



**Ben Davis**  
**SCBA President, 1980-81**

*“SCBA took a stand against the spectrum fee the year before and the year of my presidency. I remember going to Washington along with Betty Roper and others to appear before a Senate hearing to express our views. Although our thoughts weren’t necessarily received warmly by all the committee members, we were treated with respect and listened to.”*

- Currently vice president for business and development at Connie Maxwell Children’s Home in Greenwood where the satisfaction that comes from making a difference in a child’s life is the only career reward that could keep him from returning to broadcasting. Started there in 1993.
- Began his radio career as a high school student in 1960 working for WMRB and WQOK in Greenville until entering Furman University in 1962
- Hired as an announcer at WFIS in Fountain Inn and was employed there until 1968 when he went to work as a sales representative at WFBC in Greenville
- Moved to Fountain Inn in 1970 as part owner of WFIS. He and a partner also purchased WCKM in Winnsboro and operated the two stations during the 1970’s. They added newspaper publishing when they purchased the local weekly, The Tribune-Times, in 1977. Davis became the sole owner in 1979. The company was divested when Multimedia (now Gannett) bought the newspaper in 1987 and WFIS was sold in 1988.
- Served as mayor of Fountain Inn from 1975 to 1979 and again from 1987 to 1995. He was also a trustee of Greenville Technical College and has served on numerous area boards and commissions.