



“News and Views”

South Carolina Family and Community Leaders

Fall 2011

DO YOU KNOW YOUR CLUB'S, YOUR COUNTY'S AND YOUR STATE'S HERITAGE?



South Carolina Council of Farm Women
1921-1957



South Carolina Home Demonstration Council **merged with** Palmetto Home Demonstration Council
1957-1966 1958-1965

and formed

South Carolina Extension Homemakers Council
1966-1992

South Carolina Association for Family and Community Education
1993-1995

South Carolina Family and Community Leaders
1996-2011

The theme for this year's conference is "Celebrating our Heritage with Education, Dedication and Service". When was the last time you visited SCFCL's archival records at Winthrop University? Do you know where your county's records and historical documents are located?

As our membership keeps aging and extension offices are cutting back, 2011 would be a great time to search for your membership books, county handbooks, scrapbooks as well as award, plaques and pictures from yesteryear until now. All the names of our organization since 1921 are listed above. Take some time this year and locate these records. Go through them, bring them with you to the Annual Conference then take them to the Dacus Library at Winthrop University in Rock Hill. For almost a century this organization has made a difference in the lives of our families, our communities, our counties, our state, our nation and around the world.

Let's not loose our heritage.

Central District

Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Chesterfield,* Darlington,* Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Lexington, Marlboro, Orangeburg, Richland and Sumter

Lexington County



Hello from Lexington County FCL. We have twelve clubs and 149 members who enjoy working on community projects while having fun and learning new skills.

Our "Herb Bunch" is a special group with 21 members who are always learning new ways to use and grow herbs and share their knowledge with others.

At our Fall 2010 Meeting, Mandy Glowacki, from Health Directions of Lexington Medical Center presented an interesting program on "Fitness Guidelines for Women". We are working towards improving our fitness with the NVON goal "Let's Take Off".

Eleven members and guest enjoyed the State Conference in Beaufort, SC and Lexington County was pleased to receive five awards. We were proud of Dale Morrow for receiving the President's Award.

At our Spring 2011 Meeting, Rebecca Carrier, from

Lexington County Department of Social Services defined the needs of children in Foster Care and our clubs contributed gift cards, clothes, and misc. items. Helping children in Foster Care in Lexington County is one of our goals.

On April 16, 2011, Willie Wingard led 27 friends and members on our Educational Trip "Spring Fling" in York County, SC. We toured the Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden, lunched with ladies from the North Carolina Cooperative Extension at the Lucile Tatum Center in Gastonia, NC and toured Stacy's Greenhouse in York, SC. The tour helps us add new members and gives us a chance to learn more about what grows in our FCL Yards & Neighborhoods.

On April 19, 2011 friends and members were taught by artist, Pam Spurrier, to make beautiful jewelry from ordinary dominos. Everyone enjoyed this class.

Lexington County FCL clubs support the 4-H and Youth programs in our county.

Money is raised to support our goals by our spring and fall plant sales.

Our members look forward to seeing our friends from around SC at the SCFCL Conference in Rock Hill!

Officers to be elected for 2012

- **President**
• (3 year term)
- **Secretary**
• (3 year term)
- **Coastal District Director**
• (elected at the Fall District Meeting for a 3 year term)
- **Foothills Program Coordinator**
• (elected at the Fall District Meeting for a 3 year term)

- If you are interested in serving this organization,
• download an Officer Nomination Form from the SCFCL
• website then mail complete form to SCFCL President
• who will forward to the Nomination Committee Chair.
• Forms must be submitted to the Nomination Committee.

Kershaw County

Kershaw County Family and Community Leaders met at Kershaw Health Resource Center May 11 for a "lunch and learn". A special discussion was given by Dr. Todd Kramer who is with Kershaw Health Women's Care Center on pelvic support problems, diagnoses, incontinence and treatment options.

A delicious lunch was served by the Resource Center. This was our Spring Council meeting. Everyone enjoyed this interesting meeting.

FALL DISTRICT MEETINGS

Don't forget to bring:

A door prize

and a

District gift basket item

Orangeburg County

Orangeburg County has six active FCL clubs. One club meets twice a month and the other clubs meet once a month. Members take turns preparing and presenting program lessons at each meeting. Members put much time in preparing and presenting each lesson. These programs are often shared with persons who are not members of FCL so through sharing these ideas, many women and men get knowledge that helps them in everyday life.

Nancy Smoak-Harrison, Clemm Extension Agent for Families and Community Science for Orangeburg County, writes a weekly column for our Orangeburg County Newspaper, The Times and Democrat, which provides helpful and timely information to the community on various topics. She strives to increase awareness of the goals of FCL and promote membership in FCL. Our members tell friends and others that they come in contact with about the many advantages of being a FCL member.

Orangeburg County Family and Community Leaders held four Board Meetings and two Council Meetings, one in the spring and one in the fall. At our Spring Meeting we enjoyed a covered dish luncheon at 12:00 noon followed by a business meeting. Clubs take turns hosting these two meetings. At our Spring Meeting, Local Club Leaders of the year, County Leader of the Year and Club of the Year were presented certificates. The County Leader and the Club of the Year received a check for \$25.00 in reward for their good work.

We were well represented at our Spring District Meeting and Fall District Meeting. Three members attended SCFCL State Meeting in Beaufort. We received the President's Award and Gold Awards for our Handbook, Publicity, and Education Books. We have one 50 year member and two forty-five year members. We had one member to attend NVON and ACWW in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

We worked hard in 2010 to try to meet our goals of FCL in Orangeburg County.

Our members spent 8,948 hours in volunteer activities with a value of \$161,064.00. We received \$1,137.20 from our Barbeque Sales and contributed \$1,325.00 to community agencies in our county. We increased our donations to ten organizations by \$50.00. Another organization that has been receiving \$100.00 and will continue to receive this same amount. Three of our members participated in the State Project, "FCL and 4-H Making the Best Better Together" by receiving training to judge 4-H Representations and Record Books. Six of our members participated in regular exercising, some at a Health-Plex Facility and some exercising on their own. One member walks 30 minutes each day, no matter what the weather offers. Another member lost 20 pounds and is real proud of her accomplishment. We continue to strive to promote the best quality of life for all citizens in our communities through dedication, education, and service.



Orangeburg County Leaders of the Year

National Volunteer Outreach Network, Inc.

I know everyone in SCFCL is doing something related to "Let's Take Off". If you have read an article and tried some new exercise, gone to a lecture on better eating habits, walked further to the grocery store or church, started an exercise program or physical therapy, then you qualify for reporting something for this project.

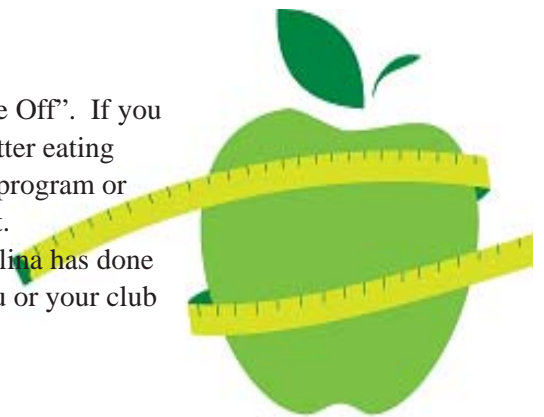
I need to make a report to the NVON Project Chair what South Carolina has done for the past 3 years on this project. Please send me a list of activities you or your club has done to improve your health.

If you send by e-mail, please make the subject "Let's Take Off".

Thanks for supporting this project

Ethel L Brown, Project Chair,

22 Miley Drive, Johnsonville, SC 29555 or brscsugar@aol.com



Richland County



(l to r) Lois Anderson and helper, Henry Arthur demonstrate how to make a container garden at the Spring Council Meeting.

Richland County has five clubs with 61 members. One member serves as editor of the state newsletter and 2 members are past SCFCL Presidents. We had 29 members attend the Spring and Fall District Meetings. We donated \$224 to Pennies for Friends and Nickels for SC Youth. We had Spring and Fall Council meetings, Spring and Fall Education Tours, prepared the county's Handbook, attended the leader training sessions to receive the 9 Education Lessons, prepared the President's Checklist on time, hosted the International Hour at USC with 125 students in attendance, made 30 homemade cakes for a fundraiser, submitted one name for the Leadership Award to the Central District (Lois Anderson), submitted an article for the SCFCL newsletter, had 12 attend the SCFCL Annual Conference in Beaufort, had 2 attend the ACWW Triennial Conference in Hot Spring, AK, helped with the Farm-City Luncheon by decorating 25 themed tables, and many other club activities. We have been busy, working on projects by individuals, by clubs, and by county. We have donated \$1872 toward our projects and contributed 3363 hours equaling \$60,534 toward volunteerism.

We advertised each meeting and invite a new member each month. Each member is asked to mention FCL once a day to someone new. Public awareness of FCL is the key to success.

We contacted community publications and local newspapers with dates and times of club and county meetings. The State Newspaper, The Country Chronicle, The Blythewood Leader, The Columbia Star and church bulletins were sent notices by each club VP for Public Relations and the county VP for Program.

Nine education lessons were selected from the 2010 SCFCL Education Lessons they prepared. The lessons were presented at each club meeting for a total of 733 hours with \$13,914 value toward volunteerism.

"Let's Take Off", a project in common with NVON encouraged us to take off weight to avoid the problem associated with obesity. Each club developed a program specifically geared toward their needs. Some clubs asked their members to park further away from shopping so they will take steps toward the basic 10,000 steps a day. For our Spring Council Meeting, we invited an owner of "Curves" to be our guest speaker. She encouraged all to get up and get going for better flexibility and balance.

Individually we have been working on the "FCL Yards and Neighborhoods", State Project for 2010- 2011. Each club was encouraged to maintain attractive landscapes to enhance our community; to protect South Carolina's natural environment; and become familiar with the nine major principles that can create and maintain beautiful lawns and gardens. One club sponsors and maintains a roadside park on a busy major highway. Other members are working on turning their yards into a certified Backyard Wildlife Habitat as a mini-refuge. We worked 35 hours at the cost of \$630 to make this a successful project.

Through the "4-H and FCL Making the Best Better-Together" project members helped 4-Her's with its many projects. Several club members have been trained as judges for public speaking and preparing record books. Members judged at the State Fair and helped 4-Her's prepare goods in categories of sewing, hand needlework, crocheting, and baking. Thanks to this support, 4-H is able to continue with projects that may not have been possible due to financial situations.

As hard as we have worked, it paid off because we received Gold District Awards in the following categories: handbook, publicity, and education. We received Gold State Awards for our Handbook, Publicity book, Education book, and President's Award completing 99% of the items required. We hope 2011 will be a productive as 2010.



The "SCFCL Yards and Neighborhood" Program continues until December 2011. Please send reports by September 1, 2011. The "Garden" Program for the next three (3) years is entitled "Natives in the Landscape". You will be hearing more at our 2011 Annual Conference in Rock Hill in October. Be There!!

Mail to: Doris Taylor, Chair, 159 E Jerry Road, Laurens, SC 29360 or e-mail dorisstaylor@gmail.com

Coastal District

Beaufort, Berkeley,* Charleston, Clarendon, Colleton, Dillon, Dorchester, Florence,* Gerogetown,* Hampton, Horry, Jasper,* Marion,* and Williamsburg

Williamsburg County



On April 27th, Mrs. Ruth McKnight (pictured center) presented a check for \$75.00 to Robert Welch, executive director (pictured left) with Libby Ganes, Vice chairperson (pictured right) looking on for the freezer fund of Vital Aging.

2011 goals set by Williamsburg County FCL were met with enthusiasm and commitment.

Our 2011 education lessons were taught by FCL members Bernice McClary, Ella Rea Graham, Nora Barr, Ethel Brown, Lillie Rivers, Florence Osborne, and Elizabeth Maxwell. Other FCL members did their part by participating in various events and attending regular monthly meetings.

FCL members Ola Mae McFadden, Carolyn Cooper, Joan McKnight, Wilfred McKnight, Minnie Dicks, Naomi Dicks and Ruth McKnight "Took It Off" by participating a local Bike/Walk-A-Thon sponsored by Bethesda United Methodist Church.

1890 Extension Summer Camp Scholarships were awarded to youth Zby'Quell Wilson and Xavier Graham.

The group also awarded \$75.00 to Vital Aging to contribute in their effort to purchase a freezer for the homebound seniors of Williamsburg County. After participating in a two-hour workshop on how to greet clients, take voucher applications, confirm applications, and issue voucher coupons; Addie Nesmith, Ruth McKnight, Ethel Brown, Janie Barr, Bernice McClary, Ernestine Thompson, Sirlemor Monk, Esther Lyons, Bernice McFadden, Ella Rea Graham and Lillie Rivers were prepared to assist Vital Aging in serving over 300 senior residents. Vouchers will allow seniors to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables from local certified producers.

Bingo anyone? Residents at the Kingtree Nursing Facility enjoyed bingo prizes donated by FCL. Members often devote visit time, reading scripture and prayer.

Our Stay At Home Tea was a successful fundraiser.

We will complete our goals with a Christmas get-together this winter and plan for an upcoming year.

Beaufort County



Carrie Singleton is holding her handmade quilt that won the Heritage Skill's 1st prize at the 2010 SCFCL Conference held in Beaufort.

FALL CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Fairfield County FCL

Where: Gordon Memorial United Methodist Church, 502 Fifth Street (at Hwy 321), Winnsboro, SC 29180

When: September 12, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00

How much: Registration \$2 Meal \$7 Total \$9.00

Payable to: Fairfield County FCL

Mail to: Margaret Sanders, 7489 State Highway 213, Winnsboro, SC 29180

Registration deadline: September 2, 2011

FALL COASTAL DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Williamsburg County FCL

Where: The Rotunda, 1550 Bass Dr, Santee, SC 29142

When: September 13, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00

How Much: Registration \$2 Meal \$15 Total \$17.00

Payable to: Williamsburg County FCL

Mail to: Florence Osborne, PO Box 785, Kingtree, SC 29556

Registration deadline: September 6, 2011

FALL FOOTHILLS DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Newberry County FCL

Where: Ryan's Steak House, 3940 Grandview Drive, Simpsonville, SC 29680

When: September 19, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00

How much: Registration \$2 Meal \$8.00 Total \$10.00

Payable to: Newberry County FCL

Mail to: Lillian Leavell, 11945 Hwy 121, Newberry, SC 29108

Registration deadline: September 12, 2011

Foothills District

Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee,* Chester, Edgefield,* Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick,*
Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union and York

Greenville County

Greenville County has one club, the Devenger Homemakers Club. Although the club roll numbers have declined in the last year or two their dedication to helping the community has not. A member donated a prewar German crystal bowl for a raffle that raised money to purchase disposable panties and pants for residents of a low income assisted living facility. In addition to the raffle club members make a cash donation to this “diaper” fund at every meeting.

Safe Harbor a refuge for abused women and children is another project the club supports annually with fundraisers and paper and cleaning supply showers. Each year during the holiday season the club buys clothing for the residents such as pajamas and slippers since too often people leave a bad situation with only the clothes on their backs.

The club also supports the Free Clinic of Greenville with a yearly monetary donation. Magazine donations are always well received by the clients of the Free Clinic who love craft and knitting magazines. Members also donate soap, dental products and other personal items for clients of the clinic. Sample size hand lotions are saved for the volunteering dermatologist to give as a special gift to his clients.

Our program chair Anita has done a wonderful job putting together a wide variety of monthly programs reflecting the needs of the club members and resources in the community.

Chester County



Chester County members (l to r) Arla Carter, Linda Kohr, Shirley Shuler, Becky Covin, Margaret Burnette and Everlyn Wilson ready for the Thanksgiving Bake Sale.

Chester County doesn't meet during the summer, however it is still a busy time.

Our Spring Council luncheon was in May featuring the County Sheriff's Department Community Deputies. They shared their outreach program that keeps them visible in the community. Some of our clubs made a trip to Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens in North Carolina at the end of May. We enjoyed the beautiful plants in spite of the heat.

Chester County will be helping with the 2011 SCFCL Annual Conference in Rock Hill. Our county president, Jean Westbrook is busy working with York County in planning a wonderful conference and many of our members will be involved.

Some of our clubs actively participate with Make A Difference Day. Food and toiletry items are collected, packaged and delivered to shut-ins and other needy people.

The Ladies Friendship Club is instrumental in planning and getting it carried out. Their oldest member Eliza Rhinehart is always there helping with this. This club also contributed many items to a men's ministry for homeless men in our county.

One of our ongoing projects is maintenance and improvements to the County FCL Market Building. This building was constructed back in the 1940's when farm men and women sold produce, meats and baked goods. Several years ago, the FCL brought this building back to life and use it for FCL and 4-H Club activities. We also allow other groups who have limited funds use it for a small donation.

We have two bake sales a year--one on the Friday before Easter and one on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. The proceeds from these go toward our scholarship fund that is awarded each spring at the Spring Council Luncheon to a 4-H member or child or grandchild of an FCL member. Rebecca Kerr, granddaughter of Becky Tinker of the This N That club was awarded the scholarship this year.

Most of our members are past retirement age, but we are blessed to have a very young Advisor, Angela Forbes and 4-H Coordinator, Robin Currence to keep us motivated to learn and do new things.

Laurens County

There are three FCL Clubs in Laurens County, Heirloom Needle Arts, Gray Court-Owings-Young and Oak Grove. The clubs as a whole and individual members continue to volunteer their time and services to help those in need in the community.

Heirloom Needle Arts voted to support three organizations in Laurens County in 2011. Each month members bring items to donate to the Laurens Baptist Association Crisis Center. This center serves residents in the county who are in need of food and clothing. This club also supports the La Forest Community Care Center and the Laurens County Memorial Home for the Aged with treats, gifts, and fellowship. The Oak Grove Club donates personal items for the residents of the Laurens County Memorial Home, an intermediate care facility. They decorate their bulletin board each month and their Christmas tree during the Christmas season. Oak Grove's current project is to provide gift bags with personal items for the women who come to the Safe Home in Laurens County.

Making crafts is a favorite activity of the Heirloom Needle Arts Club. They make tray favors for the Laurens County Hospital patients, members conducted a craft class for senior citizens at a local church, and decorated a Christmas tree at the Laurens County Museum with hand-made items in the style of the 1940's. Crafts at meetings include jewelry made from buttons, a birdhouse made from a tissue box, dried flowers in a frame, and a Belgian bell.

The clubs continue to collect pennies for friendship and nickels for South Carolina youth. We save and donate Box Tops for Education, soup labels, and tabs from cans. Heirloom Needle Arts Club donated money to the Make a Wish Foundation and Hospice of Laurens County.

Laurens County is very proud of the awards received at the State Conference in Beaufort. Our handbook took first place with a gold plaque. The Publicity Book was awarded a silver certificate. The county won a gold certificate for the President's Award and placed 4th in percentage increase in membership. Individual members won awards. Frances Mahon won the SCFCL Leadership of the Year and Bonnie Burton won 1 st place in the sewing machine division of the Heritage Skills.



Laurens County's Heirloom Needle Arts members make treat bags for a local nursing home.

Saluda County



Dot Bradley, Saluda FCL President (center) present (l) Lucy Wetzel and (r) Chelsea Nichols each a \$50 Savings Bond for the 2010 Saluda 4-H Career Achievement Award.

The members of the Saluda County Family & Community Leaders sponsored the 4-H Career Achievement Award for two Saluda County 4-H youth. The 2010 winners were presented their awards by Dot Bradley (center), Saluda FCL President. Receiving the awards were Lucy Wetzel (left) and Chelsea Nichols (right). This is a project for the Saluda FCL for the past 6 years. They give a \$50 savings bond to each youth.

To raise the funds for the 4-H sponsorship, the Saluda FCL clubs hold their Annual Soup & Sandwich Bazaar. This year, they raised over \$685 for the county and club organizations. Soup and sandwich donations come in from the five clubs and corn bread is made hot on the spot. Wonderful, delicious baked goods are also sold. The event has been very successful and very popular.

Oconee County

Oconee County FCL clubs again have worked hard to serve our community reaching out into many county community organizations.

Salem club continues to make care kits for Safe Harbour, which is a safe shelter for women and their children. This has become an all out OCFCL effort. At our Spring and Fall Council meetings we collect items for these kits instead of giving door prizes. At our Christmas luncheons, some of the clubs give money to food pantries instead of gifts. This is another good gesture for our community people in need. Quilters are still making quilts for victims of catastrophic storms or anyone in need.

We continue to make sure all the clubs are encouraged to use our wonderful lessons prepared for us each year. We inform our members about Pennies for Friendship and Nickels for SC Youth. We now have a jar on each table at our Spring & Fall Council meetings for these special collections.

In order to keep SCFCL growing, we encourage all to bring guests to our Spring and Fall Council meetings. There is nothing like exposure to our wonderful organization. We encourage our members to attend the District and State meetings and the attendance from Oconee County has been growing. The District meetings are informative and we all have a good time. Try going – you will enjoy it too.

OCFCL established a scholarship fund with Tri-County Technical College about 2 years ago. This Scholarship Fund is for Oconee County students attending Tri-County Tech and the first scholarship was awarded in the spring of 2011. Through her estate, one of our deceased members, April S. Barthelmes, donated \$20,771.58 to this fund in May, 2011. We appreciate her remembering OCFCL in her estate. Her generous donation will aid students for many years to come.



Seated (l to r) Ethelin Stancil, OCFCL Treasurer; Barbara Rhodes; Courtney White, Donor Relations Manager TCTC; Mary Bell Nix. Standing (l or r) Lou Robinson; John Lummus, VP Institutional & Economic Advancement TCTC, Dr. Ronnie L. Booth, President TCTC; Beverly Jenkins, OCFCL President; Beverly Matz; Anneliese Roegner. The Sew What's New Club of Oconee County making presentation of check to the OCFCL Scholarship Fund.

Pickens County

Pickens County has 20 members and 4 clubs. Three of these clubs used the state issued educational lessons while the other is a Quilt club who quilts for each other as well as many service projects. All of our clubs work toward making our “Good County Better”.

Members involve themselves in projects to help others like: collecting items for “Country Santa” where items are delivered by “Country Santa” and his elves then given to children who wouldn’t have Christmas otherwise.

We collect good clean teddy bears and other stuffed animals during the year to give to the law enforcement center where they give the stuffed animals to children in crisis. These donations are used in domestic violence cases where prisoners with children can select something to give their children for Christmas.

Some members sew many items to give to nursing homes, hospitals and other needs in the community.

Other projects include: collecting used magazines for the United Christian Ministry’s waiting room, collect children’s books making it possible for reading material to get to people who otherwise cannot afford reading materials, collect box tops for Oconee Christian School, collect soup labels for a church mission project for vans and pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House.

We give monies to many charities like: Helping Hands, a home for abused children; Mary’s House, a home for abused women and children; some members help deliver Meal-on-Wheels, hot meals to the elderly; and every club collects for Pennies for Friends (our international project) and Nickels for South Carolina Youth (our state 4-H scholarship).

One of our favorite ways to make money to support these charities is to take part in “Belk’s Charity Day Sales where we sell tickets and donate baked goods for the Belk Bake Sales which gives us a chance to share with many people in our county what our clubs are all about.

We have a county spring and fall council meeting that gives us a chance to fellowship with the other members of our county and to hear a interesting speaker.

Some of our members were able to attend the District Spring and Fall Meetings.

Our county is small in numbers but we strive to “Be the Best”.

Union County

Union County FCL has seven (7) clubs: Bonham, Sardis, Union, Santuc, Mail Watchers, Baker's Dozen and Patchwork Quilters. We have eight-eight (88) members and receive local and state awards for the increased number of new members.

Each year our members are busy with obtaining its varied obligations. Some of the clubs enjoyed and used the lessons prepared for us, other baked, quilted, collected coupons or made crafts.

Union county FCL gave freely to many worthy and needy organizations. Also some of our clubs made educational table tops to exhibit at our local fair. Others were helpers in the home economics department. This year we tried our luck at planning and holding a yard sale and we were pleased with the results.

Each year we give scholarships to worthy and deserving recipients and we have seen positive results from this endeavor.

On December 7th, 2010 we held our Awards Day and Holiday Party. The meeting hall was decorated tastefully and appropriately. Each person received a useful gift. All attendees enjoyed the homemade desserts. At this meeting, the coveted, overall winner, as member of the year, was awarded to Joyce Hembree. Joyce received a plaque for this honor. Joyce is the newly elected president of Union County. She is a loyal and knowledgeable member of the Baker's Dozen club.

Union County FCL has had an eventful year in 2010 and is looking forward to an even better year in 2011.

91st Annual SCFCL Conference

October 24 & 25, 2011

Holiday Inn

503 Galleria Boulevard, Rock Hill, SC 29730

Hotel Phone: 803-323-1900

www.holidayinn.com/rockhillsc



Making reservations

- Ask for "SCF or SCFCL Block"
- Room rate: \$79.00 + tax per night
- Drop date for special rate: September 25 at 5:00pm
- Each room has a microwave and a refrigerator.
- The Holiday Inn does not offer breakfast or lunch (except for our Tuesday Luncheon).
- A map showing convenient, nearby eating establishments will be included in your conference packet.

Directions to Holiday Inn

From: Columbia area and points south

Travel I-77 to Rock Hill

Take Exit 79; turn right off the exit onto Dave Lyle Blvd.

Then turn left at first traffic light onto Galleria Blvd. (beside Honda dealership)

Go about 2 blocks; Holiday Inn will be on left behind

Galleria Mall

From: Union, Newberry, and Saluda areas

Take US 72 into Chester; take 72 bypass around town

Turn right SC 9; go eleven miles to Richburg

Turn left on I-77 toward Rock Hill

Follow last 3 steps of directions printed above for Columbia area

From: Greenville, Anderson and points northwest of Rock Hill

Travel I-85 north to Blacksburg

Turn right to get to SC 5; take SC 5 to Rock Hill

In downtown Rock Hill, turn left on Dave Lyle Blvd. (SC 122)

After Dave Lyle Blvd. goes under I-77, continue to second traffic light

Then turn left on Galleria Blvd, (beside Honda dealership)

Go about 2 blocks; Holiday Inn will be on left behind Galleria Mall

From: I-77 north of Rock Hill coming south

Take exit 79; then turn left onto Dale Lyle Blvd

Go to third traffic light, counting traffic light at exit

Turn left on Galleria Blvd. (beside Honda dealership)

Go about 2 blocks; Holiday Inn will be on left behind Galleria Mall



AMANDA C. MCNULTY

Amanda McNulty grew up in Columbia, SC, graduating from Richland County Schools. She finished her undergraduate work, after several detours, at Clemson, majoring in ornamental horticulture, graduating summa cum laude then completed a master's degree in teaching science from SC State University.

While at Clemson University she began writing and now her gardening columns, which appear in *The Item* and *The State*, won the National Association of County Agricultural Agents top award in 2007.

McNulty serves as the Keep America Beautiful and Clemson Extension Horticulture Agent in Sumter, the co-host, along with Rowland Alston, of ETV's *Making It Grow* and talks on gardening issues while using humor and unusual analogies to help people make the connections between what plants and humans have in common.



ANN EVANS

Ann Evans is an Archivist and Curator of Collections at the Wm. Elliott White Homestead Archives in Fort Mill, SC. She will speak on the history of the Elliott Springs family who are the founders of the extensive Springs Industries. She will present scenes through a Powerpoint presentation featuring the history of the White Homestead Mansion.

KITTY WILSON-EVANS

Wilson-Evans is one of the most sought-after interpreters of slave life during the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. She is not going as herself but Kessie, a slave from the Bratton plantation near the former Yorkville in York County. Wilson-Evans tells how a slave from the back country of South Carolina could make it to the port city without being picked up by the whites patrolling for runaway slaves.

"Kessie is a strong slave, a humble slave," and a strong woman. Kessie is more than a role for the 72-year-old Wilson-Evans. When Wilson-Evans is Kessie, she wants people to see her as a slave. "I become that slave, my heart is Kessie," Wilson-Evans said of her first-person interpretations. "I want to take you back in time and forget 2011. I want people to know what we had to go through, how far we have come."



GINA PRICE WHITE

Gina Price White is the director of archivist at the Winthrop University Dacus Library. She has written articles on local history for the *Chester News and Reporter* and the *Rock Hill Herald* and coauthored a book, Palmetto Women. As an author she hopes the tribute to the influential women of South Carolina, referenced in her book will inspire others to collect these valuable records and preserve them for future generations.

CATAWBA INDIAN POTTERY

Becky Garris and Billie Ann McKeller are representatives from the Catawba Indian Nation. They will talk about the history of the Native American life from York and surrounding areas and will include a Powerpoint presentation. They will demonstrate the art of the unique pottery making skills as it has been practiced by the Catawba Indians for generations. Some of their pottery will be for sale.



Country Women's Council, USA trip to Columbus, Ohio, September 22-24

Come with us to Ohio. We will be leaving Laurens Tuesday, September 20 to drive to London, Kentucky. We plan to have lunch on the road and dinner in Kentucky. We will arrive in Columbus, Ohio on Wednesday the 21st where we will check into the Columbus Marriott Airport Hotel for the CWC Conference. Breakfast at the hotel is not included. The tour of the Amish Countryside is all day on Wednesday and is a separate cost if you decide to take the tour. It is included on the Registration form that you fill out and send in yourself. Tours are described in the Conference information that can be seen at the cwc.org website. Registration forms are available there also. There are some very interesting speakers (including one describing her business making bed linens from Bamboo!!). That alone should be worth the trip. You will meet the ACWW President, and hear her discuss Millennium Goals in the business meeting and can participate in a Silent Auction - attendees bring items to be included in the auction and you can bid on various items from many different areas. After the Banquet Saturday evening, we will leave the hotel and drive to Ripley, West Virginia where we will stay overnight. Sunday morning we will continue the trip back to South Carolina, stopping for lunch on the road. We should arrive back in Laurens about 3 PM. Travel cost includes van rental, gas, lunch and dinners and hotel costs on the road, and the hotel cost while at the Conference. **Trip cost is \$670 per person** – based on 4 people who have already signed up to go – we can take up to 10 which would bring the cost per person down. Registration and the Thursday Tour are not included in the trip cost. You send your own Registration form (and tour fee, if you plan to tour). Adding these would bring the **Total cost per person to \$912**. **Contact Bobbie Earle-864-984-4088** to reserve a space.

We had a wonderful trip to the NVON Conference in Green Bay, Wisconsin in July.

We look forward to traveling to Ohio in September. Come, go with us.

2011 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

91st Annual SCFCL Conference

“Celebrating Our Heritage - with Education, Dedication and Service”

October 24 and 25, 2011

Holiday Inn, (803-323-1900)

503 Galleria Boulevard, Rock Hill, SC 29730

****Please fill out a separate form for each person attending****

Name _____ Home Phone _____
Address _____ County _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ E-mail address _____
Dietary Restrictions _____
Advisor _____ Voting Delegate _____ Board member _____ State Office held _____
New Member _____ First time to attend a SCFCL Conference _____ Guest or non-member _____

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

Late Registration Fee: (Postmarked after 9-25-11) \$10.00

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE: \$69.00

(This covers Registration Fee, four seminars, Banquet, and Tuesday Luncheon.)

GUEST OR NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION FEE: \$74.00

Make Check Payable to:	Chester County FCL
Mail Check & Form to:	Linda Westbrook
	2875 Westbrook Road
	Edgemoor, SC 29712

Total amount submitted \$ _____

**ALL FEES ARE TRANSFERABLE - NOT REFUNDABLE
NO ADMITTANCE TO MEALS WITHOUT A TICKET**

Please check events you plan to attend. (Information needed for seating.)

Monday, October 24

Seminars

_____ 9:45 - 10:45 AM “White Homestead and the Elliot Springs Family”
_____ 11:00 - 11:45 AM “Revolutionary War Reenactment and Storytelling”
_____ 2:00 - 3:00 PM “Preserving our FCL History at Winthrop University”
_____ 3:15 - 4:45 PM “Catawba Indian Culture and Pottery Making”
_____ 6:30 PM Banquet

Tuesday, October 25

_____ 11:45 - 1:30 AM Luncheon

_____ County President or representative, please check here if your county plans to bring items for display.
(We need an estimate for space purposes.)

South Carolina Family and Community Leaders 2011 Annual Conference Schedule (tentative) October 24 and 25, 2011 *

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Conference Chair, Jean Westbrook (803) 789-7095
Registration Chair, Linda Westbrook (803) 789-5838

* Sunday, October 23

3:15 pm SCFCL Board Meeting
6:30 pm Dutch treat dinner at Ruby Tuesdays

Monday, October 24

BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN

8:30-12:00 & 1:00-4:45 pm	Registration and voting delegates sign-in	Linda Westbrook	
8:30-12:00	Gift basket and door prize drop off	Edith Beard & Betty Weaver	
8:30-12:00	Participating counties set up heritage displays		
8:45 – 9:45 am	SCFCL sales items table open	Barbara Smith & Linda Snipes	
9:45 -10:45 am	“White Homestead and the Elliot Springs Family”		Galleria A & B
	Ann Evans, presenter	Debbie Calcutt	
10:45 – 11:00 am	SCFCL sales items table open		
11:00 – 11:45 am	“Revolutionary War Reenactment & Storytelling”		Galleria A & B
	Kitty Wilson Evans, presenter	Debbie Calcutt	

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 - 5:00 pm	Registration		
1:00 - 5:00 pm	County heritage memorabilia exhibits available for viewing		
1:00 - 2:00 pm	SCFCL sales items table open		
1:30 - 1:45 pm	Flag procession practice (alphabetical order by county)	Pat Breznay	Galleria A
2:00 - 3:00 pm	“Preserving our FCL History at Winthrop University”		Galleria A & B
	Gina White, presenter	Debbie Calcutt	
3:15 - 4:45 pm	“Catawba Indian Culture and Pottery Making”		Galleria A & B
	Beckee Garris & Billie Ann McKeller, presenters	Debbie Calcutt	
4:45 – 6:00 pm	SCFCL sales items tables open		

6:30 pm

Banquet	Music for dinner by The Oneppo Brothers	
Welcome and Introduction of guests	Jean Westbrook	
Devotion/Blessing	Miriam White	
DINNER		
Greetings from Clemson University	Dr. Susan Barefoot	
Memorial Moment	Pat Breznay	
Introduction of Officer Nominees & comments	Willie Mae Lewis	
Award presentations:		
4-H Scholarship Recipients	Helen Spiller	
County Presidents Awards	Helen Spiller	
Membership Awards	Miriam White & Linda Finley	
Education Awards	Debbie Calcutt	
Publicity Awards	Linda Finley	
Handbook Awards	Linda Finley	
NVON, Project-in-common report (Let’s Take Off)	Ethel Brown	
Collection of Pennies and Nickels	Bobbie Earle	
Announcements and door prizes		

continued 2011 Annual Conference Schedule (tentative)

Tuesday, October 25

BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN

8:00 - 9:15 am Registration and voter delegate sign-in
8:45 am Tellers committee meeting Bernice McFadden Galleria A
9:15 - 9:30 am Seating of voting delegates

9:30 - 11:30 am

Business Meeting

Call to order and Welcome Helen Spiller
Bernice McFadden, Parliamentarian
Presentation of Flags (alphabetical order by county) Pat Breznay
Pledge to US and SC Flags Shirley Elmore
SCFCL Creed and Song Betty Shuler
County Roll Call and Secretary's Report Betty Shuler
Treasurer's Report and 2012 Budget Bobbie Earle
SCFCL Handbook Report Pam Hanfland
President's Report Helen Spiller
Introduction of Nominees for SCFCL Office Willie Mae Lewis
Voting of delegates
SCFCL State Project Report (SCFCLYN) Doris Taylor
Teller's Report of Election Bernice McFadden
Installation of Officers Lou Robinson
Buff-Swicegood Travel Study Award Betty Buff
Blessing for Luncheon Bernice McFadden

11:45 - 1:30 pm

Luncheon

LUNCH
Recognition of Guests and FCL Advisors Debbie Calcutt
Past State Presidents and Outgoing Officer recognition Helen Spiller
SCFCL Leadership Awards Linda Finley & Lou Robinson
Amanda McNulty from "Making It Grow"
"Becoming a Modern Gardener" Debbie Calcutt
Invitation to 2012 SCFCL Conference Dale Morrow
Pennies and Nickels Report Bobbie Earle
Recession of Flags (alphabetical order by county)
Announcements and Door Prizes
Conference Adjourned

SCFCL Board Meeting immediately follows conference adjournment.



Each county should bring to the conference

- County Flag (small one for table top)
- One \$10.00 gift certificate/card for District Gift Baskets
(Gift certificates/card should be from stores located throughout the state.
Examples-Target, Walmart, any chain grocery store or pharmacy)
- Two door prizes (Please, no re-gifted or dollar store items)
- Display of county FCL activities highlighting your history or heritage
(Use a tri-fold display that will fit on a 36 inch wide table space)





South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers Guild

Shady Grove UMC in Cameron, South Carolina was the setting for the annual meeting of the South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers Guild on March 17, 2011. Members from Allendale, Calhoun, Orangeburg, and Sumter counties served as hostesses.

Although the majority of the time was taken up with the final details of the upcoming National Master Farm Homemakers Guild Convention, a program by Sallie Dent Porth was enjoyed by all. Catherine Porth was re-elected Vice President and Betty McGregor was re-elected Treasurer.

South Carolina Master Farm Homemakers Guild hosted the annual National Master Farm Homemakers Guild Convention in Myrtle Beach, March 29 – 31. ACWW Area President, Beverly Earnhart of Indiana and CWC USA Chair, Marilyn Poppen of Iowa participated in the activities. SCFCL President, Helen Spiller, SCFCL Treasurer, Bobbie Earle, and SCFCL Advisor, Lou Robinson attended the National Board & Business meetings.

Clara Riley of Saluda was elected National Master Farm Homemakers Guild Secretary for the 2012 – 2014 term. The fall meeting of the SCMFHG will be September 20th.



The South Carolina delegation to the National Master Farm Homemakers Guild Convention, Myrtle Beach, March, 2011.

In loving Memory

Martha S Brannen
Chester County

Victoria DeLee
Beaufort County

Mary R Altman
Hampton County

Ruth Jones
Margaret Reeder
Lexington County

Correction to 2011 Spring Issue:
Maxine Baker is still with us, I appologize for my error.



Greetings from the President

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your president. It was so good to meet each of you at the Spring District Meetings. I am looking forward to seeing many more of you at our Fall District Meetings. I will represent you at NVON in July and at Country Womens Council, USA in September. It is great to know that each of us go all over the world to spread our mission, Dedication, Education and Service as we give our Pennies for Friendship. We are looking forward to SCFCL Annual Conference October 24-25 at Holiday Inn, Rock Hill. Jean Westbrook, Debbie Calcutt and Linda Westbrook have really worked hard and long to bring us a special conference. You will stay only one night at Holiday Inn. All the programs will be on Monday and Tuesday. They are jammed packed with activities and good speakers. Plan to be there. You'll be glad you did.

Please remember each member was trying to get one new member in FCL this year. HAVE YOU GOTTEN YOURS? I have mine!

See you soon at Fall District Meetings.

Helen Spiller, SCFCL President

A Letter from Lou

Greetings from Lou:

Summertime is here, gardens are in and many are busy preserving and canning the last of the season's bounty. Carolina summers are the best. In just a few weeks, everything will get back to a faster pace. Schools begin and FCL clubs return to meetings, ongoing projects and programs. The SCFCL annual educational lessons are an excellent resource for your club programs.

Do you know how the yearly SCFCL educational programs come into existence?

The SCFCL topics and programs are determined by the Education Committee with input from SCFCL members. In April, the committee compiles their list of topics and programs for the upcoming program year. The list is submitted to the SCFCL Board for approval. Then individuals are identified who are knowledgeable of the topic and they are asked if they will prepare the lesson. Four of the lessons for 2012 were prepared by FCL members. Utilizing the resources available at Clemson University, Dr. Barefoot and I take the lead in identifying people to ask to prepare the remaining lessons. After all lesson topics are assigned to writers, they have until late June to write the lesson using the required lesson template. Once the writers submit their lesson, then the lesson must be reviewed for accuracy. Necessary edits and final formatting work must be completed. When all of these steps have been completed, each lesson is ready for copies to be made. At the Fall District Meetings, the lessons are distributed to the District Directors and County Presidents. The lessons are also posted on the SCFCL website.

Debbie Calcutt, Vice President for Program, and the entire educational committee do an excellent job of assuring quality, educational lessons are available for SCFCL clubs. The committee welcomes program topic suggestions and volunteers to write a lesson. You may contact Debbie Calcutt or me at any time during the year to share your thoughts.

See you at the Fall District Meetings!

Lou Robinson

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