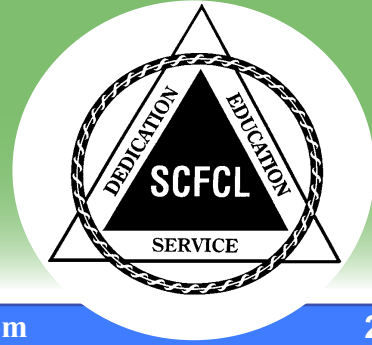


News and Views

South Carolina Family and Community Leaders

“Improving the quality of life through fellowship, education and service”



Spring

SCFCL Website: <http://www.scfcl.com>

2017

During 2017:

WHO can we get as new members?

WHAT can you do to make FCL more visible?

WHERE do you see FCL going this year?

WHEN - discuss these items at your next meeting.

WHY are you a FCL member?



Central District

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

Allendale County

Although small in number with 2 clubs, 17 active members, 3 associate members and 1 honorary member, we continue to “promote the quality of life” with our different programs and activities.

We are involved with the Allendale County Nursing Center by providing tray favors, conducting exercise classes once a week, hosting pancake suppers, soup and cornbread suppers and donating prizes for bingo.

We also serve the Leisure Center with items for Bingo (Office on Aging); sell flavorings; donate to the Relay for Life; support 4-H; donate to the Water Around The World State Project; donate to Pennies for Friendship and Nickels for South Carolina Youth; supply Allendale County Correctional Center with items for inmates to use in craft and workshops; and provide transportation services for the elderly when needed.

We look forward to seeing our FCL friends at upcoming District Meetings.

Sumter County

Sumter County FCL clubs continued to support various charities and special projects in 2016. Clubs collect articles of clothing, personal hygiene items, various food items and funds for local charitable sites in the county. We are still collecting money for the Water Around the World, Pennies for Friends and Nickels for SC Youths projects. We hold Spring and Fall Council Meetings with clubs taking turns hosting these events. The first Friday in December starts off the Christmas season for us with our Members Only Luncheon. Each year we have a “theme”, this year’s theme was “A Tacky Christmas Party”. Members dressed in their worst - tacky sweaters, socks, t-shirts, shoes, jewelry and tinsel! We played Christmas themed games for prizes and enjoyed a pot luck lunch.

We decided that 2017’s county project will be a membership drive. Clubs will come up with ideas for attracting new members and share them at council meetings. We are looking forward to a new year and all it will bring.



Sumter FCL members playing “All Tied Up”



Members in their tacky outfits

Coastal District

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

Charleston County

Its been a busy year for the Charleston County Family Community Leaders. The Garrett FCL Club spent much time in planning and preparing for the Spring Coastal District Meeting. Marlene Williamon shared her talent of sewing by making tissue covers and small carrying bags for all the delegates attending.

Many Charleston County FCL members were busy in October and November helping out at the Coastal Carolina Fair. FCL members assisted in checking in exhibits in the Arts & Crafts division, assisting the judges by recording the awards, placing ribbons on the exhibits, and arranging the exhibits in the show cases. Baked goods were entered a few days later and thus several were busy checking in those articles, assisting the judges, taking pictures of the baked goods and displaying the pictures in the showcase.

Senior Citizen Day at the fair involved members preparing tables for the various vendors. Several also assisted in the kitchen preparing and serving refreshments for the vendors. At the close of the fair FCL members assisted in releasing the exhibits back to the exhibitors. Several FCL members participated in the fair by exhibiting their arts and crafts and were awarded outstanding honors for their craftsmanship.

During the Coastal Carolina Fair, Betty Osgood entered the King Arthur Baking Contest. Her Cinnamon Buns scored 1st place and she received a \$75.00 gift card from the King Arthur Baking Company and a beautiful ribbon. Several Charleston County FCL members assisted in entering their baked items and during the contest Ashlyn Whittemore (one of the scholarship recipients we sponsored this year) also won 1st place in the youth Cookie contest.

In preparation for the 2016 SCFCL annual meeting, Betty Osgood served as chair and Heather Kennedy the registrar. Each traveled to the 3 district meetings putting on a skit promoting and creating excitement for the event held October 22, 2016 in the Phillips Market Center at the Farmers Market. Even though many Charleston members could not attend, their input and assistance was greatly appreciated. Special gifts for the delegates were tissue covers made by Marlene Williamon, Designer Book Bags made by Betty Osgood, and Friendship Pens donated and made by the Charleston Clover 4-H Club. Members of the Charleston Clover 4-H Club also assisted Betty Osgood in making placemats used during the luncheon.

FCL member, Doris Foust of the Garrett Club, attended a workshop making Christmas Wreaths. Doris taught this skill to 8 members in the December meeting. Each completed their wreath and had a beautiful wreath to hang on their door during the holiday season.

Throughout the year Charleston County FCL members were involved in volunteering at a local hospital, putting on Teddy Bear parties for the elderly, ushering during local performances, collecting medicine bottles for a pet clinic, donate food, prepare it and help serve homeless in Charleston, donate clothing for the homeless, serve as a volunteer 4-H leader, assist in local 4-H club activities and needs.



(l to r) Ashlyn Whittemore-4-H Member and Betty Osgood FCL member with 1st place ribbons and items baked during the King Arthur Baking Contest at the Coastal Carolina Fair.



(l to r) Instructor Doris Foust, Daisy Johnson, Helen Rollins, Betty Reed, Heather Kennedy, Lyn Pichard, Trudy Clayton-Members of the Garrett FCL Club holding their assembled Holiday Wreaths

Hampton County

The Hampton County FCL members have had a good year in 2016. Our President attended the Fall and Spring Coastal meetings and the Annual Conference.

At each of our monthly meetings, we enjoyed the educational lessons presented by a club member. We collected Pennies for Friendship and Nickels for South Carolina Youth, and our local 4-H club. Each month we collected can and non-perishable food and donated to needy families, as needed, all during the year. At Christmas, we collected and donated two large boxes to two needy families.

One of our members donated Christmas cards to be given to each patient in one of our local nursing homes. We donated money to Water Around the World State Project. In addition, we collected box tops and soup labels for an elementary school.

In June, all members that could attended a luncheon at a local restaurant, instead of having our yearly picnic outdoors in the heat. We did this again for our Christmas party after we exchanged gifts at our meeting place. All enjoyed the fellowship and luncheons and we look forward to the New Year.

National Volunteer Outreach Network, Inc.

Eat Local, Eat Healthy SCFCL Project in Common with NVON 2016 - 2018

Visit: scfcl.com for more information and see what you can do to Eat Local, Eat Healthy.



Water Around The World SCFCL Project in Common with NVON 2013 - 2017



Visit: scfcl.com for more information and see what you can do to help get clean drinking water to those in need around the world.

In loving Memory

Beaufort County
Hester Smalls
Mary Grace Millender
Geraldine Wilds

Charleston County
Carolyn Weeks

Union County
Mary Kate Dawkins
Mary Jane Peake

Lexington County
Beverly Bridges

Richland County
Josephine Sterle

Foothills District

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

Union County

Union County FCL has plans for a very full 2017. We will meet once a month to make lap throws for the nursing homes of Union County. We are also saving box tops for education for the elementary schools. Each box top is worth \$.10. We hope we can help the schools buy playground equipment. We are also planning for our fund-raiser which will be selling Chicken Stew cooked by Tommy Sinclair. FCL members will be selling tickets, doing the cutting, chopping and washing the big pots along with cleaning up afterwards. The fund-raiser will go toward our FCL Scholarship.

Union County only has four clubs, Bakers Dozen, Mailwatchers, Patchwork Quilters and Santuc. We are small in number only 45 members but we work hard. We continue to collect and donate monies for Water Around The World, Nickels for South Carolina Youth and Pennies for Friendship.

We lost two dear members from the Santuc Club in 2016, Mary Kate Dawkins and Mary Jane Peake. Union County FCL hopes everyone has a Happy Prosperous 2017.

SCFCL State Officers to be elected in 2017

President (three year term beginning January 2018)
(Candidates must have been a county president or SCFCL board member)

Secretary (three year term beginning January 2018)

Coastal District Director (elected at the 2017 Fall Coastal District Meeting)

2017 NVON Conference July 17-20, 2017

Sheraton Raleigh, Raleigh, North Carolina
Lifelong Learning, New Ideas & Knowledge for a Newer You!

TOURS: Ava Gardner Museum and Tobacco Farm Life Museum; The US Army Airborne & Special Operations Museum; James B Hunt, Jr. Library and State Farmer's Market; and North Carolina Museum of Art.

CRAFT CLASSES: 14

EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS: 16

REGISTRATION: \$140 per person (includes 2 dinner, 2 lunch and one banquet meals plus lots more)

HOTEL INFORMATION: Sheraton Raleigh, Raleigh, North Carolina
Room Rate: \$119.00

A personalized Website for the National Volunteer Outreach Network 2017 Conference has been set up.

You may make your reservations two ways:

Call 800-325-3535 or with the following link.

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1611019469&key=CFD5260>

For complete conference information (hotel, tours, workshop descriptions, and craft workshops info) visit the NVON website:

nvon.org

2016 MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

CENTRAL DISTRICT		Years
Richland	Emma Young	45
	Blanche Stanek	55
Lexington	Lucy Mae Gantt	30
	Dale Morrow	30
	Marcella McDowell	30
	Martha Vansant	35
	Betty Buff	45
Calhoun	Peggy Sox	65
	Margaret Guinyard	30
	Lillie Murphy	30
FOOTHILLS DISTRICT		
Chester	Annie Nunnery	30
	Margaret Nunnery	30
Laurens	Lois Bowers	25
	Virginia Thompson	30



Ashlyn Whittemore, Charleston County plans to attend nursing school and specialize in Pediatrics.

Carrie Trotter, Saluda County, High school senior planning to attend Stanford University.



SPRING CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Kershaw County FCL
Where: Bethlehem Baptist Church Family Life Center
 19 Ward Road
 Lugoff, SC 29067
When: March 21, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am
How much: Registration \$3 Meal \$12 Total \$15.00
Deadline for Registration: Friday, March 3
 (\$5.00 late fee if received after March 3)
Payable to: Kershaw County FCL
Mail to: Maxine Baker
 185 Kamala Road
 Kershaw, SC 29067
Bring: One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county

SPRING COASTAL DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Dorchester County FCL
Where: Shugs Southern Soul Café
 5792 Memorial Blvd
 St George, SC 29477
When: March 20, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am
How Much: Registration \$2 Meal \$15 Total \$17.00
Deadline for Registration: Monday, March 6
Payable to: Dorchester County FCL
Mail to: Miriam White
 125 Levi Road
 Ridgeville, SC 29472
Bring: One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county

SPRING FOOTHILLS DISTRICT MEETING

Hostess: Oconee County FCL
Where: Richland Presbyterian Church
 821 Poplar Springs Rd
 Westminster, SC 29693
When: March 27, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am
How much: Registration \$3 Meal \$12 Total \$15.00
Deadline for Registration: Wednesday, March 1
Payable to: Oconee County FCL
Mail to: Ethelin Stancil
 P O Box 44
 Richland, SC 29675
Bring: One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county



*... a message from **President Calcutt***

Happy New Year! A new year brings opportunities for new ideas, new projects, new hopes and dreams for the future. My hope, this year, is that our members will find a new enthusiasm for all things SCFCL! It's been said that our organization is the best kept secret in South Carolina. Now it's time to let the secret out! One of the best ways to increase our membership is to tell people about the fellowship, educational programs, activities and FUN we have at club meetings. I hope each of you will be excited to spread the word about this great organization and to invite everyone you can to join us. Let's make membership our priority in 2017!

If you have a good idea to increase membership in your club, we want to hear about it. Come to the Spring District Meetings and share it with us. I'm looking forward to seeing YOU there!

New SCFCL State Officers



Eva Manigault-SCFCL Vice President



(l to r) Linda Westbrook-SCFCL Treasurer and Doriece McMorris-Foothills District Director

A note from Sue Walters, SCFCL Advisor

I hope that 2017 is going well for you. I bring you greetings from the Clemson staff for a safe and healthy year!

The Spring District Meetings are right around the corner. I hope to see many of you at the meetings in March. It's always good to gather with our FCL friends from across the area whom we see only occasionally. It's also interesting to see different places that we might not often visit. Be sure to send in your registration soon.

The Education Committee will be meeting in April to brainstorm lesson ideas for the next year. Please send in ideas that you would like to see developed into a lesson. Or, attend your district meeting with ideas and talk to SCFCL board members – see you there!



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