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## **OVERVIEW OF COLLECTION**

**Title:** Alawayne Nessmith papers

**Date:** 1972-2000

**Extent:** 1 box

**Creator:** Nessmith, Alawayne, 1928-2012

**Language:** English

**Repository:** Zach S. Henderson Library Special Collections, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA. [specolle@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:specolle@georgiasouthern.edu). 912-478-7819. [library.georgiasouthern.edu](http://library.georgiasouthern.edu).

**Processing Note:** Collection previously known as Alawayne Nessmith Civic Club Papers. Finding aid revised in 2020 by Alyssa Windsor, Graduate Intern, under the supervision of Autumn M. Johnson, Special Collections Librarian. .

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**Related Collections:**

[Daughters of the American Colonists scrapbooks](#)

[Daughters of the American Revolution : Archibald Bulloch Chapter \(Statesboro, Ga.\) scrapbooks](#)

[Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild scrapbooks](#)

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**ABOUT THE COLLECTION**

**Biographic History:** Originally a Fulton County native, Alawayne "Mae" Nessmith graduated from nursing school at Georgia Baptist Hospital as an RN in 1948. Always prioritizing her education, Alawayne later obtained a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Master of Arts in Health Education from Trenton State University. After many years in medicinal leadership positions, she and her husband retired to Statesboro in 1993 where she became very active in the community. She joined the Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild where she put her love of education to work by raising money for musical scholarships for students. She was also a member of the Civic Garden Club, Daughters of American Colonists, and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

**Scope and Content:** This collection consists of the personal papers of Alawayne Nessmith concerning her participation in civic organizations from 1975 to 2000 in Statesboro, Georgia. The primary focus is the Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild, but also included are documents related to her involvement in the Statesboro Civic Garden Club and Bulloch Council of Garden Clubs. Materials include organizational minutes, activities, events, and fundraising.

**System of Arrangement:** Materials are arranged in 3 series according to their group affiliation. Also stored together are programs from Symphony Guild fundraisers from 1986 to 1997 and Symphony Guild yearbooks from 1986 to 1997.

**Box 1:** 0200105010405

**Acquisitions Info:** Gift of Alawayne Nessmith

**Access Points:**

Alawayne Nessmith

Societies

Statesboro, Ga

Georgia

Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild  
 Statesboro Civic Garden Club  
 Bulloch County  
 Bulloch Council of Garden Clubs

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**CONTAINER LISTING**

**Box 1:** 0200105010405

<b><u>Items</u></b>	<b><u>Box Number</u></b>	<b><u>Folder Number</u></b>
Correspondence and minutes from the activities of the Bulloch Council of Garden Clubs (1995-2000)	1	1
Minutes of the Statesboro Civic Club (1975-1987)	1	2
Minutes of the Statesboro Civic Club continued (1975-1987)	1	3
Materials concerning the activities of the Statesboro-georgia Southern Symphony Guild (1991-1992)	1	4
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's history up to 1997	1	5
Materials concerning Symphony Guild's activities (1994-1997)	1	6
Materials concerning Symphony Guild's activities (1989-1992)	1	7
Materials concerning a bridge benefit luncheon sponsored by the Symphony Guild (May 2, 1991)	1	8
Materials concerning the fashion show fundraiser held by the Symphony Guild at the Statesboro Belk (1987-1988)	1	9
News clippings concerning the Symphony Guild's activities (1988-1989)	1	10
List of Symphony Guild presidents from 1972 to 1997	1	11
Symphony Guild publicity related items and letter of resignation as publicity chairman from Helen Rosengart (1987)	1	12
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's Spring 1989	1	13

fundraising project		
Two copies of the <i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild YearBook</i> (1987-1988)	1	14
Photocopy of a handwritten piece entitled "Installation Ceremony written by Sheron Bolen" (1989)	1	15
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's activities and correspondence with the Communication Arts Department (1987-1990)	1	16
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's Fall 1988 fundraising activities	1	17
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's Fall 1989 fundraising activities	1	18
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's Fall 1990 fundraising activities	1	19
Information and dates for the Symphony Guild's meetings (1989-1991)	1	20
Materials concerning the Symphony Guild's activities (1991-1993)	1	21
Materials concerning the Savannah Symphony Women's Guild fundraising project "Parties a la Carte" (1986-1989)	1	22
<i>Designers' Showcase 1986</i>	1	Program
<i>Designer's Showcase 1992</i>	1	Program
<i>Fashion Statement '94</i> (10-20-1994)	1	Program
<i>Fashion Statement '95</i> (10-19-1995)	1	Program
<i>Fashion Statement '96</i> (11-7-1996)	1	Program
<i>Fashion Statement '97</i> (10-23-1997)	1	Program
<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook</i> (1986-87)	1	Yearbook
<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook</i> (1989-90) (2 Copies)	1	Yearbook

<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook (1990-91) (2 Copies)</i>	1	Yearbook
<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook (1991-92)</i>	1	Yearbook
<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook (1992-93)</i>	1	Yearbook
<i>Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony Guild Yearbook (1993-94)</i>	1	Yearbook
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