

The mission of the North Carolina Extension and Community Association Inc. is:

To Strengthen Families and Communities through

- ♦ Leadership Development
- **♦** Community Action
- ◆ Educational support through research-based education from North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University

Greetings Everyone!

I am excited to greet you in this new year 2025. As we begin this new year, I commend you for the work you continue to do in your communities!

I pray all of you had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed your time with family and friends.

We need to focus on the fact that as volunteers we don't get paid, not because we are worthless, but because we are priceless. Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more but those giving more.

On that note let's pack our bags and get ready to go on this adventure and enjoy ourselves.

We have been waiting for this, and I encourage you not to let anything get in the way of you having a good time.

This past year we hosted the 2024 NVON and State Conference in Asheville, NC. Didn't we have a wonderful time. I know I did.

I am looking forward to visiting each of you as you celebrate your District Days in 2025.

Our focus this year is growing our organization and serving and supporting our communities.

Continue to support your Liaison Agent as you both work together to improve the lives of those in your communities. When you do, the history and purpose of ECA will live on through YOU!

Dorothy Wagstaff 2025-2026 President

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2025 Calendar & Deadlines

January 1 **New Officers** of State, District, County and local Associations assume duties

Yearbook corrections/additions due to NC State Extension Advisor & District VP

January 15 **NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting**

> ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 **Dorothy Wagstaff** Contact:

February 1 Submissions for Tar Heel Homemakers eNews to:

> Peggie Garner Peggie garner@ncsu.edu Wanda Denning wwdenn@gmail.com

Educational scholarships due to county

February 7 **NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting**

> ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: **Dorothy Wagstaff**

March 1 **Scholarship Applications** (1 Adult & 1 Youth) due to:

Wanda Denning

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March 6 **NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting**

> ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 **Dorothy Wagstaff** Contact:

March 20 **Northeast District Meeting**

> Contact: Janie Green

March 28 **West District Meeting**

> Contact: Kelly Dale

April 1 Submissions for **Tar Heel Homemakers eNews** to:

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April 3 **NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting**

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April 9 **South Central District Meeting**

> Contact: **Audrey Hunt**

Southeast District Meeting April 10

> Contact: Regenia Bell

April 29 **North Central District Meeting**

> Ann Wagoner Contact:

May 1 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

District Scholarship judging should be complete and results sent to the originating District Past President, NCECA Past President, NC State Extension Advisor

June 1 Send **Pennies for Friendship** donations to the Appointed Treasurer

Make checks payable to NCECA

Submissions for Tar Heel Homemakers eNews to:

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June 5 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

July 3 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

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July 8-10 NVON Conference – Springfield, Illinois

Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

August 1 Submissions for **Tar Heel Homemakers eNews** to:

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August 7 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

Deadline for **Leadership Application**

Leadership applications should be sent to NCECA Association Advisor

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September 4 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

October 1 Submissions for **Tar Heel Homemakers** eNews to:

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October 2 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff **November 1 NCECA Past President** to send out scholarship information. Letters or email reminders to District and County Advisors to promote scholarship applications.

Local membership dues sent to County Treasurer with names and addresses

November 6 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

December 1 Individual Yearly Reports Due to be logged online!

Submissions for **Tar Heel Homemakers eNews** to:

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Send **Pennies for Friendship** donations to Appointed Treasurer

County Scholarship chairs publicize scholarship opportunities

County Treasurer sends collected **membership dues** (check and completed form with all names, current address and other contact information) list to NCECA Appointed Treasurer by December 1. Please update as necessary during the year.

December 4 NCECA Leadership Virtual Meeting

ncsu.zoom.us/j/8183238864 Contact: Dorothy Wagstaff

North Carolina Extension & Community Association 2025 Budget

500.00
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300.00
50.00
200.00
25.00
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Pennies For Friendship

Pennies for Friendship provides a way for each individual member of societies to take an active part in the work of ACWW. By contributing to Pennies for Friendship, each member promotes world friendship, understanding and goodwill. "*Pennies for Friendship*" is a major source of the income to carry out the work of ACWW. NCECA urges members to participate in this activity

This voluntary fund is the lifeblood of ACWW. Within ACWW nothing functions without these **Pennies** – ACWW projects administration, United Nations links, Officers' Conferences, and the Countrywoman Magazine, are all supported by Pennies for Friendship.

ACWW depends totally on our generosity to enable the continuation of vital work on behalf of women striving to improve the quality of family life in rural areas, and is grateful for all donations given in Friendship and support of the work we are all doing together:

ACWW works with women worldwide!

In addition to the collection taken at our State Meeting, Clubs, Counties and District ECA groups can collect at each of their meetings. Fund-raising events can be held on ACWW Day, April 29 of each year.

Give Generously - Every Penny Counts!

Community Service Projects

One of the most satisfying, fun, and productive ways to make a difference in your community is to volunteer through community service projects. While this list is not by any means complete, these are some that are a statewide initiative of NCECA.

- Alzheimer's Association
- Boys & Girls Homes of NC
- Ronald McDonald House (soda tabs)
- Military Coupons

Other opportunities:

- Warm Up America
- School programs, i.e., supplies, lunches, clothing, books, backpack buddies, etc.
- Sewing projects for cancer patients and shut-ins, i.e., afghans, mastectomy pillows, cozy caps, etc.
- Partnering with other agencies, i.e., personal hygiene kits for Red Cross, battered family centers, bears, therapy dolls, activity aprons, Foster Care, homeless
- Any special projects relative to you community

2025-27 Project in Common

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS AND WELLBEING



Break the Stigma, Ignite Hope Mental Health Matters

We will increase awareness in our communities through:

- education programs
- · mental health first aid training
- · sponsoring community events
- fundraising for local and national mental health groups

- · sharing the 8
- dimensions of wellness
- · partnering with other
- organizations and
- businesses







Resources for the NVON Project may be found at: nvon.org/mental-health-awareness/

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