An historian, educator, and author, Dr. Barbara M. Parramore has served effectively at all levels in public education, including professor at NCSU from which she retired in 1996. After retirement, she continued providing vital support and guidance to programs in education at NCSU and beyond. She also worked to provide guidance to school teachers' arts education efforts through her work with the Carolina Ballet and the NC Symphony. She provided leadership for the Umstead Coalition including writing a history of William B. Umstead Park. She spearheaded the development of a significant archival exhibit chronicling 4-H history and accomplishments for the 2009 NC 4-H Congress. Her participation in the Moral Monday March, protesting legislative actions relative to public education, was inspired by years of devotion and hard work to the cause of education. The price she paid for these efforts most dear to her heart included being hand-cuffed, jailed, and fined before finally reaching home at 3:00 a.m.!