SCDEAFCS 2016 Report Submitted by Ann Simmons, President

The fall Meeting of the South Central District Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences was held in Hoke County on October 9, 2015. The Raeford-Hoke Museum was the venue for the meeting. The day began at 9:30 a.m. with refreshments followed by the business meeting at 10:03 a.m. Howard Wallace, Hoke County Extension Director, welcomed members to the County. District officers provided reports and updates during the business session. Sally McNeill installed 2016-17 Officers. After lunch, the group toured the Raeford-Hoke Museum. The date for the next meeting was scheduled for Friday, April 8, 2016, in Iredell County.

The spring meeting was held in Iredell County on Friday, April 8, 2016, at the Iredell-Statesville Schools Career and Technical Academy in Troutman, N.C. The day began with refreshments and the business meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. Special guests included Nancy Keith, Iredell County Extension Director; Dr. Mike Yoder, Associate Director and State Program Leader, 4H Youth Development and FCS; and Deb Cox, NCEAFCS President. Retired agents, Lucille Carter, Sandra Compton and Sally McNeill were also present.

Mrs. Keith welcomed the group to Iredell County and encouraged Agents to take time to "rest, refocus and replenish." Dr. Yoder brought updates from the 4H Youth Development and FCS Department, including the first FCS Council conference call held on March 9, 2016. Ann Simmons and Pam Outen represented the SCDEAFCS on the call. The purpose of the call was to discuss issues of importance to FCS Agents. Ms. Cox gave an update on NCEAFCS, including the State Meeting to be held in June at Kill Devil Hills. District officers gave reports and updates. Haley Napier announced the slate of officers for 2016-17. Members approved the list, and the officers will be installed at the fall meeting scheduled for October 21, 2016 in Mecklenburg County.

After the business session, members shared program successes and updates. Members enjoyed lunch prepared by the Iredell-Statesville CATS ProStart Culinary Arts Program. Mrs. Linda Marshall, CATS ProStart teacher gave an overview of the program. After lunch, members toured the school with the principal, Mr. Larry Rogers. The group learned about several training programs housed at the academy, including nursing, automotive mechanics, video production and graphic arts.