

## 2009 Charlotte WISE Chapter Leadership

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### **A message from our 2009 Chair**

“Geek is Chic” is the motto WISE participants have embraced, and we invite you to join us in making our catchphrase a reality! Charlotte Women in Information Science and Engineering leaders are action-oriented women focused on developing programming, networking and mentoring opportunities to meet the needs of women in science and math careers. We seek to Educate, Engage and Empower women and men around this critical issue. We at NCTA Charlotte WISE accept the responsibility of reaching out to girls and younger women through volunteerism with the public schools and universities to grow our technology pipeline. We provide mentoring and exposure to science, math and technology careers for young people. This year, we also have added mentoring to our priorities for service to professional women. We will pilot our mentoring initiative this year and expand it in future years. WISE also recognizes that overcoming inaccurate stereotypes is an important step to attracting women to math and science careers, including engineering and information technology. We welcome the opportunity to partner with other community organizations focused on communicating and educating people about the exciting careers available to women – and men. Come join with us, as we continue to prove that “Geek is Chic”!