

President's Tidbits

Thank you for the honor of serving as your Central Region President for the last three years. We have tackled the effects of Covid, held zoom meetings and a virtual retreat, organized a retreat in a new location, formulated new policies and procedures as we adapt to our ever-changing world, and hosted an exceptional 2022 TAFCE Conference following the fun theme, "Saddle Up for FCE." Kudos to Emily Gordon, Conference Coordinator, and the extraordinary committee chairpersons! I especially want to thank the members of the Central Region Executive Board for your support and assistance - an excellent group of talented and dedicated ladies!



2022 Central Region Executive Board and advisors, June 2022.

We ended the year 2022 with 1255 Central Region FCE members and are beginning 2023 with 1246 current members. This is the first year in a long time that we have not experienced a significant decrease in membership. It is my hope that we will grow our membership in 2023, and will eventually reach our previous membership numbers. We budgeted for 1450 in 2023 and that is our goal! Please do your part and invite your neighbor, friend or family member to join your FCE Club! Personal invitation is the best recruiting tool!

Peggy Richmond will be leading us as your capable Central Region President in the New Year. I have pledged to mentor her, and I know you will offer her your support!

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Peace!

Mary Alice Weber, President Advisor



Important Dates

Jan 20-Central Region Information Day Murfreesboro, Tn.

Jan 27-Snow Day Central Region Information Day Murfreesboro, Tn.

May 23-27-Central Region Leadership Retreat UT Southern

Sept 14-Central Region Annual Meeting UTSI, Tullahoma



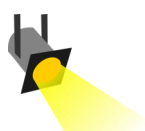
TAFCE Mission Statement:

To strengthen the home and community by improving the quality of life of individuals and families through continuing education, leadership development, and community service.



All dates, forms, contacts and information can be found on the TAFCE Website.

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Central Region Annual Meeting

Agent Appreciation Winner



Best of the Best



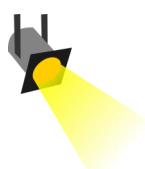
Heart of FCE



Cernovia Burns- Wilson County

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Cultural Arts Winners

1st place

Basketry
Beadwork
Ceramics
Chairs & Stools
Crochet: Thread
Crochet: Yarn
Cross Stitch: Counted
Cross Stitch: Other
Decorative Painting
Dolls
Embroidery: Hand
Embroidery: Machine
Fine Arts Painting: Acrylics
Fine Arts Painting: D & C
Fine Arts Painting: Pastels
Fine Arts Painting: Oil
Fine Arts :Watercolor
Handcrafted Toy
Hand Stitching
Holiday Decoration: Christmas
Holiday Decoration: Non Christmas
Jewelry: Non-Beaded
Knitting: Hand
Knitting: Machine
Needlepoint
Papercrafts
Photography: B/W: Person
Photography: B/W: Place
Photography: B/W: All other
Photography: Color: Person
Photography: Color: Place
Photography: Color: All other
Pottery
Quilts: Applique & Cathedral Window
Quilts: Baby & Lap
Quilts: Embroidered-Hand
Quilts: Embroidered-Machine
Quilts: Hand Pieced/Hand quilted
Quilts: Machine Pieced/Hand quilted
Quilts: Hand Pieced/Machine quilted
Quilts: Machine Pieced/Machine quilted
Quilts: Hand or machine Pieced/Pro quilted
Quilts: Pillow
Quilts: Wall Hanging
Quilts: Other
Repurposing
Rug Making
Sculpture
Stained Glass
Tatting
Weaving: Hand
Weaving: Loom
Woodworking

Jeanie Such-Wilson
Wynona Clayborne-Macon
Frances Farmelo-Warren
Jean Blick-Robertson
Lisa Hunter-Coffee
Connie Lytle-Macon
Jennifer Byrnes-Blubaugh-Smith
Teresa Wilson-Macon
Lisa Hunter-Coffee
Gail Christopher-Franklin
Melinda Downing-Macon
Penny West-Wilson
Becky Thompson-Giles
Gaye Martin-Franklin
Nancy Miller-Putnam
Carolyn Russell-Smith
Peggy Hunter-Marshall
Connie Lytle-Macon
Janis Darnaby-Warren
Gail Christopher-Franklin
Jeanie Such-Wilson
Regina McCathern-Wison
Connie Lytle-Macon
Sarah Zapotocky-Rutherford
Susan Harris-Williamson
Jessica Arbour-Rutherford
Regina McCathern-Wilson
Rachel Roye-Wilson
Penny West-Wison
Mary SrmeK-Coffee
Teresa Priestly-Warren
Becky Pullen-Williamson
Kay Currie-Cannon
Teresa Wilson-Macon
Teresa Wilson-Macon
Cindy Perka=Marshall
No Entries
Martha McBride-Warren
Betty Sue Meador-Macon
No Entries
Patsy Elliott-Williamson
Rita Burchett-Robertson
Carla Spriggs-Williamson
Chrissie Guidry-Maury
Wanda Sandifer-Macon
Carla Spriggs-Williamson
Teresa Wilson-Macon
Kay Currie-Cannon
Sheila Rowland-Wilson
Connie Lytle-Macon
Frances Hobbs-Warren
Teresa Wilson-Macon
Linda Graham-Wilson

2nd place

Martha McBride-Warren
Becky Phillips-Warren
Brenda Layne-Grundy
Linda Graham-Wilson
Connie Lytle-Macon
Janice Barger-Williamson
Rebecca Poss-Wilson
Caryn Crowston-Wilson
Sue Adcock-Warren
Phila Groce-Lincoln
Betisu Lovett-Williamson
Pamela Sites-Rutherford
Peggy Hunter-Marshall
Nancy Miller-Putnam
Kathy Wilkerson-Smith
Sue Adcock-Warren
Kathy Wilkerson-Smith
Phila Groce-Lincoln
Amelia Nolley-Giles
Jeanie Such-Wilson
Cindy Baker-Maury
Connie Lytle-Macon
Dina Turcotte-Warren
Becky Bean-Franklin
Caryn Crowston-Wilson
Petra Mitchell-Wilson
Kathy Wilkerson-Smith
Crystal Davis-Warren
Wynona Clayborne-Macon
Carole Swinford-Lincoln
Becky Pullen-Williamson
Wynona Clayborne-Macon
Penny West-Wilson
Maggie Klenke-Smith
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Sandra Shoemake-Wilson

Elva Dean Bell-Warren
Teresa Wilson-Macon

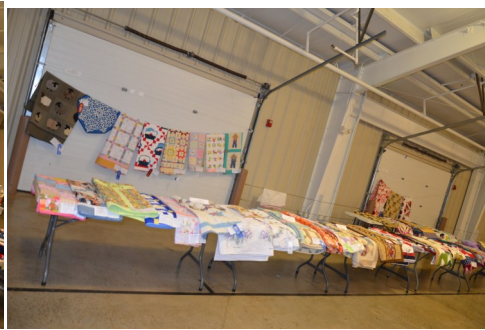
Linda Sloan-Macon
Marcia Lyons-Robertson
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Terri Dillehay-Smith
Karen Patterson-Smith
Carol Vanattia-Coffee
Dina Turcotte-Warren
Robin George-Wilson
Regina McCathern-Wilson
Laura Hayes-Maury
Caryn Crowston-Wilson
Barbara Dickinson-Giles
Nancy Bush-Wilson

Viewers Choice:

Needlepoint

Susan Harris— Williamson County

A photograph of a table set up in a room with a large roll-up door. The table displays various items, including framed photographs, books, and small informational cards. A person is partially visible on the left side of the table.



Fashion Revue Winners

1. Suit, dressy ensemble or better dress
2. Jacket, blazer or coat
3. Casual and Active Wear
4. Children's casual and better wear (ages 12 and under)
5. Teen's casual and better wear (age 13-18)
6. Sewing for an adult (over 18)
7. Recycled garment (utilizing used materials)
8. Wardrobe accessory (belt; tote bag; handbag; scarf; vest; hat; etc)
9. Decorative Sweat wear (sweatshirt; sweatshirt jacket; etc.)
10. My Best Fashion Purchase: Casual Wear
11. My Best Fashion Purchase: Better Dress

1st Place

Karen Russell-Macon
Tiffany Goldhamer-Wilson
Naomi Smith-Warren
Betisu Lovett-Williamson
No Entries
Tiffany Goldhamer-Wilson
Karen Russell-Macon
Karen Patterson-Smith
Brenda Clark-Warren
Sue Adcock-Warren
Regina McCathern-Wilson

2nd Place

Robin George-Wilson
Lisa Hunter-Coffee
Lisa Cruse-Wilson
Regina McCathern-Wilson
Jean Blick-Robertson
Sue Adcock-Warren
Jeannie Freeze-Coffee
Robin Robinson-Wilson
Deborah Foster-Marshall
Mary Srmek-Coffee

Viewer's Choice Award Winner: Sewing for an adult (over 18) Tiffany Goldhamer-Wilson



Creative Writing Winners

1st Place

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| 1. Poetry | Jane Sullivan-Maury |
| 2. Essays | Greta Kirby-Smith |
| 3. Short Stories | Evelyn Hilton-Williamson |
| 4. Children's Stories | Greta Kirby-Smith |
| 5. Feature Article/News Article | Cindi Lindsey-Bedford |
| 6. Miscellaneous | Brenda Mitchell-Warren |

2nd Place

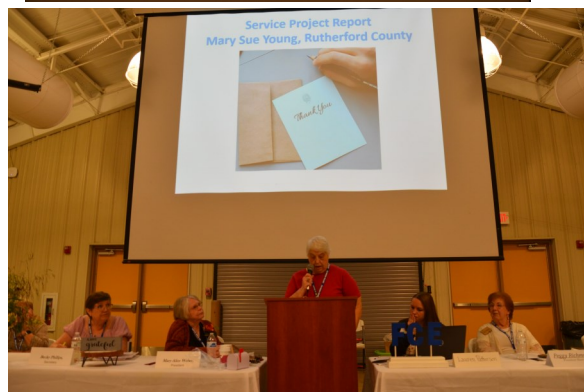
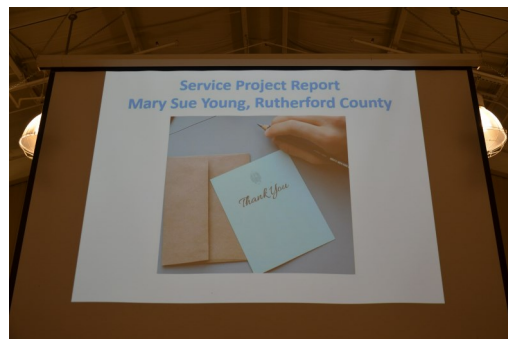
Jennifer Thompson-Grundy
Brenda Mitchell-Warren
Greta Kirby-Smith
Sylvia Gray-Maury
Mary Alice Weber-Williamson
Greta Kirby-Smith

FCL Graduates

Eileen Abbey-Marshall County
Debbie Jennings-Wilson County
Jean Smith-Rutherford County
Jennifer Thompson-Grundy County



Over 500 Thank You cards for healthcare workers were brought from across the Central Region. The cards were delivered by Mary Sue Young and FCE Members in Rutherford County for our service project.







‘Saddle Up with FCE’ Conference Recap

What wonderful memories we made as we Saddled Up with FCE in 2022 at the Franklin Marriott. Some numbers to ponder: 229 registered to attend all or some of the days or events. 111 evaluations were turned in, 47 stated that reuniting with friends was their main and most rewarding reason to come to conference! Other areas that ranked high were: great theme, prom meal, fashion revue, hospitality room, great teachers for creative craft, walk-in and education sessions, region breakfast, Cowboy Dan, and last but not least, excellent conference leadership and workers!

If you got home and found an extra Conference Pin in your bag, PLEASE send me word. If you paid and did not receive your pin, PLEASE let me know. I will try to match you up, so sorry, we ordered 100 pins in hopes that we wouldn't have lots left over, then somehow somebody messed up and put pins in bags while the correct ones were put in your envelopes or handed to you at registration.

Things we could work on: conference pin issue, tour cancellation issue, bingo and dance separated because of sound, bingo not having to move (hotel error), Pony Express (lots loved the idea, possibly as members correspond during the year, it will bring closure to it. Or, maybe make a bigger issue at the First Timer meeting and match people there?), eat at Prom before the entertainment!! and review Robert's Rules before the business meeting.

Let the dust settle and be content, Central Region hosted a successful TAFCE Conference!

Emily Gordon, 2022 Conference Chair



Table Decoration Winners



1st Place: Grundy County

2nd Place Putnam County

3rd Place Coffee County

