

The header features a decorative illustration of a garden scene with green grass, various colorful flowers (purple, yellow, white, pink), and several butterflies (yellow, orange, blue) fluttering around. The title 'Paper Word' is written in a large, elegant, blue cursive font, with the 'Paper' and 'Word' parts being significantly larger than the 'Word' part. The background of the header is white.

Paper Word

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*A monthly newsletter for the Women's Auxiliary
of The Salvation Army of Greater Charlotte*

President's Message

Dear SAWA members,

LET'S DO LUNCH!

This month we will be able to meet and share a box lunch at Area Command on Tuesday, May 18th 11:30-1:00, just as we have in years past! We'll be blessed to hear Deronda Metz speak to us in person about COH and Pathway of Hope. We'll be presenting a plaque to Marilyn Winthrow, our first funded Scholarship donor of this fundraising season, and meet Brooke, one of our newest scholarship recipients and the first student awarded this scholarship. We have much to celebrate ladies! I cannot express my joy at having the opportunity for us to be together to share a meal and celebrate lives changed!

I want to take a brief moment to thank the Auxiliary Board, Committee Chairs, Beth Butchino and Major Wilma, for helping in every way possible to keep us going and growing during this incredibly difficult year. Diane Thomas spends countless hours making deposits, tracking donations, paying bills and keeping us afloat! Rosella Bergen has been working closely with the Boys & Girls club throughout and is our Boys & Girls club Board representative. Brenda Rorie never stopped for a moment since we shut down last spring, ensuring that the auxiliary can meet its financial commitments to our community. Diane Minsker has continued to keep our scholarship students and members engaged. Kay Major, our VP, worked hard on a variety of projects and was instrumental in putting together our Fundraiser packets. Becky Herring has revived our ARC commitment, which had completely shut down during the worst of the pandemic. Melanie Mason has continued to stay in close contact w/ COH and has stayed on top of filling their changing needs. Jane Truesdel has stepped in to send cards to our members. And last but not least, Carolyn Gibson has kept us Christ-centered, hope filled, and has kept me from falling apart on many occasions!

Thank you to all members for sticking with us and for your passion and dedication to SAWA and the Charlotte community during this unprecedented year. I'm honored to be a part of this incredible group. I hope to see you all in person or on Zoom on May 18th.

Jen,
President 2020-2021

Romans 12:12

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."

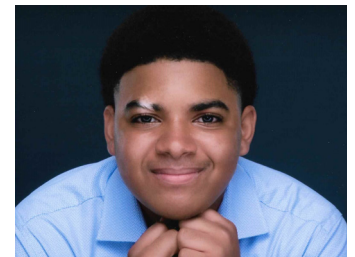
Scholarship Student

It is truly a blessing to have two new scholarship students who will be eligible for funding for five years of their college career.

Brooke Higgins will graduate with honors from Mallard Creek High School and will attend Winston Salem State University in the fall, majoring in computer science. Brooke was a member of the Belmont Boys & Girls Club where she learned to play tennis at summer camps and continues to teach tennis to younger children at the club. An outstanding student, Brooke has taken many AP courses and has been a member of the National Honor Society and other honor clubs. Jennifer Moore will mentor Brooke during her college career.



Cameron Chambers will be mentored by Martha Gilbert, who is a new member of the scholarship committee. Cameron, who is the Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year for 2021, will graduate from Olympic High School with honors. Cameron was a member of the Marsh Road club for 10 years. He feels strongly about mentoring young children at the club because he was mentored by a man who greatly influenced his life before his death. Cameron will attend NC A&T in the fall.



Diane Minsker

A photo of a smiling Philip Moore hangs over the PHILIP A. MOORE SCHOLARSHIP plaque displayed at the Milton Road Boys & Girls Club. The picture was taken during Philip's senior year in high school just before he died suddenly in 2019.

In his memory, his parents, Yvonne and Benjamin Moore, have been raising money to provide a yearly college scholarship to an outstanding Boys & Girls Club member. The recipient for 2021-2022 is Cameron Chambers. All of us on the scholarship committee appreciate the Moore family's tireless efforts to raise funds through yard sales, fish fries, and neighborhood/church donation campaigns. As Tonia Lewis, the director of the Milton Road club has said, "Through this photograph, Philip continues to inspire younger members who looked up to him when he was here at a club member." No matter our age, we can all be inspired by the Moore family's tireless efforts.



Diane, Yvonne, Tonia

Meeting Reminder for Members & Guests

Our next meeting will be held in person at Area Command and via Zoom on **Tuesday, May 18th from 11:30 - 1:00 pm. Please RSVP to Beth or Jen as we will enjoy a boxed lunch together!!** The board meeting will be held immediately before at 10:50 am. An Email will be sent out with meeting details next week. Please mark your calendars and make sure to check your Email for the link to join.

New Scholarship Sponsor

“David would want our foundation to support a deserving young person’s education.” This is the immediate response of my dear friend Marilyn Withrow when I approached her about our Festival of Hope fund-raising efforts. She and her husband David established and funded the David and Marilyn Withrow Foundation before his sudden death last June. David was one of the finest Christian men I have ever known. He and Marilyn have devoted their lives to serving others through our church’s missions, so it was no surprise to me that she was eager to write a check from the foundation for \$10,000!



The first recipient of the David and Marilyn Withrow scholarship will be Brooke Higgins, a most impressive young woman, who will be starting her Freshman year at Winston-Salem State University this fall.

I think we can all join Dana in saying “Thank you, Marilyn, for your loving heart and incredible generosity”.

Dana Vaden



ARC Update

We still need you!

Jewelry sorting is continuing on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, from 10:30-1:00. We enjoy lunch together while we are there. Several members have joined Jen and me, including Jen’s mother and our own Beth. This is a fun time and our efforts will help so many. We hope you will please join us.

Becky Herring

Center of Hope Update

The residents have moved back to the Center of Hope. Our commitment to provide one lunch and one dinner has resumed as well. We will also continue to provide cookies or ice cream sandwiches for dessert until the Fall. Hopefully by then we can start baking brownies again and start helping to serve the meals. Please continue to keep the residents and Center of Hope staff in your prayers.

Melanie Mason

Boys & Girls Club Update

Our Boys and Girls Club students are busy working on their school work, as usual, but also on their Boards of Hope. The children are so candid and have answered the questions of Hope in so many different ways. I think when you see them on video and can see their faces and hear their words, you are going to be amazed.

I have been visiting the Clubs and taking supplies so they can create their own beautiful view of what Hope looks like to them. I love talking not only with the staff, but the children as well. They are so full of energy and enthusiasm. As I visit each facility, I see needs in many forms but one has really stood out to me, and that is our recently relocated Dillehay Club. They are currently guests at the First Calvary Baptist Church and sharing a space has made activities a bit more difficult. They could use some games and outdoor recreational items to help keep the kids engaged and entertained. An Email will be sent with the list of items we can donate.

We are getting ready for summer camp and I know the kids are excited to once again have fun things to do. We can help prepare them for this experience by providing towels and snacks for the camp bags we will pack at Area Command. The kids will surely appreciate this!

Rosella Bergen

Save The Date!!!

Please reserve the dates of June 10th and 11th to attend and support the benefit for SAWA at the McLaughlin store at Phillips Place. They are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and will donate 15% of their profit for both days. They will provide an invitation we can give to friends, family and colleagues, and will provide sparkling water and cookies for our guests. We will staff a table to provide brochures about our work, along with membership forms to join the Auxiliary. Additional information and the invitations will be available soon, look for an update in your Email. Please mark your calendars, this is a great opportunity for us!

Rosella Bergen

Member Birthdays

Please join me in wishing the following ladies a Happy Birthday and blessed day!

Lotta Jett	May 4	Jeanette Strachan	June 26	Anita Mobley	Aug. 4
Carolyn Gibson	May 15	Jane Waddell	June 26	Jean Prince	Aug. 6
Diane Thomas	May 24	Jane Stone	June 27	Becky Herring	Aug. 13
Melanie Mason	May 26	Madeline Jones	June 28	Brie McConneghey	Aug. 13
Diann Back	May 31	Penny Hewett	June 30	Rosa Graves	Aug. 15
Olivia Fortson	June 1	Carolyn Ginyard	July 4	Diane Miller	Aug. 16
Angie Psillos	June 11	Dee Farrell	July 8	Donna Mauerhan	Aug. 20
Gertrude Hamilton	June 13	Janet Muchnicki	July 8	Linda Smith	Aug. 20
Brenda Rorie	June 15	Dee Fulton	July 19	Rosella Bergen	Aug. 22
Cheryl Crawford	June 17	Winnifred Ayers	July 29	Jackie Pace	Aug. 22
Rachel Beckwith	June 20	Chris Riddle	July 30		
Dana Vaden	June 20	Jeri Williamson	July 31		