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Hello, Everyone

Welcome to 2023! You might, as I am, wondering where 2022 went so fast. Here we are in the middle of February and by the time you get your newsletter it will be March or almost March.

We are again planning our Spring Festival, hosted by all of District III. March 15th, the third Wednesday, at 9:00 am for registration sign in and lasting until around 2:00. Registration fee is \$10.00. We will have our morning coffee and tea, drawings for gift baskets (tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5), used book sale, games, craft options, program on “Inspiring Women...Their Contributions” and our potluck lunch of salads and desserts. Bring your table settings and decorate your table if you would like. It is always fun to see how creative our members are at coming up with decorations to fit the theme of the day or interesting decorations. Come for a day of fun, learning and meeting old and new friends. We will be at the Amity Fire Station located on the South end of town across from Amity Middle School. (Registration form is in this newsletter.)

Sandie Bolyard wants to remind everyone that Heart of FCE nominations and submissions for Character Counts & Essays from 2nd and 3rd graders are due by March 15th. Don't forget the permission slips for the kids contest and pictures of participants for all of these contest. Check out Oregon-fce.org for all of the rules and forms.

Oregon FCE Spring Board meeting is Saturday, March 25th at 9:00 am via zoom. If you have something that needs to be brought to the board's attention let your District Director know so it can be presented at the meeting.

April 17th, at 11:30, District I will hold their Annual Meeting. Lunch will be served and there will be two programs: “What Women Wore in

1952” and Bonnie Teeples our USA President for The Associated Country Women of the World will be telling us more about ACWW. Registration deadline is April 10th and registration fee is \$15.00. The registration form is on the Oregon FCE website, or contact Myrna Loucks 503-349-4329 or Karen Walker 503-964-4923.

The 2023 National FCE Conference is going to be held in Erlanger, Kentucky on August 3-6, 2023. National FCE Alumni Association sponsors some National Conference Scholarships (which pay full registration cost) and Oregon FCE also has some scholarships. Contact Scott Teeples, Oregon FCE President, for more information on Scholarships. sfteeples@charter.net or 541-891-6456.

2023 Oregon FCE Conference is October 1-4, 2023 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Springfield, OR. Our theme “FCE Building Blocks for Today and Tomorrow.” Again, scholarships are available check Oregon-fce.org to see available scholarships and forms and deadlines to apply. It is very easy to get around in the hotel, staff is very friendly and helpful and members that have attended in the past always comment on how conveniently located everything is.

I look forward to seeing lots of FCE Members at several of our planned events.

Thank you to all that have donated articles and money to the MPY this past year. This is your newsletter and it keeps going from generous donors like you. Thank You!



If you know of someone who would like to receive this newsletter or someone who received it and is deceased or no longer wants to receive the newsletter, please let me know so I can make the changes. Send the changes to **Lynda Nyseth, 21461 S. Hwy 99W, Amity, OR 97101-2239**

Sincerely, **Lynda Nyseth**, editor



**From the Desk of the District III
Director Anne Engen
Polk-Yamhill, Marion, Linn and Lane
Counties**

It's heartwarming to hear how generous our three FCE groups are to their communities during the holiday season. And they know how to have fun while helping others.

Lost Creek study group baked goodies and sold them to each other, then gave away the money, \$50 to the Dexter Fire Department, \$50 to the Dexter Food Pantry. Lost Creek has a new member, Carol Edwards.

Amity study group put together beautiful evergreen wreaths, sold them for \$20 each and used the funds to buy Christmas gifts for people in their community. A new member Anne McKnight and Linda Bird from the disbanded Sheridan group joined Amity.

The **Creative Homemakers** study group spent their Christmas party looking over all the gifts each one bought for our small family in need, then cheerfully wrapping each gift. We filled several boxes with boxed and canned goods, plus a gingerbread house. Over \$200 of gift cards were wrapped for the mom. We have a new enthusiastic member, Julie Tycker.

Your District Director spent several years shaking down relatives, study group members and strangers for dimes for NAFCE. (My family was embarrassed.) But, I filled a small water bottle with \$50 in dimes. A check has been sent to our national FCE office to help with expenses. Oregon has more funds than national.

The last Salem FCE study group, Oak Meadows, has disbanded after about 60 years. One member, Linda Schollian will become a Member-at-large.

Rene' Metteer is our other at large member from Marion County. Claudine Egan is also a member-at-large from Yamhill County.

SPRING FESTIVAL is March 15 at the Amity Fire Hall. Theme is Inspiring Women Their Contributions. Program, book sale, gift baskets, craft options, coffee, tea, snacks and a potluck lunch. Registration is \$10.00, registration deadline is March 10.

Anne Engen, District II Director

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Special Outing for Amity FCE

For our Valentine's meeting we decided to take part in the "Meltdown" in Yamhill County. Each location does an item from the menu featuring cheese and then donates part for the price to YCAP (our food pantry). This is held all February. We chose The Diner, located in McMinnville by the hospital. Our sandwich had pulled pork, restaurant made ricotta cheese, (plus other ingredients too many to mention), fresh made sourdough bread, fried with a slice of cheddar cheese on the outside and served with restaurant fresh made tator tots. Very delicious. Sorry, I didn't get a picture. Six members and a guest enjoyed our lunch. Lots of conversation and planning for Spring Festival.

Our January meeting was also a special time together after the busy holidays. We decided to have a day of fun and visiting. We did have a short meeting to do some planning for 2023. We had a lunch of two soups, one prepared by our hostess Velma and one by Debbie. We had vegetables and of course some chocolates and cheese cake. Before lunch and after lunch we played games. We were taught a new game, new to most of us, by our new member. Qwirkle, ever heard of it? Quite fun and makes you use your mind to get the most points out of each move.

Submitted by Lynda

Update from Creative Homemakers FCE

January meeting consisted of short business meeting, installation of officers, potluck lunch and games. Fun was had by all attending.

February lessons was "Rabies". New information was given that surprised everyone. We all have old outdated information. The lesson was enjoyed by all attending. For lunch a sea food casserole was enjoyed by all.

Updates from Marion County

The last official meeting for Oak Meadows FCE was march 9th of 2020. We really missed not being able to meet once a month because of the pandemic and missed the connection with our longtime friends. On December 12th, we met at a member's

home to have our last official meeting. Four members had a Christmas party potluck. We had a wonderful afternoon of catching up on what had been going on in our lives and what our families are doing. We all value the fellowships and friendships that we have developed through the years.

Submitted by Linda Schollian



Since many of our readers are from other areas than Marion, Polk and Yamhill which the newsletter was originally set up for, I am happy to include events happening all over Oregon. Hopefully you will be interested in some of these events and able to participate in them.

Updates from District I

In Clackamas County, the Woodmere FCE Study Group has 9 members. They had a Christmas Potluck, Gift exchange and Installation of Officers at the home of Lendamai Poole. An enjoyable time was had by all. They have been participating in the zoom lessons offered the first Wednesday of each month. Our members are still volunteering in the regular, favorite Community jobs.

Submitted by Cathy Schabell

Rural Deli/Wildcat FCE Study Group in Canby meets monthly at Beryl Fisher's home with an average attendance of 10. Since September we have enjoyed the lessons: "The Fight For Safe Food in America;" "All About Me—Writing Your Personal History"; "Birth Order Traits" and "Lookouts of the Pacific Northwest". In December they enjoyed a pot-luck lunch and collected donations for The Canby Center whose mission is to provide social services, classes and programs that renew dignity and inspire learning in families and youth.

Submitted by Ann Clites

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In Washington County the Advisory Board has been meeting in person at the OSU Extension Offices. With the help of Maureen Quinn-Lores, Nutrition Education Programs Coordinator Family and Community Health and Jenifer Halter, OSU Extension Service Education Center Receptionist, we are getting back to somewhat normal times. We are down to 2 Study Groups: Groner with 7 members, Tualatin with 10 members and 3 Members-at-large.

Because of age and transportation challenges of our members we have decided to hold one meeting a year rather than the District Meeting, Clackamas Share Faire and Washington Holiday. Washington County will host the District I Annual Meeting on April 17, 2023. The flyer is in the Oregon FCE News and posted on the Oregon-fce.org website. Information can be obtained from Myrna Loucks 503-349-4329 or Karen Walker 503-964-4923.

Tualatin Study Group has been meeting in members homes but because of downsizing into smaller homes and too much work for members, we started in January meeting in a restaurant that has a room available for us. We can have our meeting, lesson and then order lunch and have a good visit. Last year we donated \$175.00 to Community Transitional School (a K thru 8th grade school for homeless children) and \$360.00 to Good Neighbor House (emergency homeless shelter).

Submitted by Karen Walker



If you have an article, book or movie review for the MPY Tri-Line News send it to Lynda Nyseth, Editor MPY Tri-Line News, 21461 South Hwy 99W, Amity, OR 97101-2239. Our next deadline is April 7, 2023.

If you have a recipe send it to Debbie Puckett, 23130 Zieber Lane NW, Salem, OR 97304. Thank you.



If you have a member that is celebrating 50 years of FCE be sure they fill out the 50 Year Member form. We want them to receive their certificate and pin. The form can be found in the Oregon FCE Handbook on page 65, or on our website. Return the form to Scott Teeple, our State President, 4338 Arthur Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97603



Remembering Patty Bonney Washington County FCE Member

Patty lacked just a few days of reaching her 92 birthday. She will be remembered as an active FCE member and a member of her community. In 2015 she was Washington County's Heart of FCE recipient.

She was known to ride the bus or walk to her many activities which included, but were not limited to, square dancing, Extension, knitting groups and her church. She could be seen wearing colorful socks and tee shirts to commemorate all occasions. (Her sock collection was admired by all.) Part of her traveling gear was a big backpack which contained the knitting she would do whenever she took the time to sit. Patty also had the reputation of being the "cookie lady" and could be counted on to bring goodies to council meetings and other events.

Being an avid reader, Patty wanted to explore all of the wonderful places she had spent a life-time reading about. With this goal in mind, she made many trips culminating in a 9-month trip around the world, making friends along the way.

She will be missed by many friends and family members.

(Oh to have that much energy and get up and go.)



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Thank you all for your donations to the MPY. It is a pleasure to keep you informed on events taking place around Oregon. Your donations make this possible.

2023 FCE Conference lessons

The Oregon FCE Board has chosen these classes for our Conference this October.

1. Ovarian Cancer, the Silent Killer
2. Easy Ways to Go Green
3. Cascadia Subduction Zone
4. Savory Meals for 1 or 2, Ways to a Joyous Life
5. Human Trafficking, It's Not Just Sex Trafficking
6. Filling Your Pantry on a Budget

Plans are being worked on for speakers, entertainment, craft time and game time. We will have the sales room again where you will put your tickets in for the items you wish to have a change at winning. There will be door prizes and each study group is again asked to bring a door prize with a value of at least \$25.00. We ended up with so many wonderful door prizes last year that almost everyone got to take one home. Let's do it again. We will also have an oral auction so if you have something for that bring it along. The money raise from the oral auction goes to Margaret Seibold Scholarship.

Remember to go to Oregon-fce.org to check on what scholarships are available and apply if you are in need of help to go to the conference. We want everyone to have a change to experience this wonderful time together: learning; visiting and enjoying each other's company. Of yes, and wonderful food and entertainment.

Membership numbers

Scott and Bonnie reported that our current number of Oregon FCE members is just a few short of last years numbers. If we could maintain our "same numbers as last year" we will be the only FCE State to do so. Encourage others to join our wonderful organization.

**INVITE SOMEONE TO YOUR UPCOMING
 ACTIVITE SO THEY CAN SEE THE FUN
 AND LEARNING THAT WE HAVE**

**SPRING FESTIVAL
 DISTRICT I ANNUAL MEETING
 ACWW WALK
 ACWW Women Walk**

Join Amity FCE and others as we walk for ACWW (Associated County Women of the World), April 29, 2023. We will be walking on a path at Rock Of Ages Valley View Retirement Village, 15600 SW Rock of Ages Rd., McMinnville. After you enter the drive way about half way to the village there will be a parking lot on your left. We will meet there at 10 am and walk on the well-manicured path. Its paved, borders a small creek and has some wonderful views of Mt. Hood. The path has many small, well landscaped areas to sit and enjoy. Easy walking, no big hills or rough areas so it is good for all walking levels. So, you can walk a short distance and go back to your car or walk the whole distance around the pathway. We will meet at 10:00 am, and get walking by 10:15. We will take donations to be given to ACWW.

If you would like to join us give me a call so we don't miss you. Lynda at 503-701-0719.

**A note from Bonnie Teeples,
ACWW USA Area President.**

As I have had the opportunity to visit with the women serving on the ACWW Board and past ACWW USA Area Presidents, I have been filled with the sweet knowledge that **'Every woman worldwide has the same heartbeat for her family.'** **It does not matter where her feet lead her, what land she walks on, whether she lives in a hut, a tent, or a stick-built home, she wants the same things for her family; health, security, and peace. ACWW, is there to help that happen for women and families around the globe.**

**Note from Lynda Nyseth
ACWW Coordinator**

ACWW exists to **Amplify** the voices of rural women.

ACWW exists to **Connect** rural women.

ACWW exists to **Mobilize** rural women.

ACWW exists to **Empower**. We empower by recognizing that rural women have a voice and that voice has gone unheard for far too long. We empower by funding small-scale, grassroots projects that improve whole communities one woman at a time. We raise awareness of international treaties and agreements that protect the rights of women and by involving our member societies in treaty negotiations at an international

level. We empower through friendship and collaboration at our Area and Triennial World Conferences.

The money we raise from our walk helps support these programs to give rural women the voices they need to be heard.

Check out the web site <https://acww.org.uk/fundraise-for-acww> there you will find ways to organize a walk. And if you are not able to walk there are other ideas of how to raise money to participate in this fundraiser.

Also go to Oregon-fce.org. At the top of the page or the bottom of the page look for the **more** section and it will take you to the other activities of FCE and ACWW is listed there. You will find the projects, that we are partnering with other organizations, to assist women around the world. Take a look for more information on what your coins are doing to empower women.

**Invitation to the 2023 National FCE –
Mid-Year Conference via Zoom
Monday, March 27, 2023 – 1:00 PM CT
and 7:00 PM CT**

You will receive the Zoom link once you send your registration form to Bonnie Teeples. Both sessions will contain the same agenda. You can choose to attend one or both of the Sessions.

The registration form is in both WORD and PDF. Use the version that is easiest for you to use. You have to send the registration form into Bonnie Teeples to receive the Zoom link. Information is on the registration form.

The registration form is located on two places on the National FCE website www.nafce.org

Please contact Scott or Bonnie Teeples if you have any questions.

Some new definitions:

ADULT

A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

Beauty Parlor

A place where women curl up and dye.

CHICKENS

The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE

A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

DUST

Mud with the juice squeezed out.

EGOTIST

Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

HANDKERCHIEF

Cold Storage.

INFLATION

Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

MOSQUITO

An insect that makes you like flies better.

RAISIN

A grape with a sunburn.

SECRET

Something you tell to one person at a time.

SKELETON

A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

TOOTHACHE

The pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW

One of the greatest labor-saving devices of today.

YAWN

An honest opinion openly expressed.

WRINKLES

Something other people have, similar to my character lines.

Submitted by Donna Michaelson, Polk County

THINGS I'M SUPPER GOOD AT

1. Forgetting someone's name 10 seconds after they told me.
2. Buying produce.....and throwing it away two weeks later.
3. Digging through the trash for the food box I just tossed, because I already forgot the directions.
4. Making plans. And then immediately regretting I made plans.
5. Leaving laundry in the dryer until it wrinkles. Then turning on the dryer to dewrinkle. Then forgetting it again.
6. Calculating how much sleep I'll get if I can just "fall asleep right now".

Submitted by Donna Michaelson, Polk County

Walking to school in the winter,
 I was often detained
 by my compulsion
 to crack the ice
 that formed on the puddles.

I liked the sound,
 the pattern of the shards,
 the sense of power
 and
 that it was something
 good little girls could do
 and not lose their reputation.

I still like to crack ice puddles.
 My destruction can be noted
 all the way to the mail box.

My walking stick is
 as effective
 as my youthful stomps.

Submitted by Nancy Thornton, Yamhill County

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FCE CALENDER

March 2023

- 10 Yamhill County Council, 9:30
Deadline registration Spring Festival
- 15 District III Spring Festival
Amity Fire Station, 9:00-2:00
Deadline for Heart of FCE & Essay
for Character Counts & 2nd & 3rd grade
- 25 Spring Board Meeting 9:00 am
Via Zoom
- 27 National FCE Mid-Year Conference
Via Zoom, 1:00 PM CT & 7:00 PM CT

April

- 7 Deadline articles for Oregon FCE News
& MPY Newsletters
- 14 Yamhill County Council
- 17 District I Annual Meeting, 11:30
Washington County
- 21 Mail newsletters, 9:00 am
- 29 ACWW Women Walk the World, 10:00
Rock of Ages Valley View
Retirement Village

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