

Northern Kentucky Area

President Report

The year started out with our "Power of Pink" program. It was a free day of breast cancer awareness prevention and available community resources. Mammograms were performed by St. Elizabeth Hospital's mobile unit.

A trip to historic Shelbyville was next for the year.

Our lesson format was titled "Healthy Living From the Inside Out". Carotid Artery screenings were available to those attending.

Lessons were:

- "Know thyself"
- "Educate Before you Medicate"
- "Let's Get Moving"
- "Stay Happy, Stay Healthy"
- "Staying Safe in and Around your House"

A \$250.00 Nellie Ellis Scholarship was given out for training to bridge the applicant into the work force and/or to allow for greater earning potential. Two (2) \$50.00 Enhancement Scholarships were also given.

A winter trip took us to the Derby Dinner Theatre.

Our January Learn with Us Lessons were:

- "Importance of Balance"
- "Living with Diabetes"
- "Protecting Your Smile"
- "Stroke Awareness"
- "How to Deal with Depression"

An International Program on the Philippines and clean water filters was held in April.

A leadership Training was held in June to train new and old members. Each office and chairmanship was represented.

Boone County

A quilt show was held with 100 quilts on display. \$700.00 was raised for our Scholarship Fund.

October found Boone County busy with the Craft Show to benefit Breast Cancer, we then hosted the Area Annual Meeting and helped at Farm Frenzy.

We worked the Freestore Foodbank 2 times during the year.

Hats, gloves, scarves and sock were collected for the homeless and local schools.

Clubs support the Women's Crisis Center each month.

11 blue ribbons were won at the State Cultural Arts.
Hathaway Club won 1st place for donating \$312.00 for water filters for the Philippines.
\$2750 was given out in scholarships.
We celebrated our 82nd Annual Meeting in June.

Campbell County

In November, the annual fundraiser "Holiday Treasure's" was well received. Food and crafts were made by homemakers. They collaborated with FCS Agents to pack boxes of Thanksgiving meals to donate to Hosea House.
\$1800 was raised for scholarships with their annual fundraiser "Crop" and 50's theme.
2 first timers went to the State Meeting.
Recorded 2340 volunteer hours
Have 132 members
Made 500 bears and dolls and passed out to the military
Awarded \$100 in Savings Bonds to 4H fair participants.
Gave (2) \$500 scholarships to Campbell County High School Seniors
Donated \$145 for a 4-H camp scholarship

Carroll County

Carroll County has branched out into many different areas this year.
Homemakers sponsor and help with 4-H Scholarships to camp, embroidery, the fair, projects, horse clubs and cooking.
They have a new program which is a 4-H Homemaker Club that covers cooking, sewing, finance and much more.
Raised over \$1300 for Ovarian Cancer Research with a "Treasure Sale" and a "Mother and Daughter Tea"
They spotlight a different charity or service every month. The local animal shelter, Ronald McDonald House, teachers, police officers and the local food pantry have benefited.
Recipe's for Life teaches 5th graders cooking and nutrition
Had a "Soup and Snowflakes" luncheon to combat cabin fever.
Learned cheese making and Growing Indoor Plants

Gallatin County

\$700 was raised at the Annual "Tasting Bee"
\$1200 was raised when they hosted the "Peony Festival 5K Walk/Run" 15 local businesses helped and they had 75 runners
\$1000 was given to a Gallatin county - High School Senior.
15 members participated in the U.K. Ovarian Cancer Screening Program.
Each month members collect items to donate to the Fisher House, a home where military and veteran's families can stay at no cost while a loved one is receiving treatment.
The environmental project collected 8,000 pounds of plastic lids and caps and have 21 benches around the county

Grant County

This year, 2 high school scholarships in the amount of \$750 each were given.

\$750 was given to the Grant County 4 H program for camp.

20 members were screened for Ovarian Cancer.

Grant County has 2 State Officers and Chairman, President Marlene McComas and Jennifer Williams, Chairman for Marketing and Media.

Fundraisers were catering monthly for the Chamber of Commerce and selling reflective signs

Kenton County

Helped out the 4th Grade at St. Augustine School in Covington. Members purchased a sweatshirt or fleece shirt for each child in the class. They collected goodies and snacks the children could take home over Christmas break.

Have 9 Certified Master Clothing Volunteers that assist with sewing projects and fair judging. 11 women were screened for Ovarian Cancer for the 1st time.

\$150 was donated to the Kentucky Academy Library in Ghana

Fundraisers were a "Girls Day Out" and "A Day at the Races"

5 scholarships each were given to high school seniors in addition to \$250 to a 4-H camper. Ongoing projects to make quilts for the Ronald McDonald House, seat belt pillows and dolls for military families

Owen County

Owen County Homemakers volunteer and lead in the community by helping with the County Fair, Holiday trimmings, Santa's Castle, 4-H Banquet, Scrappin' for the Community, Christmas Parade, Sewing Expo, Reality Store, Quilt Retreat and by having a Leadership Training. "Recipe's For Life" was recognized with the JCEP Creative Excellence Award.

Memory Makers raised \$2100 for "Meeting the Needs Ministry" and "Bekka's Toppers" in Owen County. A project graduation donation of \$100

The Cotton club made over 150 blankets for foster children and 900 sanitary pads for International girls.

Pendleton County

The Auburn Clun was awarded 1st place in the state for reported Volunteer hours.

Members helped with a pie and cake walk, the Dragon Boat Festival, Wool Festival, Winter in Wonderland, Senior Bash, Community Baby Shower, Block Party, county fair Cake Auction.

Held a grand re-opening of the Extension Office with a Murder Mystery Dinner.

1700 volunteer hours were devoted to 4-H and community youth.

Home gardens abounded

They were involved in the backpack program to feed children, sewing supplies to Ghana, fabric to Haiti.

As a whole increased their own exercise and eating habits.

Held Leadership Training at the club and county levels

In closing, I am amazed with the energy, fantastic ideas and all of the hard working Homemakers. Keep up the Great Work!