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NOTES FROM DORENE

What an awesome two months I have had! I have attended seven of eight Spring Area FCE Business Meetings and District Recognition Day celebrations in the five areas across the State of Kansas! The variety and scope of the 2015 projects carried out by FCE groups across the state is most inspiring! Much is accomplished by FCE volunteers in education, community action and developing leadership, all "...to promote a better way of life for all families and communities in making the world a better place in which to live." Most of these accomplishments would not come about except for the FCE grass root volunteers. I take much pride in this organization and its members!

I am humbled and honored that FCE members across the state have been very attentive to what I have had to present as well as seemingly unified and willing to follow the State KAFCE Board's lead and direction for 2016. I am thankful and appreciative that so many have paused and visited with me about their ideas and vision for the future of KAFCE. New options have been gleaned for the strengthening and perpetuation of the KAFCE mission and organization. I have a list of new ideas as well as several professional contacts that will be most helpful in converting the noun "idea" into meaningful action "verbs." The Board realizes, however, that these ideas will come to naught if we don't establish some firm "how to" plans and proceed with them. I am pleased we can follow in Sharon Giacometti's sure leadership steps to perpetuate this great organization.

I have already indicated that the area of membership will be spotlighted during my Presidential term; however, the challenges that face us to perpetuate FCE need to have a broader "attack" than just the area of membership. Broadening our membership base is the first step. (We have gotten between 10 and 15 new members since March!). There are at least two other areas that the Board is looking at. The first is the expanded use of technology, not only as a money saving measure, but also as a way to develop new FCE groups. I have invited a technology professional to the June Board meeting to teach us more about this process. The second area is the expansion of a continuous marketing program. The Board has purchased some interesting new products and will be considering others. I know other areas of action will surface as we move forward and as all members "munch" on options.

At the June Board Meeting, we will be finding ways of taking action. We ask for input and feedback from everyone. All FCE members have the Board roster with all the Board's vital statistics—only thing left out is our birth weights! Contact any of us! After the meeting, I will communicate with the County Council Presidents to share discussion, options, and firm decisions and changes that may be made at the Board meeting, and I desire that the information be passed to every unit. This process to perpetuate FCE will not be easy or quick. Members solidly behind every undertaking help achieve what the Board leaders cannot achieve alone. This endeavor will never succeed without the united rank and file to see it done. My parents taught me not to waste time trying to figure out if I could do something. Just figure out how to get it done! Let's figure out how to get it done together!

I encourage each of you to attend the KAFCE Annual Conference in Topeka, KS, on October 3-5, 2016. The registration form is included in this issue! It promises to be three wonderful days, (annual meeting included), packed with education, fun, and, not to be ignored, food!

OFFICIAL CALL * OFFICIAL CALL

For the Annual

Kansas FCE Business Meeting

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

At 1:00 pm

Ramada Hotel & Convention Center

Topeka, KS

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

KAFCE Vice President
Edith McClain

The EPC committee and I are working on the lessons and forms for 2017. The lessons are coming together really well

We are planning the leadership training in Salina on August 29 and 30, 2016. We plan to spend Monday 29th with the KSU and FCE lessons. The morning of the 30th we plan to review the forms, have lunch on our own and for those who wish, we will do computer training at the Salina Public Library. We feel we need the extra time to do additional training on the forms. Letters will be sent out to all the Area Directors and Area EPC committee members in late July so we can confirm numbers planning to attend.

Emails and phone calls to me are always welcome. I want to hear what the members need! My e-mail: emcclain@ruraltel.net Phone number: (home) 785-697-2754.

Attention all County Council Presidents!!

In August, you will receive the white, large envelope marked "KAFCE August Mailing, Time Sensitive." This packet will contain forms important to the 2017 FCE year, beginning January 1st, 2017. EACH FCE UNIT in your county will need to receive, from you, a copy of appropriate forms pertaining to individual FCE units. Other forms apply only to the county council and will need to be sent to the appropriate Area Director or State Officer as listed on the form. Please go over the packet carefully, and send the appropriate forms to each of the individual county FCE Units before September 1st, so multiple copies can be made at the local level.

One of the most important forms is the 2017 NAFCE/KAFCE Membership Form—EVERY FCE MEMBER in the state of Kansas—Independent members included—must have one of these and EACH UNIT must have extra for all those new members we will have! Remember, dues is collected early, and these memberships are for the 2017 FCE year beginning January 1st, 2017.

It is advisable to keep a copy of all forms that you send away. If there are questions, please call (620-874-5062) or email dreimer@wbsnet.org. Thank you!
Dorene Reimer, KAFCE President

Wilma Lill Named Volunteer of the Year by Chevron Retirees Association

Wilma Lill of El Dorado, Kansas, South Central Area, recently received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Chevron Retirees Association. She was presented the Award on May 16, 2016, in Philadelphia, PA, at the annual CRA Convention. In April, 2016, Wilma entered the competition, citing her many years of volunteer work in the local Highland FCE group, the Butler County FCE Council, the South Central Area FCE, and the Kansas State FCE, as well as in other community and church activities.

One of the thrilling aspects of this award is the \$5,000 check written out to NAFCE that was presented to Wilma! She is designating this money to go to "The Legacy," a long term fund set up by NAFCE for all FCE members to donate to as they wish in order to leave an organizational legacy to future FCE members.

What a boost to the Legacy Fund to help keep our "FCE—Mighty Like An Oak" status for many years to come! Congratulations to you, Wilma! Thank you for your many years of service through FCE!

Wilma will be presenting the check to NAFCE at National Conference, July 14-17, 2016, in Memphis, TN. Wilma will also be honored at KAFCE Annual Conference in Topeka, KS, October 3-5, 2016.

Leadership and Learning Opportunities Available!

Since early in 2016, Scott Teeples, NAFCE Nominating Committee chairman, the NAFCE Nominating Committee members, and the National officers have been seeking applicants for five NAFCE officer positions. The deadline for filing an application was May 15, 2016, but applications can still be turned in to Scott Teeples via email, snail mail, telephone call or in person before the first day of the 2016 National FCE [Conference--sfteeples@charter.net](mailto:sfteeples@charter.net) or 4338 Arthur Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97603 or 541-891-6456. The applicant must also be nominated from the floor during the NAFCE Annual Business meeting on Friday, July 15th, 2016.

The openings include: Vice President for Program-3 year term; Treasurer-3year term; Program Coordinator 2--3year term; Public Policy Coordinator 2--3year term; Public Policy Coordinator 1--2 year term. Don't understand what any of these offices entail? Judy Fullmer, National FCE Secretary, or Sharon Giacometti, National FCE Program Coordinator, both well known Kansas FCE members & both past KAFCE Presidents, could answer any of your questions. Each of these ladies is enthusiastic about NAFCE & working in these leadership positions.

There are many Kansas FCE members qualified to be a National FCE Officer. Won't you step up and volunteer to lead & learn?

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR NAFCE PROJECTS & FUNDRAISERS!!

Wow! What a smorgasbord of projects and fundraisers will be at National FCE Conference this year! I can't donate to all of these worthy needs, but I have selected two that "ring my bell" and fit my hobbies & interests. Perhaps many of you FCE members across Kansas could pick at least one project that is a contribution possibility!

Please look these opportunities over and consider either bringing or sending something with someone to Memphis in July. Contact me by July 11th if you need someone to take an item (or items). Thanks for all that each of you do & continue to do to keep FCE "Mighty Like An Oak."
President Dorene

Alumni Fundraiser at National Conference

Small quilted items such as table runners, pot holders, wallet purses, tote bags, mini quilts, will be auctioned off during the NAFCE Conference in Memphis. Money collected will go to the National FCE Board Alumni Scholarship Fund for first timers to Conference. If you are one of those addicted quilters or know someone who is, contact President Dorene by phone or email, and arrangements will be made to get the quilted item to Memphis.

Silent Auction Items Needed!

Every state is encouraged to contribute at least two items worth at least \$20 (or more) each for the NAFCE Silent Auction during the 2016 National FCE Conference in Memphis, TN, July 14-17. While the KAFCE Board will send two items, more items would be most welcome.

What about that item you made a long time ago--it's really nice, but you just haven't had an opportunity to gift it? Or would you consider sending something that you could make and complete before July 11th? Wouldn't it be outstanding if Kansas sent, not just two items, but many items for the silent auction?

If you have an item to send (or better yet, take), please call or email Dorene at 620-874-5062 or dreimer@wbsnet.org.

I will do the paper work required, and we will work together to get items to National Conference! Thank you!

Project on Human Trafficking

At the 2015 National Conference, a new FCE Program Focus was introduced: Human Trafficking. At that time, items were collected to donate to women's shelters for gift kits for rescued victims of human trafficking. Again, at the 2016 National Conference in Memphis, items will be collected. Suggested items:

Gift Card (food, Walmart, Target, Penny's, etc.
Tissues, comb/brush

Make up - mascara, blush, and lip gloss

Sanitary supplies (Napkins, pads, tampons),
wipes

Toothbrush/toothpaste/floss/mouthwash

Hand lotion, manicure/pedicure supplies

Hand sanitizer, Mittens/gloves/scarves

Face cleanser

Inspirational books

Nail Polish

For those who travel: the small sized lotions, soaps, shampoos, conditioners, make up remover pads that hotels and motels provide are excellent to include with purchased items to make up a kit. Contact any KAFCE Board Member if you have some items to donate and send.

2015 AREA EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS

COUNTY COUNCIL PROJECT WINNERS

1st Hodgeman County

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

SW 1st Homemakers - Hodgeman Co	3rd Spring Creek - Lane Co
2nd Rozel - Pawnee Co	H.M. Stitch & Chatter - Ford Co
SE 1st Ideals - Labette Co	3rd Sheridan Homemakers - Cherokee Co
2nd Don't Dodge Difficulty - Labette Co	HM Home Guide - Labette Co
SC No winners	
NW 1st Buckeye - Ellis Co	
2nd What's New - Rooks Co	
NE 1st Broderick - Pottawatomie Co	3rd Berryton - Shawnee Co
2nd Ton-Ka - Wa - Johnson Co	HM Spring Hill - Johnson Co

ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT WINNERS

Education

SW 1st Homemakers - Hodgeman Co	3rd Stitch & Chatter - Ford Co.
2nd Hanston Homemakers - Hodgeman Co	HM Sunny West - Hodgeman Co
SE 1st Thursday Night Live - Bourbon Co	3rd Renaissance - Crawford Co
2nd Slifferette - Crawford Co	HM Sheridan Homemakers - Cherokee Co
SC 1st Canton Dizzy Dames - McPherson Co	3rd Happy Homemakers - McPherson Co
2nd Evening Belles - Saline Co	
NW 1st Hobart Homemakers - Rooks Co	3rd Movers & Shakers - Smith Co
2nd What's New - Rooks Co	
NE 1st Broderick - Pottawatomie Co	3rd Cum Joy Nus - Shawnee Co
2nd Kaw Better Homes - Pottawatomie Co	HM Harmony Homemakers - Johnson Co

Action

NW 1st Sunny Sunflowers - Hodgeman Co	3rd West Hopewell Community - Ford Co
2nd Rozel - Pawnee Co	HM Franklin - Edwards Co
SE 1st Ideal - Labette Co	3rd Rock n Roll - Neosho Co
2nd G.A.L.S - Allen Co	
SC 1st Inquisitive Mrs. - Ellsworth Co	
NW1st Buckeye - Ellis Co	3rd Farm & Fireside - Thomas Co
2nd Modern Mrs. - Rooks Co	HM HM Saline Homemakers - Ellis Co

Leadership

SW 1st Spring Creek - Lane Co

2015 KAFCE State Award Winners

FCE ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORTS: Education

- 1st Place: Hobart Homemakers - Rooks County/ NW
- 2nd Place: Broderick FCE - Pottawatomie County/NE
- 3rd Place: Homemakers - Hodgeman County/SW
- Hon. Mention: Sunny Sunflowers - Hodgeman County/SW

FCE ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORTS: Action

- 1st Place: Ashland - Riley County/NE
- 2nd Place: TON-Ka-Wa - Johnson County/NE
- 3rd Place: G.A.L.S. - Allen County/SW
- Hon. Mention: Sunny Sunflowers - Hodgeman County/SW

FCE ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORTS: Leadership

- 1ST PLACE: Spring Creek - Lane County/SW

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

- 1st Place: Ton-Ka-Wa - Johnson County/NE
- 2nd Place: Broderick - Pottawatomie County/NE
- 3rd Place: Berryton - Shawnee County/NE
- Hon. Mention: Ideals - Labette/SE

COUNTY COUNCIL PROJECTS: Education

- 1st Place: Allen County/SE
- 2nd Place: Pottawatomie County/NE
- 3rd Place: Douglas County/NE

COUNTY COUNCIL PROJECT: Action

- 1st Place: Hodgeman County/SW
- 2nd Place: Shawnee County/NE

INDEPENDENT MEMBER AWARDS

- Hon. Mention: Virginia Pringle - Osage County/SE
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Membership Recognition

25 YEAR MEMBERS

Martha M. Flanagan
 Clarice Graves
 Bridget Gyulafia
 Melinda J. Helwig
 Judy Hunt
 Betty Kuentler
 Velda Lehman
 Lee Ruth Massa
 Jewell Perkins
 Bonney L. Root
 Kathleen Roy
 Clarice E. Russell
 Betty M. Vogts
 Mary G. Gallegos

50 YEAR MEMBERS

Carol Bradford
 Verlene Cornell
 Judy Emert
 Jeanne Haase
 Jerri L. Hefling
 Betty Johnson
 Sandra Tammen
 Janie Williams

55 YEAR MEMBERS

Shirley Ade
 Marjorie Brink
 Mary Ellen Howell
 Dian L. Jennings
 Arnita Schultz

60 YEAR MEMBERS

Wadona Bircher
 Charlene Gigstad
 Jean Hamilton
 M. Delores Heistand
 Donna O'neal
 Donna M. Simpson
 Naomi Pearl Scott

65 YEAR MEMBERS

Pauline Fecht
 Ruth Meyer
 Pauline Russell

70 YEAR MEMBERS

M. Darlene Day
 Anna Schlagel

FCE RECOGNITION

50 YEARS

CumJoyNus FCE

70 YEARS

Eagle FCE
 Rozel FCE
 Sliferette FCE

75 YEARS

Ton-Ka-Wa FCE

80 YEARS

Sunnyside Avondale FCE

85 YEARS

Monitor FCE

90 YEARS

Harmony Homemakers FCE

2015 Area Counties 100% Reporting

Northwest	Northeast	South Central	Southwest	Southeast
Ellis	Atchison	Butler	Pawnee	Allen
Rooks	Jackson	Ellsworth	Ford	Cherokee
Russell	Shawnee	Harvey	Hodgeman	Labette
Smith		McPherson	Lane	Montgomery
Thomas		Saline	Wichita	

Congratulations!!!!

2016 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, Dorene Reimer, 1294 West County Road P, Leoti, KS 67861, no later than September 2, 2016. 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 9, 2016, and will be reimbursed at State Conference for the “early bird” registration fee only
- Scholarship is for 2016 State Conference only.
- Five winners will be chosen with first preference given to one 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.

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2016 Calendar of Events

- June 23-- Board of Director's meeting
Wichita -- Sedgwick County
Extension Office
- July 14 -17 -- National Conference
Memphis, Tennessee
- August 29 —30 -- EPC Leadership Training
Webster Conference Center
Salina
- October 3 - 4 -- KAFCE Board of Director's
meeting Topeka
- October 3-5 -- KAFCE State Conference
Topeka
- October 9 -15 -- National FCE Week
- November 13 -19 -- National Family Week

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2016 August Mailing

In August, County Council Presidents will be receiving the packet of necessary information for 2017 FCE local and county membership, officers, and responsibilities. You are the connection between your Area and the State Board! It is your responsibility to give all information to the correct people. Take note of all DUE DATES! The State Board desires to be abreast of all Kansas Members and all local Units. Let's promote unity by assuring these connections are made!