

# 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>

2018

### **Two - Day SCFCL Annual Meeting "Working Together Creating a Stronger FCL"**

**October 26 and 27, 2018**

Asbury United Methodist Church  
1005 Asbury Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina

#### **Friday**

3 Education Seminars  
Luncheon  
3 Workshops (\$)  
Banquet  
Presentation of County Flags  
County Presidents Awards

#### **Saturday**

Annual Business Meeting  
Election and Installation of Officers  
Luncheon  
Sharing by County Presidents  
Invitation to 2019 Annual Meeting  
Procession of County Flags

Meeting Registration (includes 3 meals & 3 Seminars) Friday & Saturday  
Hospitality Room  
Heritage Skills

Joni Williamson, Meeting Chair  
Annie Wilson, Registration Chair

***More information about the Annual Meeting will be in the Fall News and Views and at: [scfcl.com](http://scfcl.com)***

SCFCL is affiliated with Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), Country Women's Council USA (CWC), National Volunteer Outreach Network (NVON) and in partnership with Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service

# Central District

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

\* by a name means no FCL members in the county

## Allendale County

With only two clubs, we continue with our civic activities and do whatever we can to meet the needs of our county. We are involved with the Allendale County Hospital and the nursing center (JFEHUC) by providing magazines in waiting rooms and making favors for the resident's trays.

We also provide prizes for bingo games, provide prizes for the office on aging, sell flavoring, donate to Relay for Life, donate to the Water Around the World State Project, Pennies for Friendship and Nickels for SC Youth. We help with transportation services for the elderly as needed. We look forward as always to seeing our FCL friends at the upcoming District Meetings.

## Sumter County

Sumter County now has five active clubs. We meet twice a year in the spring and fall for council meetings. Club presidents are asked to give a report on their activities and projects for the year. This gives the clubs a chance to share ideas with other FCL members, report on successes and failures with projects and encourage other members to keep working in the community.

We meet in May for our annual "Picnic". Each club brings picnic type foods to share. We play games and enjoy the fellowship with each other.

The first Friday in December, we have our annual Member's Only Luncheon. Each year we pick a theme project for members to participate in. This year's project was to bring and model a Christmas apron. It could be a new or old apron, one that they made or one that belonged to a family member or friend. We had some great aprons and they all had stories behind them. It was fun to hear how they were acquired.

Members continue to work with nursing homes, hospitals and youth and adult special needs organizations. They make lap robes and caps, baby blankets and gift bags. They collect groceries, personal toiletries, coupons, and labels for schools, homeless people and food pantries in the community.

They contribute to our Water Around the World project buying water filters and collect for Pennies for Friends and Nickels for Youth. They are focusing on finding new members for the clubs and getting the word out about the great things SCFCL does in South Carolina.

## Barnwell County

The following FCL clubs, Seeds for Health and Wellness, The Poetry and Kline are so very busy doing what they do best, from giving away free gas to sharing their love to the community.

Christmas in July to the Gail Reyes Senior Citizens Packing a case basket for the High School graduating seniors.

We're starting a new trend for 2018 showing that an apple a day keeps the doctor away instead of candy. All members of the Second Baptist Church received an apple. This picture shows members from all the clubs preparing bags to community give away.



(l to r) Joann Kears-County President, Latrell House-Vice President, Nancy Meadows, Katherine Garrett, Daisy Sanders-Kline Club President, Katha Williams-County Treasurer, Louise Boyce-Poetry Club President, Dwydella Walker-County Secretary. (Not pictured) A special thanks to advisor Christine Patrick and last but not least club driver and handyman, Charles Kears and with a special "shout out" to Rodney Walker our video and sound guy. We pray that all FCL members and clubs will have a blessed and prosperous new year.

## In loving Memory

**Union County**  
Malinda Wages  
Lugene Gist  
Nannie Lee Rochester

If your county has a member that passed away, have someone send their name to newsletter editor.

# Coastal District

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

## Charleston County

Last month the Garrett club meeting had to be cancelled due to numerous ones with sickness! This month our club meeting was cancelled due to an ice and snow storm! Hopefully all will be back to normal for our rescheduled meeting!

March 2017, County President Betty Osgood, traveled to Edmonton Canada as the recipient of the Buff-Swicegood grant study award to the Western Region Volunteer Leaders Forum. She presented a video report to her club as well at the SCFCL Annual meeting in Sumter, SC.

Our county had a good representation checking in exhibits, setting up the exhibit displays and releasing all the exhibits for the Coastal Carolina Fair. It's such a busy time and one wonders if all will get displayed in time but great team work results in a job well done so thousands of fair goers can enjoy the craftsmanship of tri-county participants.

Right during the middle of the 2-week fair, Betty Osgood took her Healthy Lifestyles team to



Daisy Johnson and Lyn Prichard organizing and counting award ribbons.

compete in the State 4-H Healthy Lifestyles contest. Her senior team of 4 members placed 2nd in the state. Recently her 4-H club, Charleston Clover 4-H Club, made 55 Holiday Door Hangers and presented them to the residents of an assistant living facility as well as presented a Christmas program and sang carols with the residents. In November the club donated muffins and grapes to assemble for Senior Citizen's Thanksgiving Plates. Over 30 plates were assembled and delivered by the 4-Hers. During the Coastal Carolina Fair, the club presented a Healthy Lifestyles demonstration making and serving "Peanut Balls" to the fair goers. Another activity was assisting fair goers of all ages making "Friendship Pens" for a make and take Arts & Crafts activity. Several 4-Hers participated in the cooking contests during the fair and was awarded for their culinary art skills. One 4-Her and his dad teamed up for the Coastal Carolina Chili cook-off contest.

During the fair Betty Osgood participated in the King Arthur cake making contest. She placed 3rd and received a beautiful gold rosette ribbon and a donut making pan.

Garrett club member, Marlene



Heather Kennedy and Elma Harris making Salsa in club's lesson activity "Making Salsa without A Recipe".

Williamson, has been busy presenting "Teddy Bear" parties to the shut-ins in various residences. These parties are fun and delightful to the participants.

Garrett club member, Heather Kenney, spends a lot of Sundays helping feed the homeless in a Charleston park. Donations are collected and distributed to the folks as well.

Garrett club's monthly lessons are enjoyed and a recent lesson was written and directed by club President, Betty Osgood, "Cooking Without Recipes". Garrett club members had fun in cheering on their team captains. Elma Harris and Heather Kennedy while making "Salsa" without using a recipe and all enjoyed the "Tasting" of their outstanding dishes!



Betty Osgood, 2017 Buff-Swicegood Travel Study Award Recipient is presenting her Powerpoint at SCFCL's Annual Meeting about her travels to Edmonton, Canada to the Western Region Volunteer Leaders Forum. Her Study featured Volunteers in Leadership. She prepared a 2018 Education Lesson: "Cooking for One or Two People".

*If you are interested in applying for the Buff- Swicegood Travel Study Award, you can find the application at: [scfcl.com](http://scfcl.com) or by contacting a SCFCL Board Member.*

*Deadline for applying is April 1, 2018.*



## Hampton County

Our attendance has been down this year due to various illnesses within our club. However, we still met and managed to make a small impact on our community. We collected canned goods monthly and distributed quarterly to needy families. Our normal July picnic consisted of going to a local sandwich shop for "dutch treat" lunch where we visited with each other and had an enjoyable time.

The Hampton Club, though small in numbers, hosted a successful Fall District meeting at Lester's BBQ with 40 in attendance. We completed 90 Christmas cards and delivered them to the residence at the Pruitt Nursing Home in Estill, SC in December. The club also met in December for a Christmas gift exchange followed by a luncheon at Coconut's.

### SCFCL State Officers to be elected in 2018

#### Vice-President

(three year term beginning January 2019)

**Treasurer-elect** (one year and three year term beginning January 2019)

#### Central District Director

(elected at the 2018 Fall Central District Meeting for three years)

### 20th Annual NVON Conference July 16-18, 2018

Country Springs Hotel and Conference Center, Pewaukee, Wisconsin  
Learning, Leading, Serving, Enhance Leadership Skills

**Tours:** Old World Wisconsin, Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber arts and Cedarburg shops, Harley Davidson Museum, Lakefront Brewery, and Milwaukee Art Museum

**CRAFT CLASSES:** 11

**EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS:** 18

**REGISTRATION:** \$140 per person (includes 2 dinners, 2 lunches and Wisconsin Night plus lots more)

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** The Country Springs Hotel, Pewaukee, WI

Room Rate: \$99.00 (1-2 occupants) \$10 each additional occupant

Call 262-547-0201

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

Registration deadline: June 15, 2018

**[nvon.org](http://nvon.org)**



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

Visit: [scfcl.com](http://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 - 2018



Visit: [scfcl.com](http://scfcl.com) for more information and see reports from countries where we have sent water filters.

# Foothills District

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

## Newberry County

Needle Arts and Helena Clubs worked together in 2016 to plan the district meeting. After that meeting the members decided to unite as one club.

Most of our members attended the Spring and Fall District meetings as well as the State FCL Conference near Sumter.

The City of Newberry Police Chief presented a program in June at our Spring Council Meeting on Senior Safety. Sweet and savory individual items as well as bottled water and cans of soda were given to him for his department to "grab and go".

Member, Willa Brown, presented a program on using artificial flowers. That flower arrangement was given to a former member who couldn't attend the meeting.

Several meals were prepared and taken to members who had lost a son, a brother, and a mother. The club was asked to eat with the family who lost their mother the night before they were to leave for the funeral.

After raising her family and retiring from her job in the Washington, DC area, Willa Brown moved back to her hometown--Newberry. For thirteen years, she has prepared and served food to folks she knew needed a meal. The operation has grown so much that she invited our club to participate. Six members prepared food and served on December 2. A local food bank brought fresh fruits and vegetables that they had obtained. Two hundred and seventy boxes were prepared for distribution. Used clothing was also available.

On December 15, members went to a nursing home, sang Christmas songs with the residents and presented them with hand-made angels and candy canes.

After that visit at the nursing home, we traveled to the residence of a former member who is home bound. We enjoyed our prepared lunch and time with her.

At our Fall Council meeting on December 18, members shared a home-made lunch with Clemson Extension staff. We played games and answered questions about the Christmas story. Alana West presented her newly published 4-H cookbook to one of the members. Items were collected for a young woman who has been seriously ill.

## Union County

Union County FCL has made and delivered lap quilts to three nursing homes. Mailwatchers and Patchwork Quilters Clubs made donations to the Union County 4-H Club from money raised through the tea cup auction at the fall council meeting.

Members assisted at the Union County Agricultural Fair demonstrating both old and new quilt techniques during the Antique Farm/Tractor Show.

Two members assisted with the 4-H Crochet Camp which encouraged a new crochet club to be formed bringing in several new members.

Members participated in the Ag and Art show emphasizing different farms and farm products as well as art activities.

One of our members learned that Gibbs Cancer Center in Spartanburg needs "stocking caps" for cancer patients. This need is being met by members and will be an on-going project.

We are preparing for our Chicken Stew fund raiser that will help fund our scholarship for an adult that has been in the work force or a homemaker that desires to further their education.

Since Union County is hosting the upcoming district meeting, we are diligently working on the "surprises" for our guests.

During this year we have lost three of our faithful members: Malinda Wages, Lugene Gist and Nannie Lee Rochester. They will truly be missed.



(l to r) Row 1-Willie Brown, Carolyn Kinard, Jen Johnson, and Faye Halfacre. Row 2-Connie Keller, Doriece McMorris, Sarah Alexander, Mattie Martin, Mary Graham (FCL members Willie Brown, Faye Halfacre, Connie Keller and Doriece McMorris) After preparing 270 boxes of food for distribution for the Hope and Faith Foundation, Newberry members dressed for a fun photo.

## Greenwood County

Greenwood County FCL has 56 members with 7 clubs. The 2018 project is the county wide Foster Child Pillowcases Project. Members will meet at the Clemson Extension office to sew the cases.

Each year Greenwood FCL sponsors a bus trip to the Southern Christmas Show in Charlotte, NC with many members from the county filling the bus. The profit made from this trip is given back to the county, this year going to Beyond Abuse and Faith Home Inc. Many other non-profit organizations have received gifts, over the years, from these bus trips. Each club also helps other county non-profit groups.

Members will attend the Foothills District Meeting in Union and the SCFCL Annual Meeting in Columbia.

It is an honor to be a member of SCFCL as we work to enhance the quality of life in Greenwood County and South Carolina.



Greenwood County FCL President Becky Dixon (center) presents \$300 each to James Gowan (left) General Manager of Faith Home (shelter for alcohol and opioid dependent people) and Cathy Miller (right), Executive Director of Beyond Abuse. Greenwood County FCL annually offers financial contributions to local organizations, supporting the mission of improving quality of life for individuals, families and communities.

### SPRING CENTRAL DISTRICT MEETING

**Hostess:** Orangeburg County FCL

**Where:** SC Farm Bureau Building  
724 Knox Abbott DR  
Cayce, SC 29033

**When:** March 20, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am

**How much:** Registration \$3 Meal \$12 Total \$15.00

**Deadline for Registration:** Friday, March 9  
(\$5.00 late fee if received after March 9)

**Payable to:** Orangeburg County FCL

**Mail to:** Vivian Hair (803-536-4840)  
948 Wickham DR  
Graniteville, SC 29829

**Bring:** One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county

### SPRING COASTAL DISTRICT MEETING

**Hostess:** Williamsburg County FCL

**Where:** Golden Corral  
2385 WalMart Blvd  
Sumter, SC 29150

**When:** March 19, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am

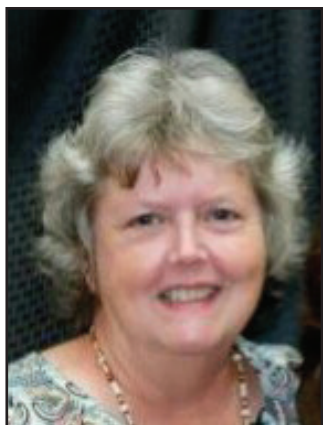
**How Much:** Registration \$4 Meal \$13.50 Total \$17.50

**Deadline for Registration:** Monday, March 5

**Payable to:** Williamsburg County FCL

**Mail to:** Silverteen Mitchum (843-382-5918)  
18 Saxon Ext  
Kingstree, SC 29556

**Bring:** One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county



Alice Williams  
New SCFCL Secretary

### SPRING FOOTHILLS DISTRICT MEETING

**Hostess:** Union County FCL

**Where:** Clemson Extension Office  
Duncan Bypass  
Union, SC 29379

**When:** March 27, Register-9:30 Meeting-10:00 am

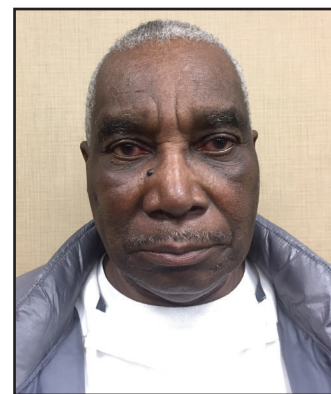
**How much:** Registration \$3 Meal \$12 Total \$15.00

**Deadline for Registration:** Tuesday, March 13

**Payable to:** Union County FCL

**Mail to:** Myrtis Rainwater (864-427-3933)  
1144 Seigler RD  
Union, SC 29379

**Bring:** One door prize & one \$10 gift card per county



Alick Lewis, New  
Coastal District Director



## Notes from your President

As your new president, I want to welcome you to 2018. It looks like it's going to be a great year. The Board members and I are working hard to accomplish the goals and activities set for 2018. Meetings, discussions, activities and community involvement are our basic goals. These all can be met by our collective efforts at all levels of FCL. I'm hoping all counties have their dues paid, their membership lists completed with member's birth year and date joined FCL and mailed to the state treasurer. This year the membership certificates will be calculated using this data. Once this data is added to our SCFCL Membership Database, it will be permanently on our list. The birth year will allow us to comply with the civil rights statement every 3 years (2018). No one will see this list except for the treasurer and I.

February 1 is the deadline for the County President's Reports

March 1 is the deadline for the County Education Lesson Reports.

March 19 is the Coastal District Meeting hosted by Williamsburg County

March 20 is the Central District Meeting hosted by Orangeburg County at SC Farm Bureau Building Columbia

March 27 is the Foothills District Meeting hosted by Union County at the Union County Extension Office

April 10 the Education Committee will start the process of selecting lessons for next year. It takes about 6 months for this process to be ready for the Fall District Meetings. If you want to learn something or if you have an idea for a lesson, please contact any board member so we can supply lessons our members are interested in. Emails for Board Members are on the back cover of this newsletter. We want to hear from you.

We are in the process of bringing back a New Member Form to be used when you have a friend that is interested in joining our great organization. Last year we had 65 new members and hope we can increase that number this year. New members bring new ideas and new enthusiasm.

I want to remind everyone we have a Facebook page. If your county has an event, a program, pictures or want to share those special moments with us, send them to Pam Hanfland at: [phanfland@gmail.com](mailto:phanfland@gmail.com) and she will post them. Several Counties already use this format for finding new members and you can too. Get those cameras snapping!

Mark your calendars for our Two-Day Annual Meeting in Columbia, October 26 and 27. The committee is hard at work to make it educational and fun. They have secured a reasonable rate at the Hampton Inn and Suites off Garners Ferry Road for those wishing to spend Friday night (just half a mile from Asbury United Methodist Church) (Annual Meeting location). The theme is "Working Together Creating a Stronger FCL".

I'm looking forward to visiting district meetings, seeing you on Facebook and doing what I can to make a difference for the next 3 years as your president.



Pat Breznay  
President

## Message for your State Advisor

Our State FCL Meeting was wonderful and it was great to meet many of the members. Thanks to Bobbie Earle, Doris Taylor and Laurens County for putting their time and effort into the meeting. It was also good to get out across the state for the district meetings. Please continue to support these events.

Currently at Clemson, they are busy working with the State Legislature to secure Extension's budget. At this time, things are looking good and we should have funding like last year. Our priorities this year include the following:

### Recurring

- Water Resource Research, Management and Technology
- Comprehensive Statewide Extension Programs
- Critical Agriculture and Natural Resources Research

### Nonrecurring

- Statewide Research and Education Facility Upgrades
- Facility Renovation for Water Research
- T. Ed Garrison Arena Education/Conference Center
- Built Environment Laboratory

If there is anything I can do to help your county group, please give me a call. I enjoy meeting the members.



Connie Lake  
SCFCL Advisor

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