

# Western "Tarheel" Civitan



## Quarterly Newsletter for NCDW Civitan International

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### A Note from the Governor



What a change two weeks can make. Two weeks ago, I was finalizing the Agenda for the District Board meeting and making sure everything was ready for the District Meeting at Victory Junction. That day I talked with several Civitans and Victory Junction regarding the District Meeting. We were concerned with the coronavirus information we had received, but agreed the District Meeting should not yet be canceled. I went to bed that night without checking on the news of the evening.

When I woke up the next morning, the news was flooded with President Trump suspending travel from Europe, colleges canceling in-person classes and communities canceling events. Then the Governor requested that all large gatherings be discouraged to limit the spread the coronavirus. There were 15 cases in North Carolina.

I realized the District Meeting at Victory Junction would have to be canceled as well as the Board Meeting prior to it. Governor-Elect Terry Jackson and I discussed the current situation and how we could proceed. Just a few days earlier, International had sent a note out to the Governors that they would make their license of Zoom, a video conferencing software solution, available to Districts. My thoughts immediately went to considering if we could conduct both meetings via video conferencing. I had participated in many meetings over the past couple years using Zoom with International staff and fellow District Governors.

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## A Note from the Governor

The first person I contacted prior to sending the notice of cancelation was our International President, Patsy Perkel. She was scheduled to visit the District and our District Meeting keynote speaker. We discussed the possibility of having both the District and Board meetings conducted via Zoom. We agreed it should be easy to conduct the Board meeting since our previous meeting had been larger than what the Board meeting would be. The real question was how many participants International’s license would cover.

President Patsy shared she was already scheduled to speak with Scarlett Thompson, Executive Vice President at Civitan International that morning. After speaking with Scarlett, she called me and stated Civitan’s Zoom license was adequate to cover the District Meeting if I was interested. Scarlett and I had several conversations regarding the scheduling of the meetings and logistics surrounding them. After numerous phone calls with other District officers and speakers who were schedule to be on the agenda, I knew we could proceed with both meetings but adjustments would have to be made.

I immediately sent an email to the Executive Board and Cabinet making them aware the District Meeting at Victory Junction and the in-person Board Meetings were being canceled and each replaced with a video conference. Each was notified the meeting would be at the same scheduled time and provided a Zoom link for it. They were also notified that the District meeting would also be held at 11:00 on the 21<sup>st</sup> via Zoom in an email that would be sent to all members. All Civitans in NCDW then received two different emails regarding the change in the District meeting with the Zoom link. One was sent on that Thursday with the second on Friday prior to the meeting.

Both meetings were a success. The Executive Board was able to address every item that was on the original agenda. The District meeting had in excess of 67 participants. Every presentation except one that was originally scheduled for Victory Junction was presented. We still had President Patsy give our keynote presentation. My only regret was missing the visit to Victory Junction with the activities scheduled that morning and the fellowship before and after the meeting. I have posted a link to the District Meeting on our District Facebook page for those unable to attend. The biggest news from the Board meeting probably is that all Spring Area Meetings have been canceled.

Our District is the first who have used Zoom in this current crisis to conduct their meetings. We had the Governor of NC District East sit in on both the Board and District Meetings. They have already contacted me to learn more since they are looking at the possibility of doing the same now.

Clubs have canceled their meetings together with fundraisers canceled or deferred, projects canceled and banquets canceled or deferred. We will get through this crisis. Our clubs will begin meeting again. Clubs will engage in projects. Fundraisers will be conducted. Until we can do these things, I encourage each club to see how they might be able to engage their members. You may want to consider club emails to members or virtual meetings. Currently, International is having Zoom meetings each day on a different topic. They began on March 24<sup>th</sup> and will continue for the foreseeable future. Links to these meetings are posted on the Facebook page of Civitan International. (Continued on page 3)



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(Message from Governor Continues)

I look forward as each of you to the end of this crisis. I have learned we can still meet and have fellowship even if it is not in-person with today's technologies. Please take the opportunity to join one of International's Zoom meetings. Find ways to make that happen! Together we are Champions of Service and Achievers!

## A Note from the Governor - Elect

### *A Message from the Governor-Elect, Terry Jackson*

I hope you all are well. It was great hearing and seeing you all in our first virtual Civitan Board and District Meeting.

If you haven't noticed, times are changing. If we don't want to go by the way of the Dinosaur, we must adapt to changes. I personally dislike going through changes. There are some advantages to changes. Humans are supposed to be an intelligent species. We can hang on to the good change and dump the bad.

The change I am speaking about is the virtual communication device most of us carry in our pockets. Your cell phone and laptop you can communicate through Skype and Zoom for group conferences.

The first video/conference room, I built was in 1997 for Lorillard Corporate Office in Greensboro. This was so the Board in New York City could meet with the Board in Greensboro. This saved them a ten hour drive plus airport time.

For the past three years, the Civic Club Committee has met through phone conferences. For Civitan Governor-Elect training, Civitan International has used Zoom. My Meeting (Church) did a recording on YouTube for our worship service. Now North Carolina District West has used Zoom for our Board and District Meeting. We are the first District to do this.

What am I trying to say? So, for now, through this awful Pandemic COVID-19, a new method of group communication is being made available to us.

I understand Civitan is built around group fellowship, but when safety, distance and time is a constraint, turn on your cell phone or your laptop for a group meeting. Your club will appreciate it. I might be listening!

Thank you,

Terry W. Jackson



**Terry Jackson, NCDW  
Governor-Elect**



**Special Olympics**



**VICTORY  
JUNCTION**

Founded for kids in honor of Adam Petty







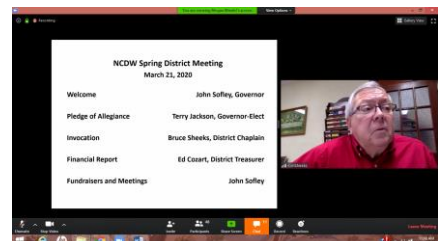
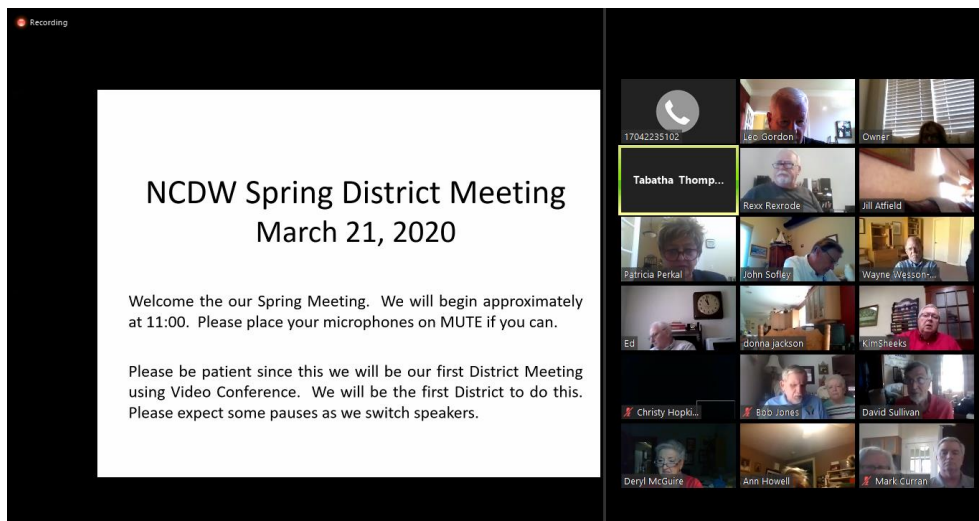
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## NCDW CIVITAN HOLDS FIRST zoom DISTRICT MEETING

In an ever changing world, our leaders must be prepared to face the challenges presented. NCDW Civitan Governor John Sofley and his Board are great examples of such leadership. John, working with Civitan International, took quick action to insure that the District Spring Meeting, scheduled to be held at Victory Junction on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> was able to go on despite the impact of the Coronavirus. This was accomplished by using **zoom** video and audio communications. We had over 60+ attendees using their computer and/or telephone to join in. Of the members who attended through a video portal were able to see the Guest Speakers, other members, the agenda and also had the ability to communicate using a CHAT Room.

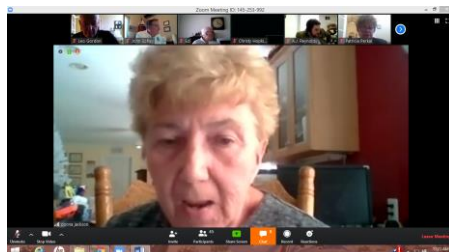
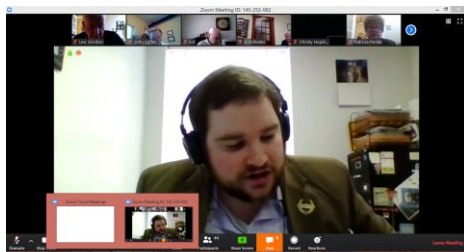


NCDW Governor John Sofley greets Civitan Members on-line



After Governor-Elect Terry Jackson led the members with the Pledge of Allegiance, District Chaplain Bruce Sheeks gave a very timely Invocation relating to the impact of the current Coronavirus challenges

We then had the opportunity to hear from two candidates for Region Director, A.J. Reynolds of the Southeast Guilford Club (NCDE) and our own Donna Jackson of the Level Cross Club (NCDW).



A video copy of the NCDW Spring Meeting is on the [District FACEBOOK](#) page and at the [District WEB Site](#).



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## More From the Spring Meeting

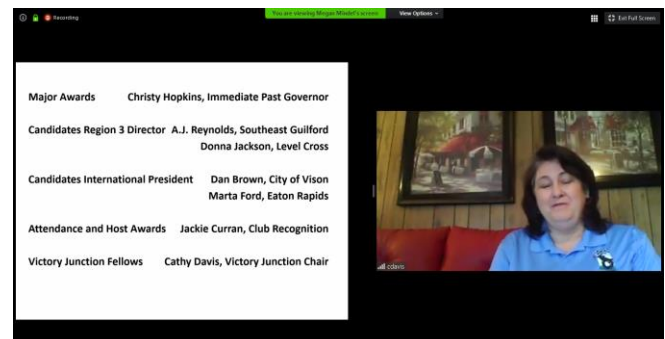
The attendees had the opportunity to meet two of the three candidates running for **International President-Elect** and learn of their background and platform. They are Dan Brown from the City of Vision Club and Marta Ford of the Eaton Rapids Club. You need to participate in the International Convention in Milwaukee in July.



**International Civitan President – Patricia Perkal** gave an inspiring update on the changes taking place at International and the future of the Civitan organization.



Cathy Davis had the honor to recognize two special Civitans, **Mark and Jackie Curran** as they became **VICTORY JUNCTION FELLOWS**.



## Victory Junction Fellows



**Congratulations Mark and Jackie Curran**







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## More From the Spring Meeting



### **ED COZART - NCDW CIVITAN TREASURER TO RETIRE FROM POSITION**

**Ed Cozart**, our Treasurer for the District and the Secretary/Treasurer of the NCDW Civitan Charitable Foundation announced at the District meeting of his intentions to resign those positions at the end of the year. Ed, who has successfully guided the North Carolina District West Civitan financial aspects for the past 27 plus years, will be greatly missed and we thank him for his unbelievable dedication to Civitan and the District.

Ed, a Civitan for over 50 years, first joined the Wadesboro Club back in 1969. He transferred to the Rockingham Club in July of 1978.

Besides being our District Treasurer, Ed served as Area 6 Lt Governor for 1978/1979. From 1979 thru 1981 he was Contests & Awards Chair (Now Club Recognition). He also served as District Secretary/Treasurer for 10 years, 1981/1982 and 1990/1991.



Effective October 1, 2020 **Jim Bullard** from the Mooresville Civitan Club will move into Ed's position of Treasurer for NC District West and Secretary/Treasurer for the NCDW Civitan Foundation. Beginning on that date all billing will come from Jim and all payments, contributions, donations, etc. to District projects should be sent to him.

Jim is in the process of setting up an online system of billing so be on the lookout for electronic invoices. He is also setting up the ability to make payments using debit or credit cards. Over the next few months, expect communications from Jim making sure he has a good billing address for all clubs.

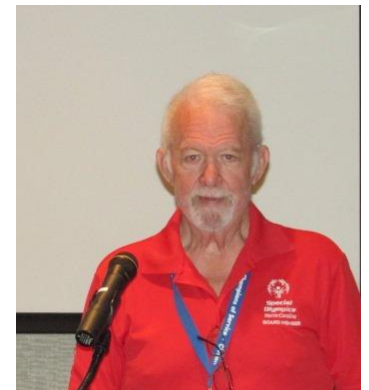
This will be new experience for Jim so please be patient during his learning curve.

As part of this transition, **Chris Hughes from the Silver Valley Club** will be taking over as **Special Olympics liaison**. The Clubs of NCDW have been very supportive of Jim as he served that position for many years and it was greatly appreciated. Chris will do a great job. Please continue your support for Special Olympics and for Chris as he learns that position. Invite him to speak to your Club and to bring an athlete with him. You won't regret it.

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Jim Bullard, Incoming District Treasurer



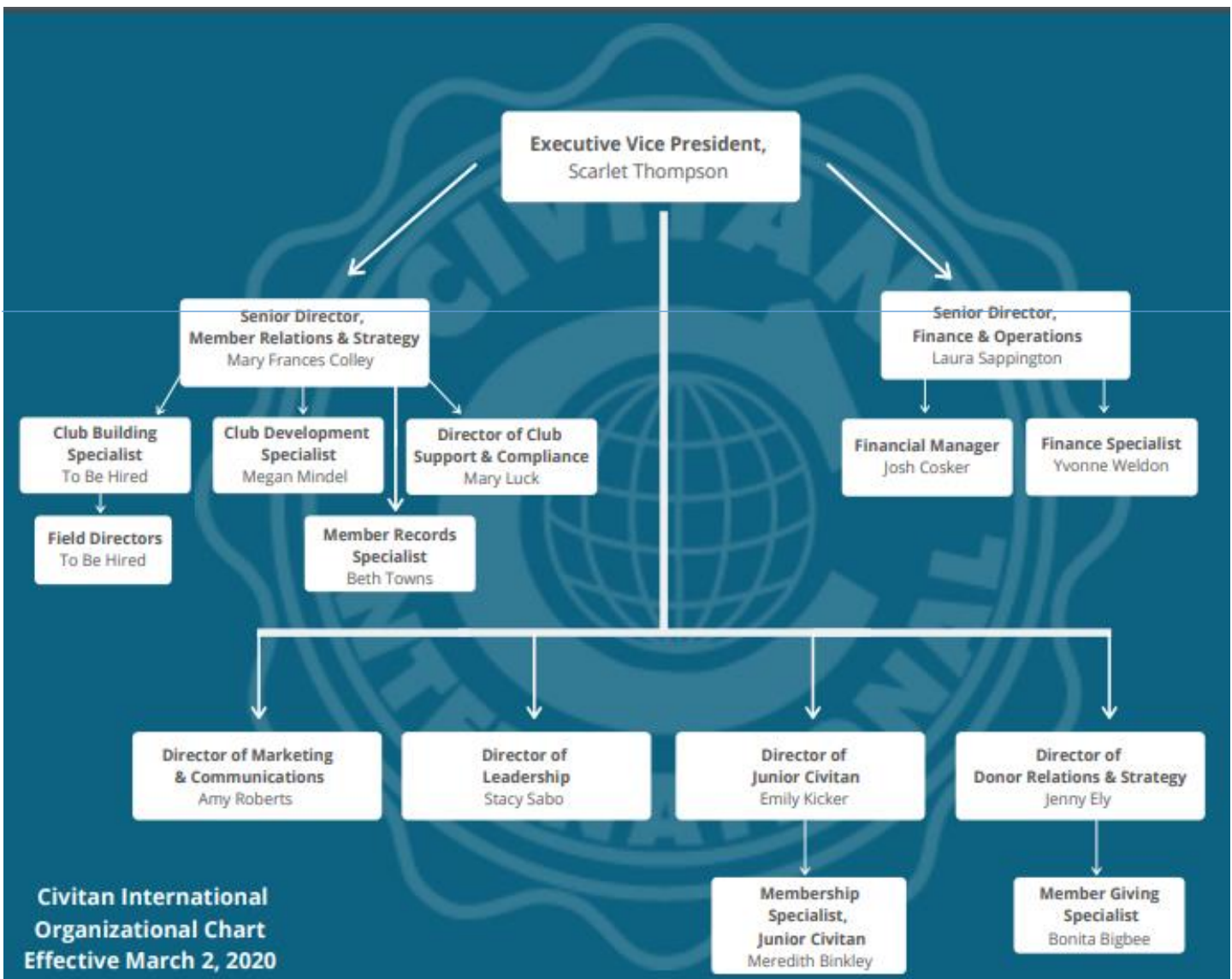
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## Information from CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL

### Renew by 2022 Campaign Is Moving Forward at Civitan International

Civitan International is pushing forward with its Renew by 2022 campaign, and **specifically one of its pillars of progress – evolving our membership**. In order to effectively tackle the challenges and capitalize on our potential, a staffing realignment has taken place at Civitan International headquarters. A full view of the new organizational chart is available below.

While the staff member providing support to our District leaders of Civitan International has changed, the support we receive should only change for the better. This transition allows International to focus their resources in a way to better serve us and our specific needs. One transition we are particularly excited about is that the Membership staff will now support clubs based on the "life stage" of that club (Club Building, New Club Support, and Veteran Club Support), rather than their geographic area. An updated Civitan International Staff Contact Guide is on the next page.





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- **Background Checks/Protection Policy:** Stacy Sabo
- **Branding & Logos:** Amy Roberts
- **Campus Civitan:** Meredith Binkley
- **Candy/Coin Box:** Bonita Bigbee
- **Civitans at the Helm:** Bonita Bigbee
- **Civitan Fest:** Bonita Bigbee
- **Civitan International Research Center:** Amy Roberts
- **Club Building:** To Be Hired Club Building Specialist  
(Mary Frances Colley until then)
- **Club Re-Building:** To Be Hired Club Building Specialist  
(Mary Frances Colley until then)
- **Club Rosters, Reports:** Assigned Club Support Staff
- **Club Support - Clubs less than 5 years old (North America):**  
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- **Convention General & Content (Adult):** Mary Frances Colley
- **Corporate Donor Relations:** Jenny Ely
- **Dance-a-Thon (Junior):** Meredith Binkley
- **District Rosters, Reports:** Mary Frances Colley
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- **Fellows Program:** Bonita Bigbee
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- **Geographic Trainings/Webinars:** Stacy Sabo
- **Golf Benefit:** Jenny Ely
- **Golden Circle Program:** Megan Mindel
- **Governors & Governors-Elect:** Mary Frances Colley
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- **International Club, District & Region Support (outside North America):** Scarlet Thompson
- **International Elections:** Stacy Sabo
- **IRS, 501(c)3, 501(c)4:** Mary Luck
- **Juhlke Grants:** Meredith Binkley
- **Junior Civitan (General):** Emily Kicker
- **Junior Convention:** Emily Kicker
- **Junior District Chairs:** Emily Kicker
- **Junior Dues Billing:** Meredith Binkley
- **Junior Governors:** Emily Kicker
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- **Light the Way:** Jenny Ely
- **Magazine:** Amy Roberts
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- **President's Council:** Bonita Bigbee
- **Risk Management:** Josh Cosker
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- **Softgiving:** Jenny Ely
- **Supply House:**
- **Social Media:** Amy Roberts
- **VIP Program:** Beth Towns
- **Website:** Amy Roberts

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## DISTRICT CLUB NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

### Silver Valley Civitan Club Host 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Special Olympics Dance and Social

More than 100 people including Special Olympics athletes as well as their families and other invited guests gathered on a mid-winter evening for foot-stomping fun. Many attendees wore western clothing and hats. Special guests at the event were Civitan District Gov. John Sofley and his wife, Pamela, of Salisbury and past Gov. Christy Hopkins and her husband Mike of Albemarle.

Civitan President Shawn Fraley greeted those in attendance at an event that has been held each year since 1997. The first 23 years it was held at Rocky Acres Music Barn, courtesy of the late Lawrence and Ann Prevette. The dance moved this year to Venue 23 and was provided by Dwayne, Elizabeth and Matthew E. Kinney.



*Some of the guests at the event were (front row left to right) Jamie Adams, Felicia Hamby, Emily Curry, Yasime Evans and Anne Louvet. Seated left to right are Stephanie Wilkerson, Shirley Link, Mandy Wilson, Teresa Shaw, Ashley Laurens and Rachael Owens. Standing back row are Andrew Darr, Tevon Barns, Derrick Hopkins, Tammy Koontz, Cody Sink, Matthew E Kinney and Tyler Huffman. Photo by Gary Arnold*

with country, pop, classic rock and beach music from many well-known artists. Yow has performed nine times since 2008 for the dance, singing and playing the bass guitar. Yow was assisted by his wife, Letha.

The Silver Valley Civitan Club organizes the event and provides refreshments. Civitan John and Debbie Hughes coordinated the food preparation that included pizza, chips, cookies and beverages. Pleasant Grove United



*Above - Julia Maynard danced with Civitan Member Harold Parrish*

Methodist Church supplied chairs. Shirley Link delivered the invocation.

More than 20 volunteers included members of the club and their families who decorated and provided various functions including serving refreshments, as dance partners and cleanup crew help. Other

members included Roger and Sara Barker, Darrin Ellis, Page and Peggy Harrison, Chris and Joyce Hughes, Connie Kindley, Article by Gary Arnold and for the Dispatch.com

### Davidson County Civitan Honor Clergy

The Davidson County Civitan Club honored eight local ministers with the club's 18th annual Clergy Appreciation Observance at the fellowship hall of Hedrick's Grove Reformed United Church of Christ on Feb. 25.

Among the honorees were the Rev. Ed Armfield and his wife, Cindy, of Burnett's Chapel United Methodist Church, Pastor J. Byron Barker III of LifePoint Church, Elder Gloria Cross of On The Wings of A Dove and the Rev. Russel Fox of Southgate Baptist Church in Thomasville.

The featured speaker was Ray Nance Howell IV, who spoke about ministering to the ministers. Howell previously served as a pastor and is currently the executive director of Cancer Services.



Honored Clergy (standing from left) Rev Gavin Pratt, Rev Russell Fox, Pastor J. Bryan Barker III, Rev William Sowers and Bishop Selmon Green. Seated from left Elder Gloria Cross, Elder Ivory Roseboro and Ray Nance Howell IV



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## DISTRICT CLUB NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

### ***Don't Let the COVID-19 Stop Your Local Civitan Club Meeting – Go Virtual!***

Yes, the Coronavirus has caused a lot of disruption in our lives but we are **Civitan** and we know how to make positive change regardless of the obstacles we face.

Thanks to technology and Civitan International, our District and Local Clubs can stay connected thru ZOOM, a free video conferencing app on your cell phone and/or computer.

To the right is a recent post on the Civitan International Members page of FACEBOOK. It is a great example of what can be done.

Need help setting up your next Club meeting? Contact your Area Director or a District officer!



#### Civitan International ► Civitan International Members

March 23 at 11:52 AM · 🌐

Looking for ways to stay connected while responsibly self-isolating? Virtual opportunities for knowledge and fellowship are here! Join in with Civitans from around the world using opportunities below. If you're new to Zoom, here's a great article on how to get started: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362033-Getting-Started-on-Windows-and-Mac>. If you're a pro, reach out to others in your club or district and help them get started!

### **VIRTUAL CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE**

MONDAY 3/23/2020	TUESDAY 3/24/2020	WEDNESDAY 3/25/2020	THURSDAY 3/26/2020	FRIDAY 3/27/2020
<b>Message from the President</b> Noon CST  <small>Video of International President Patsy Perkal uploaded to the Civitan International Members Facebook Group.</small>	<b>Virtual Luncheon Club Meeting</b> Noon CST  <small>A link for this Zoom meeting will be shared in the Civitan International Members Facebook Group.</small>	<b>How to Organize Your Own Virtual Club Meeting</b> Noon CST  <small>A link for this Zoom meeting will be shared in the Civitan International Members Facebook Group.</small>	<b>Virtual Evening Club Meeting</b> 6:00 PM CST  <small>A link for this Zoom meeting will be shared in the Civitan International Members Facebook Group.</small>	<b>Civitan Philanthropy in Changing Times</b> Noon CST  <small>A link for this Zoom meeting will be shared in the Civitan International Members Facebook Group.</small>





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## DISTRICT CLUB NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

### Winter Wonderland Ball

Rockwell Civitans brought joy to the residents of the Meadows of Rockwell as they hosted the ninth Winter Wonderland Ball in January. Weeks prior to the event, past N. C. District West Governor Woody Weddington



donned his tuxedo and delivered invitations specially handcrafted by his wife, Helen, to the residents.

The weeks following the invitation delivery, Rockwell Civitans were busy securing formal wear, food, a DJ and Junior Civitans to serve as volunteers for the evening.

Rowan Early College Junior Civitans volunteered to serve as “personal wait staffers” for the residents. Rowan County resident Larry Chastain not only served as DJ, but he crooned out “oldie Goldie” tunes and danced with the residents. Just as soon as the ball is over the Rockwell Meadow residents begin asking when next year’s Winter Wonderland Ball will take place!



Photo of two residents dance with each other at the Ball



To the left Mandy Shulenburg shares secrets with resident



Above Rick Shulenburg, Josh Brady and Greg Pine make the Meadows cafeteria festive. Left Past Governor Woody Weddington personally delivers Winter Wonderland Ball invitations.

### Rockwell Civitans Honor Teachers and Scouts

During their February meeting, the Rockwell Civitans hosted a dinner for teachers and assistants of exceptional children (EC) at Rockwell Elementary and Shive Elementary Schools and for the members and leaders of Boy Scout Troop 350.

President Patricia Pine presented each of the seventeen EC teachers with checks to augment their classroom needs for the remainder of the year.

The total was over \$1,000 which was the profit made from the club’s annual Breakfast with Santa. The teachers shared with the group some of the plans and needs of today’s EC classrooms.



### Get Your Outback Tickets Now!!!!

During the **month of April** the **Rockwell Civitan Club** is partnering with the East Rowan Junior Civitan Club to peddle tickets for their Outback Fundraiser. Those who purchase the tickets will be able to redeem them during the **entire month of May**. For \$15 patrons can purchase “Take - Away” tickets for the Outback Steakhouse in Salisbury and will be entitled to enjoy the choice of a select sirloin or wood fire grilled chicken breast and make another selection of two side items which include: baked potato, sweet potato, French fries, steamed vegetables, or steamed broccoli, along with a chocolate mousse parfait and bread loaves. If someone wants two of the same sides, they may order that. If anyone in the area would like to participate, please call Rockwell President Greg Pine at 704-754-3207. (Just pre-order by calling Outback and drive up to get your food limiting your chances of getting anything virus related!!! LOL)



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### ***Something to interesting read to bring the current world situation into focus***

Imagen if Dr. Seuss was alive today, he’d write something like this . . . . .

(Read with Dr. Seuss Book rhythm)

The buildings were big and people would smile  
And travel they would mile by mile  
But sick they become, in numbers it grew  
Businesses worried, communities too.  
Things stopped for a bit, the world slowed its roll  
The virus had certainly taken its toll.  
But what they then saw from slowing things down.  
Is in fact they now had less reasons to frown.  
Families now gathered, what game shall we play?  
Pass me the blue crayon, give mommy the grey.  
Dad’s home guys!  
He’ll read us a book.  
Then all of us together will cook.  
The lungs of the planet caught a small break  
less travel meant less pollution to make.  
People did realize they’d all be ok  
They don’t need so much to get through the day.  
Maybe this virus that caused so much stress  
Showed the whole world that more can mean less.

***Written by XXXXXX***

***Inspired by Dr. Seuss***

### **Salisbury Civitan Club awards \$15,000 in Scholarships**

The Salisbury Civitan Club awarded \$15,000 in scholarships for four high school and six college students on March 5, 2020. Scholarship Winners are pictured on the right : L-R Front Row, Kimberly Madero, Leah Terraglio, Mallory A. Braun, S'ade O. Patterson, & Carol L. Lamb; L-R Back Row, Katherine Ann Sullivan, Tyler Jamison Hunt, and Kayla E. Swicegood. Congratulations!!

### **Rhododendron Create Valentine Cards For VETS**

Rhododendron Civitan Club held a social and work session as it gathered to create Valentine Cards for the local Veterans’ Administration rest home. Marshall prepared and served the meal and the cleanup. Laughter and great fellowship ensued. So much camaraderie took place that no remembered to take pictures of the event. All that was available when the event concluded was picture of the card created.

The entire session lasted about two hours. This time of year, no one was home after dark, but no one tried to leave early either. It was another project successfully completed as Marshall delivered the created cards to the VA for distribution on Valentine’s Day.





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## DONNA JACKSON – Candidate for Region 3 Director



I am Donna Jackson and I am running for Civitan International Director, Region 3, because I would like to make a difference in North Carolina. There are more Civitan's in North Carolina than anywhere else. Civitan follows Region 3, because we are Civitan! I will work closely with North Carolina District East and North Carolina District West in looking at locations where there is a need for Civitan Clubs.

I would like to add more Campus Clubs to our Region. It has been brought to my attention that when a Junior Civitan graduates from high school and goes to a college where there isn't a Campus Club, then they lose out on Civitan. If we can get more Campus Clubs at our Community Colleges and Universities, hopefully the Junior Civitan will join the Campus Club or assist in building a Campus Club if one isn't available. Hopefully, by doing this they will join a Senior Club when they graduate from College.

Civitan has Rocked, Civitan has been Civitan Happy, Civitan has Been the Key, Civitan has Kindled the Fire, Civitan Hands has Made a Difference in the World, but Civitan has had 100 Years of Service and Civitan needs to be around for another 100 Years!!

The Civitan Creed states that MY EYES search for others to join in the fellowship and service of Civitan and MY HOPE is for a better world through Civitan. We need to educate more people about Civitan and what a great service organization Civitan is. If we can do this, there is hope for a better world through Civitan.

### MY WHY FOR JOINING CIVITAN

My Father was a Charter Member of the New Market Civitan Club in 1960. As far as I remember one of their first projects was to build a baseball field and sponsor a Little League Baseball Team. My Father was named the first coach. The team was successful in winning 2 State Championships. In 1963 they went to the Little League World Series in Bethlehem, PA, however, they were defeated by Mexico 3-2. This was quite an accomplishment for a small team from rural Randolph County, NC. I saw the club give back to the Community by allowing young boys to play baseball.

In 2007 NCDW was having a work day at the Boys and Girls Home at Lake Waccamaw. I was approached by Amanda Hancock, Governor about starting a Ladies Civitan Club. I agreed to do so. When I got home I started second guessing myself wondering if I could do this. Anyway, I did and the New Market Ladies chartered with 40 members.

The club sponsored the Special Needs class at the local elementary school. The club helped families in need and supported the local food pantry. At Christmas we helped families who might not have had a Christmas.

### **My Civitan Resume**

Charter President-New Market Ladies 2007-2008  
Secretary-New Market Ladies 2014-2016  
Area 5 East Distinguished Civitan of Year 2013-2014  
NCDW Outstanding Club Secretary of Year 2014-2015  
NCDW Secretary 3 Years 2013-2015  
Governor-Elect 2015-2016  
Centennial Leadership Academy 2016-2017  
Centennial Governor 2016-2017

Distinguished Governor 2016-2017  
Governors Honor Key 2016-2017  
Charter Member of Level Cross Civitan Club 2017-present  
Charter Secretary Level Cross Civitan Club 2017-2018  
Immediate Past Governor 2017-2018  
Major Awards Chairperson 2017-2018  
Boys and Girls Home for "The Love of the Kids Fellow" 2016

Certified Club Builder  
Club Builder 3 Civitan Clubs  
Club Builder 1 Junior Civitan Club 2019  
NCDW Junior Civitan Co-Chair 2019-2020  
Member of the 50th Anniversary Committee for NCDW.  
Member of the Civitarus Committee (Drug Awareness) for NCDW

I am married to Terry Jackson for 42 years. We have 2 sons Nathan and daughter-in-law Amy, and Micah. We have 3 grandchildren Abbygayle, Davis and Farlowe.



# The “WESTERN TARHEEL” Newsletter

## ANDREW J. REYNOLDS - Candidate for Region 3 Director

Greetings Western Tar Heels!

I'd like to thank Gov. Sofley for inviting me to share a little bit about myself with you. I was born and raised in rural Guilford County, and am a fourth generation to live upon the same family farm land. I am a product of the Junior Civitan program, and I am forever indebted to each of you for your investment in me as a Junior!

It was during my college days in Chapel Hill that God called me into vocational ministry. Eight days after graduating, I started working for the First Baptist Church of Walnut Cove. They hired me for three months to work in student ministry. Nearly eleven years, an ordination, a master of divinity degree, three promotions later, I am still serving the same church in Stokes County. God has blessed our church through a fruitful revitalization endeavor. Revitalization and cultivating servant leaders have been the hallmarks of our ministry. The Pilot Mountain Baptist Association and the Baptist State Convention have invested great resources in me, and I have become certified several times as a revitalization consultant.



In addition to serving as a two-time Junior Civitan Governor and member of the International Board, I have had the honor to serve at the club, district, and international levels since becoming a “senior Civitan”. I am currently serving my third term as a Director on the Board of North Carolina District East, and my fifth term as our district’s Chaplain. I have served as a member of three international committees, including President-Elect Bob Jones’ Growth & Retention Committee. I consider that a tremendous privilege, and am very proud of what our committee accomplished that year. Though I have not served as a Governor, I have most recently been the President of the Southeast Guilford Civitan Club. Rather than clubs existing for the good of the district, I whole-heartedly believe in the reverse.

I am running to serve as your next International Director. My desire is represent all North Carolinians, and indeed all Civitans. I have served as a district Director in a county with eleven clubs. I know that what works in Guilford, Mecklenburg, or Wake, may be very different from what works where half my family is from: Wilkes County. After a decade of ministry in Stokes County, I have a broadened perspective of the needs in the many different kinds of communities across Region 3.

I would also be the first to represent the Young Professional generation of our organization. This is an under-represented group within the Civitan family.

Between my experiences in my home club, and the church I serve, I have seen first-hand the value of strategic revitalization. There are many parallels in these two organizations. As your representative on the Board of Directors, one of my greatest aims would be to see Civitan International produce a tool kit for club revitalization!

Please feel free to ask me about any anything, or share your opinions with me. I encourage as many North Carolinians to attend the 2020 convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and I would very much appreciate the consideration of your vote there!

**TO VOTE FOR YOUR REGION DIRECTOR, YOU NEED TO ATTEND THE CIVITAN  
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION      Register TODAY!!**



# The "WESTERN TARHEEL" Newsletter

## JUNIOR CIVITAN

### North Carolina District West Junior Civitans

has had an excellent year so far. Four new clubs have been chartered with two of them being chartered in January. North Rowan Middle and North Rowan High School was chartered January 30, 2020. The sponsoring club is the Civitan Club of Salisbury. Thank you to the Civitan Club of Salisbury for sponsoring these two clubs. Amanda Hancock is the Club Building Coordinator and has done a wonderful job in helping the Club Builders getting these clubs up and running. Thank you, Amanda! North Carolina District West Junior Civitans currently have 42 clubs with a total of 1,522 members.

All of the Junior Civitan Clubs in the District has had a good year. Some of the clubs have added new members. The clubs have been working hard on their fundraisers and projects. Thank you to all of the Advisors for all of your hard work in keeping these clubs going!

The Junior Civitan Board has been hard at work preparing for the Carnival for the Inclusive clubs on March 14, 2020. Due to the Corona Virus the Carnival was cancelled.

The Junior Civitan District Convention is scheduled for April 4, 2020 via ZOOM. At the Convention, Scholarship winners will be announced, Club officer of the Year, Junior Civitan of the Year, Club of the Year, Advisor of the Year and Campus Project of the Year. New Board Members will also be voted on. The Junior Civitan Year runs from July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. The new Junior Civitan team will be announced then. Due to the Corona Virus this will now be a zoom/virtual meeting. Civitan International is helping us with that.

The Junior Civitan International Convention is scheduled for June 25-28, 2020 in Tampa, Florida. We currently have 10 Juniors going. The Convention is still scheduled. The International Board meets in April and we will know more after that meeting. As of now, all travel plans are on hold.

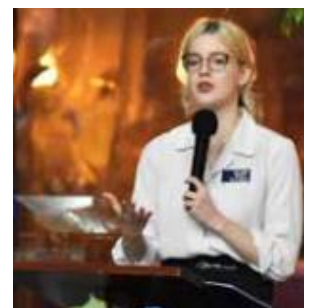
Thank you to all of the clubs and individuals that donated to All-In-Summit in helping Dylan and Victoria in meeting their goals. Thank you to all of the clubs and individuals that have donated to Dance-A-Thon. If you or club has not

### Junior Civitans in Cleveland County Schools Recognized

Robin Shaw from the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of North Carolina spoke at the monthly Cleveland County Schools principals meeting today. Mrs. Shaw thanked the **Junior Civitans** in our schools for their work in support of the Society. The Shelby Civitan Club salutes the Junior Civitans in Cleveland County Schools for their efforts to support the fight against cancer.



donated to Dance-A-Thon there is still time to do so. NCDW Junior Civitans is currently the top fundraising District. Please continue your support for Samantha Calascione and the Dance-A-Thon Team.







## SPECIAL OLYMPICS ACTIVITIES



# 2020 NCDW STYLE



Great time was had at the Polar Plunge supporting the Rowan County Special Olympics. Everyone had a great time and over \$6,000 was raised. Lots of great costumes including Rexx Rexrode, President of the **Salisbury Club** as a BIG cry baby!

**The Mooresville and LKN Civitan Clubs** had over 50 people plunge into a cold Lake Norman to support the local Special Olympics Athletes. Kim Steb, who has plunge 12 consecutive years, led the way. She also was the largest money raiser with \$1500 of the \$5000



### Greg Pine Took Polar Plunge...And Lived to Tell About It!



Greg Pine, past **Rockwell Civitan** President, supported Special Olympics of North Carolina by taking the 2020 Special Olympics Rowan County Polar Plunge on his birthday, February 22. He set his fundraising goal at \$500, and exceeded it by raising \$600! Greg wishes to thank all for their support, and his Rockwell Club is certainly proud of him for taking the plunge!





# The “WESTERN TARHEEL” Newsletter

## Boys and Girls Homes of NC

I’m sending this last article for Boys and Home with heavy heart. As most of you know I’m leaving the Chair position to Kim Sheeks, so I can provide all my attention to being the best Governor I can be for 2020-2021.

I handpicked Kim, because she too loves the kids and is very talented. Kim and Bruce meets the approval of Gary Faircloth and Boys and Girls Home. Kim has made several visits to the home. Recently, she was one of many that provided a Valentine’s party for the girls in the Civitan Cottage. Thank you to all the Civitan’s and clubs that participated!

News from the Home is the same as it is everywhere. Visitors are discouraged. They are having a virtual lockdown. All staff is working from home. Following the Government recommendations, local and charter schools are closed. In cottage schooling is being done on the laptop. Chapel Services is done in small group worship in the cottages. Meals are brought to the cottages from one kitchen. The cottage staff is checked by campus healthcare specialist before returning to their weekly shift.

These are trying times for all of us. Pray for our Country, Civitan and Boys and Girls Home. Soon this will be all in the past.

Thank you,

Terry Jackson

Boys and Girls Home Chair

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Boys and Girls Home

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An exert from Mason Smith.

We are developing a series of selfie-video updates to keep people informed. You can like us on Facebook and Twitter and subscribe to our YouTube Channel to access those you are interested.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BoysAndGirlsHomesOfNorthCarolina>

Twitter: @BoysGirlsHomes

Linkedin: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/boys-girls-homes-of-north-carolina/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAhHEWIIW3ALKp5TISIVdLg>

I am also available for Zoom, Skype, and phone conferencing to provide distance presentations about Boys and Girls Homes if your club is planning to meet in any of those ways.

Appreciating you,

Mason Smith



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## CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



**Milwaukee, Wisconsin**  
Sunday, July 26 – Wednesday, July 29

***START PLANING TODAY!***

**The Brew City. The Cream City. The City of Festivals. Whether you know it as America’s Third Coast or the Bloody Mary Metropolis, Milwaukee is a friendly, vibrant city filled with things to explore. Visit the flying art museum, discover the birthplace of Harley-Davidson, sip a locally-brewed cup of coffee – it’s totally random, totally wonderful, and totally Milwaukee. Find more information on our host city [here](#).**

### Hilton Milwaukee City Center

A Historic Hotel of America built in 1927, this Art Deco style Hilton remains one of Milwaukee’s most vibrant downtown hotels. With more than 100 restaurants within a six-block radius of the hotel, delegates will have many choices to savor the flavors of the city. Read more about our 2020 host property [here](#).

### **Civitan Special Rates:**

Single/Double    \$119.00 per night

*Reservations deadline is June 19, 2020.*





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## Calendar of Events

**Due to the uncertainty of the Coronavirus, all in person Civitan Events have been cancelled for the immediate future.** Civitan International has planned several informative ZOOM meetings (online) and an active FACEBOOK page to help keep all Civitan Members connected. Through the Civitan Connect they will provide regular virtual meetings. Meetings will be hosted by the Civitan International Board and take place **every Tuesday at Noon CST** and **Thursday at 6:00 PM CST** until further notice. For more information about these calls and to access recordings, please [click here](#). As additional information becomes available, we will pass that information on to you via email, the District web site, FACEBOOK and other online communication tools.

**The NCDW Junior Civitan Convention will be held via ZOOM on April 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**As of now, the International Civitan Convention in Milwaukee is still on for July 26 - 29**

**All North Carolina Special Olympics events have been cancelled through May 15, 2020.**

### Events still scheduled

SONC Equestrian Championship	Raleigh	Sep 25-27, 2020
SONC Fall Tournament	Charlotte	Nov 5-8, 2020
Fall Executive Board Meeting	TBD	Nov 6, 2020
Fall District Meeting	TBD	Nov 7, 2020
CiviSaurus	Level Cross	Nov 10, 2020
SONC Winter Games		
Alpine Skiing/Snow Boarding		Jan 8-10, 2021
Clergy Appreciation		Feb 2021
Spring Executive Board Meeting	Whiteville	Apr 16, 2021
Spring District Meeting	Boys & Girls Home	Apr 17, 2021
Junior Civitan District Convention	TBD	
SONC Summer Games	Raleigh	May 28-30, 2021
Summer Executive Board Meeting	TBD	Jun 12, 2021
Junior Civitan International Convention		TBD
International Convention		Jacksonville, Fl
Executive Board Meeting	Hickory	Aug 13, 2021
NCDW Convention	Hickory	Aug 13-14, 2021



### DEADLINES FOR THE WESTERN TARHEEL

The deadline for submission of articles and photos for the **WESTERN TARHEEL NEWSLETTER** are:

Third Quarter – June 15, 2020

Fourth Quarter – Dec 15, 2020

### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The continued success of the District Newsletter depends on your local Club. We need articles and photos of interesting things happening in your area.

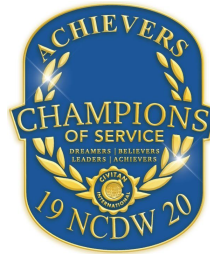
Submit articles and jpeg photos to: Leo Gordon at [gordonleo3@gmail.com](mailto:gordonleo3@gmail.com). Telephone: 704.799.6409.



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## WESTERN TARHEEL CIVITAN

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### Executive Board

Governor	John Sofley
Immediate Past Gover	
Major Awards	Christy Hopkins
Governor-Elect	Terry Jackson
Secretary	Sharon Ridgill
Treasurer	Ed Cozart
Past Governor Director	Jim Whitener
Judge Advocate	Mark Curran
Junior Civitan Governor	Grace Harrell

### District Area Directors

<b>Area I</b>	<b>Frederic Muse</b>
Asheville, Hayesville, Hendersonville, Rhododendron, Transylvania	
<b>Area II</b>	<b>Jill Atfield</b>
Boone, Lake Norman Mooresville, Statesville, Wilkes, Yadkin	
<b>Area III</b>	<b>Roger Harris</b>
Charlotte, Gastonia, Monroe, Shelby	

### Area IV East

Mike Hopkins  
Cabarrus, Faith, Granite Quarry,  
Joy, Richfield, Rockwell

### Area IV West

Gene Miller  
China Grove, Cooleemee, Salisbury,  
Summit, Woodleaf

### Area V East

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Level Cross, Ramseur Area, Red Cross,  
Zoland

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Thomasville, Welcome

### Area V West

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Challenger, Davie, Forsyth,  
Kernersville, Piedmont, Triad Ladies,

### Area VI

Bob Deen  
Mt. Gilead, Oakboro, Rockingham,  
Rolling Sandhills, Wadesboro



### Cabinet & Committee Chairs

Boys and Girls Home	Terry Jackson
Special Olympics	Jim Bullard
Club Recognition Program	Jackie Curran
Council/Convention	
Meeting Coordinator	Lynda J. Whitener
District Chaplain	Bruce Sheeks
District Newsletter	Leo Gordon
Drug Awareness Raffle	Stan Senft
Co-Chairs	Lee Wagoner
Drug Awareness App	Dr Mark Beymer
Fund Raising Chair	Wanda Huntley
Junior Civitan District	
Co-Chairs	Donna Jackson Forrest Harrell
Jr Civitan Coordinator	Amanda Hancock
Victory Junction Camp	Cathy Davis
Leadership Coordinator	Dr Mark Beymer
Sales and Marketing	Wayne Mullis
Sergeant-at-Arms	Jim Whitener
Region III Int'l Director	Tony Workman
Social Media Chai	Brad Lackey
Civitan Int'l I FND Liaison	Christy Hopkins
Growth and Retention	Mark Curran