audubon International and a biologist and educator with a focus on biodiversity and watershed protection. He has been an environmental leader with various organizations for over 30 years.

Tim Hiers, Naples, FL, has been in the golf business since 1969 and employed as a Golf Course Superintendent for 33 years. He was the first Audubon International Signature program member and has been involved with Audubon International since 1988.

Jay Jaxon, Jr., Eufaula, AL, President of JJ Jaxon Co., Inc. and four term Mayor of Eufaula, Audubon International's first sustainable city.

Frank S. Rossi, Ph.D., Ithaca, NY, is a New York Extension Turfgrass Specialist and Associate Professor of Turfgrass Science at Cornell University. He is an international expert in golf and sports turf management, publishing hundreds of articles and lecturing on environmentally responsible turfgrass management.

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