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President's Comments



President Patti Malanaphy 2015-2017

Happy New Year! May this coming year bring new direction and energy to **Oregon Family Community and Education**. This will be a great opportunity for all of us to reflect on making 2016 a year to grow our membership. Let's all make recruiting new members top priority. Take advantage of **KEEPERS CORNER** scholarship to assist new members with their first year dues. Also, contact members who have been away more than five years, and ask them to come back. Let's start rebuilding, and make our organization strong and productive. **Oregon Association for Family and Community Education** depends on all members taking responsibility for the future of **FCE**.

I would like to welcome **Bonnie Teeples** to the **Oregon State Board**. **Bonnie** will assume the position of **State Treasurer**. **Sandie Bolyard** will assume position of **Vice President for Public Policy**. **Lendamai Poole** will be new **District 1 Director**, **Marilyn Thompson and Loretta McDonald** will be **District 2 Directors**, **Sally Wyffels and Anna Massingham** will be **District 3 Directors**, **Marilyn Perkins and Rachel Eastman** will be **District 4 Directors**, **Jan Allen** will be **District 5 Director**. These are your district directors who are available to you for any information you may require, and also to provide you with information from your board.

Sandie Bolyard will assume the **Finance Committee Chair**, **Scott Teeples** will be finance secretary, and **Jean Baker** will join as new member on the finance committee.

At the fall conference board members made the proposal for **Oregon Re-Districting**. The members voted to accept the change from **10 Districts to 5 Districts**. This is effective **January 1, 2016**. **District Directors** will receive a map showing the

new counties and their district which they will provide to their county council and study groups.

The board approved change for an all inclusive registration for state conferences. This will take effect **January 1, 2017**. **District Directors** will have more information on these changes to share with their counties after **Spring Board** meeting in **April**.

The **Oregon Brochure** committee continues working on a new brochure for our state. I am very excited about their progress. This has been an involved task which required unique and talented people to develop a brochure that reflected **Oregon Association for Family & Community Education**.

Our **National Project** will be **Human Trafficking**. I hope that all study groups will participate in this project. It's an opportunity for our state to come together, and make a difference in helping these women. The **Fall issue of "FCE Today"** newsletter from our **National FCE President Lynn Maples** has information to assist you with getting started.

Spring Board will meet **April 4 & 5, 2016** in **Redmond**. Please send ideas for lessons to be presented at the board meeting for selection to **Deanna Hadley VP of Programs**. You can also give your suggestions to your district directors.

Remember to check out our web-site www.oregon-fce.org for any information you need.

I would like to thank the **County Councils** who have been diligent in sending me their council meeting minutes. I like being informed of what is happening within our state. Communication is a valuable tool in keeping all counties connected. Please share with articles in our **FCE Newsletter** too. Myself, and state board members are available to receive your comments and suggestions.

Patti Malanaphy
Oregon FCE President



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Members we lost in 2015

(These are the ones that I know about and have received notes about them.)

Violet (Vi) Shepard

May 14, 1935 - October 13, 2015

Vi passed away at the age of 80 on **October 13, 2015**, from the effects of a stroke. She was a member of the **South Salem Hilltoppers FCE**.

During her childhood years became interested in **4-H** and it became a lifelong event. She was a member, a leader and chosen as an **IFYE (International Farm Youth Exchange)**. She went to **Austria in 1957**, as an **IFYE** student and lived there for nearly 6 months working on four family farms.

She taught one year in **Westfir, Oregon** and several years of teaching **Home Economics** in the **Salem-Kizer school** system. She was also an **Extension Agent in Wheeler County**. She worked for the **Oregon Trawl Commission and Fish, in Lincoln County**. She was a driving force in writing and producing the **MPY Tri-County Newsletter**, which informs readers about **FCE** events happening in **Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties** as well as in areas close by.

Joan Lou Monnier

July 15, 1936 - October 25, 2015

Joan was a **FCE** member in **Woodburn**. She served on **Marion County Council**, helped with the mailings of the **MPY and Oregon FCE News**. She was always willing to help or drive members and

guest to **FCE** events. One member commented that **Joan** always made me feel "right at home".

Dorothy Marie Akin

January 31, 1916 - March 4, 2015

The members of **FCE Happy Valley Study Group** bid good-bye to one of their long-cherished members, **Dorothy Marie Akin**, who passed away on **March 4, 2015** at the age of 99.

Dorothy was born and raised in **Elgin, Illinois** where she worked at the **Elgin** watch factory and where she met her husband, **Inman**. They moved to **Happy Valley, Oregon** in **1974** and she became a member of **Home Extension**, as it was then known. She was an enthusiastic member of the organization for 41 years and attended meetings faithfully until **October 2014** when she fell at home and broke her hip. After that she lived in a foster care home in the **Happy Valley** area until her death. **Dorothy** always had a smile on her face, a twinkle in her eye and was always ready to share her dry wit with everyone. She was a joy to know and we miss her very much.

We will surely miss all of these ladies.

Lynda Nyseth, Editor

Geri Gustafson

100 years old

Happy Birthday



Patti and Geri

Not only did we celebrate **Geri's 100th** birthday we also congratulated her on being a 60 year member.

2015 Heart of FCE Winner Betty Pribil



Gay Jarvinen presenting Betty with the **Heart of FCE Award**.



Betty Pribil is a second generation **FCE** member who followed her mother's example of becoming a member of **FCE** and serving in every office of leadership during her 25 years as a member of the **Happy Valley Study Group** in north **Clackamas County**.

Betty was born and raised in **Chillicothe, MO**, a small town about 75 miles northeast of **Kansas City**. She participated in **4-H** from age 6 through 14 in the areas of cooking, sewing, and farm animal care. She began her life-long involvement with sewing at the age of six when she started making clothes for her dolls. She made all her own clothes as she went through school.

Following high school she attended business college in **Kansas City** and landed a job at **Equitable Life Insurance Company** after graduation. **Betty** met her husband **Frank** through his sister, who also worked at **Equitable Life**. They were married after a whirlwind six-week courtship and were married for 62 years until his death in **2010**. In **1952** they moved to **Tulare, CA** where **Frank** had been offered a new dental tech job and where **Betty** found a job as a clerk, then

bookkeeper and eventually became the business manager for the **Tulare Elementary School District**. After retiring in **1986**, she and **Frank** moved to **Happy Valley** to be near their only son, **Joe**. **Betty** has three grandsons, and two great grandsons who live in the **Clackamas** area.

Betty is a lifelong quilter and after the move to **Oregon** she became involved in making quilts for the **Clackamas County Abused Children and Adults** program along with providing quilts for her church's (**Clackamas United Church of Christ**) outreach ministries. Her eyesight is presently not good enough to allow her to continue with her quilting, but she has managed to produce 6,401 quilts for various charities during her lifetime of sewing. She even involved four other **Happy Valley FCE** members to help her tie many of those quilts. When asked what motivates her, she said, "It's a strong desire to help others and to keep busy. This is what keeps me going". She will be **92** on **Feb. 4** and is still attending regular **FCE** meetings. We are proud to have her as a member of the **Happy Valley Study Group** and we salute her contribution of all those beautiful quilts to help others in need in our community. Congratulations **Betty**, on your selection as the winner of **Oregon's 2015 Heart of FCE Award!**

Submitted by **Karen Hicks**, Co-President,
Happy Valley FCE Study Group of Clackamas County

Heart of FCE nominations

I hope you have been thinking about your nominations for **2016 Heart of FCE**. This nomination is a member in good standing that has made a difference in their community through **FCE**, to make the world a better place. One person from each County can be nominated. We need two 2"x2" photos of the face only and a 100 word summary of the person and how they have utilized their involvement in **FCE** in their lives.

Get this information to your County Council so they can get the nomination form and photos to me by **March 15, 2016**, so we can have them for the **Spring Board Meeting**. For more details and the form look on the web-site www.oregon-fce.org

Sandie Bolyard, 34343 Hwy 97 N., Chiloquin, OR 97624

Report from V. P. of Public Policy

As the Chair of the **State Character Counts Essay and Artwork Contest** for fourth grade students **I** want to remind everyone to get their first place winners to me by **March 15th** so we can pick the State winner at the **Spring Board**. The **Pillar of Character** this year is **FAIRNESS**. Make sure you include the State and National permission slips and a photo of your 1st place winners. The State winner will be sent to National right after the board meeting. You do not have to limit the participants to schools, they may do them at home so get them out to libraries, **4-H**, community centers etc. your study groups also have grandparents with access to fourth graders so encourage your members to get involved.

State Conference registrations

After extensive discussion the board decided we needed an alternative to the conference fee structure we had in the past to provide the same quality conference our members expect and deserve.

During our facility negotiations we strive to keep the costs as low as possible. At the **2017** conference we will start the all- inclusive registration and meals fee for the whole conference as well as a one day registration, meeting, meals and workshop fee for **Tuesday**, there are several reasons for the all- inclusive fees, in our planning of the conferences we negotiate with the facilities for costs related to the use of the conference rooms, AV equipment, setting up of the rooms for meetings and workshops, food and beverage cost, gratuities and the staff to perform these tasks. These cost are offset by attendees buying the provided meals as part of the all-inclusive conference price package. If we don't meet the contract cost through the sale of their meals, the price difference must be made up out of the host district funds.

We do have the **Margaret Seibold scholarship** available to all members to help defray the cost of attending a conference. Please request this through your new **Treasurer Bonnie Teeples** at 4338 Arthur St. Klamath Falls, OR 97603, phone 541-882-4374

Thank you for your support as your past **Treasurer Sandie Bolyard**

Web Site for Oregon FCE
www.Oregon-FCE.org

Please check out the web-site. Contact me on my home phone 541-882-4374, on my cell phone 541-892-6456, or my email (my best contact) sfteeples@charter.net.

Submitted by **Scott Teeples** – Oregon FCE Secretary

Notes from the VP of Programs: Lesson Ideas Needed

Spring Board Meeting, April 4 & 5, 2016, is when we vote for program titles. Please send you ideas for Lesson/Programs with your **District Director**. **I** will put all topics up for vote but, those that have included the name of people willing to develop the lesson will become the most interesting to board members. Remember that lessons need only to be 20-30 min long at the most.

Please encourage participation as a group to collect information and write a program together. It will be easier than you think. And you always have me to help you in the progress. Know too that you can always send your ideas directly to Me.

Deanna Hadley, VP of Programs

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541-206-1253 message

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Reports on 2015 Oregon FCE State Conference in Wilsonville

There were 78 attending the conference, some were **Tuesday** only. Nine were 1st time attendees.

The conference had two very interesting speakers.

Monday evening the speaker a member of the **Oregon State Button Society, Brian Gilbert**. His power point presentation showed vintage, antique and contemporary clothing buttons. The other speaker on **Tuesday** at the luncheon was **Roger Rennekamp, the Associate Dean of OSU College of Public Health and Human Sciences**. His presentation was "**Harnessing the Land Grant Legacy**", or how the **US** got land grant colleges, like **Oregon State University**.

Submitted by **Sally Wyffels**, District III Co-Director

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Sandie Bolyard reported we had four entries for the **Character Counts**. The topic for **2014-2015** was **Responsibility**. **Morgan Dole** from **Jackson Co.** was the first place winner, **Madison Palmer** from **Morrow Co.** was in second place, **Claire Hulbert** from **Klamath Co.** was third and **Colby Nyseth** from **Yamhill Co.** was fourth. The pillar for **2016** is **Fairness**. (See *Sandie's article on page 4*).

Books for Newborns and books for children is still a program in many counties. Some counties take bags, books, bibs and **FCE** brochures to hospitals. Others take new books, a toy, burp cloth and other helpful items for newborns or older children to **Head Start** or other organizations and maybe add school supplies, shampoo etc. Others take booties, blankets, etc for layette projects in their area. There are many places that need help.

Many counties reported thousands of volunteer hours, both **FCE** and other organizations, schools, neighbors, etc. Money was donated for conference expenses, help pay dues, **ACWW**, **FCE** web site, gifts to family's at **Christmas**, food pantries, **4-H**, **Honor Flights for Veterans**, Scholarship funds. One county raised money for the fire department and gave first aid equipment for dogs that are in accidents or fires. They also held a baby shower for **"Parenting Now"**.

This is just some of the information **I** got from looking over the reports given at the board meeting at the conference. We all like to see what you are doing in your study group so please send information on tours, how you are raising money for projects and what you are doing as volunteering, we all need new ideas on things we can do.

Submitted by Lynda Nyseth, Editor

Certificates for 50 - 60 year members announced at the 2015 State Conference

Helen H. Tamke, 50 years **Woodmere Study Group, Multnomah & Clackamas County**

Leila Steele, 50 years **Groner Study Group, Washington County**

Donna Michelson, 50 years **Ambitious Annies, Polk County**

Annita L. Yates, 60 years **Homemakers Unlimited Study Group, Polk County**

Geri Gustafson, 60 years **Lost Creek Study Group, Lane County**

Up Coming Dates

District III

Linn, Lane, Marion, Polk & Yamhill

Yamhill/Polk Counties Spring Festival will be held March 16th. Our theme will be **"Hands of Hope"**. Our guest speaker will be **Ann Scott**, she will be speaking on **"Human Trafficking"**. There will be a craft class, used book sale, baskets to be raffled and of course food and lots of fun. We hold this event in **Amity**.

May 2nd will be our **District III Meeting**, at **The Yamhill County Heritage Center, McMinnville**. At this meeting we will have **Anne Engen and Sally Wyffels** take us on **"Travels to England"**.

August we will be in **Millersburg** for our picnic sponsored by **Linn County**.

Submitted by **Lynda Nyseth**, Yamhill/Polk County Council President

OREGON CREED

The **Oregon FCE State Board** has had many discussions on changing the current **Oregon FCE Creed** to adopting the **National Creed**. Many states have already chosen to use the **National Creed**.

I would like to have impute from all the **Oregon FCE** members on this subject. Please have discussions in your study groups, and county councils about making changes to our **Creed**.

Please be objective and keep an open mind when evaluating the difference between the two **Creeds**. We want to have a **Creed** that reflects the values of the majority of members in our state. Your preference/decision should be relayed to your district director who will bring your choices to the **Spring Board** meeting in **April**. Your vote will determine which **Creed** will be adopted.

Submitted by **Patti Malanaphy**, Oregon FCE President

My First FCE Conference

Rene' Metteer - Union Woodburn

I had the pleasure of attending my first FCE state conference this fall. "Let's Have a Ball" was held at the **Holiday Inn in Wilsonville October 4-7.**

Clackamas and Washington counties hosted the conference and I did "have a ball!" I had a wonderful experience from the time I checked in to the end. What made it so wonderful you ask? Well, first of all, I met people from all over the state and made new friends. I enjoyed sitting with a new group of ladies at every meal. You see, this way, I could ask questions and pick their brains for valuable information. The conference gave me a better understanding of FCE, its roots and existence. FCE is a charitable organization, giving to others as well as myself.

Learning was a given at this conference, not only at the state level, but the national level as well. At the state level we voted on adopting the national FCE creed and changing from the current 10 districts to 5 new districts. I was informed about **human trafficking**, the national FCE project for 2016 and the importance of getting involved in this worthwhile project. **Human trafficking** is more prevalent than I thought, not only in the **United States**, but here in our own communities. I am proud to participate in this project!

I love educating the mind (learning) and there were a variety of workshops to choose from when filling out my registration form. I attended "**The Story Lives On - Oregon Myths and Legends**" and "**Hope on the Horizon**" workshops. The **Oregon Myths and Legends** program was written by **Janet Allen and Ida Lee Knapp** and presented by **Janet Allen**. I loved hearing about **Oregon** folklore and **Indian** legends. "**Hope on the Horizon**" was written and presented by **Scott Teeple**s. This program would be an interest to all clubs as it covered finding, recruiting and retaining new members that many of us struggle with. Both programs had handouts and a worksheet or two, along with some humor; both were very good.

Tuesday evening was the grand gala "Ball" event, dressing up seriously or humorously, as you wished; with good food, fashion parade and door prizes! I will say I felt kind of special this night because at

some point the state **President Patti Malanaphy** whisked me onto the floor. I think we did some tango number and I remember having a vision of "**Dancing With the Stars**" when I was done!

The **Wednesday** morning workshop was "**Bubble & Squeak, Bangers and Toad-in-A-Hole, oh my!**" Yes, I know what you're thinking! What the heck is this about? Well, it was a trip through **England's** history, famous people, places and food. It was sort of a mini play with props, even a steering wheel; presented by **Sally Wyffels and Anne Engen**. We sampled 4 different **English** biscuits (cookies). It was hilarious! What a way to close the event.

Yes, I recommend you attend the **2016 Oregon FCE State Conference at the Red Lion Inn in Salem!** Mark your calendar for **October 3-5.**



Patti and Rene'

Happenings in 2015 reported by Counties

On **Friday December 4, 2015** Linn County held our **Annual Christmas Luncheon at Wing Ming's in Lebanon**. Traditionally this is for **Linn County**. This year we reached out to **Marion, Polk Yamhill and Lane Counties** and included them in the festivities. **Lorraine Scott** brought 2 guests visiting from **Roseville, California, Alene Showers** brought her sister **Pat Nickels** who was visiting from **Yuma Arizona**. We had 23 attend and we had a wonderful time! Thanks to all who attended and made it such a special day. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Submitted by **Vicki Graves**, Linn County

From Jean Baker Clackamas County FCE Advisory Board President

Last year was a very big year for **FCE in Clackamas County**. First was the election of new officers and following that we hosted the **District X** meeting. **Share Fair** came up in **April** and then our most challenging event, **State Conference**.

The **State Conference** was a lot of fun and hard work. There were a few glitches that had to be dealt with. From the comments **I** received from the attendees they had a good time. Thanks to everyone who attended.

District X is now **District 1**. **Washington and Clackamas Counties** are the only counties in **District 1** that have active members. **Clackamas County's FCE Share Fair** will be held on **April 25, 2016**. If you would like to attend or have questions, please call me at 971-404-7299.

The **Council** meeting for **November** has become a special event, thanks to **Laurie Wood's (Highland Group)** suggestion. It will now be known as "**The Harvest Feast**", there will be a short meeting followed by a Potluck lunch. Everyone is encouraged to bring a gift for whatever charity has been chosen at the **October** meeting. **I hope everyone has a healthy and happy 2016!**

Creamy Loaded Potato Soup

Ingredients:

6 medium potatoes, cooked and cut into cubes.

8 bacon slices, thick cut

1 onion, chopped

4 cloves garlic, minced

1/2 cup all-purpose flour

2 cups heavy cream

3 cups chicken broth

1 tsp. dry basil

1 tsp. dry oregano

salt and pepper to taste

Toppings:

cheddar cheese

green onions

Boil the cubed potatoes until fork tender. Cut the bacon into small pieces and fry, reserve 2 TBS of the bacon fat. In a large pot add the bacon fat and onion; cook until soft and translucent, add the garlic and cook for another minute. Stir in the flour, add the liquid a little at a time, whisking the flour to make sure there are no lumps. Add the basil, oregano and season with salt

and pepper. Add the cooked potatoes and cook for another 10 minutes over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally. The soup should thicken nicely. Top with cheddar cheese, bacon and green onions before serving.

Embroidery Floss

Good news, at the last **triennial conference in Chennai, Bonnie and Barbara** had contact with ladies from **South Africa** who expressed great interest in receiving embroidery thread donated by our members here in the **U.S.** that would be of real help for ladies in their region. So if you would like to donate "used" embroidery thread to **South Africa**, the rules are below. Submitted by **Gay Jarvinen**, International Representative

Recently **I** was asked where to and how to send embroidery floss overseas. For years we have been using a **Calcutta, India** address. When **I** spoke to **Gay Jarvinen**, she gave me an address for **Middleburg, South Africa**. **Sandie Bolyard** has been using the **South Africa** address. Here are the instructions **I** have been able to compile:

1. Go to the Post Office to obtain the Custom Form to fill out. Put "value none" where it asks for value.
2. Place floss in a manila envelope. Can put floss in a zip lock bag first for protection but squeeze out all the air to keep weight down. also good idea to put name and address in the bag.
3. Take bands off to help eliminate more weight. (Do not have to cut any length off of the threads)
4. Send any amount.
5. Let your **County Council Treasurer** know that you sent floss and then she can include that information on the form she sends to **Gay Jarvinen**, International Representative.

6. **South Africa Address:**

Henrietta Schoeman

Suite M W 112

Private Bag X-1838

Middleburg 1050

South Africa

Submitted by **Lendamai Poole**, District I Director

Keepers Corner Scholarship

To assist new members with their dues and those that have been away from **FCE** for more than five years. We need members so make use of this scholarship. Go to the **FCE** web site for this scholarship form. Thanks **Scott and Bonnie** for making this possible.

2016 Oregon FCE Calendar

February

ASAP 50 year member forms to Patti M.
12 Lincoln's Birthday
14 Valentine's Day
22 Washington's Birthday

March

13 Daylight Saving Time Begins
15 Heart of FCE nominations due
16 Yamhill/Polk Spring Festival

April

1 April Fools' Day
4-5 Spring Board Meeting
25 Clackamas County Share Fair

May

2 District III Luncheon
6 Deadline for Oregon FCE News articles
8 Mother's Day
20 Mail Oregon FCE News
30 Memorial Day

June

19 Father's Day

July

14-17 National FCE Conference
Memphis, Tennessee
29 Deadline for Oregon FCE News articles

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