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Serving ...with Sharon Your KAFCE President

Listed in this issue are the Member and Unit recognitions. These women have **served** a combined 1790 years in Family & Community Education. Each one was honored at their area/district recognition this spring, so please take time to talk to them about their experiences and things they have learned over the years. I am sure each one has an interesting story to tell.

This year the Southeast Area is **servicing** a wide variety of speakers, sessions, tours, and create and enjoy, topics for the 2014 State Conference "From Kitchens to Communities", to be held in Parsons, October 6-8. After hearing keynote speaker, Dr. Mark Johnson, with his "Developing A Photographic Memory", you will know how to keep all those items in your mind that you don't want to forget. We won't be **servicing** jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, relishes, and salsa but we will be having a judging contest at the conference. So start planning on preparing something for the contest. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded to the top three in each class. All the information and registration form is included in this issue.

Several Kansas officers and members will be attending the 2014 National FCE Conference in Tucson, Arizona July 17-24. The registration form is on the national website www.nafce.org. Click on upcoming events and you will find all the information you need for conference registration and hotel reservations. "Team Work Makes Dreams Work" is the theme for this year's conference.

This year I will be **servicing** up a different format for the August Mailing. Last year I sent to 50 counties at the cost of \$87.38 for printing and \$124.28 for postage. Each county will still receive a letter with a list of all the forms and the due dates along with the membership form, all treasurer forms and a list of their members. Only the county's that council presidents (9) that don't have emails or internet will receive the complete mailing. All forms will be on the www.kafce.org website. I will remind council presidents in the monthly FCE Connection of the upcoming due dates. The conference FYI booklet will have a new look. Items will be printed on both sides of the pages and all descriptions of the winners will be in the conference program book. This is a way I hope will save on printing and postage expenses.

I hope all members have a chance to buy tickets for the KAFCE Quilt. This 54'x66" quilted throw/wall hanging commemorates the 75th Anniversary of the Wizard of OZ. It is beautifully done with pictures of the historical movie taking place in Kansas. This is a fundraiser for the state and would help with all upcoming educational expenses.

Serve this organization well by buying raffle tickets, attending this year's 2014 conferences and working hard to make 2014 the best year for Kansas Association for Family and Community Education!!!!

OFFICIAL CALL * OFFICIAL CALL
For the Annual
Kansas FCE Business Meeting
Tuesday October 7, 2014
At 1:00 p.m.
Wesley United Methodist Church
Parsons, Kansas

This meeting is for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports and transacting other business as may properly come before it. Since the KAFCE NEWS goes to every member, all Kansas FCE members as well as County Council Presidents should consider themselves duly notified.

OFFICIAL CALL* OFFICIAL CALL

From the desk of Faye Spencer
KAFCE State Vice President

With the start of a new year, KAFCE will be heading in some new waters.

The State Education Program Committee made changes in how the Area Award Winners were reviewed for the state level awards. Chairperson Janie Williams gathered and reviewed the top two Area winners of each category, then mailed all of the forms to the next person of the committee. This process allowed each State EPC person more time to review, reflect and rank the winners. During the spring KAFCE Executive Board Meeting, the EPC also met to finalize the rankings, decide which lesson and who would complete the National FCE program book.

This will be the first year in which the NAFCE will have the program book accompany a brochure, not a display board. This new method is meant to cut cost for the state and national organizations. No more trying to get a huge display board through an airport, squeezed into a car, or shipped by UPS or USPS.

Yet with the new year, some things remain the same.

From the final summary of the FCE Accomplishment reports, there were 5,581 members reached during the 8 lessons.

- Roughly 65-70% of the membership participated in the programs.
- For every one member, six non-members were contacted through the programs.
- For every one member, 206 people were reached via the media, booth or displays.
- For every one member that person volunteered an average of 3 hours.

Thank you to the State EPC-Janie Williams, Parsons; Edith McClain, Gaylord and Judy Fullmer, Dighton.

Thank you to the Area EPC Chairs-

NE- DeLores Walden, Berryton

SC-Marlene Faul, North Newton

SW-Marcia O'Bleness, Copeland

NW-Susan Gartrell, Stockton

SE-Nancy Kernick

2013 Program Year AREA Awards

NORTHEAST	NORTHWEST	SOUTH CENTRAL	SOUTHWEST	SOUTHEAST
Atchinson	Ellis	Allen	Edwards	Bourbon
Douglas	Rooks	Butler	Ford	Cherokee
Jackson	Sherman	Ellsworth	Gray	Crawford
Johnson	Smith	Harvey	Hodgeman	Labette
Republic	Thomas	McPherson	Lane	
Nemaha		Neosho	Pawnee	
Pottawatomie		Ottawa	Wichita	
Shawnee		Reno		
		Saline		
		Sedgwick		
		Sumner		

Treasurer's Topics
Mary Jane Adams

Living in Manhattan has lots of wonderful advantages (and some disadvantages, but I won't go there) and one of those recently has been a reconnecting of KAFCE with one of the organizations that we have contributed to for many years. Just after the first of the year an alum of Smurthwaite contacted me because she "googled" Home Demonstration Units and KAFCE came up. She was looking for a group that might help promote Smurthwaite interest throughout the state. At the time she contacted me I was trying to locate the correct place to send the KAFCE contributions and "the gift" contributions for 2013. SO ----- I asked that they have someone write an article for the KAFCE news to share just what Smurthwaite is doing NOW and also got our contributions to the correct place.

As you read the article written by 2 women that live in Smurthwaite, think about the young women in your community and see if they might be interested in knowing more about it. I can "hook you up" to folks that are "in the know". If you or any of your family members are Smurthwaite alums and you are not in contact with them and would like to be, let me know.

The final piece of this updated situation is that the contributions we made were used in a 50/50 purchase with the Smurthwaite alum group to purchase a new Kirby Vacuum for the House.

Yes, there are advantages to living in Manhattan as those that I have been connecting with I have know for lots of years, but the KAFCE/Smurthwaite connection was not a high priority until now --- we do help each other in lots of ways.

Now, the real final piece of this is that I received a very nice Thank You note from the women of Smurthwaite – they all signed it individually. Thank you all for your contributions – all of them – keep it up and know they are appreciated!!

"There's No Place Like Smurthwaite"
written by Kathryn Tannahill and Anne Feldkamp

Scholarship. Leadership. Service, Friendship. These four simple words are the pillars by which 46 women live during their time in Smurthwaite Scholarship/Leadership at Kansas State University.

Smurthwaite was founded in 1961 by Georgianna Smurthwaite as a cooperative living environment, where residents share a role in the day-to-day operations of the house. In return for a lower rate than the residence halls, the women do three hours of kitchen or house-related work each week. The residents cook and eat dinner together at the house Monday through Thursday. They eat lunch Monday through Friday in Derby Dining Center and have a variety of in-house options for breakfast and weekend meals. The pillars are lived out everyday by the women in the house. Members promote scholarship by maintaining a 2.8 GPA. They practice leadership by running for and holding any of 24 leadership roles in the house. Many women also hold other leadership positions in their extra-curricular or co-curricular organizations around campus. Smurthwaite promotes a culture of service by each completing six hours of community service by completing three different service activities throughout the year. The final pillar of friendship is upheld in the little moments throughout the day. It is easy to make friends at Smurthwaite – at the beginning of each semester, the women attend a retreat week so everyone can get to know one another, and members also participate in Big Sis/Lil Sis mentoring programs.

Smurthwaite does a variety of events that help develop the women into well rounded future leaders. Each resident is required to put on an educational program of their interest for the house, but also to attend four other programs. To help promote Smurthwaite, every semester there is at least one fundraising effort like a pancake feed or a basket auction. There are also formal dinners to which people like RA's, Deans, or the University President are invited to spread the word about Smurthwaite. The house also hosts intramural teams, dances, and service projects to bring the women together. Having so many connections, so much support and so many opportunities for growth in their place of residence makes Smurthwaite women stand out as they go out to make a difference in their campus, city and global communities.

More from Mary Jane

As many of you know, there was discussion about dues at the 2013 State Conference. The group decided that the Board needed to review the situation and make a recommendation at the next State Conference, October 6 – 8, 2014 in Parsons, KS.

I am pretty sure that many of you reading this have already said to yourself, “If they raise the dues one more time, I am going to quit!!!” -- Have you said that????

Well, as a long time member and now State Treasurer, second time around, I have heard that many time and I do understand BUT reality must at some point set in about **our** organization – Kansas Association for Family and Community Education.

How important is the organization to you?? Do you really want it to continue or would you prefer that it go away so you could do something else, but you feel guilty if you quit?? What about all these new members that some counties are getting – how will they feel if many of us “old timers” decide KAFCE isn’t worth it --- what will they think??? **Unfortunately it is time for the hard cold facts of life to set in with all of us and our organization.**

Yes, we have some money in CD’s that we can use and have been using yearly for some time. If we are lucky we might have 10 years to keep the organization alive before the money is gone --- and I was hoping within that time that I could get back into a group when I retire --- will KAFCE still be around??? (How many of you just said, “Oh I won’t be around in 10 years so it won’t matter to me???)

At this point I see that we have 2 choices to discuss:

- 1) Do nothing except the bare minimum of things that the organization is doing now and in about 10 years, we will be no longer. The previous boards (for 10 + years) have cut as much as they possibly can cut. Nothing can be done about the price of postage, supplies, printing, etc going up --- it is life. The next cut is programming thus there is no value to the organization.
- 2) Raise the dues to prolong the organization – how long depends on the dues raise. (Remember you are paying \$5.00 for state dues now.)

Within the dues raise I also see 2 options:

- make a sizable jump where it will make a difference OR
- Raise the dues a little every year for 5 + years. I am not real sure that \$.50 a year (total of around \$600 - \$800) will really prolong us for long.

Decision time is upon us and we will be making a decision of some kind at State Conference in Parsons.

Other points of information --

- Receipts – Come the end of 2014 when paying dues for 2015 you will no longer receive a receipt in an envelope with a \$.49 stamp on it. You will receive a postcard --- a cost savings that we continue to look for.
- Mistakes – If the County or State Treasurer makes a mistake in figuring dues – up to \$10.00 no correction will be made -- one of us will just be out the money. I sent several checks to refund the dues for 2014 and I still have 2 checks that are outstanding --- that was December – this is May and 2 counties still have not cashed the check?? Was that YOU??

2014 STATE CONFERENCE – FIRST TIMER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The KAFCE Board of Directors' believes that attending a State Conference helps build support and enthusiasm for our organization and is offering financial support to 5 first time attendee(s) to the conference. The scholarship will cover only the cost of the Early Bird Registration Fee with all other expense being the responsibility of the winner.

To apply for this scholarship, you must be a full dues paying member of KAFCE. Complete the questions below and send it along with one letter of recommendation from your FCE or County Council President to, Mary Jane Adams 2135 Snowbird Drive Manhattan, KS 66502 no later than September 1, 2014. Independent members may also apply with the recommendation letter from another organization in which they are active.

NAME _____ FCE Name _____

ADDRESS _____ County _____

PHONE _____ E-mail _____

On a separate page please answer the following questions:

- 1) Why do you want/need this scholarship?
- 2) What goal do you have for your FCE?
- 3) How do you plan to share the information from State Conference?

Signature of Applicant _____

- Winners will be selected by September 10, 2014 and will be reimbursed at State Conference for the "early bird" registration fee only.
- Scholarship is for 2014 State Conference only
- 5 winners will be chosen with first preference given to 1 from each area
- Membership will be verified
- State President will notify winners; conference committee chairperson and State Treasurer
- State Board reserves the right to choose no winner if the situation arises.

Membership Recognition

25 YEAR MEMBERS

Amie Kendrick
Shari Lindsay
Darlene Nelson
Lois Moss
Patty Richards
Sig-Britt Hughes
Cynthia Kiser
Sheryl Giessel
Eileen White
Marcy Taylor

50 YEAR MEMBERS

Evelyn Walden
Darlene Bright
Donna VanGoethem
E Leone Bryant
Karen Spoon
Dorothea Appl
Jeanette L Cox
Joan Forrest

55 YEAR MEMBERS

Berdena Whisman
Iris Sanford
Gwen Brooks
Louise Thomas
Dorothy L. Pender

60 YEAR MEMBERS

Elaine Becker
Evelyn C. Crockett
Juanita Gillaspie
Lorene Schartz
Betty Hayes

65 YEAR MEMBERS

Eileen Acheson
Wilma Brooks
Fern Worthing
Edith Hadle
Wilma Jean Cooper
Myrtle Mae Jarboe.
June Sparr
Harriet Kern
Nila Been
Arbutus Topliff

70 YEAR MEMBERS

Joy Cudney

Unit Recognition

30 Yearss FCE

Modern Homemakers -
Pawnee

35 Years FCE

Morning Glory - Thomas

45 Years FCE

Gingham Aprons -
Montgomery

50 Years FCE

Buckeye - Ellis
Stitch 'n' Chatter - Ford
Modern Mrs.- Harvey
Happy Homemakers - McPherson
Excelsior- Republic

55 Years FCE

Ideal Homemakers - Johnson
Rock 'n' Roll - Neosho
Town & County - Ellsworth

60 Years FCE

Saline Homemakers - Ellis
Farmerettes - Atchison
Twilight - Mitchell
Moran - Allen
Valeda Friendly Neighbors -
Labette

65 Years FCE

Farm & Fireside - Thomas
Vinland - Douglas
Sliferettes - Crawford
Leamona- Neosho
Hanston Homemaker -
Hodgeman
Lincoln Larks - Sherman

70 Years FCE

Sheridan Homemakers -
Cherokee
Home Guide - Labette
Solomon Valley - Smith

85 Years FCE

Don't Dodge Difficulty -
Labette

Congratulations!!!!

**For all the Years of Work
in
Family & Community Education**

2013 AREA EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS
AREA EDUCATIONAL AWARDS

NE	1 st	Broderick FCE, Pottawatomie Co	3 rd	Sunshine Girls FCE, Jackson Co
	2 nd	59ers FCE, Douglas Co	HM	Berwick Home Benefit FCE, Nemaha
NW	1 st	Morning Glory FCE, Thomas Co	3 rd	Movers & Shakers FCE, Smith Co
	2 nd	Farm & Fireside FCE, Thomas Co		
SC	1 st	Happy Homemakers FCE, McPherson	3 rd	Inquisitive Mrs. FCE, Ellsworth Co
	2 nd	Kettle Queens FCE, McPherson Co	HM	Town & Country FCE, Ellsworth Co
SE	1 st	Ideal FCE, Labette Co	3 rd	South Logan FCE, Allen Co
	2 nd	Sliferette FCE, Crawford Co	HM	Gals FCE, Allen Co
SW	1 st	Sunnysouth FCE, Ford Co	3 rd	Sunny Sunflowers FCE, Hodgeman
	2 nd	Homemakers FCE, Hodgeman Co	HM	Prairie Pals FCE, Rush Co

AREA LEADERSHIP AWARDS

SC	1 st	Modern Mrs. FCE Harvey Co;		
SE	1 st	Renaissance FCE, Crawford Co	2 nd	Don't Dodge Difficulty FCE, Labette
SW	3 rd	West Hopewell Community FCE, Ford Co		

AREA ACTION AWARDS

NE	1 st	Tan-Ka-Wa FCE, Johnson Co	3 rd	Dover FCE, Shawnee Co
	2 nd	Berryton FCE, Shawnee Co	HM	Ideal Homemaker FCE, Johnson
NW	1 st	Hobart Homemakers FCE, Rooks	3 rd	Modern Mrs. FCE, Rooks Co
	2 nd	Buckeye FCE, Ellis Co		
SC	1 st	Evening Belles FCE, Saline Co	3 rd	Kipp FCE, Saline Co
	2 nd	Friendly Neighbors FCE, Ellsworth Co	HM	Helping Hands FCE, McPherson Co
SE	1 st	Starlite FCE, Bourbon Co	3 rd	Thursday Nite Live FCE, Bourbon Co
	2 nd	Walnut FCE, Crawford Co	HM	Cherokee Chicks FCE, Cherokee Co
SW	1 st	Sunshine FCE, Rush Co	3 rd	Franklin FCE, Edwards Co
	2 nd	Stitch N Chatter FCE, Ford Co	HM	Sunnywest FCE, Hodgeman Co

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

NE	1 st	Broderick FCE, Pottawatomie Co	3 rd	Kaw Better FCE, Pottawatomie Co;
	2 nd	Berryton FCE, Shawnee Co	HM	Cum Joy Nus FCE, Shawnee Co
NW	1 st	Movers & Shakers FCE, Smith Co	3 rd	What's New FCE, Rooks Co
	2 nd	Buckeye FCE, Ellis Co	HM	Modern Mrs. FCE, Rooks Co
SC	1 st	Happy Homemakers FCE, McPherson	3 rd	Chatterboxes FCE, Sedgwick Co
	2 nd	Union Valley FCE, Reno Co	HM	Highland FCE, Butler Co
SE	1 st	Crawford County Council. Crawford Co	3 rd	Thursday Nite Live FCE, Bourbon Co
	2 nd	Ideal FCE, Labette Co,	HM	Starlite FCE, Bourbon Co
SW	1 st	Prairie Pals FCE, Wichita Co	3 rd	Better Homes FCE, Edwards Co
	2 nd	Spring Creek FCE, Lane Co		

INDEPENDENT ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT AWARD

Virginia Pringle, Osage Co; Every Day Can Be a Holiday

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Did you know Kansas FCE has a website? Check it out at www.kafce.org. Submit articles for the "news" page to Marcy Price at marcyfce@yahoo.com.

2014 Calendar of Events

2014 Dates to Remember:

- June 19 Board of Director's Meeting
Wichita Extension Office (Cox Room)
- July 18 – 20 National FCE Conference,
Tucson, Arizona
- Sept 6 – 8 State Leadership Training - Salina
- Oct 6 - 7 KAFCE Board of Director's Meeting
Parsons, Kansas
- Oct 6 - 8 KAFCE State Conference – Parsons, KS
- Oct 12 - 15 National FCE Week
- Nov 16- 22 National Family Week

2015 Dates to Remember:

- July 23 – 26 National FCE Annual Conference
Kansas City, Missouri

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Candidate for State President Elect

Dorene Reimer, Southwest Area has agreed to run for President-elect. She is a 18 year member of in Wichita County. She has held the position of County Council President and South West Area Director from 2012 until present. She has served on the County Extension Council FACS Program Planning Committee. Locally she is the President of the Arts Alliance in Wichita County. She loves working with other women to make a difference and FCE presents many avenues through which one can make a difference.