

Georgia Women of Achievement

2009 Annual Report



Georgia Women of Achievement will recognize and honor women native to or clearly identified with the state of Georgia, who have made extraordinary contributions within their fields of endeavor and concern, and who will thus inspire future generations to utilize their own talents.



Caroline Pafford Miller
2009 Inductee



Jane Hurt Yarn
2009 Inductee



Harriet Powers
2009 Inductee

History

The idea to create an organization dedicated to honoring important women of Georgia's history was first suggested in 1988 by Rosalynn Carter. A year later, a founding committee was formed to set the groundwork for Georgia Women of Achievement. The committee included Rosalynn Carter, Robert Ackerman, Frank Jones, Valeria Murphy, Nancy Anderson, Neva Fickling, Eleanor Lane, and Colleen Nunn.

In 1989 a mission statement was adopted, and by 1990 the organization's structure was established, with its goals outlined. These goals included raising awareness through:

- Publicizing the achievements of Georgia women through an annual induction ceremony, a traveling exhibit, a website, a teacher resource guide, and through other media.
- Encouraging and supporting research and development of information about important women whose stories and accomplishments are not widely known.
- Providing information about inspiring role models for Georgia youth.
- Advocating inclusion of women's achievements in educational materials.

The first Georgia Women of Achievement induction ceremony took place in 1992 at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia. Since then, new inductees have been honored each year through ceremonies in various locations. The ceremonies take place in March, in celebration of Women's History month.



Juliette Gordon Low
Inductee 1992



Lucy Craft Laney
Inductee 1992



Martha McChesney Berry
Inductee 1992



Flannery O'Connor
Inductee 1992

Letter from the President and Executive Director:

The past year brought many exciting changes and positive developments to Georgia Women of Achievement. We are pleased to have formed a partnership with Georgia Public Broadcasting to produce biographical videos of our Induction Ceremony honorees, which can be found on our on-line museum and website. www.georgiawomen.org

Partnerships help us further our work of educating the public about the great women of Georgia. Along with GPB, we are pleased the Georgia Humanities Council became our Platinum Sponsor at the Induction Ceremony.

We were pleased to host approximately 100 students at the Induction Ceremony at no cost thanks to the generosity of our event sponsors who are listed in this report.

We look forward to another exciting year, as we continue to honor women who made outstanding contributions to our State. We are also committed to expanding our on-line museum by working toward the completion of videos for all who have been honored in our Hall of Fame. Keep checking our website, as we are frequently updating with exciting new videos and biographies.

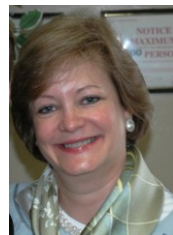
On behalf of Georgia Women of Achievement, we thank all who made the past year a success. We hope that you will share our pride in the year's accomplishments, and we look forward to your support in 2010.

Sincerely,

Shelli B. Siebert
Executive Director



Lisa L. White
President



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18th Annual Induction Ceremony Highlights

March 12, 2009 at Wesleyan College Macon Georgia

Keynote Speaker
Mary Kay Andrews, Author

2009 Inductees

Caroline Pafford Miller	1903-1992	Pulitzer Prize Winner
Harriet Powers	1837-1910	Quilter & Storyteller
Jane Hurt Yarn	1924-1995	Conservationist

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As a result of our generous sponsors, approximately 100 students attended the Induction Ceremony at no cost.

*"I will continue to learn from experiences like the induction ceremony."
Quameshia Bryant, Frank McClarin High School, 11th Grade*

2009 Personal Women of Achievement

The Trustees of Georgia Women of Achievement believe that the history of Georgia and the part played by women is of prime concern today and for the future. In 1996, the Trustees initiated 'Personal Women of Achievement,' a program offering individuals and opportunity to participate in Georgia Women of Achievement's mission by making a gift in honor or memory of a woman who was role model or mentor.

2009 Personal Woman of Achievement

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